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**“FORCE AND VIOLENCE”**  
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By Eugene V. Debs

**T**HE FLIMSIEST and most disgusting excuse is being made by the Department of Injustice officials and their petty accessories in office for still keeping the political prisoners in their rotten prison holes. Nowhere else in the world would this outrage be possible but in the plutocratic United States of America.

The I. W. W. prisoners are held, it is claimed, because they are for sabotage and for the violent overthrow of the plutocratic government. If that reason holds good, then Abraham Lincoln was not a patriot but a traitor when he declared that “the people have the revolutionary right to overthrow the government” when they are no longer satisfied with it, and it no longer serves their purposes.

But how do these servile petty officials of the Invisible Government know that Ralph Chaplin and his fellow prisoners of opinion stand for the “violent overthrow of the government?” The charge is purely gratuitous, and only a disgusting pretext to keep men in prison who are too rigidly honest and decent to purchase their liberty at the price of their self-respect.

But supposing these men are in favor of the violent overthrow of the government, I maintain with Abraham Lincoln and Wendell Phillips that they have a right to that opinion and to give untrammelled expression to it.

Let me ask these petty patriots in the service of the profiteers a few questions.

Was the Government of the United States that so desperately fears “force and violence,” not established by “force and violence?”

Is the Government of the United States not maintained by “force and violence?”

Would there be any Government of the United States if there had been no “force and violence?”

Would we not today be British subjects but for the use of “force and violence?”

Why was George Washington a patriot and the “Father of his Country” for believing in and resorting to the use of “force and violence” in a most deadly way, while Tom Mooney and Ralph Chaplin are denounced as traitors and imprisoned as felons for the very same reason?

Was not Washington a rebel to King George and the Tory ruling class of his day just as Mooney, Chaplin and other labor leaders are rebels to Morgan, Rockefeller and the plutocratic rulers of our day?

Was any despotic government in all the history of the world ever overthrown save through the use of “force and violence?”

Does not a government maintained by force and violence challenge its own overthrow by the same brutal means?

Would not the plutocratic government that rules in the United States resort instantaneously to force and violence to thwart and defeat the legally expressed will of the people through the ballot, to displace it and transfer the government and the industries of the nation to the hands of the people?

Have tyranny and oppression ever yielded anywhere on earth save through the force and violence of its victims?

Would not the world today be still in abject slavery but for the use of “force and violence?”

Have the progress we boast, the liberty we enjoy, such as it is, not been the fruit of “force and violence” through all the ages?

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If they who use the sword shall perish by the sword, as Jesus Christ said, shall not the capitalist class, which controls the government by the use of violence in the savage suppression of all protest against its criminal and corrupt misrule—even to the expression of an adverse opinion—shall not that class also perish by violence?

What right have the Wall Street robbers and gamblers who rule this land and who pervert all human ingenuity in the insane rivalry for more and more deadly and destructive agencies; who plunge the nation at will into the red hell of slaughter where thousands upon thousands in the flush of youth are butchered and mutilated, and who devour, unbridled, even the little children in the Satanic greed of their Mammonized industries—what right has this plutocratic and predatory gentry that was spawned in violence, thrives in violence, could not exist without violence, knows nothing but violence—what right have these profiteering vultures who wax fat in the misery of their exploited and helpless victims, to mouth their miserable moralities about the use of violence?

It is the ruling class in every nation which came into power through force and violence that at once cries out against its further use that they, the particular class in power, may have a perpetual monopoly of ruling and robbing the people.

But nothing on earth can stay the conquering march of revolution, for not only the progress but the salvation of mankind depends upon it.

The political revolution of a century and a half ago overthrew King George and the Tory ruling class and achieved at least nominal political liberty for the people, and the industrial revolution now sweeping over the land will as certainly overthrow the two King Johns and the plutocratic ruling class of our day and achieve industrial freedom and self-government for the people, and that is precisely why they and their official hirelings quake with fear, enact idiotic "criminal syndicalism" laws, and gibber in their nightmares about "force and violence."

Robbers who rule by force and violence uniformly establish legal and moral codes outlawing force and violence.

The Harding administration, like its Wilson predecessor, is unwittingly decorating the I. W. W. and other political prisoners with hero medals. The Wall Street patrioteers who rule the land are in mortal fear of them. They cannot be bribed, bought or bullied.

They are the true patriots of our day, and their names will shine in the pages of history as the true leaders of labor and the real liberators of the people.

