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THOSE who profit by capitalism are afraid of Socialism and it is about the only thing of which they are afraid. They fear Socialism because Socialism means the end of capitalism; because it means the end of the system that forces the many to work and live in poverty that a few may live in idleness and luxury; because it means the end of private profit in men's labor; because it means the end of white slavery and child slavery; because it means the end of the industries of the nation which serve the people instead of to exploit the people. The quickest way to get concessions from the capitalist class is by voting for Socialism. Truly has it been said that the capitalists are willing to do anything for the workers but get off their backs. Only through the complete triumph of Socialism can the capitalists be forced to get off their backs and help carry the load, but through the fear of Socialism, engendered by a big Socialist vote, they will in sheer self-defence make various efforts to get off our backs. Union labor may cause Mr. Rockefeller a lot of trouble; they may at times disturb his dreams at night; they may even take up some of his time when he is playing golf, but Mr. Rockefeller does not fear union labor. He can fight the Colorado union miners with his gunmen and his state militia, but his men and his militia are helpless against an avalanche of Socialist votes. Mr. Rockefeller fears Socialism and it is the only thing he does fear—it is the only thing any capitalist fears. The workers of America with Socialist ballots in their hands can get anything they want. Mr. Rockefeller knows this and so does every other beneficiary of the system. On Tuesday, November 3, the workers of this country will have an opportunity to inaugurate a general political strike for better conditions that all of Rockefeller's millions and all the gunmen in the world cannot break. A dozen Socialist workingmen in congress will secure for labor more than labor has gained by a half century of strikes and legislative committees. Be not tricked by the spellbinders who are paid and trotted around the country by the capitalists. They have sung the same songs to you before, yes, and to your father and your father's father, yet nothing has come of it to benefit the workers of the farm and city. On the other hand, the poor have grown poorer and the rich have grown richer. It makes no difference to the workers whether a senator or congressman is elected by the republican, democratic or progressive parties, they all belong to the capitalist system and strive only to further the interests of those who benefit by that system. The way to impress your senator and your congressman is to show them a big Socialist vote. Put the fear of God and the working class into them by voting the Socialist ticket and voting it straight. Remember Ludlow!

Another Ludlow Massacre Being Staged in Colorado

By telegraph to Appeal to Reason.
Trinidad, Colo.—General Chase of the Colorado state militia has notified all commanding officers to prepare for action as he is in receipt of a semi-official report that three thousand armed strikers in Colorado and the four adjoining states are preparing to attack the militia if they return to the strike zone. Striking miners in all camps around Trinidad and Walsenburg are organizing military companies and will drill for a time without arms. United Mine Workers from their headquarters have sent telegrams to all central labor organizations in the United States asking for aid in this crisis.
The Socialist local of Las Animas county has wired the national secretary of the Socialist party as follows: "Mine guards reorganizing as state militia in all scab mining camps and appear openly with guns. Regulars acting as scabherders. Presence of regulars means filling up mines with scabs and starving strikers into submission, while withdrawal means another Ludlow. Local Las Animas County urges national office to request all locals to immediately hold meetings and adopt resolutions calling upon President Wilson to force corporations to settle strike or close mines."
JOHN MURRAY.

be caught in the same death trap that was laid for them last spring.
Wilhelm II and John D. II
BY JOHN MURRAY,
Staff Correspondent Appeal to Reason.
The house of Hohenzollern in Europe!
The house of Rockefeller in America!
Stop! Look! Listen!
Shall the Socialists of America fall into the same pit that has engulfed the Socialists of Germany? Shall Rockefeller mass his troops, unchecked, in Colorado to the same end that the kaiser has mobilized his soldiers in Prussia?
See America first!—you Socialists who are straining your eyes toward the carnage fields across the seas.
Turn your faces towards Colorado where the rule-of-the-gun is secretly establishing itself for the same purpose that is now making wreck of Belgium, France, England, Germany, Austria and Russia.
If there is strength in the Socialist movement of America let it act now before it is too late.
Colorado is now the strategic center for the greatest war ever planned by American capitalists because it possesses the largest deposit of fuel to be found in any

state in the union, to wit, 11,500,000 acres of coal.
Pennsylvania's coal acreage is but 9,400,000.
Today, England rules the commercial world because she can coal her globe-encircling fleets at more different stations than any other nation on earth.
The United States produces over 40 per cent of the world's coal supply.
The house of Rockefeller controls the coal fields of the United States.
If, at any time, the fuel of the world should change from coal to oil the house of Rockefeller would be ready for that change because it controls, in Mexico alone, a strip of oil lands 75 miles wide and 1,000 miles long. Its oil land holdings in the United States stretch from the Atlantic to the Pacific.
But oil is of the future and coal is of today, consequently the house of Rockefeller is today in possession of every title, lease, grant, lien or other commercial grip covering every inch of anthracite and bituminous coal in the state of Colorado.
Even the approaches to these same coal lands—grazing lands over which run strategic rights-of-way to the mines—are in the hands of the coal king.

Possession of Colorado is held by the house of Rockefeller just as the house of Hohenzollern holds Germany, by the power of blood and iron—gunmen and machine guns.
Listen to the kaiser in his speech to the men of Brandenburg:
"It is a tradition of our house that we, the Hohenzollerns, regard ourselves as appointed by God to govern and to lead the people, whom it is given us to rule, for their well-being and the advancement of their material and intellectual interests. I look upon the people and nation handed on to me as a responsibility conferred upon me by God, and that it is, as is written in the Bible, my duty to increase this heritage, for which one day I shall be called upon to give an account, those who try to interfere with my task I shall crush."
Now hear the words of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., as delivered to the United States committee on mines, April 6, 1914:
"Mr. Rockefeller: There is just one thing, Mr. Chairman, so far as I understand it, which can be done, as things are at present, to settle this strike, and that is to unionize the camps; and our interest in labor is so profound and we believe so sincerely that that interest demands that the camps shall be open camps, that we expect to stand by the officers at any cost. It is not an accident that this is our position—
"The Chairman: And you will do that if it cost all your property and kills all your employees?
"Mr. Rockefeller: It is a great principle.
As with a Hohenzollern so with a Rockefeller, the voice of the mas-

ter is the voice of God. See how the son of the coal king explains his infallibility to the commissioners:
"Mr. Rockefeller: If I had this entire history to live over again I would not know how more conscientiously to perform my duty as a director of this company and representative of a large interest than I have."
Let no one think that our American war lord evades the red issue of a Forbes or a Ludlow. The crown prince of the house of Rockefeller will protect his own. His army fires the tents of the striking miners, under which huddles women and children, and these soldiers, his soldiers, are clothed in the uniforms of state troops of Colorado. To the commission he acknowledges all this frankly:
"The Chairman: I am trying to get your opinion. The militia is supposed, it is not, to be sent into the field to preserve the peace?
"Mr. Rockefeller: Yes.
"The Chairman: And not to take part on either side?
"Mr. Rockefeller: Certainly.
"The Chairman: Do you think that the swearing in of your guards and keeping them on the payroll as militiamen helps to do that?
"Mr. Rockefeller: Without having been on the spot and knowing the situation it would be difficult to say whether that was the best thing to do or not."
In the Colorado domain of the coal king there are towns that know no law but the will of the

