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WHEEL OF VICE

Capital the Devil That Keeps It Going



You Can't Stop It and Leave the Devil There

O, YE REFORMERS, DO A LITTLE THINKING.

Reformers and reform parties are forever trying to stop that whirlwind wheel of vice and crime. And that's all the good it does. Carrie Nations, Dr. Parkhursts, Geo. Cotterills, Law and Order Leagues, churches and ordinances, all of them left topsy-turvy, swinging in mid-air, trying to stop the terrible wheel at the circumference. That's like applying brakes and leaving the steam on.

To stop that wheel any fool can see you must begin at the center and stop that devilish power that keeps it going.

Puck gives us this picture, and it says that devil turning the crank is Human Nature.

As if men loved vice by nature! No doubt men like the excitement of games. But that's quite another thing from spending their lives chasing after chances to get rich.

The whole business world is poisoned by the gambling spirit. It is the hope of a good chance that sends men to Alaska for gold and to South Africa for diamonds and to Wall street for stocks.

But why? Why? Why? That's the eternal question to ask and get answered. Why are men so crazy for a chance?

Because they must get a living somehow, and honest ways are scarce. Thousands of men everywhere are idle—seeking a living and not finding it. They want to work, but only a few comparatively are needed to do the world's work in these days of big machinery, and those few must be the very best, the picked men, the men best fitted to get work out of the big machines.

The vast herd of ordinary men and especially thousands of men of only ordinary ability, the professional men and small business men that used to find work for their ordinary talents are now thrown out.

Witness this city and every city and town in America, swarming with impecunious lawyers, doctors, ministers, merchants, agents, adventurers, gamblers, saloon keepers, prostitutes—what not?

Why is the world so full of these people who simply MUST live by their wits?

Because Capital is King and Wages is his Slave. Capital is the Devil that keeps this hell going.

Capital is the leering Satan, at the center of the system—and you can't stop the system which makes men and women into criminals till you kill that Red Mephisto who grinds away like the mills of the Gods.

(Continued on last Column.)

INSANITY AND ROBBERY.

Here is the price we pay for the private capitalistic ownership of industry.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company secured the contract to transport the sugar crop of the Sandwich Islands to eastern refineries and markets, and as immediate delivery was a condition of the contract, they put all their facilities to that work and left the fruit crop of California to rot in the orchards.

This ought to endear Californians to the capitalistic system of handling railroads.

"But," says a laborer with whom I was talking about this, "what difference would it have made if the whole people owned the railroad? It could only carry so much, any way."

To which I replied that under Socialism the carrying of this sugar crop would have been apportioned out to all transcontinental lines in such a way that none of them would be overtaxed and the usual business dependent on separate lines in no way interfered with.

It is not the fault of the Southern Pacific or any other road that they are not able to instantly handle that sugar crop, but we mean that where the different lines are owned by different parties, only one of them can secure the carrying contract, whereas if the whole people owned all of them, nothing would be simpler than to divide the work.

At the very time the Californians are mourning over their rotting fruit, representing their labor for a year, thousands of empty cars can be seen on dozens of other lines!

See this insanity? Empty cars rusting away, ripe fruit rotting for lack of transportation.

It is insane for the people to longer curse themselves with such a system.

The Southern Pacific is run for all the money that can be made out of it, and if they can get more for hauling sugar or anything else than in hauling the products of California, then the latter can whistle if they don't like it.

How long will they permit this robber system to continue, when it is in their power, through the ballot, to vote in a system of industry that could and would be used to the common advantage of all men, where no such idiotic situations could exist as are now to be seen in California.

W. C. B. RANDOLPH.

The S. L. P. in Tacoma are rejoicing over an increased vote for their candidates, as evidence that the S. D. P. is declining. The fact is, the Social Democrats in Tacoma voted for the S. L. P. candidates, after having made the mistake of putting up no ticket of their own. Why they made that mistake no Tacoma comrade has been able to explain. Of course they voted a Socialist rather than a capitalist ticket and that is why the S. L. P. had a larger vote in Tacoma this spring than last fall.

