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CONSTITUTION A SCRAP OF PAPER

The people of Duluth have had a stain placed upon their city. They have given their sons, husbands and brothers. Tonight as we write this, we can fancy seeing those boys sitting in the trenches, at any moment they may hear the call that will bid them go "over the top." Everything that life holds dear, even life itself, will be sacrificed, so that they may do their bit in a fight against one of the most autocratic countries of the world. In Germany, meetings have been suppressed, but that is all we can expect from a country, whose rulers place their hopes in militarism. It has ever been the boast of this country, that they have a document that has forever inspired the men of movements, that were aiming for liberty. Everywhere in the civilized world, men talk of the Declaration of Independence. We have sat at our grandfather's knee and heard the stories of the days of the Land League of Ireland. Stories that brought the tears to our eyes and as the tears rolled down our cheeks, we were told of a land that has enshrined liberty in the hearts of millions, the world over. We were told of that country, where as one entered the harbor of its leading city, they would see the light of liberty shining. America has always been the country that has been the guide for all lovers of liberty to look forward to. Did not the people of France, the home of liberty, send to this country a statue that stands holding the torch of liberty aloft, in New York harbor? So when we hear of candidates being prevented from coming to the people, because their opponents know that they have lost the confidence of those that elected them, it makes us pause and ask, are we in America?



O. E. THOMPSON
Candidate for Senator 58th District.

What does it matter that our boys are giving their lives' blood in the trenches? What does it matter that our women are smiling, smiling with their hearts full of grief, smiling so that they will not discourage their boys in any way? What does it matter that the fields of Europe will be soaked with blood, in a fight against an autocratic, blood-thirsty, militaristic country? Whilst all this sacrifice is being made, men who call themselves the leading citizens (?) of the city, deny to their own citizens the constitutional rights, that

their forefathers shed their blood for. They, the leading citizens, tell us that they stand behind the President, they lie and they know they lie. President Wilson has stated time and time again that the people must be allowed to speak their mind. Discussion will kill anything that is bad, that is why the business element of Duluth fears Lindbergh, because he throws the searchlight of reason upon their patriotism. Read what the President, the chief spokesman and the Chief Executive of these United States says:

"We are so accustomed to agitation, to absolutely free outspoken argument for change, to an unrestricted criticism of men and measures carried almost to the point of license, that to us it seems a normal, harmless part of the familiar processes of popular government. We have learned that it is pent-up feelings that are dangerous, whispered purposes that are revolutionary, covert sallies that warp and poison the mind; that the wisest thing to do with a fool is to encourage him to hire a hall and discourse to his fellow citizens. Nothing shows nonsense like exposure to the air; nothing dispels folly like publication; nothing so eases the machine as the safety valve."

These words were uttered by our president, who is an authority on Constitutional Government. They were not the rash statements of a fanatical enthusiast, engaged in a revival, but the calm, dispassionate statements of a man who had been educated in a cold, logical and reasoning environment. The people of this country after having had him as President for four years sent him back for another four. Millions of people have placed their destinies in his hands. Yet here in Duluth, we have men so profitstricken, so

Don't Join the Socialist Party

Do not join the Socialist Party because if you do you will vote for your own interests and your boss will not like it.

Do not join the Socialist Party because they are opposed to prostitution and you know that our "leading citizens" who own department stores would not like that, because how would girls supplement their rotten low wages that they receive for working in department stores, if they were not able to sell their bodies and souls.

Do not join the Socialist Party because they are opposed to child-labor and you know that it is better for your child to work in a sweat shop, than to play in the green fields, with the sun shining overhead.

Do not join the Socialist Party because you would be assured of living in comfort when you became too old for work and you know that you like your job that well you would rather die on it than to leave it for a vacation.

Do not join the Socialist Party because when this war is over, and the millions of boys return home and find women in their jobs it will be to your liking, because then you can lie in bed whilst your wife goes out to work. Also it is better for the boss that your wife should work, it is cheaper.

Do not join the Socialist Party because you would give Billy Sunday the go-bye and your bosses would spend their money in vain and for the love of Mike do not offend your boss.

Do not join the Socialist Party because they will call you pro-German, in Germany they will call you pro-American and God only knows what they might call you and you must certainly command the respect of your boss.

Do not join the Socialist Party because you know your boss thinks it is his special privilege to do your thinking and SO DO YOU.

Do not join the Socialist Party because they are doing that in England and for God's sake that would be treason for to do anything that is done in a foreign country.

Do not join any organization that is out for your interests.

SIRREE.

But let the mine owners, smelters, shippers and beef trusts organize because it pays them. Let them organize and tell you what you shall do and what you shall not do. They have proved that organization does pay. Why the United States Steel Corporation had a hell of a time last year. They only made \$270,000,000.00. Of course they could have made less if they had not organized, but we should worry, the Constitution guarantees us our Constitutional rights. We do not know what they are, but it sounds nice.

Do not join the Socialist Party because Billy Sunday says that you will not go to heaven and so why spoil the H— of a good time you are having on this earth.

Of course you will say that the guy who wrote all this stuff is crazy and that it is a bunch of "rot" and there is nothing to it. I admit that there has been nothing like it in the News-Tribune or the Herald, but give us a chance, they possess all the wisdom of the ages. You need not laugh, you agree with me, because why do you buy the paper. And you are not crazy, God forbid!

And above all things do not subscribe for this paper. If you do the Commercial Club will be vexed and Armstead and King will have a hemorrhage.

Do not forget what I told you: DO NOT SUBSCRIBE FOR THE TRUTH. Well, if you must, send your dollar to 510 Manhattan Building, and they will send you the paper for one year.

J. C.

eager to exploit the people, that whoever dares to question their loyalty, will be treated worst than the Germans are being treated. Because if we are to believe the organs of the Steel Trust opinion, not public opinion, we are told that meetings of protest are being held in Germany and Austria. The people of Duluth will be false to themselves, if they cast one vote for the candidates indorsed by Big Business of Duluth, alias the Commercial Club.

