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"Socialism means that all the things upon which the people in common depend shall be in common by the people in administration. It means that the tools of employment shall belong to their creators and users; that all production shall be for the use of the producers; that the making of goods for profit shall come to an end; that we shall all be workers together and that all opportunities shall be open and equal to all men."

## FACTS DAILY PAPERS SUPPLIES BIG STOCK BEATS GOLDEN RULE-LOVE ONE ANOTHER? DON'T LIE

### MEM LIKE SAM JONES DO NO GOOD

They Only Distract Attention from the Common Sense Remedy—Workingmen Will Look Out for Number One.

Robert Hunter has written and The Macmillan Company has published a book which ought to be read by every American. The name of this book is "Poverty." It was printed in February, 1905, and is strictly the latest work on the subject of Poverty.

The daily papers as well as the census reports omit these facts. It is the interest of the capitalist world to hide its own deformities. One of its hired servants, Carroll D. Wright, speaks of the assertion that "the rich are growing richer and the poor poorer" as "false in its premises and misleading in its influence." Mr. Hunter declares Mr. Wright has "no figures whatever to bear out his statement."

Why Socialists Don't Preach the Golden Rule. Toledo has become notorious in the city of Sam Jones, Golden Rule Jones. He was elected mayor on his Golden Rule and Independent platform, while the rest of the ticket went republican. He died a few months ago before the expiration of his term and his name is revered by thousands in this city. Some who think they are Socialists are professed believers in Sam Jones' principles and many have claimed him as a Socialist.

Let us see. Is not the Golden Rule a good thing? Socialists do not deny it. But they point out the fact, the every day fact, that men not only do not live but do not act according to the Golden Rule—at any rate not till Socialism has won its victory.

Socialists go further. They claim it is monstrous to call Judge Brewer, of the U. S. Supreme Court, talked last week in the Calvary Baptist church at Washington, when he said the Golden Rule was more effective than the Big Stick and the headline in a local paper, "Golden Rule Beats Big Stick," is pure nonsense and "tommy-wo."

The Golden Rule does not beat the Big Stick. On the contrary, the Big Stick beats the Golden Rule every day in the week—including Sundays. We do not say the Golden Rule ought not to beat the Big Stick. We are asking of what is, not of what ought to be.

Too Much Sunday School Talk. Justice Brewer is quoted as saying that "Such evils (as the trust) cannot be met by courts, by legislation, by judicial decisions or executive proclamation! I sometimes see the papers calling out for decisions against trusts, and I can but smile to think how futile all the larger part of such effort will be."

That is horse sense. Socialists quite agree. But listen to this which follows, and the Toledo daily prints it in capitals: "The Remedy is not in Judicial Decisions, BUT RESTS IN THE INTRODUCTION INTO THE HEARTS OF THE MEN OF THE NATION OF THE SPIRIT OF THE GOLDEN RULE."

There Judge Brewer talks like a Sunday school child and not like a man with experience of the world. He talks like the Russians who thought to win the war with Japan by prayers and failed to get modern armaments. Workingmen have to deal with the hard facts of life and they cannot be cheated with such dreams.

The Facts of Life Disprove It. Why, even Sam Jones of blessed memory did not live his dream. He died worth nearly half a million and he certainly didn't earn that much. No man can earn that in a lifetime. How did he get it? Just like other employers of labor out of his employ.

Sam Jones had a big factory. He employed hundreds of men. Those workmen made him rich. When one of them earned five dollars a day, he paid him only three dollars or less. The other two dollars, which belonged to the wage worker, was taken possession of by the employer for nothing. Two dollars a day of unpaid labor taken from every one of those hundreds of workmen, would make hundreds of dollars per day of profit.

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To take away from hundreds of men what rightly belongs to them because their labor created it, and to pile it up into a big personal fortune and call it your own is not precisely the Golden Rule is it?

Socialists Do Not Blame Sam Jones. Not all of Jones did what Smith and Brown did. Hill and Carnegie and all capitalists do, and must do; he bought the worker's labor power at its market value and thereby robbed the worker of all his product above that value. That sounds a bit obscure, but keep on studying the facts of this modern industrial world and you will learn what we mean. We stand ready to prove that Profit is Unpaid Labor, nothing more nor less than robbery, the very contradiction of the Golden Rule. And say further, the nothing but the Socialist proposal found at the top of this page will make the Golden Rule possible.