house of Rockefeller, as appears recorded in the evidence given to the commission:
"Mr. Evans: But your company owns property situated as this is in incorporated towns. Your company has been instrumental in getting the roads leading into those towns abandoned, and they are now private roads, and I myself had to get a pass to enter one of the incorporated towns of the state of Colorado, situated upon the property of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co., and I had to get a pass to get out. Under those conditions don't you think that you would necessarily have strife and contention and warfare?
"Mr. Rockefeller: We have not had for ten years, and we would not have now if outsiders had not come in, so far as I am informed.
"Mr. Evans: Do you know whether or not it is a fact that the feeling is very prevalent in Colorado that the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. control the politics and the officers elected in the counties in which your property is situated?
"Mr. Rockefeller: I do not know about that.
"Mr. Evans: An investigation of the coroner's records of the county of Las Animas reveal this condition: During the years 1910-11, and the three months of 1912 there were 232 violent deaths.
"Mr. Rockefeller: In what county?
"Mr. Evans: In Las Animas county. That is where Trinidad is situated. I think approximately 180 of those deaths were mine accidents. This record reveals the fact that coroners' juries were impaneled in 30 cases, and the names of the jurors were furnished. There was an absence of record as to the other 202; whether juries were impaneled or not I do not know. There was an absence of record. Now, in the 30 cases where it was perfectly evident that

juries had been impaneled and held inquests, we found that one man—who, it was alleged, was secretary of one of the political parties of that county and had been for years—was foreman of the jury 24 times, only 30 cases being tried out of 232. And not in that whole record of 232 cases, 189-odd being mine accidents, was there any evidence that a mining company was ever held culpable for any negligence in the death of a man. One of the records—it was not a verdict, but the record gives his name, his age and his nationality, and said he was killed in a mine accident; and the record ran on in this way: "Killed by fall of rock in mine; injury in pelvic region; no record; no relations and damages; few friends." That was the record.
The inner workings of the mind of the kaiser and the inner workings of the mind of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., are of a likeness that is startling. Here speaks the kaiser:
"Considering myself as an instrument of the Lord, without hearing the views and opinions of the day, I go my way."
Ignoring all modern experience as to the necessity of social organization for the protection of the individual, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., thus records himself before the commissioners:
"The Chairman: You do believe the unionizing of labor would restrict the laborer's freedom?
"Mr. Rockefeller: If it would necessitate our disorganizing men's working, would it not obviously restrict their freedom?
"The Chairman: I am asking you if you think the unionizing of your men restricts their freedom any more than the unionizing of your capital restricts your freedom?
"Mr. Rockefeller: It certainly would, if now they are allowed to work on conditions they are satisfied with, whereas, then, they would only be allowed to work on conditions prescribed by the union."
Where the flimsy pretense of law is needed the coal king has his governor to declare martial law, his attorney general to fill the jails, his judges upon the bench to suspend habeas corpus or condemn without trial by means of sentences charging contempt of court. These things appear in the records of the commission:
"Mr. Evans: It was testified that an injunction was obtained restraining the men from interfering with new men who desired to take their places. That injunction was disobeyed by a number of men and these men were arrested for a violation of the injunction and sent to jail. I think there were 16 or 18, perhaps more. Some of them stayed in jail for months for the violation of this injunction. They were sent there without a jury trial and for contempt of court, as I understand the matter. I feel that the getting of the injunction by the mine company was an effort to protect the rights and the property of the owner of the mine. Now, what do you say as to our system of jurisprudence? Do you or do you not feel that it is wrong that a man who owns the property can test out his rights by going into court and jeopardizing nothing but his property interests, while the man who works for a living, in order to protect what he thinks are his rights, is right to work or not to work, must submit to a jail sentence of months of confinement?
"Mr. Rockefeller: I do not see what the bearing of the question is on strike conditions."
But the automatic revolver, the high-power rifle and the machine gun are the courts of the last resort under the house of Rockefeller and today there is massing in this state an army under the captains of the coal king which will, once-and-for-all, either destroy organized labor or be by organized labor destroyed.
The APPEAL TO REASON has given the greatest volume of facts to the world in relation to this armed conspiracy of the house of Rockefeller and corroborative evidence from many other sources is so plentiful that no reading man can now doubt what the workers of Colorado are today facing. If organized labor is wiped out in Colorado the army of the coal king will commence its march to the next zone of conquest. It is the part of the Socialists of America to act now.
The house of Hohenzollern has rent Europe.
Shall the house of Rockefeller destroy America?

Militia Gunmen Arrive
BY JOHN MURRAY,
Staff Correspondent Appeal to Reason.
Trinidad, Colo.—The first company of state militia has just arrived in Ludlow from Denver. Armed, uniformed and equipped they stepped from the train onto the ground which is stained with the blood of mothers and children in the last militia raid.
At the station, to meet them and conduct them to their nearby camp at Hastings, was a coal company representative by the name of Curry.
The federal soldiers under Major Cabell gave them the right of way—this was the order from Washington.
Among the incoming militiamen were many faces recognized by the miners as being the same gunmen who helped make Forbes and Ludlow a shambles.
The federal and the militia are now working in Colorado like interlocking directorates. Captain Shelly of the United States army is reported to be at present in Denver training the officers of several new militia companies how to rectify the mistakes made in their past encounters with the miners.
War on a scientific basis will soon open in Colorado.
Rockefeller has the reputation of employing the best known experts for any matter relating to the foundation of his interests.
State Treasurer M. A. Leddy has just announced that he has purchased, on behalf of the state, \$100,000 worth of the bonds issued to maintain the militia. To do this he used the school funds, explaining that he had the right to invest this money in "any good security."
This will give Governor Ammons money enough to furnish equipment for new militia companies. But the men for these companies can only be found in the coal camps of the operators because none of the former "tin willies" that enlisted from behind store counters and school desks can be persuaded to try again.
The plan of campaign is plain to all in Colorado—the house of Rockefeller provides the soldiers and the state equips them.
Interviewed as to what might be expected from the United States troops, Colonel Lockett states that although he has received no orders to leave the strike zone, yet he is of the opinion that the federal troops "will not be needed when the militia comes."
It goes without saying that the miners will not allow themselves to

THE working class is a big one, but it doesn't know its lessons very well.
SOCIALISM is the only thing that will make it possible for all people to have homes.
THE boom which the capitalist press promised us threatens to turn out to be a tomb.
THE patriot is generally a man who remains at home and cheers the fellow who goes to war.
EUROPE is seeking to give the worker a place, not in the sun, but somewhere else just as hot.
THE Prince of Peace is all right. It is the war lord and the landlord who are troubling the earth.
THE stars and stripes will be really glorious when they fly over the Socialist democracy in America.
THERE will be homes for the workers when Socialism gets the power to stop the robbery of the toiler.
Too many workers shut their mouths and open their ears when the fellow who oppresses them appears.
IT seems Rockefeller is about to order his state reserves into the field against those who make his living in Colorado.
THE question is, how much blood-letting our sick civilization can stand. And will nations without blood be very strong?
"SOCIALISM will destroy your home," the reactionaries yell. Pray, where is your home? Who has destroyed it?
You will observe the war censorship extends to prohibiting agitation for Socialism. Perhaps that is the reason for the war.
THERE is nothing the capitalist does for us which we could not do for ourselves and in doing it save the tribute we pay him.
To declare that Socialism will destroy the home is to insult a million or more as pure women as there are in America, who are loyal Socialists.
WITH rare consideration, the peace palace at the Hague has not been destroyed by the warring nations. There is nothing like capitalist chivalry.
THE worker is poor for one reason only, capitalism. Capitalism keeps him poor in two ways. It will permit him to work only when it pleases, and when it does please it robs him of a greater portion of what he produces.

