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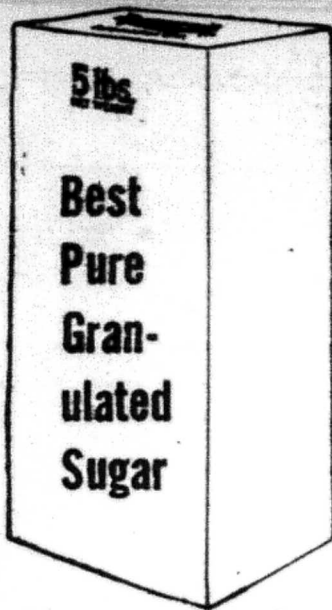
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.08	1 Package Uneeda Biscuits.....	.02
.08	1 Bar Ivory Toilet Soap.....	.03
.08	1 Package Gold Dust Washing Powder.....	.03
.10	1 Pkg. Jell-O (The American Dessert).....	.06
.15	1 Can Campbell's Tomato Soup.....	.08
.14	2 Bars Kirk's Flake White Laundry Soap.....	.04
.15	1 Can Karo Syrup, 1½ Lbs.....	.06
.07	1 Carton Argo Gloss Starch.....	.02
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.75	5 Lbs. Fancy Head Rice.....	.60
.50	1 Lb. Guaranteed Baking Powder.....	.39
.39	1 Bottle Family Concentrated Blueing 4-ounce bottle equal to one gallon ordinary blueing.....	.23
.60	1 Lb. Pure High Grade Breakfast Cocoa.....	.33
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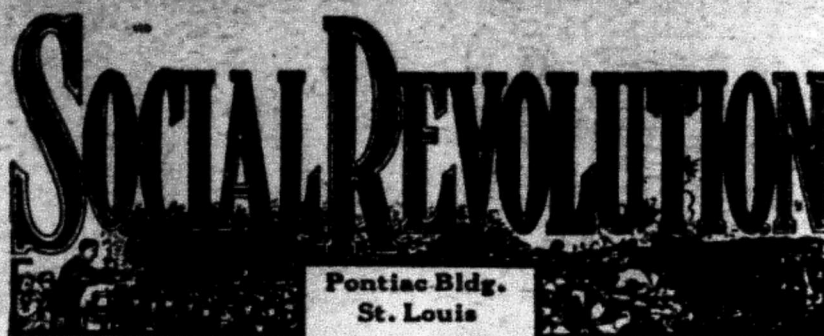
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"Till the war-drum throbbed no longer,
and the battle flags were furled
In the parliament of man,
the federation of the world."—Tennyson.

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Rally to the Rescue, Comrades!

A crushing blow has been struck at SOCIAL REVOLUTION—and it landed. It wasn't a knockout blow, however; we're on our feet now and ready for the next round. And, by your good help, we're going to win this battle.

The post-office department has revoked our second-class mailing permit. The usual procedure for putting a radical paper out of business was followed in this case—a process that Judge Hough of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, in *The Masses* injunction suit, pronounced "a very poor joke." It is a simple enough expedient. An edition of SOCIAL REVOLUTION was barred from the mails on the pretext that it was "treasonable and seditious," then the second-class privilege was rescinded on the grounds that, having missed mailing an issue (as a result of the department's own action), its publication therefore was not regular and consecutive, as the rules require! It is unnecessary to comment on the consistency of such an action, or to point out its actual purpose. Sufficeth it to say that thus do they seek to make the United States safe for the Wilsonian democracy.

The vital point involved is the fact that SOCIAL REVOLUTION now must be mailed at the third-class rate, which means an additional expense of about twelve cents a year on each subscription. A small amount singly, but on our aggregate circulation it means sure bankruptcy should existing conditions be continued.

Under the present greatly increased cost of production, before this extra burden was placed upon us it was just barely possible, with aid of the slight margin of profit from the fifty-cent subscriptions, to offer SOCIAL REVOLUTION for twenty-five cents a year in clubs of four or more. Not only is this small margin on single subscriptions now wiped out, but an extra expense of virtually 50 per cent has been added to the club subscriptions.

To continue this club rate without heavy loss, while paying postage of one cent a copy, is a financial impossibility; the rate must be raised to forty cents for clubs of five, if SOCIAL REVOLUTION is to live. Also, the circulation must be largely increased in a very short time in order to reduce the ratio of overhead expense.

The whole matter is in your hands, my comrades. The question is: Do you want SOCIAL REVOLUTION to live? If so, you can save it. But to do this you must send more

subscriptions at the new rate than you ever have sent at the old rate.

What will you do, comrades, in this day of our danger? Will you promptly come to the rescue with the needed subscription support, or will you by your inaction seal the doom of SOCIAL REVOLUTION? Upon your decision at this crucial moment does the fate of the paper depend. I think I know what that decision will be.

If you allow SOCIAL REVOLUTION to be silenced, it means you will hear no more from Debs and Kirkpatrick and Millard and Morgan and Kate O'Hare—their pens will be stilled and their voices hushed, for they no longer will have a medium for their message.

Remember, this is *your* paper and this is *your* fight. I'm only acting as your agent in this matter. Whatever you say goes—even if you say SOCIAL REVOLUTION must go. But you're not going to say that.

For my own part, I have this to say: I'm no quitter. If you'll stand up with me, I'll never lie down. And, with you battling by my side, I'll promise to carry this fight to a victorious conclusion.

You believe in co-operation, you preach co-operation—let's see you, now, practice co-operation by doing your part as I shall do mine. I know you'll do this, for each of you is as good a Socialist as myself.

Some big things soon will be doing in Socialism. Despite all seeming discouragement, the movement really is on the verge of victory. The spring elections will work some mighty changes. It is tremendously important that the remnant of our propaganda press be preserved against that time.

SOCIAL REVOLUTION is one journal that can be kept on the job by each of our good workers sending in *right now* a club of five subscriptions for two dollars.

Do *your* share, comrade, and do it NOW. Don't wait for the other fellow to act—beat him to it.

With the right sort of support we can hold the fort and win the fight.

COURAGE, COMRADES—AND A HELPING HAND!

Phil Wagner

THE FIGHT FOR LIFE

By EUGENE V. DEBS

The expected crisis has come for SOCIAL REVOLUTION.

The long-impending blow has fallen.

This magazine has been deprived of its second-class postal privilege.

The blow is a severe one—the most disastrous that could be delivered except that of complete exclusion from the mails.

The courageous comrades in charge of SOCIAL REVOLUTION have not surrendered under this calamity, however; they still are on their feet, and they still are fighting. They will continue fighting unto the finish if you, comrade readers, will stand by them in loyal fashion and give them the encouragement of your adequate support. Perhaps I should not have used that "if," for I know full well you will give this support and that the good fight will go on despite every discouragement that official persecution can pile upon these gallant defenders of our consecrated Cause. Of this I have not the dimmest shadow of a doubt.

There is only one thing to be done, and the readers of SOCIAL REVOLUTION must help do it. The paper must not be allowed to die, crushed by the hard hand of autocratic authority. It must be kept alive by the united efforts of liberty-loving comrades throughout the country. With the tide of Socialism rising to flood-point with marvelous rapidity, yet with the greater part of our propaganda press already destroyed by a despotic censorship, we simply can not spare this brave fighter from the field of battle.

To continue publication of SOCIAL REVOLUTION, henceforth it

must be mailed at the third-class rate, with a one-cent stamp affixed to each separate copy. On the total circulation, this is an extra burden that the publisher can not possibly bear alone. To meet this added expense, the clubbing rate must be raised to 40 cents, in clubs of five or more.

We are not calling upon the comrades to donate a dollar—no, not a single cent; we only are asking that each of you send in at once five subscriptions to SOCIAL REVOLUTION at the new club rate, else buy five sub cards for two dollars. This will serve the double purpose of affording immediate relief to the sorely harassed publisher and carrying the message of social justice to a wider field.

Remember that SOCIAL REVOLUTION stands unflinchingly for the working class of the world against the ruling class of the world.

It stands for real democracy, for self-government, for the righteous freedom of every man, woman and child to earth's farthest extent.

That it is denounced by despots, and persecuted by those in places of power, only corroborates the integrity of its ideas and the correctness of its course.

YOU KNOW THIS.

So, comrades, I have no fear that you will falter in this crisis or that you will delay your duty a single day.

I know you will send to SOCIAL REVOLUTION, at once, the ammunition needed to keep its guns in action on the firing-line—and HERE'S MY HAND ON IT!

COMRADES, SHOW YOUR COLORS!

By WALTER HURT

On the preceding page Phil Wagner makes a statement and an appeal that should meet with instant response from every real Socialist who reads it. I'm sure such response will be forthcoming in abundant measure. The importance of immediate action can not be over-emphasized.

My own voice is voluntarily added to this cry for succor only because in the present situation I recognize a supreme crisis in the destinies of the Socialist movement. I think you know I would not flash the signal of distress for a smaller thing.

SOCIAL REVOLUTION must be made to survive this staggering blow, under the like of which nearly all other of our propaganda papers, including the organ of the National Office, already have gone down. Yes, SOCIAL REVOLUTION must be saved to the movement, and our united effort is needed for this work of salvation.

Comrades, show your colors! I know well what those colors are.

Too often have you flown them in my seeing for me now to be unaware. For nearly twenty years we have stood together on the firing-line in many a hard-fought battle, and those colors have flashed true and fadeless above every field of conflict. Yes, I know what are your colors, comrades—I ask only that you show them in this hour of desperate endeavor.

The colors of every true Social Revolutionist always are loyally red—with never a streak of yellow!

Then, comrades, show your colors!

Too long have you held aloft the red banner of battle to think now of raising the white rag of surrender.

So, comrades, show your colors!

Let every friend of mine, every friend of SOCIAL REVOLUTION, every friend of humanity, send in at once at least five subscriptions—send five names and two dollars.

YES, COMRADES, SHOW YOUR COLORS!

PRESERVE OUR PROPAGANDA PRESS

By GEORGE R. KIRKPATRICK

The greatest of all human rights is the right of Free Discussion.

The right to life is, of course, important; but only free speech and a free press can safeguard and preserve the really precious things of life—those things that give joy to living. Life without liberty is not worth while. The happiest home for the slave is the grave.

It is supremely important, therefore, that SOCIAL REVOLUTION shall not be allowed to perish. It is one of the very few propaganda papers remaining to the Socialist movement from the devastating campaign of suppression by the post office department. If this magazine is permitted to die the fault will be yours, my comrades. You can save it if you will—and with only slight effort on the part of each. Rise to the occasion, then, and do your plain duty in this hour of stress.

Preserve the right of Free Discussion!

Preserve it at every cost and by whatever sacrifice!

Preserve SOCIAL REVOLUTION!

If SOCIAL REVOLUTION goes down, with it will go down the right of Free Discussion. To preserve one, we must preserve the other.

If SOCIAL REVOLUTION goes down, with it will go the highest hopes of the human race—like a bright star sinking into eternal darkness.

With the right of Free Discussion remaining to us, we can arouse all of mankind's slumbering multitudes.

The swamps of ignorance can be drained and the deserts of despotism can be watered and fertilized for freedom only by the unrestricted exercise of this right.

With the right of Free Discussion we can open the windows of the brain, elevate the view, expand intentions, inspire the timid, encourage the brave, baffle the bigot, terrorize tyranny, erase wrongs, drown the fires of persecution, open prisons, melt crowns, tear down thrones, thrill the slave to make godlike demands for the full recognition of his growing soul and his sacred personality.

Etch it in steel and engrave it on granite, cut it deep in copper and flash it into the very sky where all can see—this: Those who are in the wrong have all to lose and nothing to win—from freedom of discussion. Those who are in the right have all to win and nothing to lose—from freedom of discussion.

Then do this: Read Comrade Wagner's statement and appeal on the third page of this number of SOCIAL REVOLUTION, and do just what he asks you to do.

Send into the office of SOCIAL REVOLUTION such a flood of subscriptions as shall sweep the spirit of despotism forever from our shores.

"HOLD THE FORT!"

By KATE RICHARDS O'HARE

Regardless of any position taken by the Socialist party on the war, the subject matter of Socialism itself is so big, the educational work so important, that it is nothing short of criminal to suppress the Socialist press. Giving the administration full allowance for the difficulties involved in the present crisis—the enormous increase of activity that must be reduced to order and executed—one must have a certain amount of patience with its blunders and mistakes. But when all is said and done, the question arises: Can a political party be crushed out, can present office-holders hope to perpetuate their own incumbency, by suppression of all opposition, by the simple expedient of arresting all rival activities and smothering criticism?

The working class is not pleased with the actual administration of things. Their interests are not served. Actual democracy has not been practiced. What I mean is this—that, while the enormous resources of the nation have been called into play, the whole credit of the nation being used by the administration, the form it has taken has been simply an amplification of capitalism. If the war is right, or if it is wrong, the position of the Socialist movement is the same. We demand an administration of things that will place the burdens of the war equally on every shoulder. We demand that if some give, all shall give. We do not consider the taking of a half, or of three-fourths, or of 99/100 of the surplus incomes of the owning class sufficient, if, as is quoted, "Wages have ALMOST advanced to meet the advanced cost of living," and the portion of profits remaining to the owning class in spite of increased taxes on incomes continues to mount to dizzy heights.

