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RIGHT AND WRONG

WHEN you do anything that will give the working man more of the wealth he creates, you are doing right.
Whenever you do anything that deprives any man of any part, no matter how small, of the wealth he creates, you are doing wrong. FRED D. WARREN

FREE SPEECH AND PRESS.

With this freedom destroyed, or even impaired, the republic is doomed. Thomas Jefferson said: "Where the press is free, and every man able to read, all is safe."
And again: "Our liberty depends on the freedom of the press, and that cannot be limited without being lost."
This is one of the most pregnant epigrams in political literature. Milton said: "Give me the liberty to know, to utter, and to argue freely according to conscience, above all liberties."
The great poet understood that without liberty of thought and expression all other liberties are non-existent and despotism is supreme.
The APPEAL to REASON's fight with the federal courts now extending over a period of six years is at bottom solely a fight to maintain the right of free speech and a free press in the United States.
If the APPEAL loses and is finally crushed, free speech will have received its death blow in the United States.
But it is unthinkable that the American people will allow the APPEAL to be put down and free speech destroyed in this year A. D. 1913 in the United States of America.

There should be no misunderstanding as to the nature of the fight in which the APPEAL is engaged. It is in no sense an individual affair. The indictment of those who are connected with it is not due to anything they have done as individuals. It is not they against whom the federal court has turned its batteries. They are merely incidental to the fight and whatever they might have done or refrained from doing, their situation would be precisely the same. Had it not been upon this charge it would have been upon some other charge trumped up to serve the purpose of the powers that are prosecuting them.



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TO OUR FRIENDS.

Your name is on our list and that fact we appreciate. But annually your subscription expires and you are put to the trouble to renew. Often your subscription expires before you know it. On the other hand we are put to an expense of thousands of dollars which might be saved for the cause by having to have our vast mailing list constantly made over. We now propose to save this great waste and to economize your time.
We ask you to send us one dollar and let us enroll you for four years, which carries you through the national campaign of 1916; or send us \$5 and let us enroll you as a Life Subscriber.
There are thousands who can take advantage of these two offers and do so a turn and at the same time accommodate themselves.
We admit frankly that we need the subscription and that we also need the money.
We have been put to thousands of dollars of expense in the federal courts and the trials are still ahead of us. We are not begging for donations but we are aiming to give value for value in every case.
Think of the APPEAL to REASON, the greatest political paper in the world, going to you for four years for the mere trifle of one dollar—twenty-five cents a year.
No wonder Harris Gray charges that we are becoming multi-millionaires by grafting upon our subscribers!
We submit that the APPEAL is meeting all reasonable expectations as a propaganda paper in the field of Socialism and that those who are interested in that cause should do all they can to increase its power by extending its circulation.
The policy of this paper has always been to give value for value and upon that basis these two offers are made.
When you have sent us one dollar your name is on for four years. We have the use of the money and you have the benefit of the low rate and need not trouble about your renewal.
When you have sent us five dollars you are on for life.
In both cases the enormous expense of putting the names on and off the mailing list, setting and distributing the type over and over again, is saved. Also the numerous errors incident to these changes are avoided.
It is a good thing all around and we shall expect the 1916 Club to become the most popular and the most numerous club ever organized.

DO YOUR BEST.

George Elliot said: "Failure after long perseverance is much grander than never to have a striving good enough to be called a failure." There is a splendid truth embodied in this saying. Striving and persevering may end in what the world calls failure but that kind of failure, as George Elliot says, is grander than never to have put forth a sufficient effort to be called a failure.
The real test of success is the amount of good that results from it. There is nothing grander than a heroic example of patience and perseverance in the face of great difficulties. The good that comes from such an example in the stimulation of weak and despairing souls is incalculable.
There is no grander soul than the one that remains unconquerable in the struggle and finally goes down to what is called defeat with colors flying.
There is one thing we all owe the world and that is to do our best. We can face defeat with the same equanimity that we do success if we have done our best. We are less than true to ourselves if we do less than our best in this great struggle to make this a better world.
If you are making any new year resolve let it be henceforth, come what will, you will face it like a man and do your best!

DEBS PLACED UNDER ARREST

United States Marshal Serves Warrant on Debs at Terre Haute—
Trial May 5th at Fort Scott, Kansas

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 24.—Have just been placed under arrest by United States Marshal for Indiana. Have given bond before United States Commissioner Hall and am ready for the fight. We will knock Bone and his three-shell bunch higher than Gilroy's kite when the case is called. It is not the Appeal to Reason that is on trial in this case, but the corrupt capitalist courts and the criminal capitalist administration, and the people are with us in our fight against their rotten misrule.
EUGENE V. DEBS.