A Cause for War
The APPEAL was afraid of it. That there should be some act which would precipitate this country in war seemed certain from the first. That act has come, in the seizing of John D. Rockefeller by English warships. It seems incredible that any power would thus dare interfere with the most influential citizen of America, except on the theory that it was seeking to force America into war; but the unexpected has happened. Of course an appeal has been made to the federal government for relief of John D. and an appeal from such a source on such an occasion is in effect an order. The United States fought two wars with England on similar yet less provoking grounds. We shall see whether the president will protect American citizenship and American ownership—and incidentally the John D. Rockefeller, the Standard Oil ship that has been seized by England. If not, he might as well admit that he no longer intends to aid Standard Oil in fighting its battles in Colorado. Let him shoot or give up the gun entirely to John D.
Remember Ludlow when you vote!
THE NEW MASTERY.
There has been a change of financial masters in America. You may not learn it from capitalist papers for a long time, but sooner or later the facts will be told even by them. Indeed, there is not, strictly speaking, a change of masters, but rather a change in the form of mastery.
The old mastery was based on stock jobbery. Manufacture and transportation were capitalized to cover all the property of the country. This mastery collapsed when stocks and bonds depreciated so much as to necessitate the closing of the stock markets so they would not be quoted.
Then the bankers came to the front. For the most part they were the stock speculators. But the institutions in control were different. They induced congress to give them the entire credit of America. With this credit they and not the stock jobbers are in the swim.
It will mean the new tribute will be along the line of interest rather than profit. The profit graft has been made too plain by Socialists to continue. Railroads will struggle to make interest for the bankers. Governments will tax their people to make interest on public debts, old and to be created. Small capitalists self-called will worry themselves to death to pay interest on borrowed capital.
It is for this reason that the Chicago Tribune is able to declare: "Will

Street frowns on railroad lines that ask raise in rates; says they can solve the problem." The railroads have already defaulted in payment of dividends on a billion of securities, but if the Wall Street bankers can cause them to fail further it will mean that they will rake in all. Then they can unload on the government and make it responsible for interest on them.
Beware of "socialistic schemes" for the benefit of the master only. They are not Socialism.
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MR. BRYAN IS WRONG.
Secretary of State Bryan is busy making peace treaties with the rulers of various nations as a means of preventing future wars. In a signed article in the latest issue of his paper, the Commoner, he says:
"More than one billion one hundred million people are now pledged to each other by treaty not to begin war until the matters in dispute have been thoroughly investigated."
The trouble with this claim is that, with due respect to the high public official who makes it, it is not true. The people of the 22 nations affected by the treaty had nothing to do with making it and would have nothing to do with breaking it. Instead of one billion one hundred million being consulted, only 22 persons made the pledge. The very fact that 22 people assumed to act for more than a billion shows that the same 22 might act for them in breaking the treaty.
The war in Europe was not declared by the people of any country, but by the rulers only. In every case there was a treaty of peace between the countries affected, and that treaty was set aside when the seven rulers involved thought it suited their purpose to set it aside.
All this shows that treaties between individuals are not worth the paper on which they are written. If Mr. Bryan would arrange that no war could be declared except on referendum vote of the people involved, and that all diplomatic correspondence should be made public, then war might be prevented. But it can never be ended on the basis of leaving it in the hands of a few who work in secret.
Send Us Election Returns
As soon as you learn the results of the election in your community send the Appeal the Socialist vote cast this year and the vote cast by the Socialists at the last corresponding election. Don't delay in sending Socialist returns. The comrades all over the country will be anxious to know the result and will naturally look for the Appeal for all election news.

There's Enough for All
No man ever yet put forward any logical reason why any man willing to work should ever want for any necessity of life. There is plenty of everything in the world for everybody and it is only through ignorance that anybody lives in poverty. If I have all I can eat, why should I try to keep anybody else from eating? If I have all the clothes I can wear, why should I be needed to retain clothes that others need? If I have a good home, why should I object to others having good homes, too?
It isn't as though there was any lack of these things, that would be different. In such case there might be some excuse for fighting over the things we must have to live and enjoy life. But there is no lack, there is plenty of everything. There is no lack of coal in the ground and there is no lack of men ready and willing to dig it. Nobody ever freezes because there is not enough food. Men freeze and starve only because the food and coal are privately owned and are produced and distributed only for private profit.
Let's dig coal because the people need coal and not because somebody wants to make a profit out of it. Let's produce food because the people need food and not because somebody wants a profit out of the production thereof. Let's collectively own the world and run it for the benefit of all the people instead of a few parasites.
Remember Ludlow when you vote!
PATRIOTIC THIEVES.
London thieves are showing patriotism, according to a cable dispatch to the Washington Post.
Addressing the grand jury at a London session, Robert Wallace, K. C., paid this compliment to the little thieves of London town. "Praise is due to our criminals," he said, "for the self-restraint they are exercising during this period of stress and anxiety. There has been a diminution of nearly 40 per cent in crime in the county of London, a fact that gives great satisfaction to all who have the interests of the country at heart."
It is noticeable that the gentleman made no mention of the big thieves, but dwelt exclusively on the patriotism and loyalty of the little thieves to the big thieves. Very touching, indeed.
SINCE all the nations at war are fighting, as they say, for the preservation of civilization, it looks like the corpse will be perfectly embalmed.

When you vote with the interests you vote against your own interest.
REMEMBER, Wilson has not settled the strike in Colorado. That is democratic lack of achievement.
THE capitalist system will never be overthrown by iconoclasts, though the worker who uses them may be.
THE army of graft has completely enveloped the workers and the only army of relief is the army of Socialists.
THAT employer who would hire a man he could not turn off at will you would consider a fool. Yet you do that with all your officers.
UNABLE to argue, the reactionaries are beating drums. Unable to show wherein Socialism is wrong, they are seeking to turn the subject by screaming accusations.
IT is folly to complain about the lack of opportunity so long as you vote to give the power of employment and credit of the country to those who will find it profitable to limit opportunity.
ALL right. Believe in religion. Stand by your home. What we wish you to do is to join with us in stopping the robbery of the worker. That alone is the issue. That alone is the Socialist proposal.
So long as the reactionaries can induce a few congressmen to declare war and spend your money for armament, America cannot be safe. Take from congress the power to declare war and vest it in yourselves.
THE New York World, democratic, is accusing Wilson of supporting Tammany Leader Murphy. It isn't supposed news of this would get out west and the World ought to be careful in giving away family secrets.
THE bankers are making a howl because a New York newspaper recently printed several columns of curbsome prices of securities the banks are using with which to pry open the federal treasury. They do not wish the people to know how worthless the stocks and bonds used as a basis for banking are.
THE fight in Europe is exclusively of and by the workers and exclusively for the shirkers. Capitalists of each country at war have investments in the countries that are being combated, and these investments are not being touched. They are sacred. It is only the life and property of the workers and the disappearing small capitalists that are subject to destruction. It is only the big capitalists who are secure, both as to life and property.

