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The Warren Case to Date

Fred D. Warren was indicted May 7, 1907. He gave bond May 8, 1907, for appearance at the November term, 1907, after first appearing before the court and asking immediate trial and being denied a hearing.

November, 1907.—Editor Warren appeared before the court at Fort Scott, with his attorneys, ready for trial, and on application of the government, postponement was taken till the May term of court, 1908.

May, 1908.—Editor Warren appeared before the court with his attorneys, ready for trial, and on application of the government, postponement was granted until "after election," November 9, 1908. On November 9, 1908, Warren again appeared at Fort Scott, with his attorneys, ready for trial, and once more the state asked for a continuance. The case was postponed until May 3, 1909.

May 3, 1909.—The attorneys for Warren insisted on a trial, and at last the state prepared for a hearing. Indeed, it had been preparing for some time before.

EX-Governor Taylor, of Kentucky was paroled, so he might have the state of Indiana in safety, and come to Kansas to testify. A jury, made up almost exclusively of republicans, had been selected. The result was foredoomed. A verdict of guilty was brought.

May 5.—The court announced that it would pass sentence, in accordance with the decision of the jury, and hear arguments for a new trial, in two weeks.

May 8.—The judge announced that he would defer passing sentence on Warren until the November term of court, 1909.

May 19.—The judge announced that he would hear the argument and pass upon the motion for a new trial at Fort Scott on June 25.

This last announcement of the sudden calling of the case after it had been postponed until November was a great surprise. It was entirely unexpected to Warren who received the notice direct, for the first time, from the prosecuting attorney's office at Topeka.

What the significance of this sudden change is can only be conjectured. The time allowed is but a week. The attorneys for the defense cannot prepare their case and do it justice in so short a time. It is quite evident that there is good cause for the sudden change, but what that may be is at this time entirely a matter of speculation.

Presumably the judge has concluded to dispose of the case, one way or the other, without further delay. From the beginning it has been a losing case for the government. It never really had a case at all and the judge himself intimated so very strongly in one of the early hearings.

For the Appeal it has been a losing case only in a financial way. It has been mulcted of many thousands of dollars, but otherwise it has gained steadily and is today stronger far than ever before in its moral influence with the masses.

One reason given for disposing of the Warren case on such short notice is to clear the way for the indictment and prosecution of Wayland and Debs.

Will this be the next move? We shall see.

It is reported that some of the federal officials have always said that there was no good case against Warren, but that all are agreed that there is a good case against Wayland and Debs and that a much more effective attack can be made upon the Appeal through their indictment for civil and criminal libel. Crack your whips, gentlemen!

FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

Never before have I so keenly felt the necessity of such a paper as the Appeal to Reason.

When it was still untrammelled by federal lawsuits and was simply advocating the cause of Socialism I believe it had a mission and was doing good. I am more than ever convinced of this since the capitalist power, as represented by the federal government, has made such strenuous efforts to suppress it.

But now that the Appeal is engaged in a double fight, one against capitalism and the other for its life, I realize as never before how necessary such a paper is in a crisis such as is now upon us.

I have never claimed, nor do I now claim, any credit for myself for whatever good this paper has done in the past, or may do in the future. What it is it has been made, not by me nor by any other individual, but by the great Army of Appeal workers who, in and out of season, in storm and shine, have stood by it, served it, supported it, worked for it, and made sacrifices which but few are capable of appreciating and which seem almost unbelievable.

It is not an easy matter to fight for a cause with the grip of the enemy upon your throat and the Appeal just now knows what it is to be in such a situation.

But no disheartening word, or even whisper, has been heard from it and none will be so long as its Army of faithful supporters stand by it.

If those of us who are now getting out the paper are sent to prison, it will make but little difference, since there must be some to pay these penalties and there is no reason why we should prefer that others pay them instead of ourselves.

The attempts which have been made to suppress this paper have resulted in increasing the determination of its supporters not only to save it but to make it stronger than it may deal yet more powerful blows at the gang of pirates who are exploiting this nation and the system under which they are enriching themselves beyond the dreams of avarice by robbing and impoverishing the great masses of the people.

In this hour when almost anything

"LIKE STOCKS AND BONDS."

The plutocrats of New York, headed by John D. Rockefeller and John Pierpont Morgan, who have organized the labor exchange to find places for the unemployed, have made a statement to the public which contains a line which should be read and remembered by every workingman and woman. In setting forth the objects of the exchange it is stated that the prime purpose is "to put labor on the market like stocks and bonds." This is frank and commendable, brutal as it appears to be and is. In this line the contention made by Socialists that labor is but a commodity the same as hides, sewer pipe and fertilizer is conceded. The workingman may here see just how his capitalist master regards him. He has refused to believe the Socialist but he now has the word of the capitalist for it that in the present system is put upon the market and there bought and sold the same as any other kind of stock.

Labor and the laborer are one and inseparable. Labor is the laborer and when labor is put upon the market, as stated by the labor exchange, organized by the New York capitalists, it simply means traffic in wage-slaves on a continental scale.

The chattel slaves of half century ago were sold from the auction block and there was some sharp competition and high bidding to secure them.

The wage slaves of the present day are sold in the labor market which extends over all the country, but so great have been the changes in the methods of production that there are millions of these slaves for whom there are no bidders and they wander about on the ragged edge, miserable, half-fed like vagabond dogs, a drug on the market, a curse to themselves and a dead weight upon society.

This is the condition which prevails under the present system and will continue to prevail as long as workingmen line up in capitalist parties and give their support to their masters instead of organizing their own class and developing their own economic and political power as a means of achieving their own emancipation.

Alas, that workmen should submit for a single hour to being treated "like stocks and bonds." The very suggestion, to say nothing of the fact, is an insult to their intelligence and a reproach to their manhood.

How much longer will American workmen vote to have themselves treated "like stocks and bonds?"

THERE IS NO PEACE.

