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*I pledge allegiance to my flag and
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justice for all.*

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A PUBLIC BENEFACTION.

Whether or not Governor Cox
shall be elected on November 2, he
has done the people a great service
in exposing the source from whence
the republican party is securing its
great campaign fund, especially the
big subscriptions.

Ever since the Civil war the inter-
ests—big manufacturers, big banks,
etc., have been on the side of the
republicans because that party, since
1860, has had charge of the
government, wholly or in part, for
44 years. Big business likes to be
on the side of the political party
which has and, seems likely to have,
control of the government the most
of the years. It spends its money
to get or to keep that party in power,
because from that party big
business secures the greatest and
most favors.

Prior to the Civil war the democ-
ratic party held that favored position
before the country, because
cotton was then king and the protection
and extension of slavery was
the central thought and purpose.
Democracy had become arrogant
and domineering. The slave owner
was a near lord and he had to be
placated and favored at any cost of
money or principle.

The Civil war killed slavery and
also the democratic party. The only
thing saved from the wreck was the
name of the party.

But during the Civil war, when
the nurturing of the manufacturing
industries was an absolute necessity
and also where a more stable money
was a necessity as well, sharp and
shrewd men secured extraordinary
favors and powers from congress
which was then under the control of
the republicans. The tariff sched-
ules were arranged largely at the
dictation of the manufacturers,
which, of course, was adjusted in
the interests of our "infant" indus-
tries, and our banking, revenue and
currency laws in the interests of the
money power.

These interests became intimately
associated with the republican party
during and immediately after the
Civil war and that intimacy has con-
tinued up to the present day.

These banks (national) and manu-
facturers have grown rich and pow-
erful, due largely to favorable legis-
lation by republican congresses.
Hence that party looks to these in-
terests to supply the "needful"
with which to run political cam-
paigns. And that party has a right
to expect these interests to supply
campaign funds, for these same in-
terests have grown fat because of
favorable legislation by republican
congresses, and it is from these in-
terests National Committeeman Will
Hays expects the \$15,000,000 or
\$16,000,000 slush fund to come this
year.

It was not expected that the great
mass of the republican party should
know from whence this slush fund
comes; for the masses of that party
are honest and patriotic, and are
opposed to their party being owned
by the interests as bitterly as do the
democrats, and they should feel
kindly towards Candidate Cox for
exposing the plans of the republican
leaders.

Now, it is up to the republican
voter. Will you support your party
when you know that there is an al-
liance between the republican lead-
ers and the interests? Will you
support the leaders and candidate
of your party when it is established
by the admission of republicans, high
up, that Governor Cox is not talking
in his hat when he says the republi-
can managers purpose to buy the
presidency rather than be defeated,
and that the "interests" seem will-
ing to put up the money.

Governor Cox has not manufac-
tured his expose out of whole cloth.
He has a basis of fact upon which
to stand. Some republicans, who
have been called before the "smell-
ing" committee, are honest enough
to admit the governor is on a mighty
warm trail.

ARTICLE X.

Republican spellbinders and news-
papers are so persistent in misread-
ing and quoting article 10 in the
league of nations that it is well to
call attention to the real meaning
and purpose of this article.

Republicans will tell you that the
army and navy of the United States
will be subject to the order of for-
eign nations, and get their author-
ity for putting out this falsehood
from article 10. Article 10 simply
makes our army and navy a part of
the police power, subject only to the
will of congress or of the comman-
der-in-chief. Foreign nations will
have no more control of our war
power after we become a league
member than they have now.

Every nation which is a member
of the league, has a representative.
But only five of these representa-
tives constitute the league council.
Before a nation is obligated to go
to war to subdue a refractory na-
tion, the unanimous vote of the
council must issue the order. The
United States member of the league
is, also, a member of this council.
Hence no nation could be dragooned
into war without the vote and con-
sent of the U. S. member of the
council.

Again, the U. S. congress, so far
as the United States is interested, is
more powerful than the league.
Therefore the United States cannot
be forced into war without the con-
sent and authority of congress.

So it is mere bosh to say that as
a league member our army and navy
will be subject to the orders of any
or all foreign nations, and our re-
publican friends know they state a
point blank falsehood when they
state differently.

The statement is often made that
England will have six votes to our
one in the league. This is a wilful
misstatement of fact. England has
but one vote in the council, the same
as ourselves, and the unanimous
vote of the council must be had to
bring about any league action. The
six months required by the league
before any nation can lawfully go to
war is supposed to give time for
such deliberation and time to adjust
a grievance; that no nation is likely
to go to war, especially when it
knows it must fight all other mem-
bers of the league.