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BAREFOOTED and in debt. Nothing depend upon but his labor; 62 years old. J. R. Roberts is his name. Dawson, Mo., is where he holds forth. Just one of the millions of victims of capitalism. A life he has this man spent in producing wealth that others might live in idleness and luxury and now he must live in poverty the few years he has left on earth. They tell us the shoe factories are shut down or running half time because there is no demand for shoes. Here is a man who wants shoes, but must go barefoot because he has no money with which to buy shoes. He has no money because all his life others have been living from his labor. What's the remedy? Ask your congressman.

Slaps and Slams

BY P. H. SKINNER.

An inquirer wants to know why Wilson doesn't use the military forces against the Colorado mine owners as he did against the miners. Well, you haven't heard anything about the miners contributing any \$50,000 or so to the election slush fund, have you?

The worker gives his vote to the old parties for patriotism. The rulers give their campaign contributions for value received.

Earning a living—that's a cinch. But getting a living—there's the pinch.

Easy enough to see why the landlord who receives the rent is in favor of the private ownership of land, but why the tenant who digs up the rent should be, is a sticker.

It certainly is difficult to fill the workers full of patriotism with the price of prices at such a prohibitive figure.

A magazine writer suggests that "congress study the report of the commission of corporations intelligently." The idea of congress doing anything intelligently is certainly a fascinating subject for reflection for anyone with a vigorous imagination.

"Once the Colorado people learn that Rockefeller is the owner of the Denver News, its editorials and news will be taken with a pinch of salt."—APPEAL. Wouldn't chloride of lime be more useful?

Unable to learn anything from the example of Europe, Representative Augustus P. Gardner of Massachusetts wants to increase our army and navy "in order to insure peace." One way to insure peace is to send "Gussy" home next election.

"One of the compensations of the war may be a new birth of prosperity for our own beloved nation, whose feet have ever rested upon the eternal principles of peace and justice between men and nations," says the *Washington Herald*. For examples of said peace and justice, see Calumet, Ludlow, Holly Grove and Lawrence.

John D. and the worker were dividing up the wealth. John D. grabbed three-fourths of it and scooped some more by health insurance. "Because I know that too much dough will undermine your health."

A man who prays for peace and votes for a system that makes war, may not be a fool, but he sure would make a fine substitute if you wanted one in a hurry.

The non-Socialist wants "a home of his own" and votes for the landlord to own it; he wants a fair day's pay for a fair day's work, and votes to have his wages fixed by the law of supply and demand; he prays "thy kingdom come on earth" and votes for the same party that Rockefeller and his child-butcherer gunmen vote for. The Socialist wants the same things as the non-Socialist and votes for them.

A New York physician says he has a cure for lying. Sure would like to see him try it on an old party congressman.

A Socialist is one who considers it "practical" to vote for what he wants. A non-Socialist is one who considers it practical to vote for what he doesn't want.

Representative Sherwood of Ohio wants to stop printing the Congressional Record, which costs the government \$2,000,000 a year. No wonder what he thinks his constituents will do for shaving paper.

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Proletarian: One who earns a living and doesn't get it.

Capitalist: One who gets a living and doesn't earn it.

Burglar: An undisguised capitalist.

Oh, General Bold, with encaustics gold. How does your garden grow? Strapped shell exploding like hell. And dead bodies all in a row.

The Socialists are called "dreamers" because they expect to get what they want by voting for what they want. Then what do you call the people who expect to get what they want by voting for what they don't want?

This strenuous campaign to sell every one a bale of cotton, just at this time when the workers are beginning to incline their ears to the sayings of the Socialists is a foxy move, all right. Keep your eyes open or they'll be selling you a bale of wool next.

Liege, Rhims, Louvain. These are pretty bad, but don't forget Ludlow, Calumet and Holly Grove.

Strange that starvation in war-stricken Europe should call for so much more sympathy than starvation in graft-stricken America.

Millionaires and the Bullet-Proof Coat

Written by ALLAN L. BENSON for the Appeal to Reason

A FEW years ago, I spent a most interesting afternoon with the man who invented the bullet-proof coat. I have forgotten his name, but his name doesn't matter, anyway. The coat does matter, because it sets up an interesting train of thought that throws a strong beam of light upon the millionaire. And, strange as it may seem, the most interesting thing about a millionaire is not his money, but himself. The millionaire is distinctly worth understanding. It is doubtful if anybody yet understands him. Certainly, he does not understand himself.

The bullet-proof coat is not a coat, but a sort of inner vest or shortened undershirt. It is made of heavy silk, closely woven. It is as thick as a heavy carpet, but not so stiff. It is treated with some sort of liquid that makes it strands extra tough, and it stops a bullet solely by reason of its toughness and its close weave.

Everybody has heard of the long contest between the cannon and the sheet of armor plate. The cannon grows, it becomes more powerful and boasts that it can pierce the armor plate. The armor plate haunts it with a white, thin, and defies the cannon to pierce it. The cannon tries and fails, but eventually grows more force and succeeds. And so the struggle goes on—first one winning and then the other.

The millionaire watches this rivalry unmoved. He does not care which side shall win. The millionaire, when he sends you to war, uses both cannon and armor plate. Besides, the millionaire always prides himself upon the supposition that he is an exceedingly broad person. He is so broad that he even encourages the red cross to go on (at its own expense) and bind up the wounds he has made.

BUT suppose another rivalry were to spring up. Suppose that instead of the cannon and the armor plate trying to outdo each other, the cannon and the bullet-proof shirt were to try to outdo each other? Shift the bullet-proof shirt were to stretch out so that it would cover a soldier's entire body and make it absolutely impossible to kill him, even with the heaviest cannon? Or suppose the army surgeons, who now merely operate upon shattered soldiers, were to devote a process of making the human body immune to any sort of physical attack? Do you believe the millionaire would remain unmoved at the sight of this sort of rivalry? You know what a warm-hearted person the millionaire is when he urges the Red Cross on to war. You know how he retains his composure when the cannon and the armor plate are trying to outdo each other. Do you believe he would be as composed if the artillery and the bullet-proof suit were trying to outdo each other and the artillery should go down to final defeat?

