Write Congress Write your congressman and senators a letter today. Tell them that you are tired of

ey taken from the United States treasury and loaned out at a low rate of interest to the bankers. Tell them that the government should lend money directly to the cotton growers on their crops and relieve their dire distress



COTTON GROWERS **WORSE OFF THAN** CHATTEL SLAVES

Appalling Conditions Among Ex-Appeal's Investigator—Toilers of the Field Are Mortgaged Body and truth. But it is only as you apply Soul—Their Poverty Worse Than truth that you become free. That of City Slums.

BY JOHN KENNETH TURNER.

which had originally chinked the walls.

More mud had been daubed about, but many of the chinks gaped too wide for the mud to remain long in place. The whole cabin seemed on the point of crumbling into a heap. The farmer pointed to one corner that was in especially bad shape. "It will fall down on us before we can ever get away from here," he prophesied.

A Worker's Palace.

Within our five fingers no currency lingers, why bother about how it's spent?

For of what the trust left us, the land-lord's bereft us.

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For of what the trust left us, the land-lord's bereft us.

What is the odds whether profit or rent?

Washington, D. C., society is working for a "giftless Christmas."

Mr. Rockefeller is doing a little something in that line for some of us, too.

WONDER what a before-the-war A Worker's Palace.

We went inside, passing through a door that was not a door, but several rough slabs of lumber nailed together on an Oklahoma farm. rough slabs of lumber nailed together and hung on squeaky iron hinges. There was no lock nor knob nor latch. The floor was of ancient six-inch boards which yawned cracks wide enough for a skunk to crawl through. There were some slits of windows with several panes missing. The walls were lined with cheap wrapping paper. The ceiling was thin sheeting, dusty and full of holes.

The house was partitioned into two rooms, twelve by fourteen feet each. In one was a small, rusty cooking stove and a home-made table. In the other were two tumble-down beds, a dry goods box for a bureau and three rickety chairs.

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That was all the furniture. Above the bed-room door hung an old rifle. "Our meat is mostly squirrels," explained the farmer.

We went outside again. I looked for the stable, as snow falls here in winter. I did not find any stable. I looked for an outhouse. There wasn't any outhouse. There wasn't any outhouse. I inspected the well. It was out of commission.

"Stopped up with sand," said the farmer. "I've been trying to get Mullen (the landlord) to have it cleaned out, but he won't do it. I water my horses in an old sink not far away. The water we use at the house I haul in a bairel a half mile."

A multitude of questions of a certain sort framed themselves in my mind: Why don't you fix up the place? Why don't you make the landlord give you a decen, dwelling? Why don't you dig a new well, if the landlord won't fix the old one? Why don't you dig a new well, if the landlord won't fix the old one? Why don't you do this—and why don't you do that?

An Answer te All.

A PATRIOTIC lecturer says "the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice. "If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice. "If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice. "If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice. "If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand for the kind of justice." If the American people forever stand fo

An Answer to All. But I asked only one of them. And the farmer's reply was a fair answer for all.

I would have to pay for it in labor

Vote for Socialism and keep the mortgage weed off your farm.

GIVE the old parties another chance and they'll put a tax on babies.

THE nation is growing prosperous through assessing a war tax.

ppalling Conditions Among Ex-ploited Tenants Are Revealed by what the workers produce.

A CONGRESSMAN says the navy is full of junk. And the navy hasn't anything on congress, either.

Wonder what a before-the-war slave would have thought of emanci-pation if he had suddenly found him-self a "free" tenant cotton grower

SENATOR TILLMAN is convinced that the government ought to manufac-ture its own armor plate. Strange the government can manufacture armor plate, but can't manufacture food and clothing.

for all.

"Wouldn't it pay you to get a shove, and dig a well yourself, rather than to haul your water a half mile?"

That was my question.

"Because," answered the farmer, "I would have to pay for that well not once, but twice—yes, more times than that.

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.. War and Human Nature..

Written by ALLAN L. BENSON for the Appeal to Reason

THO dare doubt the sturdy patriotism of Ardrew Carnegie? Who would reflect upon the wisdom, the intelligence and the unselfishness of Mr. Rockefeller or Mr. Morgan? These gentlemen belong to a class who have done quite well in America. Their fires never go out for lack of a ton of coal. Their dogs never run away because their cupboards are bare. Without doubt, gentlemen of this class know how to take care of

any John Kenneth Turner, ried Correspondent Appeal to Reason. BROCK, CARTER COUNTY, OK.—It was in this vicinity that I saw the inside of a tenant cotton farmer's home" for the first thickelly, driving a forest of jack-oaks. I saw an universe, humpy clearing in the heart of the timber. There was a field of dying cotton stems, picked clean, a patch of pasture ground, almost bure, and on the highest bump the "farm" building—a rick, somewhat larger than a hen-coop, and dong afternoon. The farm wagon stood near by, a span of horses hitched to it. In the bed was a bale of cotton and an armful of hay. A woman and five small children were lust climbing into the wagon. The farm wagon stood near by a span of horses hitched to it. In the bed was a bale of cotton and an armful of hay. A woman and five small children were lust climbing into the wagon. The farmer and his entire family good to good the point of better of the farm's many be the backbone of the deard of the point of starting for Ardmore, in order to be in early Monday morning.

But they were willing to tarry while I had a look about the place. The house was a rough-hewn log ruin with sheet-iron roof had a stoverypie chimmer poking cut of each end. Thirty years ago the building served very well, no doubt, as a squatter's calcin, through poking cut of each end. Thirty years ago the building served very well, no doubt, as a squatter's calcin through poking cut of each end. Thirty years ago the building served very well, no doubt, as a squatter of the point of the poi

tleships, the torpedo boats and the mines that are flung in the path of ocean traffic. For Europe is at war. Europe is at war, not as any other continent was ever at war; Europe is at war, not as wild Indians or black savages were ever at war-Europe is at war as only the most highly developed capitalist governments can make war; for in Europe, as in the United States, the capitalist system is in effect-the system under which a few men own everything and all other men work for them.

Now, why is Europe at war? Is it because the people of Europe delight in death? Is it because the men like to leave their wives and children to the tender mercies of hurrying armies that often destroy with the torch what they have failed to destroy with sword or shell? Did the men of Louvian and Termonde go gayly to the front because they were in quest of a summer holiday? Did the Germans who have died and the Germans who are about to diedid they seek death because life was not sweet? In short, are the people of Europe at war because war fits their natures?

G o ask the Russian peasant who first heard of the war when a recruiting officer penetrated into the depths of "darkest Russia," told him to unhitch his horses from the plow and take his place in the army. Ask this Russian peasant what kind of a nature he has. Ask him if he had thought it all over carefully and determined that he would rather die than see Russia go another year without extending her domains to Constantinople. Ask him if he had made up his mind that death would be preferable to life unless Russia could annex eastern Prussia.

Ask the German in the ranks why he is fighting. Ask him if he would fight anybody if everybody would let him alone. Ask the Frenchman. Ask the Englishman.

The Russian peasant will tell you that he never heard of the war until an army officer came into the field where he was working and told him to go to town and join his regiment. Ask him if he found it impossible to be happy unless Constantinople and eastern Prussia were taken and you will get no reply. He knows as much of international politics as he does of the moon. And it is of some millions of such men that the Russian army is composed.

The German soldier in the ranks will tell you truthfully that he went to war only as a last resort to prevent his country from being overrun and perhaps subjugated by invaders. The invaders whom he particularly feared at the beginning were the bloodthirsty Russian peasants whom I have just described. Later, he became afraid of the Frenchmen and the English

Ask the French why they are at war and they will tell you that they did not start until the Germans to begin with. Then next year Mullen would say the new well made the place worth more, and he'd raise the rent. I'd have to pay the value of that well over and over again as long as I stayed."