All the talk about peace between nations is vain so long as the economic conditions which make for peace are wanting. The people may yearn for peace and plead for peace, but war will come and blood will be shed as long as capitalism prevails. Under capitalism nations are enemies and fight each other for economic mastery. The capitalists themselves, many of whom are prating about peace, understand this well enough as made evident by the fact that while they are preaching peace they are increasing their armament and preparing for war. This in itself proves that they are not sincere and that they do not mean what they say.

War is the normal state of capitalism—indeed, capitalism is war, the war of tooth and fang and beak and claw. Today the whole civilized world is a battlefield and any moment the armed hosts may be precipitated upon each other and rend each other with all the terrible implements of modern warfare.

It was the czar of Russia who initiated the movement for international peace and the Hague conferences which have been held, annually and from which practically nothing has resulted, so far as ending war is concerned.

On the contrary, the more talk there has been about the peace the more preparation there has been for war. The truth is that the capitalists can no longer find excuse for bloody warfare and so they are compelled to at least pretend that they are for peace. Their barbarous butcheries are laying their responsibilities at their doors and so they must hold peace conferences and persuade the people, by issuing manifestos filled with smooth rhetoric, that they are opposed to war and are in favor of universal peace. But there can be no peace while the capitalist spirit, which is the spirit of cannibalism, rules the world.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg, Russia, is pertinent to this discussion and very illuminating. We quote as follows:

St. Petersburg, May 12.—The duma today appropriated 8,840,000 rubles for the improvement of the army.

Simultaneously with the announcement of this heavy appropriation comes news from the Kiev district telling of the frightful famine conditions throughout the province.

The famine is rapidly spreading and two-thirds of the population of the province already are starving slowly to death.

This shows the true capitalist spirit. The czar of Russia, under whose savage rule Russia is being decimated by famine—one of the bloodiest despots that ever sat on a throne—inaugurated the peace movement and to show his sincerity, he now exhausts the treasury of the empire to increase his armament while he allows his famine stricken subjects to perish by thousands. This is how the ruling class favor peace. They have millions to squander for the destruction of life, but not a dollar to save the perishing. Their hypocrisy is exceeded only by their cold-blooded brutality.

There will never be any peace until international Socialism establishes the material and economic conditions which make for peace and then peace will come as naturally as the dawn follows the night.

JUST AS YOU VIEW IT.

In a recent address in New York Henry Clews, the banker, stated that if Socialism gained the ascendancy in this country that the nation would decay. Mr. Clews sees this nation to be the capitalists' and he is right from that view-point. There will be a very rapid decay of millionaires, trusts, monopoly dinners and such like. And while he may regret this very much, it is the very thing for which we desire to have Socialism. He views Socialism just as a "king would view democracy—with alarm. But from the standpoint of a democrat it looks quite differently. The desire of men to possess what their labor produces is not to be checked by what will or will not please Mr. Clews. The upward sweep of Industrial Democracy is making the world politics of today—and if it were not a real force Mr. Clews would not have bothered to hire a hall to speak about it.

Socialism loves the stars and stripes so well that it would fly them, not over arsenals and forts, but over factories and railroads, as a symbol of commonwealth.

Pledge of Loyalty.

San Francisco, Cal., June 29. Dear Old Appeal:
 I have been with you for the past ten years and shall continue to be with you as long as I have a vote or a dollar. I first saw the Appeal in Astoria, Alaska. THE READING OF A SINGLE COPY MADE A SOCIALIST OF ME FOR GOOD AND EVER. That was a long time ago but I have never flickered from that day to this in my loyalty to the Appeal.

This is the time for our old veterans, as well as our young recruits, to show the stuff they are made of. The fight the Appeal is making is for progress, freedom and humanity. Let us roll up our sleeves and roll in the subscribers while the Appeal is so bravely fighting the battles of the oppressed and downtrodden.

I am with you for the Revolution.—A. B. Gilson.

ADVANCING SOCIALISM.

All over the world the Socialist movement is marching toward its triumphant destiny. Never in all history was there such a movement of the masses toward a common end. It is the only movement among men today that gives promise of deliverance from tyranny and oppression.

Every conceivable objection is being made to Socialism by ingenious retainers, by hired scribblers, and by subsidized scoundrels, but in spite of all this the movement is marching grandly toward its goal.

The greatest obstacle the Socialist movement has to overcome is the ignorance of the people. They are easily influenced to believe that Socialism is this, that, and the other thing, anything in fact except what it actually is, to arouse their prejudice and opposition.

The ruling class in present society wishes of course to remain the ruling class and for this Socialists do not blame them. They are standing upon their class privileges and are influenced by their class interests and to them Socialism is of course a menace and a horror. That they should exert themselves to resist Socialism and train all their batteries upon it, including misrepresentation and falsehood, is easy enough to understand.

The rantings of a Roosevelt are here readily accounted for. Himself a capitalist whom fate and accident combined to make a bogus hero, he is the very man to sully as the David of his people in making war upon the plutocrats.

Every artifice that ingenuity can devise has been brought into play to make Socialism appear as a frightful ogre and yet the Socialist movement pursues its majestic and world-wide march to victory.

Socialism is invincible because it is in line with industrial evolution and social development. It cannot be defeated any more than the sunrise could be enjoined or gravitation suspended. The capitalists and all their vast army of retainers and apologists may attack it with all their might but they will only succeed in making it stronger and hasten the day of its triumph. Socialist parties may rise and fall, differences may arise and discord do its deadly work, but the movement toward industrial democracy and social freedom will go forward just the same.

Let no Socialist become discouraged because at times the signs appear unfavorable. This is upon the surface only and every seeming reverse is but a fresh gathering of the forces that are making for the world-wide triumph of Socialism.

SOCIAL DEMOCRACY.

The Socialist movement is as wide as the world. It is a revolutionary movement in the sense that it proposes to absolutely abolish the private ownership of the sources and means of life and reorganize society upon the basis of the social ownership by the collective people of all the essential means of wealth production.