We disagree with the Nonpartisan League. We have criticized their policy and we shall continue to do so. In the fight for free speech, we are behind the Nonpartisan League. If there is one man denied his elementary rights, then ours are in danger. So this paper will fight for the right of the Nonpartisan League to come before the people and deliver its message. Whilst the boys are sitting around the camp fires, we shall keep our pledge to them, and that is "to keep the home fires burning." We shall not go to sleep at our post, neither shall we allow the Commercial Club to "gas us." We shall keep the flag of liberty raised aloft and come what may, we shall fight for its ever flying. We appeal to you who are voters, we ask you as a favor to your own selves, that you defeat every candidate that is indorsed by

Childhood

By EUGENE V. DEBS.

What sweet emotions the recollections of childhood inspire, and how priceless its treasured memories in our advancing and declining years!

Laughing eyes and curly hair, little brown hands and bare feet, innocent and care-free, trusting and loving, tender and pure—what an elevating and satisfying influence these little gods have upon our maturer years!

Childhood! What a holy theme! Flowers they are, with souls in them, and if on this earth man has a sacred charge, a holy obligation, it is to these tender buds and blossoms of humanity.

Yet how many of them are prematurely plucked, fade and die and are trampled in the mire. Many millions of them have been snatched from the cradle and stolen from their play to be fed to the forces that turn a workingman's blood into a capitalist's gold, and many millions of others have been crushed and perverted into filth for the slums and food for the potter's field.

Childhood is at the parting of the ways which lead to success or failure, honor or disgrace, life or death. Society is, or ought to be, profoundly concerned in the nature of the environment that is to mold the character and determine the career of its children, and any remissness in such duty is rebuked by the most painful of penalties, and these are inflicted with increasing severity upon the people of the United States.

Childhood is the most precious charge of the family and the community, but our capitalist civilization sacrifices it ruthlessly to gratify its brutal lust for self and power, and the march of its conquest is tainted with the blood of infants and paved with the puny bones of children.

WHAT SHALL THE HARVEST BE?

The millions of children crushed and slain in the conquest of capitalism have not died in vain. From their little martyr graves all over this fair land avenging images are springing up, as it were, against the system that murdered them, and pronouncing upon it, in the name of God and humanity, the condemnation of death.

If you desire to see your children receive a fair chance in life, you will vote for the following candidates, whose hearts beat in unison with yours, beating with enthusiasm and a passion for social justice. If you cast your votes against these candidates, you are sealing the death warrant of your own children's future.

MARK WELL WHAT YOU DO ON JUNE 17th.

For Senator in 58th District, O. E. THOMPSON.

For Representative in 58th District C. McKINNON.

For Representative in 59th District JOHN ESSEN.

this bunch of Kaisers and Clown Chief of Police, stand for \$\$\$\$ Princes. The Commercial Club, We who are fighting for free backed up by an inefficient and speech, stand for humanity. unconstitutional, lawbreaking WHERE DO YOU STAND?



CHARLES McKINNON
Candidate for House of Representatives 58th District



JOHN ESSEN
Candidate for House of Representatives 59th District.

WE VISIT BILLY SUNDAY

We paid Billy Sunday a visit and heard him deliver a lecture. We want to congratulate Billy for reading the copy of TRUTH that we sent him. Whether it was a case of mental telepathy or not, we can hardly say, but one thing we do know, and that is what we told Billy had good effect. Those who heard him preach last Sunday evening will bear us out.

We must give Billy Sunday credit for one thing and that is, the fact that he shows up the hollowness of the modern churches. Go to hear Billy Sunday, take in all he says and it will be a long time before you will ever become reconciled to the atmosphere of the church. The fact that the ministers of Duluth are supporting Billy Sunday, conclusively proves that they neither understand Billy or their congregations.

It is a treat in psychology to visit a Billy Sunday meeting. Watch how Billy and his assistant Mr. Rodeheaver prepare the crowds that nightly flock to the tabernacle. See how the hymns are arranged so that Billy has control of the emotions of his audience. Last Sunday we witnessed one of the finest ways of getting control of an audience. First the choir sang "For you I am praying" (not preying). Then Rodeheaver asked those in the very back rows to sing a refrain in a soft tone. The idea was to get the audience to imagine that they were singing to an audience beyond the skies and the refrain was the answer back. It worked with effect on a few we sat amongst. Then after the audience had been prepared along came Billy with his sermon. Some extracts from his talk:

"When labor gets a square deal from capital, capital will get a square deal from labor."

Now we wish to correct William, what we said was:

"When the workingclass organize, then good-bye to the capitalist class."

We sincerely hope that William will make the correction in his next Sunday evening's address.

We intend every week to give our readers some Sundayism. You all have heard of the late Dr. DeWitt Talmage; well, he delivered an eloquent address, so did Billy. We can hardly state who pinched the address. But one thing we do know, that Billy did not deliver his address until after the worthy Dr. was dead. Read them both. Somebody is a thief; guess who it is!

SUNDAY.

From Sunday's Sermon as Printed in the Johnstown Democrat, Monday, Nov. 10, 1913.