I am not advocating violence, having always reprobated resort to that brutal and futile method of settling human affairs, but I am reciting the facts of ruling class history, which reeks from beginning to end with the blood of its countless slain and tortured victims, and exposing the hypocrisy and false pretense of the rulers of capitalism in our day in the sham morality of their everlasting yawp against "force and violence."

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Yours for a Million Subs,  
THE MANAGING EDITOR.

# The End of Craft Unionism

(CONTINUED FROM OCTOBER)

By Eugene V. Debs

No one knows what the miners' so-called "settlement" really consists of. It has no uniformity. It is a thing of shreds and patches that covers various spots and leaves others exposed. The coal diggers look askance in some sections like so many bewildered sheep. The former solidarity is broken up by the separate temporary agreements under which the miners have returned to the slave-pits of their masters. Bitter dissension has already broken out among the strikers who staked their all and whose wives and children suffered hunger-pangs, while the victorious mine owners laugh in their sleeves over the defeat and discomfiture of their slaves. And in the face of this situation, worse confounded than ever before, Lewis, their accredited leader has the hardihood to claim a victory, the irony of which finds its climax in the proposed investigation by our capitalist Congress. That will indeed be the last straw for the coal diggers and complete and crown the victory of the coal barons.

And this has been the fruit of craft union leadership ever since the magnificent and tragic steel strike, which made history notwithstanding the betrayal of the strikers by their associated craft unions who gave them but grudging and half-hearted support. The steel workers were slaughtered, while their affiliated craft brethren remained merrily on their jobs and did their full share to break the strike.

Next followed the attack upon the miners' wages and their threatened strike. Never was a situation more favorable for a victory of the workers. Practically the whole labor movement was against the thieving coal barons and public sentiment was thoroughly aroused and with the miners, when at this juncture, Anderson, the notorious corporation judge on the federal bench at Indianapolis, issued the lawless and infamous injunction that should have been instantly challenged and resisted. But Lewis and his associated craft union leaders, who were terrorized by the injunction and too cowardly to go to jail in protest against the atrocious court order that paralyzed their union, put the miners in shackles and reduced them all to silence and slavery.

Had Lewis in that supreme hour stood the test he would have unified and had the backing of the whole American labor movement and achieved the greatest victory in its history. But alas! He was a **craft union leader**, and taking the hazard of going to jail to save the day for his deluded followers was not in his line.

The steel workers and the miners having received their knockout, the heavy slashes in the

wages of the railroad workers could now be made with impunity and they speedily followed. Again the threat of a strike which covered months of indecision, confusion, inaction, and internal strife, which finally **culminated** in the shop craft strike which was isolated by the rest of the railroad workers, whose craft unions had "agreements" with the corporations which their leaders had to keep to the letter, while their followers who chafed to jump in and save their striking brethren, were forced to remain at work and help the railroads break the strike.

The rank and file all over the country were not only willing but **eager** to make common cause with the strikers, but their leaders, true to craft union ethics, reassured the railway officials in every acute situation as to their members keeping aloof from the strike and manfully helping the corporations, by keeping the trains moving and hauling the scabs where they were needed, to break the strike.

And the strike was broken! The strikers on some roads **have gone back to work**, on others they are still on strike, on still others "company unions" have been organized, while among them all there is a state of confusion and dismay bordering on despair. Many of the strikers, the best among them, will never see their jobs again. There is tragic misunderstanding as to the agreement with the railroads and as to how it is to be construed, a matter the railroad officials will see to in their customary way.

But these strikes were not wholly lost. No strike ever is. Each leaves something behind to compensate for its cost. The strikes of the miners and railroad men will be no exception. Some of them have had their eyes opened and they will not be closed again. They will realize the absolute need of industrial and political organization along revolutionary lines, and this of itself compensates in full measure for all that was sacrificed in the lost battles.

The end of craft unionism is in sight. The utter inadequacy and inefficiency of this antiquated form of unionism was made glaringly manifest in the strike of the railroad shop workers and the confusion and chaos that followed in its wake. Thousands of them are already crying out against the craft division and leadership that defeated them and demanding a larger and more effective unity in industrial and political organization wherein all may stand together, strike together, vote together, and fight together for the good of all until the day of their final victory.

