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THE ELECTIONS.

There is very little significance to the elections in large cities, except as it shows the general unrest and the ease by which the masses may be swayed from one capitalist party to its twin brother. The only significant thing is the growth of the Socialist vote, and this the capitalist news service either ignores or twists.

In Chicago, two years ago, Harrison, Democrat, was elected mayor by about 80,000. Last week Thompson, Republican, was elected mayor of Chicago by 140,000—a change of 220,000 in two years.

The fact is, the average old party voter doesn't know what he is voting for, and uses his prejudices instead of what might be intelligence if developed. Usually in these large cities the issue is "the lid" or "a wide open town," or some other nonsense that sets the masses to gabbling, but all of the time the real issue is the control of the city by its robber interests behind both old parties. The only opposition to this is the Socialist party, and they landed two aldermen in Chicago.

In Milwaukee, four years ago, the Socialists won the city in a three-cornered fight. But there have been no more three-cornered fights in Milwaukee since. The Republicans and Democrats got together as "non-partisans" and the issue is clear-cut between Capitalism and Socialism. Last week the Socialist gain in Milwaukee was about 5,000 and they elected four of the five members of the school board and several city officials. There was no mayor or elect.

In St. Louis there was no Socialist gain. The Republicans swept the city by about 20,000. Kansas City elected a mayor who is an advocate of municipal ownership.

The Republicans carried nearly all the large cities of the country, just as the Democrats carried everything two years ago. In their blind ignorance the voters just keep on jumping from the frying pan into the fire—and back again.

THERE IS A DIFFERENCE.

That there is all the difference in the world in our courts between a capitalist and a workmanman is too plain for even the blind not to see. The evidence of it appears almost every day in some section of the country.

A most glaring comparison comes from Wisconsin. A rich man named Pfister got judgment against the Milwaukee Free Press for \$15,000 for libel. The paper appealed to the supreme court, and that court held that the rich man's feelings were hurt \$15,000 worth and the paper had to pay.

John Saradowski, a working man, was an employee of a big corporation and was killed through carelessness of the company. He was not a common laborer, but earned about \$100 a month. The jury awarded his widow with three children \$750. But the same supreme court that held \$15,000 for a rich man's feelings, held that \$750 was "fatally excessive" for killing a working man, and the case was sent back for re-trial.

When the case was again tried the jury awarded the widow \$8,500. Again the corporation appealed to mamma. Being in Wisconsin where the Socialists are making so much trouble mamma did not dare to again reverse the case and send it back for re-trial. So mamma topped off \$2,500 of the widow's award and let it go at that.

But even that is much better than might be expected of most courts. In most cases the widow gets nothing, while in other cases she gets a few hundred dollars, which leaves very little after the expense is deducted.

HOW "THE LAW" WORKS.

Cleveland, April 6.—The complete backdown of the authorities of this city to collect taxes from John D. Rockefeller has come with the discharge by Gov. Willis of John D. Rockefeller and William Agnew, the deputy tax commissioners who assessed Rockefeller on \$311,000,000 worth of personal property. With the discharge of these men the injunction proceedings brought by Rockefeller have been dropped.

The above dispatch tells of what happened to two tax collectors who tried to make a rich man pay his share of the expense of government. They lost their jobs. It is always so. The rich rule and the sucker who gets a job under a capitalist government gets his pay stopped if he hasn't got sense enough to know that there is one law for the rich and another for the poor.

The papers have been telling us about this affair for a couple of years. First Rockefeller dodged the tax collectors. When they set out to collect by selling the property as they do others, an injunction was secured.

The outcome is that the tax collectors lost their jobs and the injunction was dissolved. But we are all equal before the law. Don't forget.

CAUGHT ON FIRST.

He—Id no idea you would accept me the first time I proposed.

She—And did you think I would the second time?

He—Oh, there would have been no second time.—Boston Transcript.

Read the unmuzzled Kicker.

IN BARBAROUS MEXICO.

I pay very little attention to the war news, for there is so little truth that appears. I seldom read more than the headlines, and I guess I am about as well "posted" as they who read it all. Most of the stuff is cooked up in the newspaper offices here.

But the news from Mexico has been artistically colored of late. I was deceived by it and, some weeks ago, praise be to the extent of printing his picture. A local priest was as much deceived as myself, and scolded the Kicker for it. Like myself, he did not know that Villa had "made terms" with the Catholic party in Mexico, and that he now had the favor of Wall Street and the administration at Washington, D. C.

