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THE YELLOW RIVER

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"We stand on the banks of a river, not a river of crystal water, but a river of yellow, rolling, gleaming gold, sometimes it burns a dull crimson through the dim light of noon, made bright through the smoke of a million chimneys. But over it flows and flows, tumbling, tossing, spreading, creeping, winding, on, until its yellow flood catches and holds the steep regions and the far. Still the yellow flood rolls downward from its source, and a million springs and rivulets add stream after stream to the river. Break spread as it may, the flood ever rises higher and higher."

All the workers of the world are busy producing wealth. There are millions and millions of these workers and, with the exception of a certain per cent whom we term the unemployed, the result of their labor effort is, first, they substitute, after they produce a profit. Omitting the Socialist terminology and argument for the time being, talking dollars and cents, the workers of the United States alone have created all the wealth in the United States in the past year. Gold, silver, iron, steel, factories, railroads, farms, all, everything that is about us, is the result of this runs so far into figures that it is past human understanding.

They have turned their masters all the money that they, the masters, ever loaned on anything or anything, corporation or government. Again here are figures that show the immense wealth that accumulates. The surplus of today must be re-invested, and in turn, it goes into the tool of production, surplus. Thus in geometrical progression, the surplus of today becomes a "golden stream." It is simply a mild form of prevarication. It is the surplus of gold, silver, iron, steel, and bread, recognizes no fixed channels, more profit, more capitalist exploitation.

Ultima Thule

Avia, the birthplace of the human race, the first step toward the onslaught of Capitalism, England, France, Germany, the United States, India, Spain, and the United States, all of them, are the result of this surplus. Russia, like an evolving frog, jumps from the East to the West, north and west she pushes her frontiers toward Cathay. Persia, Turkey, and the East, are the result of this surplus. Russia, like an evolving frog, jumps from the East to the West, north and west she pushes her frontiers toward Cathay. Persia, Turkey, and the East, are the result of this surplus.

By Way of Parenthesis

Space forbids and the occasion does not warrant me in giving a detailed account of the personal experiences in Japan. By way of explanation I will state that when I arrived in Nagasaki, I was met by an American, who was the first American to land in the Rising Sun. He was a man of the name of Tokoda and told him my troubles. Nearly every Japanese workman in the state of satisfied contentment, from one end of the empire to the other.

Frenzied Finance

Thus Lawson has vastly entertained the American public with a series of articles of the above title. Lawson dug deep--almost to the bottom of the well. He has shown the real values came from with which the poor suffering public has been working bonds, stocks, etc. The "public" of Lawson is that portion of the population of the United States which has no property, no capital, but who are dependent upon the labor of others for their living.

The Source of the Golden River

It oozes from the sweaty pores of the man who labors. It trickles in streams of brilliant, shining figures of the breaker boy. It is the life-energy of the woman who watches the loom that never sleeps. It is the sweat of the man who works in the mine, factory, farm or trade establishment, or bonds of this or that government, lease, or contract, or interest.

The profits derived are called "dividends" and "interest." This is the golden river.

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Historical Sketch

A brief history of Japan is necessary to assist us in the interpretation of the growth of capitalism in the country.

which I was, qualified to fill, and arrived in the United States with something to have confessed everything. I hope the reader will allow me to step gracefully into the background for the remainder of the narrative.

organize her army and rebuild her may on improved lines laid out by the same group of men who once thought to withstand a man-of-war with spears and arrows are the ones under whose leadership the banners of the rising sun have beaten back the black flags of Moscow. Now, under the guidance of these elder statesmen with a new generation versed in all the ways of modern capitalism, with its countless ramifications.

ADMIRAL INOUE

Commander of the Naval Station at Yokosuka.

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The Emperor

Under feudalism Japan was ruled by many of the European countries under the same system.

The emperor was held to be a sacred being. His person was never allowed to come in contact with the ground. The Shogun was the military overlord of the Daimos or barons. He ruled in the name of the Mikado. Gradually the power of the Shogun became more real than ap-

parent, and the power of the Mikado lessened in the same degree. This finally terminated in a conflict wherein the Mikado became the real as well as the apparent ruler. The Shogunate was abolished. Under feudalism the nobility were the landed proprietors. No merchant could aspire to a title. Here again will the student of economics find an interesting parallel. He will find the peddler transformed into the merchant-manufacturer, and his power recognized by patents of nobility.

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Some Eloquent Figures

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Modern rice cleaning mills \$2,750,000
Breweries 4,100,000
Cotton spinning 1,480,000
Drug manufacture 3,865,000
Cotton weaving 1,400,000
Copper smelting 1,304,000
Machinery 1,000,000
Ag. machine works 1,005,000
Shiplining yards 1,000,000
Car shops 2,650,000
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Printing press works 2,161,000
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The Socialist

Various comrades were nominated, but all withdrew except Simpson and Lindner, the former being the one nominated.

A GREAT BIG BOOST

To increase circulation of The Socialist, Boosters present reported having patronized advertisers solicited subs. etc. Letters from the Washington Boosters...

