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The Belly and the Members

A Very Old Fable Adapted to Modern Uses. Capitalist Daily Starts the Game. Preacher Takes a Hand. And The SOCIALIST Comes in on the Home Stretch. Capitalist Daily Invited to Do So Some More. Socialists Always Ready.

Esop's fable of the "Belly and the Members" comes in very handy for Socialists, as this page and this cartoon bear witness. On July 1 the Morning Capitalist Daily of Seattle, sometimes yclept the "Post-Intelligencer," but universally called the "P.-I.," contained this bit of gaiety concerning the Socialist platform adopted at the convention held on June 29:

"The Socialists, who are putting candidates in the field on a platform stating that "labor produces all wealth," should go back to Esop and read his fable of "The Belly and the Other Members." In all the centuries since, there has never been a statement as concise and as true about the relations that must subsist between the different factors engaged in the production of wealth."

By the way, we were surprised that our hoary contemporary got up courage to quote even the first sentence of the Socialist platform. Not a capitalist sheet in Seattle has dared to print this platform, though it has now been adopted twice by Socialist conventions in this city. For the same reason, we suppose, that capitalist "statesmen," great orators, Republican and Democratic, decline to address an audience of their fellow citizens known as Socialists because they fear to meet their questions and arguments face to face.

"The Little Minister."

But there is a certain preacher in this town who has a chip on his shoulder for every assailant of Socialism. So he sailed into our sapient "P.-I." after this fashion:

University Station, July 1, 1902.

To the Editor of the P.-I.: I have read the fable of "The Belly and the Other Members," to which you refer in your short editorial this morning, but have always supposed its lesson to be that laborers are dependent upon me another, and hence should cooperate. That fable should be very popular amongst Socialists and workmen in general. The "belly" did its part of the work, as did the other members, but the other members did not recognize the fact at first. But the "belly" kept back no part of the "wealth" produced by the other members. Had done so there would soon have been indigestion, and congestion, and then death; and the "belly" would have been the first organ to suffer because of its short-sighted selfishness. It got a share of the wealth, it is true, but not enough to keep itself in a healthy condition, and only the share

which it had produced by its own effort, working in harmony with other members. You suggest that other factors besides "labor" produce "wealth." There are a great many of your readers who would like to know what these factors are, and what political economist, since the banker, David Ricardo, has recorded them.

THOMAS C. WISWELL.

That was a body-blow for the P.-I. plexus, so that this was all the editor could find breath to utter:

We have not time for instruction so strictly elementary as that required by the assumption that labor is the sole producer of wealth. Read any standard economic work.—Ed.

After this, the preacher countered with quotations from Marshall and Mill, and called again for the name of just one "standard economic work." No reply. Evidently that editor is not strong on economics. We invite him to attend the Socialist meetings Sunday nights and "get next to himself" on these matters. We Socialists draw the very breath of life from economics. Come and learn, just as the minister has done.

COLORADO SOCIALISTS EXCLUDE GOV. COATES.

(Special Dispatch to The Socialist.)

Victor, Colo., July 9, 1902.

The article in constitution introduced by Local Victor was carried in our state convention at Colorado Springs on July 5, providing that no one holding office under capitalist parties be admitted to membership in the Socialist Party, and that persons holding same must resign from party or resign office. Lieut. Gov. Coates was in the hall and invited to take the floor. He had recently avowed himself a Socialist, joined the party and declared, "I would far rather retain my convictions than to hold any office." It was therefore expected he would submit to the action of the convention.

On the contrary, he proceeded to denounce said action as due to bigotry and intolerance and prejudice. He claimed the article was aimed at himself for personal reasons. He announced that he would not resign his office, but would withdraw from the party. A great sensation was produced.

Throughout the convention there was a bitter contention between revolutionary and opportunist factions.

The convention passed a resolution denouncing schools of Socialism.

W. H. FECHYEW.

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THE BELLY AND THE MEMBERS.

Esop Up to Date.

One fine day of the 19th century it occurred to the members of the body that they were growing very thin and weak. The hands could hardly lift themselves to the mouth, the eyes grew dim and the feet faltered. So the members held a consultation together to learn why such a change had come to pass. After a long discussion they decided that the Belly for some reason had ceased to do its oldtime work, that while they, the other members, were still pouring in food in plenty, the Belly was simply taking it all and giving back nothing.