That Villa is a great commander and a wonderful man there is no doubt. That he entered the revolution in good faith will not be questioned. But he is human, ambitious and of very little or no education. For the latter he is not to blame. He was born in poverty—a peon. In early manhood he killed an army officer who had betrayed his sister, and was for twenty years a fugitive in the mountains with a reward on his head. When the revolution broke out he eagerly joined it at the head of a husky band of mountaineers.

When the constitutionists had won Mexico and driven Huerta out, they held a convention of generals to establish a provisional government to serve until an election could be held. Secret influences from the United States had cunningly provided Villa with a shrewd press agent who was not only to boost Villa in the American newspapers but was also to influence him against Carranza, the First Chief. When the convention had selected its provisional government, Villa revolted, and is now fighting his former allies and has the support of his former enemies.

This conspiracy was hatched in the United States. Old Rockefeller, Guzenheim, Hearst and others who have plundered Mexico and want to continue to rob it were the "interests" protected. That is why, of late, we read so much about "Two Americans murdered by Carranza troops," etc., and explains why so many Carranza shells and bullets are falling on this side of the border. It also explains why we have battle ships in Mexican waters and so many troops on the border.

In case Villa should prove too weak, the capitalists of the U. S. want "Watchful Waiting" to butt in and crush Carranza. And if they can work up public sentiment to stand for it, it will be done. In the Appeal to Reason J. Kenneth Turner, author of Barbarous Mexico, and who has just returned from within the Constitutional ranks, accuses President Wilson of bad faith and puts these questions:

"Will President Wilson explain why, at one time, he suddenly changed his mind about recognizing Carranza, after the papers had been driven up, and why, afterwards, through his personal agents, he secretly abetted the rebellion of Villa against Carranza?"

"Will Mr. Wilson deny that it was because of a set of outrageous demands made upon Carranza through his personal agent, Edward Bayard Hale, which demands Carranza turned down?"

"Will Mr. Wilson deny that that same set of demands was one for four coaling stations on Mexican territory?"

"Will Mr. Wilson deny that he secretly abetted Villa in his rebellion against Carranza, and that he is secretly aiding Villa today?"

"Will Mr. Wilson deny that the original reason why he aided Villa was that Villa agreed to meet the demands for coaling stations on Mexican soil?"

"Will Mr. Wilson deny that the basic reason why he is now on the verge of a second Mexican invasion is that the Wall Street backers of Villa have begun to despair of Villa winning in a fair fight, and are pressing upon Wilson either to intervene in favor of Villa or to plant the American flag permanently over all the Mexicans?"

Well, at least the convicts at Jeff. City have a job, even if the man who tries to be honest hasn't. The British government has just closed a contract for saddle trees with the men who profit from our barbarous prison contract labor system for saddle trees that will keep the prison factories going day and night for some time. After the job is off our hands and we have done our best in keeping up the slaughter in Europe, Gov. Major should piously and solemnly proclaim another day of prayer. But let it be on Sunday. To stop for prayer on a week day would interfere with business.

Let the Kicker give you a tip. The railroad rates are going to be raised. There is absolutely no reason for it, except that the railroads want more. And they know how to get it. The only thing in the way is public sentiment, and they are spending thousands of dollars among the newspapers to fix that. But who is to pay this increase? It will fall almost wholly on the "prosperous" farmer. He totes the load.

Stick to the unmuzzled Kicker.

GOVERNMENT SALOONS.

Say, Mr. Reformers, do you know that your Uncle Sam is running 89 saloons in the city of Chicago? And if the government can run a saloon, can't it run a grocery store or butcher shop? Or a factory or mill or railroad?

Well, your government does take spells at running all these various industries. Unfortunately, however, under capitalism, government is not given a fair show and does not get into such business until after its owners have failed. Several railroads are now in the hands of receivers and are being operated by the government.

But in Chicago a brewery failed and the federal court, for the government took charge. This brewery was operating 89 joints in Chicago that are now being operated by the government. Of course the reformer may be shocked at this, although his government has been a partner of the saloons for 50 years. And if you spoke to him about letting the government control the liquor dispensaries instead of the breweries and distillers, he would be horrified.

However, these 89 Chicago saloons are the only ones in that city obeying the law. The present management have no intention to break the law. In addition to obeying all other laws, they are the only Chicago saloons to close on Sundays.