# CURRENT COMMENT

By Eugene V. Debs

The National Society of Penal Information, under the signature of Geo. W. Kirchway, has issued a pamphlet in which the **CHICAGO'S FILTHY JAIL** Cook County jail in Chicago is condemned as a "moral plague spot." It is far more than that: it is and always has been a foul pest-hole, a graft infested den of filth and iniquity. The writer had his jail initiation there many years ago. After reciting the utterly rotten, vice and disease-breeding condition of the jail, the report of the National Society says: "Only the barest reference can be made to other features such as the farcical medical examination to which incoming prisoners are subjected, which results in thrusting the tuberculous and socially diseased, the insane and feeble minded into the crowded cells with those who are sound in mind and body; the fact that children, 13, 14 and 15, are herded with hardened offenders; the fact that bull pens are cesspools of filth; that the use and circulation of dope go on unchecked; that filthy talk and more filthy practices are the staple social life in the institution; that vice is rampant and that the nervous tension of life under the conditions that prevail are such as to create a mob-like atmosphere. In short, the jail, like most other county jails, is a "moral plague spot."

And this, dear reader, is the jail, the refuge of the poor, made poor in capitalism, in the second largest "civilized" community in the United States. What do you think of it? First, capitalism robs and impoverishes its victims and then it jails them in filth and depravity as the prelude to perdition. And finally, the idiotic and criminal community that maintains this spawning and breeding place of crime, naively wonders where the "crime-waves" come from.

The hideous picture here presented of the Cook County jail has its replica, with slight variation, in every county jail in the country. When a capitalist-christian community puts a boy in one of its jails the chances are that he is given a through ticket to hell.

The jail is pre-eminently the festering symbol of the crime-breeding capitalist system. The petty offenders are thus disposed of while the arch-criminals occupy the highest seats in the synagogue.

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The tragic collapse of the coal strike and the railroad strike are having their melancholy consequences. Never were labor strikes fought more heroically by the rank and file, and never were they so shamelessly betrayed by their own unions and their own leaders.

Graft unionism will flourish yet awhile, but

it received a blow in these strikes from which it will never recover. Thousands are now clamoring for industrial unionism, the militant form of unionism which proposes to smash industrial autocracy and slavery, and establish industrial freedom and self-government.

The coal and railroad strikes have resulted not only in utter failure but in demoralization and chaos among the workers in those industries.

The coal operators and railroad managers completely out-generaled, out-maneuvered and out-witted the craft union leaders and are now boasting of their victory and lording it over their slaves.

Sixteen railroads, including some of the principal systems such as the Pennsylvania, Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Northern Pacific, New York, New Haven and Hartford, Burlington and Lehigh Valley, have organized "Company Unions," and other railroads are to follow suit. These railroads will have no further dealings with the old shop unions. They have their slaves safely corralled in unions of their own now, thanks to the highly-salaried leadership of the old craft unions. All grievances will be settled by the Railway Labor Board and both sides are pledged to abide by its decisions. There is no room for doubt as to what these decisions will be in their aggregate and final results.

But the real tragedy of the situation is to be noted in the almost unbelievable fact that while the railroad companies are smashing the old shop craft unions and organizing their slaves in scab unions of their own, the leaders of the train service brotherhoods who left the shop strikes to their grim fate, are making settlements and signing up agreements with these same companies, under which they are pledged to stand by the railroads and the railroads to stand by them while they "throw the everlasting hooks" into the other eighty per cent of the employees in the service.

In other words, the train service brotherhoods called the "Big Four," are used by the railroads to smash the shop craft and other unions. In still other words, the "victorious" union men in train service now stand up bravely with their heels on the necks of their defeated union brothers in the shop crafts.

Union men of all shades and complexions may contemplate the picture at their leisure and draw their own conclusions.

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A writer in the Chicago Herald and Examiner noting the fact that the church is now clamoring for peace, asks this pertinent yet simple question: "Will the **CHURCH FOR PEACE** Church be kind enough to explain why it did not stand for peace until the war

was over and the spoils divided?" The writer may as well have asked the same question of the Wall Street patrioteers. The Church, being wholly a man-made institution, like all other institutions of our day, is in control of or at least is dominated by the class in power. That class in the United States is represented by Wall Street, and you may safely wager your last kopek that when Wall Street says "War" the church bellows for war and stands not on the order of doing it; and woe be to the recalcitrant preacher who innocently thinks the Church means Christ and refuses to howl for blood.

The Church, the professed follower of the Prince of Peace, is always for peace—after the slaughter!

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The recent convention of the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in Portland, Oregon, unanimously voted its approval of a declaration to the effect that "the worker who invests his life and that of his family in industry must have, along with the capitalist who invests his money, some voice in the control of industry, which determines the conditions of his working and his living," and that "there must be established a sane and reasonable democracy in industry. The worker of today is rightly seeking self-expression and self-determination in industry, as well as a livelihood from industry."

