

# Every Commoner Reader May Lend a Hand

Now is the time to organize democratic clubs, the purpose of which shall be to see that all delegates elected to county, state and national conventions will vote for a platform and candidates that insure "equal rights to all and special privileges to none."

The Commoner is organizing an army of one million workers to bring about a real democratic victory. Your earnest co-operation is needed in this work. To enable those who will assist in the coming campaign to receive current literature each week and to keep in touch with the progress of the campaign, we will send The Commoner weekly from now until the next presidential election to all who will sign and return to us one of the certificates of membership in The Commoner Army, accompanied by sixty cents to cover the cost of sending the paper. A prompt response to this call will be an assurance that you approve of The Commoner's effort to bring success to democratic arms.

Cut out, sign and return the certificate printed on this page for your own membership. Or if you do not care to mutilate your copy of The Commoner send in a request asking for a number of blank certificates and they will be forwarded to you, thus enabling you to give your acquaintances an opportunity to join in the work of building up the "army of a million plan," and enabling them also to secure The Commoner from now until November 1908 for only sixty cents.

From all sections of the country come assurances of co-operation in the effort to carry to a successful conclusion The Commoner's "million army plan."

Extracts from some of the letters received at The Commoner office follow:

E. C. Daves, Weatherford, Okla.—I send you money order for two subscriptions. Send me more certificates. I hope this plan will end in a great democratic victory.

Jens Davidson, Westby, Wis.—Inclosed find check for \$18, for which please send me subscription cards to The Commoner, that I may do a little for the good cause. Hoping I may redeem myself in the future I remain.

A. M. Dalrymple, Salem, Ore.—About six months ago I suggested that each reader and friend of The Commoner pay for four or six months subscription to some republican friend, and have been waiting ever since to see how the proposition would take. Now I see in last week's paper that F. M. Hall has made the same proposition; but he has gone me one better and sent in one dollar to pay a year's subscription to one of his republican friends. I don't intend that anyone shall beat me at my own game so enclose \$1 to pay six months subscription to The Commoner to H. S. Dalrymple, Lake Geneva, Wis., and six months to Hardy Halman, Sr., Dallas, Ore. One is my father and the other my father-in-law and if they don't both become regular subscribers and vote the democratic ticket in 1908 I'll place them on my list of "undesirable citizens."

George N. Parker, Robinson, Ill.—Herewith find draft for \$6 to pay for enclosed list of ten new subscribers. This makes forty I have sent you. Please send me a bunch of sample copies and send The Commoner commencing with the week before last.

Wm. H. Greene, Dillsboro, Ind.—Enclosed you will find the three certificates signed and money order for \$1.80, payment for Commoner as per agreement stated in certificate. If you will send me a few more certificates I will endeavor to secure more enlistments in the cause.

J. W. McGovern, LeClaire, Ia.—I send you 60 cents and certificate of membership in The Commoner army. The prosperity wave has struck us in Scott county, Iowa. Hogs are \$3 per hundred weight cheaper than in April, 1907. Everything is on the toboggan. I think this ought to demonstrate to the people of this country that the gold standard, or single standard, is not what the people want. It has proven in this case to be the money of the immensely rich, as today all the business done in Davenport, Iowa, Scott County, is done on cashiers' checks showing that we are short of gold that is locked up by the money men. I hope for success in 1908.

F. P. Rhoads, Dedham, Iowa.—Enclosed you will find postoffice order and membership certificate. I realize that it will be the fight of Mr. Bryan's life to defeat the asset currency scheme. The panic that we have is the biggest

joke on the republican party that has happened for a long time. The farmer is the one that is going to get it in the neck, for thirty days at least. Prices on manufactured goods do not go down as quickly as farmers' products.

J. W. Armstrong, Norman, Okla.—I send you money order for \$1.80 for three subscribers. Please send some certificates and I will try to secure more. I bid you God speed in the good work you are doing for the masses.

L. W. Kelley, Fairmont, W. Va.—I enclose you money order for \$1.80 to pay for three subscriptions. Please send me a few more certificates and whenever and wherever I can get a subscriber I will be glad to do so.

George W. Taylor, LaCrosse, Wash.—Herewith find four new subscribers. I secured these in five minutes. If you send me a few more certificates will rustle a little for The Commoner.

S. D. Martin, Chicago, Ill.—I enclose three membership certificates. Mail me more certificates. I think I can have them all filled out and I believe they will do good.

J. P. O'Dell, Folsom, N. M.—I send you check for five subscriptions. I will make an effort to place The Commoner in the hands of every English speaking democrat in this vicinity.