War or no war, America is not ready for a dictatorship. It is not necessary. It is not tolerable. While one may fight fire with fire, one can not fight Prussia with Prussianism. Look over the long history of the Socialist party. Its sole purpose is to socialize the interests of the people of this nation—to make them identical—so that we shall stand or fall together; not some stand while others fall—not some eat while others look on hungry. And this program is just as vital today as ever before—more so. Let us have food control—but let it reach into the cafes where the wealthy eat, and let it fall upon our honored office-holders at Washington as well as upon the toilers. Capitalism has its own food control. By putting butter to fifty cents per pound, automatically the farm and city workers cease to consume it. But it yet is on the tables of some. Who are the patriotic "some"?

Election time is coming. Not yet has it been "verboden" to nominate candidates and cast ballots. Not yet have the people been informed that expressing their choice at the polls is treason or sedition. In this fact is seen the reason for the hurried suppression of the Socialist press, not particularly for any resolutions or propaganda of the Socialist movement.

As sure as fate, the workers who are still at home will attempt to send some of their own people to Washington to frame laws. As sure as fate, they will attempt to send people of their own class to state government to watch out for the class upon whose shoulders, in peace and in war, all the burden of production in the last analysis rests. Today as never before, the workers see the folly of sending representatives from the owning or retaining class to "guard" their interests.

The second-class mail privilege of many Socialist papers has been arbitrarily taken away. I say arbitrarily, because the law apparently gives the post-office department that despotic right. Now, it behooves every lover of liberty and fair-play, by his own action, to assume a larger burden. Every subscriber to SOCIAL REVOLUTION should receive promptly his November number. This will necessitate a one-cent stamp on each copy. There are so many thousands of subscribers to SOCIAL REVOLUTION that many hundreds of dollars over and above the ordinary expenses must be raised to meet this additional cost this month, and next month, and every month this condition prevails. It can be met by the Socialists to whom these words come. Add the extra postage to the normal price of SOCIAL REVOLUTION—and the amount in round figures is 40 cents. Let each one secure five subscribers at 40 cents each—\$2. This will meet the emergency. Do not fear that you will be violating any law. SOCIAL REVOLUTION is not a law-breaker—not seditious, not treasonable—it is merely revolutionary. Its mission is not to overthrow a government, but to overthrow capitalist-class monopoly of government; not to aid foreign enemies of the government, but to defeat the domestic enemies of democracy.

We can not lie down at this time. We must marshal all our resources to meet this challenge. Until the mails are definitely closed to the voicing of a working-class program, we must sustain the Socialist press. All over the world our comrades are having the same difficulty. They are each carrying their share of the load. We cheerfully assume ours.

And, when the mails are closed to us, we shall in orderly and legal fashion still persist in holding our rapidly growing numbers in compact organization in ways that will develop.

LET US DECIDE NOW

By W. S. MORGAN

In every war there is a decisive battle, and in every battle a decisive hour. The battle for industrial liberty, for freedom from the clutches of greed, is now on. The logic of events is proving that there is no way to permanent peace and prosperity except through the universal brotherhood of man as taught by the economic science of Socialism. In the Titanic struggle that is shaking the foundations of the feudal past, the Socialist philosophy alone presents a sure foundation for the industrial regeneration of the human race and the permanent establishment of universal peace, prosperity and happiness.

The world-war is an object-lesson which presents the opportunity for Socialist progress. It is the volcanic outburst of the evolutionary forces of the past. It is the whirlwind fruit produced by the poisonous plants grown from the seeds of error.

The supreme hour has arrived when it is the duty of every Socialist to do everything in his or her power to explain this object-lesson to the people who stand aghast at the enormity and wickedness of the bloody struggle, and are willing to hear "the truth that shall set them free." To aid in this work of propaganda it is necessary to have Socialist papers and magazines. These can be sustained only through the rank and file of the movement.

I ask you to read carefully Comrade Wagner's appeal and his explanation of the conditions that have brought the publication of SOCIAL REVOLUTION to a crisis. The great army of subscribers to this militant magazine can bridge the stream of its difficulties and put it across. COMRADES, THIS MUST BE DONE. The gravity of the situation demands that every Socialist do his duty. Do it now, TODAY. The quickness of response is the surest test of our efficiency, our strength, and our loyalty to the cause. The best Socialist is the one who gets there with the most subscribers—and gets there FIRST. A ready and hearty response to Comrade Wagner's appeal will aid greatly in having the paper restored to its rightful place on the mailing-list. Just a little effort on the part of each subscriber will do this. A little effort is not much, but thousands of them make an avalanche of irresistible force.

As for myself, I am optimistic. Though it is sad to think that such a catastrophe is necessary to convince the world of error, I see in the carnage and above the dark clouds the dawning of a new era, the rising of the bright sun upon the Great Co-operative Commonwealth.

CUT IT OUT —and— Send It In

In these days of war conservation—and don't forget that there's more than one kind of war on hand just now—don't waste the following coupon, but see that it's sent to the battle front at once, along with the necessary ammunition. No campaign can be won without sufficient supplies—the "sinews of war," you know. So, cut out this coupon and get busy.

Special EMERGENCY Coupon

COMRADES: Inclosed find \$2.00, for which send SOCIAL REVOLUTION for one year to each of the appended addresses. This is my contribution to the Cause of Human Freedom, to enable SOCIAL REVOLUTION to continue preaching the gospel of Social Salvation.

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(Paste this coupon on a sheet of paper and list your subscribers below. If you can't send the names now, send the Two Dollars for Five Subscription Cards.)

EDITORIALS

By EUGENE V. DEBS

THE VICTORY AT GRAND RAPIDS

The hearty congratulations of SOCIAL REVOLUTION are extended to Comrade Adolph Germer, national secretary, and his ten Socialist co-defendants, including their chief counsel, Seymour Stedman, upon the notable victory achieved in the trial just closed which resulted in the acquittal and vindication of all the defendants.

Germer and those on trial with him had been tried upon an indictment charging them with being engaged in unlawful propaganda. The jury was out but two hours. To the credit of the judge be it said that he was absolutely fair, a rare thing when Socialists are on trial in a capitalist court.

This case will have far-reaching influence upon the Socialist movement in the United States. It was looked forward to as one of extreme importance to the government, for if the national secretary of the Socialist party could be convicted and sent to penitentiary, a precedent would be established for the hundreds of other similar cases pending against Socialists in every state in the Union.

One thing was clearly demonstrated in this trial. Socialists can never be convicted upon the trumped-up charges brought against them by spies and sleuths in war-time to silence them when they can get a trial before a fair judge and an honest jury.

Socialists without number have been arrested without reason save for that of stifling their voices at a time when above all they should be heard to counteract the effects of the falsehoods with which the prostitute press of capitalism teems in these days of bloody warfare and frightful destructiveness.

The victory achieved at Grand Rapids sounds a clear and prophetic note in the din and roar of battle, and every Socialist may well feel that the cause, with all that has been set in operation against it, is still alive, full of the spirit that is unconquerable, and that now is the time to stand by it and to fight for it with greater energy and determination than ever before.

Revolution in the minority always triumphs over reaction in the majority.

These are trying days, true enough, but it is in just such days that men and women are developed and history made. Now is your time to stand up and be counted or go down and out forever.

The expected has come to pass. This paper has been stripped of its second class mailing privilege and each copy mailed must now bear a one cent stamp. A quick shift has had to be made to avert the effect of this blow. We have had to make a slight addition to our rates. Five subs or sub cards are now sent for two dollars. We need the helping hand of every friend and comrade in this crucial hour. The expense of the fight to keep alive has been enormous. If you are with us send us two dollars and let us send you five sub cards which you can dispose of among your friends and neighbors and thus help to keep SOCIAL REVOLUTION on the firing line without a cent of cost to yourself.

LIONS LED BY ASSES

The widespread strike of the coal miners of Indiana and Illinois without the sanction of the officials of their union, or rather in spite of the vehement protest of their officials, furnishes an interesting object lesson to the student of labor unionism in war times.

At a conference of representatives of the government and the high officials of the miners' union held in Washington some weeks ago a conditional increase of wages was granted to the miners, the condition being, on the part of the operators who were also a party to the conference, that the increase should be added to the already exorbitant price of coal.

The miners waited long and patiently for some definite word as to when the increase was to take effect, and finally in sheer desperation, being allowed to work only half time and unable to meet the high cost of everything, they went out on strike. Frantically, the officials of their union, from the highest to the lowest, shrieked that the strike was "irregular" and that the miners must go back to work at the old wages. In vain did they protest that they could not buy food for their families nor send their children to school for the want of clothes. All such appeals to their officials fell upon deaf ears. They must submit at this time, even if their families were on the verge of starvation. The operators and their own union officials were all in combination against them—and all stowing away three big fat meals a day.

Meanwhile the thieving operators were charging robber rates for coal, literally sandbagging the helpless consumers to come across at their

rate.

The strike of these brave miners on their own initiative with everything against them, including their own high-salaried officials, is a clear case of lions led by asses.

There can be no democracy based upon the private ownership of the means of life.

Until all women have the ballot on equal terms with men our vaunted democracy is a sham, and no self-respecting man will flatter himself that of such freedom is self-government. Political and economic equality of the sexes is absolutely essential to the rule of the people.

MAURER AND GOMPERS

The press dispatches report that Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, turned red in the face and became very angry when he was asked by a reporter if he intended to answer the open letter addressed to him by James H. Maurer, president of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor.

Comrade Maurer addressed an open letter to Gompers asking him who was financing his "American Alliance for Labor and Democracy." The letter contained a series of questions, and these were so pointed that they must have penetrated even the pachyderm hide of the vice-president of the Civic Federation. But there was no answer. Maurer thereupon opened fire in another series of still more pointed questions. It was then that Sammy had a fit. But this did not answer Maurer's questions. Nor will Gompers ever answer them.

But this need not worry anyone, for there is really no need of an answer from Gompers. Everyone knows that Gompers is backed and financed by the same interests that are attempting to hang Tom and Rena Mooney in California. Comment is entirely unnecessary.

The democracy, so-called, which is political only, and without economic basis is a sham and delusion whatever the form of government under which it masquerades.

The highest duty of the workingman is to himself and his loved ones and through them to his fellow-workers, for only by recognizing their interests and well-being as identical with his own and making common cause with them can he hope to be a man and breathe the air of freedom.

There is no reason on earth why the working class, the only class essential to the life of society and the progress of the race, should not be the ruling class of the world.

PAY YOUR WAY

If you are a member of the Socialist party, pay your way. The trifle demanded to keep up your membership should be handed over by you with pleasure. It may seem like a small matter to you, but it is nevertheless a matter of importance alike to you and the party. The party needs the money, depends upon it, must have it to meet its obligations and keep the party machinery in operation, while you need to be square on the books to attest your fealty to yourself and your principles and your worthiness to a place in the ranks.

The man who does not think enough of his membership to back it up with the trifling amount of dues it exacts is not worth much to the party and when his membership lapses for non-payment there is little loss to the party.

Don't wait until you are dunned for your dues. That is little less than disgraceful. Pay in advance and keep ahead instead of falling behind. There are hundreds of members who fall in arrears from sheer carelessness. If they but realized that such carelessness, aside from the injustice that results to the party, reflects seriously upon their personal integrity and their fidelity to the party they would not for a moment permit their names to be charged with delinquency on the books.

Pay your way and keep your record clear.

It was Thomas Paine who denounced as "sunshine patriots" the poor weaklings whose "coward lips did from their color fly" in the revolutionary struggle of a century and a half ago. The "sunshine patriots" are still apologizing or going over to the enemy while seeking, by the abuse of their former comrades, to cover up their own cowardice and treason, but the revolutionary movement sweeps grandly on to victory.

Light is what the working class needs, the light of knowledge that comes through sound education and brings with it the glad tidings of emancipation.

BEST KNOWN PERSECUTOR OF LABOR IN THE WORLD

By ROBERT MINOR

The most celebrated district attorney in the world is Mr. Charles M. Fickert of San Francisco. To say nothing of all the highways and byways of these United States, meetings are being held in Fairbanks, Alaska, and men are talking on the street corners in Buenos Aires of the doings of Charles M. Fickert. His reputation extends from Honolulu to Petrograd, in which latter city big-boned peasant delegates from farms off the Trans-Siberian railway are earnestly discussing Mr. Charles M. Fickert with the American ambassador.

While fame has long been sought by Mr. Fickert, the particular KIND of reputation he has, has been somewhat thrust upon him.

Readers of history will remember the stories of the decline of the Venetian Republic—will remember the fame that some renowned office-holders of that unfortunate city attained in their battle to hold political control. The most celebrated politicians of that regime accomplished their diplomacy by hiring murder by the knife in the back; the most noted "district attorneys" won their cases by hiring women to administer the poisoned cup.

Different—But The Same

And how does the district attorney of the Venice-like city of San Francisco work? The knife-man has become the gunman; and instead of hiring murder by the poison-cup, life is taken just as surely and almost as swiftly by hiring perjurers to swear to lies. This is hardly even denied; do you remember Cunha's words in the Survey Magazine: "If I knew that every single witness that testified against Mooney perjured himself in his testimony, I would not lift a finger to get him a new trial?"

It is brazenly admitted in the high-bourgeois club rooms of San Francisco (how like the drawing-rooms of poison-and dagger-ridden Venice in the 16th century!), that "Mooney didn't blow up the preparedness parade; but he's done enough other things that we can't get evidence on; to deserve hanging. He damn near ruined business with his strikes; what if a little perjury is used? if it's against Mooney, it's pretty near true, anyhow."

