

**MODERN OCEAN LINERS.**

**Their Double Hulls Defy Hidden Rocks and Derelicts.**

In the hands of a skillful marine architect much more has been accomplished with steel construction than the mere economy of space. The safety of vessels at sea has been enormously increased until in the highest type of modern ocean liners the element of danger is virtually eliminated. The marvelous ingenuity displayed throughout this great fabric of steel in guarding against every possible contingency of the sea comes to the average landsman as a surprise. A great liner of 50,000 tons may be controlled by a single hand. The complicated machinery for safeguarding the ship is practically automatic.

The bottom of the great hull of the liner is doubled, the inner shell being strong enough to float the ship even if the outer hull be completely torn away. It is exceedingly unlikely that water would ever reach this inner shell through accident to the main hull, but the precaution is taken so that if it should strike a hidden object it will prove absolutely invulnerable. The shipwrecks of the past caused by running upon hidden rocks, derelicts and icebergs are thus completely eliminated.—M. B. Cea in Cassler's Magazine.

**STARTLED THE BISHOP.**

**An Untimely Royal Letter and the Message It Conveyed.**

One night at 3 o'clock the bishop of Orleans was roused by a royal courier who had in his haste brought a dispatch from his majesty Louis XV. The bishop imagined that something terrible had happened. Tremblingly he opened the package and read:

"Monsieur the Bishop of Orleans—My daughters wish for some preserved Orleans quinces. Pray send some. If you have none I beg that you will—"

In this part of the letter there was a drawing of a sedan chair, and underneath the chair the king's letter continued thus:

"Send immediately into your episcopal town and get them, and, monsieur the bishop, may God have you in his holy keeping. Louis."

Lower down on the page was this postscript:

"The sedan chair does not mean anything. It was drawn by my daughter on this sheet of paper, which I happened to find near me."

Greatly relieved, the bishop hurried a courier into Orleans, procured the preserves and sent them to his royal master.—Thomas E. Watson in "The Story of France."

**Value of New Ideas.**

Some large business firms employ a man whose sole duty it is to read every trade journal, every technical paper or pamphlet and every magazine in order to get new ideas about the conduct of their business. Such information is laid each day before the heads of the various departments, who in turn pass it down the line to men under them and see that the new idea is tested. By this means each worker is kept in touch with what other men are doing in his particular line, and so his personal efficiency is increased. At most everything can be done in a manner a little better than the present way, and modern business demands to know and practice the best. Dog-eared carried around a cup to drink water out of till one day he saw a dog lapping water with his tongue. He threw away his cup and afterward drank water out of the palm of his hand. He got from the dog a new idea.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

**Gold That Blackens.**

Blackening of cuffs and shirt fronts by the rubbed off gold is a matter of much annoyance to jewelers when their customers come back, thinking they have bought brass. The skin on the neck as well as on the fingers is frequently discolored by fourteen carat, eighteen carat and, some say, pure gold. An expert says that even in the case of pure gold this coloration of the skin is not due to any particular properties of the metal, but, rather, is the result of chemical changes in the body or, rather, in the perspiration and natural oil of the skin.—Exchange.

**Globe Trotters Plus.**

A number of tourists were recently looking down the crater of Vesuvius. An American gentleman said to his companion: "That looks a good deal like the infernal regions." An English lady, overhearing the remark, said to another: "Good gracious, how these Americans do travel!"—Lippincott's.

**A Change of Name.**

"Who can give a sentence using the word pendulum?" asked the teacher. Little Rachel's hand shot up. The teacher nodded encouragingly. "Lightning was invented by Benjamin Franklin."—Everybody's.

**Drawn Glass.**

On account of its great strength drawn glass is used for many purposes. It withstands sudden changes of temperature, resists fire to a great extent and is very strong.

**"Oh, Ye of Little Faith!"**

Anxious Customer—Are you sure that you have that medicine mixed right? Druggist—No, I am not, but I've got it mixed the way the doctor ordered it.—Judge's Library.

Virtue is not left to stand alone. He who practices it will have neighbors.—Confucius.

[PAID ADVERTISEMENT.]

**What Socialists Believe.**

BY L. F. FULLER.

Here is the tenth and eleventh commandment in a nutshell, and will prevent war and all quarrel amongst the people, and save the assessor's wages and all kinds of trouble.

Life, liberty and happiness are the equal rights of all.

Life is the foundation of all human achievement.

Human life depends upon food, clothing and shelter.

Food, clothing and shelter are produced by labor acting on land and raw materials by means of tools and machinery. With either factor lacking, no production is possible.

To be able to acquire these necessities of life with the least expenditure of time and labor consistent with the equal rights of all, is the ideal toward which all right thinking people strive.

Liberty of thought, speech, press and assemblage, liberty to be employed or to be at leisure, are equally necessary to human happiness. Where the right to choose or enjoy either of these is denied or abridged, there injustice exists.

Whenever the entire time of an individual must be expended in securing food, clothing and shelter, there is mere animal existence, not life; slavery, not liberty; misery, not happiness.

The government which fails to secure these primal rights to all its citizens is a failure and a disgrace and its enforcement a crime.

Human development, physical, mental, moral and spiritual, demands the individual shall be able to supply the material means of existence by the expenditures of only such a part of his time as shall leave to him abundant leisure for such improvement and growth. All just government must be organized and administered with this end in view.

To be able to secure and provide for a home, the prime requisite is assured access to land, machinery and tools used for supplying human needs.