The Appeal's Fight

This is not an individual fight but a collision between antagonistic social forces. It is the age-long fight between the old and the new, the going and the coming, the decaying and growing, and the individuals who happen to be connected with it are merely personal appendages to the conflict.
The APPEAL as an organ of the social revolution, the mouthpiece of the oppressed people, represents a tremendous moral force which is in conflict and collision with the opposing forces representing the powers of the ruling aristocracy.
If the APPEAL to REASON had never published a line about ex-Governor Taylor, the fugitive indicted for murder; if it had never uttered a word about the Leavenworth prison; if it had never donated a cent to an ex-convict to give him a new start in life; it would still be under indictment and the federal courts would be using their powers to crush it all the same. These charges are the merest pretexts, subterfuges, excuses, nothing else. These were seized upon to serve the purpose and if not these, others would have been found.
The APPEAL's fight is for a great cause, for certain vital principles and for a rising social order. Unfortunately the great majority do not yet understand this and allow themselves to be deceived by all kinds of false and slanderous charges which are made to beloud the real issue involved in the conflict and have it appear that the APPEAL and its editors, publishers and lawyers, are grafting, thieving, disreputable self-seekers.
This has been the charge against men who have served in the pioneer stage of great movements all through human history. Jefferson was denounced by the Tories as the vilest kind of a demagogue and grafting politician. Jesus Christ himself did not escape. The Caiaphas crowd who professed to speak in the name of religion and law and order, but who, as a matter of fact, were the agents, as Harry Bone is today, of the vampires that were sucking the life blood of the people, denounced Jesus for stirring up the rabble and made all kinds of vile charges against him to discredit him; and finally had him executed as a felon.
The APPEAL is anxious only on one account and that is that the people shall understand the true meaning of this fight and the true purpose of the powers that are seeking to crush it. If this be understood the APPEAL has not the least apprehension as to the outcome.
The assault of Harrison Gray Otis upon the APPEAL was but one of the many means employed by the ruling powers to make this paper appear disreputable so as to destroy its influence with the people. The indictment now pending is another means employed by the same power for the same purpose. Still others will be devised, and nothing will be left undone to kill this paper with the hope and expectation of silencing protest against capitalist misrule and preventing the rise of the new social order.
Every man, woman and child in the land who is opposed to capitalist despotism, to the exploitation of honest toil, to wage slavery, to child labor, to the white slave traffic, to the poverty and misery and degradation of the masses, is and must be counted with the APPEAL in this fight.

Do you know that when the telegraph was first invented by Morse and put into operation under the direction of the government, that it was owned by the government?
Do you know that a bill was slipped through congress transferring the telegraph system from the government to a bunch of exploiting capitalists who realized its possibilities for power and plunder?
Well, such is the fact, and now that we realize it let us transfer the telegraph back from private hands to the government where it properly belongs. It is a part and a necessary part of the postal system, and Wanamaker shows that the cost of telegraphing would be reduced by half the first dash out of the box.
The Socialist party proposes to take over the telegraph, the telephone, the railroads and all the great industries and have them owned and operated by the people and for the people.
This will be democracy, real democracy, and any other kind is 100 per cent fraud and false pretense.

WOMEN IN POLITICS.

The activity of women in political affairs gives promise of a better day coming for the country. It is not to be expected that women are going to at once revolutionize things with the newly acquired ballot but it is certain that their use of it will bring with it an interest in public affairs they have never had before and that this will result in the awakening of many of them to the fundamental wrongs of present society and in turning them into active opponents of the system which thrives in the prostitution and death of so many thousands of their sex for the profit and glory of the ruling class.
When four states adopted amendments in the late national election granting the ballot to women on equal condition with men a distinct advance was made in the struggle of the people for a better order of the government and for a better order of things.
For three quarters of a century the women of this country have fought for the vote and now at last they are winning the victory, and the day they become full-fledged citizens in all the states of this union will be a day for rejoicing throughout the nation.

EDUCATION in working class philosophy is quite as important and practical as education in grammar and the classics. See that your children get it.

MANY a man thinks he is dignified when he is only stiff.
OPPORTUNITY knocks on the doors of some and on the heads of others.
THE "Twenty Plankers" are trampling on them, but they wouldn't a good deal.
CAPITAL and labor can be "reconciled" only when the capital belongs to labor.
THERE are still a great many who repeat the cry of the dark ages that the world stands still.
If all men have a right to life, all men have a right to access to the means of making a living.
In 1880 there were only two millionaires in the United States. Now there are a million tramps.
THE millennium won't come in a minute. Remember the very word means a thousand years.
TAFT insists that he does not believe in progress over night. The last two words are clearly superfluous.
A VOICE in revolt is infinitely wiser than the most learned philosopher making an apology for his chains.—Louis Kossuth.
The farm tenant who has arrived at the "compromising" is not at all frightened about Socialism taking his farm away. The landlord sees to that.
MANY a farmer who is bent and gnarled and ruptured trying to lift a mortgage which he cannot budge is afraid Socialism will take his land away.
SOMEBODY has translated the grunt of the hog. We haven't been authoritatively informed as to what it means, but naturally suppose it is "Huh! Socialism is impractical."
INASMUCH as the people are not to be trusted, Mr. Taft, why not let the supreme court recruit and appoint a republican president for life, not subject to recall?
SOMEBODY wishes to know what Harry Bone expects to make out of the Appeal prosecution. His salary, The orders have been, "Prosecute the APPEAL or get out of office."

