### the president can find no way to force them to terms. shows that law in America is not for protection of the worker, but only to aid the exploiter.

APPEAL TO REASON---Largest circulation of any political paper

and keep investigators from telling what has been done. Yet

OCKEFELLER INTERESTS have massacred women and children in Colorado, have spurned a settlement proposed by the president, and now demand that he turn over the state once more to their private armies

# The Romance of Cotton Seed hearing that I attended one of the members of this commission it cleared that at the present time the Oklahoma farmer is paying one-sixth the value of his cotton to have it ginned. This

# Which Is Chapter One of the Absorbing Tale, Entitled "Cutting the Cotton Pie" When the commissioner suggested a schedule of prices that did not suit the ginners, the latter threatened to take out their latest improvements in machiners and grant the court being the cotton being the court being the cotton through the cotton through the court being the cotton through the court being the cotton through the cotton through the court being the cotton through the cotton through the cotton through the court being the cotton through the court being the cotton through the cotton through the court being the cotton through the court being the court being the cotton.

Field Correspondent Appeal to Reason.

OKLAHOMA CITY.—This is Chapter One of an absorbing tale, entitled "Custing the Cotton Pie."

Chapter One itself will be known as "The Romance of Cotton Seed."

It is not a new title. It has been used before.

Cotton seed was once supposed to the of no earthly value except to plant.

Cotton seed was once supposed to be of no earthly value except to plant for next year's crop.

It was a nuisance. Only a handful was needed, comparatively speaking, to put in the ground. The rest of it had to be thrown somewhere. In head to be thrown somewhere. In weight the seed is two-thirds the cotton pick. Years ago the states of the south found it necessary to pass laws to prevent cotton seed from being dumped in the rivers to the detriment of the public health.

Why?

Because of the war? Not at all. Very little of the cotton seed products of this country are exported. An from invading this state, mills within the state have been known to deliver that is sent to Italy, there to be the state have been known to deliver that is sent to Italy, there to be the state have been known to deliver to them a certain number of tons per year at a given price.

The Romance of Cotton Seed! To our friends, the capitalists, the summit of romance is found in the clink of blood-dripping dollars wrung by paid last year? Any less for salad oil, cottolene, or compound lard?

of the public health.

Then somebody made the discovery that cattle enjoy the taste of cotton seed and fatten on it. Romantic Fact if

Number One. But few cotton farmers raise catand most of the seed continued year—and that particul be wasted. Then it was learned will not be the farmer.

About the first thing I did on arriving in Oklahoma was to go through a cotton gin and an oil mill.

As most everybody knows, when cotton is picked from the boll the seed comes along, too. Before the fiber can be used for making cloth the seed must be removed. This was once done by hand. In those days cotton was too expensive for much cotton was too expensive for much use. But Eli Whitney's cotton gin. use. But E.n whitely's construction of last century, took out the seed faster than 1,000 negroes working with both hands could do it. So was born King and property of the fact of the seed faster than 1,000 negroes working with both sum, or whether it is divided among oil man, ginner and packer. The fact

The Cotton Gin and Oil Mill.

As we approached the gin, we saw does not get. a farm wagon piled high with a snowy white substance. These frequently come straight from the fields. The wagon is driven under a huge, vertical pipe and by suction the load is drawn into the gin, where it plays in and out among a multitude of little teeth, which saw the fiber away from the

The product before it reaches toe gin is known as seed cotton. The gin separates it into cotton seed and lint. The lint is pressed into a bale, while the seed goes on its romantic journey to the oil mill. The ginning and pressing of a 500 pound bale of cotton usually takes from 15 to 25 minutes.

shapes of large volume and are known as linters. Linters go into quilts and

shoddy cotton goods generally.

The seed then passes through a machine that strips off the hull, which goes on the market as cattle feed

by the consumer. No account is taken of the enormous swelling of "values"

value per ton of cotton seed crude products would be \$32.61.

As an up-to-date oil mill will crush at an expense of \$5 a ton, the difference is \$27.61. Does the farmer get at the high water mark of seed, he sometimes received as high as \$20.

At this writing he is getting \$10 only.

On the figuring of the oil mills, then, we have a profit of \$7.61 per the figuring of the oil mill men meet and agree the figuring and ties. This year the Okla number of oil mills \$27.45, the oil mills \$27.65 and the refiners and spinner has been paying about 70 to his bagging and ties. This year the Okla number of oil mills \$70. The o

The Cotton Farmer Gets Left. At the present moment it looks as

But the most romantic feature of on the 1914 crop, provided the prices of the fortunes to be made out of seed and of the finished product remain the same as today.

upon the other and should not be affected by it.

There is a connection, however, and it is this: The break in cotton is fore-

While it is true that the south is on the verge of bankruptcy, and that the distress of the cotton grower has the distress of the cotton grower has ing lines of gins did the same, operating in competitive territory at a loss ing in competitive territory at a loss of business.

Remember, this is not the price of seed is fixed by on mins.

Remember, this is not the price paid the consumer. No account is taken the enormous swelling of "values" in a nutshell. The masters demand that the state train child labor for the cotton seed is only a by-product of the cotton pie makes a the form of the cotton seed products. I difference of from \$26,000,000 to \$86.

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Cotton seed is only a by-product of king Cotton. But when this particular of the cotton pie makes a the train child labor for the thigh cost of living by the profit on cotton seed products. I difference of from \$26,000,000 to \$86.

That the learning of these partial trades do not make any worker in dispensible is not in the interest of the toiler though it may mean greater of the toiler though it may mean great

BY JOHN KENNETH TURNER, ton of seed bought, between 35 and upon what prices they shall pay. In machinery and run the cotton through field Correspondent Appeal to Reason 40 per cent, and an aggregate profit order to enforce these prices, they im a shape that would mean a loss of refuse to buy seed directly from the \$10 a bale to the farmer. The gin-Thirty-six millions of pure cotton seed values of the crop of one year—size values of the crop of one year—size values of the crop of one year—size values of the ginner to sell only to certain but this year the farmers are receiving but half the money for cotton seed that they were paid last year.

Why?

Because of the war? Not at all.

Very little of the cotton seed products of the ginner to sell only to certain mills not in the trust, are disciplined in various ways. The oil mills home farmers are left to Oklahoma mills and ginners. In some cases, in various values of the cotton seed products.

ported clive cil.

Are you paying any less for this bogus imported clive cil than you paid last year? Any less for salad cil, cottolene, or compound lard?

The Romance of Cotton Seed! To our friends, the capitalists, the sum in the clink of blood-dripping dollars wrung by bills force and fraud from the toilers of the build world.

Oklahoma is W. K. Wooton, head of the cott the Chickasha Cotton Oil Co. This capitalists. At the present moment it looks as if somebody were going to annex an added profit of \$10 on every ton of cotton seed sold to the oil mills this year—and that particular somebody will not be the farmer.

As the seed crop is much larger,

As the seed crop is much larger,

Suppose the Chickasha Cotton Oil Go. This company owns about 100 gins, many oil mills, and dominates the situation in the entire southwestern end of the state, taking tribute from tens of thousands of poor cotton growers.

Another is R. A. Vose, manager of the Risers extate. Another is W. H.

It makes no difference to the farmer whether the oil man gets the whole sum, or whether it is divided among oil man, ginner and packer. The fact remains that here is an \$86,000,000 and cottolene, which is cotton seed slice of the cotton pie that the farmer does not get.

| Many states of the south under the name of the Union Seed & Fertilizer husband while she sought for work to compound the following that the federal court beats him. The opposite for work the federal cour

Why, I have asked, is the farmer given but \$10 for his seed this year, when last year he received \$20?

The price of lint has been cut in half, and the price of seed has been cut in half. But the seed product market is a thing distinct from the lint market. One does not depend upon the other and should not be affected by it.

Take.

Back of some of these vast content than John D. Rockefeller. What companies he controls, and how far he dominates the controls, and how far he dominates care for the babes.

They are the do not know. I have not been in the lint market. One does not depend upon the other and should not be affected by it.

They are the wife and mother returned from work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The children work and found him gone, but where she did not know. The childred were crying. It became necessary for her to remain at home to the controls, and how far he dominates care for the babes.

