

THE capitalist papers have at last taken notice of the abuses in the United States army and particularly of the Coffman case. As usual it took weeks of bombardment by the Appeal before the plute press opened its columns. But the battle is not yet won. Tens of thousands must yet be reached with the truth about militarism. They must know. Will you carry the message?

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Girard, Kansas, U. S. A., October 11, 1913

LET there be no loss of time in giving the West Virginia coal operators to understand that their challenge is accepted. Let us meet their million dollar fund with a million Appeals. A dollar bill from each member of the Army will accomplish this result. A dollar bill will pay for the subscriptions of four West Virginia voters, or for a bundle of two hundred Appeals.

# Open Letter to the Secretary of War

From the New York Tribune, September 21, 1913.

Washington, September 20.  
*Service Severely Criticized.*—The war department has received copies of a Kansas weekly publication containing a series of articles severely criticizing the army method of recruiting. The writer has evidently operated as a spy as well as a reporter in obtaining his information.

It is alleged that the army recruiting officers deliberately misrepresent conditions in the military establishment in order to entrap young men to enlist, and that conditions in the army are unjust and harsh to the verge of cruelty. Desertion is explained and excused on the ground that the soldiers are mistreated, and that none of the government's promises to the recruit are fulfilled.

The statements are in offensive language. Not only are they untrue, but the tone is vindictive and calculated to create false impressions and to arouse public prejudice against the military service. These papers have been circulated widely throughout the army and may, therefore, do much harm to the discipline of the service.

It has been suggested that the war department might find it possible to take action looking to the suppression of articles of this kind, or to proceed against the publisher of

Hon. Lindley M. Garrison, Secretary of War, Washington, D. C.:

Dear Sir—From certain expressions in the above dispatch, I feel confident that it was inspired by some official member of your department. Acting on this assumption, I address this letter to you. **IF THE APPEAL TO REASON HAS MADE ONE FALSE STATEMENT ABOUT THE METHODS EMPLOYED BY THE UNITED STATES ARMY. RECRUITING OFFICERS IN THEIR WORK OF SECURING RECRUITS FOR THE ARMY, I STAND READY TO MAKE A FULL AND COMPLETE RETRACTION.**

The Appeal to Reason has but one object—that of printing the truth. It is truth alone that advances our cause. And I also know that should this paper make one false statement, prosecution for libel would quickly follow. There is a law in the state of Kansas to punish those who circulate untruths, but this law was never invoked against the Appeal in its entire history.

For eighteen years the Appeal has been unsparing in its criticism of government officials, who have been recreant to their duty, and it intends to continue this work as long as there remains an abuse uncorrected. Threats of suppression will not deter me so long as I know I am in the right.

The public naturally expects better things of the present administration than of the previous administrations. The people have put you in power to improve conditions. The evils that have grown up in the military department of this government have been fostered and encouraged by the Roosevelt-Taft administrations. The Appeal does not hold your administration responsible for these evils. It does expect you to end them. But if after these grave abuses have been called to the attention of your department, you make no effort to correct them, but on the contrary, proceed to suppress, by arbitrary power, the only paper in the country that dares to tell the truth about these particular evils, then in the public mind President Wilson and the responsible members of his cabinet will be put in the same class with Taft.

The truth we printed about the federal judiciary, about the Leavenworth federal penitentiary, about the terrible conditions in West Virginia, **ALL OF WHICH HAVE BEEN STRIKINGLY VERIFIED BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES**, are still fresh in the minds of the people. The previous administrations, after a desperate effort to suppress this paper and imprison its editor were forced to admit the truth of all that we said.

To tell the truth about conditions in the army is the duty of a newspaper of the working people, because practically all of the recruits come from their ranks. If we have not printed the truth furnish us the proof and it will receive the same publicity as was given the original statement. Or still better, I shall give your reply conspicuous space in our special anti-military edition, dated November 15, 1913, which because of its completeness will have a circulation of several millions. By presenting your side in this edition you will reach infinitely more people than have read the Turner articles to date. I earnestly invite the war department to make use of this offer as it sees fit.

Sincerely yours,

FRED D. WARREN.

## Judge Gets Peevish

Judge John E. Humphries of Seattle must have heard from the APPEAL Army. For the last few days we have been receiving from the judge copies of his decisions with notations on the margin by "his honor." According to his claims he is as innocent as unborn babe. He never—never—said or did anything which could remotely be construed as damaging to the Seattle Socialists. I, therefore, telegraphed him as follows:

Judge Humphries, Seattle, Wash.—Please write press rates, collect, affirmation or denial of report printed in Seattle newspaper that you said: "If you want Socialist papers get them by mail or from some friends, or words to that effect." Also whether you prohibited sale of Socialist literature in any Seattle district.

APPEAL TO REASON.

The following is Judge Humphries' reply:

APPEAL TO REASON, Girard, Kan.—No decision made or rendered prohibiting sale or circulation of Socialist papers or literature in Seattle. Nothing said about Socialist literature or papers in decision.

JOHN E. HUMPHRIES.

You will note that the honorable judge was careful to say that he had not made that statement against Socialist literature in his decision. He does not deny that he said it off the bench. The following dispatch received by the APPEAL from Comrade Joseph O. Golden, secretary of the Seattle local of the Socialist party, in reply to a telegram similar to the one sent to the judge throws a great deal of light on this controversy:

Socialists are involved. Humphries' reply is, "Maybe this supreme court fellow knows the law and maybe they don't." Three hundred and eighty-five additional persons also in contempt, but Humphries has quit signing warrants. Excitement running high.

JOSEPH O. GOLDEN.