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ATTEMPT TO OUST SOCIALIST

Senate Committee at Topeka, Kansas, Votes Unanimously to Unseat Socialist Senator, Fred W. Stanton

The boldest attempt to steal an office ever made in the state of Kansas was pulled off at Topeka last week.
Political observers are unanimous in their opinion that nothing like it has ever occurred in this state—not even excepting the days of the border warfare in the forties. At that time it was guns; last week in Topeka, it was Senator Porter's gold.
It should be borne in mind that the testimony heard before the senate committee was the same testimony listened to by the contest board sitting in Girard. This contest court unanimously decided that the Socialists were legally and morally entitled to the offices. The judges reached this decision long before the attorneys for the Socialists had concluded their defense, and intimated to the republican attorneys that they would decide in favor of the Socialists. In other words, there was not one scintilla of the evidence introduced by the republicans to sustain their charge of illegal voting. It was a clean-cut victory for the Socialists, and the people of Crawford county, irrespective of their political affiliations, rejoiced when right triumphed. The case of Senator Stanton, Socialist, elected by 400 votes over the republican, was transferred to the senate at Topeka. The evidence was by depositions. Many of these depositions were taken by the republican attorneys before the republican probate judge of this county at times when there were no attorneys for the

Weak men were selected on the committee with him.
My opponent's testimony, which was in the form of depositions, and which did not make nearly so strong a case as was made by the republicans in the county contest, was listened to very attentively by the committee.
Unfairness in the Senate.
But when my testimony came to be read, the standpat lawyers questioned and criticized and hurried us. My opponent's testimony was practically all read at one sitting, but mine was cut into many sessions, each of short duration. One adjournment was forced upon us by the democratic chairman against our wish and I afterward learned that he and the republican lawyer went away together that night to be entertained by someone at a private banquet, where in all probability, my case was tried.
The office to which I have been elected has been held for the last twelve years by E. F. Porter who is now contesting my right to it. Every senator here knows his reputation. You know he was one of what was known as the Senate Lodge or Gray Wolves. His vote was always with the special interests. If there were any questionable measures, Porter was for them.
Knowing him as I do, to be a wealthy and unscrupulous grafter, I haven't the slightest hesitancy in saying that if he obtains the seat to which I was honestly elected, it will be by corrupt means.
I have asked none of you to vote for me in this matter, but he has lauded every one of you for your support. He has filled the hotel lobby and the senate room with his hired newspaper men and pluggers. In fact, he has resorted to every means known to dishonest man.

The Governor Takes a Hand.
Even the governor, George Hodges, has been induced to take a hand against me. Early in the session, he placed me at the head of the committee on Mines and Mining. You democratic senators know that the governor sent Henderson Martin, chairman of the democratic state central committee, to your caucus and demanded that I be removed as chairman. You refused to do his bidding and then he joined with my enemies and has helped to get the report which has just been read, favoring my removal.
Governor Hodges went up and down the state during his campaign making great professions for labor and now he engages in as dirty a deal as was ever perpetrated against a laboring man. You may, and probably will, adopt the report of this committee, and put in my place a shifty trickster. I want you to know I did not seek this office; my comrades nominated and elected me.
My only desire when I came to the capitol was to be of service to the working class. None of you doubt for a moment that if I am allowed to remain in this body, every vote I cast will be for the right and against the wrong. I carry in my pocket something that none of you senators ever did or will carry. I am the first man to sit in this house, able to make such a boast. I refer, gentlemen, to my labor union card, and I am happy to say I would not give it up, and abandon the men with whom it gives me the right to associate, for all the world.
You democrats, and most of you republicans, claim to be reformers, and you propose according to your platform promises, to abolish political methods which, in the past have brought Kansas into shame and disrepute.

A Ridiculous Position.
Now consider for a moment what a ridiculous position you place yourselves in if you uphold this committee's report. You take from a la-

breaze of freedom, with an ever larger and more enthusiastic Army, and with a tremendously increased power for good. Its circulation figures read like fairy tales; its expositions of the meanness and nastiness of capitalism, its messages of hope to the oppressed, its clarion calls to action, its absolutely fearless defies to the Powers of Greed and Grab—these mark it as supreme in its class, the greatest fighting machine the proletariat of this or any other land has ever known!

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STANTON'S SPEECH IN HIS DEFENSE.
Mr. President and Senators—Before the report of the committee on election is voted upon, I desire to speak a few words in my own behalf.
I am a working man.
All my life has been spent in toil of the hardest and most dangerous kind. Since a small boy, I have worked under the ground as a coal miner and at fifty-three years of age, I truthfully say to you, no dollar of money has ever come into my possession that I did not give more than value for in my labor.
I am proud that I am a member of the working class.
I envy none of you, rich men your possessions. I would not change places with the richest of you. I thank God that no human being has suffered any loss that I and mine might eat.

