ANALYTICAL SOCIALISM. THE WESTERN VIEW

Comrade C. M. O'Brien, Socialist member in the Alberta Legislature. discussing the Great Waterway Railway steal with Comrade Gribble declared that had the bonusing "the railway ome up, he might have voted for th Great Waterways Railway was a bungled affair and the ex-posure of the rakeoffs and other things that the promoters were going to get out of the deal defeated Rutherford and overturned the govern-

li the Great Waterways Railway cas a rotten bargain why should Comrade O'Brien be willing to vote for it? The answer lies in the Socialist viewpoint.

Capitalism is developing two class es of people, parasite owners and ex-ploited wage slaves. The wage slaves receive in wages but the bare cost of All the rest of the wealth they produce go to the capitalist ex-ploiters in the shape of rent, interest and profit. The capitalist state is institution erected by capitalism to keep the workers in slavery and and to protect them against the revolt of the wage slaves. As the workers get but the bare cost of their in the shape of wages it follows that the workers cannot be taxed to keep up the capitalist state. It must be the capitalist possessors. Government funds, therefore, according to this view, come from the exploiters and will flow back to the exploiters in one shape or another. They will not go to the workers until the workers capture the political state by electing class conscious revolu-tionary Socialists to city, provincial inion bodies. This being the ease it matters not to the worker the government funds are used to bonus a railway or to build a railway under government control. The capitalist class will reap the

The question then arises, why vote for the railway bonus? The answer that Socialism cannot come until the capitalist system is rotten ripe for change and that the building of a railroad will make more wage slaves, will provide a highway for Socialist agitators to travel by, will intensify the antagonisms inherent in the capitalist system and will boost Socialism by boosting for capital-

The basis of scientific Socialism is that man is moved by his economic interests. The little retailer will try to hang on to his little tusiness. He will not want Socialism as long as he has a little niche of his own. He will want to employ cheap help and work them long hours. The little armer as long as he owns his little tarm will not want social ownership of the land. He will want to own want to own his own farm and will shout for pri-But let these little chaps be

shoved down into the ranks of the wage workers, then their who e outlook will change. They will then want shorter hours for wage slaves and bigger pay. They will now want workers what formerly they opposed bitterly as little proprietors.

So, according to this view, the italists, the greater the number of Her of the exploiters, the quicker will everturn the rule of the few and the by foreigners and get bled.

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the second is seem of a legislature willing to vote for a capitalist steal in order to advance the cause of Socialism to crushes out competition is a benefactor of the working class for he boosts for capitalism brings the social revolution that much near r. The logical outcome is that we

an help Socialism by becoming cap italists and that I could have don as much good for Socialism by exploiting workers instead of sinking thirteen thousand dollars in Cotton's Weekly.

There is logic and there is com sense. There are false promises which result in false conclusions. In ancient Greece a sophist tried to prove to Diogenes by logic that he could not walk. You cannot be in two places You cannot move in a place You must move out of it. But when a place you must be in two places at once while you are going from one place to another. Therefore motion was impossible Diogenes immediately got up and walked around his tub, thus disprovng the sophist. In a case before the American courts a learned lawyer argued to the jury about the difference between two wheels exhibited in court. He argued learnedly about the difference. Then Daniel Webster got up and said, "Look at them, Gentle-men of the Jury. They are just alike, are they not?

Socialism is coming rapidly. With the development of the capitalist sys-tem the whole people are becoming filled with new ideas. They see old remedies no longer apply. They are struggling with the new problems raised by the decadence of capitalsm. These new ideas are being rought into legislation by means of ism. old age pensions, workman's com-pensation acts, eight hour day laws. sanitary inspectors, prison farms. A whole new civilization is being built on the wreck of the individualist sys tem. The Socialist theories are permeating the mass of the people. The deny the source of their thoughts but accept many of the conclusions. And more of the conclusions will be

There is a great work for Social-its to do. There is the awakening of the working class to its historic ssion to be accomplished. There is the exposure of Parliament and it as protector of the capitalist against the worker to be exposed. There is the constant political action to be carried on, which includes pro ests to the representatives of the cople and demands upon them aing class legislation. There is agitation to be carried on, education to be diffused and enthusiasm to be aroused.

The Socialist era is upon us. In the class struggle the capitalist class is beginning to find its triumph over feudalism yielding to a triumphant working class. It is time for the working class to come forward with a constructive program.

It is stated that foreign capitalists outrol \$6,500,000,000 worth American industries. Great Britain has \$3,500,000,000 invested, Germany \$1,000,000,000, and France \$500,000, 000. These billions drain \$300,000. 000 a year from America. The war of the revolution was fought against England over a beggarly little tea tax. Now the Britishers and foreign-ers drain Americans of \$300,000,000 a year. They tax that away from America through what is called investments. And the American nation tell themselves how prospe they are because they can be taxed over a quarter of a billion a year by foreigners. The American Socialists foreigners. The American Socialists with their demand for the abolition of rent, interest and profit would have these hundreds of millions go to those who earned them. But then, dotters the quicker will you know, that would be confiscation.