"Mullen, Mullen & Mullen" is the name of a firm of landlords, one of the biggest in Oklahoma. The real estate maps, especially of the southern counties, are literally specified with the name of Mullen. Mullen & Mullen are reputed to have 1.500 tenant families from which they draw a yearly rental. No doubt any of the three Mullens would be deported to tell you that tenants are a shiftless lot, created so by God, and tenants because they are shiftless. Here was one of the Mullen tenants making it plain to me that tenants making it plain to me that tenants making it plain to me that tenants are a shiftless because they are shiftless. The size of this particular tenant (Continued on page iwo.)

The Star Brangled Banner."

The British war department has seed a decree reserving all the hides for military purposes. For more than 40 years, of course, the French people had hated the German ruling class, because they for had lost Strassburg, as if it made any difference to a Frenchman whether Strassburg were governed by one set of grafters or another. A New York workingman might as well say that his welfare would always be assured so long as Los Angeles is governed and owned by capitalists who rake in their profits to the tune of "The Star Spangled Banner." But the Frenchman should be pardoned for this little weakness, because his ruling class has bred it into him in order to make him fight when called upon. Certain it is that Frenchman have never hated the Germans whom they have actually know, and do not now hate them; nor do germany it plain to me that tenants of the first were thundering down upon them with forty army

which the French hate it. The French picture a nothing more ' power for evil and imagine that the German people are inside of it, when the fact is that only the capitalists who rule Germany are inside of it. And, so it goes the world around. American capitalists, a few years ago, made us, for a few moments, hate "Spain," because of acts that were attributed to the bandful of capitalists who ruled Spain.

If they do so a good in St. Louis a Pomeranian dog belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Onging to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Ongoing to Mrs. and Mrs. and Mrs. Samuel Ongoing to Mrs. and Mrs. Samuel Ongoing to Mrs. and power for evil and imagine that the German people! If they do

Such are the facts about Europe. Do you believe abiding place is either the hovel or the trench and we are determined a 5600 funeral. Ebony Prince was the fact is that not a common seldier in Europe is certain we have a contain the fact is that our natural abiding place is either the hovel or the trench and we are determined a second function. In St. Louis the dead dog was given a second function of the contain the contain the containt and the contain the containt the contain the c

The fact is that not a common soldier in Europe is fighting because he wants to fight. Some are fighting tired of a poverty-stricken world because they must—others because they prefer war to invasion and subjugation. The Russians are fighting because the czar told them to and they have been trained to regard the czar as the next thing to God Almighty. The rank and file of German soldiers are fighting what they believe is a concerted attempt to overrun them and destroy their country. So are the Frenchmen and so, in another sense, are the the Frenchmen and so, in another sense, are the English. The English feel that it will be easier to whip Germany now, while others are at her, than to let her triumph and then have to fight her single handed a few years hence. The English are quite well lecking directors—well in exercise them on the spot. sure that their destruction is plotted by the German people, when the fact is that if the German and the English ruling classes would cease trying to gain at the expense of the other, nobody in Germany would harm the English and nobody in England would harm the Germans.

The plain truth is that a system of industry can be made to work even though it does not fit human

The plain truth is that the world has never seen system of industry that has fitted human nature. If the world had ever had a system of industry that fitted human nature, progress would have stopped right there, so far as the development of new systems was concerned.

Progress in this direction has never stopped. Savagery was discarded because it did not fit human nature and barbarism supplanted it. Barbarism went by the board for the same reason. Serfdom did not fit human nature, so it, too, had to go. And now we have capitalism, which does not fit human

CAPITALISM does not fit human nature. Capitalism does not fit human nature unless wealth for a few and poverty for the rest are dear to the

Capitalism does not fit human nature unless worry and fear and want and suffering are indispensable parts of a happy life. Capitalism does not fit human nature if happiness

Capitalism does not fit human nature if happiness being dispensed is nothing for any one to boas; about. The world should rather be ashamed that the giving of Capitalism does not fit human nature unless chil-

dren like to work in factories, and women like to become wage workers and live on \$6 a week.

And what is this monstrous thing called Socialism that rich gentlemen are so certain would fail because it does not fit human nature? What does it propose? What does it mean? ose? What does it mean?

Socialism proposes that all great industries should the facts of the war be known and

be owned by the government, and that all governments should be not only owned but controlled by

Socialism would cause the government to manu-

facture and sell the necessities and comforts of life at cost.

Socialism would cause the government to give employment to every worker so long as there remained an unsatisfied want on the part of any person. Socialism could do this. Capitalism cannot. Capitalism can give employment to nebody unless his ism can give employment to nobody unless his birth of the Prince of Peace. product can be sold at a profit. Socialism would not be dependent upon profit. Socialism would work without profit. Take out the profit and you take out forced unemployment. If you want something that I can make and I want something that you can make, why should we not both go to work and serve membrances to friends. The way for capitalist system which not only opourselves by serving each other? Is anything more absurd than for people to sit around idle while they are suffering for the things they could make? Is as follows:

the giving of gifts and other kind recapitalist system which not only oppresses and kills the manhood and womanhood of the world, but also
starves and slaughters innocent babes. are suffering for the things they could make? Is anything more absurd than for unemployment and anything more absurd than for unemployment and women and children of the Colorado justice and a system where charity poverty to exist at the same time? If people are coal fields. Remember that there are will not be needed. You can do this poor, why don't they go to work? Is there a simpler remedy for poverty? But how can they go to work homeless in the Rockefeller dominion. of Socialism to the farmers of the when they do not own the machinery with which The ending of the strike will not imwork is done? How can the capitalists set them to mediately lessen their wants. So, work when the people have no money with which to comrades, if you have shoes or clothin the fields are our brothers. They will buy the product? How can the people have money ing, new or old, send them to the be with us fighting for the better day with which to buy the product when they have no And also please prepay the postage them. In observing Christmas this

Socialism proposes that you shall own the government and steer it as a pilot steers a ship. Socialism proposes that you shall have the power to make laws by your own votes if you care to make

law in this way. Socialism proposes that you shall have the power, by direct ballot, to vote upon and repeal any law that congress may have made.

Socialism proposes that you shall have the power to recall, at any time, even the president of the United States, if you care to do so.

Socialism, broadly speaking, is only an attempt to

get rid of the man in business who says: "You can-not earn your bread unless you pay me" and to get rid of the politician who says: "You cannot run your government as you would like to because of me," Does Socialism fit human nature? Maybe not. It all depends. If a 42-inch gun fits human nature, So-

eiglism 'does' not.

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THEY are urging, "Don't talk war, alk business." But war and business.

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Write Wilson Write a respectful letter to the president and tell him that in your opinion the way to help the outh, who are in terrible distress, is to the postal sat him that the Go ney on their crops directly through other federal agencies. And tell

Tale of Two Cities

y hat ould they Dickens wrote a Tale of Two Cities. Here is another. In this case the two cities are floston and St. Louis. The time was the same, A. D. 1914, in the glad Christ-

work at the municipal employment We do not feel that our natural

We hope we are human. We are and blanket of narcissus covering his certain we have natures. We are tiny form."

tired of a poverty-stricken world. In Boston the despairing mother,

hungry when he came home that I gave it all to him."

In St. Louis flowers were piled high By fuming and fussing, crating and In St. Louis flowers were piled mign around the casket of the little Pemeranian. "He was the darlingest dog in all the world." wept his mistress over the casket in which lay the body of a lucky dog.

In Boston the matron turned from the fainting mother with a sight "I The submerged of the world will have to quit shouting for help and go to swimming.

the fainting mother with a sigh: "I am so sorry, but there is no work for you," she said.

THE GAME OF CAPITALISM.

The APPEAL received a letter the other day from a large concern dealing in advertising novelties which The mistake of the south seems to have been that it raised plain cotton rather than gun cotton.

The average worker dies all his the country, and which contained one paragraph that is so refreshingly frank and contains so much truth The average worker digs all his that it seems worth printing. Here life only to discover after many years that he has been digging his own

it is:

"Let me confess my regret that extermination is the spirit and evident necessity of modern trade. I would much prefer that present day ambition to gran fortune were not so cold-blooded and ruthless—that this fight for commercial supremacy in every line did not mean extinction for the unfit and unprogressive—but—since the war is on, since the war is here, since we are all in it and it must work to own changes, I forge guns for attack and armor-plate for defense that give victory to the alert." EUROPE is demonstrating that though kings and capitalists are not much as rulers, they are great as CHRISTMAS under capitalism means sorrow for the children who get nothing and worry for the parents who have nothing.