Night was upon Babylon. The shadows of her 200 towers were beginning to lengthen. The Euphrates rolled on touched by the fiery splendors of the setting sun, and the gates of brass opened and shut like doors of flame. The hanging gardens of Babylon, wet with heavy dew, began to pour from starlit flowers and dripping leaf a fragrance for many miles around. The streets and squares were lighted for dance and frolic and promenades. Scenes of riot and was-sail were mingled in every street, and goddess mirth and outrageous excesses and splendid wickedness came to the king's palace tonight. Rushing up to the gates are chariots upholstered with precious cloths, drawn by fiery-eyed horses that rear and neigh in the grasp of the charioteers while a thousand lords dismount and women dressed in all the splendor of that Assyrian age. Open wide the gates and bid the guests come in! The chamberlain and the cup bearers are all ready. Hark to the rustle of silk and carols of music. See the blaze of jewels. Lift the banners, fill the cups, clap the cymbals, blow the trumpet! Let the night go by with song and dance and ovation. Ah! 'Twas no common banquet to which these people came. The signal was given and the lords and the ladies and the mighty men and women of the land come around the table. Be-starred head-band and cocknet of royal beauty gleam to the uplifted chalices as again and again and still again they drain their cups. Pour out the wine! Let foam and bubble kiss the rim! Away with care from the palace! Tear royal dignity to tatters! Pour out more wine. Give us more light, wild music, sweeter perfume. Lord shouts to lord and captain to captain. The goblets clash. The decanters rattle. There comes in the obscene song and the drunken hiccough and the salavering lip and guffaw of idiotic laughter, bursting from the lips of princes, flushed, reeling, blood-shot, while mingled with it all I hear the Hurrah! Hurrah for Belshazzar!"

TALMAGE.

From a Collection of Sermons by the Late Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage, Entitled "Social Dynamite", p. 77.

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TWO KINDS OF UNIONISM

By H. SCOTT BENNETT.

There are two kinds of unionism appealing to the working class of the world today. One belongs to the past. The other belongs to the present—and the future! One stands for disintegration, for weakness, just where strength is most required. The other is based upon principles that make for the organizing of the working class might. One is conservative, inasmuch as it conserves the blunders that the toilers have made in the past—the tragic past! It likewise conserves a system of society that makes possible the ghastly tragedy of toil. The other is

scientific, because it is based upon a recognition of economic facts; revolutionary, because it recognizes that nothing short of a complete social transformation can bring permanent relief to those who toil and moil!

The different view-points entertained by these opposite forms of unionism are reflected in their actions. One seeks relief in arbitration, stone blind to the fact that this is one of the many pieces of mechanism under the control of the Master Class, and is used by them to subjugate the workers. The other form of unionism faces the Master Class upon the indus-

YOU MUST READ THIS

Every voter in the 58th and 59th District will receive a copy of this paper. It will be sent to each voter at the expense of the men and women who go to make up the Socialist Party of Duluth. These men and women are not millionaires. They do not belong to the Commercial Club. They are just the everyday workers that you meet on the job.

There must be a reason for these comrades sending out this edition? There is, and a reason that should compel your admiration, that is if your mind is broad enough. These comrades cannot afford the dollars they spend. They are like a lot of the workers, they cannot afford to lay off from work, they must be constantly on the job. THE REASON why they give their dollars, is because their LOVE FOR AMERICA IS NOT LIMITED TO MERE FLAG-WAVING, but is one that is inspired by a love for humanity. They want to see all children happy, all girls free from the snare of the brothel, they want to see all old people given security of old age. For the realization of these things, they sacrifice everything that life holds dear, even life itself, in order that you, Mr. Voter, you and your family, may enjoy those good things that you produce. The reason why we have to send this paper to you, is because your masters have decided that we must not be allowed to educate the workers. If we are able to deliver our message to the workers, we will open their eyes and show them a world, stripped stark naked, stripped of all its glamor, standing there in all its hideousness. We would show you a world with its thousands of young girls, victims of the system, crying aloud for some avenue of escape from a life of prostitution. We would show you in a land of luxury and squander, thousands of little children denied the necessities of life. But those who hold power today, have decided that you must not know these things. They have a reason for trying to stop our propaganda. The reason is, that if we can abolish poverty, they will have to work. Their vast fortunes have been created out of the blood and tears of the workers. Deny it they cannot, for they know it is only too true. The department store owner pays girls anything from three dollars per week and expect them to be virtuous girls. To cover up his ungodly work, he sends for Billy Sunday. Billy Sunday tells you that because your daughter indulges in a little harmless amusement, that is the reason why she goes wrong. Your daughter, God forbid, if she ever goes wrong, will go wrong because of a desire to live. How can she live on five dollars per week? Mark well what you do on JUNE 17th. Before you cast your vote, consider well what you are doing. Upon that day you will have to consider the present and the future of your own children. If you vote for those who now are in control of affairs, it will plainly show that you are satisfied, and that your children have every comfort in life. If you are not satisfied, then you are duty bound to vote for the Socialists who are running in the primaries.

We told you before that you had a duty to perform to your children. If you are a father, you will not need to be told of it, but you will make it your personal affair to see that your children get

trial field with courageous mien! It declines to condone the moral wrong of exploitation by attitudinizing before a tool of the Capitalist Class, arrayed in the vestments of 'identity of interest.' One believes that the Working Class, when not engaged in "Arbitration," should fight in sections for a little more of the wealth that labor produces; the other believes in united action, and by such action winning all that can be obtained from the full fruits of its toil tomorrow! One is the old-time Craft Unionism; the other is a manifestation of class-conscious Industrial Unionism.

Craft Unionism grants a license to its membership to seab. Industrial Unionism declares, in language unmistakable that "An injury to one is an injury to all." Craft Unionism believes it can see a harmonious relationship existing between the leech and its victim. Industrial Unionism is out to abolish the condition that makes leeches possible. Craft Unionism cries Peace! in the midst of a hot-as-hell war. Industrial Unionism cries: Fight! Up and at an infamous system of legalized theft.

Freakish political parties are born of the old time muddled and mixed unionism. Political parties that betray, mislead and dishearten the workers; political parties that with open arms receive the riff-raff, the dregs of bourgeois society!—"parsons without pulpits, storekeepers without customers, lawyers without clients," all alike are embraced!

The Unionism that is stamped with the hall-mark of science, declares that the political army of Labor must be the reflex of Class—the tools of production today if

they had not Revolutionized Feudal Society! Start thinking!