Very good, and also significant. The Protestant Episcopal Bishops see the handwriting on the wall and their action in declaring themselves accordingly is to be commended. The Church, as the essential champion in all ages and all nations of the established order, can only follow, it can never lead in the reformation and revolution through which the world shakes off the fetters that clog and restrain its progress and humanity rises to higher planes of civilization. The Church is and always has been the first to decry the apostles of new truths, and burn the "heretics." Christ himself could not escape the wrath and condemnation of the church and the high priests of his day for venturing to teach human beings to love instead of murdering one another.

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The Chicago Tribune, in a recent editorial, rebukes in scathing terms Julius H. Barnes, President of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, for having commended President Harding for vetoing the soldiers' bonus (bones?) bill in the following telegram:

"Every injured veteran should thank you that his patriotic service was not stamped with the dollar mark!"

When the Chicago Tribune gets "riled" over a matter of this kind it must be of a very rank nature. The denial of the paltry bonus is creat-

ing a small panic among the politicians, who have to keep up the appearance of serving both the profiteers and the people. Hence the alarm of the Tribune, which cares no more about moneyless and jobless soldiers than does the Chamber of Commerce.

This Mr. Julius Barnes, who is so fearful that the soldiers' patriotism may be stained with the dollar mark—far more fearful than he is about its being stained by a backdoor handout—has no such solicitude about the patriotism of the flag-waving profiteers who stuffed their bank vaults with the billions their poor dupes were being slaughtered for in the trenches.

Count on the Chamber of Commerce—the chronic breeding place of all that is sordid in business, rotten in politics, and destructive of true morality—count on that dollar-marked crew every time for every dirty job that needs to be pulled off. That's the Christless crew that tried to hang Tom Mooney, and still keeps him in hell, though the whole world knows he is innocent, and it is the same heartless gang that stands to a man for torturing the political prisoners to death.

#### THE GOAL

Full-throated, fierce and rhythmic  
With the wide-beat of the pilgrim wind  
And laborious sea's tremendous roar,  
I re-utter the triumph of the earth  
With a new wisdom.

Not for light shall we pray,  
Not for the veil to be lifted from our eyes,  
For we know . . . .  
Not in vain have we lived  
For countless years,  
With full knowledge of the end  
Whereto we braved  
Our poor, barren-stricken flesh  
Ere to oblivion lost.

But now I sing  
To sea and wind and flame,  
And to the whole universe proclaim  
That here, while time encircles me,  
I am lord of time.

Earth-passionate men with souls afire:  
Break and build, lose and win,  
Be sure-footed and iron-willed . . . .  
For today is eternity.

—I. INGIANNI.

The average labor cost of digging and placing on the market a gross ton (2,240 pounds) of coal is \$2.99, according to the Pennsylvania State Department of Labor and Industry. This same coal is sold at retail at an average of \$14 a ton, \$12 a ton profit. Yet the chief concern of the Government is to protect the "dear public" from the coal miners.

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**THE JURY IS READY**

**O**N THE SEVENTH of November the American people will pass judgment upon the first two years of the Harding administration by their verdict at the polls.

Never was there such a turmoil and trembling; never such wild uncertainty at home and abroad.

The President's veto of the soldiers' bonus has shocked into passionate protest millions of ex-soldiers who had hoped to repair their condition with a credit backed by the Government. Harding's expressed reason, that no means was provided in the bill for raising the money to pay the bonus, was sound enough. Congress was afraid to face the fact that the only possible way of obtaining so great a sum was by taking away the profits of war profiteers. But this does not soothe the victims of congressional caution.

Attorney-General Daugherty's injunction against the rail strikers has roused a furious storm of protest among the railroad men and their sympathizers. The collapse of the mine strike and the loading of the cost of the strike upon the public has added fresh fuel to the flames. The new tariff bill, placing new burdens upon consumers at home, makes other millions angry.

The question is, what will all those millions do, to express their indignation? Will they take it out in growling? Will they who rolled up a majority of seven million votes for Harding now swash back to the other side of the pail and slop over on the Democratic side, with results just as futile? Or will they by the exercise of their voting power lay the foundations of a better day by voicing a demand for Socialism?

