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BILL AND HIS BARRICADE SCIENCE

In a previous letter I asked Proletaria Bill to tell me plainly why he thinks the class struggle is not a political struggle. Bill answers:

"That dogma on the class struggle has been exploded through the acquirement of a broader social knowledge of history and economics on the part of a considerable number of proletarian thinkers developed in that struggle and through it."

That is no answer at all. It is evasive, has a double meaning, and can be used in denying almost any proposition. Bill repudiates the political struggle in words similar to what a capitalist editor uses when denying the class struggle. "There is no class struggle," says the editor, "as that dagma has been exploded through the acquirement of a broader social knowledge."

It is not my purpose at this time to correct the errors of "a considerable number of proletarian thinkers." They may think what they please. I know "a considerable number of thinkers," a much greater number than Bill has in mind, who believe that all our struggles will be adjusted when the ancient prophets are resurrected and take charge of the world's governments. These thinkers firmly believe what they think. Bill also believes what he thinks. But mere belief, while satisfying to Bill and the other thinkers, is not convincing to me nor anyone else seeking to know.

Surely Bill should see the weakness of his reply to my statement that "every class struggle is a political struggle," a statement sustained by every Socialist author from Marx to Simons. Therefore, I maintain, with emphasis: Any person who repudiates the political struggle also repudiates the class struggle.

At various times, in published letters, Proletaria Bill has repudiated working class political action; therefore he repudiates the class struggle, possibly without suspecting that he is doing so. He is in earnest, so when he fully understands his own mind, he will no longer dabble in the affairs of the Socialist party or any labor organization [illegible] something an[illegible] ing. Act[illegible] is wha[illegible] ist [illegible] [illegible] for exchan[illegible] That can be don[illegible] ing economic action wh[illegible] tion.

After Proletaria Bill has examined the demands of the railway workers he may find they are not very revolutionary. Thirty years ago the Typographical Union was something for Bill to look upon and pronounce very good, as the printers then were striking half their time, making demands more sweeping than those made recently by the railway unions. Printers got their demands then, with more in later years, but strikes with them are mostly memories of long ago. If Bill had known me in the old days he would have caled me revolutionary, but really I was only a radical then and sentimental.—Now that I urge the necessity of political action as wel as economic action, thus becoming in fact revolutionary, he thinks I am growing conservative. As my friend Benny Cohen would say, "it makes me disgust."

W. H. WAYNICK.

THAT VICIOUS POLITICAL CIRCLE AND WHAT IT LEADS TO

BILL, in March 22, Worker: "The working class should try to get all the political power it can make use of in organizing to control its labor power."

EDITOR, in April 5, Worker: "We have stated bluntly the action the Socialist Party ought to take in dealing with farmers and unionists but Proletaria Bill has dodged around the question."

BILL, in April 5, Worker: "We are not going to revert to our childhood to meet twisted facts and hollow sophistry."

EDITOR, in April 5, Worker: "Sophistry, indeed!"

BILL, right now: On March 22, the editor stated, with reference to the measures voted on and defeated last fall, that "almost every paper in the state was FOR the measures. Almost every candidate of the old parties were FOR the measures. All the publicity AGAINST the measures was made by the Socialist Party, the trade unions and the granges."

We hereby briefly and emphatically challenge the truth of that entire bouquette of editorial "facts" and then some. If that line of baccarat had any foundation the eight hour day referendum should have carried in the fall of1914.

Those thrills of yankus jerked over by an editor that makes no scientific distinction between what phenomena is industrial and what is political and that insists upon abusing tangled facts and pickled sophistry will yet land him in that class of artful confusionists that have not yet learned that political society is built upon an industrial foundation. Or, more recently, that the first employment of the first wage worker was not, scientificaly, a political act—Pope Kautsky to the contrary n-w-s.

Why should the editor complain that some of his readers have taken him for a supporter of non-partisanism? We are now ready to hear that the operation of industrial unionism is "political action." Yes, what IS the matter with the S. P.?

PROLETARIA BILL.

April 6, 1917.

(Proletaria Bill reminds me of the man who shuts his eyes during a fist fight. We asked Bill to come across with his "facts" but instead he asks us for ours. We believe that every reader of this paper—outside of Bill—read the attitude of the capitalist press on these measures and it is useless to take up space proving it. As for the eight hour day referendum, we concluded that it was defeated because the worker was of the opinion—and he had good grounds for it—that he would receive smaller pay. Until the worker becomes fully conscious of his power to regulate hours and wages he will be bound to look upon such a measure with misgiving.