From the foregoing it is evident Judge Humphries is playing 'possum. The letters he has been getting from the APPEAL Army have got on his nerves. The writers have informed him that they have followed his advice and sent the APPEAL to Seattle voters by mail. They have either sent the APPEAL to their Seattle friends directly or forwarded the money to the APPEAL and arranged with it to put Seattle voters on the list. All this is making the honorable judge very peevish. Especially when he gets letters directly from the APPEAL Army telling him what they have done. Maybe Judge Humphries will issue an injunction against putting Seattle voters on the APPEAL list. You never can tell.

**TWO NEWSPAPER ITEMS**

The teachings of Socialism are a direct attack upon God and the church. With them in force, the teachings of God would be driven from our churches and from our schools. There would be no churches, no religion and there would be no recognition of God. Law would be abolished and in the places of these things there would be established free love.

The Rocky Mountain News, Denver, Colo., on September 15th, printed the above paragraph from Father Krenz's address warning people against the evils of Socialism. In the same issue and on the same page, I find these headlines: "Priest Kills for Love! Confesses to Crime! Hacks Girl to Pieces!"

## Appeal Aids Quinlan Defense

Girard, Kan., Oct. 2, 1913.  
Henry Carline, Newark, N. J.:  
Dear Comrade—In accordance with our promise to assist in the defraying of the expenses to carry Pat Quinlan's appeal to the supreme court I enclose check for \$385.25. This amount is to pay the bill of the court stenographer totaling \$128 and the cost of the printing of the record which is \$257.25.

In regard to your question whether we want to carry the Quinlan case to the court of errors in case the supreme court affirms the sentence, will state I am heartily in favor that we should exhaust all possible legal means to acquit Comrade Quinlan. The APPEAL is with you in this fight and will pay all necessary legal expenses in order that Comrade Quinlan may not be returned to prison. With best wishes, I am, Sincerely yours, Fred D. Warren.

From the hundreds of letters received from the Army I know that you will not rest until Pat Quinlan wins an acquittal. I know that you want the APPEAL to stay in this fight until it's over. When the APPEAL advanced \$5,000 cash bail to secure Quinlan's release from the Trenton penitentiary some of you showed your appreciation of this move by subscribing for life. It must be admitted that not very many did so. But you showed in other ways that you were anxious that the APPEAL should not suffer because of its depleted war chest. The above letter which I reproduce shows that we have sent a check for nearly \$400 to help in getting Comrade Quinlan's case before the supreme court of New Jersey and also that we agree to aid further, if necessary. Don't you think this fight is now getting warm enough for all to pitch in and give a helping hand? Will you not show your approval by subscribing for life (costing five dollars) or by sending in a large club of subscribers? I shall anxiously await your answer.

It is estimated that there are never less than 20,000 prostitutes in the city of Chicago. The average life of one of these girls is four years. This means that 5,000 yearly enter this life. They are not born into a life of shame, they are driven into it. Few are reclaimed. They can't reform, society won't let them. It is easy enough to say to one of these unfortunate—victims of capitalist greed—"go and sin no more," but where will she go?

THOMAS NIXON CARVER, of the economics department of Harvard college, although not a believer in Socialism, declares it is coming. Says he: "The capitalists are doing the very thing that is likely to bring about their own destruction, for they are by their present course continually adding to the dissatisfaction. The minute they are dissatisfied among the proletariat outnumber the satisfied ones, Socialism will come." So far, so good. The professor, however, is asked to show the capitalists how they can effect the robbery that is a necessary part of capitalism without producing dissatisfaction among the workers when they find out they are robbed.

SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND acres of Oklahoma school lands were recently sold at public auction. The heritage of the children was dissipated, and the money received from the land will now be expended, while the children of future workers, who might have been provided with a growing school fund, will be deprived of a chance for an education because of this dissipating of their resources. The dispatches say that the private bidders were beaten by "brokers representing eastern buyers." Thus the way is opened, not only for a breaking up of educational chances for the poor, but also for further landlordism. It is useless to say that such things are not the deliberate betrayal of the toilers by the master class. But you stand for it, you Dubbs.

MAL-INFORMATION is more hopeless than non-information.

BRAINS do not rule and never have ruled. What does rule is their and murder.

SOCIALISM will open the doors to opportunity and close the broad ways that lead to destruction.

DICTIONARIES tell of the ethics of Socialism, but capitalism is without ethics and without morals. It lives on loot. It exists to rob.

The man who used to produce all his family needed, from shoes to grub, cannot be convinced that things have always been as they are.

They who are talking about rushing people back to the farms are fighting the census takers who duped the land valuation and thus put the worker exactly twice as far from the land as he was in 1900.

The workers do not own the machinery with which they work, but in the Socialist party they do own the machinery with which they may get possession of the machinery with which they work.



Over in Europe they are saying that Socialism is a foreign product which has no place with their free institutions.

The big steamship lines all have their private flags, and they are permitted to fly them without criticism, because they represent profits. But a flag that represents an end of profits—that is different.

The masters will not get off the backs of workers of their own accord simply because they like to ride. Neither would you if you had a place in the saddle. If you don't wish to be ridden you must kick as a class and unseat the capitalist class.

The industrial machine, which the workers built, has become a tool that shapes their own lives along channels that are too narrow for real living. The workers can run the physical machine with good results, but not the capitalistic machine.

The depositor risks his money in the bank, without security and without interest. The banker risks the other fellow's money in investments. He loses and goes free. The depositor loses and is condemned to everlasting poverty. Great are the risks of "capital."

CAPITAL risks money; the worker risks his life that is unprotected in the capitalist machine. The worker does the work and gets a small part of his product; the capitalist does no work and gets the greater part. Ask the insurance man which is the better risk.

THE Topeka Capitalist says that "the woman who cooks, washes, sews and mends for a husband and a half a dozen children" is the real white slave, but that there is no concerted effort to rescue her. Socialism is making such a concerted effort, and the Capitalist is doing all it can to keep her in the slavery it recognizes as real.