So the members resolved to have an investigation of the Belly. To their surprise they discovered a large swelling in the Belly, very big and very sore. In great alarm they called in all the Doctors in the land. The Doctors held a consultation and reported to the members that the Belly was congested and inflamed, in fact, the members themselves perceived it was a fatal disease which could only be cured by an immediate surgical operation. It was also agreed that there was only one great surgeon who had skill enough to attack the malady with any hope of success. In great haste the members summoned this renowned specialist, known as Dr. Uncle Sam, made a good recovery, all the members became healthy and strong again, and the whole body, Belly included, lived a long and happy life.

OUR AUTHORITY.

We have received many inquiries as to our authority for saying Uncle Sam was building war vessels in Japan. A good deal of excitement and indignation has been stirred up by our cartoon entitled "Uncle Sam's Pets."

We therefore print an extract below from the "San Francisco Bulletin." If our readers doubt the reliability of this capitalist journal, write to its editor and demand his authority.

For our part we are entirely content with the authority we quoted in No. 95 from the Japanese Socialist paper, "The Labor World," as follows:

On the twentieth ult. We held a meeting at Uruga where two ship yards each with dry docks are. One of them just began to build five ships for the American Navy in the Philippine Islands. The meeting was well attended by the workers, there inspite of police interference. — "The Labor World," Tokio, Japan, for May.

This is quite involuntary testimony, given incidentally and in their own broken English. We wish we could use as good Japanese. Our Japanese comrades get out a splendid magazine of 50 or more pages, including several pages in English.

Those "two ship yards" will make American Socialists as well as Japanese Socialists.

Over \$750,000 in contracts for twenty-one steamers for use as coast patrol

boats and revenue cutters in Philippine waters have been placed through the Civil Commission at Manila with English firms in Japan and China. Coolie labor will be employed in the construction of these vessels and great indignation is expressed at the ship-building plants and navy yards of the coast at the action of the government in placing the contracts with foreign firms. Even the Cavite navy yard, near Manila, could have built the boats, but the commission has seen fit to get the work done in China, Japan and India, because it costs much cheaper there.

The dispatch states that bids were opened in December and contracts have since been placed. Under these the steamers will be built by seven or eight ship-building firms of Japan, Shanghai, Hongkong and Singapore. Twenty steamers will each be 160 feet long, and one, to be used as the flagship of the squadron, will be about 200 feet long.

The matter of building these steamers by coolie labor in Asiatic ports has apparently been kept in the background, for fear of arousing opposition in this country. The object, of course, is to save time and expense by having them constructed as near Manila as possible.

Specifications were prepared during the late fall under the direction of Commander Marix, captain of the Port of Manila, who later took them before the ship-building concerns of Oriental

cities. Most of these firms had representatives present when the bids were opened. The total cost will approximate \$700,000.—From San Francisco Bulletin.

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The "Morning Olympian," published at the capital of this state, has a leading editorial, "Dangerous Debs." He is dangerous because he makes his ignorant audience think it is an impending change. The social revolution is in progress.

Well, it must be a very ignorant auditor indeed who had never heard of the Industrial Revolution. Workingmen can teach the economic history every time.

If every subscriber will make use of the blank accompanying this issue our list will jump at once to 25,000. Will you do your part?

"I can afford to die at my post, but I cannot afford to desert it."—Daniel Lovejoy.

We will send The Socialist from August 3d to November 2d—fourteen issues—for the campaign for Ten Cents. This will be the A. B. C. series.

HUMAN LIBERTY DEAD IN AMERICA.

Mother Jones Jailed by Injunction.

Parkersburg Jail, West Virginia, June 23, 1902.