He's Also Gun Man

During Fickert's negotiations to purchase Oxman to kill Mooney with perjury, Oxman asked the district attorney, "If ALL of the witnesses are framed and the people find it out, what'll they do to us?" Fickert replied, "The people will be glad to get rid of Mooney at any price."

So much for the perjury. How about the gunmen? With some of the thousands of dollars poured by the Chamber of Commerce into the killing of Mooney, three large societies of gunmen have been employed. These societies advertise under the name of "detective agencies" and are recruited from the lowest rank of the criminal world—that rank where men and women lose the last human virtue—human sympathy. Three armies of these thugs have for one year and more preyed upon such workingmen as have dared to defend the labor prisoners.

But our famous district attorney doesn't leave it all to hirelings. He took the stand and testified for Oxman. Note his testimony in the Oxman perjury-subornation case and compare his oath there with some of his previous statements and explanations.

What Will People Do?

And as for the trade of gunman! No swagger gambler of a '49 mining camp ever carried a heavy gun more constantly or belligerently. None ever was quicker to stick his chin over the face of a smaller, unarmed man, with ham-like fist swung back to his gun-pocket.

On Thursday, the 27th day of September, Fickert summoned one Selig Schulberg to the grand jury room. Schulberg is a comparatively small man—about two heads shorter than Fickert—and, of course, was unarmed. Schulberg was forced to attend, to enter the hallway of the so-called hall of

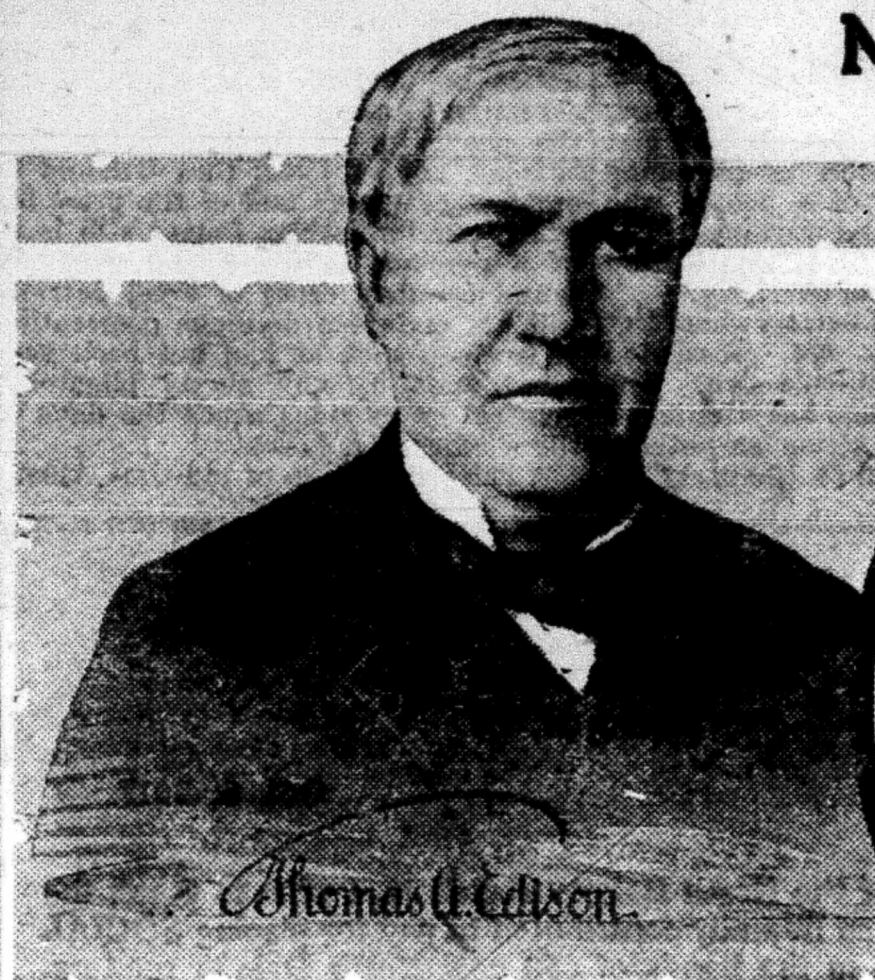
justice alone and stand among the dozen or more of Fickert's armed retainers.

While Schulberg was waiting in the corridor, Fickert walked up to him and beat him, knocking Schulberg's glasses off. Fickert pummelled the witness with his fists and tore a" said Fickert.

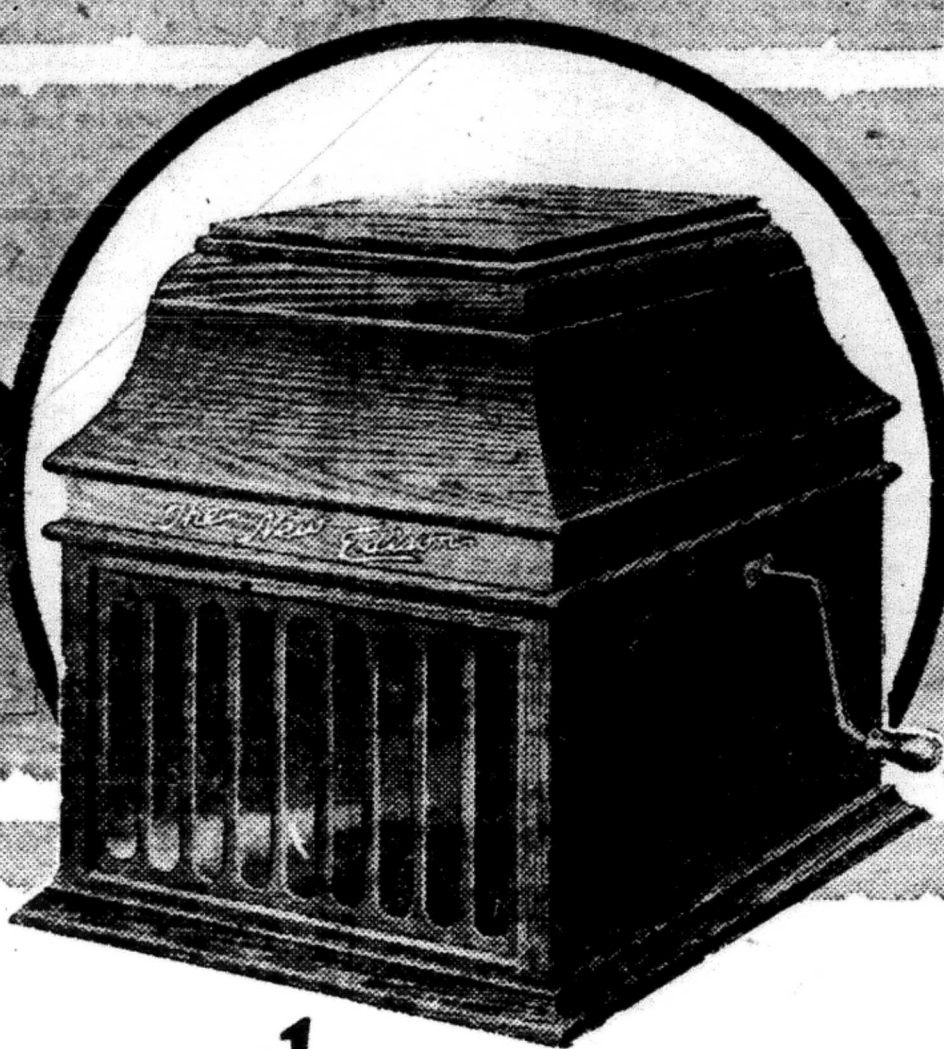
As soon as he got thru beating Schulberg, the surrounding group of grand jurors and policemen adjourned, and Schulberg was dragged to the grand-jury room to testify.

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THE HARVEST IS AT HAND

By FRANK M. EASTWOOD

For years and decades, class-conscious comrades, with a clear vision of the inevitable, have been planting the seeds of Socialism; and have been waiting, patiently or impatiently, for results.

They will not have to wait much longer. The splendid courage, which has survived every seeming set-back, is about to reap a reward unmistakable in character and magnitude. A thousand signs and symptoms are now reinforced with records of positive gain.

Capitalism has gone crazy; and, whom the gods would destroy they first make mad. Repression is hastening the mental processes of a people who have hitherto heeded no warning. The full flower of capitalistic competition has blossomed in all its brutality.

Socialists are in jail—everywhere but in Russia. Socialists are prosecuted and persecuted for opinion's sake. The treatment accorded them has stimulated thought and excited action as nothing else could. Accessions to the party are

"I know no way in which a citizen of New York who treasures its sacred traditions of liberty and who desires to make our land again 'safe for democracy' can do his bit more effectively than by voting for Morris Hillquit for mayor. Both the old parties have become subservient, body and soul, to the overweening assumptions of the capitalistic classes.

"A vote for the Socialist ticket in New York on November 6th will serve notice on the group which is today assuming to administer our affairs that the people of the United States are citizens, not subjects; that freedom of opinion, of speech and of the press for which our forefathers fought still is to us a precious heritage, and that the sound common sense of loyal patriots will not endure a delirious persecution of freemen such as had not been ventured upon by any chesty oligarchy, political or religious, since the days of the witchcraft delusion.

"The indignation of old-time Ameri-

being overnight, and were now threatening civilization for the first time. One Boston paper became so excited recently as to declare, "We must wrest the country from the Socialists." Their fever has reached such a stage that they already see the Socialists in power.

Educational campaigns of the past are about to become in an elective campaign. It is as startling to the birds of prey as it is novel to Socialists themselves. And the reason is so plain that none need misunderstand. Patriotic American citizens, who wish to express their convictions on the paramount question, can do so in but one way—by voting the Socialist ticket.

Their press cannot discuss the question, but they can vote on it—for the time, at least; and that vote will reveal the true feeling of the people. The only way to prevent it is to deprive the voters of their suffrage; and we must doubt the willingness of capitalism to attempt such a coup until it comes.

As one comrade remarks, this is America's chance to catch up with Russia; and it looks like we are about to do it.

IN DISMAL DAYTON

While we Socialists are eagerly anticipating the results of the election, and at the very least expecting an enormous increase in the Socialist vote, let us not forget that there are other cities where the outlook is perhaps even more encouraging. Dayton, Ohio, is one of them, and, judging from the alarmed clucking that issues from old-party editorial hen-roosts there, the local outlook for Socialism is exceedingly bright.

The Dayton *Daily News*, in a double-column editorial, frantically urges all good men to come to the aid of the party—as the typewriter practice line has it—or, rather, to the aid of the two old parties, which have had to combine into the usual "Citizens' party" in order to hold off the Socialist political menace. Some of this clucking is so pleasant to Socialist ears that we reproduce a few sample cackles:

"There can be no mistake concerning the meaning of the resolutions adopted last night by the Democratic city committee. In terms that were direct and definite, the people of Dayton were warned of the menace of Socialism that confronts them at this time.

"Dayton is threatened by the possible election of a Socialist mayor and a Socialist majority of the city commission. (Hooray!)

"Thoughtful men who were once charmed by the academic reforms which Socialism proposed, seeing how its purposes have been diverted, have renounced it."

One of those "thoughtful men" was John Spargo, but when the citizens' committee of Dayton sent him a letter asking him to come and help them against the Socialists John turned them down cold, and informed them that he would rather speak for the "menace" than for them; which shows how low they stand in the scale of humanity, when even a renegade Socialist disdains them and spurns their offer with contempt as an insult. Probably he had noted the warning of the Democratic city committee to the voters against Socialism, which opens as follows:

"The record made by this secret organization (not themselves, but the Socialists!) wherever it has secured control or controlling influence in city affairs show a series of continuous failures, disclosing corruption, inefficiency, extravagance and incapacity to govern, resulting finally in riot and disorder."

But this is enough. We only intended to show that there are other places than New York where the "menace" exists. Let the Democrats of Dayton cheer up; the worst is yet to come for them—on election day.—*New York Call*.

Get your neighbor or your shopmate to read **SOCIAL REVOLUTION** and catch the inspiration of the great cause it represents.

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without precedent in character and number.

Heretofore, we could urge little more than the desirability of a more just and humane social system; but now the masses are beginning to recognize its necessity. Forces outside our propaganda are urging action; and the response is but a promise of what is soon to come.

In Buffalo, N. Y., where in 1916 our candidate for lieutenant governor received 2,211 votes, the recent primary gave Comrade Brill, candidate for mayor, 14,341. And this is but an echo of similar occurrences in Dayton, Toledo, Cleveland, and many towns in such States as Pennsylvania.

Even the great pivotal city of political action, New York, recognizes Morris Hillquit, the Socialist candidate for mayor, as both a possibility and a probability. Madison Square Garden, filled to capacity, has made an unparalleled demonstration, while an overflow of thousands in the vicinity raised the number to 25,000 demanding justice and the election of a Socialist city administration.

William Bayard Hale, long-time friend and official biographer of President Wilson, has joined the Socialist Party; and voices the growing sentiment of city and nation in the following statement:

cans over these measures is unspeakable. The silent vote that will be thrown for the Socialist candidates in November will astonish those temporarily in office. Some of us, of old American stock, are not concerned that our votes will be silent. I, for one, am willing to shout mine through the biggest megaphone I can handle.

"Mr. Hillquit is, at the moment, the most striking figure in American politics, representative of opposition to the capitalistic system which has engulfed our beloved land in war.

