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WAPPENSTEIN'S RECORD IN SEATTLE--AN ODOROUS STORY

How he was dismissed from the force in 1901 for accepting bribes -- By E. J. Brown

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The office holding agents of capitalism today are necessary to bulldoze, intimidate and brow-beat the wage slave, just as the office holders under chattel slave owners, were necessary to flog, shoot and kill the chattel slave.

The object of this article is to add some fellow workingman to pluck the scales from his eyes and see his class interest and behold the true record of the man whom William Hickman Moore, Seattle's Municipal-Ownership-anti-saloon-Sunday-closing-rip-roaring-rock-bottom, Hickory-Jackson-Mayor of Seattle, claims, is the right bower of his administration.

Czar of Seattle

Today Wappenstein is Seattle's omnipotent Chief of Police, appointed presumably by the Mayor, but we think in reality by a capitalist behind the scenes.

Wappenstein has had a busy life, and like the train spook by Mr. Finnigan to Mr. Flannigan, "he is in again, out again, in again, Finnigan." Wappenstein's appointment was a shock to many of Seattle's citizens and while a majority have recovered, many are yet wondering how it happened.

He got busy as soon as he was appointed, without being told to hurry.

He ordered all prize fighters to leave town, but overlooked a bunch of Sure-thing, Double Cross Grafters, 1901, not only for gambling, but who had been running fake fights and wrestling matches in a house boat on Lake Washington for months, and who continued for months after Wap's appointment, and robbed people to the extent of two hundred thousand dollars, under Seattle's Reform Mayor.

When the Seattle "Star" published the story about this gang of cut throats, Wappy said that he did not know that they were here.

We know better. Wappenstein knew this gang was working in September, 1905, and Mayor Moore does not dare to ask for the evidence of this fact to be furnished to our city council.

Sixty Thousand from Prostitution

"People who violate the law by renting houses for purposes of prostitution will be prosecuted," was the quotation in our Public Press.

Then the fact came to us through the "Post-Intelligencer" that Wappenstein had made an arrangement whereby crime and prostitution would pay the City of Seattle sixty thousand dollars per year.

The city a partner in crime! What a glorious victory over crime by our moral giant, and known, supported and sanctioned by these Christian gentlemen of family!

Yes, the owners of the houses are to pay one-fifth of their rent into the city treasury and this, together with the fines from prostitutes (which in Seattle is a crime licensed by our city administration) will net the city sixty thousand dollars per year.

But, said Wappenstein, in no case will the landlords be allowed to raise the rent because this would make the prostitutes steal. A valuable man to capitalists, is Wappy, because only a post graduate expert specialist could possess the qualification to inform us how much rent a wretched, shivering harlot could pay before she would steal.

This is what you voted for, Christians and followers of our Brother Jesus, is it not?

Spiritualists Driven Out

A few poor, intellectual pig-mire runts were set on the spiritualists, and all fortune tellers, clairvoyants and palmists are "vags" and must leave town, said Wap.

Thus it became a crime for one to receive compensation for giving spiritual consolation to one of that faith, or to dispel an attack of the blues from one inclined to melancholy.

Cripples too

No crippled or blind person is safe in the right to security and liberty, on Seattle's streets, should they accept a quarter or a dime from one who rejoices and is made conscience free by giving to a needy one.

Wappenstein's job is to run the town. He has divided the town up to suit him. Safe cracking is prohibited, but the tumbler workers are still with us and the recent job done in the Bailey Building shows that only first class crooks need apply.

Socialists must get off the earth

A Socialist is not safe to be on the street after sundown without a bail bond in his pocket duly approved by the court.

We have one law below Yesler Way and another law which applies above Yesler Way. Wappenstein's arbitrary will is law in Seattle. Today I passed along First Avenue with the Salvation Army was singing and praying and the sidewalk was blocked. Those who were using it had a lawful right to do so if my use was not obstructed, but when Wappenstein is law, if that had been a Socialist addressing the people on the subject of food, clothing and shelter, the speaker would now be in jail and he would be denied the right to see his lawyer.

It is a huge joke on the Labor Movement and on the "Socialist" voters that elected Moore and Wappy, as the William Hickman Moore administration is the first that ever denied laboring men the right of peaceable assemblage on a quiet, unused street in Seattle.

"Socialists cannot hold meetings above Yesler Way," was Wappy's ukase, the philosophical teachings of Marx, Enges, Darwin, Ruskin and Lincoln are unfit to be taught and expounded to the people of Seattle above Yesler Way according to Wappenstein.

Attacks women

We should have a whipping-post, said Wappy.

In the Seattle "Times" his picture appeared recently on the front page as the man who had aroused the ire of Seattle Club Women because he has recently criticised Seattle mothers for the pranks and petty misdeeds of children. Wappy would have it that because of Women's Clubs and Societies, children are neglected.

Wap's 1901 record

We recognized that picture of Wap's. It appeared on the front page of the "P-I" in 1901; all who lived in Seattle during 1901 will remember who Wappenstein is, but for the benefit of the hundred thousand who have come to Seattle since 1901, we will give the facts in order to introduce the gentleman in question.

Seattle was a wide-open town in burglars, foot-pads and sneak thieves were operating under police protection when Wappenstein, Mayor Moore's "right bower," was Chief of Detectives.