The fact is, the league is the first
attempt the world has made to do
away with war between nations.
The republican leaders assume a ter-
rible responsibility when they at-
tempt to prevent the U. S. from be-
coming a member of this compact.
They practically say to our young

men: "You must go to war when-
ever we believe it is to our interest
as individuals, or as a nation, we
tell you to go. You must step to
the front and kill and be killed when
we think best. We will deny you
all attempts to effect a peace by ar-
bitration, when we want war."

Certainly the provisions of the
league are not all we would have
them. President Wilson was not
completely satisfied with the treaty
when he brought it home from Paris.
But it was the best he could get,
and with provision for amendments
he thinks, and the people of the
United States think, it is worth try-
ing.

Now, to have this first attempt
by the world to do away with war,
its suffering, loss of life and terrific
cost made a political football of,
just to place the republican party in
power, is enough to disgust any true
patriot and friend of humanity.

President Wilson will go down in
history as the greatest humanitarian
the world has produced. His fame
will be fresh in the minds of men
when the Lodges, Borahs, Johnsons
and Penroses are rotting in oblivion.

"I have no quarrel with the re-
publican party. It has rendered as
an organization great service to the
nation. It gave to the country Lin-
coln, McKinley, Roosevelt and other
distinguished statesmen. But those
against whose policies I inveigh are
the men making up the senatorial
oligarchy, who have forgotten the
idealism of Lincoln, who are no
longer concerned apparently with
the idealism of McKinley and who
certainly have departed from the
tenets and the creed of Theodore
Roosevelt. My fight is against the
senatorial oligarchy, that group of
men in the senate which paid no at-
tention to the rank and file of the
republican party when they came
finally to select the nominee of the
convention in Chicago. They did
not inquire who had carried the
states in which lively primary con-
tests had been waged; but, as pre-
dicted, when the convention grew
tired a few men made up from the
most part of members of the United
States senatorial oligarchy, gathered
in a room in a Chicago hotel and
there the selection was made and
the mandate was issued. It is my
contention, therefore, that this sen-
atorial oligarchy not only deserves
the condemnation of the American
people for what it has done to the
civilization of the world, but it de-
serves as well the repudiation of the
rank and file of the republican party.
It has paid no attention to your
expressed mandate at the primaries.
It has adopted a platform the mean-
ing of which you do not know; and
they have nominated for the first
time in years and years a member
of the senatorial oligarchy as the
party nominee for the presidency.
Therefore, let us discuss these ques-
tions free from any political prej-
udices, if you please."—Excerpt from
a Cox speech.

The senatorial slush fund investi-
gating committee is about to com-
mence applying the whitewash brush.
Nobody is surprised nor disappoint-
ed, for all expected that a white-
wash would be the findings of this
misfit senatorial committee. Its
mind was made up before the inves-
tigation began. What else could be
expected from a committee a ma-
jority of which are biased republi-
cans. They did not want the truth
and, of course, did not find it. Sen-
atorial courtesy, which tolerates a
Newberry in good standing when
his own state says he is a criminal,
will not hesitate to whitewash a
bunch which is trying to place one
of their number in the president's
chair. It would not be ethical, as
one of our townsmen would say.

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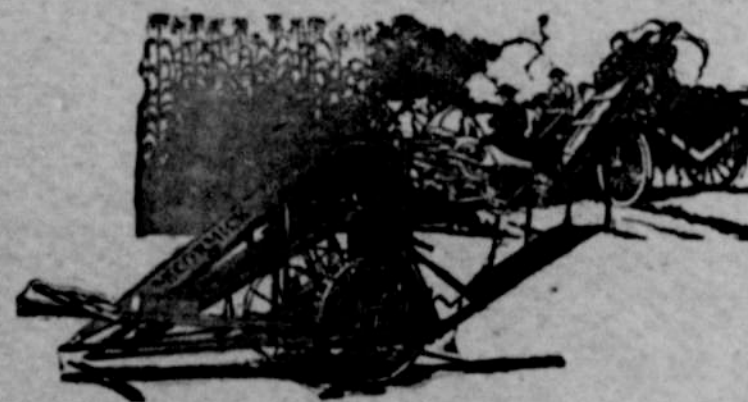
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