CAPITALISM has become a sub-contractor for death. It is employing the world in slaughter, and those the players are forced to play, whether that will not work at that are starved they like it or not.

The Saturday Evening Post says:
"A farmer should have an automo ile
if he can afford one, but he is a fool
if he mortgages his farm to get one."
All of which is very true. But what
the farmer is becoming more and
more interested in is to know why
he cannot afford an automobile without mortgaging h's farm. The Post
has no answer for this, neither has
any other capitalist controlled paper
or magazine. The Socialists have the
only answer. The farmer feeds the THE vast amount of charity now CHRISTMAS serves its greatest function when it makes business. Santa Claus is merely a commercial traveler, and not the Prince of Peace. But it ought not be so. or magazine. The Socialists have only answer. The farmer feeds world; those who ride in automob could not live a day without the farmer—and yet there are few farm-ers who can afford automobiles. He farmer—and yet there are few farmerers who can afford automobiles. He does not control the market in which he must sell his product nor the market in which he must sell his product nor the market in which he needs and in consequence he is robbed of the major part of what he produces. Socialism will guarantee the farmer the full social value of the product of his labor and he can then afford the best automobile produced. the others who are seeking to per-vert the truth about the war, the ordinary citizen is finding the war less interesting than baseball dope

THERE is one thing grand about capitalism—grand larceny.

How to Observe Christmas

Christmas is generally observed by Belgium will be impossible. Help un the giving of gifts and other kind re- dermine and overthrow this brutal 1. Remember the poorly clad men, Help bring about a system based or work? Don't you see that it is whirling around this profit-pole that makes you dizzy?

Socialism proposes to remove the pole and stand you upon your feet. Socialism proposes that the government shall own everything big and that you shall do everything and get everything.

And also please prepay the postage them. In observing Christmas this or express charges. While Rockefel-year, send a dollar bill, or more if ler is hypocritically giving charity to you can, to the Appeal's Agitation League which will be used in spreading the light among those that need it most. Use this blank in making a Christmas present to the greatest where such tragedies as Colorado and

For the Farmers' Fighting Fund

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(Continued from page one.) was 32 acres. A little distame was 3.2% acres. A time amother tract of 17 acres, making 49½ in all. For the first place he paid Mullen a cash rental of \$72, or about \$2.25 an acre. The other place he rented on shares, giving one-third the corn yield ard one-fourth the cotton yield for the use of the land.

I will outline the story of this man's struggles as he told it to me. I do not give his name for reasons that will be appreciated when we get a little farther along. away the same man farmed

little farther along.

Lost What He Had.

man, a Texan by birth, came ter a "nexter" five years ago. in with his family in a farm wagon, bringing a horse and a mule, some corn and bed-clothes. He owned things then; he does not own

Not finding a "home" at once, I walked the streets of Ardmore for three months looking for work, while his family camped with the wagon. He found three days' work in all. Finally he got a chance to raise

Being without money, he was forced to apply for a loan at the start. He called upon a gentleman in town to apply for a loan at the start. He called upon a gentleman in town by the name of Boone. Mr. Boone kindly handed him \$30, for which he took a note for \$36, and a mortgage on everything the farmer owned, including the crop that he had not yet planted. As the loan was negotiated in the spring and fell due October 1, the interest rate amounted to 40 per cent.

He also arranged with a country store to get groceries on credit.

the also arranged with a country store to get groceries on credit.

That year the farmer raised ten bales of cotton. On the proceeds he paid his rent, redeemed his mortgage and settled with the grocer, but it took every dollar that he had. He moved to his present location for a new trial.

Again the Parasites.

Again, before he could turn over hand, he was forced to call upon a gentleman who lived in town. That gentleman was Bryan Drew, presi-dent of the State National Bank of Ardmore. Mr. Farmer took \$100 and Mr. Drew took a note for \$120, which

That year Mr. Farmer harwested seven bales of cotton, fell for ther besteling it.

In this in any feature is a seven bales of cotton, fell for the besteling it.

In this in jail for sell, ag it. And he was been continue a client of Mr. Worsham, Mr. Boone, a dother town gentlemen at from 30 to 40 me," he confessed. "They may send me to the penitentiary. I've got to gether," answered the farmer.

They had a new baby at the turn and tagger when it is a confessed in the mortgage could put the mentage could put the mortgage cou



Chattel Mortgage

State of Oklahoma KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: Carter County -- ss.

viz.: My entire corn and cotton crop consisting of about five acres corn and about thirty acres cotton, said crop to be raised by me next year on the farm Also all other crops

one bay horse mule 14 hands high, 12 years old, branded on left jaw, brand not remembered. Also one red roan horse 15 hands high, 10 years old, no brand. Also all other stock that I may own during the year 1912. Also one 2% inch Moline wagon, new. All harness and farming tools, implements, saddles and machinery that I now own or may own during the year 1912.

Which said above described property at the date of these presents is in possession of the said party of the first part, and is clear of liens, conveyances, incumbrances and levies; to have and to hold all and singular the said goods and chattels unto the said mortgagee and his successors or assigns, and to his sole use and benefit forever. Provided, however, that if said mortgagor shall well and truly discharge and pay at maturity the following described notes and interest that may be due thereon, to wit:

One note dated Dec. 13, 1911, due Oct. 1, 1912, for \$180.00.

And all other indebtedness then due or to become due said mortgagee, then this mortgage is to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. And provided further, that if any attempt be made to remove said property from said county or to sell, attach or claim the said property, without the written consent of said mortgagee or his successors, or if said mortgagee shall at any time deem himself insecure, it is agreed that the said mortgagee, his successor, agents or assigns may enter into or upon any premises where said property may be found, and take possession of said use of said mortgagee, his successors or assigns; and if any of the indebtedness hereby secured is not duly paid, principal and interest, when due, then it is agreed that the whole amount of said indebtedness mentioned, which shall not have been paid, shall be considered due and payable.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said mortgagor has hereunto set his hand this 13th day of Dec., 1911.

Sample Oklahoma Farm Chattel Mortgage. For \$150 in cash the victim gave the money lender his note for \$180, and this mortgage, covering everything he possessed, or might possess, until the mortgage was paid. As the money was oaned December 13, and matured October 1, the farmer paid \$30 for the \$150 for 91/2 months, or at the rate of 25 per cent per annum. The Oklahoms law matured, as usual, on the first day of the following October—also the usual blanket mortgage. The interest figured out at exactly 25 per cent. The usury law of Oklahoma prohibits an interest charge in excess of 10 per cent. The law is of no effect for reasons that will be made clear in next week's issue of the Appeal.

The usury law of Oklahoma prohibits an interest same water from this well," said the

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and be did not know of any property that was not covered by debt. "The gin has 120 custom.re," he said. "Not twenty of them could ex-ist thirty days if their credit was shut off. Not one in ten has enough corn to feed their horses through the winter."

I heard the same story from other farmers whom I have called upon in other parts of the county, and from still others with whom I have talked in Ardmore. For scores of farmers are driving into Ardmore daily from every point of the compass to sell their cotton over to their creditors.

"If the bankers help the people out to make another crop, two-thirds will make another crop. If not, less than one half will make another crop. If

make another crop. If not, less than one-half will make another crop. If we make another crop, of course, it will be, as usual, for them." That is

I have talked, in town and country. Their total area is 6,100 square miles, only one was optimistic. He was a most of it extremely mountainous. bricklayer who had laid up money at The natives, men and women, are

Helping Win Oklahoma.

Sometims ago we printed a fetter from Comrade W. B. Tyler in which he saked as to-convert his life subscription, for which he paid \$5, into a 4-year subscription and to apply the balance of \$4 to the Farmers' Fighting Fund to be used to pay for the subscriptions of Oklahoma farmers of which we have a list Since this letter appeared a number of other comrades have followed Comrade Tyler's lead and arranged with us to handle their life subscriptions in the same manner. All of which we are glad to do.