With muddled brain and palsied hands, Craft Unionism faces the gigantic crime of Wage slavery. Its idea of Working Class economics is worthy of an old felt hat! When it attempts to fight, it only succeeds in making itself appear conscious revolutionary industrial organization. Revolutionary! Yes! REVOLUTIONARY! How the Socialism-by-the-back door folks love to frighten the half-baked with a word. Revolutionary! Could the Capitalist Class own and control ridiculous. It is simply a back number in Working Class methods of organization. Scientific Militant Economic Organization is the great need of the hour; without it, the Ballot Box is as useless as a Throne. "Without economic organization, the day of Labor's political triumph would be the day of its defeat." We need industrialism in our skirmishes with Capitalism today: It will be indispensable in the work of transformation that awaits us upon the morrow. All hail the United Hosts of the Proletariat! Long live Industrialism!

See! With majestic steps the workers who have looked might to right march to the Socialist Republic! Their organization demonstrates their preparedness for the Social Change! Their organic solidarity is indicative of the coming Triumph.

Behind! Aye, far behind! stands Craft Unionism, immersed in the muck and mire of Capitalist Society.—(Voice of Labor, Johannesburg, South Africa.)

Have you read the "Liberator" for June?

SCANDINAVIAN LOCAL COMRADE MEETING.

Will all comrades please remember that the next local meeting June 4th is a Comrade Meeting. Amusement, recitations, singing, refreshments. Admission

free, all welcome. Remember the date, June 4th, Tuesday, 8 o'clock sharp.

Jack Carney will talk on "Life of an agitator."

Read the New Book on MARX 30 cents.

a fair chance in life. You have watched things as they have happened, and what do you find? Let us have no camouflage, but just be frank with each other. You find that every year more children are being forced to work in the sweatshops and factories of America. Why have the Democrats and Republicans allowed this child-labor to go on unchecked? There must be a reason for it. The reason is, that CHILD LABOR IS CHEAP. Children do not receive as high wages as their fathers, so their fathers are being compelled to step aside, so that their children may take their place. The Democrats and Republicans have sanctioned a system that has allowed men to make fortunes out of the miseries of little children. These men finance the Democratic and Republican parties, and remember the old saying, "He who pays the piper calls the tune." Also remember that that saying applies to all political parties, Socialist Party included. Also remember that the workers finance the Socialist Party and they also call the tune.

You also have grown up daughters, what are you doing to guarantee to them, that the brothel door will not open to receive her? Do not be offended because we ask you such a question. We want to warn you of the evils of our social existence. We want to tell you the truth and open your eyes. If you want your daughters to grow up to be fine young women, you must guarantee them a decent living, together with decent surroundings. If you want to produce fine roses, you would not plant your rose-tree on a ashpit. Why? Because the refuse would retard the growth of the rose-tree. Same applies equally as true in relation to women. Plant them in slums, see that they have to eat cheap food, wear cheap clothes, cheap hats, live in cheap houses and you are laying the foundation of a girl who may go wrong. Let someone come along and show her a good time. Your girl will become intoxicated with good things. It will be a relief from a sordid and drab life. If that moment comes, hell itself cannot stop a girl from going wrong. You must think of these things on June 17th.

REMEMBER, THE ONLY POLITICAL PARTY THAT STANDS OPPOSED TO CHILD-LABOR, PROSTITUTION AND ALL THE OTHER EVILS THAT BESET OUR PATH IS THE SOCIALIST PARTY. IF YOU BELIEVE WHAT WE SAY IS TRUE, THEN STAND ERECT AND VOTE FOR THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES:

58th District For Senator O. E. THOMPSON.
58th District For Representative C. McKINNON
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THE SOUL OF THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

By EUGENE V. DEBS.

(Written for The Call Magazine.)
The world stands amazed astounded, awe-inspired, in the presence of Russia's stupendous historic achievement.

The Russian revolution is without a precedent or parallel in history. Monumental in its glory, it stands alone. Behold its sublime majesty, catch its holy spirit and join in its thrilling, inspiring appeal to the oppressed of every land to rise in their might, shake off their fetters and proclaim their freedom to the world!

Russia! Russia! Thy very name thrills in our veins, throbs in our hearts and surges in our souls! Thou art, indeed, the land of miracles, and thy humble peasants and toilers stand forth the world's triumphant liberators!

Russia, domain of darkness impenetrable, transformed in a flash into a land of living light!

Russia, the goddess of freedom incarnate, issuing her defiant challenge to the despotisms of all the world!

THINK OF THE AGES Russia groined in the agony of her travail, the deluge of blood and tears poured out in the long night of her persecution and exile, and the costly sacrifices laid by her daughters and sons upon the holy altar of freedom!

And now, as if by command of God himself, she rises from her bondage, stands erect in her supreme majesty, and breathes her benediction of peace and love upon the world.

The heart of Russia in this hour of her glorious resurrection is the heart of humanity disenthralled; the soul of her triumphant revolution is the soul of a new-born world.

Russia, the most cruelly oppressed, the most bitterly persecuted, the most brutally crushed nation on earth, stands monu-

mental today in her sympathy and love, her generosity and magnanimity toward the oppressed and downtrodden of every land beneath the skies.

Verily, the last are now first, and the world's most pitilessly plundered and shamelessly exiled have become the world's revolutionary redeemers and supreme liberators.

RUSSIA, TRIUMPHANT in the rise of her peasants, toilers and soldiers—in the supremacy of her common people, the real people, the only people—glows with altruistic fervor, throbs with international solidarity and appeals with infinite compassion to the spirit of worldwide brotherhood.

Not a trace of national selfishness has stained Russia's revolutionary regeneration. The Bolshevik demanded nothing for themselves they did not demand in the same resolute spirit for the proletariat of all the world, and if history records the failure of their cause it will be to the eternal shame of those for whom there heroes offered up their lives and suffered them to perish for the lack of sympathy and support.

BUT THE REVOLUTION will not, can not, fail. It may not completely fulfill itself without reaction, but the mighty change that has been wrought is here to stay, and because of it every throne is tottering, every bourgeois sees the handwriting, and the old order throughout the world is being shaken to its foundations.