THE young lady who handles the circulation report, tells me that the Army sent in 19,220 subscriptions for the week ending last Thursday. This is keeping up the excellent work started on the 18th anniversary of the APPEAL. If this record is maintained right along, we shall soon be able to make a showing of which the Army will be proud. Comrade Louis Capp, Detroit, Mich., sends in the largest list for the week—fifty subscriptions. It pleases me to be able to report that among the names of the Big Ten this week you will find that of Comrade T. A. Gardner of Girard, Kansas. This, I believe, is the first time a Girard comrade has found himself in this company. The Big Ten are the ten comrades who send in the largest lists of twenty-five cent subscriptions. The "Big Four" are the names of the four comrades who send in the largest list of four-year subscriptions. All of these comrades are presented with a token of our appreciation, which, while of no particular intrinsic value, carries with it something that cannot be purchased with dollars. With the approach of the long winter nights, people are more inclined to read and study, and now is the time to take their subscriptions. If you could read the letters that come to my desk from people who have had their eyes opened by a stray copy of the APPEAL you would lose no time in putting the APPEAL into the hands of all your neighbors. Please remember that this has to be done before the Cooperative Commonwealth can be established. Education will win the day. Nothing else will.

## "LET THE SOLDIERS RAISE BEEF"

A. M. Dubin of New York told the meat packers in Chicago that only by some drastic action could the meat shortage now prevailing be alleviated. He recommended that the government lands in the west be used for grazing purposes and that the soldiers be turned into cowboys. The meat thus raised was then to be sold to the packers at cost. This is a great idea. But it will occur to any sane man that if the government can utilize the public lands and the soldiers to raise beef it should not be turned over to the packers. Why not go one step further and sell it directly to the people? The only ones who would object would be the meat packers. They have lived off the fat of the land for a good many years and no one would be hurt if they were given a vacation. This suggestion of Meat Packer Dubin that the soldiers be utilized as cowboys to raise beef—instead of hell—is practical and sensible. It proves that eventually the people will be forced to come to the Socialist solution of the food problem which simply stated is, that the nation shall utilize the natural resources for the benefit of all of us. Go to it, Mr. Dubin. When you get the soldiers to raising beef the working class will see that the advantage does not go to the packer.

IF following your name on the 934 yellow address label is NO. your subscription expires in two weeks. Better renew at once so that you will not miss a single issue.

## TO END PARASITISM

It is not without deep significance that the discovery of parasite germs as the chief cause of disease should come at the same time that the workers of the world came to a realization that their poverty was the result of parasites that were feeding upon them.

The workers have caught the vision of an ending of parasitism and consequently of the ending of poverty. They are working along practical lines to accomplish that result.

Bacteriologists likewise have visions of being able to destroy the invisible parasites that feed upon the body and of thus ending disease. Paul Ehrlich, the great bacteriologist, says that is a possibility.

The enlightened worker sees that the ending of human parasitism and with that the elimination of poverty can come only through a concerted or social effort. Hence we have Socialism as a propaganda and a method.

The medical scientist also makes appeal to the state as the only force able to cope with the invisible parasites. Working so, he has already checked the power of yellow fever and is getting a grip on the throat of tuberculosis and various other diseases.

Parasitism! That is the great cause of the world's suffering. Scientists are becoming agreed as to that. Knowledge of this fact is a great step toward a cure. And the cure for poverty and for most of the diseases that have afflicted the world is in sight.

GEORGE P. BENT, head of the company manufacturing Crown pianos, openly threatens to boycott all newspapers that advocate justice for the workers. Of course, the game could not be played both ways!

OUT-OF-WORK leads to out-of-heart.

CAPITALIST knavery brings working class slavery.

It requires a good many furrows to pay interest on the mortgage.

You made the saddle that is fastened on your back, on which the master rides. The halloo was the tool with which you made it.

WHEN capitalism cannot employ men at profit it reckons them as criminals and calls on the state to employ them, but as criminals.

UNEMPLOYMENT, forced on the worker by the capitalist system, is a step toward vagrancy; and capitalism ranks vagrancy as a crime.

SOCIALISM will cure the gout. That being a disease brought on by overfeeding and under exercise, Socialism is an unfailing specific for it.

OPPORTUNITIES were never so numerous as now. Everybody has them. We refer to opportunities to aid in the work of freeing the world from the exploitation by the masters.



WHEN the master "fires" you, the government enforces the law against vagrancy, so as to force you to worse terms or else jail.

"THE farmers are buying automobiles." Not the tenant farmers, however. The man who actually does the work fares on the farm about like he does in the city.

It isn't the high cost of your own living that is "bothering you. If you didn't have to pay the high cost of the master's living you could manage your own living very well.

THERE can be no economic equality under capitalism or any other form of exploitation. Only in socialized means of production and distribution can equality of rights and opportunities come.

THE worker is punished with poverty. And poverty brings failure, ill health and misery. How many lost souls are chargeable to capitalism which assumes the employment of the people and fails in its implied contract!

SOCIALISM will cure fevers. Science has demonstrated that they are due to bacteria, and knows very well how to destroy the bacteria. Socialism in providing a plan for systematically destroying the fever germs, will cure fever before it attacks.

LONG before the time of Roosevelt or the progressive party, to be more exact, in the year 1820, the Rev. C. C. Colton wrote: "The first consideration of a knave is how to help himself, and the second, how to do it, with an appearance of helping you." This was true in 1820 and is true in 1913.

A BULLETIN issued by the federal department of agriculture, says: "The Italian earthquake raised the price of olive oil and offered incentive for present misbranding in the United States." Here you have capitalist incentive officially stated. For profit it will lie and sell things for what they are not.