One word more. Do not appeal to the individual to act the Golden Rule under the present conditions of getting a living. It is utterly impracticable and Utopian. The Socialist take the modern viewpoint, that environment is the chief factor. Therefore change the environment, make new conditions for labor and you will then have new Socialism, by the Golden Rule afterwards.

The thing to do now is to point out the awful facts of present poverty to the masses. It is a terrible way, but these sophistries and flimflams about the Golden Rule must be exposed.

Read these extracts from the book. Get the book itself and read it. This whole modern life is a vast denial of the Golden Rule, which is a denial of the image of God in the suffering Christ is paraded before the eyes of the people.

IS NOT SOCIALISM? Says Governor Hoch About the State's Employment. Governor Hoch of Kansas, in a message to the legislature, says that the state is not a socialist state. He says that the state is not a socialist state. He says that the state is not a socialist state.

UNION MEN, ATTENTION! Bakers Union, No. 66, of Toledo, announces that the grievance against the George Meyer, corner Field and Western Aves, for violation of contract, is being taken up by the International Brotherhood of Bakers. Meyer is a well-known employer in Toledo, and has been a member of the union for some time.

Workingmen search of injunction. The search for injunctions has begun in the latest styles by the judges, better democratic or republican.

### THE GOLDEN RULE IN GERMAN MINERS' STRIKE



This picture is taken from the German Socialist cartoon paper, "Der Wahre Jacob." It shows the Christ looking down upon the Christians, evicting the workmen in the great coal strike just ended in Germany. The title of the picture is "Love One Another."

To show how the Golden Rule works exactly the same in the United States, we quote the following from a recent press dispatch from Pennsylvania:

MINERS EVICTED—The Morris Run Coal Mining Company, having failed by other methods to subdue the strikers, had resorted to the extreme measure—the dreaded ten-day notice—and is pursuing it with bitter determination. Hundreds of families have been evicted and many pathetic scenes have been witnessed.

## CHILD LABOR IN AMERICA AFTER 2000 YEARS OF THE GOLDEN RULE

Isn't It About Time to Try Some Other Way?—Read These Figures and Do Some Thinking—Workingmen, Find Out What Socialism Means.

Not less than eighty thousand children, most of whom are little girls, are at present employed in the textile mills of this country, according to the census of 1900. In the South there are now six times as many children at work as there were twenty years ago. Child labor is increasing yearly in that section of the country. Each year more little ones are brought in from the fields and hills to live in the degrading and demoralizing atmosphere of the mill towns. Each year more great mills are being built to reap the profits which these little hands make possible. In one Southern town there are five great mills and five settlements of workers—"pest-ridden, epidemic-filled, filthy settlements" to be shunned like the plague; each with its poverty-stricken, hungry-looking wage-slaves; and each with its group of box-houses, looking all alike and built high above the malarial clay-mud. Tin cans, rubbish, filth, are strewn everywhere inside and outside the houses.

The great mills, with their hundreds of food, and leave the home for the mills. Sleepy, half-awake, frowsy girls, on their beds, too tired to do their day's labor, and which they return home, they wearily fling themselves on their beds, too tired to take off their clothes. Many children work all night—in the maddening racket of the machinery, in an atmosphere unsanitary and clouded with humidity and lint.

### FOUR DAYS ONLY FOUR DAYS

What the Mine Owners Did to Save Expense of Ventilation.

No Explosion Possible Where There is Plenty of Pure Air—Ventilating Shafts Cost Too Much—Men Are Cheaper.

KILLED ONE, TWO, THREE

Steubenville, Ohio, March 14.—An Italian miner was killed in the Bradley mines, an Austrian was killed in the Upell mines and a Polish miner was killed on the Wheeling and Lake Erie railroad near the Durzdan mines today.

NO VENTILATION, OF COURSE

Canton, March 17.—Domino Guella, aged 40, was killed and Andel Guella and his son Louis had a narrow escape from death in the Indiana Run coal mine near Waynesburg, last night. They were overcome by mine damp. Domino Guella fell across the prostrate forms of his companions, his head in a drain. He was drowned. Louis Guella did not lose consciousness, but was unable to extricate himself from under the dead body until help came several hours afterward.

KNOWN TO CONTAIN GAS

Montgomery, W. Va., March 17.—As the result of a gas explosion in the Scarbro mines on Eagle creek, this county, Matt Soulsby, aged 18, a brother of ex-Chief of Police Soulsby of this place, was instantly killed. W. Morris, a man named Fleur and three whose names could not be obtained, were seriously burned.