All of the parties in charge of these saloons are appointed by Judge Landis, who represents the government. All get their pay, whether a saloon sells a quart or a barrel of beer. There is no inducement for the operators to encourage drinking, or keep open on Sundays, or otherwise violate the law.

Yet you can never get a bone-headed reformer to see that it is the profit system that is responsible for the booze traffic. Change that, and your booze traffic will collapse over night.

Who would open a saloon to sell booze if there was no profit in so doing? And so long as there is profit in it, prohibition laws will only fill the prisons with boot-leggers for tax-payers to feed.

AMONG THE "HONS."

Indianapolis, April 6.—Mayor Donn M. Roberts, Terre Haute, and the 26 codefendants in the Terre Haute election corruption conspiracy trial were today found guilty in the United States District Court.

The charge was that they had conspired to corrupt the election Nov. 3, 1914. Judge A. B. Anderson will pronounce sentence. Judge Anderson instructed the 27 men found guilty today as well as the 89 who had pleaded guilty to go to their homes and to return to court April 12, when sentences will be pronounced on all.

Terre Haute, Ind., April 10.—City and county officials convicted in the United States court at Indianapolis of election frauds are back at their jobs and are going to make a fight to hold them in spite of their convictions even after sentence is pronounced upon them next Monday, while their cases are pending in the United States circuit court of appeals. The law is said clearly to provide that the four convicted men holding elective offices are automatically removed by conviction, or at least will be automatically removed when sentence is pronounced upon them. These four are Mayor Donn M. Roberts, Circuit Judge Eli Redman, Sheriff Dennis Shea and city Judge Thom as Smith. Judge Smith says he will not take an appeal.

St. Louis, Mo., April 10.—A. H. Fredericks, who was elected last Tuesday as president of the St. Louis board of aldermen at the first election under the new charter, has disappeared.

Circuit Attorney Harvey will begin an investigation into the startling disclosures of business transactions involving the president-elect of the board of aldermen, with a view of laying the facts before a grand jury.

Mrs. Anna Weinheimer, an aged widow, appeared at the office of the recorder of deeds in the city hall and ascertained that a \$3,500 deed of trust sold to her by Frederick had been released and was worthless. She also held another deed of trust for \$4,000, which she bought from Frederick, and this also is believed to be worthless.

AMONG THE "CHRISTIANS."

Paris, April 10.—German trenches so choked with dead and dying French troops were unable to occupy them and the woods full of dead and dying were described in the terrible dispatches telling of the terrible battles now raging around St. Mihiel.

So frightful has become the loss of life in the savage attacks against the German position between St. Mihiel and Pont a Mousson and Etain that military operations actually are being hampered by the piles of dead bodies. The battles are being waged with such fury that neither army has had time to go to the aid of its wounded, much less to bury the dead. The sides of the Combes Plateau and the Eparges region north of St. Mihiel are strewn with corpses.

The solidarity of the laborers at the polls means the success of the cause of the workers.

WHEN REUBEN WAKES UP.

C. W. Ervin in Milwaukee Leader.—This is a story of "patriotism" and "Rubens." It is a true story, and the characters in it will do most of the telling. The time is Dec. 12, 1913. The place is the house in Washington. The principal character is one Callaway, from Texas.

It was Friday, and private calendar day, "Sneering Day" would have been a better title for this particular day. Some private pension bills came up, and much hot air came out. In fact, so much that Callaway began to sneer at the "patriotic" bunk that was being ladled out for home consumption.

One Towner, from Iowa, in talking on a private pension bill, was so slushingly "patriotic" that the man from Texas, seemingly forgetful for the moment, that he was talking for publication, voiced his disgust in what the writer considered the most remarkable speech ever made on the floor of congress.

The whole story of how we are bunched is contained in this short speech. We wish it might be possible to put it in the front of every history of the United States used in our public schools. It won't appear there, however, for the same reason that it did not appear in the capitalist press. Rising in his place, Callaway said:

Mr. Callaway: "I want to quote a little conversation that I had here when the Sherwood pension bill was up, because the members of the house are everlastingly working off this patriotic talk about these pension bills when the members of the house really know that they are put through for the purpose of purchasing votes."

A member: "Oh, that is not so."

Mr. Callaway: "I heard some one grunt. (Laughter.) I want to repeat a conversation of an old man who was for the pension bill; a wise old congressman who had been in this house for 17 or 18 years, and a new man who was making a patriotic talk that sounded very much like the speech made by the gentleman from Iowa, (Mr. Towner)."