To prove our facts, let us quote from authentic publications as follows:

On Tuesday, May 14, 1901, charges were made that the chief of police was farming out sand bag privileges and blackmailing. The charges were published in the Seattle "Evening Star." Proof was offered that money was being paid for police protection for sure-thing men. It was charged that gambling houses alone were paying public officials fifteen thousand dollars per month for the privilege of robbing.

The "Post-Intelligencer" of May 16, 1901, on page 10, published the following:

"Peculiar methods of Wappenstein came to light yesterday during the trial of Joe Wright, a sure-thing man on the water front. Wright was arrested one month ago on the complaint of H. Miller. Wappenstein immediately arrested Wright after his first arrest, and had him plead guilty and pay a nominal fine so that the court would dismiss the first case in which Miller was robbed. This would save Wright from exposure in open court. Detective Wappenstein has operated with marked success in preventing trials of gamblers in cases where they would be forced to admit crimes of robbery in open court."

"This self same Wappy is Moore's 'right bower.'"

"P-I," May 19, 1901. Editorial in part as follows, on tin horn gambling, prostitution and robbery: "It is asking too much of human credulity to believe that this gambling, robbery and prostitution could run openly without some one getting paid, and that some one does pay and pay well to the Chief of Police, and Detective Wappenstein."

It would appear that Wap was the "right bower" of thugs and thieves in 1901 right here in Seattle, Washington, U. S. A.

On May 3, Mr. John Considine testified that a hold up, sure-thing man, named Keith Harper, was operating in Seattle under Police protection and was paying Chief of Police and Wappenstein ten per cent of the swag. This is the "right bower" of Mayor Moore, who instructs Seattle Mothers how to rear their children.

A committee to investigate

ON MAY 24, A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CONSISTING OF DR. J. E. CRICHTON, W. V. REINHART, WM. E. MURPHY, J. A. JAMES, ALPHEUS BYERS AND WILL H. PARRY WERE APPOINTED AND HELD ITS FIRST SESSION TO INVESTIGATE THE CHARGE THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS GRAFTING FROM GAMBLERS.

"P-I," Editorial on June 2nd--"Shall a city be ruled by the criminal classes within it through corrupt connivance with Police and other officials?"

"P-I," June 2, page 12--"Burglary in Seattle in glare of day"--C. A. Wood's residence at 823 Twenty-fourth Avenue robbed in broad day time."

How does it look, boys?

Considine testifies

"P-I," June 6, 1901--Mr. John Considine testified before the investigating committee that Wappenstein was receiving money from owners of skin games for protection.

"P-I," June 7, 1901, page 14--Mr. Thomas Considine testified that Wappenstein was taking bribe money from sure-thing men.

On June 7, 1901, Attorney John G. Barnes' home on Bellevue was burglarized in day time.

"P-I," June 11, page 5--"Foot-pads rob six people in twenty-four hours in Seattle."

The gang must have thought that the foot-pad license man was going out of business.

"P-I," June 12, 1901--Trial continues.

"P-I," June 15, 1901--More witnesses examined.

"P-I," June 22, 1901, page 14--Mr. Thomas Church testified that he had heard Chester Edwards state that Wappenstein offered him police protection for two hundred per week. High priced, eh?

More daylight robbery occurred just to keep up the Seattle spirit, June 22, 1901.

Committee reports

"P-I," June 23, pages 1 and 2--THE SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE REPORTED UNANIMOUSLY THAT A SERIOUS CASE OF ACCEPTING BRIBES HAD BEEN MADE OUT AGAINST WAPPENSTEIN.

On June 23, 1901, Wappenstein was sharply rebuked by Judge George for substituting some old stuff and destroying it, instead of destroying the gambling outfit which the court had ordered destroyed.

Guilty as charged

June 25, "P-I," page 1--"THE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE FOUND THAT WAPPENSTEIN WAS GUILTY OF TAKING BRIBES AND WAS UNFIT TO OCCUPY THE OFFICE OF CHIEF OF DETECTIVES OR ANY OTHER OFFICE IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF SEATTLE."

WAPPENSTEIN REFUSED TO RESIGN AT FIRST BUT CHANGED HIS MIND AND RESIGNED, THUS CLOSING THAT CHAPTER OF THE "RIGHT BOWER" OF WILLIAM HICKMAN MOORE'S ADMINISTRATION.

This is the caliber of the man who refuses the Socialists the privileges which Salvationists and all others enjoy. This is the man who throws people in jail and denies them bail so as to punish them for disregarding his arbitrary will.

This is the man who criticizes our courts and Seattle mothers.

STILL ANOTHER POLICE OUTRAGE

Moore and his "right bower" deny free speech to the last--Five Socialists arrested almost on the eve of election

Just as we go to press--Friday night--word comes to the office of the arrest and incarceration without bail of Comrades Titus, Herschin, Louis Herman and Messrs. Gillette and Donnelly for the heinous "crime", oft-repeated, of attempting to speak on Pike place.

A great crowd was in attendance, though the weather was bad, showing that public sentiment is still with us despite our temporary let-up of the past few weeks.

The arrests were made in the face of the fact that the Republicans are daily violating city ordinances similar to the one invoked against the socialist without molestation.

Will the working class of this city stand idly by and see their fellows mistreated so shamefully? Answer at the polls next Tuesday. Roll up 5000 votes for McCorkle and the entire socialist ticket and we will have free streets and Mayor Moore and his satellites will retire to the tall uncut and be heard of no more.

William Hickman Moore should go to Walla Walla and see if he will be able to select the balance of a suitable cabinet to administer the city government.