THE new tariff bill will soon be in operation. It makes a general reduction, according to the best estimate the APPEAL can figure out of the complicated mess, of about 28 per cent. Aside from wool and sugar, the schedules are adjusted on a protection basis, and this notwithstanding the professed opposition of the democratic party to protection. Bryan loudly proclaimed the doctrine that "the tariff is the mother of trusts." And then the democratic party proceeded to do the maternal act by giving Mrs. Tariff a new petticoat. Not even her friends will detect the difference. The working man's job under the new tariff will be just as insecure as before and his wages will be the same amount of pork and cornmeal. Neither the tariff nor the currency concerns the working class. The Socialist party presents the only issue in which the workers have any interest. What the working class wants is the control of their jobs and the full social value of the product of their labor. This they can get only through the Socialist party.

SOCIALISTS demand equal opportunity. Many profess not to understand this and say: "What's the use? If you start a hundred men with equal opportunities, at the end of a few years one or two of them will be rich while the others will be just where they started." This would be true under the present system which allows one man to make a profit from the labor of another. But the Socialist program does not provide that a man shall have equal opportunities with all men just once in his life, but that he shall have equal opportunities with all men every day of his life. Some difference?

## Million Dollars vs. Million Appeals

Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kan.

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From an Ex-Soldier

I have been reading Turner's articles on the U. S. army and it brings to mind the three years I served my Uncle Sam...

Who Owns Germany?

SOMEbody was asleep at the key some night, for the cables reported a startling idea as they told of the Krupp corruption scandal in Germany...

Army Makes Paupers, Lunatics and Criminals

BY JOHN KENNETH TURNER

If we are to continue our present form of army organization, let us reserve our regrets and send to the army the feeble-minded, the undernourished, the epileptic, the defective and the insane...

A full report of the action of the federal court on the application for a writ of habeas corpus to secure the release of Waldo H. Coffman will be printed in next week's issue.

And do you not also understand the great truth that since these things are so there was nothing improper in what Krupp did, he being identical with the German government?

It should be pointed out, of course, that the United States is altogether different from Germany in this regard. The United States government has absolutely no connection with the steel trust, with Morgan, dead or alive, with Standard Oil, or with the railroads.

I wish some newspaper would send an intelligent man into the army and let him catch a glimpse of conditions beneath the surface. The exposure of them would make the nation gasp.

It is the custom of "superior" people to say that, in time of peace, the army gets only the worst class of young men, that the army is composed of the "riff-raff" of the nation.

But I must admit that, at the end, a large percentage of our soldiers are riff-raff. The army takes in good young men and turns out riff-raff.

When, at various times, I have referred to the enlisted men in the regular army as numbering about 78,000 and the yearly recruits as numbering about 40,000, the small discrepancy between the figures has perhaps been noticed.

As the statistics on the "losses" of the army in time of peace from so-called "unnatural" causes tell a story, let us glance at them for a moment.

During the past year and a half I have visited personally and inspected nearly half of the 49 military posts in the United States. In almost every instance I have found the military reservation adjoined by dives and ill resorts of the vilest character.

to numbers, where the trials and uncertainties of the competitive system drive one to self-destruction, army life drives fifteen to death by the same means.

The recruiting circular says: "You have a certain position with assured health and pay." Do the army suicide figures look like it?

OF even greater significance are the figures on the discharges for disability. It must be remembered that great care is taken that he recruit shall be sound physically at the beginning.

What kind of diseases are prevalent in the army, and why? To begin with, of the 1,046 soldiers in the regular army discharged in 1912 on certificate for disability, fifty were discharged for being permanently insane.

The total number of soldiers admitted to the government hospital for the insane during the year was 178. That a good many more soldiers were treated for insanity than were discharged for insanity is indicated by the following:

APPALLING as are the numbers of enlisted men driven to insanity and suicide by military discipline, and the numbers of permanent physical wrecks turned out yearly by the army, the truth about those who are ruined in other ways is even more appalling.

Of the 30,000 to 40,000 yearly recruits only about one per cent make a permanent profession of the army. This one per cent, as a general rule, is made up of the lowest class of the men who enlist.

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Socialist Dividends

On August 24 I placed a dollar to work for the APPEAL by buying four suit cards. They are all sold and here is the dollar for more cards. Forward them by return mail so this dollar will earn 100 per cent dividends. I hope all the comrades will take up this plan.

Let that be the slogan of the APPEAL Army for the next six months and we'll be well on the road to those million subscribers we have all dreamed of and hoped for.

But even though one's health is permanently wrecked it is difficult to get the desired discharge or certificate for disability. And even though one does procure this certificate it is not an easy matter to get the desired pension.

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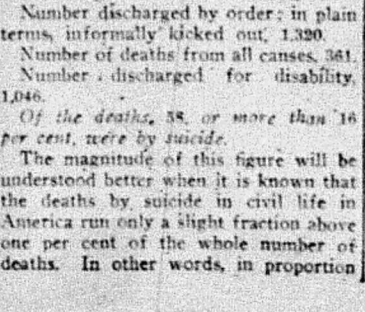
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This man shouts for war.



WHAT IS SLAVERY?

By Percy Bessner Shibley. To work and have such pay. To just beg for life from day to day. To live in a cell, for the tyrant's use to dwell.

Beginning of Things

The Public Schools.

THE constitution of Pennsylvania required that children of the poor should be educated without cost. Yet no efforts were made to carry out that provision until 1809, when a law was enacted requiring a school assessment and the education of those who were too poor to pay tuition.

See End of Exploitation.

Forasmuch, therefore, as your trading is upon the poor, and ye take from him burdens of wealth; ye have built houses of hewn stone, but ye shall not dwell in them; we have planted vineyards, but ye shall not drink wine of them.

News as It Is Not

THERE had arisen a great agitation against vice, and it was determined to segregate it in some section of the city. It was then that the capitalists showed their generosity.

Letters to Henry Dubb

Dear Henry—It's now two weeks since you lost your job. I readily believe you that you have not spared any effort to get another job. Yet you have failed to connect with the means of life.



The soul is often reflected in the eyes.