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lint. The lint is pressed into a bale, while the seed goes on its romantic journey to the oil mill. The ginning and pressing of a 500 pound bale of cotton usually takes from 15 to 25 minutes.

We observed the various transformations enacted at the mill. First the seed is delinted. It is a process more or less like that of ginning, which cleans away the short fibers that still cling to the seed. These short fibers roll up in cylindrical shapes of large volume and are known.

In the lint is pressed into a bale, while it is a connection, however, and the store of the disastron ing the grower to sell whatever he has at any price. The seed buyer has taken advantage of the defenseless octopus grow and reach out its tentacles, about them without a struggle, to accept half what his seed is worth. I challenge any one to present any of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in Cklahoma at the beginning of statehood (seven years ago) there are in the loud the cotton seed at the mill. First, and they begin a process in a land of plenty.

Some Will Make Great Fortunes.

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prices below cost in certain localities in order to put the farmers out of business. Independent ginners own-

of the enormous swelling of "values" that occurs on the journey between the oil mills and the retail grocer.

Remember, also, these are the figures of the oil mills themselves. As Big Business always seeks to conceal large profits, wherever they exist, it is probable that the figures are far below the truth.

Accepting the figures of the oil mills, and refiner takes the lion's share of the profit on cotton seed products. I have no idea what that profit is, but the profit of the gin-lose it.

In addition to all this, there are a number of small pillering operations on the crude product for 1914, by the content of the gin-lose it.

In addition to all this, there are a number of small pillering operations of the time it reaches the hands of the profit on cotton seed to product the figures of the oil mills, since 4,767,802 tons of seed were used to product the \$155,500,000, the value per ton of cotton seed crude products would be \$32.61.

As an up-to-date oil mill will crush at an expense of \$5 a ton, the differ
Titlett Tekers Combine \$12.55. In addition to all this, there are a number of small pilfering operations carried on regularly by the ginner at the expense of the farmer, such as the efficiency of labor, but having and tie steal. The wrapping for the benefit of the worker.

rers procured a ruling that was sat-isfactory to them, and, because the hearing was held on such short notice, not a farmer was present to protest. It seems plain that regulation is not destined to militate in favor of

the farmer to any great extent. So cialist farmers of this state are advocating as the only practicable amel-iorative measure the state ownership of cotton gins and oil mills.

No constitutional amendment

necessary to bring this about, and it is understood that the Socialist group in the Oklahoma legislature—which convenes in January—will introduce bills providing that the state shall build gins and oil mills, and operate farmer himself may retain one slice cotton pie that now

### Mike --- That's All

tle and most of the seed culturated to be wasted. Then it was learned to be wasted. Another is R. A. Vose, manager of the Bierce estate. Another is W. H. existed in Chicago. That is, he because of the crush should be greater. Suppose to to reach around 5,000,000 tons. Another is J. J. Culbertson. Will a big industrial plant and he and his could live in America. They welcomed the two babies that came, and imagnetic feature of the well known multi-millionaire to the work of the work of the well known multi-millionaire to the work of the never a square game.

on the 1914 crop, provided the prices of seed and of the finished product remain the same as today.

It may be pointed out that the oil mills will not get all this sum; that, for instance, the ginner, who usually buys the seed from the farmer and passes it along to the oil mills, gets a cut out of it.

The well known multi-millionaire packers, Sulzburger & Sons Company, run a cotton oil refining and packing plant at Oklahoma City.

Other great cottor oil trust concerns are Proctor & Gamble, of Cindens and the worker's wonderful way—"some how."

But the depression that came just when the war suggested that there ought to be a boom in America left worker's wonderful way—"some how."

Cotton Oil Company of New Mike without a job. It was not long and the process of the Refuge Mills in Mississippi. Each of these is said for living. Two months later the passes it along to the oil mill, gets a cut out of it.

Very true, but usually the gin is owned by the oil mill, and the ginner is but an oil mill employe—just as the oil mill is often owned by the oil mill is often owned by the many end the oil mill is often owned by the tener and packer, and the oil mill man the refiner and packer's employe.

It makes no difference to the farmer many end the Union Seed & Fertilizer.

York, owners of the Refuge Mills in Mississippi. Each of these is said for living. Two months later the to own many mills and a line of gins.

The largest of these concerns of which I have heard—and I suppose it spite of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw these reports. They were not for many states of the south under the many states of the south under the many states of the south under the many the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw these reports. They were not for many states of the south under the many the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw these reports. They were not for many states of the south under the many the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw these reports. They were not for but many states of the south under the many the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never saw the service of the optimistic reports of Dunn and Bradstreet. But Mike never sa

The wife and mother returned

dear ones actually starving, and not a bite in the house. He told the char-

A recent publication of the United like the prospect? States bureau of education warns

"Business is now saying," the report continues, "that if we had the right kind of schools, child labor would become a blessing instead of an abuse of children." There you have the case in a nutshell. The masters demand that the state train child labor for them. The government itself says so

THE "iron cross" is a double cross. CONGRESS is a "closed shop" to the

LABOR sweats that the idle may get life's sweets.

This is the period of war on earth, will among men.

WHILE it is hard to get rich, it is

You may beat the capitalist off your back with APPEAL clubs.

THE fear of want is the beginning of evil .- Farm, Stock and Home.

THE French says truly: "No tree takes such deep root as prejudice." The farmer digs dollars out of the mud With grief and sorrow, and sweat and blood Takes half of his pitiful earnings or

THERE are two things in this world

message for the world—and it is put through without a hitch. THE workers who voted for lawver

should not complain of the treatment of the judge. THERE may be a square deal and ot a square game. Capitalism is not a square game.

MONEY can't buy happiness, but it can keep out the cold and keep in the food, and that helps.

CAPITALISM revises it to read: "If strength of two million. smite you on one cheek, the federal judge will see you don't strike." Women are not the only white

are slaves, right here in America.

no friends left, except the judges and public officials. But they stand by him against the world.

Jr., has been caught knitting. Why shouldn't he knit? His father before him was an expert with yarns. THEY who are editing the paper

There is much more interesting stuff

to read than lies about the war. PRESIDENT WILSON believes that war develops nobility. Possibly we are to have a nobility in America as a result of the war. How do you

CAPITALISM fought the Oklahoma constitution on the ground that it was socialistic. They did not knock it completely out. And now the peo-ple of Oklahoma, more socialistic WAR is a furnace in which capi-than their constitution, are going to alism has plunged the working class, use what they have to get more.

THE state of Georgia has by law relieved the railroads of the state from making improvements of any kind. The killing of a few thousand citizens that may result will not count. The workers of Georgia have not been relieved of paying their mortgages until times get better.

## Appeal Army Cheers Farmers' Fight

State Secretary Approves.

propaganda and bring the message of to go to him with the APPEAL. Socialism to the men and women who Socialism to the men and women who till the soil and bring forth the life-giving blood of the nation. The necessity of bringing the message of Socialism to the farmers has been underestimated by the leading lights of the Socialist movement. In my opinion the cause is almost hopeless unless we can count on the support of opinion the cause is almost noperess unless we can count on the support of the rural population who constitute one-haif our population and a majority of the voting strength.

"Good Foutical School From A. D. Thomas, Lynchburg, Va.

I have just read the Affect's "Proclamation Extraordinary" and it contains more political sense than I have seen in any of its issues. The

Appeals to Industrial Worker.

From Quintard Jones, Pittsburgh, Pa. I am a red card Socialist, living in the greatest industrial center, per-haps, of the United States, Pittsburgh, I agree with your statement that You can't "right a wrong" even by slaughter. It remains a wrong term have not been encouraging and started to help the cotton farmer. I that Socialism must win the farmers am sure the plan you have mapped before it can be realized and am giad out will do much for Socialism by the a strenuous effort in that direction.

Program Can Be Put Through.

that could be well spared—epithets From M. L. Stamper, Springdale, Ark and epauletts. Your announcement to bring the farmers to Socialism is the climax of

Farmers Are Revolutionary.