Socialism means the welfare of the whole of society, the entire community. It means the public ownership and operation of all publicly necessary means of production and consumption. It

means that the profits of basic industries shall go to the people in the form of better goods for lower prices, rather than to speculators in the form of worse goods for higher prices.

Socialism demands that the railroads of the nation be owned by the nation and operated by the railroad men themselves, not for the benefit of speculators but for the joint benefit of public and workers.

It demands that the coal mines be owned by the nation and operated by the nation through the miners' organizations.

It demands that the production of all publicly necessary commodities be regulated by a national industrial census; that a budget be prepared each year for the quantity of every product needed during the coming year to supply the whole American people with all things needed. It demands that this estimated need be apportioned among the producing industries; that the pay of every class of work be fixed in accordance with the importance of that class of work as compared with the number of applicants for the tasks included therein.

It demands that profit-taking be abolished. It insists that the chief object of the government shall be so to adjust the producing power of the nation to the needs of the nation that there shall be work enough for all and plenty for all.

Socialism plans an industrial budget, to eliminate industrial and human waste. It will adjust production to needs, and labor to production. It aims at a scientific application of intelligence to industry through government.

Register your ballot for common-sense in government!

Vote for the Socialist Party!

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Here are six subs. I have been working for the Cause 28 years and I cannot quit now.—Jake Dossenbach, Dayton, O.

Every word from Debs is a source of comfort and inspiration to me.—Eraste Vidrine, New Orleans, La.

I surely enjoy the style and sentiment of Debs Magazine.—Olin Swenson, Holcombe, Wis.

# Wisps From Timothy Hay

By C. L. D.

"Ten little fingers,  
Ten little toes"  
May all be out this winter  
Nobody knows.  
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"Justice Day Resigns." Good night,  
Day!  
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The milk of human kindness is quite  
often watered.  
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Many divorces prove Cupid, is alto-  
gether too stupid.  
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Ready money continues to be a  
"pressing" matter in Germany.  
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The rich have the Baby Grands and  
the poor have the grand babies.  
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When the workers get more sense  
they will get more cents.  
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The gift of tongues—many folks are  
able to talk Scotch after drinking it.  
\* \* \*

In "holding up" the world Atlas  
wasn't in it with the profiteers.  
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Germany still remains occupied but  
our army does not.  
\* \* \*

John Bull may be Boss but he is not  
Bosphorus.  
\* \* \*

"George Cabinet Falls." We will  
now have a taste of British Imperial-  
ism unaLloyd.  
\* \* \*

In Post Office appointments Dr.  
Work does not appear nearly so par-  
tial to grass widows as Mr. Hays was.  
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Mills of Uncle Sam grind slowly.  
Doughboys better apply now for ad-  
mission to the Old Soldiers' Home.  
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Why should the Irish quit now?  
They have been at it ever since the  
McAbbees fought the Romans.  
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We are greatly in debt to the  
European Debt for preventing an-  
other big war.  
\* \* \*

Wonder if we can produce enough  
ways under socialism for everyone to  
have their own way.  
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To a crooked bootlegger, a straight  
line is the shortest distance between  
two pints.  
\* \* \*

No, Clarence, there are no lions in  
Michigan. The trouble was probably  
caused by blind tigers.  
\* \* \*

A cannon has been invented that  
can shoot around a corner. Another  
futile attempt to put war on the  
square.

Oh the sea! the sea! the "open" sea!  
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The race to the crossing often ends  
in a tie.  
\* \* \*

Have you a little bootlegger in your  
home?  
\* \* \*

"Rum-runner Emerald Captured."  
Thus vanishes the one green spot.  
\* \* \*

The Near East will soon be "next"  
to us.  
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Mr. Lasker is now doing a clever  
imitation of Inbad the Sailor.  
\* \* \*

And to think Lloyd George would  
fall in the Fall.  
\* \* \*

"Many Divorces Due to Drink."  
Possibly honeymoonshine.  
\* \* \*

If you'll be my Tchecko-Slovak, I'll  
be your Jugo-Slav!  
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An old adage says poverty is the  
sixth sense, but in this day and age it  
is nonsense.  
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German marks are far on the de-  
cline. American easy marks are way  
above par.  
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Farmers may take passage on Uncle  
Sam's ships but they will no longer be  
booked as "hics."  
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The story of the Liberty Bell has  
often been toll'd, but isn't it time to  
ring it again?  
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"League of Nations to Carry On."  
Half a league, half a league, half a  
league, Onward!  
\* \* \*

"Labor Leaders Have Good Fu-  
ture." Most of them seek good pas-  
ture.  
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Why all this fuss about Mrs. Fel-  
ton? We have had old women in the  
Senate since Hector was a pup.  
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When a fat politician can't get into  
a telephone booth there's no use talk-  
ing.  
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No, Clarence, flappers are not al-  
lowed in the Army. They belong in  
the leg-y.  
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Sfunny about network hosiery. The  
bigger the holes the more fish they  
catch!  
\* \* \*

The Republican Party has sound  
reasons for trying to hold Congress  
this fall, in fact they are nothing but  
sound!