A part of the mine was known to contain gas. Soulsby was driving it when he a miner put off a shot that ignited the vapor. Then a train of fire shot down the entry. One of the injured men said that they saw it coming by a terrific explosion of gas which tempted to throw himself on the floor to permit the flame to pass over him, but he was not quick enough. He was pinned beneath the car, which was overturned, and killed. Ed Soulsby, a brother, went to Huntington to attend the miners' convention in place of Matt, the regularly elected delegate, and when he transferred his powers to him he virtually signed his own death warrant.

ACCUMULATION OF GAS

Thursday, W. Va., March 18.—Twenty-three known men and probably a score of others were entombed alive in the Red Ash and Rush Run coal mines, two miles west of here, by a terrific explosion of gas which occurred at 8:30 o'clock this evening. The tragedy was due to an accumulation of gas being ignited by a miner's torch. There is no hope of the recovery of any of those entombed.

POOR AIR DID IT.

Birmingham, Ala., March 14.—With the removal of the last four bodies from the Virginia mine today the total fatalities from the awful explosion of February 20 was swelled to 111. The fund raised for the relief of the widows and orphans left by the disaster reaches nearly \$30,000.

### RELIABLE STATISTICS OF POVERTY IN THIS COUNTRY.

Don't Lie

Distinction Between "The Poor" and "The Paupers" Must Always Be Made—Figures Almost Incredible Given in Robert Hunter's New Book.

The distinction between the poor and paupers may be seen everywhere. There are in all large cities in America and abroad, streets and courts and alleys where a class of people live who have lost all self-respect and ambition, who rarely, if ever, work, who are aimless and drifting, who like drink, who have no thought for their children, and who live more or less contentedly on rubbish and alms.

Such districts are certain portions of Whitechapel, Spitalfield, etc., in London, Kirov Ryozok in Moscow, parts of Armour Avenue in Chicago, Rat Hollow in Cincinnati, and parts of Cherry Hill and the Bimmetts in New York City, and so on in all cities everywhere. The lowest level of humanity is reached in these districts. In our American cities Negroes, Whites, Chinese, Mexicans, Half-breeds, Americans, Irish, and others indiscriminately housed together in the same tenements and even in the same rooms. The blind, the crippled, the consumptive, the aged, the ragged ends of life; the babies, the children, the half-starved, underfed beginnings in life, all huddled together, waiting, drifting. This is pauperism. There is no mental agony here; they do not work; there is no dread; they live miserably, but they do not care.

The Poor. In the same cities and, indeed, everywhere, there are great districts of people who are up before dawn, who wash, dress, and eat breakfast, kiss wives and children, and hurry away to work or to seek work. The work rests upon their shoulders; it moves by their muscle; everything would stop if, for any reason, they should decide not to go into the mills and factories and mines. But the world is so organized that they gain enough to live upon only when they work; should they cease, they die in starvation and hunger. The more fortunate of the laborers are but a few weeks from actual distress when the machines are stopped. Upon the unskilled masses want is constantly pressing. As soon as employments ceases, suffering starts them in the face. They are the actual product of wealth, who have no home nor soil which they may call own. They are the millions who possess no tools and no work opportunity of another. In that they live miserably, they know why. They work sore, yet they cannot get any more than a pittance and the dread of want. They retain their self-respect and ambition. They are the actual children of the book dealer.

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PHILLY NEWS AND CORRESPONDENCE

FROM NATIONAL HEAD-QUARTERS

National Secretary of the Socialist Party, J. Mahlon Barnes, 269 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill., to whom all communications regarding the national organization should be addressed.

The National Committee is voting upon the following motion by Hillquist, of New York: 'I move that should no election result on the fifth ballot, the National Executive Committee, that the two candidates receiving the highest and next highest votes shall go on the sixth ballot and all others shall be dropped.'

Last week The Socialist reported the motion made by National Committeeman Trautman, of Ohio, with two secretaries to the International Bureau. This motion provided that the National Secretary ascertain whether the Socialist Party has the undisputed right to elect two National Secretaries of the International Socialist Bureau.

In the meanwhile Hillquist submitted the following motion: 'The reasons given by Comrade Trautman for his motion are based on an erroneous assumption, which I desire to correct, so as to enable the National Committee to vote intelligently upon both motions now before them.'

Under ordinary circumstances I would be inclined to ignore the assertions of Comrade Trautman, but as there are undoubtedly some people who would be only too willing to accept and repeat as truth the assertions of even a man who is well known for his honesty and integrity, I feel that I cannot permit silence to be accepted as confirmation of Clark's misstatements or as an excuse for his attempts to still further exaggerate and distort the facts.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

In next week's Socialist there will begin a new series of the famous cartoon 'Red Fairy Stories' by Ryan Walker, prepared specially for this paper. This will be the next effective series of propaganda cartoons ever published in a Socialist paper.