We hardly think the S. D. P. in Tacoma will be likely to omit the next chance to put up a ticket, make a fight and make Socialists.

We commend the S. L. P. boys in Tacoma for their energy, but cannot say as much for the honesty of their claims.

THE THIRD LOCAL.

This Month Without Any Organizer Except This Paper.

Six of us fellows came together in this neck of the woods on the 28th of April and petitioned for a charter of the S. D. P., so you see we are in for business.

L. W. LONGMIRE.

Velm, Thurston County.

"EXCESS OF DEMOCRACY"

The U. S. Constitution Prevents It Formed in Convention, 1787. Only 55 Delegates Ever Attended.

MADISON, HAMILTON, RANDOLPH, GERRY AND SHERMAN THE LEADING SPIRITS—DEBATES SECRET—MINUTES NOT PUBLISHED TILL 1830. FORTY-THREE YEARS AFTER—READ WHAT THEY SAID.

Prof. J. Allen Smith lectured before local Seattle S. D. P. at their regular meeting last Sunday evening.

The lecture was too long for reproduction here, and we confine ourselves to quotations from "Elliott's Debates," two volumes of which Prof. Smith had with him and read from.

This work is in all good libraries and was published in 1830 under sanction of Congress. It consists of five volumes and contains most instructive reading for those who still think the United States constitution an inspired document.

Hamilton's Views.

"All communities divide themselves into the few and the many. The first are the rich and the well-born, the other, the mass of the people. * * * The people are turbulent and changing; they seldom judge or determine right."

"I confess that this plan and that from Virginia are very remote from the idea of the people. Perhaps the Jersey plan is nearest their expectation. But the people are gradually ripening in their ideas of government—they begin to be tired of an excess of Democracy—and what even is the Virginia plan but pork still, with a little change of the sauce?"

Madison's Views.

"In England at this day, if elections were open to all classes of the people, the property of landed proprietors would be insecure. An agrarian law would soon take place.

"Balances and checks ought to be so constituted as to protect the minority of the opulent against the majority." (Vol. I, p. 450).

O, but, you exclaim, what nonsense! Capital is only the wealth men employ to make more wealth. You might as well call a cotton mill or a watch factory a Devil as to talk in this senseless fashion about capital.

Well, wise objector, a cotton mill idle is not capital any more than gold dollars buried in the earth.

A dead man is not a man. A negro is not a negro slave.

Mind this: Machinery at work not idle, but at work making things, is capital and is a devil creating poverty and crime.

Why? Because this vast modern machinery we call capital, by which we are able to produce enough for everybody to be rich, is owned by private parties who get all those riches for their own private pockets. These capitalists fleece every man that works for them, paying what they call wages. Whoever pays wages robs the laborer. The laborer must work for the owner of the capital for starvation pay. Starvation pay is inseparable from capital. Vast reserve armies of unemployed are inseparable from capital. Poverty is inseparable from capital. Crime is inseparable from capital. All your vice is the product of your vast unemployed army of men thrown out by capital.

They must live even by crime and vice.

It is not human nature, but modern industrial conditions, in a word, capital, that is the devil to be killed.

Private ownership of the means of production, and hence of life, that is what Socialists mean by capital.

Socialism is a political party composed of the disinherited masses of men and women who are slaves of capital. We are going to vote out that Red Devil that makes earth into a hell.

Reformers, can you not see the pain? This is the reason Socialists are revolutionists.

Sherman, of Connecticut, and Gerry, of Massachusetts, Agree.

"Mr. Sherman opposed election of representatives by the people, insisting that it ought to be by the state legislature. The people, he said, immediately, should have as little to do as may be, about the government."

Mr. Gerry said: "The evils we experience flow from an excess of Democracy. He had," he said, "been too Republican before; he was still, however, Republican, but he had been taught by experience the danger of the leveling spirit." (Vol. V, pp. 135-136).

Randolph Also Agrees.

"He observed that the general object was to provide a cure for the evils under which the United States labored; that, in tracing these evils to their source, every man had found it in the turbulence and follies of Democracy; that some check, therefore, was to be sought for against this tendency of our governments.