From John C. Madden, Cincinnati, Ohio. I see by the last issue of your paper that you have at last woke up to the fact that the American farmer can be converted to Socialism. The Amer-ican farmer is the most revolutionary class we have in this country. This was shown over 20 years ago when in the short space of four years it was possible with no really compact organization to build up a voting

From Ben F. Thorne, Rocky Comfort, Mo. I am much pleased with your "Proc-immoral Men also are bought and lamation Extraordinary" mainly for two reasons: First, having well understood the relative value and implementation and the control of the control derstood the relative value and importance of the farmer and his power wher collectively asserted, I have made Socialism and the farmer a thorough study and my propaganda has been almost exclusively ameng has been almost exclusively asserted. 18, as provided by the Dick military law, why should they not be permitted to vote at 18? talism bleeds the farmer more vio-lently than any other class and de-ceives him with all sorts of plausible

among the farmers. In my opinion the farmer vote is our great hope.

Appeal's Move Is Timely.

From J. Ralphaelson, state secretary, the farmers toil day after day hoping Kentucky. Newport.

With pleasure I have read the The Appeal will renew his hope and Appeal; "Proclamation Extraordi give him strength; he knows somenary" that it will enter a new field of thing is wrong and now is the time

hope of Socialism has in the country

From C. C. McMichael, Grand Cave, Lo. der capitalism is to make a show of to know that you are going to make next presidential election. The farm-

Driven to Desperation.

After walking the streets of Senttle for many days in search of a mas-ter, Thomas Mentos, a young Greek, became a bandit. He was hungry and could find no work, so he held up a man. He did exactly what you would do under like circumstances if you had

the courage,

It took 20 policemen to round him
up and land him in jail. He now has
plenty to eat. It would seem that
the authorities of Senttle might provide an easier way for its jobless hungry citizens to break into jail.

THE American Federation of Sex Hygiene estimates that there are the United States, and one million outside the pale of society engaged in traffic of themselves. The total amount spent every year directly for immoral purposes it estimates at

AND now Rockefeller, weary of seeing Carnegie lauded and himself blamed, announces that he will give blamed, announces that he will give Hope Is in the Farmer.
From Oles Stofer, Snyder, Okle.

I hasten to commend you for the stand you are taking to put Socialism among the farmers. In my opinion capitalism has made hopeless. At the same time his investments will be same time his operate as do Carnegie's bonds. More than he gives away will come back

to him. From J. W. McClung, Cherry Valley, Ark.

I see in the wonderful Appeal that you are now beginning to do the things that I have long been hoping you would do—spread the Appeal capitalism is a failure.

The war mills are running at such a pace capitalism finds it impossible to keep the mills that make going at the same time. Further proof that

## The Appeal Is Marching to Victory

The farmer knows something is wrong-it needs no argument to convince him of this-but he is yet hazy as to the remedy. He dimly perceives that the men who control the finances of the country have got him "coming and going," so to speak. He sees that some power

As recent publication of the Uniter American Action of the Control of France and Season of the Control of Transport of Season of Transport of Season of Tr

And the farmer vote will do it. Here's the blank-use it:

## For Farmers' Fighting Fund

APPEAL TO REASON, Girard, Kansas:

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to America or to go to Brazil or elsewhere has an-

wered this question affirmatively. The ancestors of

Americans gave the same answer when they left

their native lands. For several years the American people have been expanding by crossing the line to British Columbia and settling down upon farms.

Nothing is easier for a people than to expand. All hey have to do is to put themselves and their goods upon a railway train or a steamship. The people of

he land to which they go usually greet them in a cordial manner. With few exceptions, immigrants

are soon placed upon a practical equality with citi-zens even with regard to electoral rights. In all other respects, they are placed upon an equality at

BUT WHILE IT IS EASY for a people to expand,

is always most difficult for a nation to do so. should have had war with Great Britain if the Amer-

ican nation had attempted to follow the expansion of American people into British Columbia. War

would not have made much if any difference to the

American exiles in British Columbia. After the war, they would have had to sow and reap the same as

they do now. Even the defeat of Great Britain and the annexation of British Columbia would not have

helped the American exiles much if any-indeed, it might have hurt them. Annexation certainly would have hurt them if it had created the same conditions

in British Columbia that exist in America, because the emigration of these Americans to British Colum-

bia is the best possible proof that, in their opinion,

the conditions in British Columbia are better than they are in America—better for landless farmers with little money, at any rate. Expansion of the

with little money, at any rate. Expansion of the American government following the expansion of the American people into British Columbia could have

FOR PROOF OF THIS, let us go back to Dr.

helped nobody but the ruling class of America.

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A Short Story.

Out of work for nine months, Joseph Gracz, 4645 Laffin street, Chicago, shot and killed himself the other day. He leaves a wife and two small chil-He leaves a wife and two small children. Gracz was an honest workingman. He was willing to do any kind of work. For nine months he walked the streets of Chicago in a vain search for a steady job. For nine months Gracz and his family have lived from hand to mouth on the few dollars he was able to earn doing odd jobs. For nine months he lived in hell. Isn't it about time we abolish hell? Why should anybody starve in a world of should anybody starve in a world of understand the causes that make for war.

### A Little World

a section of Louisiana; then a portion of Indiana territory; again a part of Missouri; then a bit of Indian territory; and finally was connected with Kansas territory and Kansas state.

While this section of country was in Indian territory it was ceded "in perpetuity" to the Osage Indians, who were removed from Missouri to occupy it. While still this cession was in force the same land was given

were removed from Missouri to occupy it. While still this cession was in force the same land was given bodily to two rain-oad companies; and there was a leng warfare, in actual fighting and in the courts, to get the two cessions set aside and the strip opened to settlement by the whites.

In the fight for possession by the white people there were three distinct invasions of the country. The first was by Missourians, in an effort to capture Kansas as slave territory. This invasion brought the section into the historical border warfare of antebellum days and is rich in incident and action. The second invasion was of what are now known as "squatters," chiefly soldiers of the civil war, when the Indians had possession of the land. Before the "squatter warfare" was over the country was claimed by the railroad companies, and there was destruction of property, the declaration of military rule, and a bitter contest in the courts that led to social organization for defense such as few sections have witnessed. The third invasion followed the settlement of ownership and advertising of the state of Kansas at the centennial exposition in Philadelphia in 1876. This invasion was the basis of present day occupation.

The final settlement of the country was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by farther was follo

was followed by the discovery of coal beds in southeastern Kansas, by far the largest in the state. The result was the development of mining and the calling to this section of Kansas Granted; but that is not the point.

Every nation of Europe that is now engaged in war has representatives in Crawford county, the principal county of southeastern Kansas. Here they are working in peace, side by side, and voting the Socialist ticket together. Here we have a world within a world. Here we have universal solidarity. This is a small melting pot, in which the races of the world have been blended from the carliest days of American history.

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# Expansion and War

Written by Allan L. Benson for the Appeal to Keason

should anybody starve in a world of understand the causes that make for war.

A few days ago I had the pleasure of hearing the case for Germany stated by Dr. Bernhard Dernburg. who is perhaps the most plausible exponent of the German idea in America. Dr. Dernburg was for a number of years minister of colonies in the German

SOUTHEASTERN KANSAS, the territory in which the Appear cabinet. He is a German Jew, a little more than 50 the most cosmopolitan sections of the most cosmopolitan sections of the United States.

At first it was in "the land of the Damotas, the far off land," of which longfellow writes in "Hiawatha."

Later, after the French people had explored and settled along the Mississippi and the great lakes, it was claimed as part of French Canada. It was ceded to England in 1763, after the French and Indian war; receded to Spain a little later; and by Spain transferred to France soon after. It was part of the Louisiana purchase of 1803, becoming United States territory. It has been under four flags.

It has had an equally varied experience in the sisterhood of states. At one time it was reckoned as part of the Virginia territory. Again it was a section of Louisiana; then a portion of Indian territory; again a part of Missouri; then a bit of Indian territory again a part of Missouri; then a bit of Indian territory.