Significant News

Of the four Knights of Pythias lodges in Louisville, Ky., the members of one are all Socialists. Three red automobiles, each bearing a Socialist speaker, are now touring the state of California, and from them nightly speeches are made.

As Things May Be

A GREAT revolution is already being wrought in the country roads of America. They were formerly worked in such small districts that it was impossible to have anything like a general plan.

The Appeal Army

The Army of Action and Achievement. A list of those sending the largest clubs of 40 sub cards for the week: Chas. S. Strasse, Sinking Springs, Pa. 38; M. C. Davidson, Eldorado Springs, Mo. 22; T. A. Gardner, Girard, Kan. 20; W. J. Stoffer, Minneapolis, Minn. 24; Thos. Newton, Detroit, Mich. 24; Fred A. Barnes, Lawrence, Kan. 22; C. G. P. Day, Oil City, Pa. 22.

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650 SUITS MADE TO ORDER. Advertisement for a suit shop.

Agents Marvelous new household invention. Advertisement for household products.

100 CARDS - 1000 BOTTLES. Advertisement for cards and bottles.

At the Country Store. Signs of Prosperity. Advertisement for a country store.

Condition of the Farmer. The crop value of 1912 was \$9,332,000,000. Advertisement for farmers.

Inventions Under Capitalism. Woodrow Wilson in 'The New Freedom.' Advertisement for inventions.

Velvet. Come on in - the tobacco's fine! Advertisement for Velvet tobacco.

Asking About Socialism. Investments Under Socialism. Advertisement for socialism.

State Slavery. YOU say that men would be state slaves if the public owned and operated the industries. Advertisement for state slavery.

Its Own Grave Digger. At a certain stage of development it brings forth the material agencies for its own dissolution. Advertisement for its own grave digger.

Calendar of Appeal Cases. Hoffman Case - Application for writ of habeas corpus to release Wido H. Hoffman. Advertisement for appeal cases.

They Cannot Answer. FROM the cave man to the hand workers of three generations ago, the increase in efficiency for food and shelter getting has been very great. Advertisement for they cannot answer.

Warren's Dates During October. 19. Elwood, Ind., 2.30 p. m. Wigwam. Advertisement for Warren's dates.

'Appeal' and 'Progressive Woman.' THE APPEAL TO REASON and THE PROGRESSIVE WOMAN, the only Socialist woman's magazine, splendidly illustrated. Advertisement for 'Appeal' and 'Progressive Woman.'

AGENTS. HERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY. Advertisement for agents.

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**The "Schenectady Special"**

Next week's Appeal, dated October 18th, will be the "Schenectady special." Everybody will want to read this issue of the Appeal. Let the voters of your vicinity know what the Socialists are doing for the people in the cities where they are in power. They can't get this information from any of the capitalist papers. Wherever a Socialist has been elected to office he has made good and that kind of news never escapes the blue pencil of the capitalist editor.

Socialists are at the helm in Schenectady, Haledon, N. J., Naugatuck, Conn., Butte, Mont., and Crawford county, Kansas, and this special issue of the Appeal will give the plain facts about their administrations. You can't possibly find anything better to put into the hands of the voters of your locality. The average man wants facts, not theory. Here is your chance to give him the facts.

If you have not already done so, get the comrades together and make an order for a bundle of a thousand copies, or whatever number is needed to cover your town. Don't neglect this important duty. It's a big help to us to know before going to press just how many to print. Get your order in today for as many copies as you need. The rate is 50 cents per 100; \$5 per 1,000.

**The Calumet Copper Strike**

Fifteen thousand copper miners are on strike in the upper peninsula of Michigan. These men now work ten and twelve hours a day underground and they average but a trifle over \$2 a day. At the present high rate of living it is barely possible to make ends meet. The miners demanded an increase of wages to \$3 per day, an eight-hour work day, and some other changes in their working conditions. The operators promptly refused. Finally the miners struck and they have been out ever since.

The usual program of suppression has been carried out by the mining magnates in this strike. The governor of the state, the sheriff of the county and other officials, with the state militia and an army of thugs, assassins and strong-arm men to execute their orders, have been doing the dirty work of the operators and have gone to such lengths to serve their masters that they have aroused resentment and indignation throughout the state.

The history of the Calumet and Hecla, known throughout the country as a copper producer of fabulous value, and its marvelous output which has turned a steady stream of gold into the pockets of the pirates who now refuse a few extra pennies to the miners, is as follows:

The Calumet & Hecla company was organized in 1871 with a capital stock of \$2,500,000, of which only \$1,200,000 was paid up. It has since then paid dividends of \$1,000,000 for the past forty years, an average of \$1,000,000 a year, besides paying over forty millions for equipment, including railroads, and has also invested about \$25,000,000 in other mines and lands.

Most of the stock is owned in Boston. Quincy Adams Shaw draws a salary of \$100,000 a year as president, and \$20,000 a year as director. Rudolph E. L. Agassiz, grandson of the famous London Agassiz, draws \$50,000 a year as first vice president and \$20,000 as director. James MacNaughton, a big boss and underboss king of the copper coast, draws \$25,000 as second vice president, \$20,000 as director and \$40,000 as general manager. He also draws a salary as general manager of the various other mines controlled by the Calumet & Hecla. The other directors, F. L. Higginson and W. Hannwell, draw \$20,000 each. An expert, MacNaughton lives at Brookline, Mass.

George A. Flegg, secretary-treasurer, draws \$20,000; his assistant, W. D. Leavitt, consulting engineer, draws \$25,000, making a total payroll of officers and directors of \$370,000 a year from the Calumet & Hecla mines and their various subsidiaries.

And yet these plutocratic pirates cannot afford to pay living wages to the underground workers who risk life and limb every time they enter the mine and whose sole business it is, according to these pirates, to be content like so many jackasses, to toil early and late for their provender and for the blessed privilege of loading their heartless and soulless masters with riches.