My Dear Comrade Greenbaum:

Knowing you are anxious to hear from me, I drop the comrades a line. All human liberty is dead in America. Tell the boys not to go out and mock the silent dead on the inglorious Fourth of July. On Thursday night I was served with a federal injunction, warned not to hold a meeting in sight of that most sacred of things in America, the Coal Company property. The meeting was billed several days before. The ground belonged to the United Mine Workers. The striking miners assembled there, did many farmers and other citizens. I was the only speaker. I told the miners to beg their craftsmen to join us. When I got through I was placed under arrest by the U. S. Marshal along with eleven others who did not said a word, put on the train, brought from Clarksburg to Parkersburg at 12 at night, lodged in jail with murderers and thieves, but who were much more civilized than the coal barons. Poor things, they told sad tales of the causes that led to their crime. They said they hoped we would stay with them. We ordered breakfast in and divided with these unfortunates. You should see them enjoy it. There was not one of these criminals that could not be made a good citizen with proper economic conditions. Yet men vote for their own enslavement. We go to jail before the czar of West Virginia. I look for him to give me six months because I have been giving the injunction h—y. Tell the comrades I will be ready for fight when I come out. Fraternally,

MOTHER JONES.

Campaign in Washington.

Begins Promptly and With Vigor. New State Committee Organized and at Work. Two Organizers in Field Already. Itinerary of Organizers Latimer and Burgess. Funds Should be Sent in Immediately. Special Appeal from State Secretary McDevitt. One Anonymous Friend in Seattle Contributes Twenty-Five Dollars as a Starter. Ten Thousand Votes or Bust—and We Won't Bust.

The Washington State Convention chose Seattle as State Headquarters and elected a local quorum of three, whose pictures and biographies are given on this page. On Tuesday, July 1, the new committee met and organized, electing Geo. W. Scott, the only hold-over from the old committee, as Chairman, T. E. Latimer as Organizer, and Wm. McDevitt as Secretary-Treasurer. Comrade D. Burgess, of Tacoma, was also sent out as organizer. Comrade Burgess goes at once to Thurston county, where is situated the capital of the state and from which enthusiastic reports are received.

A reorganized Local, has just been formed in Olympia with over thirty enthusiastic comrades. They promise to make it one hundred before November. Comrade Burgess will go from Thurston Co. to Pierce Co., where Tacoma is also reorganizing.

The following is the itinerary which Comrade Latimer has laid out for himself.

He will begin his work Tuesday, July 2d, at Ballard, after which his route will be as follows:

- Bothell, July 9th.
 - Maltby, 10th.
 - Snohomish, 11th.
 - Machias, 12th.
 - Hartford, 13th.
 - Granite Falls, 14th.
 - Robe, 15th.
 - Edgewood, 16th.
 - Arlington, 17th.
 - McMurray, 18th.
 - Big Lake, 19th.
 - Clear Lake, 20th.
 - Sedro-Woolley, 21st.
 - Lyman, 22d.
 - Hamilton, 23d.
 - Wickersham, 24th.
 - Deming, 25th.
 - Noakessack, 26th.
 - Sumas, 27th.
- Comrades in Whatcom, Skagit, and Snohomish Counties should communicate with Comrade Latimer at Arlington or Sumas if they desire to hold a meeting.



T. E. LATIMER,
Organizer of Washington.

Born, Ohio, 1879. Received high school education and spent one year at Ohio State University. Is at present a senior in U. of W. Was a Republican, but became disgusted with their principles or lack of them, and supported "Golden Rule" Jones for Governor, to whom he gave his first vote. Seeing the futility of non-partisan action and despairing of any good in either of the old parties, he became a peasant.

Through the remarks of Prof. Clark, of O. S. U., a professor of capitalist economy, which condemned Socialism, Mr. Latimer through curiosity read Marx's Capital and became convinced that the problem facing the American people was simply one of abnormal distribution for which there is but one remedy, viz. the abolition of the wage-system. He cast his first vote for president for Debs, and has been in the Socialist movement ever since.

An address has been prepared by State Secretary McDevitt, which we print here-with. We bespeak for it the heartiest response:

STATE CAMPAIGN FUND.

(Self-Emancipation Fund.)

COMRADES:
We are on the eve of a great campaign for the emancipation of the working class from wage-slavery and the domination of capital. Shall we press forward? Shall we advance and conquer, or shall we falter and

retreat? It is up to you to reply, comrades of the working class and those sympathetic with the historic mission of the producing class. In this state we have a vast field of ripening grain for the harvest of socialism. Shall we reap it or shall we let it rot for the lack of harvesters?