Reign of terror

It is true that the reign of terror, crime and bribery that forced Wappenstein to resign in 1901 is a thing of the past; it is also true that there is scarcely another instance in the United States where a man with such a record has with impunity been placed at the head of a police department.

All our court judges know his record; our daily papers know his record; and ministers should know his record.

Breathless silence

A committee of eight citizens of high standing, true and tried councilmen, less than six years ago, rendered a verdict of GUILTY OF BRIBERY AND HE WAS FORCED FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

Through the influence of capitalism, Mayor appoints him Chief of Police and gives him full support and a free hand. Hardly an issue of our daily Press does not quote Wappenstein as going to run some one out of town.

Capitalist politics is my diagnosis of the game.

Its hardly to be suspected that the workingmen of Seattle would stand for a second double-cross or the Public Ownership shell game.

The wise ones about town say, "The Saloon men will not stand the graft, and closed up Sundays."

Christianity is now being worked overtime by the Mayor, while Wappy is superintending the sixty thousand dollar deal below the dead line.

Aint it lovely?

EXPLANATORY

Though we receive nothing but commendation for the paper, it is possible our comrades and friends may look on the growing scarcity of reading matter and the continued encroachment of ads with the apprehension that soon there will be nothing to the paper but the advertising.

There may also be some uncertainty caused by the irregular appearance of "The Socialist" and by the sometimes incoherent jumble of its contents.

So, this explanation.

On our arrival in Seattle we thought--and so announced--that the financial problem which had always hitherto bothered the paper had been solved by the formation of a stock company which would put in a printing plant, do a job printing business as well as print our own paper, and use the money which the working class would otherwise give to capitalist printers to maintain their own press.

After about nine months of faithful attention to the affairs of the Trustee Printing Company, Comrade Wagenknecht, who was Business Manager, felt that he could no longer shoulder the burden, and resigned. There being no one else ready at the time to do the work, Comrade Ault accepted the position and added its duties to his already well-filled day's work as Managing Editor, Circulation Manager and Printer. The income was not sufficient to justify the employment of any additional help at that time, as payments on stock had almost entirely ceased and Comrade Ault struggled along as best he could. The paper naturally deteriorated some, as all attention had to be concentrated on getting enough from day to day to get out each issue. Our editor, Comrade Titus, on his return from Boise, was immediately involved in financial difficulties, due largely to his devotion to the movement and the paper, and as a result of which he has recently lost practically all he had in the world. In addition to this his incarceration in Seattle's vile jail has physically incapacitated him from giving much of his time to the paper.

Hence names have not been put on the mailing list promptly; letters, many of them important, have not been answered promptly, if at all; the paper has hardly appeared on the same day of the week two weeks in succession, orders for books have not been filled on time; orders for printing have not been filled on time; in fact, hardly anything has been done when it should have been done, and many things which were important to do have been left entirely undone.

Notwithstanding this the paper has appeared each week, and by pinching here and saving there the bills have been met and something paid each month on the accumulated indebtedness. Comrade Al Ball, a practical pressman, volunteered his services and has helped to build up a job printing business. This has made it possible to add to the office force Comrade Lulu Ault, who is rapidly systematizing the work on the mailing list and gradually overcoming all errors in that important part of our work. In the latter part of the past year Mr. F. C. LaPine, a Socialist sympathizer, and an expert advertising solicitor, tendered his services--the result of his work you see.

The combined efforts of these workers have finally put us in a position where we can at least breathe freely. The financial problem has been solved. The current bills are met promptly every month and a respectable showing is made on old accounts. The paper for the first time in years pays its entire mechanical expense. The job printing pays the rent and the wages. We have an opportunity to secure a good press--one that will print the paper--at a bargain, and we are practically assured that an old friend of the paper will lend us the money to secure it. We are almost free!

We ask our comrades to wait but a little while longer and we will increase the size of the paper, so as to give as much reading matter with the ads as we used to when the ads were not so numerous. We will soon answer your letters promptly; get your names and the names of the subscribers you send in on the list the same week they are sent; mail your book orders the day they are received; send your printing with as great dispatch as is compatible with good work; get out the best Socialist paper in the country--in fact, do all the things we should like to do, but have not been able heretofore to do because of lack of funds and of workers.

But all this work will require workers--and machinery. We need a first-class bookkeeper and stenographer, and a good, all-around printer, both Socialists, who will be willing to work for what the rest of us in the office get--a mere living. And a mere living means a mere living with us. We need, in order to supplement and make profitable the work of the big press--when we get it--a paper cutter and a wire stitcher. The first for trimming and cutting paper books, and its name implies, and the latter for binding books and pamphlets. We need more type to set up the great number of ads we are getting. We need labor saving office devices.

These things cost money. We have done our part--with your help--in making the paper financially secure. We are carrying all the burden our shoulders will bear in settling up the accumulated indebtedness of the company. In order to make our work further effective, in order to do the work we started out to do in the first place, we will have to have more assistance from you.

Many of you are stockholders who have never finished paying for your stock. Has it ever occurred to you that you OWE us that much--that we started in business trusting in your pledge to put up that much money? Some of you are capable subscription hustlers, who have hesitated to send in subs, thinking the paper would not live; others of you can lend us money in sums ranging from \$10.00 to \$100.00; many of you ought to be stockholders, but are not; and some of you can dig down in your pockets, even if it is a time of panic, and DONATE anything from a dollar to \$10.00.