Peter Cramer, Gates, Ore.—Find enclosed money order for \$1.80 for three subscriptions and please send me more of the certificates, and I will do all I can to assist in bringing success to democratic arms.

F. F. Wineman, LeRoy, Kan.—Enclosed find postoffice money order for 60 cents for which send one copy of The Commoner to the address, G. W. Ringle, LeRoy, Kans. Please send me some subscription blanks for The Commoner. I will send some more subscribers.

M. J. Williams, Louisburg, Kan.—Enclosed find money order for \$1.50 for three subscriptions. Please send more certificates. Hurrah for true democracy.

Charles B. Stillwell, Bryan, Texas.—Here is a little batch of eight subscribers, all new, to The Commoner: Ed Hall, R. A. Stuart, Jolly J. Jones, R. 4; I. J. Holligan, A. A. Dean, John Kosarek, R. 5; W. R. Goen, R. 3; S. D. Jones, R. 3, all Bryan, Texas. Money order for \$4.80 enclosed. I enclose my certificate of membership in The Commoner Army of One Million. Why not make it eight million? Yours to the end.

A. J. Burk, Newtonia, Mo.—Please send to W. R. Moore, Wanda, Mo., three copies of The Commoner commencing November 8, together with certificate.

W. B. Fleming, 62 East 36th St., Chicago, Ill.—The letter of Senator Foraker announcing his candidacy for the presidency and the reported interview between Senator Scott and the president emphasize the magnitude of the cleavage now taking place in the republican party. The war is on between the Roosevelt and anti-Roosevelt-factions, and this republican extremity is democratic opportunity. The need of the hour is that our party shall have a candidate who stands for all the good, without any of the evil

that Mr. Roosevelt stands for. The way is cleared not only for the nomination but the election of such a man. The democratic party has had to wait a long time for such an opportunity. Will it avail itself of it? No plan so far suggested for this end is comparable to The Commoner's plan of an army of a million. The battle is to be won by the rank and file of the party and the "army of the million" will be made up of the rank and file. One million of earnest workers in the cause will insure success, but the sooner they are enrolled the better. I pledge myself to enlist one hundred of such recruits. How many others will make a similar pledge?

W. M. Kirby, Springfield, Mo.—I send you two subscribers and certificates. I believe it would be to the interest of the democratic party to hold the national convention before the republicans have theirs, and adopt a platform that can not be misunderstood by any. Make it clear on all questions. I hope The Commoner will have a million circulation in a short time.

George W. Cundiff, New Haven, W. Va.—I send you two new subscribers. Send me some certificates. I want to see how many I can get to join the club and take The Commoner. I want to do all I can for the grand old democratic party.

J. H. Davis, Borden, Ind.—Please forward to the following The Commoner until after the next presidential election as per your offer in last issue and register their names in the cause of democracy as construed by your valuable paper.

O. S. Gibson, Arkansas City, Kan.—Enclosed find draft for \$7.20, being in payment of The Commoner, as per your advertisement, until after election, 1908, for herewith named parties. I think The Commoner is doing a great work. It seems to me that the democrats of this nation should work harder at the present time than they ever have before. The republican party has allowed the corporations and big moneyed institutions to get control of the people's money in this country, and have created a panic.

A. H. Covert, Ira Station, N. Y.—Please find enclosed \$1.80 for membership of myself and two others in The Commoner army for 1908.

J. R. Gorrell, Newton, Ia.—Find enclosed three membership certificates for The Commoner army for 1908, and draft for \$1.80. I have been a subscriber to the paper since the first number. I gladly enlist in the great army that I hope will sweep this country. I shall have in the campaign of 1908 the same pride and enthusiasm felt by the members of the invincible Grecian phalanx of Alexander the Great, by the legions of Caesar, or by the old guard of Napoleon. Send me twenty or more membership certificates.

W. H. Brown, Sparksville, Ind.—I enlist with new energies, new hopes, new faith. I believe the victory will be ours in 1908. Here is hoping success. Your obedient servant till our people shall be redeemed from republican ruin. I will secure a club at my earliest convenience.

## Here is Your Opportunity to Help

The Commoner will be sent from now until November, 1908, to every one who will sign and send Coupon accompanied by sixty cents.

ONE MILLION MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE

### The Commoner Army for 1908

HEADQUARTERS LINCOLN, NEB.

I hereby enlist in The Commoner Army and pledge my assistance in bringing success to Democratic arms.

Enclose 60c to cover the expense of sending The Commoner to my address until the close of the 1908 campaign.

Name.....

Post-Office.....

State.....

NOTE.—Membership certificates will be countersigned with Mr. Bryan's printed signature and numbered in the order they are received at The Commoner office; and they will be returned at the close of the campaign to the members who signed them, if requested.