HERE WE HAVE an admirable illustration of what capitalistic nationalism means to the world. From our infancy we are taught to revere the nation into which we were born or in which we live. We are taught that our lives belong to our respective countries before they belong to our families or to our-

THEY ARE SELFISH capitalists, you may say. iranted; but that is not the point. The question of a more cosmopolitan population is not so much what capitalists are but what every than can be found in any other part nation, under capitalism, is. The point is that in of Kansas. At the present time this shutting Germany out of Persia, the British and Rusthan can be found in any of Karsas. At the present time this population includes, in addition to native Americans and a few civilized Indians, and negroes, native English, French, Italians, Germans, Belgians, Austrians, Hungarians, Slavonians, Spankards, Hebrews, Finns, Swedes, Norwegians and perhaps several other races.

Every nation of Europe that is now every n Therefore, the task of opening the road is not one of blasting away rock, but of wiping out the laws with blood. In other words, nature did her work well, but men closed what nature left open. The capitalist governments of Great Britain and Russia closed what nature had left open.

All of which is equally true of Germany's limited seaport facilities. Europe has many harbors. Plenty of these harbors are in reach of Germany. Railroads are running from Germany to the docks.

As the Creator left Europe, Germany would be all Therefore, ruling classes advocate expansion through Railroads are running from Germany to the docks. As the Creator left Europe, Germany would be all fight. But the existence of other nations hens Germany in just as the existence of Germany interferes with France's freedom to deal with western Russia. The German people, so far as commerce is concerned, do not interfere with the French people, nor do the first good enough for an Appeal. Army slogam: "I'll do the best I can." he writes. That's good enough for an Appeal. Army slogam: "I'll do the best I can." That's what the League is for—to help you do your best. If you cannot solicit subs' or buy and distribute literature you can join the League, give what you can and when you can, and for every dollar you put into the Appeal already has several thousand such names and will soon have many more. Join, the League and help us bring Socialism. It's the largest thing the Appeal and its faithful Army ever tackled. It's a job when completed means the be-

that will square with common sense, however much they may conflict with capitalism.

Can a growing people expand without wiping out their frontiers with bloodshed? THEY CAN. Every German who has left his native land to come

the deadly draught.

of invaders.

population of Belgium.

extension of boundary lines; who justifies discriminatory

tariffs and other handicaps upon commerce; who blends

the ingredients out of which war is brewed and then mourns because the world is so often compelled to drink

Scranton, Cal.—The returns from 47 counties show the Socialist vote to be 50,779 and the total Socialist vote of the state is estimated at 63,000.

El Campo, Texas.—A. R. Zuber, the Socialist candidate for councilman, was elected by a majority of 31.

Matlock, Wash.—F. H. Hawsley was elected constable on the Socialist ticket and M. A. Sutton justice of the peace at Hastsline and Lester Adams justice of the peace at the peace at Dayton.

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Scattering Returns.

Florids, Bay county, 330. Texas—Throckmorton county, 110: itiamsen county, 174; Jones county

Tennessee—Hamilton county, 107; entress county, 59; Hawkis county, 86; West Virginia—Mt. Clare, 92; Grand-

Washington-Hadlock, Nordland pre Nebraska—Adam county, 125. West Virginia—Vote of state op-ressman at large, 11,919. Idaho—Minidoka county, 783.

In the twentieth century war will be dead, the scaffold will be dead, national boundaries will be dead, only man will live.—Victor Hugo.

## Engine Prices Down Again

The new price list of kerosene, gaso line, distillate, and gas engines, put out by Ed. H. Witte, of the Witte Iron Works, 2311 Oakland Ave., Kansas City, Mo., marks the lowest prices yet made for high standard engines. yet made for high standard engines. The new list quotes a 2 H.-P engine at \$34.95; a 4 H.-P. at \$69.75; 6 H.-P., \$97.75; 8 H.-P., \$139.65; 12 H.-P. at 219.90, and other sizes up to 22 H.-P. proportionately low. These are factory prices, direct to the user, as that is the only way Witte is now selling. Besides lowering prices, Witte's selling plan enables an engine-user to have the engine earn its own cost while it is being paid for. His kerosene engines have proven themselves especially desirable at his new prices. Witte's factory is running full blast,



as it has been doing all year, to keep as it has been doing all year, to keep up with the orders, which are coming from all parts of the world. The WITTE factory is the only one which has come down through the whole history of the American gasoline industry, under the direction and management of the same man who started it, and who made his own first engine. In the past twenty-seven years vitally interested in expanding its boundaries sufficiently to keep all of its people within its jurisdiction. THERE IS BUT ONE other excuse for expansion by widening of boundary lines. That excuse is that Germans like to live under German institutions precisely as Americans prefer to live under American In the past twenty-seven years WITTE engines have undergone every trial, and stood every test that could be devised, whether with kerosene, institutions. But this excuse takes no consideration of the desires of invaded peoples. The American farmers who expanded into British Columbia might be devised, whether with kerosene, gasoline, gas, distillate, naphtha, solar oil, toppings or other fuels of high or low grades. The increased sales of each succeeding year merely show, anew, that a good article at the right price has no difficulty in finding ready sales. Witte puts out all of his engines on sixty days' free trial, and gives a five-year guarantee over have been glad if the expansion of the American nation had brought along American institutions with them. But how about the citizens of British Columbia who prefer British rule? Have they no rights? Particularly, so long as an invaded people constitute a majority are their preferences to be swept away in favor of the preferences of a handful his engines on sixty days' free trial, and gives a five-year guarantee, over his own signature. A study of his catalog shows his engines to be simple and easily understood. The catalog itself is easy to read, and with the illustrations, makes it easy to know what is needed to make a good engine. And it is easy to get one of these catalogs—probably the finest catalog in the engine business today—merely write Witte, at his factory address as given above, asking for If Germany were to defeat the allies and annex Belgium, the number of Germans in Belgium would long constitute but a fraction of the There is but one legitimate way for a people to expand and that is by railway or steamship. Such expansion involves no bloodshed and injures nobody except the ruling class whom it deprives of soldiers. This sort of expansion is going on all over the world all the time. This sort of expansion is sufficient for all the needs of a growing nation. This is the only address as given above, asking for one.—Adv. sort of expansion that does any good to the people concerned. But it is also the sort of expansion that fails to fit into the plans of ruling classes, whose

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## Beginnings of the King

BY LINCOLN PHIFER.

THE story of Rockefeller is a sro-mance in actual life. It is a drama as stirring as anything ever put upon the stage. Everything centers around John D., yet he is only one of millions who entered into the great action of this social drama. As great action of this social drama. As in Shakespearian tragedy everything centers about cupidity and cun-ng, traits that were so abnormally ming, traits that were so abnormally manifest in the leading character that it is doubtful if ever a human being revealed them in stronger force.

The first act opens on a poor youth.
Petrolium springs were discovered in
his immediate neighborhood. His
father bottled the thick oil and sold it as a cure-all for human ailments, the dose being a tablespoonful. Later, others began to refine it. The coal oil lamp was invented, by others. It began to take the place of the candle The coal as an illuminator. Other uses for the oil were found. The market for oil was made by others. Young Rockefeller carefully noted all this, particularly as it was being done chiefly in his neighborhood and was a theme of general conversation; yet he invented nothing, he manufactured nothing. He had grasped the fact that less shrewd men had not, that we were entering on a commercial age. and that the rewards would go, not to the inventor and producer, but to the salesmen. He grew to manhood. The war came on. He cunningly se-cured some government contracts and made a start from them. Then he made a start from them. Then he organized an oil company, largely among his own relatives. But while others were going into the oil business at Pittsburgh, where there was then no railway outlet, he selected Cleveland, with both railroad and lake as his basis of operations. Moreover he managed to get secret rates for his oil from the railroads so that he could send oil to the cities, where the demand then exceeded the possibility of supply, cheaper than anyone else could do.