Now for the East. Regular meeting of Toledo Boosters took place on Monday evening, Feb. 29. A good number of comrades were present...

Who's entertainment will be the greater success—that of the Toledo Boosters or that of the Seattle Boosters? The committee on getting renewals in Washington made full report...

To the Socialist Militant Society. The effort must be a joint effort for 'love' by Hart's. What's the use of saying 'Every little bit helps'...

Get off your roost and boost it. The slogan of the Washington Boosters is J. A. McCORKLE, President. ALFRED WAGENKNECHT, Sec. Treas.

From Everett: 'Enclosed \$174 for Boosters this week.' From Aberdeen, Wash: 'Enclosed find money order for \$35.20 bills for the cause of The Socialist.'

From South Prairie: 'You will find enclosed \$10.00 for the cause for which you send me one dollar's worth of your postal cards...'

From Fall City, Wash: 'I enclosed please find card which was sent and agreed to send me a subscription once in a while...'

From Eberville, Yukon Territory: 'I am writing you to express my appreciation for the exception of the taxation theory, which is hard for me to swallow...'

From Monarch, Montana: 'Enclosed find \$7.00 which please place to my account for balance of subscription. You may fill my premium book 'Mass and Class'—J. N. Reynolds.'

From Acme, Oregon: 'Enclosed find \$5.00 for the cause of The Socialist. This is small work, but every little helps. The mills will start March 1. I will try and round up some more for the cause of the party...'

Broken in Idaho: 'Enclosed find \$5.00 for the cause of The Socialist. I am writing you to express my appreciation for the exception of the taxation theory, which is hard for me to swallow...'

Our Traveling Booster. Comrade C. H. B. has been commissioned to act as Traveling Booster for The Socialist and he has been making his rounds this week at Fort Wayne, Comrade C. H. B. will address meetings where his services are accepted by the organizations and he travels in thorough comfort with the approval of State Secretary Reynolds. When he has thoroughly covered Indiana he will enter Oregon and there we intend to keep him on the road indefinitely. The Socialist has needed a direct representative in Oregon for some time and the Boosters of Washington and Ohio have been able to take advantage of Comrade C. H. B. and we are very fortunate that he is at our disposal at this time.

White Comrade Cowen will make it his special business to take subscription lists for The Socialist. He will also at all times boost The Socialist Party or that it is the reason for the existence of The Socialist. He will keep in touch with all comrades by communications and works, so that the party organization can be kept abreast of all news.

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To Foreign Countries: One year, \$200; six months, \$125; three months, \$60; single copies, 10c.

Remittances should be made payable to 'THE SOCIALIST', Toledo, Ohio.

Communications intended for the Editor should be addressed. Returned manuscripts will not be returned unless stamps are enclosed.

Editor: ERMON F. TITUS. Manager: WILLIAM MAILLY. Associate: ERWIN B. AULT.

Entered at Toledo Post Office as second class mail matter, March 17, 1904.

To Celebrate Two Anniversaries

Replies are being received from many comrades to our requests for special articles for the Commune issue of THE SOCIALIST, which will be the Toledo anniversary of the paper.

The bundle rates for the Commune and Toledo anniversary issue are the same as for regular issues, as no reduction can be made on account of increased cost.

Ten to 50 copies, 10c per copy; 100 copies, 2 cents apiece; 100 to 200 copies, 1 cent apiece; 500 to 1,000 copies, 1/2 cent apiece.

Will you not give No. 285 a Boost? The Socialists are always sent out, of course, but these are especially important at this time because they are at the beginning of a new year for THE SOCIALIST in Toledo.

Look Out for Expiration Notice

This week expiration notices concerning the next few weeks are being sent out to nearly seven hundred subscribers to THE SOCIALIST.

You can't give THE SOCIALIST no better boost at this time than to renew your subscription, if it expires shortly, and by getting another subscription along with it.

For every renewal for one year we will send you 25 cent Socialist Book or 25 cent Postal Cards. No books or cards will be sent for any renewal, unless specific notice is made.

Our Special Articles

We can furnish no more copies of No. 277 of The Socialist, which contained the introductory chapter of Comrade Fowler's series of articles, 'The Revision of the Constitution.'

Comrade Titus and Fowler's articles are continuing to arouse the liveliest interest, and we are being deluged with requests for copies.

To reply to enquiries we will send you in book form and at such prices as will make them accessible for wide distribution.

Party News

Continued from Page Three. MICHIGAN State Secretary, Mrs. G. H. Lockwood, Kalamazoo.

Local Holland has taken possession of the headquarters on East 8th Street and promises an active movement in the immediate future.

Benton Harbor has had three very successful meetings in the largest hall in the city, with Comrades Debs, Mills and Strindland as speakers.

Local Grand Rapids. What is Grand Rapids' loss! L. M. Kuegel, Comrade Secretary, is a Walker who has been very active at the former city in removing the Socialist literature in his usual vicious fashion.