The only government worthy of the respect and support of its citizens must guarantee and secure equality of opportunity to all.

First: In education, in order that every child shall be as perfectly equipped for the race of life as its physical and mental endowment will permit.

Second: In employment, in order that no human being shall be at any time denied the opportunity to supply his needs by honorable labor.

Third: In reward, that every worker, mental and physical, shall receive as exactly as is possible to determine, the full value of the service rendered by him.

Fourth: In disability, whether by sickness, accident or natural causes, every needed service shall be rendered at public expense, the income of the stricken person to continue till well or dead.

Fifth: In old age, that every person who reaches a certain determined age shall be entitled to honorable retirement, with a fixed income equal to his needs.

Sixth: In death, that burial shall be assured at public expense and that the average income earned by the deceased shall be assured to those depending on him for support until able to provide for themselves.

As a necessary condition leading to the fulfillment of the above requirements:

We demand, that land being the foundation of the home, the home of the prime necessity of the family, and the family the foundation of society, the state shall guarantee to each citizen the opportunity to earn and the right to own a home; the title to which can not be taken away by taxes or debt.

We demand that all unused land shall be collectively owned in order that free access to all natural opportunities may be enjoyed by all.

We demand that all machinery which must be collectively used, such as that of mines, railroads, telegraphs, telephones, mills, elevators, foundries, creameries, factories for the production of agricultural implements and other mechanically produced necessities, shall be collectively owned and operated, not for profit but for the purpose of supplying human needs in the most perfect manner possible, these products to be sold to the users at actual cost.

Our sole object in demanding the

collective ownership of natural opportunities and the collective ownership and use of all collectively used machinery is to secure to each and all the opportunity to earn and the right to own, use and enjoy any form of property which the individual or the family can use, and to enable each and every person to develop his or her individuality to the utmost limit of physical and mental endowment in every way consistent with the equal rights of others.

**The Socialist Aims.**

In order that the above program may be carried out without danger through such graft and dishonesty as curse our present system, we demand:

The Initiative, or the right of the people to propose any law or change which they may desire.

The Referendum, or the power by the people to sanction or veto any law or enactment, thereby placing it beyond the power of any mayor, governor, president or court to veto or destroy.

The Recall, or the right of the people to remove from office or position any individual who fails to do their bidding.

We demand the extension of the postal savings banks to every post office and that the money deposited therein shall not be loaned to money-lending or speculative institutions, but shall be made available for internal improvements such as water-storage, irrigation, dyking, straightening of streams, and other needed public improvements and enterprises.

By carrying into effect the foregoing demand and provisions, we propose to eliminate profit, interest and rent, the means by which the wealth of the workers has been absorbed in the past as now, by the idle and the vicious, by which uncounted wealth has been acquired by the few, and dire poverty has been suffered by the many, by means of which idlers have lived lives of uselessness, and millions have been driven to debauchery and crime.

**Immediate Demands.**

And while working to bring into effect the foregoing conditions, we demand—

Free text-books shall be furnished in all public schools, the same to be printed by the state.

Equal suffrage for all adult men and women.

Equal pay for equal service for both men and women.

State insurance for life and property.

That states, counties and municipalities shall be empowered by constitutional enactment to acquire and conduct all such public utilities as shall be desired by a majority of their residents.

The non-resident landlords and all corporation shall be required to assess their own property, the state reserving the right to take over such property at its assessed value plus ten per cent. and that the entire earnings of the inmates of the state penitentiary shall be turned over to their families, the expense of maintaining the institution being borne by the taxpayers who vote to maintain a system which deprives millions of employment and thereby forces them into crime.

We demand a constitutional amendment to take away the veto power from executive officers and prohibiting the supreme court from annulling any act of congress.

We demand the repeal of that part of the state constitution which prohibits a municipality, county or state from issuing bonds, appropriating money or engaging in any business now permitted to individuals or corporations.

We demand that the government shall furnish money to municipalities, counties and states, for conducting public utilities and making public improvements on the same terms that money is now furnished to national banks for carrying on their business.

To the end that we may speedily carry into effect the above program, we invite the earnest co-operation and support of all who wish to reward industry, abolish graft, poverty and crime and promote the general welfare of all worthy citizens.

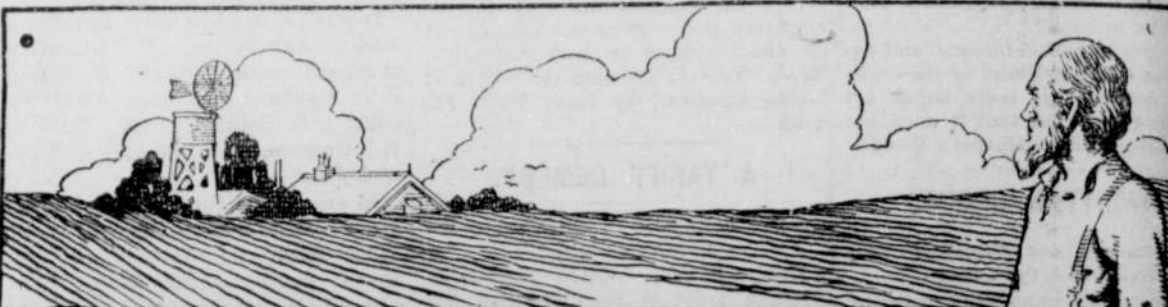


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