"There were just we three, and I was cussing the Sherwood pension bill. This old congressman said to the new man, 'Young man, you are doing a thing there that you ought not to do; that is lying to yourself.' He said: 'I learned long ago that a man can't afford to do that. It destroys his clearness of thought. It warps his judgment. It will affect you so but you can't think straight. There is no use in lying to me and Callaway; he says, 'You know we are not going to vote in your district, and you can't help this thing by making patriotic appeals to us.' And he said, 'I want to advise you against lying to yourself. I have done a great deal of lying in my time; I have always done my lying to the other fellow; I have not lied to myself. In order to keep my thinking apparatus working right, and I want to advise you not to lie to yourself.' (Laughter.)"

"Now," he says, "I am going to vote for the Sherwood bill, just as you are, and for the same reason." And he says, "Another bill is coming in here—this militia-pay bill—and when it comes I am going to vote for that, and you will, too. I am going to vote for this Sherwood pension bill because I am an old man and do need it, and the government and these old fellows are pretty well organized in my district, and I do not think I can be elected without their vote, and I do not know how to get it without buying it, and I am a poor man and not able to purchase it with my own money, and this is an opportunity to take money out of the federal treasury and buy it, and I am going to do it, and you are going to do that same thing, because you are but in the way."

I said, "How long is this chasing business going to keep up?" He said, "It is going to keep up until Reuben wakes up."

I said, "Who is Reuben?" He said, "He is the fellow back at home that pays the taxes and has not got his hand in the federal treasury."

I said, "What is the per cent of rubes compared to the other fellows in this country?" He said, "Oh, about 90 per cent rubes."

I said, "Haven't you got more confidence in the 90 per cent who are rubes than you have in these interested fellows?"

He said, "No, these interested fellows know exactly what they want, and they are organized and are ten times as active in politics as rubes; and when one man is 10 times as active in politics as nine others that one man carries the election; and these fellows that know exactly what they want in this country, who have got their eye on the indicator and are working at it in politics, have run the government of this country for 50 years, and I have got to obey their mandates till Reuben wakes up, but I am not willing to risk my political life trying to wake him up."

The women claim four million voters in the United States. That is pushing the cave people aside some.

There are not many people who will do without the Kicker.

PEOPLE FEAR CHANGE.

Did you ever have a bad tooth that gave you pain almost constantly? If so, you know how long it took to make up your mind to seek relief. You were afraid of the dentist. You suffered the almost intolerable pain and would try all sorts of quack remedies rather than do the intelligent thing.

I had such a tooth and suffered for five years. When I would bite any solid substance with it, the pain was fearful. But I put up with it, hoping, against all reason that the thing would cure itself. I feared the dentist.

One day I decided to have the tooth pulled, the dentist examining it and advised against pulling in about 15 minutes he killed the nerve and there was no pain compared to what I had suffered. The tooth has not hurt since.

And the people are just as big fools about changing the industrial and political system that is hurting them as was about that tooth. At a single election they could overthrow the whole barbarous system, but they fear a change. How a change could possibly be for the worse I leave it for them to explain. I can't. They will suffer on and on, hoping against all reason that their oppressors will get off their backs. But they will not get off until thrown off.

The masses are afraid of Socialism because the press and pulpit of the ruling class thunder against it. The masses do not understand that these retainers of capitalism do this to hold their jobs. It is an important part of the performance. Let any so-called Christian minister get up in his pulpit and plead the cause of the poor and oppressed as Christ did, and his overfed bishop gives him his walking papers. Let an editor do it and he is up against the boycott of the "better class."

Therefore the essential thing is more education among the masses. The ignorance among the workers concerning industrial and government affairs is appalling. Even they who have what passes for a fairly good education are as ignorant of such matters as they who cannot read at all. This does not so happen by accident, but is purposely designed. The ruling class controls our education. The Kicker is the only paper in Southeast Missouri that is barred from the library of the Cape Girardeau Normal school! Somebody ought to ask Prof. Dearmont why?

For many years the Kicker had been a regular visitor at the Cape Normal, and were also all the rural papers. Every year three dollars are appropriated for advertising and one dollar for subscription to these papers. But last year the Kicker was cut out. Why?