"Every vote for the Socialist ticket in New York this November will ring the bell which registers the demand of Americans for faithfulness to our ancient ideals; will hasten the dawn of the peace which all the world desires, and will ring out a joyful peal of hope for the splendid American boys who are about to be thrown into the mad cauldron of European politics."

For once the capitalist press is frightened to a frenzy by the unmistakable trend of public opinion. It cannot ignore the news value of the awakening and its attempt to account for that change, without making damaging admissions, is almost pathetic.

Capitalist editors lay it to the food speculators and other profiteers, as though such exploiters had sprung into

"OUR FRIEND, THE ENEMY"

In these days of insane prejudice and inane prevarication, when upholders of the Existing Order, frantic with fear of defeat at approaching elections, are nearly unanimous in heaping malicious and mendacious abuse upon Socialism and its candidates, it is most refreshing to encounter an honest estimate and fair and manly comment from a representative of the opposition. Such is the reference of William Marion Reedy, the brilliant and scholarly editor of *Reedy's Mirror*, of St. Louis, to Morris Hillquit, in a recent number of his magazine. Reedy is a warm war-fan, and an ardent admirer of the present national administration. He doesn't want to see Hillquit elected mayor of New York City; he doesn't want to see any pacifist elected to any public office. He is just, however, and is eminently what he declares Hillquit to be—"a gentleman and a scholar." What he says of Hillquit, under the head of "Mitchel's Back to the Wall," is the truthful tribute of one decent man to another. The article follows:

As the New York mayoralty campaign draws to a close, all decent Americans reading or hearing of its details must profoundly wish and fervently hope that the country will be spared the humiliation of the election of the Tammany candidate, Hylan. The New York *World's* revelations of that man's character would seem to indicate that he is a poor specimen of the cunning shyster, bringing "strike" suits against business men and dealing double with his own corporation associates. The *World* seems to have the documents on Hylan, though he avers that he is the victim of wicked partners who used his name without his consent. Such a man is not fit to compare for a moment with John Purroy Mitchel. He represents Tammany at its most fetid meanest. Morris Hillquit, the Socialist candidate, is infinitely to be preferred for mayor, over Hylan. Hillquit is a gentleman and a scholar, and, barring his peace views, which are an accident rather than an essential of the campaign, a person who would give New York a good, clean, enlightened administration. The name Socialist will scare off many who would vote for him otherwise, and his pacifism, considered synonymous with disloyalty, likewise antagonizes people. Mayor Mitchel is being run as a loyalist. He is fought as the rich man's candidate, as the friend of the spoilers of the city, as the debaucher of the schools to the purposes of vocational training insidiously hostile to union labor, as a tango dancer and cabaret fan, as one who rejoices that one of the Vanderbilts once called him John, as a renegade from his grandfather John Mitchel's hatred of England, as an enemy of Catholicism. All the vials of abuse are heaped upon him. Yet most of the New Yorkers one really respects are for him. The Republican candidate, Mr. Bennett, is simply running to draw what votes he can from support of the Fusion movement for Mitchel. One hopes that Hylan won't win, but one remembers that New York has had mayors not a whit better than Hylan. He is the strongest man in the matter of having organized looters behind him. He will get a big vote. Hillquit, Bennett, the prohibitionist candidate, will draw votes from Mitchel. The hope of the country at large is that patriotism is strong enough in New York to pull Mitchel through over all his opponents. The field is against him. He has made a good mayor, if not so progressive as most of us might wish. As for the aspersions on his personal and official in-

tegrity, they are simply absurd. He should win if right is right; but if another has to win, send that it be Hillquit and not Hylan.

How About It, Comrades?

Gene Debs, Kate O'Hare, Scott Nearing, Walter Thomas Mills, George R. Kirkpatrick, Herbert S. Bigelow, W. S. Morgan, Phil Wagner and Walter J. Millard speak from one platform. Admission five cents anywhere you want them. Pretty cheap. The October SOCIAL REVOLUTION contains all the above articles. Wonder if anyone is cheating himself of the pleasure of the regular visits of this wonderful propaganda monthly? —D. Bobspa, in Oakland (Cal.) *World*.

CONSPIRACY CHARGES COLLAPSE

Adolph Germer, national executive secretary of the Socialist Party, was acquitted, with ten other defendants, at Grand Rapids, Mich., on October 18, when tried on the charge of conspiracy against the draft.

The prosecuting attorney produced no evidence to support the charge against the defendants; but seemed to be trying the Socialist Party and its St. Louis proclamation against war.

Intentional opposition to this country's participation in the war was disproved by the fact that the St. Louis convention was originally set for April 7, which was before the date for convening the special war session of Congress, and the date for convening Congress was advanced so that it met before the convention.

It was shown that the Party's proclamation was merely a means of defining its attitude toward war in general; and that distribution of the printed proclamations was merely a matter of official routine so far as Comrade Germer was concerned.

There was nothing produced or producible to indicate the existence of a conspiracy among the defendants to prevent registration or to discourage recruiting as charged in the indictment.

Attorney Stedman called attention to the well known facts that all Socialist meetings are open and public; that in them resistance to law is never advocated; and that their open doors afford every opportunity for public and government officials to take note of all that is said or done. Said he: "Opposition to the liquor traffic, or to a wet town, doesn't make the opponent a Carrie Nation or a lawbreaker."

Such distinctions are probably too fine for biased partisan intellects; but they were evidently appreciated by the court.

A Welcome Guest—Nodd: "Are you sure your wife knows I'm going home to dinner with you?"

Todd—"Knows! Well, rather! Why, my dear fellow, I argued with her about it this morning for nearly half an hour." —Life.

Had Tried the Cure—Doctor: "Your throat is in a very bad state. Have you ever tried gargling with salt water?"


Skipper—"Yes, I've been torpedoed six times." —Punch.

The Greater Need—Gipsy Fortune-teller (seriously)—"Let me warn you. Somebody's going to cross your path." Motorist—"Don't you think you'd better warn the other chap?" —Everybody's Magazine.

A Suffrage Argument—He: "Of course, women should vote. They deserve suffrage as much as men—more, because their minds are purer and cleaner."

She—"Of course, their minds are cleaner, but how do you know that?"

He—"Because they change them so much oftener." —Puck.



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SOCIALIST PRESS AGAIN WOUNDED

By FRANK M. EASTWOOD in November *Melting Pot*

Another reminder of war—Comrade Phil Wagner's Socialist magazine, *SOCIAL REVOLUTION*, has been deprived of its second-class mailing privilege. Hereafter it will cost one cent to mail each copy of that publication.

It is useless to discuss motives for the act. Readers of all radical papers will understand; and the thing of paramount interest to libertarians is the possible way of meeting and surviving the assault.

SOCIAL REVOLUTION is not suppressed, and it never will be if its friends do what they should and can. Its past and present experience is more or less common to all fearless champions of a

minority cause. It has suffered much for the sake of Socialism, but can endure much more with your help. It is now only loaded with a new burden.

Will you help bear that burden? That is the question and there is no doubting the substantial quality of the reply that will be made by every strong-hearted champion of liberty and a square deal.

SOCIAL REVOLUTION is like every other bona-fide publication in this one respect—it lives on subscriptions, thrives when they are plenty, and would die without them. It is singular in the fact that it needs subscriptions now as never before.

Incidentally, the subscription price, for clubs only, must be advanced to meet the new expense. One can readily see that the old clubbing rate of twenty-five cents cannot be maintained when twelve cents of that amount must be paid for postage. It would leave but thirteen cents to cover other expenses already enlarged by the increased cost of materials.

Comrade Wagner has therefore decided to do what he can toward overcoming the difficulty by retaining the former rate of fifty cents for single subscriptions, and by making a new clubbing rate of five annual subscriptions for two dollars. This advances the clubbing rate from twenty-five cents to forty cents, a change that will be approved by every comrade who understands the cause which compels it.

As Thomas Paine once said under like circumstances, "This is a time that tries men's souls." Great souls will meet the difficulty now as they did then, and will win this time as they did that time.

A hard-pressed publication can expect nothing from its enemies. Its sole recourse is to its friends. It would be folly to expect mercy from the merciless. The winter of war is upon the world, and all who hope must turn to the shine of Socialism for promise of a better season.

Socialists will assuredly rally to their press with vigor surpassing all previous labors and sacrifices. Semi-Socialists may help under favorable circumstances, but it takes real men to brave the blasts of adversity.

Let me suggest a pleasant little surprise party for Comrade Wagner, which would also prove surprising to the enemies of the little magazine. Suppose you—and I mean you who are reading this—devote one evening or part of one Sunday to raising a club of five for *SOCIAL REVOLUTION*. If it so happens that you get more than five, it will do no harm.

Just explain the situation to your fair-minded neighbors who are at this moment more interested than you have thought in preserving a free press; and they probably will surprise you with their readiness to give a gift where it is deserved. You will be further surprised by the discovery of how many are beginning to look toward Socialism as the remedy for a war-torn world. Just go out and see how many are waiting for you.

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WHEN THE WAR WILL END

By JOSHUA WANHOPE

President Wilson has given some interesting information on that speculative question, When will the war end? In indorsing a newly-organized League for National Security, he is declared by the press to have stated that "the war would end only when Germany was beaten and Germany's rule of autocracy was superseded by the ideals of democracy."

We take it that this is the general decision; that the war will go on to a finish of some kind, with the most probable result that Germany will be beaten. But does it follow that when she is beaten the ideals of democracy will grow there, just because of the beating? That is a very difficult question to answer.

We can see her autocracy consciously and deliberately crushed by outside forces, but it is not easy to see how, after this is done, the crushers can cause democracy to supersede it. Democracy is not an artificial thing, and ideas don't come with a drubbing; that is, not as a rule. Because a fellow is knocked out in a finish fight it does not necessarily follow that he will become a "democrat." He may be made to keep quiet, and behave, and become what is called "decent," but that is not democracy by a long shot.

Those who said that democracy

cannot be imposed from without probably are right. The thing itself must be a growth from within. If the seed of democracy is not there no amount of force will make the tree of democracy grow.

Fortunately for humanity, a large amount of the seed of democracy does exist in Germany—has existed there long before the war. It has, so far as we can apparently perceive, not grown since the war started; some people, indeed, contend that it has been distorted and stunted and corrupted. That may be, but the seed is there, and some of it is alive. And it is the only seed that can grow into a democratic tree. Its name is Socialism. It is the only brand of democracy that exists in Germany, and it will be free to grow and flourish when the autocracy is destroyed, however that may be brought about.

There are Socialists in this country—untold thousands of them—who are eagerly watching for the German Socialists to overthrow the autocracy themselves rather than wait until the others do it. In this consists entirely their alleged "pro-Germanism."

These people know that in such case the succeeding democracy would grow and flourish more quickly than if German autocracy was overthrown by outside forces.

And they know something else, that either is not known to the spokesmen of the allies, or, if it is known, they keep silent about it. It is this: That when German autocracy goes, all the other autocracies of the world—political and industrial—will go with it, or immediately afterwards.

There are many of them who believe that, if peace could possibly be made now, that would happen. And most of the intelligent "pacifism" of Socialists is comprised in this view. They may be right; they may be wrong; but it is an opinion that is impossible either to prove or disprove at this time.

But autocracy is doomed in Germany, and democracy is coming sooner or later. And we know some people who will not be at all pleased when they see what kind of democracy it is. They are the people who are now declaring with President Wilson that "the war will end only when Germany is beaten and Germany's rule of autocracy is superseded by democracy."—From *New York Call*.

OWNERSHIP AND DEMOCRACY

By SCOTT NEARING

The present system of land ownership in the United States was justified on the ground that it would serve as the economic background for a true democracy. The very foundation of the American Commonwealth was to be "every man a farm and every farm a man." There was to be no citizen who could not avail himself of this opportunity.

The land was abundant—"exhaustless"—the colonists said. As late as 1832 Henry Clay could say in a discussion on the Public Lands: "We should rejoice that this bountiful resource (public land) possessed by our country, remains in almost undiminished quantity, notwithstanding so many new and flourishing States have sprung up in the wilderness and so many thousands of families have been accommodated." Later in the same speech he said, regarding the public lands: "They are liberally offered—in exhaustless quantities, and at moderate prices, enriching individuals and tending to the rapid improvement of the country."

The land seemed exhaustless. Who could dream that the primitive endless forests would one day disappear? That the stream of human life would overflow the continent from shore to shore?

All history was back of the idea of individual land ownership. Whenever a nation grew, in which each man owned his piece of the earth, these individual job-owners had been able to bid defiance to tyranny and oppression. Democracy flourishes wherever there is an economic basis for the indepen-

dence which each man feels that he has a right to demand, but which he cannot hope to assert so long as another man owns his job.

European Feudalism concentrated the ownership of practically all of the land in the hands of the ruling class. The pope, the king, the duke, the prince—the whole earthly hierarchy of Church and State was built in a way that was calculated to place the economic opportunities which the ownership of agricultural land afforded, in the hands of a small ruling clique. Democracy was impossible under that plan, so our forefathers moved to the United States.

Today, in the United States, the frontier has been reached, and anew we are creating a small group that owns the economic advantages—the jobs of the country. If that system prevails in the United States, democracy is doomed. It is impossible to maintain democracy in the absence of its economic basis. Before America can be made safe for democracy, Americans must own the jobs at which they work. Democracy can survive on no other foundation.

There is but one kind of democracy, and that is social democracy.

A Military Problem

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THE NEED OF THE HOUR

By John A. St. Clair, M. A., B. D.