The way of the transgressor is  
Harding.  
\* \* \*

The proper study of mankind is  
woman.  
\* \* \*

Life is short but few people use  
what they have.  
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Generally speaking the oil business  
is coming out well.  
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Because the workers have naught  
does not prove they are naughty.  
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The workingmen rattle their chains  
to prove that they are free.  
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"Dairy Maids Obsolete." Sweet  
cow belles gone forever!  
\* \* \*

They call Ford "Hen" for short but  
not because he lays around the house.  
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"Paper Men Meet Daugherty."  
Birds of a feather.  
\* \* \*

Oh the miners, the miners. the  
"soft" coal miners!  
\* \* \*

Some folk are hard of tiring but we  
are all tired of Harding.  
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Prosperity has not yet crossed the  
River of Doubt.  
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Many a politician is hard put in ex-  
plaining who "sold" the soldiers.  
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The pro officer could catch many a  
moonshiner if he kept still.  
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In the sweet, dry and dry, they  
won't let us meet near the shore!  
\* \* \*

Kickers, kickers, everywhere, but  
not a wop will think!  
\* \* \*

It must have been a Bull lost in the  
Dardanelles. Angora is still there.  
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Senator Pepper wants to settle  
strikes by popular vote. Shake, Pep-  
per!  
\* \* \*

When women take charge of gov-  
ernment there will be no secret  
treaties.  
\* \* \*

Farmers have most shares in our  
government, says a rural contempo-  
rary. Just a few rusty plow-shares!  
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The punishment should fit the  
crime," said a hard hearted judge, as  
he gave a man twelve months for  
stealing a calendar.

MAKE GOOD USE OF YOUR VOTE

By John M. Work

WHAT DO YOU intend to do with your ballot.

Are you going to give it away to a bunch of parasites and tyrants?

Or will you use it for the benefit of yourself and your folks and the rest of the common people?

If you have not already made up your mind to vote the Socialist Party ticket, I would advise you to sit down and do some careful thinking.

How many, many times the workingmen and all the common people have allowed themselves to be fooled with political bunk!

How many times they have permitted smooth and designing politicians to appeal to their passions and prejudices, and induce them to vote directly against their own interests and against the interests of their children!

Have you ever been hypnotized and duped in that manner?

If so, it is time for you to wake up. Come out of your hypnotic spell and begin to think for yourself.

Investigate the record of the Socialist candidates for office.

You will discover that they have been true to the interests of the common people.

They are not politicians—not in the usual sense of that term.

It may seem strange to you—if you have been an old party adherent—but the fact is that the Socialist Party candidates do not run for office because they want the offices.

They run for office because they and their party stand for great, all-important principles. They want the offices only in order that they may put those principles into practice.

You should also investigate the record of the Republican and Democratic candidates.

You will discover that they have been on the wrong side of nearly every question.

You will discover that they have no principles—that they are self-seekers—that they are after political spoils—and that they are always on the lookout to safeguard the interests of the big profiteering lords of business.

Every candidate either stands for the best interests of the common people or for the best interests of those who gouge the common people.

The Socialist Party candidates stand for the best interests of the common people.

The Republican and Democratic candidates stand for the best interests of those who gouge the common people.

Again I say, look up their records. You need not take my word for it. Look up their records, and you will find that I have told you the truth.

Then make the right use of your ballot.

Use it to smash the industrial and financial tyrants and their political representatives.

Use it to strengthen and build up the party that represents the weal of the useful workers—the Socialist Party.

This will help to achieve immediate deliverance from some of the worst evils that surround the people—and it will hasten the day of complete emancipation from all the bitter social ills.

Vote for every Socialist Party candidate on the ballot.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS  
County of Cook

ss.

Before me, a Notary Public, in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Charles L. Drake, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Manager and Owner of the Debs Magazine, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

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Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 5th day of October, 1922.

(Seal.)

MABEL ANNIS.

(My commission expires October 31st, 1923.)