We want to thank those comrades who have answered our calls for assistance in the past. We appreciated your help, even if we could not find time to write and tell you about it. And we make this explanation to our readers, trusting they will forgive us for our shortcomings in the past, and assist us in doing the things we want to do in the future.

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FREE SPEECH DENIED IN LOS ANGELES, CAL.

A. F. Lindwall and Mrs. A. J. Corker Taken into Custody for Addressing Audience on Street.

A. F. Lindwall, city organizer for the Socialist party, and Mrs. A. J. Corker of 139 South Figueroa, were arrested last night for speaking in public without a permit from the police commissioners of Los Angeles.

At the station each prisoner was called upon to give bail in the amount of \$100. Attorney George W. Downing was on hand and took charge of the case for the speakers.

The arrests were made at Seventh street and Grand avenue, where about 500 persons were grouped about the speakers, who held their soap box platform over an hour without being interrupted. When the patrolman appeared Lindwall declared he had a permit to speak. He handed the patrolman a printed slip which he said contained the extract from the constitution of the United States which guarantees free speech and the right to peacefully assemble.

Permit to Speak

"CONGRESS SHALL MAKE NO LAW RESPECTING AN ESTABLISHMENT OF RELIGION, OR PROHIBITING THE FREE EXERCISE THEREOF OR ABRIDGING THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH OR OF THE PRESS OR THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE PEACEABLY TO ASSEMBLE."

Extract from the Constitution of the United States.

"That's no good. I know nothing about the constitution. I want a permit from the police commission," said the officer.

"We want to speak. We can't afford to wait for the law's delay," said Lindwall at the station when asked why the Socialists insisted on keeping up the campaign even after twelve arrests were made. He was asked if twelve cases were not enough to test the constitutionality of the law.

Say Law is Unconstitutional.

"We will test the case. We do not for a minute doubt the unconstitutionality of this city-made law which runs diametrically to the organic law of the United States. It isn't that. Our campaign is on. It is always on. We shall not supinely submit to this unlawful suppression of free speech. We don't want them to arrest us. We want to speak. We want to tell the working

TWO CLASSES, OR MORE?

Herman's Reply to Rigg

It is now almost three months since Comrade Rigg's last appeared, and some comrades have asked me if I have thrown up the sponge.

I will say as yet I have no intention of giving up and that the only reason I did not come to the front sooner is because my time was completely occupied with my work as lecturer and organizer for the Socialist Party of Washington.

I feel that some good has been accomplished as a result of this debate, and I flatter myself that Comrade Rigg has been compelled to concede me at least one point, namely: That the exploitation of the working class takes place in production and not in consumption. I quote the following from his last to prove this assertion: "Now it is evident if they got the full product of their toil they would have \$2,452 per year instead of \$437. The difference going to the capitalists as surplus value."

The comrade asserts that I get mixed up on classes and on who belongs to the capitalist class. He then goes on to tell us there are many classes. "Farmers may be placed in one, tradesmen in another, professional men in another and so on."

Now I maintain there are only two classes in this country, the capitalist class and the working class, those which Comrade Rigg designates as classes are but factors in one or the other of these two classes; and that the farmer belongs to the capitalist class.

I believe that to most readers of this debate I have made myself clear on the question of classes, but for the benefit of Comrade Rigg I will define again whom I consider a member of the capitalist class and whom a member of the working class. A capitalist is anyone belonging to the class that owns capital—by capital I mean stored up, unpaid labor, which is used in the exploitation of more labor. This includes the farmer. All others, those who depend solely upon the sale of their labor-power for a livelihood, belong to the working-class. The census for 1900 informs us that of the \$95,000,000,000 of wealth in this country at that time, \$67,000,000,000 was owned by .09 per cent of the population, \$24,000,000,000 by 29 per cent and the other \$4,000,000,000 by 70.01 per cent. The 29 per cent and the .09 per cent equal 29.09 per cent and constitutes the capitalist class, and the other 70.01 per cent constitutes the working class. The capitalist class live by robbing labor. The working class live by selling their labor-power.

Comrade Rigg says "99 out of 100 of us will vote for the class we belong to, when we become conscious

people our side of the story. We want to put our case fairly before them. They are as eager to hear as we are to carry the message. Everywhere we have interested crowds. It is unfair and unjust for Mayor Harper or any other Democrat to say when another political party shall begin its campaign. That is for us to decide, and our decision is that our campaign never ends. Our contest for free speech will never cease as long as we are illegally restrained from our rights."

Mrs. Corker said she had lived in Los Angeles forty years, paying taxes all that time.

Is Property Owner.

"I do not feel that I am disgraced. I have broken no law. That ordinance is not a law, inasmuch as it is not legal. A number of women came to me when the policemen were waiting the wagon. They offered me their sympathy. I told them their sympathy was good, but it was needed elsewhere, and I told them of the factory children, of the little ones in the cotton mills, in the mines and the stores—yes, and in the saloons and worse places. I talked to them of child slavery so widespread and prevalent in our fair land. I gave them something to think about, and I believe some of them will think. That is all we want people to do.

"I helped pave the streets where I was tonight denied the right to speak to my neighbors. I have invested a large amount of money in Los Angeles real estate and I am going to make a stand for my rights. We applied through the regular channels for permits to speak. We were denied the right on the whim of some politicians who have the notion they are the rulers of the universe.