Expert Discusses Frederic J. Haskin's Startling Pronouncements on World Oil Situation

When I was editor of the *Oil Age* of Los Angeles, Mr. Shell, the proprietor of that magazine, and myself were agreed that the use of petroleum and its products was bound to increase to such an extent that consumption would exceed production. At that time, except to the eyes of those who looked deeper than the surface, there were few indications of such conditions. The reservoirs of California were full to overflowing and oil was being sold at a price that was barely remunerative to the producer.

Our predictions were ridiculed by many who thought they knew better, but now the prophecy has become fact and the world is facing an oil famine. In 1916 20,000,000 barrels of oil were withdrawn from storage in order to make up the difference between production and consumption.

Increased Consumption

It is estimated that on the basis of the increase in consumption, which in 1915 was 12 per cent greater than in 1914, and in 1916 was 13 per cent greater than in 1915, that the peace consumption of petroleum in 1917 will be about 40,000,000 barrels more than in 1916. While adding in the probable war demand the difference between production and consumption will be 60,000,000 barrels.

It is known that, on January 1, 1918, oil stocks will amount to no more than 106,790,000 barrels. At the present rate of production and consumption, our whole reserve stock of oil will be exhausted. To offset that, however, we have an increase of 5 per cent in output during the first half of 1917 against a 3 per cent loss estimated by the Government.

It is quite manifest that some means must be found of increasing the supply or of lessening the demand.

Frederic J. Haskin, the well-known statistician, says: "Unless some great new source of petroleum is found, the pleasure car and the pleasure boat may have to be deprived of their share of the world's dwindling gasoline supply."

Mr. Haskin is not given to making statements that are not founded on accurate facts. His facts in this case are drawn from several reports made by the Bureau of Mines.

More Petroleum Needed

More development is needed and to secure it the price is being advanced every now and then. However, action is necessary. New sources of petroleum supply must be found if the activities of the world are not to suffer from curtailment.

The world cannot go back. It cannot stand still. It must go forward. The United States in particular must not be compelled to endure crippling economies that may retard the development of her industries.

That there are sources of petroleum untouched as yet is the belief of every-

one who has examined the subject. The supply in Mexico alone is sufficient to make a wonderful difference in the situation; but the unfortunate dissension in that country has sadly curtailed the output. Some of these Mexican wells are credited with being able to produce 100,000 barrels a day when permitted to flow at their full capacity. Meantime that source of supply is only partly available.

It is necessary to look elsewhere. There are regions in South America where doubtless, exploration would result in oil discoveries; but these are not being pushed. There is much oil territory in the hands of the United States government as a result of the withdrawals of oil lands in California and other states that should be developed.

If something be not done to add to the world's oil supply then there will be nothing for it but to resort to Mr. Haskin's remedy and cut down the use of gasoline by pleasure cars and pleasure boats. They came to that point in England and France long ago.

Petroleum is Powder

Petroleum affects every department of human life. It is Power. It makes possible communication between the ends of our continent and joins state to state and city to city in profitable union. It propels the swift automobile that has trebled human efficiency and added years to the lives of men.

It gives eyes to the battling armies of the world by sending the swift aeroplane aloft to observe the moves of the enemy. It is the motive power of the mighty airship. It speeds the subtle submarine on its undersea activities, and urges the majestic ocean liner from port to port. It gives life and motion to millions of spindles in thousands of mills and breathes its hot breath in the furnaces of the foundries.

Oil means speed, light, lubrication, efficiency, economy, safety. It is the master power of the world. As it means economy so it means profit.

New Supplies Essential

It is absolutely essential that the supply of petroleum be increased. Where are we to look for new supplies? At the beginning of 1917 I pointed out in "INSIDE INVESTMENTS," a financial magazine, that there was every probability that an oil field would be discovered in Cuba, basing my prediction on what I knew of the geological structure of the island and what I had read concerning its oil seepages, its asphalt, its natural gas; and on the fact that wells had been drilled in the province of Matanzas in 1881 and had produced oil; also on the fact that a well in the Motembo hills had produced a high-grade oil that was almost pure gasoline, as far back as 1884.

Oil Field in Cuba

All these indications pointed to the existence of an oil field in the Island of Cuba. Acting on these well-ascertained

facts, various parties, located, or, as the Cubans call it, "denounced" oil territory in the provinces of Havana and Pinar del Rio, within the past year.

Companies operating in the Guanabacoa valley, within ten miles of Havana city, have struck oil in quantity. The oil is found in shallow ground, from 900 to 1,200 feet. It is an oil of high gravity—32 degrees Baume. Two of the companies, the Union and the Utah, have wells that are flowing at the rate of 200 barrels a day. The Utah gusher is now shut off awaiting the construction of a pipe line. The Standard Oil Company's refinery in Havana purchases almost \$1000 worth of oil from the Union Company each day.

Here, too, is another enterprising company called Cuban-American Petroleum Company, which has managed to secure 14,000 acres of what is believed to be the finest oil land in the island. The greater part of this large property is situated in Havana province and 2,200 acres of it is located in the Guanabacoa valley, just a little to the east of the apex of the anticline which can be plainly traced at that spot.

Solving the Question

Here is what may yet prove the salvation of the whole petroleum situation in the United States. There is every reason to believe that a field will be developed here that may supply the oil deficiency which is so dangerous a feature in connection with all branches of American industry. It is the duty of every citizen to lend aid toward that end. This Cuba field seems to point to the way in which the world may increase its oil supply.

The field is in its infancy. It took many months to convince capital that there was oil in the Havana field. A little more than a year ago the Union Oil Company's shares at 10 cents could not find a market. At the first report that oil was in their well the shares jumped to 60 cents, and when the first flowing well was brought in they ran up to \$1.80, to \$3.00, to \$4.00, and then to \$5.00 a share.

The Utah Company had a similar experience. Their shares, which had run up to 70 cents, suddenly began to change hands at \$1.25. This was consequent on a visit paid to the wells by prominent Havana business men.

Visit to Cuban Oil Field

I recently visited the island myself and went over the field very carefully. All my anticipations of the situation were amply confirmed by this personal observation. I found and traced the anticline and decided that the Cuban-American Petroleum Company was on the most judiciously chosen spot in the field. I am eagerly awaiting news from the field to the effect that Cuban-American Petroleum Company has struck oil and struck it in large quantities.

I convinced myself by repeated examinations of the property that the chances are so enormously in favor of striking a well in the spot where the Company has elected to drill that they may be considered as amounting almost to a certainty. There are indications of oil all over this property and other sections on which the Company has the oil rights.

In company with Mr. Oswald A. Hornsby, vice-president of the Trust Company of Cuba, and Mr. J. M. Hopgood, treasurer Trust Company of Cuba, I visited Well No. 5 of the Union Oil Company and saw it flow 75 barrels in an hour. The well was under control and could easily have been allowed to flow much more. Just at present it is flowing more than 200 barrels a day.

Chance to Make Money

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It is quite possible that this oil may solve the present situation for the United States and the world. I believe a field of vast dimensions will be developed in Cuba. There is oil in every province of the island. Meantime the chance in Havana province is unequalled. You can make money for yourself there, I believe.—Ad.

WAR, PEACE AND IMPERIALISM

A Socialist View

The following address was delivered on Boston Common before an audience of 5,000 people, by James O'Neal, State Secretary of the Massachusetts Socialist Party Clubs. Certain Boston papers had, for several days before the meeting, printed provocative statements apparently calculated to foster a mob spirit by branding the Socialist Party as "pro-Kaiser." The speech is an answer to this wilful misrepresentation.

O'Neal's Speech

Mr. Chairman and Friends:—

This is a legally constituted meeting and is entitled to the same protection as any other meeting. The Federal and State constitutions have not been suspended. Free assembly still exists in this country. Should any speaker here this afternoon exceed his constitutional limits there are federal officers present to arrest the offender. We ask our friends and opponents not to interfere in any way with the judgment of these federal officers.

I want to here pay my respects to certain Boston newspapers, particularly the Herald and Traveler. If it is the function of the police powers to prevent the printing of matter that would tend to incite citizens to acts of violence, it would be well for the proper authorities to watch the columns of these papers. Recent editorials in the Traveler were of a provocative character and calculated to induce citizens to interfere with a public assembly held under the authority of the Mayor. If the authorities are anxious to suppress anarchists they will not have to go farther than Tremont street. They might even find a "State Street Banker" that is probably inspiring these editorials. The Herald and Traveler may some day be fit for wrapping meat, but they certainly are not fit to serve as decent newspapers.

Unfair Charge

Some Boston editors and politicians have continually charged that the Socialists of this country are pro-Kaiser. No matter how often we have explained our own position these gentlemen deliberately misrepresent us. Let me say here as emphatically as I can that we Socialists had hoped that before this meeting was held the news would have arrived that that ego-maniac the Kaiser, and his band of Junkers would be wiped off the face of the earth by the German people just as the Russians wiped out their brutal autocracy. Had this taken place we would have transformed this meeting into a celebration of the German revolution. Should it take place in the next few weeks as we hope, we will arrange for such a meeting. In all the literature issued by the Socialist party there is not a line to be found in favor of the Kaiser and the ruling class he represents. We hope that not only the Prussian autocracy will be wiped out, but that at the conclusion of the war all autocracies will be overthrown and the peoples of each nation will retire their bankrupt statesmen and rules and establish a genuine social democracy in each.

What we are trying to do is what the peace forces in Germany and all other warring countries are trying to do, and these peace forces are led by the Socialists of each country. We are trying to mobilize opinion in favor of, not a separate peace, but for general peace without annexations or indemnities. We believe also that if the Allied governments will accept this Russian program that it will strengthen the Socialists in Germany who want to overthrow the Kaiser and bring the war to a speedy close. Should the Allied countries pledge themselves to this program it will give assurance to all of the peace forces in Germany that they need not fear the dismemberment of their country. The same is true of Austria. This will leave the Kaiser and his brood of autocrats isolated not only in the world, but also from their

own people. This diplomatic drive will do more in our judgment to overthrow the Prussian bureaucrats than a drive of a million troops on the western front. If the Boston Herald and an ex-mayor of Boston can see in this a pro-Kaiser program, it must be because they have a vested interest in the continuance of the war and do not want it to end.

Our Program

I have referred to this program as a Russian one. This is not quite true. We Socialists of the United States claim the honor of having been the first to present this program to the world, a program which in our judgment will finally end the war and bring peace to mankind. More than two years ago, to be precise, in May, 1915, our National Committee in Chicago adopted a program with the following demands at its head:

"No indemnities. No transfer of territory except upon the consent and by vote of the people within the territory. All countries under foreign rule be given political independence if demanded by the inhabitants of such countries."

This program was taken up by free Russia and is sweeping over the world. It also carries with it disarmament after the war. We do not favor the sinister suggestion of a super-imperialism contained in a league to enforce peace, for this league accepts a great armed force. Just as we have contributed to the solution of the problem of this war so the Socialists helped this nation to a successful solution of the Civil War. When English statesmen were seriously considering the recognition of the southern Confederacy, Karl Marx and other Socialists organized great demonstrations of the workers in Manchester and Birmingham, protesting against the proposed crime. They cabled Lincoln their resolutions and he sent back a generous appreciation of the aid of these workers acting under Socialist leadership. It was these large Socialist demonstrations in England that helped to prevent the recognition of the old slavocracy when the life of the nation was at stake. Will Boston editors also cite this historical incident as evidence that we are pro-Kaiser?

Autocracy, Native and Foreign

Why, my friends, we were opposing Kaiserism and autocracy at a time when these same editors and politicians were slopping over with praise of Prince Henry on the occasion of his visit to this country. Our opposition was then denounced by these same gentlemen. When Prince Henry walked into the Massachusetts legislature, James Carey, the only Socialist member, walked out. Consult the files of Boston newspapers of the time to see what these gentlemen thought of Carey for protesting against Prussian Junkerism.

What these editors do not like about us is that we insist that one kind of autocracy is on the whole as bad as another. While being as much opposed to the Kaiser and his Junkers as we ever were, we warn the people of this country against the rise of a native Junkerism here. We hold that imperialism is a tendency at work in all other countries as well as in the Central Empires and that we cannot consistently oppose one brand of imperialism without opposing all. Free Russia is doing this very thing. She warns the peoples of the world against imperialism in all countries, and while refusing a separate peace to Germany she will not accept any imperialistic aims of her allies. To show the sincerity of the revolutionary Russian workers they repudiate the conquest of Constantinople which had been promised the old Russian bureaucracy by England and France. Having repudiated conquest and indemnities for themselves the Russian workers are asking that the Allied workers in other countries bring pressure on their govern-

ments to make the same pledge. So far, the Allied governments have not done so, though there is a drift in that direction.

Some History

I have said that we have always opposed imperialism, no matter in what national dress it may be garbed and no matter whether it speaks the Prussian language or any other language. I repeat what I said on another occasion, we are neither pro-German, nor pro-Ally; we are international and pro-human. We want to see the Kaiser and his Junkers go the way of the Russian Czar and his bureaucrats. But in the overthrow of autocracy in other countries we do not want to help create one here. We know that while the Prussian autocracy was the most aggressive in seeking war, the Allied governments were not entirely guiltless.

What of those editorials that appeared in American papers in 1915 when the Russian revolutionists were trying to overthrow Czarism? Is it not a fact that many of them pointed out that were it not for the gold loaned to the Russian despots by French and British bankers the Russian workers would have succeeded then? While British and French bankers, with the consent of their governments, provided the gold for Nicholas to pay his hangmen, the German Kaiser kept his troops on the Prussian border to return Russian refugees to the Czar. Here there was a co-operation between the Kaiser and the two "democracies" of France and England. This is an example of how imperialism and autocracies work through all forms of governments.