The answer to these questions may be approached from several different points. We may say, for instance, that the millionaire would have the same objection to uniforms in which soldiers could not possibly be killed that he would have to sinking all the fleets and finally forsaking the game of war. No millionaire favors the sinking of all fleets and the disbanding of all armies. Every millionaire wants to be so armed that he can use force to get what he wants if he can get it in no other way. We may, therefore, be certain that no millionaire would approve a soldier's uniform that would prevent the soldier from being killed. What would become of the millionaire's power to use force if bullet-proof uniforms were to make force ineffective?

A STILL more interesting answer to these questions came to my mind as I have lately read, I always make it a point to keep track of what the grafters are saying to each other—therefore, I read not only their New York newspapers, but what might almost be called their private periodicals. One of these New York grafter newspapers makes a specialty of being kind to the poor. Every little while it prints a notice of some particularly afflicted family and asks help for it.

The other day it printed another such notice. With a good deal of fire, the story was told of a widow and her brood of six children. The father had been killed at his work. The mother worked as best she could at washing, but she was half sick and could earn but little. The children were so little they could earn nothing. A charitable organization had informed the newspaper that if \$125 were raised, the family could be pulled through the winter. Any woman who has ever pulled herself and a family of six children through a New York winter on \$125 knows exactly what kind of rooms could be rented and how much food and clothing could be bought for this sum. But we will let that pass.

The first publication of this notice was brought in only \$64 and the remainder, which will probably be raised. The readers of this paper do contribute to the relief of such cases, and frequently they send along letters with their contributions that are really warm-hearted. When the damage has been done and the millionaire's sympathy is centered upon the victim, he is quite warm-hearted when it does not interfere with his trade to be so. To relieve individual cases of distress does not interfere with the millionaire's trade.

NOW, please keep these facts in mind while you are reading something that was printed in the *Financial Chronicle* of October 10. The *Financial Chronicle* is a Wall Street publication that is issued solely for gentlemen who operate in the street. Speaking of the effect that the European war would have upon the price of wheat in this country, the *Chronicle* told what effect other wars

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Justice in America

Nicola Greeley Smith in Scripps newspapers.

Nobody in the United States has ever heard of aged convict No. 2851, who has been serving out four years of his long 14-year sentence in our federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., while his wife has wept and died and his children have starved!

Kelly, a small farmer of Carleton county, New Brunswick, was sentenced in Portland, Maine, in 1910. He was given four years for an offense of smuggling; and 10 years for an assault upon a United States customs officer made in 1903 when he was endeavoring to cross the international boundary line without paying duty on a wagon load of potatoes.

Kelly made the assault with a sled-stake, after he had received two bullets from the officer's revolver. One bullet entered his neck, the other was deflected only by his belt.

Kelly escaped back to Canada. Extradition was refused by the Canadian supreme court on the ground that Kelly was not guilty of "assault with intent to commit murder," the crime mentioned in the extradition papers, but merely of assault in self-defense!

Six years later an officer of the United States customs service went under an assumed name to Kelly's home and traded upon his poverty and the necessities of his wife and 10 children to induce Kelly to sell him a cow, and to deliver it, as Kelly and his family claim, at the boundary.

Kelly was pulled across the boundary, and arrested by United States officers lying in ambush. Then he was convicted and sent to prison for 14 years for the alleged crimes of long ago—for the alleged smuggling of the poor little load of potatoes and the assault committed in self-defense!

During the Taft administration the British ambassador, James Bryce, asked the government at Washington for a pardon of "Big Bill," so that he might go to the bedside of his dying wife—a woman whose heart slowly broke under the effort to keep her brood of 10 children together after her husband was sent to prison.

The Taft administration refused the request of the British government and Mrs. Kelly died alone, unattended; her children were scattered, and the homestead which she was unable to keep together stands today stark and desolate of all human life!

He is 63 years old, and it is not likely he will live to see the light of freedom again—unless Canada's request be granted, and Kelly be pardoned, that he may return to his destitute, sorrowing children.

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Was the censor at work here, too, we wonder?

Remember Ludlow when you vote!

Buying a Job.

Clude Tilden.

When I was a boy I was taught that I lived in a free country. But when I went out into the world looking for a job I found they had taught me a lie. I went into the logging camps of Oregon, Washington and California, and when I applied for a job the boss would ask:

"Did you buy a job at the employment office?"

And when I would tell them that I did not, the answer would be:

"No work for you. Go buy your job first."

Then and there I decided that a country where a man had to pay the capitalist class to work for them was not free. Then someone gave me the APPEAL to read. Now I am a Socialist. My father and mother and two brothers are Socialists. We will all vote the Socialist ticket.

Remember Ludlow when you vote!

Recent Epigrams by Debs.

When a man loses a job he often finds himself.

If a workman in the republic party he is as much out of place as Rockefeller would be in the Socialist party.

Everything was changed since the grandfather joined the democratic party except the grandson.

You have what Rockefeller produced; he has what you produced. Rockefeller is opposed to Socialism because he knows what it means. Workingmen are opposed to it because they do not know what it means.

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There is a growing suspicion in the minds of many that the possession of unusual wealth is evidence that there has been dishonest methods used in the getting of it.

Socialism and Liquor

By J. Stitt Wilson, former Socialist Mayor of Berkeley, Cal., and member of the national executive committee of the Socialist party in Out West.

THE Socialist movement all over the world has had to face the ravages of the liquor traffic. No final unanimity of opinion has yet been reached.

In 1911 the Swedish Socialist party by a vote of 95 to 2 placed the prohibition plank in their platform. It is claimed that this was the direct result of the benefits derived from five weeks of prohibition during the great general strike in 1909.

In Norway, the Socialists became wholly disgusted with the "public ownership" or Gorbunberg system of handling the liquor traffic.

Germany's Anti-Liquor Circular. Even in beer drinking Germany the Socialists have fought the liquor traffic in their struggle on behalf of the workers.

"In one place, German workmen, your opponents are vulnerable. There a blow can be given the exploiters, heavy and crushing, yet without danger to ourselves.

Views of Socialist Leaders. Many of the most able and noted Socialists of European parties have taken a most aggressive attitude against the liquor traffic.

Men's Socks at Half Price. On account of the war, we will sell best quality socks at half price.

WHITE FLAME

White Flame is the best and most reliable of all kerosene lamps. It burns clean and bright.

Appeal Army Herald

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Suggestion to Sub Hustlers

How to get more subs and get them easier—that's a question in which I know you are all interested.

Remember Ludlow when you vote! Write me today and I will send you this new and easy method of treatment at home for sore teeth, diseased gums, swollen and bleeding gums, and all other troubles of the mouth.

Health and Sanitation

Working people should not sleep in wool blankets. They irritate the skin and are liable to cause one to overleap.

Flashes from the Front

I think the Appeal the best Socialist paper in America.—W. S. Mather, Mass.

Best Suggestion of Week

I believe every Socialist local or branch in the United States should keep Appeal subscription cards on hand and push them.