"My neighbor, Mrs. Blanchard, has been allowed to talk prohibition on the street, and I have done that myself, and I know it does no good. While we were raising up one poor wretch three fall down or are pulled down by the system. My Salvation Army neighbors are allowed to speak on the streets, and they do not relieve the growing distress. They offer a poor palliative. They feed 100 on soup while 10,000 go hungry. They are doing their best, but they know but little if anything of the real cause of the distress."

Over a hundred men and women, according to the friends of those who were arrested last night, are pledged to make speeches and submit to arrest and trial in order to force the hand of the city authorities or break the ordinance.

Cloudsley Johns, secretary of the Socialist local of Los Angeles county, said last night:

"We are assured of at least 300 who will risk arrest to exercise their constitutional right of free speech if the ordinance is not in the meantime impeached."—"Morning Herald," Los Angeles, Calif., Feb. 24, 1908.

office makes it treason to the government for the wage-slave in that industry to go on strike. Government ownership of any other industry would mean the same thing for the working class. I quote again: "The question is: Are they fleeing more than they are being fleeced?" And this test must not be applied for just six months or a year, but for a lifetime. A retired farmer, who has previously been an average worker for thirty years, consuming \$500 in wealth annually, may now be enjoying an income of \$500 per annum, all of which is surplus value, yet he does not belong to the capitalist class." Wonderful reasoning, isn't it? Is it any wonder that we have factions in the S. P. when members of the party will teach such rot in the name of Socialism?

What does it concern us of the working class whether a farmer or other capitalist is fleeced of more by some stronger brother than what he is able to rob from us? And what difference does it make to us whether a farmer has worked thirty years, or 1,000 years for that matter? So soon as he lives off of rent, interest or profit he is robbing labor and is therefore a capitalist and must be dealt with as a member of the capitalist class. If he recognizes these facts and comes into the S. P. and is willing to trot side by side with us, well and good, we extend the hand of comradeship. If he comes into the S. P. with the idea that he and other members of his class have got to furnish the brains to direct the movement of the working class we will inform him that we refuse to be led to the shambles and will fight like hell until he either recognizes the right and necessity of the working class determining the policy of the S. P. or until he is on the outside of the party.

EMIL M. HERMAN.

"THE REAL UNCLE SAM."

Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 27, 1908.
 H. F. Titus, "The Socialist," and a Real One.

Dear Comrade: The two "Uncle Sam's" are significant. The "comparison" is the richest and most truthful expression that I have ever seen. It is so real. And it means much.

The real "Uncle Sam" looks natural in his getting back to "rational action" as to what to do with the earth.

The real "Uncle Sam" is a practical man. He is not interested in vanity, pride, idolatry, hero-worship, owning anybody, or getting his mouth so full that he cannot chew.

He is conscious of what he needs; will use what he needs and be sensible enough to allow the other fellow (if he be industrious) as a real worker to supply his need to the extent that his belly may never hit his backbone.

He will be very much different from the present "Uncle Sam" whose life is based upon cunning, craftiness, rascality, meanness, servility, moral depravity and degeneracy, whose belly has become so big, and legs so crooked that he stands on his heels instead of the ball of his foot. This "Uncle Sam" has lived too well, allowing his belly (because of the distortion of his brain) to be imposed upon to the extent that he has dyspepsia, nervousness, rheumatism and weak back, all of which is the cause of his chewing and smoking the weed, hitting booze, taking drugs and imagining that all who do not conform to his out of balance antics are impractical and inefficient.

This "Sammy" has had his day. He has, I admit, been useful as a force; but is out of date now, which is proven by the fact that every time he moves, or sneezes, he puts his foot in it, he coming to a point—that it be damned if he does, or be damned if he don't—he gets it both coming and going. But it is quite necessary that this should be, for all worn-out forms must take a back seat for what is most useful to all. Essentials always assert when the times come.

The real "Uncle Sam" is an expression of regeneracy. Yes, I said REGENERACY. All practical actors know "now" what that means. He has an expression of confidence, stands up squarely on his feet, with his knees in a movable shape, ready to mean something beyond individual selfishness. He wears a full beard, which is significant of the "real man" and means much more than it purports.

All the world moves, for this is no time for standing still.

J. E. RULLISON.

We do not believe the Union men of Seattle are such fools as some of their leaders think. They will not vote for Standard Oil Moore because the Central Labor Council resolves, by a small vote, to attend a meeting in his behalf.

Three lawyers, candidates of the Capitalist tickets, Miller, Metcalfe and Moore. The only workingman candidate is McCorkle.

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By Abe Herschin

The industrial jelly is hardening fast. With the continued development of "big biz" the more securely does it entrench itself behind the classical bulwark—the powers of the State. The class lines tighten and the injunction gattling is wheeled into action against the encroachments of Labor and is pumping broadsides into the bowels of the working class.

Restraint after restraint has been banded at the organized workers in the last six months by the Federal, Supreme, Circuit and State Circuit courts with such bewildering rapidity that an accurate tally has become almost impossible. But the following epitome of the principal preventatives will serve to indicate such a sweep in malignant, anti-working class calibre, that if after analyzing them, and not allying himself with the revolutionary working class political body—the Socialist Party—the workman will show that instead of possessing brains, he is endowed with fricaceous fungus and mentally as dead as the capitalistically murdered miners of Jacobs' Creek.

The following are a few of the recent choice prohibitions, and mark them well:

Judge Dean of Arizona forbids Miners' Union 106, officers, members and sympathizers, from making any attempt to enlist the aid of workmen for the successful prosecution of a strike, commanding them to desist absolutely from using the mails, for the purpose of acquainting the outside world with the existence of a strike against the masters.

