

AN INCIDENT IN THE GLASS STRUGGLE

FIRST, last and all the time, forever and eternally, the recent trial and conviction of Fred D. Warren, editor of the Appeal to Reason, stands as a battle in the class struggle between the owners and users of wealth, between those who work and have not, and those who have but work not, between the plutocratic and democratic forces of this nation, between the proletariat and bourgeoisie of the world.

Those who instigated and led the prosecution steadily sought to minimize the importance of the case—asserting that it was a mere misdemeanor committed by the individual, Fred D. Warren—and that questions of free speech, free press and Socialism did not enter into it.

A workman, a labor leader, a Socialist agitator—either one of whom, or all together, in the eyes of the capitalist class, are its enemy, and a menace to capitalist institutions.

As a result, twelve republicans, every one of whom was opposed to the labor and Socialist movements, were chosen to sit in judgment upon the offense alleged to have been committed by Warren.

In these unavoidable guerrilla fights incessantly springing up from the ever-coasting encroachments of capital or changes of the market.

GOT WHAT HE DESERVED.

The editor of the Appeal to Reason had been sentenced to serve a 25-year term in the penitentiary for using the mails to defame a character.

This choice item reprinted in a recent issue of The Press, of Muncie, Ind., typically illustrates the veracity of the news handed out to a gullible public by capitalist papers.

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However, it was proved and was so admitted by the prosecuting attorneys, as well as by the United States attorney general's office at Washington City.

Yet, the editor of this paper was arrested and convicted—sentence deferred—for the alleged commission of a crime not as reprehensible as are the crimes admitted to be committed daily by others against whom no prosecution has been instituted.

Why this discrimination? Of course in the existing bitterness of the class struggle in which the plutocrats and their retainers are lined up solidly against the wealth producers it is not expected that the champions of the working class will be given equal justice with their opponents.

Under the circumstances and with this explanation it is no surprise that such bare faced lies are published as is the one recently peddled by the Starke County Republican.

ONE of the immediate demands in all Socialist party platforms is the enactment by congress of a law authorizing an income tax.

What to Read on Socialism. This is a booklet by the editor of the International Socialist Review, which is not a mere catalog.

Center Shot Leads hit the mark. 10 cents 100, postpaid.

Shall Liberty Die?

BY PERRY ENGELS.

The coward, the tyrant, the wrongdoer, are afraid of free press and free speech.

Whatever progress the world has made toward justice and human liberty has resulted by agitation through free press and free speech.

Wendel Phillips was rotten-egged because he would not be muzzled.

Recently Pulitzer of the World, and Warren of the Appeal to Reason were indicted in order to destroy free press.

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Plutocracy and human liberty are two competing forces—one must live, the other must die.

The history of the world shows that when free press and free speech are muzzled that liberty is receding and monarchy is advancing.

Napoleon in his despotism censored the press, banished Madame de Staël and had Palm, the bookseller, shot.

The Czar of Russia is a deadly enemy of free press—despotism can not live under the sunlight of free press.

When the federalists in the days of Adams and Hamilton fettered the press, democracy, led by Jefferson, won the day and held control for fifty years.

Star chamber courts are un-American. Lese majeste might live in Russia, but not in America.

The alien and sedition laws almost caused a rebellion in this country over a hundred years ago.

Contrades, if you love liberty better than slavery, life better than death, humanity better than plutocracy, then circulate the Appeal to Reason by the million copies—hand all your copies to others to be read.

In the language of Washington to his army just before the battle of Long Island: "The eyes of our countrymen are upon us, and we shall have their blessings and praises; if happily we are the instruments of saving them from the tyranny meditated against them."

A JUST ENVIRONMENT. Leclaire, Ill., has 6,000 population. During eighteen years of its existence it has not had a law suit, it has never had one of its citizens arrested, it has never had a policeman, mayor or city council and no dependents or deficients.

CHILD LABOR IN COTTON MILLS.

The present system of industry is bad—for the workers. It is good—for the masters.

I have before me the statement of the Union Cotton Co., Fall River, Mass., for the year 1907.

It employs 850 people, nearly all women and children. It has a capital of \$1,200,000, which is mostly water—at any rate it has been paid back to them, water and all, more than twice in nine years.

Lovejoy was murdered because he believed in a free press.

Garrison was dragged through the streets of Boston with a rope around his neck because he advocated free speech.

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Under Socialism the public would own the industries.

No dividends to a few people because they owned things.

The public get the capital? Why in three years the profits on the business would furnish the capital.

At last he turned to his son-in-law, and after a few loving words with him embraced his daughter, saying simply:

"If I should not return, my girl, you are among friends here, and will have a protector."

Such a constraint was upon the little audience that I broke in with some instructions of a business nature to relieve the tension, handing the old man a sum of money which I judged would be sufficient for his need.

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The Man Who Bought an Island

BY CHARLES LINCOLN PIPHER.

