

Destructive Politics Decried

Cure for industrial evils lie in sane and rational investigation, and the application of just and humane law, says Attorney J. O. Stearns, Jr., in address before Advocates of Bonville 99-Year System.

Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen: In the minds of some a question might arise as to why you are here tonight—why you have forsaken your firesides for the evening, and denied yourselves the much needed rest that only your homes can offer, to come here. But to my mind it is not a question. I know why you are here. You are met in this hall tonight for the self same reason that our forefathers gathered, so many years ago, an indignant people protesting against the brutal tyrannies of an English Government. You are here for the self same reason that John Brown, that splendid champion of the cause of freedom, called his brave little band of followers to meet death that day upon the plain, that the black slave might be freed from bondage. In short you are called here for the same reason and motive that throughout the ages have actuated men to give up the luxuries of peace and domestic pleasure, to forsake the pruning hook and the plowshare, and to seize instead the keen edged sword and shafted spear. You are here tonight in the sacred cause of righteousness and liberty.

Today there be men through the land who, disturbed in their particular walks and modes of life, and fearful lest the present order of things may change, are decrying this present so-called industrial unrest among the great working classes as unfounded, and based upon nothing more substantial than the anarchistic utterances of disappointed men—men who, perforce, have made failures of their lives. But those who take this shallow view of the serious industrial conditions that confront this nation are deceiving no one as to the true state of affairs—unless it be themselves, and the day of their awakening is close at hand. With a comparatively small group of men on Wall street making millions of dollars, and millions upon millions of dollars, amassing over night fortunes so huge and bloated that the ordinary mind can scarcely conceive their magnitude; with the iron grip of this Capitalistic Monster tightening day by day, week by week and year by year, his greedy and relentless fingers gathering in the wealth produced by a suffering, driven nation of men and women, and yes, little children too, babes scarcely out of the cradle, it becomes only a matter of time when that people will rise in its awful might and bind in his own chains this Midas who reared himself in our midst. Today—this night, if we were but given the eyes to see into the dwelling places of the multitudes of this mighty nation, the sights of misery and suffering that would meet our vision would make our hearts grow sick and our tongues to cry out in pity and sorrow. Doubtless we would storm and blindly cast our impotent and burning rage against this tremendous enemy of freedom, who has forced ten millions of American families to the ragged edge of that blackest of pits, that most dreaded and degrading of conditions, Poverty. O, poverty—so many fathers, tired to death with the day's drudgery, go home at night to find the spectre of poverty waiting to greet them on the threshold—to face them across the bare and cheerless supper table. Bills to be paid, and no money to pay them with; wives to be clothed, and only rags to clothe them in; babes to be fed, and nothing to feed them but crusts. You men of families who have jobs today are fortunate, because it is a black day for the workingman who finds himself without a job, and with a family to support. Is it any wonder that men, facing an endless stretch of dreary, heart-breaking years of work, work, work, an eternal grind, with starvation and an arm's length away, and nothing to live for but this daily round of drudgery—is it any wonder, I say, that they cry out for relief, for something better? And, my friends, they are going to get it. The world is seeking a solution to this puzzle, this enigma of the man and the dollar, and just so sure as I stand here tonight, the world will find a solution.

But let us take care lest we overshoot the mark we are trying to hit. We are entering upon a mighty crisis today, and history, with its myriad of examples, teaches us that whenever a great crisis comes upon a nation that there are a thousand ruthless, glib-tongued men will seek to use the mortal distress of their country as a ladder up which they may climb to fame and power. These men are

with us today in our troubles—they are helping with might and main to undermine all that is left to us, while all the time they pretend to be our friends. Beware of them. They seek but their own mean advantage. Look out for the demagogue—that arch enemy of freedom and equity, who parades before you in the guise of a friend. The spirit of destruction is with us. Turn from it, my friends, and let your policy be one of construction instead. There is a revolutionary tendency abroad in America today which thoughtful citizens, who have the true welfare of the people at heart, look upon with grave disapproval and condemnation. This destructive tendency we must, and will stem. And the reason for it? Back of it all, of course, is this bitter conflict of Capital and Labor. But we do not all engage in the struggle with the calm fortitude that is best adapted to bring ultimate success to the arms of labor. There lies a serious menace to our cause. For instance, on every hand you hear men decrying the Constitution of our country, and belittling the spirit that prompted its making. But the other day I heard one speaking in mind when they wrote it nothing less than the oligarchy of wealth that presides over our destinies today—that they wrote it with the express and premeditated intention of founding a nation for the wealthy, rather than for all men, irrespective of their financial condition in life. Let us believe nothing of the sort, for upon the face of it this contention does not merit our serious consideration. Go back with me in history to the founding of this nation, and examine into the conditions of the men who drafted its organic laws. The men who declared for freedom then and later framed a written Constitution to bind the states together were by their erstwhile Sovereign termed traitors to the British Government—for they were subjects of that government, and when they rebelled against it they became political outcasts, with a price upon their heads. The men who were most active in inciting the Colonies to revolt against Great Britain did so only when life under the tyrannies of that Government became unbearable, and when they signed the Declaration of Independence each one realized that by that act he might be signing his own death warrant. This we know from reading the speeches and remarks made by those men upon that solemn occasion. Now, in the name of Truth, let us examine into the industrial conditions that obtained at the time of the framing of the Constitution.

Then every man was an artisan or a farmer, or a small business man—the shoemaker was an independent agent, building his trade upon the excellence of his handiwork—the carpenter his own boss, hiring only apprentices and belonging to no Contractor Employers' association—a free agent, and likewise with other trade occupations. It is true that among other things the Constitution guarantees to every citizen that his property rights shall not be disturbed, shall remain inviolate, save by due process of law. It is equally true that the Capitalistic class has used this clause to great advantage in amassing huge fortunes. But bear in mind that when this great document was written that property rights and purely human rights were almost, if not quite, synonymous; for then the large majority of citizens were home owners. And is it not ridiculous to suppose that our forefathers were so miraculously keen of sight that they could gaze calmly into the future and see the mighty modern machines, most of which have been invented within a decade, that today take the place of skilled labor and make a thousand horseshoes while independent blacksmiths of that day made but one—do you suppose they saw these giants at work belching forth the appliances, the foodstuffs, the things that we use in our daily life, that in that time were the products of individual workmen, laboring by the sweat of their brow and for the love of their work? No, such an idea is preposterous. Modern machinery, the tool that Labor guides at the behest of Capital, is of very recent origin, and it has revolutionized the industrial world, and greatly changed the relations of master and servant. It was inevitable that with the advent of modern machinery this condition should come about. Formerly the idea of community ownership of industries was unheard of, for the simple reason there was then no need of it. In fact, the idea must then have been repugnant to freedom, for science men wrought with their hands, and community ownership carries with it the ownership of the machinery of production; it would have meant a species of chattel slavery by the state, for the workman was then the machine that produced the commodity.

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F. A. RICE, Recorder.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County.

In the matter of the estate of Hattie Jayne, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Multnomah county, Administrator of the estate of Hattie Jayne, deceased, and having qualified, notice is hereby given to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against said deceased, to present them, verified as required by law, within six months after the first publication of this notice to said Administrator at his office in the City of St. Johns, Oregon.

R. A. JAYNE, Administrator of the estate of Hattie Jayne, deceased.

Dated October 4th, 1912. PERRY C. STROUD, Attorney for Administrator.

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