A Fair Election.
At the November election 3,840 men voted for me for state senator, and 3,177 voted for my opponent. No banker, no lawyer, no exploiter of labor voted for me. Mine was a working class vote. I do not say it boastfully, but it is nevertheless true, that my majority was 200 more than the highest of my Socialist comrades who were elected to office in my county.
The republicans brought contests against the Socialist county officers, in Crawford county, charging the same things as are charged by my opponent here.
A long trial resulted before a contest board composed of democrats and republicans. The same testimony was introduced there as was introduced here, the only difference being the witnesses appeared personally in the trial at Girard, and their depositions were read here before the committee. After a full and fair hearing of the county cases, and after one case had been decided against them, all the other cases were dismissed. So overwhelming was the evidence in favor of the Socialists.

The whole trial of my case has been a farce.
There was but one lawyer on the committee and he was a standpat republican of the rankest kind. He dominated the committee from the start.

What the hell do we care, what the hell do we care?

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ENFORCE THE LAW.
Now that we have parcels post, the act of March 4, 1909, long quiescent, should be enforced, in order to give the government a monopoly on carrying packets as well as letters. This act reads:

Whoever shall establish any private express for the conveyance of letters or packets, or in any manner cause or receive for the conveyance of the same by regular trips or at stated periods over any post route which is or may be established by law, or from any city, town, or place in any other city, town, or place between which the mail is regularly carried, or whoever shall act as assistant thereon, shall be fined not more than \$200, or imprisoned not more than six months, or both.

THE SUBSCRIPTION BLANK.

In this issue of the APPEAL, you will find a subscription blank. This subscription blank was placed in this copy of the APPEAL, by one of the young women working in the mailing department. It is an invitation from her to you to get a new subscriber for the APPEAL. If you want to make the APPEAL force-happy, take this subscription blank and write as many names as you can secure. Note that there are no lines on the subscription blank. There is no union label. The postoffice department ruled the lines and the label out of order but that should not interfere with your work in getting subscribers; although it was intended by the Washington functionaries that such should be the case. Some members of the APPEAL Army have been known to send as many as twenty-five subscriptions on one of these blanks, although originally only intended for ten. This shows how respectful the APPEAL Army is toward our rulers who infest the capital of the nation. An early reply, with a club of subscribers, will be eagerly looked for.



DOLLARS put halos around the heads of many scoundrels.

WHAT'S IT TO YOU?

That is a modernized version of the old question of the aristocrats when confronted with the claims of the toilers. "What's that to us," asked the old Pharisees who had procured the betrayal of Jesus, when Judas wished to undo his work; "see thou to that."

The same idea appears in the report of the case of Albert vs. Wolf in the New York court of appeals in an early day. This was a case where an action had been brought by the owner of a house for its loss by fire, against the owner of an adjoining house whence the fire had come. The negligence of the defendant in keeping the fire was ground of the action. This was before the Statute of Anne. There was a verdict and judgment for the plaintiff. On writ of error to this judgment it was affirmed and the following colloquy took place between the counsel for the defendant and the court:

The counsel—My Lords, can these be the law of England?
The court—This is the law of England. Counsel—Alas, My Lords, then is not only my client, but every other household in the realm brought to ruin?
The court—What is that to us, though the client and every other household of the realm be brought to ruin? This is the law of England.

It is ever the attitude of the masters. Sometimes, however, they are compelled to recede from that attitude. Who would expect a legislative body to sing in open session as a Philadelphia council did not so many years ago:
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It is possible to turn transportation into the hands of the whole people through the political action of law making, when the law is made to be enforced and is enforced.

FIVE MILLION COPIES.
The special edition of January 18th, containing our answer to the federal court indictment, is now well along toward the three million mark and the orders continue to come in from every part of the country. The most gratifying reports come to us of the satisfaction this edition has given in meeting expectations and in creating a favorable public sentiment for our cause.

We need to make this edition go to five million copies. It will require some additional work on the part of the Army and our friends, but it is well worth while.
It will require only another million to break all records and to make this the monumental issue of the world.

No other paper, periodical, magazine or other regular publication has ever issued an edition as large as the one now rolling through the great press at this office. We have only to break the APPEAL's own record and this we must buckle on our armor to do, not for the mere glory of eclipsing our own efforts but because of the vital issue there is at stake.

In our struggle with the federal courts, or rather in the attempt of the federal court to throttle this paper and to gag a free press everything depends upon our getting the truth of the case before the people.
Five million copies of the special will do the work.

...The Ever Mighty Appeal...

BY GEORGE ALLAN ENGLAND.

HOW well I remember that truly crucial moment in my life when I saw my first copy of the APPEAL. It was some ten years ago. I was excited by poverty and ill-health, out among the mountains of Maine, far from a railroad, in a remote logging settlement. Somebody—I know not who, but I bless his unknown name—some obscure colporteur of the revolution, some scout of liberty, left a copy at the camp. I was not a Socialist in those days, and knew almost nothing of Socialism. As for the APPEAL, I hadn't even heard of it. But I heard of it then—and from that day to this, all has been changed.
I am not saying that one copy of the APPEAL, flung at random into the Maine wilderness, made a Socialist of me. No; it took many months of thought and growth and study to complete the process. But the initial germ was sown by that copy; and the APPEAL thereafter furnished a "culture-medium" for it to grow in; and, on the whole, I came into the work via the APPEAL. I belong to the family, so to speak—and if I am proud of anything, it's this same fact, that I feel myself one of the APPEAL'S G. A. R.—Grand Army of the Revolution.