It was while attending the marriage feast that young Cone conceived an idea which, like many of its kind, was half-way between idiocy and brilliancy.

It occurred to him that if a sea-chest could be covered by the sand and then uncovered, possibly water-casks might be lying in the drifts by the sea-shore.

From the first, one of the problems of finishing the raft was to secure proper water-casks. It became a faith with Cone that he had solved this problem.

Early the following morning he might have been seen industriously at work with a pick digging here and there in the sand by the shore.

Under his insistence, now, work on the raft was rushed.

"The rainy season is approaching," he said, "and I want to get safely to shore before the rains come. I can see about returning afterward."

He left at six o'clock in the morning.

Promptly at the hour named every human inhabitant of the island was there.

Herron's undertaking was a purely unselfish one, and involved risks which made it in a sense heroic.

I thought of Columbus departing on an unknown sea; of Magellan daring to girdle the globe; and it seemed to me that, after all, neither displayed greater heroism than Herron, for he went alone, on a frail raft, not for glory, but for aid.

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to your discretion. If you can get boats to come, and take us to the mainland, all right. If you can't, and can find laborers who will work with us, well and good.

The old man stepped on the raft, Balse and Cone waded into the water and shoved it from shore.

It was an ideal day and the white sail showed plainly against the purple background.

The night was perfect. The next day and the night following were beautiful.

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Little Laughing Boy. A story of the Cave People; by Mary E. Marcy. (These stories started in our April number, and they are delightful grow-ups as well as children.)

THE BELGIAN LABOR PARTY. A chapter of working class history; by Robert Hunter.

THE NEGRO PROBLEM from the Negro's Point of View. By I. M. Robbins.

THE HAND OF SOCIALISM. (Poem). By Mounce Byrd.

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CARRY THE NEWS TO TAFT

The number of subscribers climbs past the 300,000 mark this week and from the way it looks, I think I can safely say that it is here to stay.

Table with columns: State, Off., On., Total. Lists subscription data for various states including Texas, Pennsylvania, California, etc.

AN ORIGINAL ABOLITIONIST.

Dear Comrade Warren: Of course it don't make any difference who I am, only I was an original abolitionist.

Time is the room of human development. The man who has no free time to dispose of, whose whole lifetime, apart from the mere physical interruptions by sleep, meals, and so forth, is absorbed by his labor for the capitalist, is less than a beast of burden.

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FOUR TIMES ONE.

A few weeks ago, the Appeal printed the following letter from Comrade (the Stohr) of Muskegon, Mich., one of the veteran Army workers.

WATCH WALL STREET.

Marlen E. Pew, the New York correspondent, has sent out a sensational letter of warning to investors in Wall Street securities.

Thus will the Wall street operators boom prices of stocks and securities until the highest point is reached when the crash will again come and thousands of lambs will be shorn to the cuticle.

UNION AGAINST UNION.

That is indeed a deplorable state of affairs in organized labor in which one labor union threatens to scab upon another as reported in the following press dispatch from Fort Worth, Texas.

Local Montrose Makes Good.

Local Montrose, Colo., sent out a call to its membership for fifty new subscribers to the Appeal as a protest against the Fort Scott fiasco.

Local Unionism, W. Va., at its meeting Thursday night, instructed me as its secretary to send a word of sympathy and encouragement to Fred D. Warren, Jr.

Center Shot Leaflets hit the mark. 10 cents 100, postpaid.

"THE LITTLE SOCIALIST MAGAZINE," for children, beautifully illustrated, is a new publication offered to the comrades.

"Who will consent to do the dirty but necessary work of the world?" Those who consent to do it now? A few unfortunates are compelled to do it from necessity today, but under Socialism all would have to do their part.

"Who will be willing to work in the mines and the fields?" Those who use the products of such labor. Why not? Is one set of men so much more sacred or better than others that they should be exempt from necessary duty?

LATEST advice from Leavenworth and Washington say that the report recently sent out by the Associated Press to the effect that President Taft pardoned Col. Encarnacion Diaz Guerra, the aged Mexican patriot who was sentenced to eighteen months imprisonment from Del Rio, Tex., is erroneous, and that Guerra is still doing time in the penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan. Guerra, it will be remembered, was tricked into pleading guilty to the charge of violating the neutrality laws of the United States during a mock trial in the federal court at Del Rio about six weeks ago.

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DOES IT REALLY DESIRE TO KNOW?

The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, is agitated about Socialism. It wants to know several things and asks the following questions: "Who will consent to do the dirty but necessary work of the world?"

ple. Under Socialism this will be freer, and men with wealth cannot take it away from the man who does things, leaving them to often die in the poor house in old age.

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It appears to me that the word "incentive" covers every one of your questions. What incentive is there today for men to give up business that pays them twenty times as much as the salary of a congressman, senator or member of the cabinet to take those positions?

No Socialist pretends to know just what laws and regulations will be established in the future. And any other person would be foolish to assume that he knew. What we are trying to do is to express our highest ideals of what could and should be.

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