This will be social democracy. The will of the people will be supreme. All will have equal voice in the industrial and political affairs of the nation. Upon such a basis it will be possible to rear a real republic. The economic dependence of man upon man will be no more. The plutocrat and the pauper will alike disappear. Industry will be democratically administered. The work day will be reduced in proportion to the progress of invention. All will do useful work and none will be overworked. Modern machinery makes it possible, when properly applied to the productive uses of the community, to so lighten the burdens in the work shops, mills and on the farms as to make it possible for all to have ample leisure to read good books, improve the mind, refine the sensibilities, hear and appreciate fine music and enjoy social intercourse with neighbors and comrades.

It is worth your while to read the literature of the Socialist movement and the platform of the party to find out for yourself just what it means to you and to your loved ones and just what it means to the world for all mankind.

The Socialist movement is the grandest on earth and you can, if you will, hasten its triumph.

HARD TIMES.

Notwithstanding the glowing reports of prosperous times which appear in the daily papers, the times are hard, very hard, and there is no immediate prospect of any change for the better. There have been sweeping reductions of wages in the steel and iron industry, thousands of railroad employes have been laid off, and the mining conditions were scarcely ever at so low an ebb.

Why are the times hard? What excuse is there to offer? The country is fabulously rich with resources, machinery of every kind is at hand and there are workers without number, and yet the resources remain undeveloped, the machinery is silent and the workers are idle and many of them are actually suffering.

Last fall during the campaign the Socialists were all but ignored by the millions of workmen who had it in their power to vote themselves into power; they preferred to cast their votes in support of the capitalist system and they are now gathering their harvest in uncertain employment, low wages, idleness, and starvation.

It is true that a few labor leaders have been pretty well provided for, such as Powderly and O'Keefe and other union politicians who are rewarded with fat offices for steering the labor sheep into the shambles of capitalism, but as for the rank and file the conditions are quite as bad as in any of the acute panics which have occurred during the past thirty years.

In Indiana and Illinois the mining conditions are simply appalling. They are no better in Kansas and other western states, and as for the anthracite district of Pennsylvania if the conditions there have ever been any worse there is no record of it.

All of this under the Taft prosperity administration! What do you millions of workers who are responsible think of yourselves, anyway?

Of course, if Bryan had been elected and the democratic party was in power the conditions would be quite as bad if not worse. No matter which of these capitalist parties is in power capitalism, of which they are but the political props, is crumbling and no power can save it from its inevitable fate.

Every wage reduction, every silent mill and mine and every worker vainly looking for work is proof positive that capitalism is dying, and there is no hope for betterment in the prevailing system. Socialism is the only salvation of the people.

Yes, times are hard, without a doubt, but are they as hard as the heads of those are soft who are responsible?

SYNDICATE RETAIL STORES.

Following the successful method adopted by the tobacco trust in operating retail stores, a syndicate to operate candy stores, another to operate drug stores, another to operate dry goods stores and another to operate nickel stores have been organized. The retail merchants, like ostriches with their heads in the sand, think they are immune from the octopus. But they are all doomed. The retail business of the nation, even in villages such as the Standard Oil supplies, is doomed to extinction. A corporation can do the business better, cheaper and more profitably to the owners than can many little snarling, quarrelsome, jealous groups of retailers. Of course the cities will be first taken over, for there the business is so compact that it is ready for the new methods. When the larger places are conquered the syndicates will reach out into the smaller ones. There are now in this country some fifty retail syndicates that own and operate from twenty to five hundred retail establishments each. The retail merchant who understands the Socialist philosophy will be the one that will escape the clutches of the syndicates with a whole skin. The smart aleck fellows who have no time to waste on Socialism—they are falling like grain before the reaper.

Free Press and Free Speech

Subscription pledges continue to flow in freely from all sources. Not only readers of the Appeal, but others are beginning to understand the meaning of this fight. As a result the people are becoming aroused. The letters that pour into this office from every part of the country bear sufficient evidence of the fact that the fight the Appeal is making is appreciated by the men and women who believe in the free discussion of public questions.

To what extent the pledges here called for may be needed is not yet known, but if Wayland should be sued, as is rumored, for \$50,000 damages, and Debs indicted for criminal libel, according to the conclusion arrived at by the Kansas federal officials in conference with the attorney general and the so-called department of justice at Washington, a very large amount of money will be needed to keep the paper from being overwhelmed and swept out of existence.

The significant thing is that the Appeal as a Socialist propaganda paper is of enough consequence to stir up the entire capitalist administration. If the Appeal had not such a tremendous influence, no attention would be paid to it but the work it is doing is alarming the plutocrats and they have given the order to their political hirelings to put it out of business.

You might know it happened in Pittsburg, the rotten political borough. Three high school boys had their essays censored by the political puppet who heads the school, and so they refused to speak, though they were the first in honors. The superintendent told them their essays were too radical and that they should not treat of present day problems. These are the boys who have the spirit of the future and will be factors in the social revolution.

The earlier railroads of the United States were for the most part projected and built by the public, just as the Panama canal is now being built. The private initiative of which you hear so much consisted of schemes to enrich the public out of them.

LATEST BY WIRE

Monday, June 28.
 This form is lifted from the press to report that advices have just been received by wire that the hearing in the Warren case has been postponed from Monday, the 28th, to Thursday, July 1st. Clarence Darrow will make the leading argument for a new trial.

The Canadian express companies are under investigation by the railway commissioners of our sister country. Something like American management is shown. For instance the Canadian express company never had but \$27,500 paid in for stock, and it has a capital of \$3,000,000 on which it is paying a dividend of 12 per cent yearly! When men can use a public utility and draw \$300,000 a year on \$27,500, is it any wonder that they can dwell in palaces while the clod-hoppers live like animals? But to have the public own and operate the express companies would be the foulest of paternalism. Say, aren't the people wise? Aren't they lush?