To me, the APPEAL is the most wonderful little fighting sheet in this whole world, bar none. The story of its persecution forms the most amazing narrative of governmental and capitalist underhandedness to be found anywhere among men. Every subterfuge, trick, meanness, and abuse the unclear harpy-brood of grafters could possibly think of has been tried against this staunch little giant; and the APPEAL has come out of each conflict with colors unspotted, with crimson banners still flying in the

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Estimated Toll. Last year six groups of American railway lines—the Hill, Harriman, Vanderbilt, Atlantic Coast Line, Pennsylvania and Atchison—earned more than all the railroads of the country earned in 1904 ago. With a total mileage of \$8,000, or 36.6 per cent of all the mileage in the United States, these six groups took in as gross earnings \$1,248,782,292, or 44.3 per cent of all gross earnings for that year; and their net earnings amounted to \$409,834,238, or 45.3 of the total net for all our railroads. The income of these six groups exceeded by almost a quarter of a billion dollars the total income of the United States government in 1911, and their profits, if turned into the public treasury, would permit a reduction in other forms of taxation equivalent to about \$20 for every head of an American household. If all the profits from the operation of our steam and electric railroads were reckoned upon the basis of an honest capitalization and put into the public treasury, the relief would be immediate and tremendous. The tolls we allow to private exploiters of essentially public property constitute our biggest tax.

Protest of a Mother. What am I to do to stop those dreadful letters that have been coming thick and fast for more than a year? They are addressed to my son, trying to coax him with all kinds of attractions and promises to join the army. When in the name of sense do they mean? The boy does not and never did wish to enlist. He is not even of age. I would rather go to my grave than furnish them with a target. M. J. E. Hoyt, Milan, Kan.

That's the Stuff. A middle-headed lecturer says we are very prosperous because we shipped four billion dollars' worth of goods out of the country last year. Let's ship the whole business out and all be millionaires.

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MANKATO. Victor L. Berger has introduced two bills in congress designed to give greater power to the federal courts. One bill proposes to give the federal courts the power of the supreme court in declaring acts unconstitutional.

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How the Two Compare

Table comparing expenditures of the township for 1910 and 1911. Categories include road expenses, school expenses, and other public works.

It will here be in place to give the real reason for the horrible persecutions of the early Christians in Palestine and throughout the Roman empire, the communistic and socialistic character and doctrines of Jesus the Christ and his disciples and followers for centuries (three) while Christianity was still a proscribed religion.

It will be noticed that the Socialists not only made good a deficit left them by a republican administration of the township affairs, but also left a surplus amounting to over \$1,000. Nor is this all.

Representative Wilson of Crawford county has introduced a bill in the Kansas legislature whereby the people of any city can amend their charter for purposes, upon the presentation of petition signed by five per cent of the voters.

Wilson's resolutions in the Kansas house recite the important fact that old-age pensions now prevalent in Germany, France, Belgium, New Zealand, Belgium, Australia and even in Iceland, and that more than 900,000,000 people are now dependent upon the benefits of it.

He Got It at Last. An Epitaph suggested by Forward, Glasgow, Eng. HERE LIE The Mortal Remains of JOHN SMITH, Who worked hard and died poor, supported through all the Trials and Vicissitudes of Life.

Stanton's Speech in His Defense. A laboring man a certificate of election, honestly given to him by Kansas voters. You put in his stead a politician who lives by the toil of others.

These railroads are again agitating, declaring the "mail carrying railroads are underpaid." The best solution of the problem is to take over the railroads under forfeit of charter, and quit pay-

The Life List

A Life subscription to the APPEAL TO REASON can be had for five dollars. This list is now lengthening and the increasing number of life subscribers attests their appreciation of it.

An Astonishing Gain. Reactionary leaders and their followers will be doing a public service if they will grasp the import of the fact that the Socialist party was the only one in this country which showed an increase in its vote at the last election.

Collier's Weekly points out editorially that if congress were composed of members of each party chosen on a basis of the proportional vote cast that the Socialists would have 26 members in congress next March.

With the Kansas house of representatives demanding the abolition of the lower federal judges, it looks like capital will shortly have to get it a new plaything.

Vale, Tom Grant. HE many comrades who knew and loved Tom Grant were deeply pained to hear of his death at Muscatine, Iowa, his old home, a few days ago.

Dollars and Debs. We live in a money world. I'd rather live in a man world. No man can be a comrade to the man he owes or to the man who owes him.

The order of the world is bills. A dreary path of bills from the crib to the tomb. A man wants to pay or be paid for being great. He wants to pay or be paid for the opportunity of doing good.