THE "BIG TEN"

- A list of those sending the largest clubs of 40-week subs for the week:
- A. V. Benbow, Ohio..... 41
- J. A. Ferris, Iowa..... 26
- T. C. Houghtaling, Michigan..... 25
- Oscar Nelson, Michigan..... 19
- W. W. McDonald, Illinois..... 17
- Geo. Cave, Michigan..... 16
- Wm. W. Muir, Michigan..... 13
- A. Maceta, New York..... 13
- Robert Hall, Berkonia, N. D..... 13
- L. E. Monroe, Georgia..... 13

THE "BIG FOUR"

- A list of those sending the largest clubs of four-year subs for the week:
- Robert Reid, Pennsylvania..... 4
- O. C. Eggen, South Dakota..... 3
- Geo. Haller, Illinois..... 2
- W. H. Spear, Colorado..... 2

Forming Land Trust

"Potomac" is the pen name of a Washington correspondent of a large eastern capitalist newspaper who is at heart a staunch Socialist.

Washington, D. C.—There isn't any land trust in the United States today—at least if there is one it is only a little one.

Position of International. The following resolutions were prepared by Emil Vanderveide and approved by the committee, to be submitted to the international congress to which allusion is made in the first paragraph above:

"Granting the immense evil, which alcohol inflicts on the working class by the ruination of its physical and moral energy, and the absorption each year of sums equal to at least to those which are raised by the War Budget:

"The congress considers that, even in the interest of the progress of the labor and Socialist movement, it is absolutely necessary that the affiliated parties should organize direct action against alcoholism, thus acting entirely in the interests of the working class:

"(1) By urging the militants, and particularly the labor and Socialist parties, to call the attention of the workers to the danger of alcoholism more than has been done in the past.

Editorial Notes

A rolling stone may gather no moss, but a dollar rolling towards Girard will gather no moss, but a dollar rolling towards Girard will gather no moss, but a dollar rolling towards Girard will gather no moss.

Our Dishonest Constitution. You ought to know something about the men who made the constitution and why the big thieves love it so well.

Between Bites

When old "Chap," the pressman, read the heading over these humble efforts of mine, "Between Bites," the nasty thing grinned like it was going to a party, and asked, "Flame or chiggers?"

Appeal Visitors' Register

- Geo. Dever, Buelah, Kan. D. C. Whately, Guthrie, Okla.
- Robt. Robertson, Cushing, Okla.
- Antone Brack, Rings, Ky.
- Wm. H. Johnston, Washington, D. C.
- Paul Deparrette, Springfield, Mo.

Fashion Notes for Workmen

Patched overalls will be much in vogue this winter. Overcoats will not be fashionable during the coming season in the best circles of poverty.

Beauty Hint

Working girls, especially if they work in factories or mills, should use only the best imported perfume in their morning baths. Why not?

United States of Europe

Victor Hugo's prophecy, from address at peace congress, 1849. A day will come when you, France—you, Russia—you, Italy—you, England—you, Germany—all of you, nations of the continent—shall, without losing your distinctive qualities and your glorious individuality, blend in a higher unity and form a European fraternity, even as Normandy, Brittany, Burgundy, Lorraine, Alsace, all the French provinces, have blended into France.

A day will come when war shall seem as absurd and impossible between Paris and London, between St. Petersburg and Berlin, as between Rouen and Amiens, between Boston and Philadelphia. A day will come when bullets and bombs shall be replaced by ballots, by the universal suffrage of the people, by the sacred abridgment of a great sovereign senate, the parliament shall be Europe what the diet is to Germany, what the legislative assembly is to France.

A day will come when a cannon ball shall be exhibited in our museums as an instrument of torture is now, and men shall marvel that such things could be. A day will come when shall be seen those two immense groups, the United States of America and the United States of Europe, in face of each other, extending hand to hand over the ocean, exchanging their products, their commerce, their industry, their arts, their genius—clearing the earth, colonizing deserts, and ameliorating creation, under the eye of the Creator.

Remember Ludlow when you vote! The Only Practical Methods. H. M. Hyndman, British Socialist. The British governments, in order to save the people from wholesale starvation, finds that only Socialist proposals are of any avail.

This truth is really important. The nation will learn in time of war a little of what it must threateningly demand in time of peace.

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We sincerely hope so. That, at any rate, is worth fighting for. By far our worst enemies are the landlords and capitalists of Britain.

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The cautious report of the cautious bureau of corporations, and it adds, "Moreover, those who exercise economic control in this fashion are likely to seek also political control in order to make their position more secure."

Of course, there isn't any land trust in the United States, and the very idea is preposterous. We are a democracy and if every man hasn't had an equal chance to steal land, then something very strange has been taking place. And so forth. And so forth.

The cold and unpleasant truth remains, however, that a land trust is being formed in this country. If the people do not get busy and own their government and let their government own the land, the land trust will get them. Nothing is surer.

Significant News

To Buy Out Foreigners.—More than a thousand railway employees of Mexico are considering putting by a day's wages each month for the purpose of buying Mexican railway stocks held by foreigners, and thus end a source of long contention.

Prosperity in Mississippi.—Things are getting serious here. Saw mills laying off. No sale for cotton. Farmers' prices against it. Merchants charging outrageous prices for everything. Still most of them can't see a thing; they say it is the war in Europe.—R. G. Pratt, Mississippi.

Another Joker.—Missouri has a state public service commission that, in order to fulfill its mission and protect the people, ordered a reduction of light rates in Springfield. The company affected is enjoining them from enforcing the order and appealing to the federal courts to protect it in the foot of profits. Laws amount to nothing with capitalism in force. The courts exist largely to set aside the laws.

Latest in Efficiency.—The Western Union has adopted the latest in efficiency methods. The message clerks in the main operating room of its New York office have been equipped with roller skates. This will enable one boy to do the work heretofore performed by two. Same old same-old improved machinery and more efficiency under capitalism simply means more profits for the labor skinner and more recruits for the army of the unemployed.

Successful Municipal Ownership.—Winnipeg, Canada, has had municipal ownership of its lights for three years, and furnishes light and power at three cents a kilowatt, which is the cheapest in the world. It has a net saving of \$1,000,000, and in competition with a private company capitalized for \$12,000,000 it last year made net profits to the amount of \$60,000. The number of customers for the city increased 2,000 in one year.

The Socialist Program in England.—Socialists of Great Britain have promulgated the following public service program to apply during the war: "Public employment at wages in their own trades for as many as possible; work and training at definite allowances for the men and the women for whom situations at wages cannot be found; 'baby clinics' and school feeding for the children; relief adequate to full subsistence for every case for which other provision is not made; no one to be driven to the poor law."

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Appeal to Reason

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The Cost of War

FIFTEEN BILLION human lives, a sum total far too great to be grasped by any human imagination, says the New York World, have been lost in war since the beginning of authentic history.

The following table, showing the number killed in battle and the direct cost of wars of the century just ending, is from the same source:

Table with columns: War, No. Killed, Cost. Rows include Napoleonic, U. S.-Brit., U. S.-Mex., Crimean, American Civil., Franco-Pruss., Russo-Turk., Brit.-Boer, Span.-Am., and Russo-Jap.