All the packers have to do is to bribe the inspectors and let the meat go good, when in fact it is rotten. If they want meat cheap, they have it condemned, buy it for soap grease—and then use it for the market as prime beef. This is the testimony in the beef investigation. The people pay the bills, the political pets get the jobs and the people get skinned. Under Socialism there would be no private profit in any stage of the meat industry. The public would own the industry and the people would get the products at cost. There would be no incentive by anybody to bribe anybody. We could then not only have a clean product, but we could have a clean government.

INSURANCE.

Where the capital of the nation and the jobs belonged to all the people, where no man or woman had any fear of want and where, if they were disabled, they would be cared for as the government cares for its soldiers who are sick, or wounded, or old, what more could insurance do for them? Where the property of the nation, if burned, the loss would fall on all the people, what use for fire insurance? The fact of want drives men to pay \$3 for \$3 worth of either fire or life insurance. The fifty thousand men who get a living out of insurance would be given other and, as a whole, better paying employment producing things, and the whole world would be better off, for what is not produced cannot be consumed. But before Socialism comes, it is likely that State insurance will supersede the grafting system of corporation insurance. It can do it cheaper and safer than any private capital. The national government does not insure its property. It would be silly to do so.

UPPER CLASS ORGIES.

If you desire to know what great private wealth has done, how it protects the family, just read the doings of Anna Gould and the wife of her brother Howard. You jaspers are furnishing the money that produces this degeneracy among the rich. You do it by voting for men who believe in private ownership of the industries. In the trial between Howard Gould and his wife, the income of Howard was given by him as follows:
 1902, \$725,000;
 1903, 782,000;
 1904, 706,000;
 1905, 742,000;
 1906, 778,000;
 1907, 748,000.

There are six of the Gould heirs, each of whom gets this much or more. The estate is not divided. Two thousand dollars a day for these worthless people and two dollars a day for the men who produce it. That is what you American jaspers vote for. That is the direct effect of your votes for men who believe in private ownership of the railroads. It is your fault—your stupidity, Gould's wife, an ex-actress and drunkard, swore that a lady could not dress properly under \$10,000 a year, besides other expenses. You voters give your wives two or three cheap dresses a year—but you vote to give the drunken wives of the masters of railroads \$10,000 a year for dresses.

You workers are used merely as slaves were used of yore—for the masters' pleasure and profit, and you get mad when your real friends try to show you how you are being "done." Wake up!

There is a distinction between commercialism and capitalism. Commerce is now conducted under capitalism, and the profit-mongery and graft attaching to the management often leads the unthinking to condemn commercialism. But commerce is a good thing. When managed by Socialism it will humanize and unify the world.

The first act of Lorimer, the senator from Illinois, elected by democratic votes, was to vote against an income tax and for a higher tariff. The democrats represent the common people you know.

THE WARREN DEFENDERS.

The sudden change in the attitude of the court in the Warren case is, to say the least, surprising. The court set the hearing for the motion for a new trial for the November term and now like a flash comes the notice that the case is set for Monday next, allowing no time for preparing the argument. What this sudden move means is purely conjectural.

The reports which have been published in the capitalist papers to the effect that the jurors have been threatened and that their records were being looked up and that other matters of a sensational nature would be sprung by the Appeal may or may not have influenced the attitude of the court in so suddenly hastening the trial of the issue after announcing another prolonged postponement.

This fight is simply an incident in the great class struggle which is shaking the whole civilized world. It is the fight of the working class, the common people, against oppression and robbery; the age-old fight of the masses for freedom. Every man who loves liberty; every man who favors human progress and aspires to enjoy the blessings of freedom is vitally interested in this fight and ought to come to the front as so many have already done and pledge himself to secure at least one subscriber a week till the crisis is passed. Cut out and use the blank below:

One Subscription Per Week Pledge

To the Little Old Appeal:
 Count me in as one of the "Warren Defenders." I agree to send to the Appeal one subscriber each week until November. Herewith find my first name on this pledge. I also agree to enlist other comrades in this work.

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Just for the Asking

Socialism and Factories.

Under Socialism, if a factory worker received the full product of his labor, how much would he have? It is a question...

Under the case supposed, the production of the workers would not be \$1,000, but \$1,000 less a per cent for operating expenses...

On the eve of very national election such a "headquarters" is established at Chicago and placed in charge of a brace of grafters who were once railroad employees and wear the union badge as the symbol of their stock in trade.

Strikes Under Socialism.

(1) Under socialistic regime, would the workers be permitted to combine? (2) If a body of workers, say the railway men, were to be treated by the national authorities...

THE GOODS DELIVERED.

At the time Wm. H. Taft, now president, was a candidate for the nomination, a year or so ago, the usual "headquarters" for railroad employees was established at Chicago...

THE POOR PAY THE TAXES.

If the property of the nation were assessed by the expenses of the national government, wouldn't the rich, who own most of the property, have to pay most of the tax?

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.

The old parties have given the country good "business" administrations. Sure, Mike. Now take the express companies, for instance. They have capital, practically, and yet they make many millions a year carrying packages that Uncle Sam refuses to admit to the mails.

JULY PROPAGANDA PACKAGE

- 5 each of the January and February Review, containing Jack London's "The Call of the Wild" \$1.00
5 each of the March and April Review, containing John Murray's illustrations of the Revolution in Mexico and the Rising Revolution 1.00
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Total value \$4.00

This package, including 2,500 pages of propaganda literature, will be mailed to any Appeal reader for 60 cents, provided the order reaches us during July.

Charles H. Kerr & Company, 128 West Madison Street, Chicago

Party Progress

We have a local here now of eighteen members and things are flourishing for our side. The people want liberty...

Resolutions

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Make Ready for the Battle.

I enclosed find order for sub cards. It is time everybody was waking up. The people here know but little about Socialism...

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Waste of time has been condemned by the wise in all ages. But who can prevent waste of time under present conditions?

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To keep this hold upon the people requires eternal vigilance and unceasing activity.

Every day's work of the Army is the Appeal's pulse-beat, strong or weak, as the case may be.