**The Class War in Colorado**

Governor Ammons of Colorado announces that all strikers carrying concealed weapons in the territory affected by the coal strike will be promptly arrested. In the meantime, gun men employed by the mine owners are permitted to terrorize the miners and their families without molestation.

Something of the situation is revealed in the following letter to the APPEAL from Adolph Germer, sent from Waldenburg, Colo.:

To show you the high handed manner in which things are run, I wish to relate the experience of several of our boys, who went out to distract some fellows in the mining camps near Midway, Fresno and Route. As they were traveling along the public highway, four mining guards, armed with shotguns, one revolver in his hand and one in his pocket, came to the side of the road. All were placed under arrest, though one was released immediately, while the others were held and taken before the justice and there placed under a \$100 bond each. We secured bondmen, but in the meantime the justice made his court as the bonds could not be obtained. I secured two automobiles and at midnight drove out to the residence of the justice, some two miles away. When we arrived there, six of the mine guards, the most despicable characters I ever saw, rushed on to us with drawn revolvers. They began to search a few of our fellows, but were told by a prominent business man who was with us not to pull off any of their gun plays for they might get hurt. The crowd then withdrew and when we came to the residence of the justice, we were told that he had gone hunting and would be gone all the next day, which was Sunday. I am firmly convinced that if we were there in hiding in his house. The following Monday the boys were released. They had their trial on the 11th at which one was released and the other two fined \$50 and sixty days in jail. The two found guilty were immediately hustled back into the state county jail. When we sent details to them the latter refused them the use of a

**A JUDICIAL FREAK**

Judge John E. Humphries of Seattle has already introduced himself to our readers. He has by his freakish decisions and rulings practically outlawed the Socialist movement. It seems that this judicial freak is bent upon immortalizing his assiduity. He has just issued an order for the immediate arrest of ninety-nine signers of a resolution adopted at a Socialist meeting, declaring in favor of a campaign of defiance if his previous despotic orders were attempted to be carried into execution.

It is such judges as this that render the whole bourgeois legal code ridiculous and contemptible. Humphries has the narrow, bigoted view of the capitalist jurist who regards the working class as cattle to be rounded up and branded as the property of the ruling class. He has no more conception of what Socialism means than a Horrotent, and in his decisions and rulings against it he makes himself the laughing stock of the intelligent people of the community.

There are many Humphrieses scattered about over the country, but it has remained for this particular one to become eminent in his lampooning. If he holds office a while longer he will learn that his pious assaults upon the Socialist movement will no more restrain its forward march than Madame Grimy succeeded in sweeping back the tides of the ocean.

The thing for Socialists to do is to literally flood Seattle with Socialist literature. Send the APPEAL to your Seattle friends and acquaintances. This will be the fitting answer to such attacks as are made upon Socialists by the Humphries breed.

**A CAPITALIST JOKE**

War is capitalism's "joke" on the workers. The workers do all the fighting. The capitalists reap all the benefits.

One group of workers shoots down another group of workers and it is called patriotism. The capitalists furnish all the guns and ammunition—for a profit—and it is called—good business. The workers furnish all the "food" for the cannon while the capitalists furnish the embalmed beef—for a profit.

"All the world's a stage," and, from the viewpoint of the devil and his imps, war is the funniest vaudeville stunt on the program.

When the workers of any country begin to grow wise to the way they are robbed in times of peace, the owners of the earth advocate war to divert their attention, on the same principle that a woman shakes a rattle to keep the baby from crying.

War is just one capitalistic method of picking the worker's pockets; it serves a twofold purpose: It makes profits for the masters and at the same time makes patriots of the workers. A patriotic worker is always a contented worker. Capitalism loves a contented worker.

Every year the masters are finding it more and more difficult to promote wars. The workers are growing wise.

**WHAT IS HUMAN NATURE?**

It is human nature to want good things to eat in abundance. Socialism may, therefore, accomplish its work without changing human nature.

It is human nature to wish to own a good home. Socialism, therefore, will find human nature a help toward the accomplishment of its work.

It is human nature to wish to be free from want and worry about making a living. The work of Socialism, therefore, will have human nature as an adjunct in pressing it to the front.

It is human nature to wish to provide for the child. Socialism has behind it the impulse and strength of human nature to realize this aim.

It is human nature to aspire after higher things. If this be the chief element of religion, Socialism and human nature are working together to bring the world to the realization of higher ideals.

It is human nature to wish to develop that which everyone feels is in him. Socialism and human nature are, therefore, working together to bring a higher civilization.

Only in the new state of society, where production will be carried on for use and not for profit, when each grown man and woman will receive the full fruit of their labor, when all will provide jointly for the weak, the small and the needy, will child labor be eradicated from the face of the earth—Theosophical Mail.

**Watch for Issue No. 933**

Next week's issue, No. 933, will be the Schenectady special. It will tell of what Socialists have done where they are holding office and what they propose to do if given control of this country. As a propaganda edition it certainly will be a winner. In addition, this issue will contain another broadside against militarism by John Kenneth Turner. His next article is entitled "A \$300,000,000-a-Year Steal in the Guise of National Defense." You will see by the title that Turner is getting close home. Why not order a bundle of next week's issue? The rates are:

200 copies ..... \$ 1.00  
500 copies ..... 2.50  
1,000 copies ..... 5.00  
5,000 copies ..... 25.00  
10,000 copies ..... 50.00

**SOCIAL TREATMENT OF DISEASE**

The president of the Illinois Medical Association has issued an appeal to doctors of the state to unite to secure from the legislature favorable bills and to prevent the enactment of measures that look to social care of health. Among other representations, in which it is shown that the average income of the Illinois physician is now only \$700 per year, the following remarkable statement is made:

Do you realize that in Austria, Germany, France and England the pauperization of the medical profession has become a veritable epidemic? It has become necessary for the doctors to organize into medical protective leagues in sheer defense of their means of existence?