Then the British government formed its alliance with the Czar for the dismemberment of Persia. Troops of both countries co-operated in the conquest of Persia, the larger northern half being taken by the Russian autocracy and the smaller southern half by the British Junkers. Persians who protested against this were in some cases beaten to death in the water; some eloquent speakers voicing these wrongs had their lips sewed together, while still others had horseshoes nailed to their naked feet. Imperialism again. British bankers and investors wanted a new field for investing the surplus wealth sweated from the bodies of English men, women and children.

Causes of Imperialism

What is the cause of this imperialism? It is a disease inseparable from the capitalist system of industry. As industry becomes more highly organized in each country, as it concentrates more and more into trusts and corporations, the field of investment narrows at home. As industrial processes gradually come into the control of a few great magnates, as their incomes increase enormously, there accumulates in their hands a constantly growing surplus of capital which must be reinvested. As the investing field narrows the capitalist seeks countries in a lower stage of development as a field for "development." Persia, Egypt, China or Latin America and the countries of the Caribbean offer a rich harvest for the investor. There are rich mineral resources to uncover, railroads to be built and factories to be started.

But in entering these countries the investors find that they have laws and institutions conforming to their own peculiar history and stage of development. Some of these countries are in a low stage of capitalistic development. The investor immediately becomes interested in politics and has his paid agents among aspiring revolutionists. He stays in the background and finances politics, and if necessary, revolutions also. If his investments suffer in the process, he calls upon his government to protect them. Armed forces are landed for the preservation of "order," a few natives are shot if necessary, a control partial or complete, is then secured over the country and certain terms are made for the security of the foreign exploiters.

In this process you have the origin of imperialism in every modern nation.

Capitalist Expansion

Today the hunger for the investment of surplus capital chases the capitalist all over the world. American capitalism has expanded its rule abroad to such an extent, that today it maintains protectorates over the Samoan Islands, Cuba, Santo Domingo, Haiti, Panama and Nicaragua. Besides these there are the Philippine and Porto Rico possessions, the first being within 600 miles of Hong Kong. When President Monroe proclaimed his famous doctrine the population of the United States was 11,000,000 and there were no foreign possessions; today we have a population of over a hundred millions and have since 1823 annexed Texas, New Mexico, California, Porto Rico, the Canal Zone and the Philippines and challenged the Monroe Doctrine of Japan in Asia. Out of this race of surplus capital for other peoples to exploit comes the menace of world imperialism.

Now what does this mean for the working people of the countries where imperialism has taken root? It means that practically the capitalist system has been so highly organized that it cannot be organized much further on its present basis and that the system itself has to pass away for a better one. The slave system had to submit to the same law and modern capitalism cannot escape it. No one has suggested what that change must be, but the Socialists who assert that the great plants for producing and distributing wealth must become the social property of society to be operated for the common good and welfare of all. The enormous surplus that now sends the capitalist around the world in search of a place to invest it will then go to the producers who alone are entitled to it.

With that surplus flowing into the hands of industrial kings in all countries it constitutes a constant menace to the peace of the world. For when the capitalists of a dozen first class powers are seeking control over some undeveloped country they come in conflict with each other and drag their governments and peoples by the heels into war for their material interests. The working class of the various countries then have to suffer. If they escape with their lives they return home to have their children pay the staggering costs. And while the wars are waged more giant fortunes accumulate which contain the germs of future wars.

A Worker's Democracy

The "silent mass of mankind," to whom President Wilson referred in his speech to the Senate last January, are coming to appreciate the truth of this analysis of imperialism. In all of the countries the workers are forming the great peace groups that must end the war, and we Socialists find ourselves in a natural alliance with these workingmen. They seek to check the imperialistic aims of their governments and we owe it to ourselves to oppose any imperialistic aims of our government.

Out of the welter of blood and tears of this great struggle will come, we hope, a genuine democracy. Not a democracy, so-called, where millions of human beings are herded in sweat-shops and factories, battling against a rising cost of living, subjected to dangerous hazards at unguarded machines, often working long hours for miserable wages, with a large portion of our children serving the masters of capital, with wealth concentrated into a few hands; but a democracy that gives us mastery over the powers of wealth production, that enables us to secure the wealth we produce, that abolishes the exploitation of men and women and children of our class and that will make leisure, happiness and security possible for all. A commonwealth of socialized industry, the ideal of Socialism, is rising out of the present chaos and all who want the free world it offers will join us at the polls to realize it and defend our right to present it to all who want the next great change.

Physicians Explain Why Women Need More Iron in Their Blood Today Than 20 Years Ago

Say Anaemia — Lack of Iron is Greatest Curse to the Health, Strength, Vitality and Beauty of the Modern American Woman.

Dr. Ferdinand King, New York Physician and Medical Author, says physicians should prescribe more organic iron—Nuxated Iron—to correct the great drain nature has placed upon women at certain periods, and to supply the iron deficiency resulting from a demineralized diet now being served in thousands of homes. Opinions of Dr. Schuyler C. Jaques, Visiting Surgeon, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, New York City; Dr. James Louis Beyea, for 15 years Adjunct Professor in the New York Homeopathic Medical College, and other physicians who have thoroughly tested the value of Nuxated Iron.

Any woman who tires easily, is nervous or irritable, or looks pale, haggard and worn should at once have her blood examined for iron deficiency—administration of simple Nuxated Iron will often increase the strength and endurance of weak, nervous, careworn women 100 per cent in two weeks' time.

"There can be no strong, healthy, beautiful, rosy-cheeked women without iron," says Dr. Ferdinand King, a New York Physician and Medical Author. "In my recent talks to physicians on the grave and serious consequences of iron deficiency in the blood of American women, I have strongly emphasized the fact that doctors should prescribe more organic iron—nuxated iron—for their nervous, run-down, weak, haggard-looking women patients. Pallor means anaemia. The skin of an anaemic woman is pale, the flesh flabby. The muscles lack tone, the brain fags, and the memory fails, and often they become weak, nervous, irritable, despondent and melancholy. When the iron goes from the blood of women the roses go from their cheeks."

"In the most common foods of America, the starches, sugars, table syrups, candies, polished rice, white bread, soda crackers, biscuits, macaroni, spaghetti, tapioca, sago, farina, degermated cornmeal, no longer is iron to be found. Refining processes have removed the iron of Mother Earth from these impoverished foods, and silly methods of home cookery, by throwing down the waste pipe the water in which our vegetables are cooked are responsible for another grave iron loss. Therefore, if you wish to preserve your youthful vim and vigor to a ripe old age you must supply the iron deficiency in your food by using some form of organic iron, just as you would use salt when your food has not enough salt."

"As I have said a hundred times over, organic iron is the greatest of all strength builders. If people would only take Nuxated Iron when they feel weak or run-down instead of dosing themselves with habit-forming drugs, stimulants and alcoholic beverages, I am convinced that in this way they could ward off disease preventing it becoming organic in thousands of cases and thereby the lives of thousands might be saved who now die every year from pneumonia, grippe, kidney, liver, heart trouble and other dangerous maladies. The real and true cause which started their disease was nothing more nor less than a weakened condition brought on by a lack of iron in the blood."

On account of the peculiar nature of woman and the great drain placed upon her system at certain periods, she requires iron much more than man to help make up for the loss.

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eat, your food merely passes through you without doing you any good. You don't get the strength out of it, and as a consequence you become weak, pale and sickly looking, just like a plant trying to grow in a soil deficient in iron. If you are not strong or well, you owe it to yourself to make the following test: See how long you can work or how far you can walk without becoming tired. Next take two five-grain tablets of ordinary nuxated iron three times per day after meals for two weeks. Then test your strength again and see how much you have gained. I have seen dozens of nervous, run-down people who were ailing all the while double their strength and endurance and entirely rid themselves of all symptoms of dyspepsia, liver and other troubles in from ten to fourteen days' time simply by taking iron in the proper form. And this, after they had in some cases been doctoring for months without obtaining any benefit. But don't take the old forms of reduced iron, iron acetate, or tincture of iron simply to save a few cents.

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Dr. James Louis Beyea, for 15 years Adjunct Professor in the New York Homeopathic Medical College, says: "As a physician I have always been opposed to prescribing advertised remedies, and for fifteen years, while Adjunct Professor in the New York

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Dr. Schuyler C. Jaques, Visiting Surgeon of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, New York City, said: "I have never before given out any medical information or advice for publication as I ordinarily do not believe in it. But so many American women suffer from iron deficiency with its attendant ills—physical weakness, nervous irritability, melancholy, indigestion, flabby, sagging muscles, etc., etc., and in consequence of their weakened run-down condition they are so liable to contract serious and even fatal diseases that I deem it my duty to advise such to take Nuxated Iron. I have taken it myself and given it to my patients with most surprising and satis-



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(W. S. MORGAN)

Mistur Editor: This war thing iz a gittin' hot. It iz a makin' uv me and Woodrow swet; it iz a wurkin' uv us too hard. I heerd Woodrow say the uther day that he wood az soon be at the frunt; I wood rather be; there ain't bin no fightin' at the frunt yet so fur az we air concerned, but there iz in the rear. We (that's me and Woodrow) air a doin' uv our level best tu straitin' things out and maik things run smooth and air a havin' fair sucksess. We air a goin' tu build a pontune bridge akross the Atlantick oshen and maik and send airplanes enuff tu fly over Germany so thick that the peepke kant see the sun.

I aint a bit afrade uv gittin' mixed up in this war myself; that iz so that I will have tu du enny fightin'. I'm too old tu fight, but I aint too old tu run if the okkaishun demands it. Yet sumtimes my fightin' blud biles in my vanes. I wanted tu go down the uther day and lick Bob Follet after he had made that speech in the Sennate, but Woodrow woodent let me.

I think I told you when I writ my last letter that I had got a letter frum Tommy, my little boy, and also one from Shanghi Purkins. I meen old Shanghi, not Shanghi the Seckond who iz a survin' in a trainin' camp.

Tommy rit a good lettur and I aint ashamed tu let you print it vurbaitum. It reeds az follers:

TOMMY'S LETTUR

"Deer pa i got the 2 dollars you sent tu ike hawkins fur me ike turned them over tu me without diskord or diskout and i carried them around in my poket that day a showin' uv 'em tu ma and childurn and that ornery ben who iz still here that nite sum one stole 'em out uv my pokets while i wuz asleep and i beleev it wuz that ornery ben fur he went tu town the next day an got drunk and bought ma a pare uv noo socks that reached up abuv hur neeze and i know he got that munny fur he didnt have enny the day before i wish ben wood go away i thought when he wuz drafted he wood have tu go then shure but he went and stole hiz wife's cork laig and sold it tu a seckond hand man and bought whiskey with the munny and got drunk then he went befor the exempshun board and swore that he had a wife who had only one laig that wuz a leenin' on him fur support he never told the board that he had a soot fur divorce in the kort agin hur he alldo sed he had a sister with 4 childurn tu support i gess that wuz ma and us kids. pa i think we ort tu git rid uv ben sum way if we have tu pizen him he lays around here and borrows munny uv ma that ort tu be uzed tu buy clothes fur us kids we need sum clothes now the seet uv my pants haz got 2 holes one on each side and wored the neeze out when i wuz a kuttin' the vines off uv the sweet taters after the big frost. ben aint no good tu us he aint ornamental or usefull and hiz stayin' here duzent add enny thing tu the reppertashun tu the famly. I think you ort tu git out a writ uv oyster and oyster him off uv the plaice fur ever. ma iz a makin' hur winter's sope and us kids have tu tote the wood frum ike hawkinses cleerin' and karry watter and put on the ashes in the ash hopper tu maik them lye and ben don't du a thing but set in the house and sing every bddy wurks but father it maiks me so dadgummed mad i kant hardly stand it if it aint stopped soon i am a goin' tu put sum tode stool in hiz cabbage and pizen him tu deth they have got a noo baby over tu gabe strong's granny small's kow dide last nite with the hay fever and ike hawkins iz dun a kuttin' up corn that's about all the nooze i kin think uv now 'ceptin' purty neert every bddy iz a tryin' tu git a divorce and that aint no nooze. ma don't ware hur noo socks when she iz a makin' sope and dal sanders broke hiz laig the uther day while he wuz a tryin' tu lode a saw-logg. i wish you wood send ike hawkins sum more munny

tu give me i wont let 'em steel it frum me enny more i will hide it under the korn krib i want tu buy bil jones's koon dog i kin git him now fur 3 dollers kash and 7 dollers kredit which iz purty neert like findin' him fur he iz a furst klass dog if i git this dog i kin keep us in meat this winter and koon skins iz a goin' tu be high so don't fail tu send the munny az soon az you git this lettur fur i must have that dog send 5 dollers if you kin spare that mutch pleeze don't furgit the munny and the dog frum yoor littel sun

tommy spilkins."

That boy iz a goin' tu maik hiz mark in the world. He's got a ambishun tu own a dog alreddy and him only 12 years old, I meen the boy iz only 12 years old, not the dog.

Az hereinbefore announced, specifide, promulgated and stated the uther lettur wuz frum Shanghi Purkins who, in contradistinkshun frum hiz son, Shanghi the Seckond, we may call Shanghi the Great. The afosed and hereinabuv mensuned lettur reeds az follers:

Hon. Tobe Spilkins,
Washington D.D.