Without ceaseless activity on the part of the Appeal's supporters the paper could not long survive.

No paper in the United States has so many powerful and malicious enemies as the Appeal. Their opposition is not open and above board where it can be met and resisted, but like the Chinese quarters in large cities, it is under ground and in the dark where it can be felt, but not seen.

A letter just received from the wife of a postmaster who is a Socialist while her husband is a Taftite, informs us—enjoining the pledge of secrecy—that no effort is made to deliver the Appeal to subscribers, but that on the contrary as many copies as possible are done away with, a number of each issue going into the waste basket. Many such officials scattered over the country combine to make it extremely difficult for the Appeal to serve its subscribers and cause the mail to be burdened with complaint because the paper is not delivered.

But our comrades understand all this and by faithful service are counteracting these influences. This the Appeal appreciates and to each and all it sends hearty thanks.

Such service at this time is of tenfold value. It counts more now than ever before.

Let me ask each of you comrades and friends to examine the list below and then see what you can do to between now and next week to improve it. You may rest assured that the federal officials have got their eye on our circulation barometer and know exactly how it fluctuates and what effect the prosecution of Warren and Debs are having upon it.

The higher the circulation goes the more certain is the cause of the Appeal, in the courts and outside of them, to be triumphant.

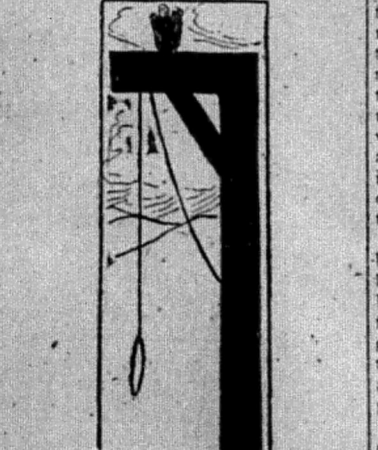
State	Off.	On.	Total.
Texas	898	428	21,427
Pennsylvania	479	545	21,239
California	596	454	19,027
Ohio	338	428	18,578
Oklahoma	379	348	17,383
Missouri	290	315	14,257
Illinois	297	306	13,223
Kansas	229	375	13,188
Washington	232	326	12,880
Minnesota	228	211	10,237
Indiana	211	204	9,733
Michigan	198	145	9,388
New York	219	203	9,450
Arkansas	297	172	9,008
Iowa	142	112	7,728
Wisconsin	113	109	7,456
West Virginia	74	78	4,847
Nebraska	145	108	5,198
Colorado	147	104	5,178
Massachusetts	131	102	4,667
Arizona	123	125	4,584
Wyoming	117	107	4,806
North Dakota	141	112	3,771
Louisiana	99	112	3,649
Montana	64	65	3,257
Florida	99	72	3,601
South Dakota	73	88	3,251
New Jersey	125	78	3,026
Alabama	67	60	2,998
New Mexico	66	113	2,850
Tennessee	57	46	2,805
Oregon	66	44	2,544
Georgia	30	44	2,544
Utah	33	80	2,529
North Carolina	36	53	2,453
Virginia	30	45	1,897
Idaho	48	46	1,854
Foreign	48	11	1,732
Connecticut	15	37	1,353
Alabama	15	13	1,241
Maine	33	48	1,519
Maryland	25	19	1,480
New Hampshire	21	37	1,605
Mississippi	25	36	1,226
Wyoming	25	39	1,182
Alaska	15	12	1,057
South Carolina	18	12	702
Vermont	5	21	628
Alaska	15	12	560
Rhode Island	15	11	537
Delaware	6	12	270
Dist. of Columbia	30	4	231
Totals	6,552	6,917	300,878
New subs for week ending June 19.			6,917
Expirations for week ending June 19.			6,552
Gain for week			365
Total			300,878

BARGAIN hunting is an effort to escape the profit system, sometimes at the expense of a crushed competitor. But bargain hunting will never escape the profit system. That can be done only through Socialism.

CAPITALISM is merely the latest form of mastery. It has developed greater absolutism and has become a greater robber than any that preceded it, but it will pass away like other forms have done.

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APPEAL TO REASON.

THEY who build the railroads tramp over them.

UNDER capitalism the incentive is too often sin-sensitive.

"THINGS will always be as they are," said the Indian west of the Mississippi two hundred years ago. But things are not as they were then.

INDUSTRIAL democracy, which is the very essence of Socialism, is true to American ideals and traditions than anything before the American people.

HOVELS FOR THE WORKERS.

I see that John Mitchell, the ex-labor leader, has bought a \$25,000 home in Brooklyn, N. Y. This is not said in criticism, for I live in a very good home myself. But what strikes me as the strangest thing in life is that the men who mine coal and who build fine houses and produce an abundance of good things are so stupid that they will vote to uphold a system of capitalism that prevents them from having such good things in life as they give Mitchell, myself and a few other more or less worthless thousands. Are not your wife and babies the same flesh and blood as mine? Do you not believe they are entitled to as much of the good things of life as my wife and children? Especially when I have never been a producer of things and you have?

Socialism will not prevent Mitchell or Wayland from living in as good houses as they now have, but it will enable you, who work with brawn and brain, to live just as well. You see we Socialists are not asking more for ourselves than we are willing and anxious that you also have. There is a plenty for all if you will but establish the system that will enable you to have and enjoy, according as you produce. Do you never get tired of producing only to see others enjoy and your own families in want? You are certainly an "unselfish" lot, if self-denial means unselfishness. Come to us and you shall live as well as Mr. Mitchell or any one else.

PAUPER POPULATION.

One of the paradoxes of capitalism is that the pauper population increases in inverse ratio to industrial progress. The more highly improved the means of production, the easier the production of wealth, the greater the number of paupers. This seems strangely contradictory and yet it is easily accounted for. In capitalism the lands, machinery, and other means of production and exchange are owned by a relatively small class and are operated for the private profit of that class without the least reference to the great masses of the people. As machinery is improved and become more efficient labor is displaced or its wage is reduced and as a result more and more become poverty stricken and finally recruit the pauper population.