The second act of this drama is a record of how he secured supremacy in the oil business. He persuaded railroads to give him "drawbacks" on all freight paid on the oil he shipped, and in addition on all oil shipped by his rivals, a remarkable fact. Oil was and in addition on all oil shipped by his rivals, a remarkable fact. Oil was then hauled out by teams, and teaming was a big industry. Someone else proposed a pipe line, and Rockefeller some minals and wharfs in the big cities, particularly one secretly, having it almost completed to Pittsburgh before the teamsters discovered it. They tore it up. He rebuilt and guarded it. The teamsters' war, give action to the gan plan of stock watering. While a complete the Rockefeller shrewdness that be of the proposed application of the prop Learnsters discovered it. They tore of the rebuilt and guarded it. The teamsters war give action to the drama. Soon oil was being piped to the railroad cheaper than others could possibly have it hauled. The teaming to Now York. The Rocket with distrust, and began a fight on Work distrust for business. This caused him to enter on banking. He backed Harriman in his same and the work distruction of American transportation. He also took advantage of the tank car, an invention of another, which sheet work distruction of the property interests to make his own comment, and following this act there causes Relaxed Sunken Drums, Roaring and Work distructions of the Ears, trouvier to business men and their purpose of the Ears, trouvier to business men and their purpose of the Ears, trouvier to business the steel of the Ears, trouvier to the car and the possible with the work and work distruction of the carbon distribution of the carbon of the carbon dis

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Already Rockefeller had been investing in railroads and other industries. Now, the coming of electricity threatened the oil profits through superceding oil for lighting. He therefore, began investing in copper. He became a backer of the Guggenheims, the most systematic seekers for mineral wealth the world had known. The Colorado investments and particularly the application of the dredge system to mining in Alaska, gave the new interests practical dominance of mining in America. Rockefeller, having been almost alone of the big financiers to try retailing and jobbing, now turned his attention to further retailing. Becoming identified with the tobacco trust, he organized the United Cigar Stores Company, and soon had control of retailing of tobacco in all the larger cities. He also invested heavily in department stores. The period of expansion witnessed the extension of Standard Oil interests into foreign lands. Rockefeller gained concessions in Mexico. China and other countries, and established a carrying ficet in connection with his oil and the fruit Already Rockefeller had been in-

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Girard, Kansas, Dec. 5, 1914

Editorial.

A recruit to the Appeal Army and the ranks of Socialism writes: "I want to do something to help boost Socialism. What can I do that will get the greatest results?"

Before election I might have hesitated and studied a little hefore answering this, but there can now be no question what this and every other comrade should do and it often.

The comrades of the state of Oklahoma have shown us very plainly what we must all do and do it with every force at our command, individually and collectively. We must get back of the Appeal and its Farmers Fighting Fund and help the comrades of Oklahoma put their state on the Socialist map in 1916. We can win Oklahoma. We can win Oklahoma. We can win Oklahoma of Oklahoma put their state on the Socialist map in 1916. We can win Oklahoma of Oklahoma put their state on the Socialist map in 1916. We can win Oklahoma of O

farmers and the farmers to a Socialism.

And keep this in mind:
The farmers of Oklahoma are ready to come to Socialism right now. They simply wait for us to show them the way.

And the comrades of Oklahoma are going to use the little old Appeal to do it with. If necessary they will do the best they can to do this work alone, but unless I have made the biggest mistake of my life in judging the Appeal Army and i've been with you for many years every man, woman years every man, woman and child, who claims membership in this most wond has ever known, will here and now this very moment to win Oklahoma for Secial-ism. Give what you can, and as often as you can. Make it \$16, \$5, \$1 what-ever you can spage. Okla-homa has the most enthu-siastic bunch of Socialists in America, fighters, every one. Help 'em.

George Allan England in his "Story of the Appeal" asys: "To me the Appeal in g sheet in the whole world, bar none." I am tempted to paraphrase this and say: "To me, the Appeal Army is the most wonderful fighting force in the whole world, bar none," As I look at it, the Appeal in looks.

Can't they help, too?"

The Herald censor was asleep when this one got by:

The red-headed girl confided to "Baldy" that she was going to get married.

"What's his name?" asked "Baldy."

"I declare if I haven't forgot his name," stammered the young lady of auburn looks.

itse is but a weapon of the Army's own making and which it uses in its on-slaughts on capitalist tyr-anny and parasite rule.

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Old War Horse Visits the Appeal.

S. M. Irelan, the irrepressible war horse from Beaver county, Oslahoma, passed through Girard on his motorcycle one day last week. He stopped just long enough to get acquainted with the buil dog, chuck the redheaded girl under the chin and take on a load of Appeals. He was headed for the Missouri line, where he expects to meet a large detachment of Henry Tubbs whom he hopes to capture and make prisoners of war.

Another Coad Suggestion

these with comrades tive sub cards with each one. When a card is sold we re-place it with another. They are never out of cards. Frank H. Fisher, Evans-ville, Ind.

W. H. Neblick, who curs a Socialist incubator at Cala Socialist incubator at Cal-vin, Okla., makes his annual report to the Hera'd. It reads: "Appeal sub cards sold from Nev. 5, 1913, to Nov. 5, 1914, 211 Litera-ture distributed by the thou-

"Baldy" Gets Scored.

"You haven't brains enough to fertilize two hairs," exclaimed the red-

which see how many more Dubbs I can wase up.

E. B. Smith, Ohio.

Enclosed find 50 rents for which send me your valuable paper and which I had the pleasure of reading the first time the other day. I had pass it on to others make home that they, two get interested. Emma J. P. Mc-Nully, New Mexico.

Six years ago I could neither read nor writer the day I can do both: I can publican.

Flashes From the Frunt.
Find 50 cents for your paper. Saw a copy the other day and am well pleased with it.—Emanuel Wahlin, Minnesota.

Write articles on Socialism, speak a bit and draw cartoons. The Anneal and Camrade G. H. Lockwood made what i sm. John C. Mitchell, Baltimore, Md.

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with it.—Emanuel Wahlin, Minnesota.

Here is the same old dollar that has been working for the Appeal and I will thin it over once again.

W. R. Evans, Ohro.

I am in love with the little old Appeal and shall do all I can to spread the truts among the Henry Dubbs. Louis Hatton, Washington.

Henry Goere of Wisconsin is of the opinion that our Uncle Sam would not be such a bad follow if we, his nephews, would wake up and quit acting and voting like a let of fools.

I have got up several diubs of subscribers for vour paper and they are now all Sectalists. I am doing what I can to spread Socialway.

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Ohio.

The right book at the right time" is what W. L. Forest of Wisconsin thinks of Kirkpatrick's great book, "War What For?" And he urges the comrades to jump a and give it a wide of cultime.

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with the justice for which he longs, but he knows he must struggle for

himself.

Surely there can be no doubt on which side the church of Jesus Christ ought to stand when the issue is be-tween dollars and men. Shall not the church set her face against a competi-tive system of industry, which inevita-bly involves the exploitation of men, women and little children?

The church, if she is to be a real power in the twentieth century, must

cease to be merely the almoner of the rich and become the champion of the

### The Chance for Work

Even an education, even prominence and pronounced ability, are no guar-antees of success under this system. This fact is illustrated in the story of Watson Harpham, a senior at Yale and honor man in his class, captain of the crack polo team, one of the best all-round athletes in the school.

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"Harpham of Yale sat in front of a desk in Evanston. There was no set of jush buttons on the desk and no waiting atenographer sat at his side. The desk wasn't even his own. It was part of the furniture of his father's home at 331 Maple avenue, Evanston.
"In front of Harpham was a sheet of paper on which he had written a few innes. Those lines represented his capitulation. They were written for his father, Edwin L. Harpham.
"The fraternity brothers had failed him. At least they had come forward with no offers and the late captain of the varsity pole team was too proud to go to them. To other persons of whom he had asked work the game Harpham of Yale ment nothing.

"As Watson sat at the desk his mother was baking a cake in the kitchen—working. The mald was straightening up the bedream her sizes working. His father.

ng. The maid was straightening up the hedroom upstairs—working. His father was in his Unicago office working.
"In the bottom drawer of the desk a loaded revolver. Presently Watson put down his pen and opened the bottom

'Mrs. Harpiam and the maid, both

"They found Watson still on the desk. His head had fallen forward. The re-volver was still in his hand." He was a college man, exception-ally able. What of the ordinary man and his chance of work?

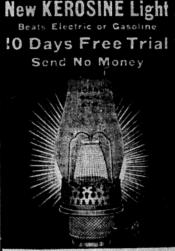
Private Ownership Breaking Down. rom the Cleveland Press.