So the Americans submit to taxation

So this kind of Socialism will tol- The high cost of living is hitting erate no immediate demands in the the people hard. Gold has become so platform. It works to make Social cheap that the rominal prices of everything has gone up. A dollar will fercat principle. The serf was at-go about half as far as it went a few tached to the land. The wage worker ets revolutionary and keeps the aim everything has gone up. A dollar will take, in clear view. And it depends years ago. Wages are the first to go is pred loose from all ownership. He grant ago. Wages are the first to go is pred loose from all ownership. He grant ago was in hard times and the last to must go to the capitalist to get a job. The capitalist pays wages and the increasing mass of wage slaves to bring about the revolution.

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The Socialists recognize J. P. Gouin and Roblin see the labor skinners and John D. Rockefeller as ners skinning labor to a fareyouwell ties produced to the land. The wage worker is pred loose from all ownership. He workers cannot buy what their labor has produced. The mills shut down. The commodities produced by the wage worker is thrown on the market. The quicker the commodities can be sold the quicker will be the turnover of the capitalist and the better wages until absolutely and ragged workers it is their last to go to the capitalist pays wages and the commodities produced by the wage worker is thrown on the understand of livence of the capitalists and the better wages are the first to go to the capitalist to get a job. The capitalist to get

THE LAND QUESTION.

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Joseph Fels, the millionaire manu acturer of Naptha Soap, also single tax advocate, has been travelling through the Canadian west advocating his views. The grain growers associations of the west have been advocating this tax. In Vancouver, B. C., the single tax theory is applied to a certain extent and the result is said to be a great boom in capital-Many manufacturers ist prosperity. are in favor of this tax. idea is that there should

be but one on land values so that landlord profits may be eliminated and the increase that comes in the value of real estate with the increase of population may go to the people. Thus in Montreal the rental of business offices is being raised this year thirty per cent. This increased toll thirty per cent. of the labor of others is absorbed by known as personal property. the landlords. Under the single tak if centals were raised thirty per cent, taxes would be arised an equal amount and the community would have a large income with which to relieve poverty and the parasite landfords would not be able to take toll of the increased activities of the com-

Along with this tax of land values goes the idea that improvements should not be taxed. If one capitalidea that improvements ist puts up a fine building to the eredit of the city and to his own orofit and another capitalist holds the lot next to the big building in order to get a big price for it later or, then, according to single taxers the two lots should be taxed capitalism becomes more rotten same. Why, they ask, should the capitalism becomes more rotten initiative of one man be taxed while the selfish holding of property to the detriment of the community on the part of another man get off with a light fax? Let the two properties be two properties be taxed equal. Then there will be no incentive to people to build cheap in order to escape taxation and there will be a direct deterrent to the land speculator to hold up the community and tax them high for the use of land he did not create

There are many Canada. They challenge Socialists a great reduction in taxation. They think they have discovered the remedy for the ills of humanity. The single taxer is but a of the capitalist system.

have to go back into the feudal age when land was the great means of ex-ploitation. The land belonged to the king and nobles. Wars were fought of over territorial expansion. The nobility based their wealth on the owner ship of land. They passed laws giving themselves and heirs the right to In England a lanland. downer could not alienate his land held in er tail. It went by mere effect of law to the eldest male heir. In Europe the This will but accelerate nobles held their titles to the land tration of capitalist industry. from the king and he held the land direct from God. That was the

theory. All sorts of restrictions were placed around the selling and disposal of covolt also becomes quickened. Wit land. The king's consent had to be ness Vancouver where capitalism is got. It was important that the own ership of land did not get into th hands of the wrong persons. He who wned the land owned the serfs the land. They produced directly for the land owner. The products land were not bought and sold. They belonged to the lord and out of them he supported his armorers and pages and his men at arms. So for fe ism the stable ownership of land was

the basis of the system.

Capitalism is based on a far dif-

orgars as "the public."