The Local Government Board of London, England, has issued a recent report which is positively startling in the horrible conditions it discloses among the impoverished victims of capitalist society. According to this report one out of every fourteen persons in London is a pauper and one out of every twenty persons in all England and Wales is a pauper.

According to the same report England has a standing army of 683,775 paupers with more than a million auxiliaries.

A large part of this pauperism is of a permanent character. These hundreds of thousands of human beings have been gradually sunk to the dead level of helpless and hopeless pauperism from which there is no escape except in death. It is a showing so appalling as to stagger the senses and this notwithstanding the fact that there never was a time in the world's history when it was so easy as it is now to produce all the food and all other necessities to satisfy all the rational wants of the human race.

Surely there is something radically wrong in such a deplorable situation. One out of every fourteen persons a pauper in what is regarded as the most civilized nation of Europe. Think of it!

The relief of charity societies which capitalism affords its victims is pitiable and contemptible in comparison with their actual needs, and these countless victims, crushed though they be, cry to heaven for the overthrow of capitalism and for the reorganization of society in conformity with modern industrial conditions and upon a basis of common ownership of the means of wealth production so that the idle may be set to work and the horrors of pauperism ended forever.

London is the chief capitalist metropolis of the world. Its teeming millions represent in one poase and another all the fruit of capitalism. Here we have the arrogant, pompous and defiant lord, and the vain, selfish and arrogant dame, who never spin and never toil, the owners of the vast public domain and all the fabulous resources of the nation upon the one hand while upon the other there are the millions who struggle for a wretched existence and who are finally reduced to pauperism and find the end of their wretched career in six feet of earth in the potter's field.

This is the best that capitalism has been able to do for the masses of mankind and the verdict of every intelligent human being must be that it has fulfilled its mission and that it must now give way to another and a better system in which the masses will be supreme and live the lives of really civilized people.

Recollect that in London, the greatest city on earth, capitalism has reduced every fourteenth person to an abject pauper. How long will it be before capitalism makes the same showing in the United States?

THE CLASS STRUGGLE.

The fundamental fact of the Socialist movement is the class struggle. Without this such a movement as international Socialism would not only be impossible but unthinkable.

The antagonisms of capitalist society increase with its development and the more clear-cut and acute these become the stronger the working class movement and the earlier its triumph.

The present social system is called the capitalist system for the simple reason that it is dominated by the capitalist class. The capitalists own and control the sources of wealth, the machinery of production and the means of exchange; as a corollary they also control politics, including the judiciary, and as a result the entire machinery of government is operated in their interest. On the other hand the working class do not share in such ownership or control. All they have is their power to labor and in the capitalist system they are compelled to dispose of this at the market price to the capitalist class, thus being in antagonistic relation to that class and having no interest in common with that class.

It is from this fundamental antagonism, this indisputable historic fact, that the Socialist movement springs, and this antagonism and this fact must be clearly kept in mind and never lost sight of if the movement is to preserve its uncompromising character and be saved from the bogs of confusion and the rocks of destruction.

The capitalists and the workers represent two separate classes and these two classes are at war, the one beating down labor power and the other seeking to raise it up, and this class-division must be recognized clearly as a fundamental principle of both economic and political organization if the aim is to abolish the wage-system and establish a Socialist commonwealth.

The class struggle may grate offensively upon the ears of some and if so it is because they are too sensitive to face the fact and grapple with the situation as it is.

Liebkecht, the revolutionary veteran of the German movement, said that without recognition of the class struggle there was neither excuse nor necessity for the Socialist movement, and in this he was absolutely correct and spoke with his usual clear-sighted understanding of the material basis of antagonism between capital and labor which constitutes the foundation of the Socialist movement and without which that movement could have no existence.

There is nothing in the recognition of the class struggle to daunt or dismay any true Socialist, but there is everything in it to challenge his loyalty and inspire his most hearty approval and unwavering support.

SHERWOOD ON MILITARISM.

Isaac R. Sherwood, the independent congressman from the Toledo district, well known to our readers as a democrat of the old school, one of the extremely few survivors who dare to face the present situation and tell the truth about it, recently had something to say about militarism which is well worth quoting and keeping in mind. Said Mr. Sherwood:

Let me ask, how is it possible for labor to achieve a higher order of living under a trust-promoting tariff when everything that labor has to buy in order to live is an aggregate of 43 per cent of the cost of arbitrary prices fixed by monopoly, while labor is compelled to sell its effort in the open market in competition with all the world without any protection whatever? These enormous tariff taxes, all paid by the consumers, have fostered a vast army of parasites. And let me enumerate some of these parasites. First, the regular army, now recruited up to 37,000 men. Second, the army of 150,000 men who are in the great bodies of 250,000 men, all living full fed on the best of food products and clothing, and not a man adding a cent to the wealth of the country. Added to this, we have an enormous officers' list in the army and navy, all receiving magnificent salaries ranging from \$3,000 to \$12,500 a year. In fact, as stated by Senator Hale, of Maine, in the senate, 45 per cent of the taxes gathered from the energies of labor are now consumed in militarism—or, on the other hand, in the purchase of armaments and battleships. The appropriations made by the congress that adjourned March 4, 1909, aggregated the enormous and unprecedented total of \$1,000,000,000, and because of this enormous sum ever put into record, but some \$30,000,000 more than last year. This, for a time when over 2,000,000 gaunt and hungry men were tramping over and around the country looking for work with no work to be had.

The military establishment is as necessary to capitalism in the United States as it is to capitalism in the old world. Capitalism is capitalism and the result is the same so far as the workers are concerned, whether it be in so-called free America, monarchic Germany, or autocratic Russia. Militarism is the rule expressed by capitalism and it is the same under a republican or democratic administration.