We contend that industrial action means getting better wages and conditions from the owners of the machinery of wealth production. Political action means the capturing of the state (which O. K.'s the ownership) by any means at hand. The economic power of the capitalists is maintained by the organized power of the state, and is expressed in their titles of ownership in land, factories and railroads, etc. If the workers are to break the rule of capital they must by some means destroy the titles of ownership which are now [illegible] the capitalists. As the [illegible] eans whereby such own- [illegible] and the owner pro- [illegible] y rights, it stands [illegible] lies the point [illegible] workers if [illegible] ired change. [illegible] seized the [illegible] well, the [illegible] state is [illegible] of the [illegible] on in- [illegible] —Edi-

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Our good has been accomplished by discussing practical measures of immediate benefit, such as government ownership of railroads; government monopoly of banking; sick benefits, accident insurance, old age pensions, etc.

The workers understand these things and most of them desire them with their whole heart, but never having seen them in actual operation, as government measures, they don't believe or know how they can be put in successful operation.

We try to show how easily these things can be accomplished, point out all the countries where these laws are in force, and how beneficial they are to the workers. We show them there is only one political party in this country that stands by those measures and supports them—and that is the Socialist Party. And we do this without losing sight for a single moment of the class struggle or the great purpose and ultimate goal we are striving for.

We discuss unemployment, poverty, prostitution in plain languages, backed by statistics.

Education is a fundamental necessity. I only object to the method we use. A great many of us are trying to put the roof on our house before laying the foundation. No one can give the working class a classical or scientific education after the fundamentals have been derived them in youth. If any one is trying to educate the working class to a point where they will understand Marxian or scientific Socialism, then I am afraid the professor and his class will all be dead before they finish the first lesson. The better part and more intelligent element among the useful members of society, know what they want immediately. It is our duty to show them how they can get what they want by class solidarity at the polls and as the editor has aptly put it: "the deeper and better understanding will come with opportunity later on."

I feel kind of sorry for the Socialist who subscribes to the doctrine of political action, yet turns around and says he does not give a tinker's damn for votes. I feel sorry for him because I was that kind of Socialist once myself. If the Socialist Party is a university or academy of sciences then all we need is a bunch of students and a corps of well educated and competent school masters and professors. If the Socialist Party is a political organization, and I always take it to be one nowadays, then what we need is that kind of practical action in the industrial field that will bring us votes—votes enough to give us the legislative, executive and judicial powers of this government.

Under a democracy, leaving out revolutions, we can get power only by the votes of citizens. Power is what we are after, power to write our own laws and the police power to enforce them after they become laws. This is what I understand by political action. This is the reason I go out every election day and try to get all the votes I can for our candidates. It is immaterial to me, on that day, whether the voter knows anything about Socialism or not. **I know the man I induce him to vote for is a CLASS CONSCIOUS SOCIALIST,** and that's all I care about. And if my candidate gets into office he has the power that goes with that office to do practical work for the betterment of the working class and I am foolish (?) enough to believe my ignorant voter will support my man just as faithfully as he has been supporting the other crowd which has been kicking him in the face all his life.

Another vital error in our tactics is the complete lamb-like indifference with which we enter into our political campaigns—especially our local and state campaigns. We hardly stir up a ripple on the political pond. We will continue to agitate, educate and organize as of yore, but we must do one thing more and this one thing more is the most essential thing of all—introduce militant action into our program. We must awake from our Rip Van Winkle slumber with its beautiful dreams of economic justice, take off our coats and **work** and fight to the end of the last trench, to make our dreams come true. Inanimation has been the cancer that has been slowly but surely eating the vitals out of the Socialist movement. We must get away from the idea, that in the great world struggle now going on the Socialist is to function only as a reuniting agent, disciplinarian or drill master. He has got to be a **fighter** too and the sooner we learn we must fight to the bitter end for every inch of ground we gain, the sooner will the army of the revolution become an effective organization. The Socialist party must become a **live, militant** factor in the political and industrial development of the working class, or be relegated to the political graveyard or scrape pile of those who have started in the right direction, worked to a certain point, and then failed utterly to live up to their wider and greater opportunities.

BERT GODDARD.

Plummer, Ida.

THE DOLLAR ALARM CLOCK

By John Healy

I

How dear to my heart are those chimes in the morning,
That yank me from bed with melodious thrill;
How sweet is the sound of the regular warning
That yells that it's time I hike to the mill.
Without it I'd sleep till the sun had arisen,
Be late to the job that my boss lets me use,
Get canned, perhaps steal, maybe land in a prison,
If the chimes didn't hustle me out of my snooze.

Chorus.