Gerry refused to sign the final draft as adopted by the convention, objecting that "there is no adequate provision for a representation of the people."

Geo. Mason, of Virginia, was the chief "kicker," and best defender of popular rights. He closed his letter defining his position to his constituents in these ominous words:

"This government will commence in a moderate aristocracy; it is at present impossible to foresee whether it will, in its operation, produce a monarchy or a corrupt oppressive aristocracy; it will most probably vibrate some years between the two, and then terminate in the one or the other."

Thoughts by Your Uncle

The capitalist papers haven't very much to say about it, but still even leaks through in regard to the tremendous increase in the price of wheat wherever there is a city election being held sufficient to give every comrade everywhere renewed courage. When we see a **Little Alabama** town cast 56 Socialist votes, to the Republicans 168 and the Democrats 158 it is almost time the comrades of some Washington towns felt ashamed of themselves. And I'm looking right at Seattle and Tacoma when I say this, too.

Two Chicago dailies have combined to issue a Sunday edition. They probably tell in their editorial columns of the beauties of the competitive system and why we should oppose Socialism, and they prove what bladders they are by practicing cooperation themselves. So do the trusts, the railroads, almost every industry, leaving hardly any but the poor fool people to fight among themselves and cut each other's throats. It would be a mighty good thing just now if the common herd could be induced to read the "Dogs and the Fleas." They might see what curs they are, and whipped ones at that.

A Mr. Poulney Bigelow, a noted American historian and traveler, sounds a note of middle-class alarm through several big Eastern papers to the effect that America is headed towards revolution by force of the greed of modern commercialism, and he calls upon the nation to arm itself. He doesn't worry. The nation is being aroused, and as never before. The tide is setting in swifter and swifter, and with a force no power can stay towards Socialism. The revolution, however, is not the industrial revolution, and not necessarily a bloody one, either, unless the capitalist class throws itself deliberately under the wheels of evolution and progress. That has been tried before, and those who thus vainly endeavored to stop things have got hurt. But it was their own fault. Free evolution hurts nobody.

A sprig of willow cut near the tomb of Napoleon and brought to this country, where it was planted near the bankers Park Hotel, has grown into an immense tree. Efforts are being made to have a bronze tablet erected near the tree, giving its history. Incidentally, it might be remarked that a sprig from another tree, and from the land that defeated Napoleon, was brought to this country about the same time, and this not only has it grown into a tree of goodly size, but its roots have run all over the country, until today there is hardly a corner that has not a hardy sprout that has pushed itself into the light of heaven, to grow famously and strong in spite of the rubbish aimed at its head and the pruning and singeing it has been subjected to. I refer to the tree of Socialism, and about which no bronze tablet will be necessary. Its history and the necessity of its growth is written deep in every heart wherein truth has let the least of light.

Tennessee Democrats in the legislature killed a bill providing for a constitutional convention. Democratic small capitalists do not love the "dear people" any more than do the Republican large capitalists. The former are the worse hypocrites than the latter. It would be well to remember this Democratic refusal to let the people meet in convention to modify their state law. It will be of use in 1904, when the Democracy puts up its last fight and tries to tell the people how "Socialistic" it is.

New York papers say that there was an unusually large crowd at the wharf the other day to see a bunch of millionaire butterflies off to Europe. This reminds me of the large crowd I saw gathered in Pittsburgh, Pa., a few years ago to see a bunch of tramps herded up in the freight yards off to the police station. There doesn't seem to be much connection between the two, but there is a whole lot, if you take a minute or two to look into it.

The farmers near Boston went on a milk strike a few weeks ago, caused by the rapacity of the contractors (middlemen) who stand between the farmers and the consumers, and give a small price to the farmer and a big one to the latter. That the farmers rather licked the contractors might

seem cause for rejoicing, were it not for the fact that their interests, being also capitalistic, do not tend in any way to lessen the price to the consumers, contractors or no contractors. The owner of a dog run over and killed by a trolley car in Chicago has been awarded \$75 damages. In New Jersey the parents of a child so killed were awarded 35 cents. It would be hard to explain this were it not for the fact that good dogs cost money, while there's any number of children, and men, too, just crazy to give themselves for nothing to most any kind of a master.

