

## Do You Know?

From Wroe's Writings.

Do you know the young fellow who works for \$25 a week and who is wearing a new winter suit that cost \$85?

Do you know the wage earner who loafs because he is afraid if he does too much he'll "work himself out of a job?"

Do you know the housewife who is ashamed to be seen with a market basket on her arm or to carry home a brown paper bundle?

Do you know the factory girl working for \$18 a week who is buying and wearing a \$350 fur coat?

Do you know the man who lets a fresh clerk sneer him into buying a \$15 hat for fear he'll seem "cheap" when he can buy a satisfactory one for \$7?

Do you know the investor who has traded his Liberty bonds for a promise of a 100 per cent profit in a stock company backed by a dishonest promoter?

Do you know the shopper who says "Wrap it up" instead of "How much?"

Do you know the person who lets the desire for the moment destroy the results of days and weeks of thrift and saving?

Do you know the man who thinks it is not necessary to save?

Do you know the married couple who do not think enough of their children to buy War Savings stamps for them and to teach them to save?

Do you know the man who says that the government savings securities—Liberty bonds, War Savings stamps, and Treasury Savings certificates—are too slow or too small or too old fashioned for his investments?

IF YOU DO, YOU KNOW PRETTY WELL WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH THE UNITED STATES.

## The Uses of Adversity.

From the New York Times.

The present test of labor and capital is worth all it costs if it leads to a better understanding of their relation to each other and to the public welfare. Last week Mr. Schwab set an example of resolute optimism worthy of commendation and emulation. He is as serene as even Mr. Gary, who now is able to make steel with less trouble than before the strike, and to pay more wages to workers. Mr. Schwab is sure that the common sense of the common people will bring all right in the end. Things may be worse before they are better—in fact, he thinks it necessary that they should be worse to reach that result—but he is not letting that worry him. He is going on with his daily tasks and leaving the loafing to others. Others are luxuriating in waste, but he thinks he is doing more for the common good by making profits through industry.

The public cannot fail to remark the contrasting attitude of some leaders of labor, now breathing fire and threats not alone against capital but against the general welfare. Nobody shall have any coal to burn if the miners cannot exact the wages they demand, and they will have nothing to do with arbitration or official awards.

The economic outlook is now like that of the "silent panics" of the '90s and later, when values dropped away ceaselessly, and apparently causelessly. The weaker brethren lost their hearts, but the wiser were braver, took courage, and comforted themselves with the saying, "This, too, will pass away. And better days than were ever before known ensued.

So, too, there will be another chapter in the ever changing relations of labor and capital, which will always benefit labor in proportion that capital is not destroyed. Capital is not now dismayed, because it is beyond dispute that labor never before received a greater share of what it produces than now, together with a greater share of that personal consideration which is the due of those who help the general welfare in proportion to the efficiency with which they help themselves. Labor's attempt to dominate capital is in reality an attempt to dominate economic conditions, and will meet the same defeat as capital's attempt to defeat economics by statutes. Thirteen times was the Statute of Laborers passed, when the Black Death which halved the population of England put the labor market in the control of the emancipated serfs, who stopped industrial activities by the wages which they extorted. Capital's attempt to keep wages down failed, and labor had to be paid what it was worth.

Now labor thinks itself dominant and is passing its own edicts keeping wages up and procuring statutes in its favor. Labor thinks that profits are waste, and has yet to learn that wages which stop profits may keep up the rate of wages, but will surely lessen the number of those receiving wages. Labor cannot now compel the payment of wages above worth any more than capital could compel labor to work for less than capital was forced to pay. Both must defer to the judgment of the labor market, unless they agree to accept impartial judgment on their relations. Labor has not freed itself from the slavery of the Middle Ages to accept the worse slavery of bolshevism. Labor is not so foolish as some of its leaders think it. Mr. Schwab knows his workers better than do the steel strike leaders. The coal strike leaders are riding for a fall like that of the steel strike promoters, who captured the Federation and turned it from its conservative policy. There is neither novelty nor merit in the "progressive" idea that property and profit are robbers. It is so far from being a modern discovery that John Ball preached it in the Peasants' revolt about the time that capital was passing its futile statute to control wages. Said Ball to the mob:

Are we not descended from the same parents, Adam and Eve? And what can they (the upper classes) show or what reasons give why they should be more the masters than ourselves? \* \* \* They are clothed in velvets, and rich stuffs, ornamented with ermine and other furs, while we are forced to wear poor cloth; they have wines, spices and fine bread, while we have only rye and the refuse of the straw, and if we drink it must be water; \* \* \* but it is from our labor that they have wherewith to support their pomp.