The grand total of this vast expenditure, about \$33,000,000,000, and the cost of innumerable little wars, of which England alone had 80 during the past century, and of which, for another example, there have been an uncounted number in South and central America, as well as in the foreign possessions of the various European nations (as for example, England's India), would surely add something close to \$5,000,000,000 to this total, giving an approximate total cost of \$38,000,000,000, which, for purposes of convenience and with no fear that we really are exaggerating, we may make \$40,000,000,000.

Cost of Killing a Man. Taking these alone and with the certainty that most of the estimates are under rather than over stated, but letting the universality of this offset all errors and give us an average in which we may have some faith, we are confronted by a list of ten campaigns, in which 8,996,000 soldiers lost their lives through wounds or disease, and which cost the combatant nations \$33,081,000,000. This suggests a neat arithmetical conclusion. It is this:

During the century just closing it has cost the nations for killing just one man in war an average of \$3,577, not to speak of the cost of pensions, the interest on war debts, the cost of maintaining armies and navies in times of peace and other factors that enter into every war. The total cost of killing in war is not less than \$5,000. How much this might do in enabling people to live comfortably in peace!

The cost of killing every man who falls in the present European struggle will be much greater than that, in all human probability, for, with the development of fighting, armament has become more elaborate and expensive as methods of defense have become more efficient and costly. Each addition to the cost of either increases the cost of individual slaughter.

Much Additional Loss. But of course this does not represent the total cost of war, either in lives or money. Nearly as many die of disease as from wounds. Beside, there is a destruction of property in many cases that is as great as the cost of ammunition, of equipment and of support of the armies. To make the cost of war fully accurate, it should include, beside these items, the cost of maintaining armies and navies in the intervals of peace, as well as the cost of fortifications.

Consider the march of the Germans through Belgium and compare it with the march of General Sherman's army to the sea. The Sherman march was principally through farming country containing few important centers of population, and offering, therefore, really very slight opportunities or necessities for the destruction of property.

Yet General Sherman himself estimated that property conservatively valued at \$900,000,000 was destroyed in the course of this one military movement.

For many years European expenditure for armament has exceeded a billion dollars annually. No human mind can think a billion dollars. It is too great a value for the brain to grasp.

Loss from Stagnated Industry. Commercial disorganization is another item which defies the statistician. Who shall say, for instance, what Germany's loss already has been through the banishment of her commercial shipping from the seas? It surely has exceeded by far the value of the vessels she has lost, and, before the war is over, it will exceed, in all human probability, the value of every ton of shipping flying Germany's flag.

Losses suffered by commercial businesses on land will aggregate a far

greater, and, therefore, more inconceivable sum, which even more completely defies prophecy, and, as the United States has learned, such loss, in these days, by no means is confined to the warring nations, but is spread, not thinly, over the entire surface of the civilized earth.

Financial disarrangement is now universal, as the result of the appalling war, and is eating values with appalling greedness. The world's pocketbook is the center of its nervous system and this war, recorded as it is not only by ocean telegraph which flashes instantaneous messages to all parts of the world, but by transatlantic wireless, has upset it as nothing ever has before.

Posterity Pays Pensions. Our civil war ended 45 years ago, yet we are still paying civil war bills.

We have spent far more than \$3,000,000,000 on our pension list, and it will cost us another two billions before we have finished with it—more than half as much as North and South together spent upon the actual war.

The greater portion of the public debt of the United States is war debt, and since the civil war this has cost the government in interest charges \$2,500,000,000, with interest still running on \$750,000,000 more. The state expenditures for bounties and other expenditures directly traceable to the civil war have totaled more than \$800,000,000.

Bonded Debts for Wars.

Before the beginning of the present war the French debt was approximately \$8,000,000,000, demanding interest payments of over \$200,000,000 a year.

"Thus," says Benjamin Trueblood, "in the 35 years since the Franco-Prussian war, which cost France, including her \$1,000,000,000 indemnity to Germany, not less than \$3,000,000,000, she will have paid out, in interest alone, a sum from two or three times the original cost of that war, or, reckoning the interest on only \$3,000,000,000, a sum fully equal to the cost of the war."

The total war debt of Europe at the beginning of the present war aggregated over \$30,000,000,000. Thus interest charges of more than \$1,000,000,000 a year have aggregated more than \$35,000,000,000 since the ending of the wars which so terribly afflicted the third quarter of the last century.

For definite examples, the Boer war increased Great Britain's public debt by \$800,000,000, and the Russo-Japanese war increased the debts of the two nations involved by \$1,500,000,000.

So these two wars, neither of them comparable to the struggle which now seethes throughout all Europe, imposed upon this trio of nations an interest charge to run on indefinitely at fully \$60,000,000 a year.

Remember Ludlow when you vote!

CAPITALISM IN MASQUE.

The claim that large armaments were created to prevent war has been fully demonstrated by this war to be rank hypocrisy.

That "progressive, good men," standing for a vicious system, can make it decent, also has been shown to be hypocritical and untrue. Wilson is emphatically a progressive and a good man, yet he has personally recommended the greatest steals of the age.

He favored the farming out of the credit of the country to New York banks in exchange for discounted stocks and bonds, to the extent of a billion and a half dollars; and he also wrote favoring an increase in railroad rates that report says will bring eastern roads alone an annual increase in income of more than \$50,000,000.

Now that the war has been used as a means of foisting these steals on the people at the suggestion of a respectable gentleman (but steals nevertheless); now that the people have been placed under an additional burden of bonds created by a war of capitalist conspiracy; now that the workers have been crushed by militarism in Europe and also in Colorado, these capitalist hypocrites who rob in silk hats and frock coats are going to pose as advocates of peace.

The workers have had enough of this hypocrisy to understand it by this time. Bryan was used to crush the populist revolt; Wilson is being used to crush the modern reform movements. And now the workers are going again to be asked to vote for "good men" instead of for their own class, and against the hypocritical robber class.

Will they do it? Will they show that a false face can deceive them ever?

A MIGHTY good answer to the demand of the railroads and banks for higher railroad rates is found in the recent disclosures in connection with the Rock Island road, which show that \$260,000,000 were used in high finance that was approaching graft in nature. It is profits, interest and loot that is hurting the railroads, not too low rates.

POLLING BOOTH NOTICE!

THOSE WHO VOTE FOR WAR MUST BE THE FIRST TO GO TO THE FRONT BY ORDER OF THE PEOPLE



"My heavens, will I have to fight?"

FISHING FOR SUCKERS.

Even the senate has been tamed. Since senators are to be elected by direct vote of the people, they have begun to talk socialist measures.

Senator Kenyon asserted: "We have spent money on the Mississippi river from its source to its mouth sufficient to build a railroad on each side of the river its entire length."

Senator Thomas said that the railroads were making a plea for higher rates because of the war would have made the same plea had there been no war.

Senator Martine declared that "the railroads are far greater than the government itself and my hope and daily prayer is for government ownership of every line of them."

DR. WILLIAM H. ALLEN of New York, one of the founders of the bureau of municipal research, has resigned from the directorate of the body, charging that it is being dominated by the Rockefeller foundation and made to conform to Rockefeller ideals, because of contributions the oil king has made to it.