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The Ambitious Young Man

MANY years ago there dwelt in a far land a young man who had just finished his schooling and wished to begin his life work. Hearing that a large and reputable firm in a nearby city desired the services of several young men of good education he sought them out and found it was indeed true.

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GET THIS FREE BOOK. How to gain personal success. The power of suggestion is a powerful force for good.

Socialist Women. The state of Washington, where the women were unfranchised last year, has elected 100 local women's committees in 1912.

Docking System in Southern Mills. A majority of southern cotton mill foremen dock the hands in their departments each day sufficiently to compensate themselves and even more than their salary.

Denounced by a Socialist. ALFRED RUSSELL WALLACE, the eminent philosopher and thinker known as the "grand old man of science," recently celebrated his 90th birthday and in a notable interview with the London Daily News he took occasion to indict capitalist civilization in the following scathing terms:

The Dollar Subscription. We have a new offer. It will at once become popular. We propose enrolling subs for four years instead of one and saving the thousands of dollars and the innumerable errors that are made in adding the hundreds of thousands of names to the mailing lists and taking them off again, necessitating an amount of type setting and distribution that is incredible.

THE APPEAL ARMY. "Always on the Job" Ellis D. Lullwater, Amer. Soc. Below are a few of the letters I have taken from this week's files. If we should print all the good letters that come to the APPEAL in one week, they would fill a dozen pages.

News of the Movement. The Northwestern University chapter of the International Socialist Club has bought \$75 worth of Socialist literature to further the progress of the movement in that institution.

Master of the King of Instruments. Learn to Play the Violin at Home. Without a Teacher, You Can Learn to Play the Violin in a Short Time.

Guaranteed 25 Years. This Guaranteed Sweet-Toned Piano in Your Home on Easy Terms. Many Other Styles.

Here is another form of the docking game. A worker is assigned a regular set of machines, supposed to be paid by the piece. Out of a twelve-day pay roll he works the first six days only.

There are those who believe that Socialism will carry the country in 1916. THE 1916 CLUB will be a factor in making Socialism a winner and speeding the day of its triumph.

The "Damned" Socialist. We're damned for walling short hours, by all the vile corrupting powers. By the outcast of official workers.

It is what one does not understand that one fears as it is the step that isn't there that makes one stumble. My opinion is you are charging too little for the APPEAL.

The Modern Lion's Den. In the book of old we're told, Of a Daniel brave and bold, Who went to spend the truth Upon the rights of men.

Send No Money. Simply send us a postcard, you are interested and we will send you full particulars, our absolute guarantee.

No Other Manufacturer Gives 5 Years To Pay. This beautiful Piano has been designed especially for you and will only be sold to you at this price.

Not until class rule is abolished and the workers who do the honest work are free; not until exploitation, the very essence of robbery, ceases and society is organized upon a basis of economic freedom and with a due regard for the right and well-being of every man, woman and child.

Horrors of the System. The garment workers of New York won their strike. The demand of the textile laborers. Workers can accomplish what they desire if they revolt.

Send us your dollar and you are on the roster of THE 1916 CLUB. Send us three dollars for your sub and two others for your years' sub and we will send you the latest revised Appeal of Reason free of charge.

I am with the APPEAL staff and the APPEAL until the capitalist system is unconditionally surrendered.—Comrade Carter, Anaheim, Cal. Two orders from our sister comrades on the APPEAL staff from Comrade Margaret Chapman, Tucson, and the other from Mrs. Thomas, Love, Ariz.

Our comrades in Girard are bold, And like brave Daniel of old, Dared to go in against a great den, To their fellowmen; So are elected to be cast into The Federal lion's den.

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Beacon Burner FREE. FITS YOUR OLD LAMP. 100 Candles Power. Inexpensive. No gas, no electricity.

A Non-Socialist's Idea. I do not subscribe to the APPEAL because I am a Socialist or inclined that way; I am not, in fact, sufficiently interested to make a study of the question.

The worker is a man who goes through the world without ever seeing it; who exists without ever having lived; who dies after having been a dead one all his days.

Working the Farmer. Five years ago a corporation styled as the E. J. Buckingham company took over 110,000 acres of poor chapparel land in Texas through which ran the small stream called Nueces river.

The Appeal Corrected. The following correction is gladly made by the APPEAL: Milwaukee, Wis.—I notice in the APPEAL to REASON for the month of January, 1913, a mistake in the write-up of "The Dynamiter."

How He Lands Them. There's a Socialist life insurance agent, Ralph French by name, of Erie, Kan., who has been in the business of selling the Coming Nation some valuable service that is worthy of mention.

Cooks Better. Saves Fuel, Costs Less. Our comrades in Girard are bold, And like brave Daniel of old, Dared to go in against a great den.

9000 in 10 hours. STRONGEST FENCE MADE FROM FACTORY DIRECT TO FARM.

Useless Waste. In cotton states the farmer raises cotton, doing three-fourths of the labor expended to create cotton wealth and pays over fifteen times as much for cotton goods as he got for producing the raw material.