The centuries have not altered the fact that the poor depend on the rich as much as the rich depend on the poor. The workers now are wealthy compared with the peasant revolters, and the rich of that day are paupers compared with the rich of today. Both classes have thriven together, and will suffer if they fight each other. The public interest requires that neither should dominate the other.

### Back to Purgatory.

From the Los Angeles Times.

Among the recent news items in the New York paper was the report of the suicide of a member of the family of an alien about to be deported by reason of his radical activities in this country. The unfortunate was a woman. She had come to America to escape political and class servitude in Russia. While her husband had been abusing the sanctuary granted to aliens in a land of liberty his wife had lived the life of the lowly. But she found it infinitely preferable to the miserable existence from which she escaped nine years ago, and to which she was about to be returned.

Her husband was one of 1,000 Slavs in America whose heads were turned when Russia freed itself from the dominion of the czars. He believed all that the bolshevik emissaries told him about Russia under Trotsky and Lenin, and he joined a movement to overthrow the American government through violent means and establish a soviet republic on the ruins. She who knew what that meant. She was as one who had tasted the joys of paradise only to be thrust back, because the man had sinned, into purgatory. The picture of the penury and the misery of the past was engraved too deeply on her brain to be ever forgotten. The tragedy was greater than her simple mind could sustain so she sought succor from it all under the bridge.

This woman was bound by heart and by law to this man. Her only crime was to have married one who was not immune to the virus of radicalism. We shall never know the effect of that tragic death upon the husband. Perhaps his crude radicalism has steered him to remorse. The Mephistopheles responsible for this tragic death and broken home is probably too busy spreading his radical propaganda and spending his foreign subsidy to take any account of the flower that he crushed under his ruthless heel. He has walked on so many of them!

### Bulgaria Signs Blank Check.

From the New York Times.

The treaty of Neuilly, signed by Bulgaria, is in some ways definite. She limits her army, gives up arms and ammunition, surrenders for trial offenders against the laws of war, pays a heavy indemnity and kisses Thrace goodbye. But one vital question is left open.

Almost more important even than territory to Bulgaria is her long for "window on the Mediterranean." Her trade route downhill to the Black sea, but at the mercy of Constantinople, sitting at the cross roads of commerce. For more than 40 years Bulgaria has schemed, fought, plotted, sinned and suffered for an Aegean port.

### The State Department's Job.

Undoubtedly there have been genuine outrages perpetrated by Mexicans upon American citizens, and equally beyond doubt there have been "stage managed" outrages inspired by ulterior motives. It is the sad and thankless task of the American state department to sift all outrages and determine to which class each belongs.

## What Are They Drinking Now.

A while ago I traveled from Oklahoma City to Tulsa on a night train and was kept awake by two noisy celebrants. The next morning the porter consoled me with the information that our noisy friends were drinking cologne.

A Missouri editor asks for the composition of lemon extract, saying some of the people in his section are using it for booze. Lemon extract is 5 per cent lemon oil in 80 per cent alcohol. Whisky is 40 to 60 per cent alcohol.

The Chicago health department informant tells me that some confirmed booze fighters are fortifying temperance drinks with denatured alcohol and wood alcohol. One drug store keeps some formalin solution in a tumbler. When a person buys eight ounces of alcohol the clerk squirts in a medicine dropper full of the solution from the tumbler, puts on a poison label, warns the customer, and passes the bottle across the counter. Since formalin is volatile the solution in the tumbler gets weak and there is no taste or smell of formalin in the alcohol.

Wood alcohol carries a punch equal to that of grain alcohol. It is poisonous and whenever the druggist sells it he puts a poison label on the bottle. The newspapers say 14 people have died in Chicago from wood alcohol poisoning since the authorities began tightening up.