Do you realize that all over Europe the rising tide of Socialism, the blighting hand of fraternalism, the innumerable hospitals and clinics for the free cure of the sick, the multiplication of friendly societies all help to serve to keep down the natural increase of the medical profession and to keep those in it poor?

Do you realize that there are over 800 societies for the study of "nature healing" with a total membership of 120,000—that there are over 30 periodicals with such a purpose, with millions of circulation?

That is the doctor's viewpoint. It is that the social and fraternal treatment of disease has actually come into existence and is threatening the profession of the doctor who operates along the old individualistic lines. There is no claim that the social method is not effective for the promotion of the general health. Indeed, the evidence is all in favor of the social treatment of health. It must be so, because that looks to prevention of disease, while the individualistic treatment of sickness, for profit, can of necessity do nothing in the way of preventive work. The only criticism made by the head of this medical society is that the business of individual doctoring is going, coupled with a frantic appeal that it be saved.

But why should it be saved? The APPEAL is sorry to see any worker lose his place. It would, through the inauguration of Socialism, make it possible for all workers always to have remunerative employment, even when employment in some line might be ended through newer and better methods. But why should the scourge of sickness be encouraged in order that some, who may personally be very worthy men, may have employment in fighting it after it has attained great headway? Obviously, the sensible thing is to do that which will be of most benefit to the whole people, and from the representation of this agitator for standpoint, the people are doing exactly that thing.

**"Who Wouldn't?" He Asks.**

Last week we asked the APPEAL Army how many of them wanted a copy of the forthcoming "History of the APPEAL," by George Allan England. The following from comrades "Totte" of Chicago is a sample of the replies that are coming in every mail by the hundreds:

"I want a copy of 'The Story of the APPEAL.' Say I've been saving the article for fear they would not appear in book form. Of course I want one. Who wouldn't?"

If not already sent, let us have your order today. Send no money, all we want now is the order—we will notify you when the books are ready and you can remit at that time.



The only thing the worker has to sell—his labor power.

**MILLION DOLLARS TO FIGHT SOCIALISM**

The mine operators of West Virginia are smarting keenly under their crushing defeat and they are now thirsting for revenge, according to advices just received from that state.

For twenty years these operators ruled the mining regions with an iron hand. They were in fact the power behind the throne and they governed as absolutely and as cruelly as the czar and his bureaucracy ruled over the Russian empire.

But at last the revolt against such tyrannical misrule came. It was bound to come. It was one of the most bitterly contested industrial struggles in American history and the outcome was that for the first time in the history of West Virginia the mines were unionized and the operators were compelled henceforth to deal with the miners in that capacity.

Of course they blamed the Socialists for their defeat and for the invasion of their mines by the conquering spirit of union labor. They declared that if it had not been for the "infernal Socialists" they would have continued to rule the state and rob the workers for twenty years more without serious molestation.

And for this offense against the autocratic mine owners of West Virginia, Socialists are to pay the direst penalty. The anathema of the organized operators has been pronounced against Socialism and a fund of a million dollars has been raised to drive Socialism out of the state and to destroy organized labor.

From a press dispatch of considerable length making this announcement we quote the following paragraph:

A fund of a million dollars to fight Socialism and unionism has been raised. It was reported at a meeting today of operators with mines along the Chesapeake and Ohio, Kanawha and Michigan, Virginia and Norfolk and Western railroads, when the operators' protective association was organized.

In this warfare they are the aggressors and they have an enormous war chest, but on our side we have right and justice and an army of invincible revolutionists, whose many years in the cause have fitted them for just such attacks and who will prove to the operators of West Virginia before they are through that their attack upon Socialism was the beginning of their end.

More urgent now than ever before is the demand that we cover the state of West Virginia with the APPEAL TO REASON. In the previous crisis we did not fail because the people were aroused, mainly through the systematic educational propaganda which for months before had been carried on by this paper. If you want to help in this work send a dollar bill to the APPEAL which will pay for the subscriptions of four West Virginia voters.

Let there be no loss of time in giving the operators to understand that their challenge is accepted and that the battle is on. Let the workers organize more vigorously than ever before and let the Socialists unite with all their energy to cover the state with locals and to carry the workers to the ballot box in a united body at the coming election.

"West Virginia for the workers" is the slogan in this campaign. The comrades and sympathizers throughout the country are relied upon to give their support.

**HIGH COST OF LIVING**

That the cost of living is steadily increasing is no longer a guess. It's a fact. No one denies it. No one can deny it. The monthly grocery bills, the monthly meat bills, the monthly ice bills and the monthly coal bills all go to prove it.

The high cost of living is not a national problem, it is an international problem. It is not local, it is worldwide. It is a problem to be solved collectively, not individually. The remedy lies not alone with the American people but with the people of every nation.

Socialists are the only ones who understand the cause. They are the only ones who have any definite remedy. Socialists know that the cause lies in the private ownership of the means of life and that the only remedy possible is the public ownership and democratic management of the means of life.

The root of the problem lies, first, in the fact that while labor creates all wealth, labor receives but a small part of the wealth it creates; second, in the fact that before the workers can get a cent for themselves they must first produce billions to pay the debts of nations, and then other billions to pay the interest on bonds that represent mostly water; third, the fact that a majority of the workers under the profit system are employed in unproductive labor.

Things are not produced today for use, but for profit. Railroads are not

**Not For Sale**

I recently came in contact with a gentleman who, starting a discussion, we had over unionism and Socialism, produced a small red covered book—vast pocket size—filled with useful facts and figures from cover to cover. I would consider it a great favor if you would send me the price of this book as I would like very much to have it.—C. W. Ebbett, Newberry, Pa.