The State Committee calls upon the comrades of Washington to sound the command of "Forward, March!" But if the movement is to advance, we must educate and organize. In order to do this work effectively we must have funds. Many good speakers and organizers stand ready to serve the Cause, but the State Committee has no funds with which to send them out upon the highways and the highways to spread the tidings of socialism to the toiling masses waiting for the gospel of self-emancipation.

Hence we urge upon every member of the party in this state and everywhere the duty of contributing to our Campaign Fund. Let your donations be made by your ability to give and your desire to aid the Cause. We ask each one of you, Comrades, to form a committee of one with the object of pro-



WM. McDEVITT,
Secretary Treasurer Washington State Committee.

Born 1869, Brooklyn, N. Y.; graduated from college 1890, and from Georgetown University School of Law, 1896. Admitted to bar, Washington, D. C., 1896, but never practiced. Government stenographer in Geological Survey and Smithsonian Institution till 1898. Resigned to join Brotherhood of Co-operative Commonweal at Equality, Wash. Was secretary of same for six months, succeeding N. W. Leonard. Visited Alaska in 1899 to observe Labor Problems. Secretary of Washington State Board of Education for two years. Stenographer at State University for last few months. Author of "Phono-Stenography," only book of shorthand ever published in this state, now in its second edition. Always a Democrat till he saw the futility of Reform. Has read much Co-operative and Socialist literature. Joined the Socialist Party at Seattle soon after the Unity Convention at Indianapolis in 1901.

During contributions from all the members of the party and from those in sympathy with the class struggle of the workers of the world.

We propose to place in the field at once two good organizers and campaigners, and we propose to keep them in the field until the close of the campaign in November. To do this, the State Committee should be able to count upon a fund of five hundred dollars. We can easily raise this sum if we want to raise it. If every member of the party in this state will contribute one dollar, at least, or will donate what he can spare and then plead with his fellow workmen for the cause of the working class, we shall raise much more than that amount.

Remember what our sister state, Oregon, has done. Remember that Washington MUST EXCEL Oregon in Socialist vote. Remember that we must have TEN THOUSAND Socialist votes—straight Socialist votes—in this state this fall. And remember that when we once get ten thousand votes for unconditional socialism, we shall be within reach of the final conquest of the political powers of this state.

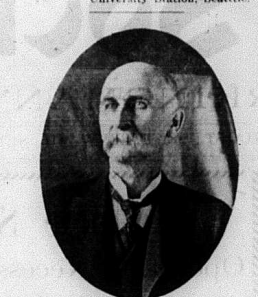
The campaign of 1902 is fraught with immense significance for working-class socialism. NOW is the time to do something! A vote now will be worth ten in 1904. The heroes of the socialist cause are those who assist it in the early stages of organization and conflict.

One of our comrades, who enjoins secrecy as to his name and identity, has pledged twenty-five dollars for the campaign. What will YOU give to the Cause? What will you get others to give?

Send your contributions through the Secretary of your Local, or forward them directly to the State Secretary-Treasurer. All donations to the campaign fund will be promptly acknowledged in "The Socialist," Seattle, and "The New Time," Spokane.

Comrades, once more let us remind you that the Cause is in your keeping. Shall we advance? On the 14th of July, 1789, there occurred one of those momentous deeds that signalize the progress of the class struggles of human history—the Fall of the Bastille. Let us celebrate that event by contributing to a campaign that, once

begin, shall never end save with the unconditional surrender of Capitalism. Have YOU enlisted in THAT campaign? By Order of the State Committee.



GEORGE W. SCOTT,
Socialist Nominee for Congress.

Born 1850, on farm near Rochester, N. Y., and spent early life there. Was educated to teach school but after one trial found it too confining and went to canal-boating on the Erie canal for some years.

Worked under John C. Schoonover in Brooklyn, N. Y., for two years, and at building ever since.

Connected with Union movement since he came to Seattle. Father, a Republican, Greenbacker in '73. Voted for Cleveland in '88.

"Have quit such foolishness and now am going to vote for what I want until I get it." A Socialist for last three years and joined the Socialist Party in September, 1900.

Socialist candidate for mayor of Seattle, spring of 1902.