Can it be that students saw things in the Kicker and asked questions that embarrassed the faculty because they could give no intelligent answer without endangering their jobs? So far as the loss of the patronage of the Normal is concerned, I care nothing about that. I will remain loyal to the matter to show how carefully the ruling class guards the education of the people.

WE PRAY FOR PEACE.

Chicago, April 6.—On receipt today of a protest from the Women's Peace party of Ohio, directed against the legal enforcement in that state of military drill training in the use of modern arms in the public schools, the Chicago branch voiced a vigorous denunciation of such practice and prepared to fight the proposal of any similar legislation in Illinois.

"The Women's Peace party here would put forth every possible effort," said Mrs. Alice P. Norton, secretary of the organization today, "to block enforcement of military training for the public school boys. Our aim is to direct impetus toward the other arts—more constructive and useful than martial exercises."

"Military drill of any kind tends to instill thoughts of war into the young mind, and this is just what must be avoided and guarded against. The desire for heroism on the part of the coming generation should be turned into peace-provoking channels. Even from the standpoint of defensive preparations, military practice for boys tends to interrupt the trend of peace."

WHERE THE WOMEN ARE.

Woman's place may be the home but judging from recent statistics, she seems to have deliberately ignored that fact, for there are: 239,077 stenographers. 327,635 teachers and professors. 481,159 in various trades. 770,055 engaged in agricultural pursuits. 7,855 physicians and surgeons. 7,896 clergy "men." 1,037 designers, draftsmen and architects. 1,010 lawyers. 429,497 women in various professions.—Baltimore Sun.

POOR WOMAN.

"She's a nervous wreck because her husband talks in his sleep so much."

"You mean the loss of sleep has injured her health?"

"It isn't the loss of sleep that is sending her to a sanitarium, but the fact that her husband mumbles and she can't understand what he says.—Age Herald.

WANT JUSTICE, NOT CHARITY.

From the Los Angeles Citizen.

Unemployment is the extremity of inequality. An ant's nest and the summit of Mt. Baldy are not as far apart as the man "willing to work and unable to find work" and the capitalist drawing dividends from a thriving industry.

The strength of a nation depends on the number of people satisfactorily employed.

To the extent that unemployment exists, to that extent is national weakness.

It is through the medium of employment that the masses become possessed of the means of life and advancement.

If employment is withheld, then the means of life and advancement are withheld.

Charity cannot be considered. It is not only utterly inadequate but an insult to humanity.

What the unemployed want is work—work that will bring them not only a bare existence but the means of existing as becomes citizens of a great nation in the most advanced day of civilization.

This is not impossible, neither is it visionary.

The nation has unlimited resources.

Says the Encyclopedia Britannica, "If the natural resources of the American continent were fully developed, it would afford sustenance to 3,600,000,000 inhabitants."

If this vast number were all placed in the state of Texas there would be but 21 to the acre.

If we cut these figures in two in the middle, they would still make America capable of supporting 1,800,000,000, which is 200,000,000 more than the present population of the world.

The solution of the problem of unemployment lies in applying the resources of the country to the idle natural resources.

We have the people. We have the resources. But—

Well, we haven't learned as a nation, the true purpose of government.

THE WAR AND SOCIALISM.

From the Milwaukee Leader.

The war that was to wipe out Socialism has driven the belligerent nations to the road to Socialism than socialist propaganda in peace could have attained in a dozen years.

Driven to the need of straining every resource, the most anti-Socialist of governments are compelled to restrict the work of robbery to extend the work of production. They find that the only way to do this is to follow the road marked out by the Socialists.

At first only such steps were taken as were compelled by the need of using all the powers of society. The things that were done were only a part of State Socialism.

Then, as the first insanity of nationalism passed over the workers, the force of a rebellious working class gave spur to the movement toward Socialism.

Capitalism is at its last extremity. It is choking in its own blood. That nation which moves most swiftly toward Socialism will remain longest at the top. But such a nation will not come out a capitalist nation. It must leave behind all the things for which its rulers are fighting.

This is the paradox of the war. The rulers who would win must surrender rulership.

This is not as evident now as it will be within a few weeks, when the movement toward Socialism has proceeded somewhat further.

Then this paradox will be the most potent force working for peace. There is not a governing class in Europe that doesn't hate and fear its own subjects more than it hates and fears the rulers of any other nation. There is not one that would not rather be defeated by the enemy over the border than surrender to its citizens at home.