Why not frankly face the fact that private ownership of railroads is breaking down here as it long ago broke down in most of the other leading nations? That its breakdown is havoidable because of the irrepres-ible conflict between private and interests in transportation? own in this country and make that other congress down in Washington take orders from it or quit and go home. I would have business make the laws, the tariff, run the banks and

reilinades and put the whole economics of the country back where Washings as "standative lawyer hasiness and business man is the man with business men regovernment. He has made money. If he didn't have brains he couldn't have legislature" was a won-working man being the big producer.

Why wait? Why not take the railways over now? If the people must pay the bills, why shouldn't they have he benefits as well?

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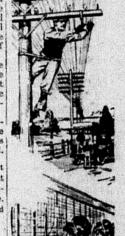
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He Confesses All

perty interests. It was founded across the continent if they had to.
Washington, Hamilton, Franklin They haven't got the business brain

the constitution forbidding congress to pass any law that would impair the obligation of contracts? Wash-ington, Hamilton, Franklin, Madison. ington, Hamilton, Franklin, Madison.
And it served its purpose, too. It's
still doing it, thanks to more Johnny
Marshalls in the supreme court and
elsewhere. Don't be led away by that
schoolbody stuff about Washington
and Franklin being for the people.
They knew that government by the
people meant repudiations, anarchy,
unsettlement of property rights, corruption, license—in fact, everything ruption, license—in fact, everything that government by the people has

since meant. They held the people down as long as they could—with the help of Johnny Marshall. Then Andy Jack-

but support himself and his family does nothing for the country. When he dies he leaves nothing. the des actives nothing.

All government is essentially a business affair. Our national problems are business problems. It should follow that there should be a proper re-

lation between government and busi-Do you know what this government was founded for? It was founded by property interests to protect property interests. It was founded to the United States couldn't run a train

—all business men—and their purpose was to fix it so the moi, which wanted nothing on earth except repudiation of debts, couldn't get hold of the government. They did what they wanted—did it in a secret constitutional convention—and then to make their work sure and save the country from Jefferson and his gang they put Johnny Marshall in the supreme court and he sat on the lid for thirty years.

Who do you think put the clause in the constitution forbidding congress.

the country and will be recognized.

In this fight you at once have the professional man with you. The farmer and laborer do not know what you want. They are misled by the newspapers and have no grasp of governmental problems to start with Lack of money for this organiza-tion need not worry you. There are thousands of men and means in this

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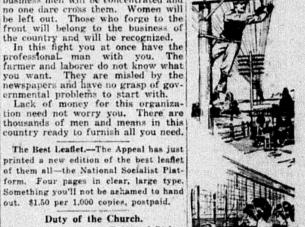
serith has ever known.

It all illustrates what the perfection of development in the two traits, cupidity and cunning, could accomplish, in the peculiar situation that grew out of the rapid development of commerce, merchandising and mechanics, that had flower all within the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the lifetime of one man, in a country to the working class will remain in slaving in favor of peace he is building more naval equipment than ever before.

The People's College.

The working class will remain in slaving the workers themselves if they hope for freedom from oppression by the masters, our people must be educated in law hefore they can make and administered by the workers themselves if they hope for freedom from oppression by the masters, our people must be educated in law hefore they can make and administer laws. If you can read and write the English language understandingly and have sound ludgment, you can easily acquire a complete and thorough knowly acquire a complete and thorough knowl and good, write us for particulars of our law good write us for particulars of our law good write us for particulars of our law good write us for parti

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# THE APPEAL'S EDITORIAL PAGE

prosperity for the American farmers. It is be- This committee suggests:

cotton. Without the manipulation of cotton here, the farmer would receive high prices for his stock on hand. But the government has authe immediate needs of the tenant farmer will compel him to sell for what he can get. The speculation in trust securities is forbidden on account of their worthlessness and for the first time in history gambling in cotton is under way authorized and abetted by the government.

garia, 225,000,000; Canada, 230,000,000; Germany, 170,000,000. This totals more than twothirds of the wheat producing territory of the world. All these nations are involved in the war. high prices for America's 760,000,000 bushels, shoes and clothes are made for profit and not for provided the farmer is not manipulated out of the gain he might make. But before the recent harvest the papers told of the abundance of the Be Made until millions of bushels were taken from the may please.

products, then, will go not to the farmers, but plenty of food in the nation for all. to the speculators, and that by design and connivance of the government itself. It is time for American farmers to rebel and take things into likely to spoil the profits of the little dealer. It extremely thin ice. their own hands.

It would be possible for them to end speculation of all kinds; to have markets supplied them at cost; to sell almost directly to the consumer Again Shows chandise handled by the comat cost; to sell almost directly to the consumer Aguin Shows chandled by the combine and buy almost directly from the actual producer Superiority

Missary department of the principal. This appears the winter. I am confident you will find the most high handed manner they have ever expanding the principal. This appears the winter. I am confident you will find the most high handed manner they have ever expanding the principal. of machinery and such things as they must purchase; thus increasing their income many fold chased by ships" from him. This department is reason why the farmer should turn to it.

"IS the low price of cotton the result of the American capitalists taking talist paper declares:

the cotton farmer.

ton farmer and leaves him to the mercy of the are doing something. money trust. It is all a gigantic plan of the Why do you suppose they are not doing somecapitalists to steal the cotton from the men who thing here in your neighborhood? produced it and when they are in full possession of their loot then watch cotton prices soar. It's the same old game that the capitalists have been dition. But the much advertised efforts to aid playing on the farmers for years and which they them are at bottom thoroughly disreputable. It will continue to play until the farmers of this country wake up and take over the control of Reason for government into their own hands.

NEVER before in the history of this great land of the free were there so many people try-ing to break into jail. Almost every issue of But they are being worked, shamelessly worked.

Place Open To Hungry

proud of it and yourself for supporting it?

Colorado. The president is asked to withdraw York capitalists induced capitalists in other sec-

The Latest Colorado Conspiracy

pulling off the massacre of miners that he clearly American workers and farmers. It is not char- to haul the stuff from the farm to the table. contemplation is plain from the report of the European capitalists.

THE European war should normally mean legislative committee to the governor, just issued.

prosperity for the American farmers. It is because the masters of the markets realize the fact that they are laying their war Adds to plans in advance to get the Graft of U.S. bulk of the prosperity for Capitalists themselves. Let us consider the situation relative to cotton. The last reported crop showed that America produced 14,411,000 bales as against 16,220,000 produced by all other countries. Most of the countries that produce cotton are engaged in war and cotton production will be curtailed there, if not practically ended. The destruction of war will be sufficient to make a healthy demand for cotton. Without the manipulation of cotton here, the former would vessive high prices for his

Even the suppression of free speech by military rule is urged, through making it appear thorized a private pool, though the act is con- that every man is already a partisan for the trary to law, to enable the speculators to corner mine owners by virtue of the Dick military law to go into partnership with them; that is, they the crop at seven cents or less, knowing that that makes him a member of the state militia. want the government to take all the risks while This is an interpretation that goes beyond any- they take the profits. thing the APPEAL ever expected. Because you cotton exchange, under the influence of this are likely to be called into service you must not authorized speculation, has opened again, though even criticise your possible commander in chief, for his work in abetting the alien robbers of the people of your state.

Wilson knows that the massacre is under contemplation. Yet he refuses to seize the mines as of receivers, the trust bankers. Then, take wheat. Russia produces 800,000,- a public necessity. He is in effect a fellow con-000 bushels; India, 350,000,000; Austria-Hun- spirator, against labor and life, with John D. Rockefeller and Governor Ammons. Russia knows no more infamous condition.

TODAY thousands are almost barefoot and It will inevitably mean a short wheat supply and shivering from lack of sufficient clothes because socially operated?