Capitalism arose with the introduction of modern inventions, it arose outside the feudal system. It is based on the factory system. It developed outside the feudal organization. It originated in towns and cities where men crowded together. Feudalism based itself on broad acres

Capitalism has developed marvel-

ously and is now hastening to conquer the last remnants of feudal ten-ure. Our ownership of land still has the earmarks of the feudal age on it. A man in Montreal or New York will transfer a million dollars worth of goods or a million dollars worth of ompany stock with a few scratche When he goes to buy ten of a pen. feet of land he is very careful. hires notaries and lawyers to look up the title deeds. He is very careful to see about mortgages and the correct extent of the land purchased. For capitalism, having developed out of mmerce has conquered comm and made them flow to its will. Land is that there should tax and that tax placed feudalism, still is in swaddling clother. to the feudal age. All the provinces of Canada and all the states of the Union, as well as France, American Germany and many other countries have two laws, one governing the disposal, giving, and willing of real estate and another law governing the disposal of commodities or what is

> Capitalism finds it very inconver ient to have stable ownership of land To bring about the freedom of capi talist exploitation the ownership land must be made to flow as freely as the ownership of bales of cotton or at least of shares of company stock

To do this the single tax is pro posed. The man who does not want to get rid of his real estate, will be taxed so high that he cannot hold it unless he throws it into a means of capitalism production. The single tax is aimed to break down the last rem nants of the feudal stability of land ownership.

But there is another point. Why do manufacturers and Joseph Fels and western farmers want single tax Why should western farm owners want single tax on farms? The an swer is easy. It is economic deter minism. The manufacturers think that a land tax will reduce their tax ation bills. In 1901 the valuation of manufacturing establishments was, for land \$27,059,219 and for buildings \$69,585,608. If single tax will be levied on twerty-seven millions of real estate instead of ninety-five millions the manufacturers stand to win

As to the western farmers, they want single tax. It is to their in terest. They find they have to have phenomena of the development of the expensive machinery, to build big capitalist system. He and his theor-buildings, to go in for a very exies are readily explainable in the pensive plant. Now if they can have bare land taxed, their large expendi-To explain the single taxer I will tures will go untaxed. The burdens will be shifted from them to the persons who have not improved their farms. The machine farmer and the amount of taxes. This is very nice for the machine farmer. He thinks he would like that sort of a tax levy.

If single tax comes the hand farm er will find his lot harder. If he cannot raise the money to introduce machinery, he will be squeezed out

The feudal remnants interfere with capitalist development. are removed the capitalist develop ment is accelerated and the Socialis ness Vancouver where capitalism is booming and where the wage slaves are aroused to a knowledge of their own slavery.

Millions of cotton spindles in New England States will be idle on quarter of the time until market conditions improve. Trade Therefore the two hundre dull employes of these mills will be idle This is under capitalism. The capitalist system pays the workers just ers work long hours. The workers cannot buy what their labor has prolack of initiative. But the capitalists do not like the Socialists one little bit when the Socialists tell the work-The Socialists recognize J. P. Morgan and John O. Rockefeller as having concentrated ownership in a few hards, expropriated many industries and organized them. They have placed industry in such a position that it can be expropriated and run under working class management.

This western view rests upon two main principles. The first is working class education as to the robbery under wage slavery and the second is the accleration of capitalist development. So the peculiar thing is seen al a Socialist member of a legislation as a south of the second is the accleration of capitalist. The sector wage slavery and the second is the accleration of capitalist member of a legislation as the volument of the second is the accleration of capitalist. The sector wage slavery and the second is the accleration of capitalist member of a legislation was based on a stable production—land, with a stable production—land, with a stable production of wealth by serfs to be owned duction of wealth by serfs to be owned by a stable lord and to be consumed by a stable retinue of feudalism the workers are turned objects the spirit of revolt into them, take the mills away from the object to then, take the mills away from the sum of the produced wage what they want for themselves, become accommodation of wealth by serfs to be owned by a stable lord and to be consumed by a stable retinue of feudalism the workers are turned objects with the stands dignitaries and attendants. Capitalism is based on an expropriated wage workers. Did it ever strike duction—land, with a stable production—land, with a stable production—land, with a stable production—land, with a stable production of wealth by serfs to be owned by a stable retinue of feudalism the workers are turned objects. The first is working for your own jobs \$\frac{1}{2}\$ was a stable or an accommodation of the means of wealth production—land, with a stable production—land,

THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL AND THE "CO-OPERATOR. *********

(Continued from page 1.) the nominal rate, that there was no you.-Voltaire. specific appropriation with the consent of the member from their membership fees for the official organ and that it was not the practice of the that it was not the practice of the consensus of the same to be forwarded. Most of you are probably members of one or more fraternal share in the squeeze of the C. P. R. Under Socialism the stock of the C. within your knowledge how far this statement is correct. One professional man recently informed me that he had not been a member of a lodge for more than ten years and yet he continued to receive the official or gans through the mails.

Is there any more beneficent fraternal organization in Canada than the Co-operative Movement? Are there any so comprehensive in the benefits conferred on mankind?