SOUTHERN senators are demanding a bond issue of \$250,000,000 with which to take up the cotton crop of the south. Inasmuch as the south itself could take it up, on certificates of deposit in warehouses, in sums of \$1 each that would circulate as money and thus boom things, the bond proposition is not to help the south, but rather to aid Wall Street, by which the bonds would be floated.

UNCLE SAM, GROCER.

Uncle Sam is becoming the greatest grocery dealer in America. The postoffice is the basis of his store.

LISTS of farmers with articles to sell will be posted in postoffices and distributed by carriers, so that consumers may be put in touch with producers and make arrangements for regular shipments of butter, eggs and other foodstuffs by parcel post.

THE "buy a bale" movement has become a farce, as it really was in the first place. The bales were bought for profit, and at such low prices that it has resulted in lowering the price of cotton. Foreign buyers are slipping in and getting cut lower than they ever expected to do.

COFFEE growers of Porto Rico are asking for a government loan to help them out. They are few in number and all in a trust. They will, therefore, get what they ask. Western and southern farmers get nothing, except as the banks, to which the money has been given, may help them with loans—at a big per cent. They should get in the Socialist trust.

"SOCIALISM means dividing up," they scream at you. But honestly, haven't you already "divided up" about all you are able to do? Suppose you quit it—and in doing that help to bring Socialism.

HE WANTS TO KNOW.

"I cannot understand your proposition to use the money deposited in the postal savings banks for needed public works. If the postal savings deposits are paid out in wages, they will be gone, and where will the money come from to repay the depositors? Banks depend on collecting notes given by their borrowers, together with interest, to repay their depositors."

Banks, in spite of collections and interest, keep on hand only about 20

UP FOR PROMOTION.

The Reynolds family is coming to the front as bankers. Arthur Reynolds, president of the American Bankers' Association, is being urged for appointment as "governor" of the Chicago federal reserve district.

"The time has come when we must take a more active part in the practical politics of the day, for the banker and business man to wield that influence in our government to which they are entitled must make more effective use of their citizenship in the future."

THE MAJORITY WILL RULE. The question is asked: If Socialists come into power and seize the machinery of production and distribution, will the present owners be compensated?

EXTRAVAGANT LIVING. The National Housewives League has sent out an appeal urging all to live cheaply.

LET SOLDIERS RAISE BEEF. Socialists do not believe in a large standing army, but if we must have an army of professional soldiers, why should they not, at least in times of peace, be put to some useful and productive work?

THE MISUNDERSTOOD PATRIOT. He was a patriot. His heart swelled with pride at thought of his country (in which he rented a house), and he felt it his duty to protect the property (which he did not possess) from the barbarians of another land (who also imagined they were patriots).

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without supper to a bed of rags in the open because the deserted mother could not pay rent sufficient to provide them shelter.

ALMOST AT AN END. In spite of the war, business is not nipping up. It was advertised that there were great South American markets awaiting utilization, but, according to Secretary Redfield, these markets are non est, simply because the people there have no money with which to buy.

As long as men do things for profit so long will they fight, kill and rob one another.

LOST, One Prosperity. Finder will please return to W. W. Washington, D. C., and receive a liberal reward.

THERE will never be Socialism until the people want it. To say that Socialism will bring free love and a destruction of religion is to declare that you will favor these things.

WITH five million men employed in war, borrowing of the unborn to pay them, capitalism is still not able to employ half the workers of the world. It is time for it to give up the gun and get.

APPARENTLY the railroads demand higher rates to enable them to work more. Alton steals and New Haven scandals. Take the matter into your own hands and the present rates will enable you to pay for the roads within 15 years.

THE National Purity league declares that three billion dollars are spent annually on vice in the United States, while the churches and foreign missions get less than three hundred millions. So long as capitalism makes this showing, it had better stop lying about Socialism "favoring free love and destroying the home."

WE are taught that every man should pay his honest debts. All right; but who is to decide what are honest debts and what are not? If a few men plunge my country into war and saddle the nation with a billion dollar war debt and all against my consent, is that one of the honest debts I must pay? Wouldn't it be justified in repudiating such a debt if I could? Would it not be more fair to make the men who want war, not only do the fighting, but also do the paying? There is no man but can pay and who will not willingly pay his honest debts if he is not asked to pay for the dishonest ones.

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AS soon as the election is over the supporters of the old parties lay down and are not heard of again until the next campaign. The Socialists who are working for something greater than the mere fight for office are just as active the day after election as they were the day before. Once a man understands the cause of his servitude he never rests until he and his fellow workers are free. This is why Socialists carry on their campaigns every day in the year.

The members of the Appeal Army do not need any urging to have them continue their work on the firing line. The little old Appeal as a rule has made its greatest strides between elections or shortly after one.

Right now the Appeal is preparing a campaign to awaken the people of this country that we feel certain will eclipse anything that has been accomplished in its entire history. In a short while we shall announce this campaign. In the meantime we ask the friends of this paper to get new readers so that the message that will be brought out in this proposed campaign will receive as wide an audience as is possible to secure.

The 1914 campaign is about over. Let's begin the 1915 campaign on Wednesday morning next!

Answers to Questions

Owned, But Not Usable. Suppose a man owned two houses, living in one and renting the other. Would he be permitted to own them both under Socialism?

Very likely he would. But ownership is entirely valueless unless it involves use also. Inasmuch as under Socialism all would be able to own homes of their own, and where tenement occupation would require use of houses they did not own they could secure this occupation in public houses much cheaper and with more accommodation than in privately owned houses, it is not at all likely the individual with a house to rent could find anyone who would use it. Therefore, he would be unable to exploit others through rentals, and would not care for ownership that meant nothing to him.

Access to the Land. The Appeal recently suggested that if the people had access to the land they could employ themselves and make a good living. Granting the truth of this, how are the people to get access to the land?

Access to the land for all can be secured in one way only—that is, through the use of socialized land. The nation, the state, the county, the municipality, must in some way acquire land, vested in the whole people resident in these units. Then it must employ the people in farming the land, intending only to pay expenses and not to make profits. The crops will reimburse the unit of government for the outlay in cropping and harvesting. People will then have access to the land without purchasing it, and if no profit is made, they will get practically all they produce, or more than the farmer can make now.

Speculative Piffle. Can the working class be robbed anywhere but at the point of production? This is a purely academic or theoretical question. The fact is, they are robbed, and millions claim to be robbed in distribution as well as in production. The practical thing is to stop all leaks, and not to stand afar and argue as to whether there is only one leak. People are as tired of purely speculative discussion of Socialism as they are of theoretical discussions of religion. Results are the only things that are worth while.

Remember Ludlow when you vote! JESUS, the most religious man who ever lived, was crucified as an enemy of religion. The fake religionists have not yet ceased to cry, Crucify him, at anyone who proposes a system that is humane and square with the highest ideals of true religion.

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He's a Lunatic But Not a Henry Dubb Who Believes in Hypocritical Peace Talk

By Ryan Walker