Let Things

use. With warehouses full of

new currency system authorizes the holder of raw material into the things all need, with plenty save excessive transportation rates? industrial stocks and bonds to cash out for gov- of tools and machinery to work with, honestly, ernment notes, while still holding their property now, as a same thinking man, can't you see the and securing dividends on them; and this issue absolutely ridiculousness of anybody being in of bonds, in order to admit of new stock waterof a billion and a half of government notes to want? It is just as sensible for a man to allow ing. At the same time, dealing will be prohibited them will enable them to buy whatever they himself to starve in his own home with plenty at prices below a minimum demanded by a board of food in the house as it is for any part of the of control. They are taking these arbitrary The bulk of the profit from the sale of farm people of this nation to starve or go hungry with means of seeking to uphold their dishonest paper.

is in the canal zone. You see, your uncle has an-

nounced that "foodstuffs and Panama canal may be pur-

while at the same time benefiting the producer also furnishing, right now, most of the food and of manufactured goods with greater returns, wearing apparel for about 50,000 people resident ing law in foreclosing on the road because of gurate a movement to collect only 50 cents from rope now. All this could be done through a scientific adjust- in the canal zone, beside offering to sell to ships ment of industry that would cut out the riders that may pass through the newly opened water-Wilson? and tribute takers from industry. That scien- way. A correspondent for a capitalist paper tific adjustment is Socialism. There is every says of Uncle Sam's store: "Prices are generally lower than the retail prices in the United States." Sure thing, you know.

Those who had hoped to locate along the canal European war or the democratic tariff?" asks and exploit denizens and chance visitors are penses during the same time were \$2,155,134, fund? Certainly not. The reason he did not he that liberality will be spurned and he will become E. F. Stanton, Oklahoma. It is the result of keenly disappointed. A correspondent for a capi- 734. This leaves a net operating revenue of assigns to Mr. Shirley in returning his check as what he is in process of becoming, more reac-

Cotton Crisis advantage of conditions created by the European war to wall Street rob the cotton farmer of the product of his labor. The government, controlled absolutely by the money kings of America, refuses to do anything for the cotton farmer.

Cotton Crisis advantage of conditions created by the European war to conclusion that their only occupation here will be to watch canal officials do the business and take in the money. Some are already laying plans to remove to a locality where there is no government competition, while others, who have been in business lately at a loss, fear that their only means of livelihood hereafter will be to get jobs as clerks on the canal.

They still tell your that the

They still tell you that the government can't President Wilson and his democratic congress does not hesitate a minute about coming to the aid of the bankers in putting over their steal disproving both statements. They are not doing as well as they might because the government. by lending the bankers government money at as well as they might, because the government three per cent but refuses to loan it to the cot. fears the effect of cutting out all profit, but they

NO DOUBT the Belgians are in a pitiable conis not meant that the common

Movement

people who contribute to the This Charity funds for relief of the Belgians are not perfectly sincere in their desire to aid, or every daily paper in the coun- In the first place the Belgians are in the conditry contains an account of tion they find themselves because of commercial some poor unfortunate victim war. The beneficiaries of that war are appealing some poor unfortunate victim of the profit system trying to to you to subscribe to the relief of these, their steal into jail where he knows victims; and behind the relief they have the there is warmth and three meals a day. John kilden purpose of inducing you to rehabilitate Kline of Riverside, Cal., aged 63, is one of this themselves before a people they have swindled growing army. Tired of roaming around, hun- and in whose eyes they are discredited. They gry and jobless, Kline burned down a vacant sold watered stocks to European capitalistshouse so he would be arrested. He then hunted paper that was based on nothing and that was up a deputy sheriff and gave himself up. Kline worth nothing. The European investors, when threatens if turned loose to commit more serious they found it out, sought to make American capiviolations of the law. Do you blame him? Great ta ists buy back the take securities. It was such country! Great system! Where the only route an appalling proposition that the stock exchange that had been unloaded on Europe. As it was, they had to dig up several million dollars in gold THERE IS STRANGE WORK in progress in with which to partly square the Trand-and New Ready for the troops in order that the guumen of the mine tions of the country to contribute most of the mons wires the president that fore, wish to show what "good fellows" they are convention in Chicago. It is composed of rail-

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AND now the railroads want the government

A LATE statement of the public debt, dated September 30, 1914, places the total at \$2,809,-262,118. The total amount of money in circulation at the same date was \$1,416,671,169. Uncle Sam is bankrupt. In reality he is in the hands

unanimously in favor of municipally owned wa- ments in widely separate territory, and the rail- rates for themselves while seeking to beat labor ter, light and transportation. It is the only way, roads of the nation are openly considering tak- to the lowest point of subjection. The railroads they say, to "curb the rapacity of private inter- ing control of farming. It is the establishment have taken the five per cent raise in rates acests." Why not end the rapacity of private in- of the feudalism for which they had previously corded them to mean five cents on the hundred terests by socializing all industries that are arranged. After they shall have put the middle- pound shipment, which is equivalent in many

THE postoffice department is circularizing post- bute they may desire. Their demand for an shoes and clothes why should masters, asking them to co-operate in a "farm authorized raise in carrying rates at this very ling is to be resumed under protection of the anyone lack these necessities to flat" system of marketing through the parcel crops, and thus induced a lowering of the prices For Hungry of life? Ask your friend who post, cutting out the middleman. If that would the power. defends capitalism to explain help the farmer and worker, it would also help this to you. With plenty of raw material, with the railroad by increasing its business. Why not "consumers" in the city, prefer to tie all things Night Riding movements. The dispossessed, men tors to get hold of what the farmer produces, the plenty of willing hands ready to make up such take over the railroad as a war measure, and up to the transportation trust, to taking transtors to get hold of what the farmer produces, the plenty of willing hands ready to make up such take over the railroad as a war measure, and

> THE stock market is to be opened for the sale But it is dangerous business. Some day there Belgium will be a break, and everything is likely to go to UNCLE SAM is going into business and is smash in an instant. Capitalism is treading on

THE Union Pacific railroad is owing the government a debt on borrowed money to the amount 1,000 people, among whom are widows and or- crop of the south for almost nothing and sell it Uncle Sam the general variety of merof \$1,600,000. Interest on this debt has not phans, who are now on the very verge of want, with millions of profit. The courts are deciding from the statement of the public debt issued by same state of affairs in every town in the radius hibited. Newspapers are openly urging a big

> erating revenues of all the railroads of the United purpose only." States were \$2,991,391,325. The operating ex-\$834,256,590. This approximates a billion dol- follows:

Comradeship and Christmas

"We are comrades" is the most beautiful phrase in the Socialist movement. Comradeship is what gives us the strength to continue our tireless fight for the right. Without the aid and understanding of our comrades in this great cause, the staunchest fighters would oft get discouraged. Let us then cherish this spirit of comradeship. Let us remember it this coming Christmas. Let the Socialists everywhere present their comrades in the trenches with a giff that truly expresses the soul and spirit of the American Socialist move-What is this gift? It is the STORY OF THE APPEAL from the pen of George Allan England. The "Story of the APPEAL" is the embodiment and personification of the militant Socialists of this country. It is the story of the greatest Socialist paper in the world for the last 20 years. It is just off the press and ready for shipment. This book contains 307 pages and six pages of illustrations. Beautifully bound in red cloth and the price is only \$1, postage prepaid. The "Story of the APPEAL" is the ideal Christmas gift for Socialists-and do your Christmas shopping early!