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Enclosed find 25 cents as a starter for a new year's subscription to the APPEAL TO REASON. I have been a full-blooded Socialist for about a year now and like to see the news of the APPEAL.

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To those who sympathize with us and who are near enough to really know us we need not explain why we love the APPEAL.

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It is here that we are censured, condemned and despised, and here also that we are praised and cheered and loved.

For almost twenty years the APPEAL has pluckily stood its ground against all the attacks which have been made against it from both without and within.

It has made its mistakes, plenty of them; it has had its dark days, alas, how many!

Times there have been when it seemed as if the fates were all conspiring to destroy the APPEAL and blast those whose

hopes were centered in it, but as if by some great power of magic, the clouds rolled away, the skies were bluer than before, and the same lady smiled upon it as their own chosen darling.

The face of the APPEAL has been turned steadily toward the enemy and it has never sought a favor nor entertained a compromise.

We believe that today this persecuted paper represents one of the greatest moral forces in the world. Its people absolutely believe in it.

Woodrow Wilson, president-elect, has issued a statement in the daily press of what he and his party propose to do in their coming administration.

It must be plain to all of us that the people of this country wish two things: They wish first to clear their government of the influence of the money trust.

Mr. Wilson surely has undertaken a task, the fulfillment of which will necessitate the return of the age of miracles. If he and the democratic party can run the government so that it will serve equally two antagonistic classes, capitalist exploiters and exploited wage workers, we will hail him as the world's greatest leader.

But first of all let us see how many workmen Woodrow places in his cabinet when he makes announcement of the personnel of his official family.

Wilson's statement closes with these words, and we want our readers to make note of them for reference after the democratic administration has been in power a year or more.

These are plain and blunt words and if Mr. Wilson means what he says it will not be long before he can go into the glibbing business on a grand scale.

The democratic administration extends over the solid south where peonage still prevails in the lumber and turpentine camps and where wage-slaves are shot dead by the hired assassins of the corporations when they attempt to organize to better their wretched condition.

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"STIRRETH UP THE PEOPLE."

The man who strove to arouse the people and line them up against their oppressors has always met with the same fate in every age and on every soil.

The story of how the Roman empire taxed all the people in their confederation until they could endure it no longer and how those in the province of Galilee resisted and how Jesus was moved to stand up for the oppressed, and finally how he was nailed to the cross for having served them, is told in gripping sentences by Bouck White, author of the "Call of the Carpenter," the book which is stirring up all Christendom.

Jesus as a day laborer endured it for a sign of his martyrdom. He was not a rich man, he was not a noble, he was not a powerful man.

Jesus of Nazareth was what would now be known as an agitator. He was born in the manger of a cattle barn and his father and mother were working people.

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TOWARD WEST VIRGINIA.

The congressional eye is now turned toward the mining hills and slave camps of West Virginia, and an investigation will very likely be ordered, an end devoutly to be wished.

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Wickersham's abject subservency to rich rascals and his utter perversion of the law and prostitution of justice.

It will be remembered that when John Archbold, president of the Standard Oil company and his associates, were indicted by a federal grand jury a few weeks ago and their arrest was ordered by legal warrant, ordered by telegraph their immunity from arrest. There was an emphatic protest on the part of Texas congressmen and other prominent representatives of the state, but it was of no avail.

The union officials convicted at Indianapolis were shown no such leniency as Wickersham has shown to Archbold, Hyde and other indicted plutocrats. It has been proved beyond question that the special train upon which the thirty-three convicted labor officials were rushed from Indianapolis to Leavenworth was engaged from the railroad company several days before the jury brought in its verdict.

The people of South Dakota should respect Edward E. Wagner, the United States prosecuting attorney, who resigned his office rather than stultify himself by discriminating in favor of a rich rascal at the command of a United States attorney general who has shown himself to be the most abject lickspittle that ever disgraced a presidential cabinet.

Now Gather Them In. The great special edition has just been spread over the country. Many thousands have now seen the APPEAL for the first time and it is a safe guess that many of them will want to see it again.

Of course the specific purpose for which this special number was issued has been served, so far as our answer to the indictment is concerned, and we are now ready to face that issue in and out of court and abide the verdict.

The special has been a great fertilizer but the crop remains to be harvested and to get the best results there should be no loss of time in gathering in the subs among the non-readers and non-Socialists.

In this great movement of ours one duty accomplished means another and a greater one to perform and it is well that it is so for without duties, great duties, life would not rise far, if at all above the animal plane.

The Army has done a grand work in spreading these millions of messages of light and liberty among the people and to each member we return our hearty thanks and congratulations.

Need we say that we are proud of our Army and of the loyalty of our comrades? Need we assure them that while they are behind us we are ready to face the world, the flesh and the devil?

No, we are not required to waste words in so doing for the loyal legions of the APPEAL Army know that we appreciate their every effort and that we feel stimulated by their devotion to greater determination not only to serve the cause, but to lay, if need be, our liberty and our lives upon the altar of freedom.