Grover Cleveland, the alleged democrat, made exactly the same use of the troops in the labor strike of 1894 that William Taft, the alleged republican, would make of the troops in a labor strike today. Capitalism is militarism and there is little use to cry out against it unless the purpose be to show what capitalism is and open the eyes of the people to the fact that the democratic party and the republican party both stand for capitalism, and that the Socialist party is the only party which proposes to wipe out militarism by overthrowing capitalism, from which militarism springs.

When the people own the means by which they live, they will be able to employ themselves, and "employers" will be unnecessary. Most men who are said to do things merely side-step and let other people pay them for doing the things. Most people keep their sense where they keep their dollars—so they don't keep much.

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The public pays republican inspectors at this St. Louis plant \$100,000 a year salaries, besides the other costs. This is some of the evidence at the investigation of the St. Louis packing industry. You pay \$100,000 a year for this kind of inspection:

"I have seen animals in a dying condition dragged into the killing bed and marked 'U. S. Inspected and Passed.'"

Socialism is an enemy of the race, you know! Can you see the connection?

DECEIVING THE CHILDREN.

J. W. Harrison, a member of the International Shipping company, uses a page in a Sunday school paper to eulogize the tyrant on the Mexican throne. Teaching the boys and girls to revere the devil. If this is not stealing the lives of heaven to serve the devil in, then I have never come across a case of it. The beast on the necks of the poor Mexicans is as brutal as Caligula or Nero—but he favors American capitalists and that is enough. Revolution is imminent in that unfortunate country, and heretofore these articles to create a sentiment here in favor of the tyrant. They do not fool the Socialist. He sees below the surface.

ADVANCE OF JAPAN.

Frank G. Carpenter, the noted correspondent, writing from Japan after making an investigation of the recent industrial development there, makes some statements that are of great interest to American workmen. Within a few years Japan has thrown off her medieval garb and entered the arena of modern industrial competition and modern civilization. Says Mr. Carpenter:

Only a short time ago everything in Japan was made by hands in the houses. There were no large establishments and practically no factories. Today there is still an enormous home industry, but there are now 10,000 spinning factories and they employ altogether about 600,000 workmen. There are thousands of men who labor in every kind of the spinning factories. The women are now receiving about 22 cents a day and children as low as 6 cents, while the men receive about 34 cents. Cotton weavers receive about the same and silk weavers a cent or two more.

This wretched wage scale prevails proportionately in all other Japanese industries as will be seen by the following extract from the same letter:

Japanese mechanics are about as good workers as you will find anywhere. Every common carpenter, cabinet maker and many of the stone cutters would pass as sculptors. Here in Japan the master carpenter receives 65 cents a day, and the best men under him get 25 cents. This is for nine or ten hours' work. These carpenters are fully the equal of any we have in this country. Bricklayers, equal to those who receive as much as 45 cents a day, and 41 cents blacksmiths 28 cents a day, and 18 cents for the millwrights. Plumbers 35 cents, and that without help. And the day's work begins at 8 a. m. and ends at 5 p. m. The wage scale is from 50 to 80 cents, the average being 30 cents. Coal miners get from 28 to 41 cents blacksmiths 28 cents iron foundry 28 cents and machinists almost one dollar.

It will thus be seen that the modern wage system is now established in Japan and that modern industry is rapidly developing in that empire. During the next few years the factory system will be established in every department of industrial activity and millions of Japanese wage slaves will be producing commodities for the world's market, based upon the lowest wage scale in the world.

What is true of Japan is likewise true of China, which has ten times Japan's population. In these days of swift changes, the capitalist mode of production and modern industry in all its forms will soon be in full operation throughout the Japanese and Chinese empires and the teeming millions of these so-called "heathen" countries will come into direct competition with the workers of the United States and other nations. The result of such competition can be readily foreseen. The products of America will be driven from the market unless produced on the same cheap level. The lowest prices control the world's market and the product of Japan and China will in the next few years flood the world.

What then will become of the boasted protection of the American tariff laws? And what good will come from any legislation restricting foreign immigration?

These are questions for American workers to consider seriously. They will soon be in competition with the great masses of Asiatic laborers and their standard of wages and their standard of living must inevitably fall to the same level.

Capitalism is international and its trusts, syndicates and combines will have their work done and their commodities produced for the market where the lowest wage scales prevail and where the working class is most nearly enslaved.

Intelligent wage workers will see in this spread of modern industry over the nations of the far east the forerunner of the international solidarity of the working class. There is absolutely no hope of better conditions for labor under the capitalist system and the sooner the workers of all countries realize this and unite in the international Socialist movement to abolish the capitalist system and establish industrial democracy in which the workers shall be the people, the sooner will they and their children escape the poverty, insecurity and misery entailed upon them by the present system.

DEMOCRACY AND LABOR.

In the election last fall the American Federation of Labor, through its officials, endorsed the democratic candidates and made the campaign upon the basis that the democratic party was the friend of the working class. The national ticket went down with a tremendous crash. But Indiana was an exception and elected the democratic ticket by a substantial vote. Gompers canvassed the state and the labor unions were active in the support of Bryan and democracy. The "Union," of Indianapolis, official organ of the state federation, was particularly active. Everything possible was done to put the democratic party into power.

Well, after the election, these laborites said, "we have captured at least one state and here labor will get a square deal."

The democratic legislature of Indiana adjourned after a session of two months. It not only did nothing for labor but treated it with far greater contempt than even the republican party had done. Now says the editor of the "Union"—who was so active in the democratic campaign last fall—"the democratic party has thrown down organized labor," and calls it all kinds of names. The first page and the editorial page are filled with violent denunciations. This is an ancient story. It has happened so often that even petrified mummies ought to be familiar with it.

Two years ago it was the republican party in Indiana that threw down labor so hard and was denounced by the labor (?) lobby, and now it is the democratic party that has gone the reps one better in kicking labor out of the back door.

And yet we will wager an injunction that in the next election the "Union" and the political fakirs who are now howling will return to their vomit and will be plugging for either one or the other of these rotten capitalist parties.