The faithful alarm clock;
The rattling alarm clock;
The Dollar alarm clock
That rests on my shelf.

II.

What a blessing it was when the thing was invented,
It beats the slave-driver who came with his stick;
It rests on the shelf in the shack that I rented
It never gets hungry; it never gets sick,
If overly weary I take a tin bucket
And place the alarm clock down into the thing,
When it chimes in the morning it doubles the racket;
It would wake up the dead when the two of them ring.

III.

Some times the good woman gets worn and weary,
And say we are hauling too much of a load,
I tell her the journey would look still more dreary
If the dollar alarm clock should fail to explode.
Then here's to my booster that only needs winding;
And here's to the victim that just keeps alive.
The boss gets the money and I do all the grinding;
The clock starts the circus at quarter past five.

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LOCAL NO. YAKIMA SENDS WORD TO WAR MONGERS

North Yakima holds the laurels again for being high number in the recruiting spasm that has been causing the business men so much concern. Although North Yakima holds the record they were only able to secure a trifle more than one-third as many "rookies" as desired. Only 180 were wanted, and with all the big boosting by business men who had such a yellow streak they would not enlist themselves, they were met by a silence that shows that the seed we have sown has begun to fructify, and people are beginning to believe that it is England sinking the boats to draw the United States into the war to save her goat, and Morgan & Co. wants us to butt in to save those precious blood-soaked bonds.

TO THE CAPITALIST CLASS

We wish to call attention to the fact that the effort to hurl us into war has not received the sanction of the people.

As we have often pointed out that it would be overwhelmingly repudiated if put to the test, we point out now that it has been tested and our contention is proven absolutely sound.

The sporadic outburst of enthusiasm at the patriotic meetings can not be cited as a criterion by which to judge the sentiment of the people, owing to the fact that they so signally failed of their intended purpose. As proof, we call attention to the response to the call for recruits. We call attention especially to the fact that the business men themselves have completely repudiated it also, since not one of them here has signed up for cannon fodder.

The sincerity of men is determined not by the amount of noise they make, but by the manner in which they back up their pretenses. These thousands who hold the meetings should have furnished some material, but we observe as usual that the material is not coming from the element that makes the noise. It is always so.

It is beyond all bounds of reason to expect the laboring men who create the wealth but own nothing, to go and fight for those who create nothing, but own everything, when they themselves will not go and protect the system that makes it impossible for them to become rich from the contemptible traffic in war munitions; and incidentally, we would be doing the fighting for those who detest us in times of so called peace, beat down our wages, club us from town to town and shoot us down for asking for more of the product of our own toil. We do not need to look across the ocean to see our enemies, and we refuse to go there seeking them.

When we are denied our constitutional rights of free speech on the streets, and when the constitution is regarded as a "mere scrap of paper" by Commercial Clubs, who use pick handles for law, can you marvel that the public which witnesses those lawless deeds and outrages, are not going to uphold a regime that has to be maintained by violence?

We call attention to the fact that there were thousands of "patriots" assembled at various meetings to to create a psychological noise to hypnotize young inexperienced boys—but we haven't seen nor heard of one of those noisy "patriots" getting imbued with enough real genuine sincerity to enlist and offer himself to subserve the interests of Morgan & Co.

We do not believe this mania has the remotest bearing on the question of defending America, nor is it a question of **OUR RIGHTS** being at stake, for labor has no rights in any country that the ruling class of that land feels imperatively bound to respect.

To America, and the basic and fundamental rights of the human race, we are more loyal than those who seek to drive this nation on to a blind insatiable and inexcusable war at the behest of an avaricious and lustful mercenary plunderbund.

We are an awakened, alert and class conscious proletariat, and we see within our own borders an enemy more dangerous and sinister than any foreign foe. It is that enemy of which Lincoln warned the nation, "The powerful aggregations of wealth that will ultimately destroy the republic." We see the very foundations of our guarantees being destroyed by those who ask us to fight. We see a gradual retrogression to despotism. We see a society decadent and hypocritical, whose beneficiaries plead with its victims to do their fighting for them.

No nation has ever died in the hands of the laboring class, but all nations that have gone down to oblivion have done so in the hands of the master class, who hide behind a flag while urging the slaves on to fight the battles.

If the aristocracy of idlers will not fight to protect their privileges, then why should we fight to maintain our slavery and our economic chains.

We shall decide for ourselves who our enemies are, when we should fight, whom we shall fight, and what we shall fight for.

The apathy manifested is due to the awakening consciousness of the people, and we stand aside and smile at the futile efforts to stampede them.

Yours for Peace at Any Price that it may cost the exploiters.

F. G. McMURRY.

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