However, this does not give any idea of the prevalence of the use of wood alcohol. It is not grain alcohol, but far less than a fatal dose, of wood alcohol into their temperance drink. They swallow the mixture. When they sober up and find they are not dead, they think the poison label is a liar. So they take another drink. Occasionally they keep it up until they get a fatal dose. More frequently they stop short of a fatal dose, but take enough to bring about other harmful effects of the drug.

Even though a man gets drunk on cologne, bay rum, patent medicine, lemon extract, denatured alcohol or wood alcohol and surprises himself by not dying, he does not go scot free. If a man will stick to some of these substitutes and "kick providers" for a few months he will find out that he was unlucky when he did not die as the poison label told him he would.

I am not at all disturbed about this information. There is nothing heroic or appealing about a man drunk on cologne. They do not write poetry, indulge in oratorical flights or do heroic deeds. They generally fall down somewhere and sleep it off and time gradually brings a new order.

### War Helps African Hunting.

From the Milwaukee Journal.

A Frenchman from one of the colonies writes that, due to the suspension of hunting in Africa for the last five years, wild beasts abound in all parts and one has only to have a whole menagerie pass before his gun. Along the valley of the Niger this hunter found the partridges so thick that the natives were killing them by spearing into the thick flocks which flew up on every side.

Next a herd of wild boars ran past, then elephants came to the banks of the river, and their large numbers disturbed a panther which, upon leaping up a rocky part of the shore, sent eagles soaring into the sky. When another large herd was shot at while flying overhead it dropped an enormous fish it had been carrying and escaped unharmed. And all this game the hunter saw in less than 60 minutes!

### The Talking Glove.

From the Children's Newspaper, London.

An extraordinary invention is announced from America, where a doctor has devised a glove which can be worn by people who are both blind and deaf, enabling them to converse with others.

The letters of the alphabet are written in Braille type on the fingers of the glove, spaced out along their length, and the gloved hand is held out or laid on the table and the finger touched upon each letter in turn to spell out the words.

### Private Stock All Gone.

From the Boston Transcript.

Marks—Dr. Voronoff's idea of grafting monkey glands—

Parks—Oh, that reminds me. Poor Boozler! He asked me the other day if I thought it would relieve him if he had a few camel glands grafted on to his thirst pipe.

### Wouldn't Be There Long.

From the Edinburgh Scotsman.

A country yokel was brought before a London magistrate for stealing a bicycle. "I've a good mind to give you three months' imprisonment," said the magistrate, frowning.

"Yer can't," replied the offender disdainfully.

"Indeed! And why, pray?"

"Cos I've only coom oop for three days."

### The Farmer and Labor.

From the Milwaukee Journal.

Evidence accumulates that the farmers are not going to work well in double harness with labor as a political grouping. Points of difference tend to multiply.

The farmer, for example, cannot be expected to grow enthusiastic over nationalization of land. He doesn't see how the six-hour day will benefit him. Radicalism that puts class or group interest above the general welfare goes directly contrary to his instincts.

The laboring and farming interests would double like to enter into a mutually helpful enterprise, but if such a thing as a political alliance should happen, it would be on the basis not of common interest, but of "you do something for us and we'll do something for you." A contract of this kind would stand only so long as both parties felt it to their interest.

The farmer's interest as a consumer merges into that of labor, but his interest as a producer is different. This is the rock upon which the alliance will split. Farmers are determined to free themselves from interests that have heretofore used them to their own disadvantage, but that is no reason for going over to any other interest which may also want to use them. The farmer's best course is to stay independent and use his influence in behalf of no special interest, but only of the public, national interest.

### War Dogs In Parade.

From the Milwaukee Journal.

In Milan a parade of dogs which had served in the war was held recently. Led by soldiers, 12 canine veterans, many of which had been wounded along with their companions, passed in review. Some of the dogs pulled machine guns, others limped along with wound stripes on their collars, and those which had suffered amputation were carried upon the shoulders of their soldier masters. Many of the dogs wore flower wreaths donated by the feminine admirers, and at the end little wagons holding the badly injured were dragged along by large sheep dogs.

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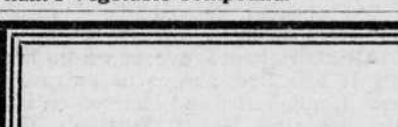
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