J. C. HARKNESS,
Socialist Candidate for Congress, State of Washington.

Born July 15, 1852, Springfield, Bradford County, Pa. Of Scotch-Irish descent, from family that makes no claims of special prominence. Mostly educated in the common schools, took a course at the State Normal of his district afterwards attended school in Illinois. Taught school in Pennsylvania, Illinois and Kansas. Admitted to the bar in Colorado, where he practiced his profession for a time, then went to the Coeur d'Alene excitement in Idaho, where he was made Clerk of the Superior Court, afterwards Judge of Probate. Was a member of the Idaho Constitutional Convention when statehood was adopted. Afterwards came to Northport, Wash., where he has resided since February, 1896.

Was a Republican until presidential campaign of 1896, when he went out with the Silver Republicans and worked for the election of Bryan. An earnest student of political questions. To the money question gave much hard study. Claims the study of the money question led him to read many works on populism, especially on government ownership and direct legislation. Becoming convinced the People's party advocated a platform much in advance of any of the old political parties, joined their ranks and became Chairman of the Stevens County Populist Central Committee, which place he held until the time of his resignation a few months ago.

Claims the study of the teachings of the Populist party lead him to "read up" on Socialism. Becoming convinced individual ownership of wealth works disastrously for the masses, that interest, rent and profit should be done away with, that everybody is entitled to the entire result of his labor, that all able-bodied persons between 21 and 50 should work that would have the necessary and luxurious life, and being convinced the present competitive, individualistic, capitalist government tends to making the rich richer and the poor poorer, or, in other words, works only to the benefit of the capitalistic few and against the interest of the great masses of the people, he cast his lot with the Socialist party. He has taken an active interest in the organization of Socialist locals in Stevens county, and is carrying forward the work at present time.

SOCIALIST PARTY OF WASHINGTON, State Committee.

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PARTY NEWS

LOCAL NOTES

Local Socialist elected the following officers at the last meeting of the Local Organizing Committee...

City Organizer Heckman is prepared to send a speaker to any point in the country where any comrade is able to arrange a meeting...

Colorado has now 27 locals in good standing and paid dues on a membership of 804 for the month of May.

State conventions were held July 4th in Kansas, Indiana, Colorado and New York.

and Socialists and to compel them to disband their organization. An 'official' investigation of these outrages is now in progress...

Due to sickness of Madam Vandervele the contemplated tour of Emil Van der Veide in America has been abandoned.

Arrangements are in progress for effecting state organizations of the Socialist Party in Wyoming, Florida and South Dakota.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Fairhaven, Wash., July 7, 1902. Dear Comrade: Fairhaven Local held a very interesting meeting last night (Sunday).

Comrade Laviolette was the speaker at the convention and the votes of the delegates from Fairhaven on the questions before the convention.

The new constitution as proposed by the convention was taken up. The main discussion centered on Section 3 of Article 2.

The International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union passed resolutions endorsing the Socialist platform and elected a Socialist delegate to the convention of the American Federation of Labor.

Comrade Raymer has been nominated as candidate for Mayor on the Socialist ticket in Minneapolis.

The Socialists at their State Convention in Colorado, have shown to the world that they represent a working-class movement.

A thousand copies of this number of The Socialist have been ordered for one county in the State of Washington.

The following letter has been received by J. M. Cameron, the Socialist organizer:

Winnipeg, June 20, 1902. Sir: I take it on myself to warn you about continuing your street meetings.

A Winnipeg Socialist complains that Comrade Cameron is talking the class struggle too much.

Press Bulletin. National Headquarters.

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Newly imagine Uncle Sam running the rail roads, paying interest on the bonds, lowering freight, shortening hours, raising wages. Did you ever see anything more inconsistent?

This is the public ownership of the New York State canal. Socialist papers advise against it. Like it? Not much. I was raised in Germany and saw too much of that brand of public ownership.

I always flattered myself with being class conscious. My question wanting to know where the wage laborer comes in is proper.

Remember the Red Front. 2931 First Avenue. Buy your SHOES of the Plymouth Shoe Co. 707 Second Avenue.

INTERNATIONAL CITIZENSHIP. Phoenix, B. C., June 21, 1902.

Dear Comrade—At the last meeting of the Phoenix Socialist League, an extensive discussion was held upon the merits of 'International Citizenship.'

Whereas, this result can best be brought about not by combining different nations together under one executive head, but rather by establishing an international citizenship between independent countries.

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Minutes of Meetings. Local Quorum, State Committee.