In March of last year, forty weeks ago, the Appeal Army sent to this office, 87,000 subscriptions. This was the largest number of subscriptions sent to the Appeal in any one month in its stormy, record-breaking career.

These subscriptions are now expiring. If the circulation report, which will soon make its re-appearance, is not to show a loss, it will be necessary for the Appeal Army to not only equal this splendid record, but do better. It is sometimes discouraging when we consider the "offs". To get 87,000 subs in one month looks like a big pass. But we should remember that there are many more of us this year than last year.

The Appeal cannot be long maintained on a falling circulation. Besides this, when the list shows a loss, it brings smiles of joy to the faces of Bone, Pompeny and Otis. We are doing everything here in Girard we can, but it is up to the Appeal Army to get the subscribers. That is your job and it can be done by no one else.

If you fail to send in that ONE subscriber you can secure for the asking, there is just that much of a loss that will never be made up. With our hands so completely tied by federal court prosecutions and election contests, the work of circulating the Appeal has had to be turned over almost wholly to the Appeal Army. The Army has never yet failed to do its part, and I have no fears that it will do so now.

I am merely passing the word along to you, trying to point out your individual responsibility. Please read George Allen England's stirring article in this issue and then resolve to add more recruits to the Army, such as Comrade England has proved himself to be.

CALLS FOR CHARITY. One of the saddest manifestations of the system is the application for help which comes to the APPEAL from hundreds whose needs demand immediate attention. Sometimes they ask loans; again they want us to finance inventions or ideas. The following is copy of a letter received the last week from a Socialist in Arkansas:

I am out of money out of anything to live on, have no work, and no feed for a few little mules, which are all I have to live on in the city. I have no money left in my pocket, I have no money in the bank, I have no money in the store, I have no money in the house, I have no money in the street, I have no money in the world.

For a long time the APPEAL made an effort to respond to these demands for immediate assistance as far as possible, but they are getting beyond our ability to handle. I am now compelled to stop. And we are unable to find employment any further.

The whole Socialist movement is to end conditions that make such pitiful things possible. To cripple Socialism means of charity would be to hinder the work of relief for thousands who are as bad as these. We are pained, of course, but it is absolutely impossible for the APPEAL to finance inventions, to buy property to aid others or to respond to the calls for charity that come to it.

There is one thing about the foregoing letter to which we would especially call your attention. It comes from the farm, where many are urging the poor to go as a means of relief. The fact is, conditions on the farm are in some respects worse than they are in the city. If some one, however, wishes to buy the land, the APPEAL will on application, furnish the address of the writer.

Watch the Vote Grow

Socialist vote, November, 1912... 906,640 New voters enrolled since election, 1,240 Total... 908,000

Interest in this column is increasing. Readers of the APPEAL are beginning to understand the importance of this nation-wide poll of the Socialist vote which the APPEAL has undertaken. The APPEAL wants the name and address of every man and woman in this country who formerly voted the old party tickets, but who have now decided to cast their lot with the Socialist party.

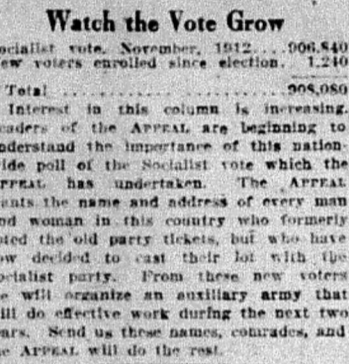
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He believes the manufacturer should be fully protected. The soldier firing at the striker employs the most direct action extant. Every rural route mail carrier in the United States was sent a sample copy of No. 824, containing the story of the persecution of Comrade Laster, the ex-mail carrier of Pittsburg, Kan., who was triumphantly elected clerk of the district court on the Socialist ticket at the last election.

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The Lid Off

The first few thousand copies of "Wasting Human Life" sent out brought an avalanche of demands that we make the book available to the wide world. We cannot sell it, but we had to devise some plan to meet this demand, and so we have decided to issue a "Lid Off" edition.

HERE IT IS: Solicit a quarter or more from every Socialist or friend that you know. Make the amount not less than \$2.50, but as much more as you like.

Address the Coming Nation Girard, Kansas Our Cop Behind the Club That's Haywood's idea. See the extract from his lectures and writings in the February International Socialist Review.

Order a bundle to sell at local meetings, 10c a copy; 20 for \$1. Subscription price \$1 a year. Send \$1 for a yearly subscription BEFORE March 1. Mention this offer and we will send FREE of charge two lessons on Public Speaking, which started in the December issue, and a copy of Haywood and Bolin's brochure containing several chapters on Political Action.



I have been in Topeka for the last two weeks, conducting the defense in the contest which the defeated republican candidate of the state, Fred Stanton, who was elected to that office from Crawford county, Kansas, there is no merit in this contest. It is a bold attempt by a few designing politicians to put one of their faithful henchmen in a place where he can help them in their conspiracy to break the law. We are right and should win, but so one knows how it will finally result.

A GREAT many people are seeking the truth in order to slug it.