Local Grand Rapids. A well attended propaganda meeting was held on Sunday evening, Feb. 29. At which two applications for membership were received and a good collection was taken.

Local Grand Rapids. The Campaign Committee met and transacted considerable business in connection with spring meeting. Almost all our petitions for city offices have been signed and a number of petitions are coming along nicely.

The attention of comrades is again called to the importance of pushing the circulation of The Socialist. Every

Seattle Boosters Still At It. Seattle Wash, Feb. 12, 1906. Dear Comrade: This remittance for the first month of the first month's boosting by the Washington Boosters...

The Washington Boosters claim this place to date. We also realize we will have to hustle to keep our place, being the first report from the Toledo Boosters and Ohio Boosters...

W. Cook, Seattle, picture post. 25; W. Cook, Seattle, 3 subs., 1.00; J. E. Allison, Payroll, 3 subs., 1.00; Mattie Allison, S. E. Seattle, 4 subs., 1.00; Eleanor Maurer, Hillman, 2 subs., 1.00; H. F. Titus, Seattle, 4 subs., 1.00; E. Martin, Seattle, 4 subs., 1.00; John Downie, Seattle, 8 subs., 2.00; A. B. Callahan, Seattle, 8 subs., 2.00; H. Wagonknecht, Seattle, 25 subs., 1.00; A. Wagenknecht, Seattle, 1.25; Jack Kemp, Seattle, picture post. 1.00; J. E. Sinclair, Fall City, 1 subs., 25c.

Total 39 subs. postal cards \$11.30. Our last meeting was again entertained by Comrade Kemp, Koch and Harrison, who rendered the most valuable service by reporting on request of Walter Lorenz, of South Bend, for H. F. Titus, to tour Pacific country.

The Referendum. But recently the referendum acclaimed as a principle, by reason of physical force, the first step in the organization, in practice, was honored more in the breach than in the observance.

The operations of the referendum party, state society, has been extended to a degree out of all comparison with previous parties.

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Ohio Boosts Outside of Toledo. From Cleveland—Robert Handlow, subs. \$25; J. H. ...

From Portsmouth: 'Enclosed find \$2.50, for which send me three months' subscription card.' ...

From Warren: 'Enclosed find one dollar for subscription card. The Socialist is fast becoming a favorite favorite with comrades here. I confidently believe we can have a large subscription list in this town from \$5 to 100 in the course of a few months.' ...

From Postoria: 'Enclosed, you will find \$100.00 in money, the same being an account of subscription card. I have been busy attending to duties of the Local Union. Yours fraternally, Everett St. John.' ...

From Pella: 'I send following three months subs. for your paper, all in this city. Yours fraternally, M. Ritchie, N. Pella, Iowa.' ...

From Toledo: 'I have sold three months' subscription card I bought some time ago. Yours for Revolutionary Socialism, Lee W. Lang, Muscatine, Iowa.' ...

Comrades in Ohio decided to keep in touch with the Boosters should cooperate with Secretary Louis Kopelin, 2017 Cherry St., Toledo, Ohio. Boost The Socialist! Boost the Department! Boost the Boosters!

Send 25 cents and get a dozen of our Socialist picture postal cards by return mail. Our mail order business in books is growing rapidly. Send for our book list.

Commemorate the Commune. Memorial meeting under the auspices of Local Toledo Sunday, March 18, 730 p. m., Swiss hall, 410 Monroe street. Comrades should all be present.

Our Commune Issue—No. 286. To celebrate the thirty-fifth anniversary of the Paris Commune and the first Toledo anniversary of The Socialist, No. 286 of The Socialist will be devoted to special articles by the most noted Socialist writers in America.

James F. Carey, Eugene V. Debs, Jos. Washhope, George D. Herron, Robert Bandlow, Franklin H. Went, Charles L. Breckon, Ben Hanford, Max S. Hayes, W. J. Gient.

This issue will consist of at least six pages. Bundle Prices: 10 to 50 copies, 3 cents apiece; 100 to 500 copies, 2 cents apiece; 500 to 1,000 copies, 1 cent apiece.

Isaac Cowen. Socialist Party Candidate for Governor of Ohio in 1903 and 1905; American Organizer Amalgamated Society of Engineers 1897-1905; and Socialist Lecturer and Organizer in the Field Representing 'The Socialist' and Lecturing on 'Labor and the Machine,' 'Socialism, the Workers' Hope,' 'The Workers and the Ballot,' Etc., Etc.

Advance Dates in Indiana. Alexandria Monday, Feb. 26. Columbus Monday, March 5. Indianapolis Tuesday, Feb. 27. Terre Haute Wednesday, March 7. Anderson Wednesday, Feb. 28. Brazil Thursday, March 8. Ellettsville Friday, March 9. Greensburg Saturday, March 10. Terre Haute Saturday, March 10. Clinton Sunday, March 11.

Brewery Workers' Union. Look for it on Beer Ale or Porter

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