All the forces of the world's reaction, all its dynasties and despotisms, all its kingdoms and principalities, all its monarchies and imperialism, all its ruling, exploiting classes and their politicians, priests, professors and parasites of every breed—all these are pitted openly or covertly against the Russian revolution and conspiring

LITMAN SHOES

are like grass widows—you cannot wear them out. He is still at

1831 W. Superior St.

A Living Wage.

Question. Do you consider ten dollars a week enough for a longshoreman with a family to support?

Answer. If that's all he can get, and he takes it, I should say it's enough.

(The above question was asked of Pierpont Morgan.)

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together for the overthrow of the victorious Russian proletariat and the destruction of the new-born democracy.

But, whatever may be the fate of the revolution, its flaming soul is immortal and will flood the world with light and liberty and love.

AN APPEAL TO THE WORK- INGCLASS VOTERS OF THE 58TH AND 59TH DISTRICTS

The Socialist Party of the City of Duluth asks for your support for the following candidates:

CHARLES McKINNON, for House of Representatives in the 58th District.

O. E. THOMPSON, for Senate in the 58th District.

JOHN ESSEN, for House of Representatives in the 59th District.

The above candidates have received the indorsement of the Socialist Party. At a general meeting of the Party they were unanimously put forward as the standard bearers of our party. The issue they will place before you is SOCIALISM versus CAPITALISM. We are asking you at this election to use your ballot as a PROTEST against the system that has robbed and oppressed you for so many long and weary years. Other politicians will promise you all kinds of good things, we do not. We realize that until the workers are thoroughly organized in the mine, shop, factory and fields, they will be unable to obtain their freedom from the social evils that curse society today. Do not place any faith in the man who is going to promise you good things by simply voting. Those of us who have been engaged in the battles that have taken place on the industrial field, know too well that the class that will make fortunes out of the sorrows of little children, out of the degradation of young girls, out of the miseries of the poor, will fight to the very utmost rather than relinquish their hold upon the unearned wealth they now possess. You can use your ballot to show to your masters that you have at last awakened from your age-long sleep. By the strength of your numbers at the ballot you will inspire your fellow-workers in the shop to get together and when you get your fellow-workers in the shop organized into one vast revolutionary organization of the workingclass, then the world is yours.

This sounds too much for the average worker to grasp, but it is true and the truth is a hard thing to assimilate when your mind has been clogged up by the lies vomited forth by the capitalist press, false teachers, Bill Sundays and other charlatans. If you will but let your mind take in the truth, although it may be hard at first, you will find later on that it is the only way you can improve your conditions. You must understand your position in society, then when you understand that you will get together and then, as we said before, the world and all therein is yours.

Never mind thinking of what has gone before. The past lived and died with the past. Ours is the present—the time to pledge our faith anew. The time to do your bit towards guaranteeing to your child an equal chance to the good things that the world holds in its lap. Misery, vice, starvation, low wages, unearned wealth, squandered luxury, blackest inhumanity, are in our midst. We have got to see that these things must die, never to come to light again.

We appeal to you to go to the ballot box, imbued with the real spirit of humanity. When you cast your ballot you are placing the charge of your children into whose hands you so desire. If you want capitalism, then vote for all those candidates who are NOT SOCIALISTS. We tell you frankly, without hiding the fact from you, that we are opposed to capitalism. Capitalism has filled the world with blood and tears. Capitalism has robbed millions of children of the sunshine of life. Capitalism has sent more women to life of shame, than there are days in a century. Capitalism has wrecked more lives, than all the trains that ever ran since trains were first invented. Mark well what you do on June 17th. Upon that day you will be given a chance to protest against capitalism. Upon that day you will be given a chance to show to the big business interests of Duluth that red blood flows in your veins. Upon that day you will be given a chance to show that you are a man. That you are not afraid of casting your vote for that which you know to be true.

If you think that children should have an equal chance in life. If you think that prostitution is a crime and should be abolished. If you think that there is no need for poverty and all its evils. Then you will be bound to cast your vote for the Socialist candidates.

Stand erect on June 17th and vote for

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SUPERIOR NEWS

WHY SUPPORT THE TRUTH.

The capitalist class is strongly organized internationally to maintain its economic power, and in order to keep the massa of working people in the world in submission, misery and want. It controls the school, the church, the press and legislature. Through these agencies it molds the opinion of the people and gets the hypocritical idea in the public mind that the system of private ownership of industries is just; that everybody was born into this world with an equal opportunity to the resources of wealth;—if you happen to have ability (?) to be a captain of industry. But the working class is beginning to get wise to this cut-throat game. It says to the capitalist class that we have sweated and toiled long enough. We have shed our blood and tears for you. Your whole system is rotten, therefore you must go and be replaced by a new one, that will bring brighter life and more happiness to mankind, a system of industrial socialism, the co-operative commonwealth.

And in breaking loose the chains of wage-slavery, to control production and distribution, we—the workers—must also organize ourselves internationally. First of all we must get the control of the strongest weapon of capitalism, the press, which poisons, with lies at all times, the minds of all men, women and children. It is the sacred duty of all socialists and radicals, who want to see this great radical change in society to take place, to make great sacrifices to uphold a press, BY THE WORKERS, FOR THE WORKERS AND OF THE WORKERS. In Superior and Duluth, we have for many years been a field for the prostituted press, then a bright, shining light, TRUTH, was born, which speaks the real proletarian language of the class struggle and strikes everywhere like a bomb in the heart of capitalism. The Commercial Clubs and other lackeys of the dying system started to squeal and are trying their damnest to kill it and there should not be anything too dear a price to pay, to see that OUR TRUTH shall grow into a big giant fighting in the interests of labor.

I was out recently for a round-up of old and new subs for the Truth. Some made the following objections:

First, that the paper is anti-religious. They wish for the sum of 60 cents to have a Sunday sermon preached and make the paper look like sixty. Second, that they are afraid to have a socialistic paper sent to them in time of war. You see, they have not the courage to fight for their rights at home but have the courage to do so abroad. And thirdly, that it is too much for the I. W. W. No less would have been said in the Truth for the A. F. of L., if they too would have been in such a bitter struggle and had their best fighting men in imprisonment.