"They was a list in the subscriptions of the mere trouble of gathering them the native had cocoanuts, dates, bananas, guavas, plantain, yams, mountain apples, water lemons and breading the forest yielded hogs and wild fowl. There was plenty for all and to spare. Today there are 110 charity organizations in Honolulu alone, a city of less than 60,000.

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Hawaii, An International Crime

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what one said.

Another, an old-timer, said: "I have seen nothing as bad as this since the civil war."

Still another one said: "Every."

It is typical of the native law mains few min domed. They are the most kindly, the least domed. He have seen nothing as bad as this since the civil war."

Still another one said: "Every." where you hear one question and one answer. The question is: 'What are you going to do?' The answer is: 'I shame.

Of the scores of farmers with whom only eight of which are habitable.

his trade. He had not actually begun splendidly built, strong, lithe and well to farm. and hair and their skin is neither black turning their cotton over to their nor brown, but a shade between the creditors—the gentlemen who live in two. Thick lips and broad noses are town, the gentlemen who ride about in automobiles, who live in fine homes,

Captain Cook's Discovery.

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Wild fruits grew in abundance. For natives, the mere trouble of gathering them the native had cocoanuts, dates. ba
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As late as 20 years ago it was the men they had a legend of a Hawaiian custom that a guest be furnished one Joshua who caused the sun to stand of his host's daughters for his enter-still and a story of an island Jonah, tainment. Hospitality decreed that upset in his canoe, swallowed by a the host first offer one of his wives. Breat fish and later cast up on the Sheep whenever he entered or came near the fold.

Inasmuch, as he was a Christian, God-fearing Wolf, it distressed him exceedingly to see such a lack of perfect was offered and accepted. By no manner of means could these This was the custom exactly as we legends have been given them by give a guest the best room in the Christians. Then where did they get fact reace among the Sheep whom he

angry because the natives had not thrown sufficient offerings of meat and fruit into the crater. Human be-ings were never sacrafted to her. Nevertheless Pele was one of the most

"Aloha!"
The greeting to the stranger touching Hawaii, the word he hears most while there and the farewell shouted by natives as he steams away is "Aloha."
It means love, affection, good wishes, kindly concern, sympathy, rejoicing, sorrow, greeting, goodbye. Anything and everything good that you could possibly wish the one dearest your heart is expressed in "Aloha."
It is typical of the native Hawaiians. They are the most kindly, the least doomed.

Heathen Volcano Worship.

In Honolulu lived an old chiefess, Ruth, a sister of two former kings. She liked the whites so little that she refused to either learn or speak their language. She scorned their religion and was a bitter foe of the missionaries. When she learned of the danger to Hilo she said, "I will save the vil-lage. Pele will listen to one who has not forsaken the gods of Hawaii." The next day she went to Hilo, accompanied by a number of attendants. In her company was Princess Liliuo-kalani, destined later to reign over the slands as queen. Ruth's attendants erected an altar straight in the path of the on-coming fire. The aged of the on-coming fire. The aged woman ascended the altar, faced the in automobiles, who live in fine homes, and play golf at the country club.

In very few cases does their cotton satisfy these town gentlemen. The teams, wagons and tools are still covered by mortgage. Every man is wondering what he is going to do, wondering if he is going to be closed out. Every man's hand is in the lion's mouth.

All notes in this section fall due

mouth.

All notes in this section fall due October 1. In October hardly anybody was closed out—because the town gentleman wanted the farmer to finish picking the cotton—for him. But now, as the farmers are finishing picking the cotton the town gentlemen are beginning to close them out.

The gentlemen whom the farmer calls upon when he comes to town—and particularly the gentlemen of the town of Ardmore—I shall deal with in next week's issue of the APPEAL.

Helping Win Oklahoma.

The was killed.

Cook estimated the island population at approximately 400,000. Today the natives number less than 30,000. That is one thing civilization has done for them.

There was practically no disease among them when the white man came. Cook's crew introduced the curse peculiar to civilization which, coupled with measles, also imported, weers away 200,000 of them in 58 from the legend. The hardened from the complete of the lava stream now stands like a wall before Hilo. The whole thing happened but 32 years ago, during the life of, and was witnessed by, reptile nor a poisonous plant or vine in all Hawaii. Flies and mosquitoes were unknown till the ships of the

Explain it? I can't. You try,
One thing is certain: It did much
to revive the natives' faith in their
heathen forms of worship.

sury law of Oklahoma prohibits an interest charge in excess of 10 per cent. But what is that to Bryan Drew?

With a part of the \$100 loan Mi. I mever gamble. Work may children in the field, the should condomn him for extravagance. But his oldest child was ten and there were more little ones coming.

That year he harvested nine talls of the money to the merchant he still owed \$40.

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John Hart, 19, snatched a handbag from a woman on Sixth avenue, New York City, and when arraigned in 108 E 5th St. Canton, O.



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When Science Is Free

BY JOSEPH J. O'BRIEN.

The public health service now reports substantial success in the treatment of leprosy; a disease which has defied the best efforts of individual physicians. The medical men in the government employ were not hampered with thoughts of medulations and the connection between yellow fever and the mosquito, and who provided a prompt remedy, the smothering the eggs of the insect with oil.

When the Quebec bridge failed the men in the government employ were not hampered with thoughts of med-



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Next week: "The Feudal Colonies."

Significant News

When the Quebec bridge failed the when the Quebec bridge latted the federal bureau of geological survey was appealed to investigate the causes of failure. The private con-tracting engineers did not know! The true cause of iron rust was dis-

The true cause of iron rust was discovered by a government expert, as being electrical in nature. And the scientific world now admits that pure iron will not rust. This initiative of the government promises to revolutionize the great iron industry. A process has been perfected for producing substantially pure iron; which is found to be rustless.

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Collective interest intensives individual initiative. This is fact which all men engaged in intellectual work recognize. The greater man's social interests become, the greater his capacity, his desire, his initiative for creative effort. In fact, we identify all great creative achievements with impulses which originated from social sympathies. Man does not live for himself alone; he can exist by himhimself alone; he can exist by himself, but to live he must have social communication; he must enter social life. His greatest incentive to action is found in working to improve his personal condition by helping to better the general social condition. Science is making brotherhood workable. Heaven will be established by the characteristics of making it. the sober materialism of making it profitable for men to co-operate, by unifying their interests.

Early Land Revolts

BY LINCOLN PHIFER.

THE presence of large bodies of land in America not only gave many hope of escaping tyranny in Europe, but also afforded basis of early revolts by settlers themselves against the stockholders of the com-

against the stockholders of the com-panies financing the colonists.

The average history makes much of the "democracy" established by the Puritans in Massachusetts. As a matter of fact, the democracy was merely the giving of franchise to resi-dent stockholders of the company, the voting of stocks; the non-stockholder had no vote. Finally he revolted, and the franchise was extended to 116 non-stockholders; yet all of them were of some favored class. As immigra-tion grew through marked racial tion grew through marked racial movement from England, the nonstockholder, being too poor to go to the business meetings at Plymouth and vote, gave his proxy to others, and this was lauded as the beginning "representative government."

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Virginia, too, established a similar "representative government" that was in reality syndicate government, by directories and proxies, after a long revolt of the tyrannized colonists against the taking of everything they produced except barely enough to end of course, end all corporations immediately as a similar extend did not be a similar extend the content of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might, if desired, be followed at the long revolutions are content of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might, if desired, be followed at the long revolutions are content of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might, if desired, be followed at the long revolution of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might, if desired, be followed at the long revolution of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might, if desired, be followed at the cancel in the content of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might, if desired, be followed at the cancel in the content of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might, if desired, be followed at the cancel in the content of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might is desired, be followed at the long revolution of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might is desired, be followed at the long revolution of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might is desired, be followed at the long revolution of the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might is desired to the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might in the syndicate in America. It however established a precedent that might in the syndicate in America. long revolt of the tyrannized coloring they against the taking of everything they produced except barely enough to enable them to live. This "popular rule" able them to live. This "popular rule" diately, as similar action did in the early days of America. consisted of a governor appointed by the company, an upper house selected by the company, and a lower house elected by settlers; the acts of the people's house were subject to veto by the governor. It will be noticed that this directorate rule became the that this directorate rule became the basis of the federal and state gov-

ernments still in existence.

