

might not last a half of the lifetime of the first generation succeeding to its possession; while by this plan posterity could not squander it, nor abuse themselves or others, as is so frequently done now a-days.

Trade and Commerce a Race and Scramble.

Private speculation and ownership, as the incentive becomes a race, chase and scramble to see who will get ahead of his neighbor. This keen competition develops an unscrupulous selfishness in the individual, and gives a community the appearance of a game of football or lacrosse, each person exerting every nerve to defeat someone else. By the nationalization and co-operation of all industries this would not be the case; because there would be no occasion for a "rush," as each citizen would only be required to perform the duties assigned, and receive the pay guaranteed by the Government for that service.

A Natural Choice.

Under this plan every person could follow the calling of their natural choice. Because, it is a fact well-known that every person is not inclined to follow the same calling. Many people do not take to their natural choice in a trade or profession for the reason that "there is no money in it." By this plan there is as much money in one branch of industry as there is in any other. The same is also true of the professions and arts.

Uniformity of Price of Commodities.

By this plan all articles will sell at a uniform price. For instance, if a bushel of wheat is worth a dollar, it will never sell for more, or bring less. The same would be true as to any other commodity. Consequently there would never be any "corners" in articles needed to sustain and make life comfortable.

Money Nationalized.

By nationalizing the banks, money would be placed on a proper basis, and not be an article for political parties to fight over—the one party influenced by individuals owning silver mines, and the other party swayed by persons owning gold mines. In either case private speculation seems to be at the bottom of the whole matter. Neither gold or silver can ever become a proper basis for money value, because it is possible for either or both to become more plentiful and cheaper than iron, or more scarce and dearer than diamonds. In either case their value as a basis would, of very necessity, change. A government's ability to pay consists in the country's ability to produce, which means labor. Then the issue of money should rest on the entire wealth of the country as a basis, including the population, because a country ever so rich in its soil, and capable of almost unlimited production, would, nevertheless, have no real tangible wealth, without a population.

No Bank Failures.

Under this plan there would be no bank failures, consequently no uneasiness regarding a legal tender, whether paper or coin. As a result of this plan every person would come into the possession and comforts of their natural rights—the land, water and air, which no man nor set of men have a right to monopolize for personal speculation, or exclude his fellow from.