Anyhow the most of them were proud of their paper, especially the Billy Sunday edition made a

great hit and I was successful in getting fifty subs.

I urge all comrades who have socialism at heart to do their bit and not leave it to a few captains. Let everyone volunteer immediately and enlist in an army to get the Truth before the people.

NEW DELEGATE CHOSEN.

Com. Alex Machin has been chosen by the English Branch to represent it in the City Central Committee in place of Com. Ellis B. Harris, who has been absent from Superior for some time.

—J. R. Booth.

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"CONSOLIDATION" EFFECTS SAVING.

"American, Northern, Great Northern and Adams Express companies, whose offices have all been combined in the building previously occupied only by the American company, report a rushing of business, done at a considerable reduction of expense formerly incurred by the companies in separate offices."—Superior Section of News Tribune.

If the "consolidation" of four express offices in a claptap city like Superior effects "a considerable reduction of expense," how much of a reduction would the "consolidation" of all the other business enterprises in the city accomplish?

And if it is just and reasonable and inevitable to "consolidate" express offices in order to effect a saving in time, labor, and expense, in order to attain the greatest possible amount of efficiency and results, to "consolidate" all the business enterprises in the city, for example, or why not apply it to all the industries and the means of production and distribution in the state and nation?

And if "consolidation" alone is sufficient to accomplish "a considerable reduction of expense," what would "socialization" accomplish, which would do away with the huge profits that accrue to private owners of industry and the means of life in spite of "consolidation"?

When it is found inevitable to apply "consolidation" in order to save time, labor power and money, why not make a thorough job of the whole thing and apply "socialization"? It would be no half-way measure and would bring about the height of efficiency in production and distribution, which are the main essentials for the existence and welfare of humanity on the earth.

Yes, why not?

If you are not a socialist, put this in your pipe and smoke it.

And if you are a socialist, pass it on to your fellow workingman.

There is food for thought even in some of the items in the daily press, especially at this time, when the industrial lords of our country are compelled to make a pretense of striving toward efficiency and results—in a system of trustified competition and guaranteed profits.

—A. N.

IN THE FIELDS OF ECONOMICS.

Read the New Book on **MARX** 30 cents.

Last week we left off at the question of what was the REAL WAGE? The real wage as its name implies, means what can we really buy with our wages. It means that if I have two dollars, how much food can I buy for that two dollars, and not how much food I would like to buy. Real wages is what the worker gets in exchange for his labor. Of course we must not confuse real

wage with money wage. For example, say that last year I was receiving fifteen dollars per week and this year I am receiving five dollars more. Now according to this, my wages have gone up. That is true when we speak of money wages. But when we come to deal with REAL wages, we find that although I am receiving five dollars per week more than I did last year, my REAL wages have decreased. Now let us explain the reasons

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for making that statement. We said that real wages are what our wages can buy. So if the things we buy have increased in price, therefore it stands to sense that although we may receive an increase of five dollars in our money, we cannot buy five dollars worth of stuff in comparison to what we bought last year. Therefore we find that although our money wages have increased, our REAL wages, owing to the rising cost of living, have gone down. Many of the workers have received a twenty per cent increase in wages, but the cost of living has gone up forty per cent, therefore the actual wage of the worker has been decreased. Therefore if the cost of living rises higher than the rise of wages the worker receives, it means that the exchange value of the workers' labor power has fallen. In other words, the standard of living of the worker has been lowered.

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PRICE.

Many people have referred to money wages as the price of labor power, therefore it would be as well if we considered what price in itself was. Price is the monetary expression of the exchange value of a commodity. In other words to make matters more simplified in business transactions, we have to use a certain commodity, that can be looked upon as having a fixed value. Therefore the commodity that was chosen to represent such a fixed value was GOLD. Of course we must remember that gold like all other commodities is subjected to the fluctuations in exchange values. So we express the exchange values of commodities in gold. For example, if we say that a Ford is worth five hundred dollars, we mean that the same quantity of social labor has been used as has been used in the production of five hundred dollars worth of gold. The gold coins merely signify that the government certifies that the coins contain so much gold. Gold itself being the product of labor is determined by the labor it embodies.

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FLUCTUATIONS IN VALUE AND PRICE.

Changes in the exchange value of a commodity only take place when changes take place in the amount of labor involved in their production. With the advent of labor-saving machinery, production of commodities requires less labor, and therefore it naturally follows that their exchange values must DECLINE. But we said before that PRICE was the expression in money of the exchange value, therefore it follows that if exchange values decrease, then price must decrease. Price is also subjected to changes from other causes, and one of most important being the changes in the exchange value of gold itself.

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OWING TO THE TREMENDOUS SAVING OF LABOR IN THE PRODUCTION OF GOLD, WE HAVE WITH US THE HIGH COST OF LIVING. The exchange value of gold has decreased more than that of any other commodity. In other words, gold will not buy, as much today as it would ten years ago. Therefore you have got to lay down more gold for the things you require today. That being so, we find that one of the main causes, and the MAIN cause we may say, of the high cost of living is not the middleman, but due to the lowering of the exchange value of gold, due in turn to the labor saved in production of gold. Therefore those people who state that we are robbed as consumers conclusively prove that they have not understood economics.

Now let us master this part of our lesson in economics. THE SOCIAL LABOR POWER NECESSARY TO PRODUCE A GIVEN COMMODITY DETERMINES ITS EXCHANGE VALUE. The more social labor power necessary, more you get in exchange for it. It also logically follows that the less social labor power involved in the production of a commodity, the less you get in exchange for it. So if you had twenty gold pieces today, which you had saved for twenty years, you would find out that your twenty gold pieces would not buy as much today as they would twenty years ago. Why? Because it does not take as much labor to produce gold as it did twenty years ago, therefore your gold pieces will not exchange for as much as they would twenty years ago. That is the MAIN REASON why we have the high cost of living.