History will tell you that Roger
Williams-was banished from Massachusetts because of his religious

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Girard, Kansas, Dec. 19, 1914

read it if he sent it to me, and as he was an old friend I agreed to read it. When the first copy came I started to read it, but before I was half way through I became very angry and was tempted to throw it into the tire.

The Appeal is the real to the wind the Appeal is the real stuff and is delivering the stuff and is delivering the appeal stuff appeal stuff and is delivering the appeal stuff and is delivered to Below we give a letter from an Army worker that we believe is a better editorial than we could possibly write:

"Herewith \$1 for four subs. When I think of the tremendous struggle for existence I wonder why it is we sit by with our arms folded waiting to be teld our duty again and again. I venture to say that not very angry and was tempted to throw it into the fire. But it stirred me just the same and all the week I kept thinking and thinking of what I had read. I decided if what the Appeal is the edit of the country would have put the editor in prison long ago. After reading a few more copies I was forced to admit that it had honesty on its side, so I am fully and thoroughly converted. I was honest in believing that all Socialists were a band of outlaws trying to overthrow the evaperment. folded waiting to be told our duty again and again. I venture to say that not one of us but could swell the Appeal's ub list by dozens, much less by four, if we could feet the pressure of the iminent danger that the Appeal's influence repels day by day. I realize the stupendous bulwark it has been the means of erecting between inhuman caprices of king capital and the feeble effort of dethroned labor. The Appeal must live and it is up to the comrades to see that its ranks are recruited with fresh volunteers who seek the truth."—L. V. Howeil, Albermarle, N. C. on its side, so I am fully and thoroughly converted. I was honest in believing that all Socialists were a band of outlaws trying to there are thousands of other honest men who think as I did and we must reach them with the truth.—J. L. Snodgrass, Texas.

Mustered Out.

L. L. Boughner, Mins, S. D. An Appeal Arny warhorse and always active.
His daughter writes: "He
died with a prayer on his
lips for the success of Socialism."

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g ing to give my class special attention—farmers—
Thomas J. Coonrod, state
cialism. Socialist party,
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The editorial page of the A Socialist Sanitarium.
Have established a sanitarium here for the treatment of all political allments and shall rely on Appeal serum to effect a cure. Have several patients suffering from Redemo-petrification of the brain, the germ of which was contracted during, or shortly after, the civil war. Have recommended a brain shampoo from the Appeal—J. P. Enlow, Bicknell, Ind.

Laurant Dean Houghton, aged 19. Younger son of Comrade H. P. Houghton, ex-mayor of Girard. A brother, Comrade Rolla Houghton, is deputy probate judge.

Who's Who?

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With this list of S subrit have sent in 70 subs to the Appeal since January I, 1914. All of these subs were gathered after my day's work. Why cannot creare gathered after my day's work why cannot extree workers of this country will soon be getting what our brothers are getting aeross the big pond right now.—Joseph Lehman, Lansing, Mich.

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peals that other comrades gave me and I have just come to the conclusion I'd better become a subscriber as I can't do without it.— Harvey Lague, Ps.

farmers.

In the American Socialist movement the Appeal sets the pace. There is no question about it. The chord the Appeal strikes rechord the Appeal strikes resounds through the nation. The minds of the millions catch the spirit and echoes in harmony with you. -B. F. Stevens, Texas.

Stevens, Texas.
Your decision to use the power of the Appeal for the propaganda of Socialism among the farmers will prove to be the greatest value to the Socialist movement. This move will bring more practical and lasting results than anything that has happened in years and I have been in the movement since 1875.—J. Holler, Ual.

F. W. Wollenhaunt of

F. W. Wollenhaupt of Kansas City orders two more copies of Hensan's great book, "The Truth About Socialism," and says; "I find that anyone I can approach to read it means Harvey Lague, Pa.

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tas J. Coorrod, state
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tas with it, most of them
former standpatters."

I make my heart ache

The Real Thing.

If anyone wants to know what hard times really are like let him come down into Texas. Thousands out of work, mules and horags of renters being taken away from them to pay for their groceries. Very few small merchants know whether they will be in business after the first of the year or not. Thousands are ready to become Socialists. We need literature. I am afraid to sign my name as I might lose my job.—A Teacher, Midlethian, Texas.

From a Recent Convert.

I have sent in 70 subs to them all sing the Appeal since January I, 1914. All of these subs model coffin for capitalism. Hetchum hands in a club of four with the gleeful revery Appeal commade do as much? If it is not done the workers of this country four brothers are getting our brothers are getting our brothers are getting our brothers are getting for the coffin for capitalism. Hetchum hands in a club of four with the gleeful revery Appeal commade do as much? If it is not done the workers of this country four brothers are getting our brothers are getting for the coffin for capitalism. Hetchum hands in a club of four with the gleeful revery Appeal commade do as much? If it is not done the workers of this country four brothers are getting our brothers are getting our brothers are getting our brothers are getting for the coffin for capitalism. Please find one buck endour work that give a laub of four with the gleeful rear four with the gleeful revery Appeal commade to as much? If it is not done the workers of this country four with the gleeful revery Appeal commade to as much? If it is not done the workers of this country four with the gleeful revery Appeal commade to as much? If it is not done the workers of this country four with the gleeful revery Appeal commade to as much? If it is not done the workers of the unit Socialism comes, who said that Some entity is the name of this way in the fight until Socialism comes, whe From a Recent Convert.

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ities will ever cease in the business world."

And they never will cease under the And they never will cease under the present profit system. They never will cease until a system is established under which the necessities of life will be produced for use instead of profit. And that will be Socialism. But the Examiner is opposed to Socialism. Socialism would give us a nation of happy people, and this is something the Examiner and the adherents of capitalism do not want.

A MAN tried to sell me a horse once. He said it was a fine horse and had nothing the matter with it I wanted a fine horse. But I dain t know anything about horses much. And because of the production of the profit of the said that there we man very well either.

Rockefeller Gets Alaska

THE Guggenheim branch of the house of Rockefeller has been made a present of the entire terminate a present of the entire terminate and the law a ratio has large as fight and that I was a fright and that I might have to which for my all the original territory of the United States. Coal lands of the state are to be

leased to private companies. Concerning this lease and what it means Representative Fowler said on the floor of the house:

The bill provides for the payment of a royalty of two cents a ton to the United States for these rich coal fields. This is so small that it looks like giving it away. While this provision is the minimum rate, yet it has been generally considered as the fixed rate in the past wherever the law fixes a minimum limitation."

who says concerning it:

"The secretary of the interior is given the right to lease the lands before the survey is made. Somebody must be anxious to obtain a lease or this provision would not have found a place in the bill. The law now provides for a survey and before any lease is made the land should be surveyed."

You may say that anyone beside well to be surveyed the land should be surveyed."

Well do. I know it will wash the clothes, what of them, in less than half the wearing of tearing them, in less than half the wearing of tearin

survey and before any lease is made the land should be surveyed."

You may say that anyone beside the Guggenheims, alias Rockefeller, Rex, may lease the lands. Since the Guggenheims control the only railroad on which the coal can be shipped from Alaska, much of it built by the government under pretense that it in this way was experimenting in government ownership, all others are practically shut out; and the two-cent a ton and the use of coal on unsurveyed land makes the king solid in his possessions.

Strong woman, and it don't wear the clothes, it all the eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges the eiges not break buttons the way all other machine eiges her day of the cidnes in any independent of the clothes like a force pump might.

So, satel to myself I will do with my "100 Gravity" washer eight and the wait for people tolack me. I'll offer first.