Deer Tobe:

I am a takin' uv my pen in hand to let you know that I am still in the land uv the livin', hopin' when you git this lettur you'll be the same. I am a tryin' tu help the Prezident all I kin in persekutin' uv the war, but there air so gol darned menny fellers in the way that I aint a havin' enny luck. Fur instance I raized a lot uv navel beans this yeer so az tu help feed the boys at the frunt. I kept the kids out uv skool and me and them wurked like beevers till we got the last bean picked.

Well, the uther day I sed tu myself: 'look here, Shanghi, aint it about time you wuz a gittin' sum uv them beans tu the frunt?' And I skatched my fool hed and felt like a kickin' uv myself, fur I knowed that the program wuzent finished till I got sum uv them beans tu the frunt. Well, I loaded up about 12 hundred pounds uv beans and tuk 'em over tu Skinnerville. I knowed them fellers over there, the retailed merchants, bankers and kommisshun men. Last spring they maid speeches all over the kountry about what tu plant and how mutch. They told us tu plant beans and then tu plant more beans. They sed it tuk beans tu put fightin' blud in the boys at the frunt. These men what maid the speeches wuz all paytriots. I knowed they wuz bekoz they all sed so. Well, az abuv sed I loded up sum beans and uther things and driv over tu Skinnerville. I had my beans and things all kivered up so no one cood see 'em fur I maid up my mind tu see if them fellers wuz az good paytriots in the fall az they wuz in the spring. I didnt go in on the mane street az purty neert everybddy duz that haz sumptin' tu sel but driv in on a bak street and put my waggon and teem in a waggon yard. Then I went up in the mane part uv town. I seen a bag uv beans settin' out on the sidewalk in frunt uv a grocery store. I tuk sum uv 'em up in my hand and egzamined 'em. They wuz navel beans jst like mine. The feller what owned the store cum out and I asked him how he wuz a sellin' uv them beans.

"T-t-t-t-twen-twenty - three cents," he sed.

Then he asked me how menny I wanted. I told him I didnt want tu buy enny, but had beans tu sell. Then I asked him what he wuz a payin' fur nice navel beans like them he had.

"T-t-t-t-t-twelve cents," he sed.

Then I asked him why the farmer, the man who raized the beans coodent git more fur 'em. He told me it wuz on akkont uv the war with Germany. Then I asked him why the retailed dealer sold them so high, and he sed it wuz on akkont uv the war in Yurope. I never wuz so bumfuzzled and coodent see why I shoed only git 12 cents fur plantin' and cultivatin' and

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a pickin' uv the beans and a haulin' uv them tu market and he got 11 cents jist fur weighin' 'em twicet. I asked him how it cum that he got purty neert az mutch out uv the bizziness az I did and me a doin' uv all the wurk and a payin' uv 22 cents fur the seed planted.

"B-b-b-b-b-b-br-br-br-brains," he blurted out, and then went bak in the store.

"Brains!"

That wuz the difference between 12 cents and 23 cents fur beans.

That wuz what paid one man 12 cents fur doin' uv all the wurk tu raize the beans, and another 11 cents fur a weighin' uv them twicet.

I wuz plum dazed.

Aint the fellers who du the wurk got enny brains?

I'm agoin' tu ask Ike Hawkins about it az soon az I gif home. It 'pears tu me that it taiks jist az mutch brains tu raize beans az it dux tu weigh them. I'll be jiggered if I aint got az mutch brains az that feller who buys beans at 12 cents and sells 'em at 23 cents. If it's right fur him tu have 11 cents fur the use uv hiz brains then I ort tu have 11 cents fur the use uv my brains which maiks 22 cents. That only leaves 1 cent which wood about pay fur the seed. Then where dux the wurk cum in? I don't git nuthin' fur that or fur the use uv my horses, plows, land and uther tools uv produckshun. Well, Tobe, I went around town and seen a half duzen uv them uther paytriots who told us last spring tu plant beans and lots uv 'em, which we did. It wuz about the same with all uv 'em that wuz a deelin' in beans, and uther things the farmers raize. They wanted all the cream and part uv the milk. Then I went around and talked tu the banker who spoke at Boney Forks last spring. He sed he hadent studied the bean questshun mutch, altho he admitted that he advised the farmers tu plant lots uv beans. Then I asked him if he knowed how tu git the beans tu the frunt without costin' the consumer too mutch and a forcin' uv the price tu the prodooer too low. He sed he dident; he sed he wuzent a expert on the bean questshun. He sed hiz mane study throo life had bin per cent and if I wanted enny informashun along them lines he cood give it tu me. I told him I'd like tuh ave a little but I hadent time now. I sed I had a frend down at Boney Forks by the name uv Hawkins who cood give me the informashun I desired.

"Hawkins," he eggclaimed, and he raized hiz eye brows so high that they purty neert met the hair on hiz bald hed. "Is it Ike Hawkins?" he asked.

"The same," sez I.

"He's a Soshialist, and a dangerous man," sed the banker, with a frown; "Don't you have ennything tu du with him," he continued, "he iz a anarkist and iz in favor uv dividin' up the property uv the ritich with the poor; he iz a destroyer uv the natural relashuns uv the family and breakin' up the homes."

He went on that way till he wuz out uv breth, then I told him Ike wuzent that kind uv a man and everyboddy liked him. Az fur destroyin' uv the home Ike wuz jist the uther way. He dun all he cood, after my furst wife died tu help me start another family by interdoosin' me tu another wooman. So fur az breakin' up the family iz concerned, I told the banker that mine wuz a goin' tu peeces purty fast enny way. One uv my boys iz in the army, another iz in jail fur sayin' what he beleaves iz right, another iz under arrest fur writin' too mutch and one iz a hidin' out fur feer he mite inad-vurtently kommit sum mistake, and one uv my gurls went wrong with a rich man's son while she wuz a wurkin' in his father's facktory. My wife run away with a peddler uv campaign sof' sope.

When I told the banker the abuv he looked disgusted and turned round and begun tu kount a stack uv \$100 bills that belonged tu sumboddy, I don't know who. I told him the fakt about the children, but it's no use tu grieve over them; I kin raize sum more if I kin git a wooman who will stik tu hur job like my furst wife did. I dident

sell enny beans. I hauled 'em back home and went over and talked tu Ike Hawkins tu find out how tu git my beans tu the frunt. Ike sed he cood tell me but he wuz too bizzzy jist then but wood read a essay on the subjeckt at the skool house next week. The subjeckt will be: HOW TU GIT THE BEANS TU THE FRUNT. I will report the lekture or essay tu you in my next lettur. Yours trooly, Shanghai Perkins.

Mister Editur, I'm afrade Shanghai iz a leenin' a leetle too mutch tuwards the Soshialists, but then we all air in theze offal war times. We jist kant help it. Az soon az Shanghai reports what Ike Hawkins sez on the subjeckt abuv diskussed, I will write you.

Yours trooly,
Tobe Spilkins, Diplomatt.

WAR IS LIBERATING WOMEN FROM CHAINS, SAYS MRS. O'HARE

By PIPPA

Tall, not big; frank, not aggressive; a Socialist since 1899—that's Mrs. Kate Richards O'Hare, mother of four little O'Hares, editor of SOCIAL REVOLUTION, and—lest I forget—she comes from Missouri.

We discussed postoffice censorship, the four little O'Hares, woman suffrage, moral conditions near camps, settlements, famous people and herself and myself.

Somehow, I'd like to talk about Mrs. O'Hare, not write about her, for she served a jail sentence in the best suite of a Western hotel (she had been telling the truth); was the first woman to speak from a public platform in England on an equal footing with the men; received a marriage proposal from a bishop, and witnessed the Heflin-Norton bout in the White House ring.

"What woman has been demanding for ages, war has done for her!"

Those were the first words of the woman from Missouri. I had not even asked the first question. Glory! There was a woman after my own heart.

Women are Efficient

"Over in Washington an official told me that the women clerical workers who had taken the places of the men were proving as efficient if not more loyal than the men. Seventy per cent of the employes of the Bank of England are women. Munition workers, railroad workers, elevator runners, all are recruited from the ranks of women. As the old idea of brute strength is being eliminated by the invention of modern machinery, woman is being recognized as an equal."

In a most natural way the talk centered itself about camp conditions. Mrs. O'Hare visited the border at the time of the Mexican trouble and also is up-to-date on the matter of camps now.

"Evidently a lesson has been learned from the recent war, for now at Camp Devon, Massachusetts, no woman can come within 20 feet of the camp. The telephone girls were taken to and from the camp and the boarding houses in closed busses." And here a smile and two dimples appeared as she added, "Protecting the men."

Men Need Educating

"Your men in the Socialist movement here on the East Side need educating. They hamper women in the Socialist movement. Out West there is no such situation," she continued. "Legislation out West is much better than in the antiquated East. No cases that come up in your courts come up there, except divorce cases."

Ten minutes later found us discussing settlements. Trust two women to find something to talk of. Mrs. O'Hare, in her humorous way, labeled them "incubators."

"For," she explained, "they act as incubators for the young ideas of those who come to them, and who, not finding the desired food, turn finally to the Socialist movement. They're fine feeders."

The next few minutes found us crowding over the "superiority of man and the sublimity of statesmanship"—the friendly little touching of shoulders

between Heflin and Norton which Mrs. O'Hare witnessed.

Mrs. O'Hare has met many men in her time, among them England's best authors.

"Wells is small, unprepossessing; Shaw ever with that exquisite irony in his eyes and permeating his words; Bennet a typical Irishman; Galsworthy and Chesterton handsome and

striking, and James Stephens, author of the "Crock of Gold," is just what one would expect—whimsical, delightful and modest. By far the most modest man I have ever had the privilege to know is Anatole France. Very much like Edwin Markham or Longfellow, France has the simplicity of the really great man."—New York Call.



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HOOVER SEES A SHADOW

With the Belgian atrocities still fresh in his mind, Herbert Hoover has pointed out another horror that hovers on the horizon. Socialism "looms" upon Mr. Hoover's frightened vision. And it is threatening society, or that portion of society that profits from private ownership, in the name of economic necessity, which is fully as potent a factor as military necessity.

As reported in a special dispatch in the *New York Times*, dated September 19, Mr. Hoover warned the delegates to the war convention of American Business Men, in Atlantic City, N. J., that:

"One looming shadow of this war is its drift toward Socialism. For its gigantic sacrifice of life the world is demanding a sacrifice of property. We will surely drift to that rocky coast unless we can prove the economic soundness and willingness for public service of our commercial institutions."

Mr. Hoover held up Russia as a "horrible example" before these business men. He said:

"It is worth while examining the developments in Russia from this point of view. There no practical or effective form of commercial regulation or distribution was undertaken. In consequence of speculation, profiteering and failure in commerce to serve public interest, the condition of the industrial classes became so intolerable as to steam the hot bed of revolution. Justifiable as this revolution may have been, and as great a cause of liberty as it may result, no one can deny that the whole trend of this revolution has been socialistic, and, the latest phase is a development into practical Socialism. This strain in the revolution, I am convinced from much experience in Russia, was the reaction from failure of the government and the commercial classes to meet their public duty."

If American capitalists would escape the fate of the Russian ruling class and avoid the "rocky coast" of Socialism they must, says Mr. Hoover, demonstrate that they are capable of serving the public interest adequately in this crisis. And he says that:

"Either we must organize from the top down or from the bottom up. One is autocracy, itself—the other is democracy. If democracy cannot organize to accomplish its economic as well as its military defense, it is a false faith and needs to be abandoned."

We confidently put our signature to Mr. Hoover's declaration that Socialism is "one looming shadow of this war"—that is, to the capitalists it appears as a shadow and it "looms" with considerable frightfulness. Also we agree with him that the overthrow of the old system in Russia resulted from its failure to serve the people—this, if Mr. Hoover sufficiently understood social evolution, he would recognize as the cause for the failure of any system. Systems, both political and economic, are overthrown because they become outgrown and cease to be socially useful. Just as everything else, including our old suit of clothes, is cast aside when it is no longer serviceable.

Capitalism (private ownership of industry) must go and Socialism (collective ownership of industry) must take its place in this country as in all other countries, because the capitalist system has become outgrown, it has ceased to be socially useful, and it cannot be made a thoroughly efficient instrument of genuine public service, any more than an old, worn-out suit of clothes can be made new or an engine of the type of a century ago could be used serviceably in modern transportation.

The organization of capitalism is not built for the work of public service. It is built for the primary purpose of exploiting the people, not of serving them. True, it serves the people after a fashion, but inadequately and incidentally—it robs them first and serves them afterward; and, whereas the machinery of service is flagrantly inadequate,

the machinery of exploitation is conspicuously efficient. Now, what the people desire is a social organization that will serve them first and serve them fully, and that will rob them not at all. They want service first and service only. They can get neither under capitalism. They will get both under Socialism.

The trouble is—well, Mr. Hoover indicated it when he said:

"Either we must organize from the top down, or from the bottom up. One is autocracy, itself—the other is democracy."

That's the trouble with capitalism—it's organized from the top down. It is a system of industrial autocracy. It is becoming increasingly plain that society must be reorganized from the bottom up. We must have industrial democracy. Democracy, in order to "accomplish its economic defense," must democratize its economic machinery. The failure of industrial autocracy to serve the nation in a crisis is no proof that democracy is a "false faith and needs to be abandoned." It is proof that autocracy is a "false faith and needs to be abandoned"—in industry as well as elsewhere. It simply shows the great need of more democracy, of an extension of democracy.