Chicago papers have been in the throes of mental contortions of the most deadly character over the discussion as to whether \$8 per week would be enough to support a family, or whether \$12 is enough. And the generous, magnanimous editor of the Record-Herald, a "paper for the people," and a gentleman who would relinquish his position were his \$50 a week scaled down, has "heavily spoken" in favor of \$12. So was the grave argument of the fleas as to how few drops of blood may be left in the dogs without entirely killing them.

At the last monthly pay day in Chicago some \$725,000 was paid out to city employes, and the Record-Herald rises to the occasion to remark that it's almost as much as Rockefeller gets in a week. This is true, but the obedient capitalist editor carefully refrained from stating the next truth in line that Rockefeller and their class only exist because of the system the Record-Herald strenuously upholds.

Miss Maud Gonne, the Irish "Joan of Arc," is now "in our midst," telling the Eastern people of the suffering of thousands of evicted tenants in Ireland. It is hoped she will succeed in taking back a few pockets full of spondaiks to appease the suffering. Incidentally, it is also hoped that when Miss Gonne's gone she will inflict the sympathy of Irish audiences and collect a few pennies for the evicted tenants of New York city, whose numbers greatly exceed those of Ireland.

Twentyone churches in Pittsburgh, Pa., have instituted a sort of trustified or co-operative series of revival meetings and adopted the war-cry, "capture the young men." In the next column it tells how the city council has adopted an important measure that will greatly aid the police in capturing the increasing number of criminals. I mean no disrespect to religion, but not merely state a fact, that as long as the churches uphold the present industrial system the police force stand 2 to 1 in the favorites in the race after the young men.

I notice a kick has been registered by some of the wealthy suburban residents near Pittsburgh because the city has endeavored to clean the lately flooded and slime-covered streets in the poorer portion of the city by flushing with city water. The refuse washes into the river and dissolves the water which the wealthy suburbanites wish to use in their bath tubs.

Gol darn it. Here's this New Zealand government bought back nearly half a million acres from the original settlers and given homes upon the land to nearly 2,000 families. How much better it would be to do the same to two men gobble it all and keep the thousands of human being living in rented tenements, like we do in advanced America, wouldn't it? What real estate sharks are going to do with our "incentive" if you head up off that way? We ought to send an army over there and "assimilate" them. They ain't fit to rule themselves. We ought to show them how we do things, and build 'em a few samples of our clean and comfortable poor houses, and jails, capable of annual enlargement.

Out of every 100,000 in the army, 199,000 are hopeless lunatics, while honest laborers or those who do no work at all are only 46. That is not surprising, as a man has to be rather queer to deliberately enlist to learn the trade of man-killing.

The real craziness and lack of stability of the robber scheme so loudly proclaimed by those interested in frauding the general public can never

be better illustrated than by the failure of a New York banker who howlies a petition in bankruptcy showing his assets to be \$25 and his liabilities over four millions. A system that will allow \$25 scheme to absorb that amount must be about as crazy and flimsy as the scheme itself, don't you think? The Socialists think so, and they are trying to show you so. And they are succeeding, in spite of yourself.

UNCLE SAM.

EMPLOYMENT IN PROSPERITY.

Another Mechanic Testifies—Actual Facts of his Experience.

Mr. Editor:—The other morning I paid a visit to my friend Mr. Moran of Moran Bros. There were about 150 men standing in front of the gate. They did look dreadful, those men did, and they all were exceptionally polite. I asked Moran what these fellows all wanted. "Oh, my friend," that is what we machinists call the mob. "But what do they all want?" "Why, they are looking for work." "Looking for work?" I replied in amazement, "in this rainy, damp weather. No one has a machinist's shop up here. Waiting for employment? Why do they do it?" It was but a short time ago that my friend Mark Hanna assured me that the whole country was prosperous, and all a man had to do was to leave his address and he would find employment. I thought perhaps these fellows I saw in front of Moran Bros. probably attempted to bear the labor market, so I did not ask any more questions. A few days later I dined with some of my friends at Hremont. One of the men there is the head of the Board of Labor Employment. In his office there are over