Let me end you a '1900 Gravity' washer eight for first, and the way all other machine eight on the eight of the cidnes in a force pump might.

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in his possessions.

Colorado must look out. The Fuel and Iron Company may well shut down and let the new mines be operated on terms more favorable for the king. It will be possible in cold and sparcely settle Alaska, with complete control of all transportation lines, to make the workers do precisely what the king wants them to do.

cisely what the king wants them to do.

To secure full control of America's credit, and complete mastery of the vast territory of Alaska within three months is a notable achievement even for Rockefeller, Rex. The German emperor is not in it with him in the way of conquest. The democratic administration sure has done great things—for Rockefeller.

disprove it. Some ridicule it, but fail to meet its arguments. Politicians and other capitalist hirelings lie about it,

phy or just how to explain it clearly. Thus it behooves every Socialist to thoroughly understand Socialism, its funda-After a long and annoying wait the wonderful "Story of the Appeal" is commanded this is why we urge all Appeal Army commanded to take the Rand School cornov ready and all orders received in advance of publication have been advance of publication have been scriptions or purchase 40 subscription can which we offer FREE to all who send us 40 25 cent subscriptions or purchase 40 subscription can be a subscription can b

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Many deny Socialism, but none can





sition can hardly be disputed. Theoretically it seems to me that the Socialists have cialists have the best of the argument.

The practical question is, whether or not the people of this or any other

"Story of the Appeal"

View of Socialism

Significant News

Breaking Up the Family.—The average grind of the divorce mill of Kansas City, according to the Kansas City Star, was 17½ a day for the last ten days.

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Says the Post: "There were young girls in their teens with sick parents to support; there were white haired old women upon whose scanty wage depends the existence of children and grand-children; there were women who were spending their last dime on carfare to the bureau, with nothing but hope that 'something might turn up."

A MERCHANT at Foust, Mo., advertises to pay "2½ cents per pound for cotton on account, and six cents cash for hogs." Oh, the great prosperity of the farmers. Belter everybody move to the country!

The bigger navy for the purpose of maintaining peace is a didn'tknow-it-was-loaded gun. It is dangerous to tinker with.

"The People's College.

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It makes no difference where you live, whether on a farm, in a crowded tensment in the city, or in a miner's cabin, whether on a farm, in a crowded tensment in the city, or in a miner's cabin the world of business answer this man? Has he not put a finger, blunted with toll, on a gross injustice which usiness ment in the city, or in a miner's cabin. There is no put to ear even get writing. Neither is it necessary to be means of our splendid correspondence of writing, better is in speaking or writing. Neither is it necessary to be means of our splendid correspondence of writing, better is in speaking or writing. Neither is it necessary to be means of our splendid correspondence of writing, better is no poor penime or a poor

The following remarkable editorial appeared in the Farmers' Mail and Breeze of December 6, 1914, which is owned and published by Arthur Capper, the republican governor of Knnass. The article was written by Tom McNeal, the editor of Farmers' Mail and Breeze:

A READER of the Mail and Breeze:

A wants light on Socialism. Well, I have just finished reading the

A Non-Socialist's

-Sample of the Prosperity.—The min-ers' union of Roscoe, Pa., has issued a call for charity to aid the miners and their families, after a shut down of long duration there.

Teasonable book on Socialism I ever have seen. It is called "The Truth About Socialism," by Allan Benson. The writer is a thinker. He is very much in earnest, but at the same time

THE APPEAL'S EDITORIAL PAGE

The miners' union has officially declared this the factories and mills are not concerned.

Colorado and Teaches Labor

render and that it will con-Somerville.

out the coal fields of Colorado." Thus Rocke- ing the cabbages and Oscar killed one of them. feller and his minions win. Thus thousands of And for this awful crime, although the oldest wage slaves must return to their arrogant mas- son of a widowed mother with four children and ters begging for work. The Colorado strike is the main support of the family, he must spend the third great labor struggle within the last four months in jail. Deprived of the boy's supfew years that has ended more or less unfavora- port, if the family suffer and go hungry it will ble to the workers. West Virginia, Michigan and be all right and legal and lawful according to Colorado stand today as mute evidence of the capitalism's code anywhere. weakness of labor and the power of capital. It And this is capitalism for you-in New Jersey is time that labor unions of this country took or any other state. It's perfectly lawful to stock and learned something of their recent ex- starve, but you mustn't kill rabbits out of season,

In every one of these strikes it was the politi- -tut, tut; don't mention it. cal power of the ruling class that forced labor te capitulate. Governors Hatfield, Ferris and Ammons were the chief lieutenants of the mine barons of the three states where labor has been crucified. In each of these strikes the APPEAL and the Socialist press fought valliantly for the workers. Thousands of dollars has been contributed to the strikers' cause through the efregret what we have done. If occasion again arises where our help is needed we shall give it ungrudgingly. But this we must say:

tering to its grave. The workers cannot win with the , lice, militia and courts in the hands of the Rockefellers if these ballots are ever and always cast in the things they produce. interest of the Socialist party. Let the workers of America learn this lesson now that the largest labor union of America was forced to surrender more than a million dollars.

THEY ARE SUBSTANTIATING everything interfere with the profits. the APPEAL has told concerning conditions in Colorado. After making an investigation for the federal council of the churches

John D., Jr., Prevaricator dominate the politics in those

counties where the mines are located. They have brought about the election of the judges, sheriff's, coroners and assessors. They can do about as they please so far as the law is concerned. A mass of evidence was brought out to show that they control the political, social and economic situation. Jefferson Farr, sheriff of Huerfano county, has been in office for 15 years. He is known as the 'King of Huerfano County.' 'What he says goes, as one of his admirers put it to me. It is not what he says, however, but what the coal companies say. These companies have secured his election as well as that of other officers and they control them."

Then follows specific instances of injustice United States government examined Mr. Welborne, head of the Colorado mine operators, and he admitted that the companies had spent \$30,-000 in printing and distributing a report exonerating the companies that was written by a man who knew nothing of the situation and that it in evidence, bealing the signature of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. It instructed the managers in them to follow, thus giving the lie to his statement under oath that he was not directing affairs in Colorado. Again the APPEAL is vindifighting nations under perpetual tribute to them.

THE APPEAL is asked: "What does govern-

Public Land Democratically land."

To Administer ership of land is the same as There is enough public land still remaining in the na-

tion to make that understandable. But Socialists demanded the democratic management, not of all land, but of all land that is publicly or governmentally owned. This means that, instead of being permitted of employing the idle, paying the workers of the land what they earn and selling the product to recounty for the purpose of employing its own idle.

IT WILL PROBABLY be news to a lot of good people that in New Jersey rabbits are worth

Value of Babes In New Jersey

greatest of recent class wars as ended. In tea Now another New Jersey judge has sent a boy minating the strike, the min- to jail for 120 days for killing a rabbit out of ers' executive board declares season. The boy's name is Oscar Phillipson and that it does not recognize sur- he is serving a four months term in the jail at

tinue "to propagate the prin- The Phillipson family are poor and at no time ciples of our humanitarian movement through- do they have much to eat; the rabbits were ruin-

no matter how hungry you are. As for Socialism

Go after your farmer friends and get their names on the APPEAL'S list. Remember when a farmer comes to Socialism he comes to stay. He sticks and he works and never fails to vote.

It is reported that one out of ten of the soldiers in the trenches in Europe are suffering from frozen feet. Many of these will lose their limbs. forts of the Socialist movement. We do not General Cold is a more resistless fighter than any of the military despots at the front.

THIRTY. Pueblo Indians recently expressed If the labor unionists would have spent half of themselves publicly as "looking with horror upon their energy in trying to wrest political power the calamity in which the great nations of Eufrom the ruling class that they have spent in in- rope are steeped." "Lo, the poor Indian, whose dustrial warfare capitalism would today be tot- untutored mind sees white man's cussedness and would be kind."