We are concerned in the moral, intellectual and social uplift of the masses, in the more scientific organization of the means of production and distribution, and the more equitable circulation of the wealth of country. Yet mailing privileges are denied to us under the conditions enjoyed by the insurance societies. I called the attention of the depart-

ment to the fact that it was discriminating ir favor of insurance societies, and against Co-operative societies. On the 6th of September last the department made the following particularly lame excuse:

"Postal privileges were granted the organs of fraternal societies, doubtess including those to which your letter makes reference, at a time when the quantity of second-class very small, and when through laxity of administration the through laxity of administration the provisions of the statute governing the transmission by next of near the transmission by post of news-papers and periodicals were not properly applied. During recent years, owing to a revolution in printing and to the enormous increase in the quantity of second-class matter, protect the dear people. Get wise, it was found necessary by this de-partment to re-organize the branch of the service dealing with statuton. Canada over to the trusts. Don't you the service dealing with statutory postal privileges. Therefore, without interfering with any privileges which have been granted, it became necessary to see that in respect of all new applications the provisions of the statute were properly complied with before granting the necessary authority.

This attitude discloses an extraordinary anomaly and one approaching the dimensions of a public seandal. The department, in effect, confesses public revenue has been plundered in the past by the illegal grant of special postal privileges and we are justified in inferring that every year thousands of dollars are lost to the public revenue through the persistent and continuous violation of statute law. The department does not rectify the wrong done to the public interest admittedly law administration. It transforms ar admitted legal wrong into a vested lega! right or interest. and increases the value to all other applicants.

If His Majesty's Canadian Postmaster-General has no power under the statute to grant th e privileges in question, the Hon. Minister has no egal right to usurp the functions of mal-administration.

If Co-operators are not entitled to tions in his way. these privifeges, I do not wish them. I do not even suggest that the privileges enjoyed by the other fraternal eges enjoyed by the other traternal side is great riches. On the other do say the Postmaster General has no right to make "flesh of one and abolish this system and provide one no right to make "flesh of one and under which the necessities of life fish of another." Every citizen and shall be socially produced for the

ment of public privileges.
I have done all I can to Co-operators the privileges insurance societies enjoy. It is now for each will no longer occur. societies enjoy. It is now for each society to take the matter up direct through their respective members of thereof not only loose their stock but parliament or in any other way they must pay to the creditors of the

GET IN THE WINNER CLASS.

Close your ears to the groans who suffer; shut your eyes the diabolism of the system favors you, and all shall be well with

to the owners and other labor squeezers will pay a lot to P. R. will not be allowed to be privately owned any more than private persons are allowed to own stock the business of running the post offices of Canada.

Manitoba, Alberta, British Columbia and Quebec have workmen's compensation acts. These acts provide that injured workmen shall get compensation from the employer even when the employer is not to blame. The principle of these acts is that the business should carry the loss of disabled workers. This is a step in the socialization of industry. Individualism is rapidly going. Hu s on its way to Socialism. But many people don't want to recognize the road they are travelling. They shut their eyes and say, "We don't know where we're going but we're on our way." If the ignorant creatures would but study a little Socialism they would quickly find out the road humanity is travelling.

W. F. Maclean, M. P. from South York, Ont., fought for the lowering of the railway charges upon the C. P. R. He pointed out the millions this corporation was making, on He pointed out the millions the ment had given. But he fought alone and they sat mum. Maclean was the only one who voted to have the railway charges reduced. What do you think of your members of parliament? You think they are feel the squeeze ?

A Charing Cross bank failed in London. It was found that six million dollars of the bank's m "invested" in the railway that is be ing built in Gaspe, the county that elects Lemieux to Ottawa. Upon investigation it is found that only were spent in the railway Two millions were lost between Lon don and Canada. It has gone some where. You see how it is. Private en that through lax administration the terprise is more corrupt, more rottes than is government enterprise. Banks fail. Millions disappear, and private individuals drop off gorg ruin of others. If we had Socialism this would be eliminated. Food clothing and shelter would be the common right of all. And no man would be able to clean up stolen mil lions from the wreeks of the hopes of

The Toronto magistrate, in sentesinterest, and increases the value cing the manager of the Farmers thereof by denying similar privileges Bank to six years in prison instead of a longer term, said to the prison-er, "There is one thing in your favor, Owing to banks being allowed to carry on business without any proper government inspection, you did it un-der great temptation." This is a new Parliament or to abrogate by departmental regulation the statue law society is changing. It shows that in of the land. His policy does not redividualism is breaking down. The definition of the land pair, but aggravates the admitted faulting bank manager is not to blame. The system put great tempta-The profits held out to successful roguery are so great that many men yield. On the one many men yield. every association of citizens should needs of all. Let us abolish the great be on an equal basis in their enjoypoverty of the many. Then such fail-

When a bank fails the shareholders parliament or in any other way which may appear expedient to them. In conclusion, however, I would put on record that I make no personal attack on the Postmaster-General. Possibly the circumstances are not within his knowledge, and that we are the victims of the eccentricities of mind of some member of the permanent staff.

Whatever the actual source of this peculiar decision may be, it is manifest from the unqualified admissions of the Department that the "Canadian Co-operator" is not receiving a square deal.

The Editor.

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