But some one will ask, what about the law of supply and demand? Have prices anything to do with that law? If not, why not? When the demand for a commodity is greater than the supply, the price rises. But what is the result, when there is an unprecedented demand for a commodity? Other people commence to flood the market with that particular commodity and the price falls. The same applies vice-versa. When there are too many of a certain commodity, the manufacturers stop making it, hence the supply is gradually made equal to the demand. So you see that the changes caused by the law of supply and demand cancel each other, and we find that ON THE AVERAGE, commodities exchange at their cost of production.

We could go into the subject far deeper, but what we have set out before you is sufficient for you to grasp the fundamentals shall have to discuss is the question of wages. We shall have to discuss methods whereby we can take labor out of the category of commodities, in other words how can LABOR FREE ITSELF?

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TO NEW READERS.

Thousands will receive a copy of this paper for the first time. On reading it they will find ideas that will oppose some of their most cherished ideals. It will be a mistake on their part if they throw down this paper and become enraged because they see something that they disagree with. George Bernard Shaw in one of his works stated that we are told that God made the world and saw it was good, "What would he say now?" asks Shaw. We agree with Shaw, and what is more, it is our intentioned purpose to make the world good.

There are certain facts which we are bound to take into consideration, whether we like them or not. We might as well recognize facts first as last, for we will have to recognize them sometime. Truths are not destroyed because we refuse to accept them—we only put them off for another day. What we fail to accept today, a sorrowful experience will compel us to accept tomorrow. We may shut our eyes to the facts around us, hoping in this way to compel them to pass away or be forgotten. But they do not pass away, nor will they be forgotten. They simply become invisible for the time being, but sooner or later they show themselves and we are bound to see them. These truths will live on, despite our refusal to accept them, and the benefit that we failed to receive from their acceptance will be reserved for a more far-seeing and more progressive generation. So dear reader, if what you see in this paper does not suit you, do not reject it, but examine it, analyze it and if it fails to stand the test of reason, then write to us and we will hear your side. What is written in these pages is written with a view to enlisting your support. We are not out with the sole idea of making our paper pay, we are out with the object of getting you all together. We want you the workers to stand together. Because after many years in the labor and socialist movement we have been compelled to recognize the fact that we can never hope for progress so long as the workers are divided. Look this paper carefully over, examine every word written therein and write us if we fail to make ourselves understood. We shall be only too pleased to explain things to you. It is our mission to educate the workers and therefore if you will write to us, the more pleased we shall be. If you like the paper, send us a dollar and we will send you the paper for one year.

IF WE PLEASE YOU, TELL EVERYBODY; IF WE FAIL TO PLEASE YOU, TELL US.

THE TRIAL OF THE I. W. W.

Every day the capitalist press is taking parts of the evidence of the above trial and attempting to poison the minds of the workers. We strongly advise comrades not to take for granted what they read in the capitalist press. Before you form any judgment on the trial of the I. W. W., read the I. W. W. side. Anyone who desires to read same, send one dollar to the Labor Defender, 74 St. Mark's Place, New York. They will find that their dollar will not be wasted. The paper is full of good sound reading matter. Furthermore they give every subscriber a chance of buying good sound literature at cheap prices. Try them and find out for yourself. Remember the name and address: LABOR DEFENDER, 74 St. Mark's Place, New York City.

In the Socialist movement there are no martyrs. The Socialist movement is like an Irish fight, some get hit and some don't.

Comrade Mrs. Reynolds wishes to be remembered to all her friends and will be pleased to hear from them. Her address is Allegan, Mich.

The strongest castle, tower and town
The golden bullet beats it down.

The profiteer is the biggest saboteur of all.

We want to thank all those radical papers that are reprinting our writings. Will they please give us credit for same? 'Nuff sed.

"You will get into trouble if you write about the I. W. W."

We wish to inform our good comrade that we would rather write about the I. W. W., then write about some of the things that we hear at lectures. It makes us sleep easier, our conscience is not so perturbed.

One revolutionary worker who does not know how to explain Marx, is better than a thousand arm-chair critics.

The thirsty of soul learn to know
The moistureless froth of the social show,
The vulgar sham of the pompous feast,
Where the heaviest purse is the highest priest,
The organized charity, sermiped and iced,
In the name of a cautious, statistical Christ.
John Boyle O'Reilly.

Society can overlook murder, adultery or swindling; it never forgives the preaching of a new gospel

—Harrison.

But if men would live up to the reason's rules,
They would not bow and scrape to wealthy fools.

—Lucretius.

"BLESSED ARE THE POOR."

Look at the results measured in the profits of a few of the corporations for the year 1916, which we take the space to present.

The war profits of those given are for 1916 together with the percentage of such war profits above the average profits for 1911, 1912 and 1913.

American Agricultural Chemical Co., \$2,969,918, over 100 per cent.

American Beet Sugar Co., \$4,880,027, over 250 per cent.

American Hide and Leather Co., \$1,309,082, over 250 per cent.

American Steel Foundries Co., \$2,900,618, nearly 600 per cent.

American Zinc, Lead and Smelting Co., \$9,110,584, about 4,500 per cent.

Anaconda Copper Co., \$47,151,795, over 400 per cent.

Armour & Co., \$15,393,358, over 350 per cent.

Barrett Co. (American Coal Products Co.) \$3,025,942, over 200 per cent.

Bethlehem Steel Corporation, \$40, 518,860, over 1,300 per cent.

Central Leather Co., \$12,016,398, over 350 per cent.

E. I. Dupont de Nemours Co. (duPont Powder Co.), \$76,581,729, over 1,400 per cent.

Standard Oil Co of New York, \$20,425,510, over 100 per cent.

United States Steel Corporation, \$207,945,953, over 300 per cent.