The Socialists of all the warring nations are now working actively for peace. But their direct actions to be considered will be less effective than the threat of a revolting working class in each nation directed against its own rulers.

A RECRUITING AGENT.

From the Milwaukee Leader.

The PSYCHOLOGICAL depression, which Mr. Wilson has exercised at successive intervals, has proved an exceedingly effective recruiting agent. It has recruited the army of the unemployed in the United States.

It has increased crime.

It has filled the jails.

The poor houses are overflowing.

Organized charity and the public agencies of relief have been taxed far beyond their ability to cope with the demands made upon them.

With millions of men unemployed, recruits may be had for any enterprise.

Men who are starving are bound by no law save the law of self-preservation.

ROARING ALL THE WAY.

Hazel was the pet of the class, pretty as a picture and as stupid in lessons as she was attractive in appearance.

"Hazel," said the teacher, "we had a lesson on the earth's axis Friday. Now, what is the earth's axis?"

"The axis of the earth," replied Hazel, "is a menagerie lion, running from the north pole to the south pole once in every 24 hours.—Sunday Magazine.

IT PAYS TO RULE.

Last week the Kicker published a synopsis of what was found in the audit of the drainage district. This showed that the county revenue fund has been "milked" of more than \$16,000. This was due to the county advancing funds on drainage projects that should have been returned.

In some cases the districts were organized and the money should have been returned from money collected. In other cases the projects fell through and the money should have been returned by bondsmen. But neither was done. Of course the bondsmen were the big land owners.

But, Mr. Small Land Owner, suppose it had been YOU! Suppose you had signed a bond to secure the payment of something and it fell to you to pay. Or, suppose you had signed a bond to keep a friend or relative out of jail until court, and the accused skipped. Do you suppose the authorities would forget it?

WHAT SOCIALISM IS.

Socialism is the opposite of capitalism—our present form of industry and government. And capitalism is guilty of about all the sins of the Socialist.

The capitalists—the enemies of Socialism say that Socialism will destroy the homes, when as a matter of fact capitalism has already destroyed the homes of nearly seven tenths of the American people. Socialism will not destroy homes but will enable those who are willing to work three or four hours a day to have a real home—a home worthy that sacred name—not a rented shack.

The capitalists say that Socialism is against religion. Let us see. You know full well the Socialists are not in power throughout this country at present. Yet I saw a statement made by a Memphis minister the other day that at least 95 per cent of the laborers do not attend church. It would seem from that statement that capitalism is fast destroying religion.

But Socialism will not destroy religion. In fact Socialism has no more to do with religion than any other political party. Socialism does not deal with the life of a man, but with the present state or condition. It does not seek to obtain for man a home beyond the stars, but a home right here and now.

Again, the enemies of Socialism tell you that Socialism will destroy the incentive to work. Say, Mr. Day-Laborer or Tenant Farmer, what is your incentive today. Either one of you get only a bare living for the most excessive toils. You work long hours each day in the year, and at the close of each year when you balance your books, you have—nothing multiplied by two. For all your toil you are permitted to live in a rented shack and have your board and clothes—provided, of course, you don't eat and wear too much, and what you do get is of the very cheapest. In other words, you get about one-fourth of what you produce now—the other three-fourths go to the capitalist machine of production. In a great many cases you have lost your identity—your name—and are known only by number. You must go at the back and call of your boss. You must be there when the whistle blows or another cog will take your place.

The enemies of Socialism say it will destroy individuality. How about the individuality of the worker under capitalism? What chance has the individual in the section hand or the team driver to show his individuality to develop the best there is in him? His life is a ceaseless round of toil for the barest existence. He receives enough for one day's work to buy food to give him strength to work the next day—and no more. And, above all, what chance have the little boys and girls in the factories to develop themselves? They are reduced to machines—cooled into dollars to fill the content of the factory owners. But, under Socialism, when he who works will get all he produces, then each individual can develop the very best there is in him.

The enemies of Socialism often say that Socialism is anarchy. It is generally known that the rich and powerful ride rough-shod, over every law in their way. Is that not anarchy? But Socialism is the direct opposite to anarchy. Two things could not be more unlike. They differ as heaven does from hades. Socialism will enact just laws and bring about obedience to them. Will usher in the co-operative commonwealth—the Brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God.

Today we have a government of the rich, by the rich and for the rich. Under Socialism we will have a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

There is something radically at fault with the character that can be permanently injured by truth.