HO, MR. FARMER, take courage! After erty you possess, and demand-Railroads

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New Graft

Looks as though he is afraid the truth will so buy their rehabilitation, instead of giving all they have land to sell. They discussed the sion, arouse the people of Colorado as to prevent him themselves, out of what they have taken from "farm-to-the-table" prosition-but they expect

how he had already helped the agriculturalist- job is killing each other.

and incidentally explained that the farmer had hitherto been robbed. According to Mr. F. his York City "hampers at \$1.50," on which the customer "saves from 75 cents to \$3 on each whereas at one time he got only eight cents on Old World goods that sold in New York for \$3. It will be seen that even now the express company receives out of employment in Berlin, and that the dan-77 cents on goods that pays the farmer only ger of revolt is so great it is necessary, even 98 cents, which explains why the railroad com- with war at both borders of Germany, to keep pany is willing to absorb the business of the soldiers in mass in the nation's capital. In retailer. Mr. F. confesses his purpose when he Petrograd there is open revolt, even in the duma, says: "The whole plan grew out of a desire on with the strongest possible measures of repres-

these words: "In time all food speculators will ment of the republic. Soldiers along the line of be done away with by just such direct methods battle in France jest and sing together in lulls between the consumer and the producer. The of the fighting, giving evidence of a new feeling railroads will furnish their agents with lists of among those who actually do the fighting. reliable farmers on their routes, and the agents' will receive orders from the consumers and for- is an effort to stimulate industry through artifiward them to the farmers."

to much. M. V. Richards of the Southern Rail- and many orders for manufactured goods are way Company reports: "In the year 1913, 2,400 being received from Europe. Under ordinary farmers raised their crops under our supervi- conditions this ought to mean flush capitalist sion. In these demonstrations 38,755 acres were times. But the masters are more arrogant and planted cotton, 15,755 acres to corn and 4,384 impudent than ever, and may defeat the revival THE convention of American mayors declared to miscellaneous crops." Here are two experi- of business by demanding prohibitive raises in man out of business, it will be very easy, con- cases to a twenty per cent raise, and are enforc-

> The question is, would you farmers and you but spectacular aspect of the old Ku Klux and portation into your own hands and so manage the proletarians of the tillers of the soil, have

> wrote a letter to Henry J. Allen, "progressive" do with "possum hunting," but the coincidence editor of the Wichita (Kan.) Beacon, a paper is strange.

and Cotton Farmers

cluding the railroad owners?

the treasury department September 30, 1914, of your circulation. I suggest that you extend army and navy. It is certain that it will be im-The government would be justified under exist- your strong right arm for their relief and inau- possible to prevent the shipping of food to Eufailure to pay interest. Why is it not done, Mr. each person to create a fund to furnish only coal, Meantime every indication is that the coming

lars' profit out of about three billion dollars' worth of business, which ought to satisfy any reasonable exploiter. As for the people, they should be willing to save this billion to themselves, in decreased rates for travel and freight.

The feeling that would follow a statement that 1,000 by the worst hated man who ever occupied the people in Gage, Okla, were on the verge of want would chair.

In with all this there is a marked change in sanized funds, both official and charitable, to take care of cases that are actually in need. In Wichita, which is a town of 60,000 people, we do not allow anyone to suffer, and the comforts, at least the necessities of life are provided through our city poor fund, our county poor

What fakery it all is! With ten millions right now almost on the verge of starvation here in the flaming in America, and the masters are fanning United States, to hear a man expatiate about the fires. There is every reason for encouragehow all are provided for, and call that progres- ment. siveism, is enough to disgust any thinking man with modern cant that calls itself civilization.

ists demand that all shall receive equal wages

Work Will Determine His Reward and nobody else for that matter, have the power-or can they ever acquire such power

-to make men equal in ability, but Socialists in the majority and in control of the machinery of government can and will give all men an equal chance to apply such ability as they may have and settle them on land in America. James J. and be secure in receiving the full benefits of Would Rob their own ability and labor. Today when the average man is fortunate enough to get a chance to apply his ability and labor he receives but a small part of the benefits-the opportunity for him to apply his ability and labor is privately able them to borrow money from the bankers, owned and the private owner demands his toll and gets it.

sociology, university of Pennsylvania, declares Well, it is all an "investment." They are better the United States almost constantly down to the poverty line, many of them constantly below it;" aiding the shippers, but they will also produce to warmth and food for an honest workingman is was closed in order to keep the world from dis- tying you up to the transportation trust, after that "twenty per cent of the American people are more from which they can be exploited. The through a jail door as a criminal! Are you not covering just how worthless were the papers capitalizing their junk to include all the prop- in real distress and thirty per cent are below a philanthropy of the masters, when analyzed. physical efficiency minimum." Do you believe spells only exploitation. It is rank hypocrisy. ing tribute from you on your that the farmers of America are not able to raise own property, the masters of food enough to keep all the people well supplied? And while it is proposed to bring the Belgians here, when they are in such a pitiable condition the railroads are going to help Do you believe the artisans of America are not they will be willing to accept almost anything you. They say so themselves, able to make enough things of every kind to that is offered, they who are already here raising owners may again assume money to save America from a possible attack. Indeed, they are aiready helping you. Hadn't supply the need of all? Do you believe the rail-cotton are actually being starved to death through the actual swindle has been squared. You discovered it? Then listen: The Railway roads of America are not able to carry the food the manipulations of the same vampires that the same time Governor Am- But they are discredited in Europe. They, there- Development Association recently held a national and goods where they are needed? If America propose to make more money from the need of is able to supply all her needs, then poverty must the Belgians. While it is represented that there he objects to an investigation by coming to the relief of Belgium. Yet, with way managers all over America. They talked be an artificial condition fastened on us by a of conditions by the industrial commission, their usual impudence, they ask the people to strongly of the "back-to-the-farm" movement—vicious system. You cannot escape the conclu-

WHILE THE WAR in Europe shows no marked change, as to results, the entrance of railroad is now delivering to customers in New Turkey into the struggle gives promise of bringing all of Mohammedanism

Developments into it-and Portugal has now The farmer gets all of 98 cents, In This Busy joined the allies. News slips through the censors to the effect that 84,000 persons are

the part of the railroad to increase its tonnage." sion. Young China is massing in great force,
The scheme of the railroads is made clear in and the emperor is in dread of the re-establish-

With the opening of the regional banks there cialities.. Optimism is urged as a cure-all. There You may think the movement does not amount can be no question but that exports are large trolling all things themselves, to collect any tri- ing their own interpretation of the ruling.

The cotton pool is complete, and stock gambtime indicates what they would do if they had government. In the meantime a new thing has developed in the south, with all the impractical it as to cut out all profits to any middleman, in- gone "possum hunting." Seems innocent enough, doesn't it? But they tell of mysterious fires in the property of the most oppressive of the land-E. E. SHIRLEY, a druggist of Gage, Okla., lords and bankers. Of course, it has nothing to

that is raising dollar sub. The masters are in the saddle and are riding scriptions for the aid of Bel- hard. Wilson sends troops to Arkansas to whip gium, sending him 50 cents the striking miners into line. He refuses to with which to start a fund to seize the Colorado mines and run them in the aid the helpless cotton victims interest of all. He authorizes the cotton pool of the south and urging: "We have in our town that will enable the speculators to get the cotton

bread and meat to the widows and orphans in congress will be the most reactionary that was Oklahoma and Kansas, and when the winter is ever known. In all probability two billion dollars DURING the fiscal year ending July 1, 1914, ac- over, then send the residue to Belgium. I here- will be spent by it. The bars will be let down. cording to the government report, the total op- with enclose my check for 50 cents for the above. The APPEAL and the people in general have been very liberal with the president, giving him credit Did Henry Allen, the progressive, start the for good intentions. It now looks as though tionary than Taft was, going from office proba-

> to take the railroads. Just as revolt is beginning in Europe, where militarism is rampant, so it is

ANOTHER scientist has discovered that crimi-SOME ONE writes wishing to know if Social- nality is caused by defective human beings. He would end it by segregating the defectives and under Socialism. Socialists demand equal opportunity for all and for every defectives at both ends of the teeter board, and day of the year Socialists, thus perpetuates the condition that brutalizes the world. Great is the logic that upholds the robbery of the workers!

> THERE IS a movement on in half a dozen states to bring to America the ruined Belgians, Hill favors the plan-but he

> has land to sell. The Los An-Victims of geles Times advocates it-Terrible War but Gen. Otis proposes a "state mortgage fund" to en-

secured by the state. Otis estimates that "these emigrants" can be depended on to produce 25 per ARTHUR JAMES TODD of the department of num," until they have paid out. And then? "from ten to twenty million people in truck farmers than the Japanese. They will not

is much unoccupied land in America that should be developed-so much that it is necessary to import aliens to work it-two million Americans are tramping the roads, unable to find work and pulling off the massacre of miners that he clearly American workers and farmers. It is not charhas in mind. That such a massacre is under ity they want, but justification for swindling H. B. Fullerton, of the long Island road, told getting the full product of their labor. But their This is what they call "business." This is our very practical capitalist system.