Think of these profits to which the toiling millions of this country were forced to contribute in higher prices, because the trusts were selling everything at robber rates to the unfortunate Allies which it was possible to find ships to carry abroad!

Hitherto, it is questionable if all the mechanical inventions yet made have lightened the day's toil of any human being.—J. S. Mill.

RADICAL LITERATURE.

We have just received a copy of a Socialist pamphlet. See our advertisement on this page. It was our intention to review it this week. Four lectures on Marx and Marxism and two fine lectures on Constructive Elements of Socialism. Over 120 pages of sound, solid reading matter for thirty cents. The people who got this book out must have a lot of money to spare, we do not know how they can afford it. Send us thirty-five cents and we will send it to you by post, or call in at the office, 510 Manhattan Building. It must be read to be appreciated. All what you want to know on Economics. Also if you want to understand what Socialism REALLY is, then you have GOT TO READ IT. We have also received three copies of Capital, by Herman Cahn, the author of the Collapse of Capitalism, we said that we received three. We buy them at one dollar, they sell for \$1.50. We want you to be educated, no profit for us, so you can have two of them for a dollar each. We would not sell you the third for twice a \$1.50. First come, first served.

We were out in the country the other day. We saw the husband tilling the soil. His wife was in the house cooking his meals and his children picking the wood for the fire. All were happy and smiling. Our thoughts turned to Europe and we wished that there were more homes like this. Someday the world will be run on this farmhouse idea.

We also watched the Carlton dam. The waters were rushing on and if allowed to go on unchecked they would destroy houses, cattle and men and women. A wise group of men have harnessed the waters and for doing so they have been able to light up whole cities with electricity. When are the workers going to harness and control industry?

An idle treasury in a socialist local is like a Ford on the top of the Woolworth building.

PRAISES THAT COUNT.

"I like Truth," says comrade Booth, "enclosed please find eighteen dollars' worth of subscriptions."

That is the praise that counts.

"I did not like last week's Truth." Why? No answer. Like Billy Sunday, no reason.

If an editor tried to please everyone of his readers, his paper would be like an American-Irish stew, you would not recognize it as such.

We spoke before the Jewish Local and managed to get \$13.00 for the campaign fund. Who is going to beat that?

A dollar in the campaign fund is worth a hundred in your local's treasury.

THE JUNE LIBERATOR.

If you have not already the June number of the LIBERATOR, you are missing a literary treat. Speeches by Morris Hillquit and Max Eastman are fine. Sketches by Art Young of the Masses' trial are simply immense. Fancy old Art Young, being tried for his life, and there he sat snoring away. READ THE JUNE LIBERATOR, you will like it.

Campaign committees without funds are like motorears without gasoline.

We just got beat at the primaries, says the comrade who stayed at home.

You bought your Liberty Bonds for the boys in France. Why not buy one for the boys in Cook County Jail?

There are more crimes committed in the name of patriotism than in the name of sabotage.

TONIGHT.

Tonight the beautiful chaste moon
From heaven's height
Scatters over the bridal earth
Blossoms of white;
And spring's renewed glad charms unfold
Endless delight.

Such mystic wonder the hushed world wears
Evil has fled
Far, far away; in every heart
God reigns instead . . .
Tonight a starving virgin sells
Her soul for bread.

To mortal man great loads allotted be;
But of all packs, no pack like poverty.
—Robert Herrick.

STUDY CLASS IN SOCIOLOGY.

Several readers have asked us to take charge of a study class. We would willingly do so if we can get at least 20 members. We shall not waste our time if the comrades are not enthusiastic about it. As for the need of a study class, the less said the better.

When Billy Sunday talks to the idle rich, he is careful as to what kind of language he uses. Every word is well-chosen, for fear he may be too vulgar.

When Billy talks to the workers, he uses all the slang that only a Billy Sunday knows how to use.

We wonder how long the workers will submit to this distinction; it is a deliberate insult to their intelligence. But then if they had any intelligence they would not support Sunday.

What did Barnum say?

When a poor woman appealed to Ingersoll, she was never refused assistance in time of need.

Billy Sunday appeals to the workers and takes their last dollar.

Whoever wishes to get a clear understanding of the world and its . . . must first grasp the relation of the human individual to nature. To this end, again, it is indispensable that we should have a clear perception of the force, by means of which we seek understanding. This is the force of understanding and thought, the human mind.—Joseph Dietzgen.

The true problem consists, indeed, not in substituting sociology for history, as if the latter had been an appearance which conceals behind it a secret reality, but in understanding history as a whole, in all its intuitive manifestations, and in understanding it through the aid of economic sociology.—Labriola.

We purpose to destroy the capitalist and save the man. We want a system in which the worker shall get what he produces and the capitalist shall produce what he gets. That is a square deal.—E. V. Debs.

When we are in partnership and have stopped clutching at each other's throats, when we have stopped enslaving each other, we will stand together, hands clasped, and be friends. We will be comrades, we will be brothers, and we will begin the march to the grandest civilization the human race has ever known.

—Eugene V. Debs.

Everywhere we are taught that "life is sacred," that "liberty is sacred," that "property is sacred,"—but where are we taught that happiness is sacred? And yet it is only because of their relation to happiness that these other things have a trace of sacredness.

—James Mackaye.

Revolutions can never be bought, they must be fought.

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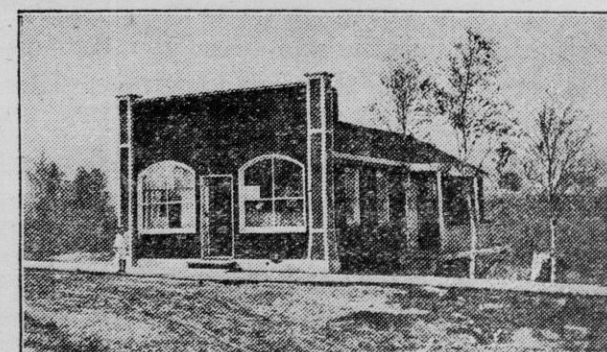
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