In Vermont a court order restrains the Quarrymen's Union from persuading employees of the Associated Quarries' bosses to cast their lot with the men in revolt.

The U. S. Circuit Court of Minnesota upholds an injunction issued by a lower court preventing the Brotherhood of Carpenters carrying out their refusal to handle the products of scab factories.

Judge Thompson of Ohio lines up with a peach! Not only does he forbid the officials of the International Pressmen's Union paying out benefits and supporting the demand for an eight-hour day, but prevents the union taking a referendum vote on the right to strike!

In West Virginia, Judge Dayton, of the U. S. District Court enjoins the officers, national and district, of the Miners' Union from organizing the employees of three mines in that state.

In Buffalo Judge Hazel restrains the Switchmen's Union from striking against a reduction of hours or for an increase of wages on the Lackawanna road.

You anti-child labor crusaders note this: An Ohio Circuit Court wipes off the statute books the state law prohibiting the employment of young boys at night work in mills and factories! Getting serious, what?

Still the dreary list grows. The Equity (sic!) Court of the District of Columbia plasters a "thou shalt not" on the A. F. L., forbidding it to publish in its official organ an announcement that the Buck Stove and Range Company is hostile to organized labor and undeserving the patronage of unionists.

The United States Supreme Guessing Machine annuls the federal law holding railroad bosses engaged in interstate commerce liable for damages where employees are killed or wounded in the discharge of their duties, whether by defective apparatus or negligence of fellow servant.

The same magnanimous tribunal, true to its old trick of "unconstitutional" dictums, declares void the federal law preventing interstate railroads from discharging employees for being affiliated with a labor union.

Judge Phillips of Ohio also tries extreme measures. He says labor organizations are trusts and combinations in restraint of trade and orders the dissolution of the Amalgamated Glass Workers' Union.

In the face of the foregoing despotism, he who says that corporate wealth does not rule with a mallet fist the courts and the lives and destinies of men, women and children, is either a paid knave, an ignorant fool or a deliberate liar. I won't mince words, the case is desperate and the harshest indictment necessary. By these outrageous legal embargoes the mastery of Capitalism is complete and the working class is prostituted in abject slavery to a gold-lusting industrial Bucaerage the equal of which history furnishes no parallel.

And from Capital's viewpoint it is correct that they continue gurgling in your blood and bones. Its interests justify it and they rule accordingly. The economic needs of the masters are supported by the present basis of government—private property in the fruits of the laborer's toil. These laws are upheld and extended by political action. Which means influence exercised over the character and formation of measures affecting the whole social life, and since you are blind or indifferent the masters see that they get the long end of the deal. They unload a sleeveful of aces on you in the courts because of your negligence.

Political parties are representatives of class interests. You ratify the old parties of Capital in their political

procedure and it would seem as if you should be compelled to suffer the dose without making an ugly mug, since you insist on the mixture. But a discerning minority of your fellow slaves have rebelled against these abominations and have organized a working class political expression founded in the abolition of the curse of Capitalism. Organized for the blunt purpose of taking possession of those instruments of wealth production upon which the great mass, the working class, in common depend for a livelihood and which their labor alone has made, and which private parties use to Labor's continued enslavement.

This party is yours. The organization is represented in every state in the nation and every civilized country in the world. Take possession of it; yours to bend to the dictates of your material welfare. You give the master the power to short change you. Now retract that permission and use it to your own purposes. Industrial organization is crippled without the aid of the other wing—the political. The rulers know the value of politics; their court findings show that. How Parry, Van Cleave, Post, Belmont and Baer must secretly laugh at your stupidity, giving them the political right to tighten the screws and mold you as they will.

Use the Socialist Party. It is yours. Don't plead for crumbs of favorable legislation in the lobby. Elect your own class-conscious fellow toilers to power and labor provisions will be wrenched from the overlords on the floor of the House. Go higher up and abolish that Great Negating Sausage Grinder, the Supreme Court, the like of which no other country has or ever did have. Their playful habit of saying "unconstitutional" is not provided for in the federal guarantee. It's a flagrant usurpation of authority established long ago by Chief Justice Marshall. That dead man is ruling you to-day. Use your electorate and cancel the terms of your industrial captivity. The masters have denied you the right of self protection in the shop. Answer them at the polls and smother them as they now stifle you in the shops and courts. At the ballot box you are their superiors in numbers. Show that strength for once.

Denied the right to organize; stripped of the right to strike; short of indemnity when crippled or killed by the exploiters; it's children condemned to post-daylight servitude, the Working Class, now it ever is confronted with the crisis, the extremity of cowardly submitting or revolting at the election booth. You gave to the tyrants the political power to debauch you, and now, not for Christ's sake, but for your own sake, use your voting prestige and sweep off the bench those legal jumping jacks who dance on your carcasses when death-mask Capital pulls the string.

Do something politically for yourselves NOW. The injunction, once the protection of the slave, becomes in the grip of blood-soaked Capitalism, a terrific agency of destruction and oppression. The laborer is now so much cheese, chalk and shoe strings, to be sold in the market of capital to the LOWEST bidder, and he who interferes with this god-given right is slated for the maws of the masters. I am not exaggerating. I do not possess a mastery of English sufficient for that. Study these injunctions and then realize their enormity and your industrial helplessness.

