

do not band themselves together to assault collection agents. They procure an injunction or finance a lobby, and are obeyed in direct ratio to their financial standing, and they are branded patriotic according to their thieving capacities. 'Tis only the slave who is seditious, for it was ever a crime to resist starvation by trying to retain a little of that produce which belongs to the owners of capital. As witness! The newspaper quoted goes on to say: "George Moore—who no doubt fancies himself a capitalist—the inset is mine) a thresher of Alsask, had to pay ALL his season's earnings back to the implement company from which he bought his outfit. When his men sued him for their wages, he had to go to jail in default of paying them." A pretty capitalist, forsooth! Who ever heard of capitalists slaving and starving as these farm slaves? Who ever saw capitalists' wives going gowned in gingham and such shoddy raiment as these farm women wear? Who ever heard of an owner of capital following a weary round of threshing, and then landing in jail after having given "all his season's earnings to the implement company"? How bloated we felt, you and I, when we surveyed our capital over there at North Battleford, did we not? What fine raiment and sweet wines were ours? And yet the machinery and land are there, and the farm slave sometimes sees title deeds to that property, so we shall need to go deeper and explain.

Let us take machinery first: The Socialist definition does not include small items such as carpenter's tools or a gardener's hoe, but only that great social machinery of production, mills, mines, factories, railways and land, in short, those things the workers must have access to in order to live. I presume no one will be foolish enough to come forward and deny that these things are capitalist property, although some disagree as to who are the capitalists.

We see, then, that the farmer is surrounded by enemies which he, himself, recognizes. He is acutely aware that be-