The Local Quorum, acting as State Committee of the Socialist Party of Washington, met July 1 at 86 Virginia Street.

Plans of action for the new year and the coming campaign informally discussed. Secretary-Treasurer instructed to publish a Socialist and The New Time an appeal for campaign funds.

Comrade Scott, retiring secretary-treasurer, turned over to the new secretary-treasurer the books, records and supplies of the committee.

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Harry Tracy escaped from the Oregon penitentiary a month ago. He shot two or three men who stood in his way. He was chased by scores of sheriffs' deputies in Oregon, but dashed through cordons of men and dogs, and after a few days' exciting pursuit escaped into the state of Washington. Here he passed from one county to another, alarming the whole country and being pursued by one sheriff after another with hundreds of volunteer assistants. A reward of many thousands of dollars was put upon his head. But at last the chase was given up in despair. It was thought he had gone into hiding in the mountains or perhaps had reached Seattle and joined the bands of criminals always lurking in cities.

Suddenly he appears at a lumber camp on the water's edge, holds up six men at the point of his rifle, captures a launch, compels four men to navigate the launch for a hundred miles, lands near Seattle, binds the men, and goes on his way. Sheriffs and officers and militia are called out to capture him. They surround him. He shoots down three or four of them and disappears again. Turns up a few hours after in a residence, orders a meal, waits till he is again surrounded, walks out, shoots two more men and disappears in the darkness.

Terrific excitement. A whole city thinks and talks of nothing but Tracy.

thousand tramps in the United States now, in these piping times of prosperity. Did you read of the gang of outlaws in Colorado that surrounded and killed a sheriff's posse last week? Tramp hold-ups, who perform their "business" in the city of Seattle, and burglaries are of no consequence, so that we scarcely notice the reports of them. How do you explain these things?

We Socialists have a good and sufficient explanation. We can tell you what makes the Sixty Thousand Tramps and the Hundred Thousand Criminals, and the increasing Thousands of Suicides.

Do you ever try to understand and explain "the vast army of the unemployed?" The Sixty Thousand Tramps are but the frayed out edges of this vast army of the unemployed. Your outlaws and criminals and suicides are stragglers from this same vast army of the unemployed.

Explain the unemployed and you will explain the tramps, the suicides, the outlaws, the Tracys.

Listen. Men are roaming up and down this land in droves seeking employment. They come and go, month in and month out, right here in Seattle, and in every city of America—seeking employment. Workingmen have no homes. They cannot, half of them, vote in those states that require a year's residence to qualify for the franchise. They are a migrating, drifting lot, because employment is temporary and uncertain. These are the wage-slaves that Socialism talks about and fights for.

What, then, is the explanation? In one word, **The Machine**. It is the machine which does the work of the world nowadays. Most of us still imagine men do the work as they did fifty years or even twenty-five years ago. It is a mistake. Men are now

the men together and let them have what they produce and so be provided for?

There is only one obstacle, namely, the few private "owners" of these means of production, will not allow the unemployed to touch them. For the sake of these few "owners," the Morgans, Carnegies, Roosevelts, Cleverlands, Furtths, Morans, the multitude must go unemployed and the Tracys be sown broadcast over the land. We Socialists denounce this private ownership of the means of life, which forbids access of men to machines. We demand the public ownership of all the means of production, in order that the unemployed may be employed and live in peace together.

The problem of Tracy is the problem of the unemployed, and the Socialist has the only solution.

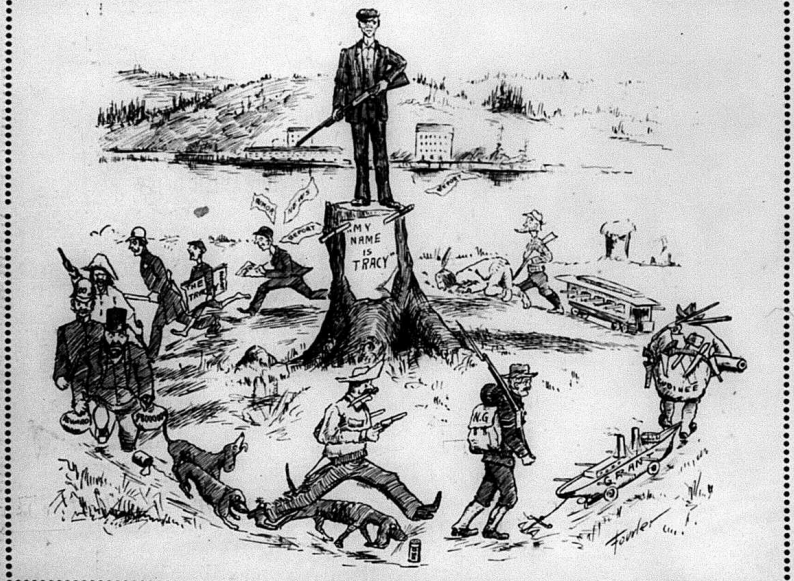
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BEGINS AUG. 3.