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200 pigeon holes. I asked him what was in those holes. His reply was, applications for work. "For work," I replied, "Yes" was his grave reply. "Have you one on application each box?" "Oh, no," he says, "there are at least 20 on each box." "Think of it, 20x200, and how long will they get a job?" "Sometimes a month and sometimes 3 years." "Three years—and what do they do in the meantime?" He shrugged his shoulders and remained silent. However I did not believe my friend in the labor bureau at Bremerton, so when I left him and came to Seattle I put on a cheap suit of clothes, and began to find out really what the truth was in not being able to find employment. Well, sir, it is a fact wherever I asked for employment, I was told "no man wanted," while in each shop, the men were working as quick as the machines did and, mind, 10 hours a day. All they receive is from 70c to \$3 a day.

I have just returned from Tacoma. I stopped at the Hotel Rhein. Now do not think it a fashionable hotel, but it is where all the workmen and machinists reside. Those poor men I saw in that Hotel Rhein all looked earnest and gloomy. I asked a number of them why do you not work? There is so much prosperity in this land, now. "Oh," they all replied, "we have no work." "What were you doing before?" "I asked one of the men, "Well, my partner, myself and 50 more fellows were working in one of St. P. & Tacoma Lumber Co's camps, and that has been shut down. Some worked in the smelting works in Tacoma, but no work there. Finally I stopped asking why they all did not

work, and I came to realize the fact that there is more men out of employment than Hanna knows. He does know, but he makes people believe there are no idle men in this country. Those that doubt my word, if they had been looking each day for the last two weeks without success, they would agree with me.

M. K.

Venier, Wash., May 19, 1901.

Mr. Editor: One day last week I was making a purchase from the Seatle Hardware Co. when two men approached in earnest conversation. One speaker had the appearance of being a manager in the company, and his words deeply impressed me. "These intelligent (sneeringly) working men are no good," as soon as a working man gets intelligence his usefulness is gone."

Here was a class-conscious man, fully alive to the fact that the exploiting class can only thrive on the gross ignorance of workingmen. And so it is. Commenting upon this incident to a fellow workman, he said: "It is not very far off now when we will call for a reckoning with these men, and then we will pump some knowledge into their heads that may waken the ignorance of workingmen. And so it is no doubt, a day of reckoning is close by; yes, is now here." The hire which by fraud ye have withheld from them, that harvested your fields—the whole producing class of that day—the cry hath come into my ears."

D. S. BOISSEVAIN.

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These wise people who try to show you Socialism is better find out first what it ain't! It seems to me there are more liars in the U. S. roaming around loose at the present time than ever before. I wonder if they smell a rat in the shape of the contented workman and are trying to administer a dose of rat poison before it's too late. But lies won't always work. "You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but not all of the people all of the time."

Workmen, go to an oculist and have your eyes treated so you can see some of these things! Isn't there something the matter with a system that allows one man to get so enormously rich that riches become a burden to him instead of a blessing and another man so distressingly poor that he is driven to degradation and crime? Isn't it about time you opened your

Points by Aunt Sally

The New York Journal says Miss Taxter of Denver, Col., has married five millions. It does not state whether or is it easier to starve on the transaction or not? We hope her husband says, there was.

"The country is being run for Brains, Brains, Brains," says Schwab, who has brains enough to satisfy those who control the trust. The other necessary attribute of the big capitalists, arguing for it is not mentioned by Schwab, and that is, meanness, meanness. Brains without meanness would be as good as a failure.

The kind of brains in demand by the capitalist is the kind that can make the people believe all the time they are not being skinned! The kind of brains in demand by the capitalist is the kind that can figure down a cent here and a cent there, and how little a workman can squeeze out of that workman, and still not kill him. The workman who he kept alive, or there would be no workman.

The kind of brains in demand by the capitalist is the kind that force down wages till little children have to work to keep themselves alive. The kind of brains in demand by the capitalist is the kind that makes young girls to sell their virtue or starvation.