LET it be understood that the farmers of Amerand the capitalists. The ballots of the working ica will never be free from exploitation until of good, where the worker's fingers are able. men-and in some states of working women, too they, together with all the rest of the people. with the assistance of revolutionary farmers own and control collectively the markets where can give to labor the police, militia and courts, they must buy the things they need and sell the

EUROPE is destroying rather than producing, et wiseacres are advising the cotton farmers to after a fourteen months' militant strike costing put out less cotton next year. They are after prices for the cotton goods they will then con-

if the army and navy are being starved to death on the \$300,000,000 given them every year, of Christ of America, Rev. what of the farmers and wage workers who are Proven to Be a Henry A. Atkinson reported given nothing? The army and navy are not a in part: "The coal companies protection. It would be well to prepare directly for peace and prosperity for all.

> THE federal government recently made a "survey" of 35 farms in the irrigated district of Utah, and found that only three of them, having an investment of less than \$10,000, made an annual income of more than \$1,000. If six per cent was first deducted from the receipts of the average farmer on his investment in lands, machinery and stock, he would find he is scarcely making wages.

THE Crisis, a magazine for negroes, prints a picture of a black "heathen" of the Congo who is fighting to protect the wives and daughters of Belgians. Only a few years ago the Belgians were guilty of unspeakable atrocities against the done the miners. The same week this churchly the tables is a remarkable commentary on sowomen and children of the Congo. The turn in called civilization, with a side-light on barbarism that should put the European to shame.

Food, clothing, steel and other actual values are being sent to Europe. In return Americathat is, the capitalists of America—are getting back American watered stocks, which had been was largely false. A telegram also was placed foisted on European capitalists, and European bonds. The people are getting nothing except the price that the capitalists of this country are Colorado precisely the mode of procedure for forced to pay for products, while the American masters are at once squaring their former crookedness with European capitalists, and placing the

WHEN Allan L. Benson first presented, through ment ownership of land, democratically administered," as advocated in the Socialist national platimpractical Utopian dream. Now the Benson impractical Utopian dream. these columns, his plan for a vote on war by plan, as printed in the APPEAL, is being taken up in earnest all over the country. The Council of that now known as "public Peace of Washington, D. C., will hold a council of war in that city during the holidays to consider a democratic military policy and which congress will be urged to adopt. This organization has adopted bodily Benson's plan.

Can you see any connection between the fact to lie idle, as at present, the public land should be that three-fourths of the cotton of the world is prepared for cultivation and cultivated, as a means produced in America and the further fact that while industrial securities are not permitted to it to their own profit. And you stand for it.

ents. The judge declared this was all the life of convicts; that one of the men indicted was a she cannot feed her people. there are more than they can use, so if the rail- troops might be sent in to aid the operators.

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POVERTY has never been expressed. It has out a star-winter without end-eternity with-

Poverty! It Is Worse Than

Mere Want

For poverty is not only physical hunger, but it is heart hunger as well. Barbarism-

that's poverty. The Dark Ages were poverty. War-is poverty, and is followed by poverty. Poverty means the lusterless eye, the squat and calloused figure, the hesitating step, the dejected have to import foodstuffs or die; that the capicical, seeking not to aid the people but to keep attitude, shameful surroundings, unhealthy environment, impure food, unwholesome air, want humiliation, lack of life, the absence of hope, the whole nation. The causes that make for clashes sive than when charged by a Socialist. However, torment; of hell. It means that you must see your children snubbed and suffer deprivation to be bough all might in while others have anything heart could wish. It the conclusion then is means inequality of opportunity. It means in- mercial struggle for national supremacy and for gains. justice. Worse than all, in a world, where corporate sugremacy has reached the breaking nature responds to the touch of toil with streams when given opportunity, to grasp all the powers of nature and manipulate them as though he were all mighty, poverty means that there is robbery-that it is a condition purposely forced on the world-that the toiler is chained and his family is enslaved. That is the most pitiable thing about poverty-that, and the fact that the worker does not see it is so. Oh, if he would but only stand erect and open his eyes! Then passes with the dawn.

No. 1,000

The issue of the Appeal of January 23, 1915, will be NUMBER 1,000. Think what this means! One thousand weeks will then have elapsed since Wayland issued his first edition in Kansas City. There is no other record like this in the Socialist movement of this country. That the little old Appeal will fittingly celebrate this extraordinary event you may be sure. First thing NUMBER 1,000 will contain six pages instead of four. NUMBER 1,000 will have an entire page article by Allan L. Benson, recognized as the greatest Socialist propagandist in America. Also NUMBER 1.000 will have signed contributions not only from every member of the Appeal staff of associate editors and contributors, but also it will contain short articles from the leading Socialists of the country. NUMBER 1,000 will give a short account of the growth of the movement and the Appeal in the last twenty years, and particularly the present healthy status of Socialism in America. This edition will be an eye-opener to non-Socialists as well as to Socialists. NUMBER 1,000 will impress every reader with the wonderful growth and strength of American Socialism. And Benson's article will be devoted entirely to propaganda-to make Socialists out of non-Socialists. We have decided not to raise the bundle rates on this edition so that the comrades will be able to order as many copies as possible. he regular rates will apply and will include postage. These rates are \$5 a thousand; \$2.50 for 500; \$1 for 200. Who will be the first to order a bundle of Number 1,000, the six-page anniversary edition of the little old Appeal?

PRACTICALLY without exception leaders in thought and action in all the nations at war have expressed the view that the struggle now on was not of the people's choosing.

Only Socialism They all disclaim responsibil-Can Positively Prevent War

munerate the government. Only, Socialists ask that It should be plain to you that the industrial senseless and unnecessary war of modern times. speculating on your cotton and beat you out of forcing the issue, shows either that they are for the people or the world in general. eager to escape the condemnation of the future, or else that forces which they do not under-THE publicity bureau of the United Mine stand have driven them to this issue, and they the cotton movements from the plantations to the treat all the people like dogs. more in the eyes of the law of the New Jersey Workers in Arkansas prints advertising in which are blindly groping to find themselves. Proba-ultimate destination are represented by paper brand than are New Jersey it charges that C. R. Speer, the foreman of the bly the latter is true. There is a measure of signed either at London, Manchester or Liverbabies. It is true. It is not grand jury that brought indictments a ainst 35 truth in the statement that Germany is so hedged pool. When the United States bought cotton or wealth of the nations at war is three hundred so very long ago that a learned miners in the labor trouble there, "is a stock- in that it must have more room in which to ex- silk or tes in China, payment is made through billions of dollars, they are in debt to the amount New Jersey judge, in a case holder in one of the companies making the co where parents were suing a plaint against the workers." The mine workers same argument, based on national understanding means that the whole cotton motement in American state and municipal or private inrailroad which had killed their child, instructed also publicly charge that at least two of the mine alone, will apply to Russia and Japan. England, through pri-debtedness, or the indebtedness that is reprethe jury to bring in a verdict of \$1 for the par- guards employed by the companies were former must, she feels, maintain her present empire, or vate money. The private money gave a tremen- sented by commercial stocks and bonds. If all

for killing the child or were ever in any danger the controversy, and others of the indicted have the position of the financiers of the various forth enabled many to reap profits and railroads the debts of Europe. The world is bankrupt of going there. Little children are pientiful in never been in the neighborhood of the trouble, countries, to the effect that other nations were so to collect tolls that without it would not have Capitalism has not only collapsed, but it cannot New Jersey and very, very cheap; the New Jer- And this administration aided in throwing the hemming them in that their business was threat- been possible. In other words, the present method recover from the collapse. We must repudiate sey glass factories employ a lot of them, but companies into federal receiverships so that ened with destruction. It may be that the capital of doing business is the result of a conspiracy the debts and begin a new slate or ivilization talism of some of them was predicated on land to get as much from the producer as possible. will be wrecked.

product of the commercial age. It may be that the American capitalism is founded on combina- Bull Mooser tions and represents a still further advance in Confesses Aim the campaign for profit. One might argue that, Of His Party because of these things, the clash was inevitable, and that America is sure to be drawn into it grown out of a protest against wrongful condisooner or later.