Second, The Ricker correspondence was not personal. Ricker expressly asked that I keep the letters on file for reference, as their publication might be necessary at some future time.

Third, Reference to my reply to Turner will show that I never denied having issued my own circular letter of Oct. 18th, 1903, but I did deny being the author of any such letter as described by Futovsky and I never considered them personal, for I never would have received them if I had not been National Secretary.

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National German Organizer, Robert Salter, to be seen in the country when they look like when at work. The photo showing the National Secretary, Comrade Barnes. At the right center is 'Charlie' Martin, looking as happy as usual, with 'Jim' O'Neal still further to the right. The handsomeness facing the right is Robert Salter, who will soon start out again as National German Organizer.

The National Secretary at present arranging a tour in this state for Robert Salter, Comrade Salter is a German speaker and organizer and if there are any German Socialists in your town you should take advantage of the opportunity for his presence. The dates are arranged by National Secretary J. M. Barnes, 269 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill., and all letters in regard to it should be addressed.

In tabulating the number of stamps on the Local for the Jan. report, two mistakes were made. First, Local Kent was omitted from the list of stamps. Local Toledo was not given credit for all the stamps it had bought. Local Kent bought 42 due stamps in the month of January, giving it an average of 6 stamps per month. Local Toledo bought 30 stamps, giving it an average of 2.5 stamps per month.

Secretary Gardner also asks that the name of the Local to which a list can be compiled, the intention being to give the Local a list of speakers they can get speakers. He desires also to know the sentiment of the Local in regard to the agitation in use for several years past. If the plan is approved applications for speakers should be made at once.

Joseph Wanhope writes about his recent trip in Ohio: 'Excellent meetings in Cincinnati, Newark, Springfield and Columbus. In the latter city we had the Attorney General in the audience. I was very glad to know he was present. I quoted him at length in his Youngwood speech. He was very complimentary to the Socialists and very complimentary to the program. He said that he was going to do about it right. It amused me to hear him say that he was present, but he never yapped, though I invited any and all sorts of opposition.'

Comrade William Cizek presided at the meeting of the Central Committee, last night. The meeting was held at the National Club, 120 S. State St., Chicago, Ill. The meeting was held at the National Club, 120 S. State St., Chicago, Ill. The meeting was held at the National Club, 120 S. State St., Chicago, Ill.

Comrades John A. Bloss, Joseph Lechman and Charles C. Hanson, of Branch 7, have been elected a committee to meet with Branch 15 and discuss the matter of a joint meeting.



This is 'The Gang' at the National office, 269 Dearborn street, Chicago. The artist of 'THE SOCIALIST' got a snap shot of them to show the comrades throughout the country what they look like when at work. The photo showing the National Secretary, Comrade Barnes. At the right center is 'Charlie' Martin, looking as happy as usual, with 'Jim' O'Neal still further to the right. The handsomeness facing the right is Robert Salter, who will soon start out again as National German Organizer.

The city central committee (Local Cleveland) meets on the first and third Monday night of each month at 87 Prospect street.

The city executive committee, composed of the organizer, recording and financial secretary, usher and literature agent of the city central committee meets on the second and fourth Monday night at Branch 13 (ante-room).

A meeting has been called for Sunday, March 26, at Andries' hall, 47 York street, for the purpose of organizing a German branch.

Comrade Robert Bardowill will speak at Branch 13, Wednesday, April 5.

Only one branch neglected to send its report for February and I understand the secretary (newly elected) forwarded the card to state headquarters. February report showed 399 members in good standing in Local Cleveland.

At the municipal election in Muscatine the Socialist Party held its vote of last fall, and made a slight gain in one of the wards. Only 1000 votes were cast. The capitalist vote fell off over ten per cent.

At the election of National Committee 312 votes were cast. Comrade W. A. Jacobs, of Davenport, was the successful contestant, receiving 167 votes. The Socialist vote in the northeastern part of the state. Successful meetings are held everywhere.

Advertisement for 'ONE-WAY COLONIST TICKETS' with details about routes to Montana, Idaho, and Oregon, and contact information for J. J. Ferry, District Passenger Agent.

Advertisement for 'Price List of Socialist Party Supplies' including items like 'Applications for Local or Branch Charter', 'Membership Due Cards', and 'Socialist Propaganda' with prices listed.

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