Session after session they have been turned down and out, insulted and spat upon, first by the republican party and then by the democratic party, but they go limping back to their mess of potatoe forever. The late democratic legislature of Indiana, gave two or three union labor leeches spitoon cleaning jobs (one of them who started the lie on Debs that he employed non-union labor), and then turned down every measure introduced in the interest of labor and did everything that was possible to insult the labor lobby, if that body in Indiana and other states is capable of being insulted.

We are fortunate in having had one northern democratic state give unqualified evidence of its friendship for labor. Carry the news to Gompers!

IMPRACTICAL - MILLIONAIRES.

The press announces that a number of millionaire philanthropists of New York, including Jacob A. Schiff, have organized a large employment agency whose object is to find places for all who are out of work. The prospectus of the duly incorporated company furnishes an interesting estimate of the present labor situation. It says:

"While more than a million men have gone to work during the revival of trade during the last few months, there are still 2,000,000 wage earners idle. America's army of the unemployed equaling the combined forces of Russia and Japan in their late war. They should be earning at average rates about \$1,000,000,000 a year, considerably more than the national debt. On the wrong side of the ledger, they represent a drain of almost that much on the nation's prosperity. They should be purchasers, but they are, perforce, borrowers. Some of them are beggars."

The new business organization is to remedy matters merely by transporting the workers from the cities to the country. It seems the fiction that there is an immense middle class able to stand continual robbery and at the same time support the idle, is still believed by the millionaires. As a matter of fact, every small town over the country is overrun by the unemployed. If their number was collated it is probable it would exceed 2,000,000. It appears that the big industries have been able to absorb only 1,000,000 of the unemployed. They don't care to take more. Instead of that, they are importing Mexicans to do the new railroad work. If this company is going to unload on the rural communities 2,000,000 unemployed, and expect men whose noses are already on the grindstone to support them, remains to be seen.

But the brutality of the entire scheme is shown in the settlement if the company that it proposes to "put labor on the market like stocks and bonds are." It shows how free the laboring class is.

The utter inability of capitalism to employ all the people and prevent the stupendous waste that is acknowledged by it is clearly shown in the millionaires' impractical scheme.

The Philadelphia Record fears that if we had Socialism "an Edison or a Wright might be sent to digging sewers or carrying a hod." A wiser than that editor saw how it was under capitalism, when he wrote: Perhaps in this neglected spot is laid some heart once pregnant with celestial fire. Hands that the rod of empire might have swayed, Or waked to ecstasy the living lyre. But knowledge to their eyes her ample page, Rich with the spoils of time, did ne'er unroll; Chill poverty repressed their noble rage, And froze the genial current of their soul.

The Record and its class are very much afraid that living in comfort without being robbed will ruin the people of the world.

"SOCIALISM is for opportunity for all. Capitalism is for a 'cinch' for the bunch."

THE ARMY STANDS BY WARREN

Total pledged on defense fund to date \$18,053.00

I hope to see the day when the federal courts will be put out. I never had anything to hurt me so much as the conviction of Comrade Warren. Anything I can do to help in the whole world. Wilson, no man on hand.—H. B. Dibert, Hutchinson, Kan.

Enclosed pledge. Success to the Appeal. Wayland, Warren and Debs. You are right. Go ahead and all the government persecution will strain at the leash. For the social revolution.—H. C. Kunder, Kansas City.

Here are two pledges from sisters who know you are fighting for the greatest and grandest cause in the whole world. Black and white will come to the rescue. For right MUST and WILL win.—C. L. Black, Kansas City.

I am getting the Appeal and think it is the best paper I ever read. Find enclosed my pledge. I wish I were able to send in more, but I know every little helps. You will come through all right yet.—Beth Smith, Hartsville, Mo.

Enclosed you will find pledge. The Appeal Army will never surrender until the working class is free. We are back of the Appeal for any charge the plutocrats may make against it or its staff.—W. H. Leonard, Denver.

Pledge enclosed. Is it not shameful that the once respectable heads of this globe of life, did not see in 1876 that we may enjoy freedom? I am ready to offer myself. Patriotism and honor are not dead.—R. A. Swan, Mt. Vernon, Wash.

Enclosed pledge. We must not let Comrade Warren and his fellow Socialists everywhere stand by the little giant appeal to Reason. We will be with it in six weeks and by the seventh will not forsake the cause.—John Levenson, Montezuma, Ariz.

I herewith mail you my pledge. We are willing to do all we can to hold up your hands and help the little old Appeal, all hazards. That's what we want. We will stand for.—W. L. Cunis.

I am sending my pledge. The Appeal is peeling the scales off our eyes and getting us to see in the true light, there's no other duty I owe you and the paper to read. The editor's words are right and you to the end.—C. J. Gilbert, DeWitt, N. Y.

Please add my pledge to the defense pledge. I am just a young man and am making a court in the capitalist working up system. The first word I heard was "Work up," but their meaning is to work down.—Oscar Bensen, Webster City, Ia.

Enclosed find pledge. I would like to take a course in the appeal, but I can't. I am not in the best of health. I am glad you are showing the spirit of the Socialist party and I am glad to see the appeal.—W. B. Chamberlain, Independence, Kan.

I herewith send my pledge. Stay with them and you will stay with you. Never haul down the banner of the appeal. Gather up the money and take care of the Co-operative Commonwealth.—M. J. Miller, Fort Worth.

Please add my pledge. I believe our party is the little stone out of the mountain that Daniel, the prophet, saw that smote the great idol of America, gold, silver, brass, iron, and was all broken up and scattered on the floor.—W. W. Johnson, Ironport, Ohio.

Enclosed find my pledge. If the big stick and his crew want to dump you off the boat, we want to be there and catch you and you can count on me to be one who is sleeping thousands.—R. E. Edmondson, Bartlesville, Okla.

Enclosed find my pledge. I'm sorry the plates are so troublesome, but they are now making their biggest and last stir and bright spark of fire that burns up big and big, but