ruling class of each nation is accepted as conclu- problems. Instead of taking warning at the sive, as far as its viewpoint goes; and that the growth of Socialism, they have condemned it outlook of the capitalist of each country was without argument and denounced every plank accurate, as far as he could see. Yet through in the Socialist platform." all runs the conviction that the war was foolish. Mr. Allen then proceeds to present the growth though apparently inevitable. Each belligerent of Socialism. Comparing the vote of 1912 with may think he tried to avert it. It all shows that that of 1901 he shows that the democratic vote world forces are gripping men and making them decreased 1.1 per cent; the republican and pronever been painted. You think of a night with- do what they would not. The thing that pushes gressive vote increased 5.1 per cent, and that the them to war is not c vitalists or rulers, but capi- Socialist vote increased 765 per cent. From this out hope—and that is poverty, talism and the ideas that made the rulers. The he argues that "the Socialist vote at next elec-Yet it is not all of poverty, thing that makes them realize they are wrong is tion, based on what has been done in the past the developing social consciousness.

it might be called; and suppose the system of the only wan to stop it is by voting the progrescommercial conquest for profits should continue; sive ticket. it is evident that Germany and Japan would still It is interesting to note this frank acknowlbe crowded to suffocation; that England would edgment that the progressive party is hypocritbusiness at the expense of other nations or else is what Socialists have declared, but it is more of education, days of hopeless waiting, years of face ruin for themselves and depression for the likely to be believed when coming from a progresfear of the future that exceeds all the possible would remain, and the clash would come once the progressive party does not seem to have been more, though all might henestly feel warfare very successful in its work. When it polled its

> point. They must be ended or civilization will THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. perish. It is not so much a sentimental proposi- according to the report just issued, has been intion, whether we shall organize commerce on a vestigating the 'round-about way of marketing worldwide basis, conducted by the various nations without profit, but for the good of all, as One Cause of it is a matter of necessity. There is no other the High Cost way out of warfare and war burdens-nothing of Necessaries but Socialism.

PETER RADFORD of the National Farmers' Un- "Steers raised in California by an Oregon operaion says there are 1,514,000 women farm work- tor have been shipped through Denver to Omaha, trol, and do not wish new cotton to come in and poverty would disappear from earth as though ers in the United States, 400,000 of them girls and their beef sent to points on the Atlantic it were but the vision of a horrible night that under 16. "The greater portion of these toilers coast. Hogs raised in Illinois and sold in Inare found south of the Mason and Dixon's line, dianapolis have been slaughtered at Boston, and among the negro race. We have liberated the part of their bacon shipped to Los Angeles. slaves only to enchain the women of that race," Michigan dressed veal calves that had been

> THE privileged pay the expenses of the old parties, and run them. The workers pay the expenses of the Socialist party, and run it. What you pay for you ewn, and you do not control that which you do not pay for. If, therefore, you wish a party to be true to you, to look out for your interest, you must join a party of your class and help to finance it. Join the Socialist party today, as a dues-paying member. through as many hands as possible.

RECORDS have been unearthed in Washington showing that preparations had been made for landing the troops at Vera Cruz a year before exchequer, recently made some startling stateit was done. It appears a war party, operating for profits, assumes not only to scare the people into preparation for slaughter, but also handles the army as though it was its personal property. It is time the nation resumed its supremacy-if in England

has issued an appeal for funds. They ask for of five billion dollars. Figure a little on what \$100,000 to use in securing legislation to stop that means. Without ever authorizing this inthe slaughter of song birds. This is all right; debtedness, without knowing that it had been it let us have some legislation to stop the slaugh- dollars, or, for a family of five, \$250. You are ter of the millions of little children in the mills, not only expected to pay interest on this money, mines and the factories. As between song birds but you actually pay it. It is collected in such and children we Socialists are so radical we actu- a manner that you do not know when or how you ally believe the children are of the most im- pay, but you pay just the same. And the debt

tions is uncovering some choice bits of news in the system of private control of industry that that this Roycroft word mechanic is not the high which you and your children have been placed, priced artist we had all supposed, but is on the with a Socialist ballot, other hand a very cheap skate. According to the news dispatches he only received \$200 for his Roycroft whitewash. Some might call this for his goods than he did a year ago, while the

poking fun at populisr, for opposing the gold known, appears from The Agricultural Outlook ity for it. The utterance of standard of money as a means of turning finance issued by the department of agriculture. Says the crown prince of Germany to a money trust. Last week the Washington, this report: "The level of prices paid producers has been practically duplicated D. C., Post carried a leading editorial, headed of the United States for the principal crops debe quoted the cotton exchange has been opened? in the other nations: "This is the most stupid, "The Gold Basis Collapses." The Post shows that creased about 7.1 per cent during October; in eighteen countries were compelled to suspend the the past six years the price level has decreased the management of the land shall not be from some stocks are valueless; and that the government All this proves that even those engaged in the payment of debts by the financiers to save them during October 4.3 per cent." Why should the great centralized power, but "democratically admin- has authorized the holders of them to cash out titanic struggle feel called on to apologize for it; from utter rule, and that, even with everything masters of the markets lower the price of the istered." Democratic administration can be best with \$1,500,000,000 government notes, and then they know the people do not approve it, and they in their hand gud fiat currency restored, a reworked through local control. It means that the open the cotton exchange, though in violation of dare not try to justify the war before the peo- vival of business is not under way. Conspiracy county should administer the public land in that law, that they may use the government notes in ple. The fact that they accuse each other of for purposes of exploitation can never work well demanding the right to raise freight and

LLOYD GEORGE in a recent speech said that "all dous advantage to the bankers against the cotton these were considered, it would be found that a small child was worth. Nobody went to jail consumptive living 125 miles from the scene of One might go even further. He might accept growers, and the movement of cotton back and there is not enough property in Europe to pay

holding aristocracies and was, therefore, an in- HENRY ALLEN of the Wichita Beacon, proheritance of feudalism; and the capitalism of gressive candidate for governor of Kansas in others was based on trade and was, therefore, a the last election, in a recent editorial frankly admits that the purpose of the progressive party is to head

"Socialism in America has tions. Both old parties have ignored the demand It will thus be seen that the position of the for a correction of many of the humanitarian

off Socialism by granting part

of its demands. Says he:

(same ratio), will be: 1916, 1,600,000; 1920. Suppose a truce should be effected—a peace, as 3,100,000; 1924, 6,000,000." He then argues that

highest vote, Socialism gained; and now progres-The conclusion then is inevitable-that com- siveism is on the wane, while Socialism still

that prevails in America. It

has sent men with shipments

of foodstuff to watch the par-

ticular shipments until they reached the consumer. Here are some of the results of this investigation: expressed to Water street commission houses at Chicago have been returned to the identical shipping points from which they came to fill orders from local retail markets." The report blames the high cost of living partly to this circumlocution method of distribution. Yet there is no way of getting rid of it except to end the profit system; because it must be evident that it pays the railroads to have the many long hauls, and it pays the dealers to have the products pass

LLOYD GEORGE, chancellor of the English ments, even for this period of spectacular doings. He declared that the United

States owed England approx-

imately five billion dollars.

What We Owe to Capitalists

He did not mean that the government owed that to the English government, but only that English capi-THE national association of Audubon societies talists had investments in America to the amount we are for the song birds, but while we are at created, it means that you owe Englishmen fifty was contracted through American capitalists issuing paper against the property you own, and THE federal commission on industrial rela-selling that paper to English capitalists. It is heir probe into the Colorado coal strike. Some makes this possible. If that control was lost, ime ago, Elbert Hubbard, the East Aurora word it would mean that these bonds that are over perchant, wrote an article favorable to Rocke- you would be dissipated. But you do not realize eller and the coal operators. It now appears this fact sufficiently well to sever the bondage, in

THAT the farmer is receiving a lower price railroads are demanding a raise in rates, and Twenty years ago all the eastern papers were all articles of consumption are higher than ever farmers' products, and at the same time increase passenger rates still higher? The only reason lies in the fact that they have made the president and congress their puppies, and intend to