The majority of us have got some of this kind of brains. We are looking for brains of another sort, and glad brains. Liebknecht had brains, Engels had brains, and even Mr. Schwab has brains! What's the matter with such brains. Doesn't that kind of you, Mr. Schwab?

Oh, yes, we know that what the capitalist is looking for is brains, but we also know that if there were a million men (and perhaps there are) who had just as much brains as Mr. Schwab there would be only one needed as president of the Billionaire's Real Trust.

There may be a man now who has brains enough to discover that a man can live on rice as well as Chinaman, and if he can invent a job, he'll get Mr. Schwab's job. The slave driver who can get the most work at the least expense will win, and the only way to do this is by taking a little more blood out of the workman.

The kind of brains that can produce the biggest steal, the kind of brains that can conserve the biggest lot of brains that can "do up" the largest number is the kind of brains that wins!

AUNT SALLY.

LATEST BOOKS ON SOCIALISM.

Vanderweide's Collectivism. One of the greatest needs of American Socialists has long been a book that should, at once, give a thorough scientific explanation of socialism in all its phases so as to make a reliable text-book for socialists, and still be so simple in its language and elementary in its treatment of the subject that it could be put into the hands of new inquirers.

This want is now supplied in the book recently published by Professor Emile Vanderweide, of Belgium, entitled "Le Collectivisme et l'Evolution Industrielle." Some idea of the value placed upon this work by European socialists is shown by the fact that within a few weeks from its issue it was being translated into German, Russian and Italian. It is worth noting that, although the author is Belgian, the book is issued by one of the foremost socialist publishing houses at Paris.

A short summary of the contents of the work will give a clear idea of its value. The first part deals with the subject of capitalist concentration and the disappearance of the "peasant proprietors," "artisans" and "small retailers." This is discussed with a wealth of illustration and argument nowhere else to be found. "The Progress of Capitalist Property" is then traced through the successive stages of corporations, "monopolies" and trusts. The attempts of capitalist writers to explain away this process of evolution are then taken up and thoroughly answered.

The second part of the work deals with "The Socialization of the Means of Production and Exchange," and is by far the most exhaustive study of the transition from capitalism to socialism that has yet appeared. The

final chapter discusses the objections to socialism in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. Of this book as a whole it is not too much to say that it is one of the best books published in the last few years. Socialism is the greatest propaganda work yet issued.

LIEBKNECHT'S LIFE OF MARX.

When the history of the Socialist movement is written, one of its most interesting chapters will be the one when Marx, Engels, Liebknecht and other active Socialists from the continent of Europe were exiles in London, carrying on from there a tireless campaign with pen and press, and by and by, with the march of the omic force, brought them home to England, and a pathos that strikes the soul before his death Liebknecht, followed by many friends, published a delightful volume of his personal recollections of Marx, dealing mainly with the period just mentioned. It is not too much to say that the volume of late events published with it is of as intense interest to the Socialist reader as these that Liebknecht has so charmingly told of this time. There is here a humor that will lighten the most pronounced melancholy, and a pathos that will bring the heart of many who would never place a work on economics.

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W. C. B. RANDOLPH. Seattle, Washington.

Carl Hogensohn was discharged from jail in this city and refused to leave, but Clerk Kennedy and Jailer Grant forced him out...

Dear Comrades: Having lost my productive ability, society has condemned me as unfit to survive...

ALBERT STROUT. Davenport, Wash.

Many machinists are out on strike in Cleveland, Ohio...

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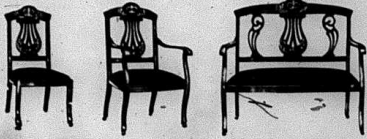
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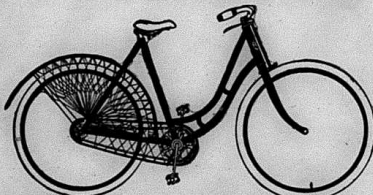


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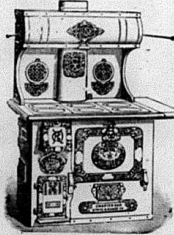
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