I tell you, working people, that the business sharks are hungry. Deprived of toothsome morsels by the escape of Haywood, Moyer and Pettibone, they fear the teachings of these Socialists and are lusting empty-bellied after our class in general. That explains their injunction activity. NOW YOU ACT. Socialism will destroy the economic ship scuttlers. Line up, be men, and sweep the restraining hand of corrupt union officials aside and vote the Socialist Party—your party—into power and the national music machine will sing a new song—a Working Class symphony. Whatever of legal liberty you once claimed is shot to pieces by this last infamy of private capitalist property courts. It will be their last decision IF YOU SAY SO.

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"AGGRAVATED INDIGNATION."

Seattle, Feb. 28, 1908.

Editor "Socialist":

I have read the alleged arguments against Socialism by that eminent ecclesiastical sycophant and sophist, Marshall Boardman, and I am suffering from an attack of aggravated indignation that must find vent somewhere.

Boardman is nothing more or less than a modern apostle of the rack and thumb-screw. He has made no argument against Socialism and merits no reply. But he does need a rebuke. His holiness, like many another ostensible follower of the meek and lowly Jesus, has slipped his moral eccentric. Someone should whisper in his ear and teach him the meaning of Christianity. He has read the diatribes of Ireland, the Archbishop; received a few letters from Rome; and his illogical mind is festering with the infection of sacerdotal putridity. Christ scourged the money-changers from the temple, but Boardman, His disciple, fawns at the feet of arch-robbers in the hope (or with the assurance) that he will share in the plunder. "In fact," he says, "the best argument in the world in favor of Capital would be to hand over to our Socialist friends a great big slice of it. They would stop talking." Such language puts his reverence in the attitude of one who has taken the cure.

Boardman has wandered from the ecclesiastical field to the realm of economics, and in so doing has succeeded in showing the utter hopelessness of his brand of Christianity. The Bible says: "The poor we shall always have with us," and rather than have the infallibility of that book brought into question the Divine worshiper at the shrine of Capital would see the labor of the world wear its bones to the marrow and live on the filth of the gutter. He speaks of men and says "they were all created in the exact image of God," but even with this Deific attribute, some must suffer the tortures of hunger and poverty that others may dwell in a temporal Elysium, there to be served and pampered by God-modeled unfortunates who are not to receive succor until they sit at the right hand of their much-maligned Prototype. Some men are born to hunger and thirst, to weep and to wall, to strive and to starve. The very reverend Boardman says the scriptures will bear him out on this point, so there is no help for it.

The mouthings of Boardman reek of assumption, specious misrepresentation and sophistry. He rails at the Socialistic theory because society—I get this idea by inference—would be nearly as bad as it is at present; he backs up his harrange with the presumption that a good Christian government of the kind now in vogue is adequate for all purposes; and then he swallows the entire Capitalistic system with its injustice, poverty, inequality, starvation, crime, tyranny and prostitution, all in one gulp. He does this with the name of Christ upon his lips and says that he likes it because it has the sanction of God.

I am not aware that the Savior of mankind contented himself in the knowledge of a hell on earth by saying: "It is the nature of things and you can't change nature." Anyway, I am not going to accuse him of such diabolical heresy. I have more respect for my God than Boardman has for his, and with Bebel, I say, for the present, let us leave Heaven to the Angels and the sparrows." It is not given to all of us to know the intricacies of Divine dispensation and intention as it is to the Christ-like Mr. Boardman. While there is a purgatory here on earth I can see a duty that promises more for the poverty-stricken creatures of the Devil's agents than the promise of a home in Glory with pin-feathers and a harp accompaniment. I would not deter a lot of poor hell-haunted visionaries from the enjoyment of physical, moral and intellectual benefits by the waving of a priestly hand.

"From the deck of Peter's bark, the pope, like a good helmsman, has warned the nations time and again of the gathering of the Socialistic storm."

To hell with the pope! He doesn't know any more about the afflictions and necessities of the human race than Father Boardman, and when the issue becomes an accomplished fact, his encyclical will redound with panegyric for the justice and Christianity of the doctrine he now condemns.

Orthodox Christianity can find no remedy for crime, poverty and prostitution, and Boardman rants because Socialist leaders have found a true indictment against the heretical followers of the Nazarene. His indictment of Socialism becomes a nauseating defense of the creed that has warped his intellect and stifled his conscience.

Christ may come again. I don't pretend to know much about it, but I recognize the urgent need of this advent. The only thing I am afraid of is that He will be crucified by the ranting, roaring hypocrites who are oppressing the world to-day in His name. Yours for the Brotherhood of Man, SETH C. MAKER.

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AS TO HATRED

By Tom Sladden

Comrade John M. Work, in National Weekly Bulletin, dated February 22nd, comes forward again in defense of his brotherly love proposition as against that nasty philosophy of hate. We will skip over his explanation of mental and manual work which he says is used to "disarm our critics" and take up his proposition: "Class consciousness is not class hatred. I do not see how a believer in industrial evolution can hate anybody for being in position he is bound to be in. To do so is entirely unscientific."

Let us see who is unscientific? We hate a coyote, a rattlesnake, a skunk for one and the same reason. They interfere with our material well-being and the degree of hatred we bear for these different animals and reptiles is determined entirely by the amount of harm they do or danger they engender to the individual or community. The coyote in a Zoological garden is not an object of hatred to the visitor to the park. But to the farmer whose chicken coop he exploits, whose lambs he appropriates, he is an object of hatred. Yet the coyote is like the capitalist, he is what he is bound to be. He is hated by the farmer because his interests and the farmer's interests are diametrically opposed.