We are very sorry to have to disappoint you, Mr. Ebbett, but the APPEAL "Arsenal of Facts" is not for sale—we do not sell it, but give it away. Under no circumstances can you buy one, but you can get one free. Thousands of these little books have been sent out and every one as a present. They are secured in this way: Send \$3 for 12 of our "paid in advance" subscription cards and you will receive an "Arsenal" free. These sub cards are regular U. S. postal cards addressed on one side to the APPEAL TO REASON, Girard, Kan. On the other side is a printed statement that a 40-week subscription has been paid for. All the purchaser of a card has to do is write in his or her name and address in the blank lines provided and mail the card to us. In this way when nearly every man you meet is interested in the question of Socialism to the extent that he wants to know something more about it, you can easily send the 12 cards and get your money back. We shall be glad to mail you an "Arsenal."

**CONTROL OR PARTNERSHIP**

Already farmers are discovering the fakery of the Wilson farm loan proposition. In southeast Louisiana they are holding mass meetings to protest that they receive no benefit from the so-called distribution of money, in spite of all the press said about it. The fact is the funds to be sent out were never intended to aid the farmer. The tariff joke of "protecting labor" by giving the rich employer of labor opportunity to make tremendous dividends is being repeated in the much heralded farm loans. A great claim was made that they would aid the farmer; but the money was sent to the banks instead of to farmers, and if anyone was benefited from the provisions of the bill it was the local banks that handled the money.

The National Socialist, a monthly paper of practical ideas on propaganda and control of unionism, has now been published for the rank and file by the rank and file of 25 cents a year. In clubs of four or more, two years for 25 cents. Make it a club of four.

Here is a problem in finance for some of you wisacres to figure out: There are three billion dollars, all told, in the United States. This represents all money of all description that has been issued by the treasury department, and now in circulation. The national banks alone have on deposit six billion dollars. This is the sum they owe their depositors. These same banks have loaned six billion dollars. The capital stock amounts to one billion dollars, which is furnished by the United States government and on which the government pays the banker two to three per cent interest. The bankers collect in addition interest on two dollars for every dollar of money in the country! Great game!

You will rejoice to hear that the "earnings" of 144 largest mining companies of America for the eight months just past were greater than ever before in a similar period, reaching the enormous sum of \$67,211,409. It indicates wonderful prosperity—for the stockholders. The fact that these "earnings" came out of the workers ought to induce them to be patient. The 144 companies in question have during their existence paid an aggregate dividend of \$882,488,372, or \$92,000,000 in excess of their combined capitalization. This tribute does not include the larger sums paid Amalgamated Copper, American Securities corporation and other large mining corporations. You will never know what you have lost because you—the workers—do not own the mines of America socially. But you can.

**ABOUT LAW "REFORM"**

There is considerable agitation going on at the present time looking to a reform in the administration of the law. This was the main topic of discussion at a meeting the other day of the Missouri bar association. The agitation started by the APPEAL through its seven years' expose and fight on the capitalistic courts is beginning to bear fruit. The wise lawyer sees his hand writing on the wall, he sees his meal ticket threatened and he is beginning to talk reform, with the beneficiaries of the system doing the reforming. Socialists know that any reforms made by the legal fraternity will be a joke as far as the working class is concerned.

Any reforms proposed by those who make their living through the administration of the law will not vitally affect the bread and butter problem of the great mass of workers. Lasting reforms, real reforms, never come from the top but from the bottom. Capitalists will never willingly abolish themselves, neither will the lawyers. If the working class wishes reforms in the administration of the law they must do the reforming themselves. And the first step is the study of Socialism, the second step is the voting for Socialism.

**A REMARKABLE SUGGESTION**

At a gathering of packers connected with the meat trust, held in Chicago, a demand was made that the United States army should be put to raising beef for the packers to sell. This is as the press reported the proposal:

The government lands in the west could be made into great pastures, where countless cattle could be raised to relieve the present high cost of meat and avert the famine that surely is coming otherwise.

The suggestion is remarkable from three points of view. First, it recognizes that only through governmental action can relief be had in a social crisis; second, it proposes an army of service; third (and here is the illogical, reactionary feature), it clings to the view that the government exists solely to serve the master class. It would have the army raise the beef, that the PACKERS might have the raw material through which to exploit the people.

If the logic behind the first two propositions is sound, then the only sensible conclusion of the whole matter is that the government which raises the beef should also pack it and deliver it to the consumer AT COST.

**CONTROL OR PARTNERSHIP**

New York has just been paid an inheritance tax of two and a half million dollars on the Morgan estate. It is a triumph of an old socialist principle, and shows a growing tendency on the part of government to actually control private wealth—a tendency whose logical outcome must be both collective ownership and democratic control of all industry. Yet, with capitalism still in operation, it is not without its dangers. It gives a state like New York tremendous possibilities of income, and with it, possibilities of graft, while giving the state (or the politicians who under capitalism are the state) a partnership in the exactions of business that may lead them to favor the capitalist system further. Two and a half million dollars is a big sum to get from one estate at one time. Yet the politicians can easily make it a good investment for the house of Morgan by laying wires so it may divert many times that amount of the workers' products into its own pocket. There is no good that may not under capitalism become a great evil.

**Henry Dubb Again Tries to Please His Master's Boy**



By Ryan Walker

**FREE SOCIALISM AND THE LAW...**

You all know George Allan England, the Socialist author. He has just written one of his very best books under the title of "Socialism and the Law." Every man or woman who works for a living should read it. Those who live from the toil of others should read it as their favorite book. You want this book and you shall have it free of cost.

We are organizing the "Wayland class" for the study of our three-part correspondence law course. Along with the law course will be given a splendid course in public speaking. Many members of this class will get their instruction in law and public speaking FREE, and in addition will get without cost a fine fourteen-volume law library. There will be no favoritism shown. Each student will have a chance to secure his law books and education without expense.

Prices of course and we will send you Comrade England's book and explain how you can become a member of the "Wayland Law Class."

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