And, since we are engaged in a war for democracy, why shudder at the "shadow" of democracy in industry, Mr. Hoover?—Appeal To Reason.

Delayed Denouement—A problem play was being produced in Chicago. One evening it was discovered that a certain man, evidently from the rural districts, had attended the play six nights in succession and always sat well down in front.

These facts were communicated to the theater's press agent, who scented a good story. Approaching the interested spectator between the acts, he apologized for his intrusion and said:

"Would you mind telling me just why you are so interested in this play? Do you know some member of the cast?"

"Nope," said the man from the outlands. "That ain't it. But I'll tell you about it. You know the scene in the private room in the restaurant, where the dark man and the other man's wife get up and leave by the left-hand door just a moment before the woman's husband enters by the right-hand door?"

"Yes," said the press-agent expectantly.

"Well," said the interested spectator, "some night the husband's going to come in before they leave."—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

A Severe Test—How to tell if you love her well enough to marry her is the problem the horse editor of the *Paris Appeal* solves for its bachelor readers. Says the H. E.:

"Well, my boy, imagine her on a hot, sticky day bending over a wash-tub, scrubbing your clothes as your mother used to do. Picture her, as you enter, stopping her work and wiping the perspiration from her face with the corner of her apron. If you feel that you would still care to kiss her; that she still looks as good to you as she does in her party togs, go right ahead and marry her. She's the girl."—Kansas City Times.

An Irish Solution—Professor: "Pat, tell me, now, what is your solution to the world problem?"

Pat: "Well, sor, I think we should have a world democracy—with an Irishman for king!"—Life.

A Drive on the Enemy—"I've got to practise on the piano five hours a day."

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X-RAYS

By JOHN M. WORK

The present capitalist system of industry is an enemy of the family.

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It makes it hard for women to earn their own living, causing millions of them to be dependent upon men, with the consequent loss of self-respect.

It makes it impossible for millions of men to marry.

It drives vast numbers of children into the industries.

It keeps the masses of the people in poverty.

Capitalism stings the family with each of these poisonous fangs.

The result is what we see—millions of grown-up men and women unmarried—millions of families broken or breaking—millions of families with skeletons in the closet—millions of matrimonial misfits—only here and there a really happy family, an exception to prove the rule.

There is nothing sweeter, nothing nobler, nothing more beautiful, than a happy family. There is nothing holier than welcome motherhood. But the unwelcome motherhood now forced upon vast numbers of women, because of their economic dependence upon men, is infinitely degrading.

Tho' all of the poisonous fangs above mentioned are deeply serious in their evil effects, the economic dependence of woman is the worst.

For many centuries nearly all women have been dependent upon men for a living. It came to be the customary thing. It came to be looked upon as the natural thing. Both men and women regarded it so. They acquiesced in it as if it were decreed by fate and were a thing which was not capable of being changed.

Only during the past few decades has there been a revolt on the part of some of the women. Modern industry has given some of them a chance to escape. The chance it has given them has been a pitifully poor one, but they have seized it eagerly. Several million women and girls are working in the industries. Their wages are low. Their hours are long. For a great many of them the surrounding conditions are deplorable. It is a very unsatisfactory species of liberty. Yet it is better than none.

A comparatively small number of women have achieved economic independence in the so-called learned professions and as teachers.

But there are more millions of women who have not been able to escape even into an unsatisfactory species of liberty. They are still dependent upon men. I do not mean by this that they do not earn their living. Most of them work hard enough, God knows. But their work does not produce any income. They are dependent upon their husbands.

Aside from the children, who are in a state of mental immaturity, it is impossible for one person to be dependent upon another person without loss of self-respect. This is true of both women and men. One man cannot be dependent upon another man, or upon a woman, without suffering a distinct loss of self-respect.

Thus, the wage workers find their self-respect constantly wounded by the fact that they are dependent upon the capitalists. Their revolt against this dependence is constantly growing in volume. The days are numbered in which they will continue to submit to it, for it is becoming more and more intolerable to them.

The dependence of a woman upon a man is still more galling. He claims a right to her person because he supports her. She may be the boss of the house in other respects, but in this one respect he asserts his ownership, because he has the power to. She is dependent upon him for a living and can't help herself.

She owes everything material to him. Her food. Her clothing. Her shelter. Everything. She is utterly

dependent upon him. When she wants anything, she has to get it from him if she can, or else she does not get it at all.

The wheedling, coaxing, flattering, cajoling propensities, which are such a boon to the writers of jokes, are some of the disgusting effects of this independence.

It degrades both the man and the woman.

Most of the men do not know that it degrades them. But they know that it harasses and irritates them. They know that their wives are burdens, instead of comrades, to them. This is well illustrated by the reply of the man who was asked what he thought about second marriages. He said, "A man who hasn't any more sense than to marry a second time doesn't deserve to lose his first wife."

Some of the women also do not know that their dependence degrades them.

But, vast numbers of them do realize it. There has been a wonderful awakening on the part of women in the past few decades. Divine discontent with present conditions is constantly spreading among them. They are passing it from one to another.

Inject vaccine virus into a person, and, unless he is immune from smallpox, nothing can prevent it from spreading thruout his body.

So with the love of liberty.

Once inject the love of liberty into a woman, and, unless she is already immune from contentment with slavery, nothing can prevent its pervading her whole being and taking complete possession of her.

We should be thankful that love of liberty is catching.

It is spreading among the women like an epidemic—a benign, grateful epidemic, if you please.

Except among a few extremists who are lacking in equilibrium, there is no hostility to men involved in the matter. Emancipated women know that man is a victim of present conditions the same as woman. They know that freedom for woman will lift man as well as woman to a higher place.

The family can never be a success so long as man and woman sustain the relation of master and slave.

The family will become a source of serene joy when the man and the woman become comrades and equals.

This can only come about when it becomes a matter of course that the woman shall earn her own living the same as the man, receiving her own income. Then, she will be released from dependence upon him.

Socialism will give all women this opportunity. It will give all women a full and free opportunity to earn their own living, with brief hours of labor, at occupation suitable to them, and to receive their full earnings.

It will place woman on an equality with man, both politically and industrially.

It will abolish child slavery.

It will abolish overwork.

It will abolish poverty.

Then, prostitution, both legal and otherwise, will cease, because there will be no women driven to it.

Women will no longer be compelled to marry for homes.

Marriages will be entered into for love alone.

These changes will lift the family out of the mire.

They will have a marvelous uplifting effect upon women.

They will have a marvelous uplifting effect upon men.

They will have a marvelous uplifting effect upon children. The children will be children of love, not of lust. They will be welcome children. They will have loving, not irritating, mothers and fathers—for the causes of irritation will be gone.

These changes will raise the relations of men and women to a plane of purity so much higher than the present that we will look back upon the present conditions with shame and horror.

—From the *Eye-Opener*.

GET RID OF YOUR FAT

Thousands have gotten rid of theirs WITHOUT DIETING OR EXERCISING, often at the rate of a pound a day, WITHOUT PAYMENT until reduction has taken place.



I am a licensed practicing physician and personally select the treatment for each individual case, thus enabling me to choose remedies that will produce not only a loss of weight harmlessly, but which will also relieve you of all the troublesome symptoms of over stoutness such as shortness of breath, palpitation, indigestion, rheumatism, gout, asthma, kidney trouble and various other afflictions which often accompany over stoutness.

My treatment will relieve that depressed, tired, sleepy feeling, giving you renewed energy and vigor, a result of the loss of your superfluous fat.

You are not required to change in the slightest from your regular mode of living. There is no dieting or exercising. It is simple, easy and pleasant to take.

READ WHAT A FEW OF MY PATIENTS SAY—

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Dr. R. Newman:—I am reduced about 50 pounds. My waist measure is 5 inches smaller than before taking the treatment. I can stand to work much better.
Mrs. W. F. Lindermann.

Iowa.
Dr. R. Newman,
Dear Doctor:—I weighed 178 pounds before I took your treatment and I now weigh 138 pounds. You may print this if you like.
Mrs. Anna Schmidt.

Pennsylvania.
Dr. R. Newman,
Dear Doctor:—From 180 I have reduced to 145, and am glad to say my health is greatly improved. When I began taking your treatment my health was wretched. Now I feel like a new person—all that old tired feeling is gone. You may print this if you wish.
Mrs. Ethel M. Gill.

Texas.
Dr. R. Newman:—I am getting along very well. Have lost 45 pounds since I began taking your treatment. My health is good in every way. My measure: Hip 57, now 49. Waist 45, now 38. Chest 45, now 37.
Addie Barton.

Oklahoma.
Dr. R. Newman,
Dear Doctor:—I received your letter a few days ago and in reply will say that I have been reduced from 169 to 121 pounds, and am so glad to be rid of so much of the fat.
Essadna Travis.

Idaho.
Dr. R. Newman,
Dear Sir:—Have taken your treatment and it is wonderful how it reduces. It does just as you say. I reduced a pound a day and feel fine.
Mrs. E. Bateman.

If you are over stout do not postpone but sit down right now and send for my FREE TRIAL TREATMENT and my plan whereby I am to be PAID ONLY AFTER REDUCTION HAS TAKEN PLACE if you so desire.

DR. R. NEWMAN, Licensed Physician State of New York
286 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. Desk J-336



Marching on to Victory

Our boys will always show themselves strong and brave in the face of the enemy. Those who are on the fighting line are picked men, for only about one man out of five passed the physical examination for army or navy. It is not a fear of illness or death that we should encourage, but a love of health, a sense of responsibility for the care of our bodies, a desire for efficiency, endurance and full achievement. If we aim for these and know the means of achieving them, kidney troubles and the needless miseries that embitter the lives of so many may be left to take care of themselves.

ALL MEN AT HOME SHOULD PREPARE FOR WAR.

The first test a man is put thru for either war or life insurance is an examination of his water. This is most essential because the kidneys play a

most important part in causing premature old age and death. The more injurious the poisons passing thru the kidneys the sooner comes decay—so says Dr. Pierce of the Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., who further advises all people who are past thirty to preserve the vitality of the kidneys and free the blood from poisonous elements, such as uric acid—drink plenty of water—sweat some daily and take Anuric, double strength, before meals.

This An-u-ric is a late discovery of Dr. Pierce and is put up in tablet form, and can be obtained at almost any drug store. For that backache, lumbago, rheumatism, "rusty" joints, swollen feet or hands, due to uric acid in the blood, Anuric quickly dissolves the uric acid as hot water does sugar. Take a little Anuric before meals and prolong your life. Send 10 cents to Dr. Pierce for trial package of Anuric, or write for free medical advice. ADV.

I've found it!

New Sunshine Safety Lamp The Perfect Light For Homes, Stores, Halls and Churches



Yes, here it is, the whitest, brightest, most powerful home light known. It's wonderful, simply wonderful. Imagine, if you can, 300 candles—18 ordinary lamps or 10 brilliant electric lights in one room, then you will have some idea of the great volume of soft, pleasing, white light which the new Sunshine Safety Lamp gives. Think of it. You can now enjoy a far better light than either gas or electricity and the cost is amazingly low. Why worry with troublesome, dirty coal-oil lamps or expensive system lights, when the Sunshine Safety Lamp OUTSHINES THEM ALL.

300 Candle Power—Costs 1c a Night ABSOLUTELY SAFE A BEAUTIFUL LAMP A Child Can Carry It

Yes, so safe that you or one of your family can handle it in any way. It burns right side up or upside down with perfect safety. Look at the picture. Note the simplicity of construction. Nothing to get out of order and make you lose your temper. Surely you want this lamp when it costs so little and means so much in increased comfort and enjoyment.

That Should Last You a Life Time

This handsome lamp, with its highly polished nickle finish and large fancy, white translucent glass, or Opal dome shade is an ornament in any home. It is absolutely perfect in design and will do more to brighten and cheer up your home than anything else you could buy.

Costs Very Little—Saves You Money

You'll be agreeably surprised at the low price of the Sunshine Safety Lamp. It's a whole lot less than you would expect to pay for such a beautiful, powerful light giver. Every night in the year you and your family will bless the day you saw this offer. You save in time and trouble—besides the saving in fuel. One cent a night in the average home is all it costs to have the whitest, brightest home light in the world. The Sunshine Safety Lamp burns 94% air and 6% common gasoline.

No Wick—No Chimney— No Dirt—No Odor

Just think of the pleasure of being able to get away from those old coal-oil lamps with their dirty, greasy wicks, smoky chimneys and disagreeable odors. The Sunshine Safety Lamp does away with them all. Requires filling only about once a week and has no wick, no chimney, no dirt and no odor.

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Arena, Colo., May 23, 1916.
Sunshine Safety Lamp Co.,
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Gentlemen:—I want to say if I could not get another I would not take \$20.00 for my lamp. "I ain't got any kick coming." The mantles I am using have been in use every night for 4 months.

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We are so sure you will be pleased with this remarkable new lamp that we are making an offer to send it on free trial to any user. You can then see for yourself—know what a really wonderful light it gives—have the members of your entire family enjoy it for fifteen nights free before deciding whether to keep it or not. We want one person in each locality to whom we can refer new customers. Take advantage of our special Free Offer.

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Each Sunshine Safety Lamp is carefully inspected and thoroughly tested before shipping. It must be in perfect working order when you receive it. The lamp cannot fail to give you perfect satisfaction.

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