To be a successful coyote and to perpetuate his race and species he must have certain characteristics and a peculiar nature especially adapted to getting a farmer's pullets and getting away again. Otherwise he would become a rug or a mink boa.

Likewise with the capitalist. He must have certain characteristics and a peculiar nature especially adapted to getting in his own possession material wealth which is the result of someone else's labor or he might become a blanket stiff, and he is hated by the working class for the same reason that the coyote is hated by the farmer. His interest and the wage worker's interest conflict the same as do the interest of the farmer and the coyote. It is useless to tell me that I would have to do what I would have to do. Certainly if I was a capitalist I would plunder wage workers and if I was a coyote I would plunder hen houses.

As a coyote and a plunderer of hen houses of the farmer I would get what was coming to me if the farmer and I ever came together, and as a capitalist and a plunderer of wage workers I would get what was coming to me if the wage worker and I ever came together. But this hatred can be expressed and acted upon in different ways. The farmer may froth at the mouth and abuse his family because some coyote has swiped his chickens, or he may set about it systematically to build strong fences and hen houses and get a good dog. But he will do no good going around the country telling about the brotherly love that should exist between coyotes and farmers, and that the coyote was a very good animal but had a bad instinct, and what we should do was to change the instinct. If the farmer gets a good dog and attends to his fences and hen houses he will force his hated enemy to move away or find some other means of gaining a livelihood. The working man may froth at the mouth and do material damage to some individual capitalist, or he may build a strong fence against him. He may so organize his forces on the economic and political field that the species of human coyote known as the capitalist will be driven away and this hated enemy of the working class driven to some other means of gaining a livelihood.

The capitalist is a capitalist because he is fitted to be a capitalist. He is the survival after society has been sifted. There are exceptions, many of them, but in dealing with abstract questions we must deal with the general with the understanding that exceptions exist.

The capitalist becomes a capitalist because he is peculiarly adapted to succeed in a scheme of plundering his fellows. His morality, his religion, his code of ethics are simply reflections cast from his method of gaining a living. He is best fitted to survive as a capitalist who puts sand in your sugar, who robs the cradle and the grave to obtain labor power for his factory, who drives your sons to penitentiaries, your daughters to brothels, who sits in an office and cold-bloodedly schemes to cause a great war that will drench a land with blood and fill a nation with widows and orphans. He makes honor and virtue a commodity. He subsidizes your press, prostitutes your pulpits and fills your schools and colleges with infantile brained intellectuals whose teachings lead astray the feet of your children.

Yet the capitalist is what he is because he is by natural instinct a plunderer. The wage worker is what he is because he is by natural instinct not a plunderer. The slave will always be a slave until he hates his master. And when that hate of masters becomes general the wage slave class will smash the chains which bind them like the tide washes away the sand house which the little children have built upon the shore. No sentiment, no brotherly love, no golden rules, but stern necessity. Some capitalists will desert their own class, but they will find that their own class will hate them as traitors to their class far more, if anything, than did the working class ever hate them as upholders of the capitalist class. In concluding I will quote stanzas of a poem by Mrs. Hulse which was written in Oregon four years ago:

"His face bears the scars of life's battle—
They were made by privation and care;
Yet shines through his eyes the brave spirit
That fears not to do and to dare.

Would you trace the deep tide of his courage?
I can show you the source undefiled;
In the soiled, grimy hand of the toiler
Is the little white hand of the child!

No rings on the thin little fingers—
On the wrist shines no glittering band;
Yet dearer than diamonds and rubies,
The touch of the little white hand.

He thinks, as more fondly and closely
The delicate fingers are pressed,
Of tiny white hands that he folded
And still on a cold little breast.

When he heard the stones fall on her coffin,
He knew—ah, the sting of that thought!
That his baby had died for the lack of
The wealth that his own hands had wrought.

There are millions of thin little fingers
In this fruitful, this bountiful land,
That are robbed of their plumpness and dimples,
The birthright of each little hand.

Yes, and today thousands of little ones are being murdered by the capitalists in this land. They are being starved in the big cities. They are being robbed of health and youth and strength in the slave pens of the capitalist from one end of the country to the other.

"Do you hear the children weeping, O, my brother?
They are weeping bitterly,
They are weeping in the playtime of the others,
In the country of the free.
They look up with their pale and sunken faces,
And their looks are sad to see."

Who is responsible for these conditions? Do wage workers make them? Do they rob anybody? Do they exploit anybody? No; the capitalist does it. He does it because it is natural for him to do it. He is what he is because it is natural for him to be what he is. And damn him, I hate him for what he is. He could follow Markham's advice, "break rock." And along with him every infernal apologist for him. He could be honest like the rest of the working class and go broke. The working class are broke. And it is a disgrace for anybody not to be broke with hungry children starving to death around him.

And I will continue to hate the capitalist along with his system until such day comes that the capitalist is like the coyote in the cage at the Zoo, placed in a position where he can no longer interfere with my material well being.
THOMAS SLADDEN.

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Local Seattle held no business meeting this week.
Two ward meetings were held on Thursday evening which required the attention of a number of the most active members, and the several attended headquarters there was not sufficient number of comrades present to make up a quorum.
This is sufficient reason to show the necessity of your attendance at business meetings. If you want the party to carry on its work successfully you must help do the work.
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