We have decided to defer the beginning of our A. B. C. series of articles to the first number in August, in order to give as full an opportunity as possible for a large number of subscribers.

We urge all our friends to push up the lists once more during the next two weeks, so as to get the benefit of this splendid series of articles on the simplest fundamentals of Socialism.

They will be particularly appropriate for the campaign and will last almost exactly the length of the campaign. There will be fourteen weeks from August 3 to November 2, and we have now thirteen articles promised, the latest to be heard from being Comrade Geo. D. Herron. His letter is too



He hurts nobody who does not oppose him. The papers say he has a "lust for liberty."

All the preceding is but the prelude to his escapades. He has terrorized the state. Yet women do not fear him. He becomes a sort of popular hero. The sympathies of the public are undoubtedly with this "criminal."

He crosses over the Puget Sound to the neighborhood of the navy yard. U. S. cutter joins in the pursuit and a whole fleet patrol the waters for a hundred miles. Then he holds up another farm house, stays half a day, binds the family, takes along the "hired man" with a boat and "disappears" once more. This time for days. Then the community is astounded by finding the abandoned boat in the very city itself. Tracy himself captures another house, has a social time with its inmates until the deputies post themselves at their pleasure about the building, a photographer takes a picture of the place while he eats his supper, and at last, in his own good time, he again walks out into the woods to make sport for bloodhounds and deputies—and Tracy.

It seems an impossible story, a multi-murderer at large in a civilized community, defying capture, playing with death, making game of all the forces of law and order.

How explain him? Personally, he is a military genius, developed by difficulties. But how explain his kind? For he is one of many. Our Seattle P.-I. says this morning there are sixty

only tenders of machines. Machines are becoming so perfect that children can run them. Boys turn their fathers out of their jobs.

That makes the army of the unemployed, because only a few men are needed now to do the world's work with the aid of **The Machine**. The rest of the men have nothing to do, and yet they must live. They do live—by their wits. Tracy is one of them. In a normal and proper society Tracy would be a most useful member. He has conspicuous ability. But rather than be begging for a job, a chance to win an uncertain subsistence by fawning on some boss who treats him like a dog, he chooses to be an "outlaw" and a "criminal."

Remove the cause and you remove the effect. Remove the army of the unemployed and you will have, instead of a criminal Tracy, a useful Tracy.

How remove this army of the unemployed?

This: Let them have the machines and go to work. Let them be employed. Let them be employed become employed. But they cannot work at modern production without the machines of modern production. Well, then, furnish them the machines. Let them have the means of producing food and clothing, houses and luxuries.

Why not? The means of production are here, the factories, the farms, the railroads, the mines, the mills, the ships, and the men are here, the unemployed and imprisoned thousands. Why not put the means and

interesting to suppress, though not intended for publication:

Pegli, Italy, June 2, 1902.

Dear Comrades: I should be glad to contribute to the proposed series, as soon as I return from my work at the end of summer or early autumn. I have been for several months under the doctor's care, and in the mountains, because of a very bad throat and a general break-down, consequent upon the stress and storm through which I am lived for the last ten years. I am promised recovery and health and return to America by early autumn. All I am and can be, as well as all I may be able to do, will be given to the great cause.

Will you kindly write to me early in September and I will send you an article on "What We Mean by Class Consciousness."

With warmest greetings, fraternally yours,
GEORGE D. HERRON.

Comrade Holst, of Butte, is again at the front with five subscriptions. Hardly a mail but we hear from him. Keep it up, comrade, and we will enjoy some Socialism before we die.

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