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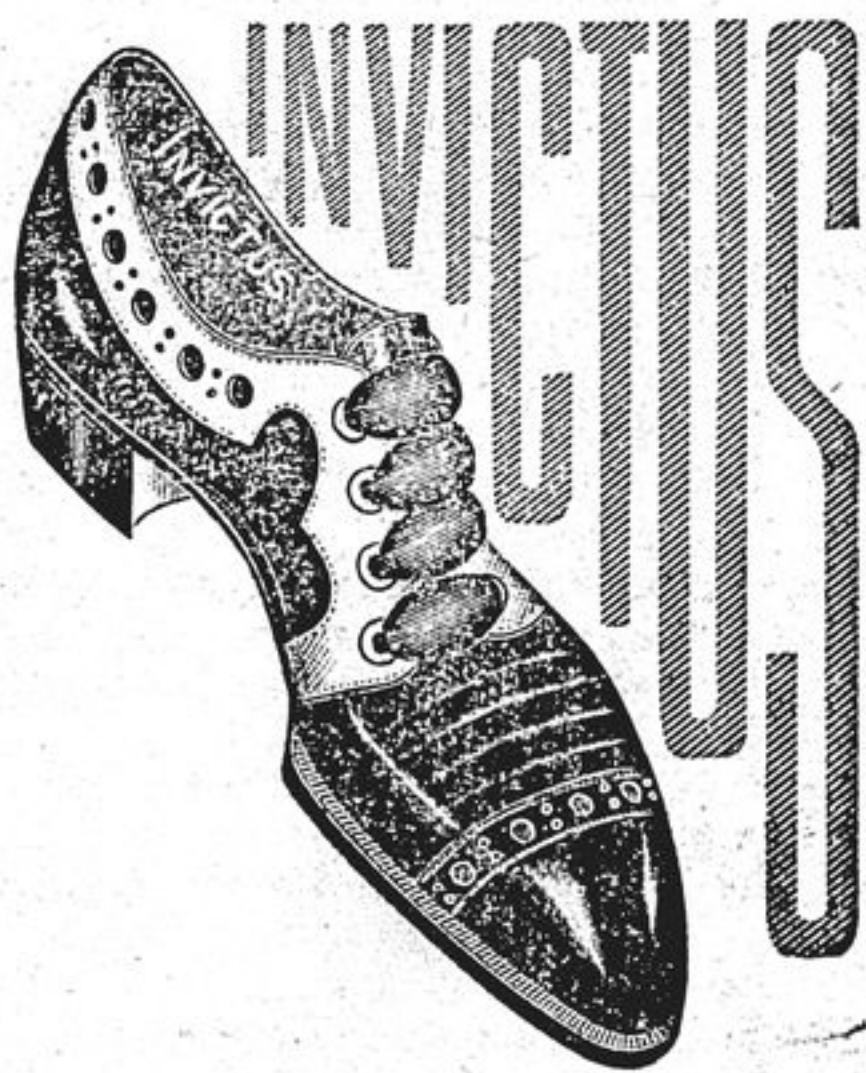
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Let the Nation Own the Trusts

So you don't like the trusts, eh? Think they are a curse, and should be "busted" by due process of law, eh? Did you ever work your brain any in an effort to ferret out the causes underlying the rise and growth of trusts and combines? No? Then I do n't think you are competent to judge the trusts; neither are you competent to work out a remedy, unless you get busy and read up a little in the most rudimentary principles of economics.

Lots of you can remember when the school teacher used to move around from house to house teaching the children at so much per head. As you look back, you find that the standard of education which the pupils attained was much lower than at present, while the cost was greater. To-day the work has been centralized. A large number of families hire a teacher, and, in raising the necessary funds, the communistic principle "from every man according to his ability, to every man according to his needs" is applied. It's an improvement over the old system, from both the educational and financial view-point, is n't it? Yet it is really a trust formed for the same reason as was Standard Oil, viz, to cut down the cost and simplify production. But while the Standard Oil Co. is a privately owned combine and in the business for profits, the school system belongs to all of you fellows, and its object is not profits, but the education of your children. Now, can you catch that? The privately owned combine is run primarily for the accumulation of profits, while the socially (government) owned combine is operated for the common good.

Now I believe I am safe in saying that you fellows would n't want to go back to the old way of doing things again. You would n't want your wives to be compelled to take the wool, and, by the old clumsy methods, manufacture it into homespun. And I'll be hanged if I think you'd care to wear homespun, either. Neither would you care to rub corn or wheat between two stones to make flour, when thousands of barrels can be ground in a day in up-to-date mills. Yet these are the methods you are advocating when you swear that trusts should be "busted."

You have probably read that when so much machinery was introduced into the manufacture of woollen and cotton goods, (in the latter part of the eighteenth century,) thus putting thousands out of employment, the workers put up quite a kick. In many places they raided the factories and smashed the machines. But the machines won out, and those who opposed their introduction simply threw themselves before the wheels of progress and were crushed.

Now that is just what you are trying to do. You want to smash the

machines, the trusts, that have developed industry to such an extent that one man can produce as much as one hundred could under the old regime. You would smash all this and go back to the old methods because you have not enough brains, or at least you do not use them for this purpose, to see that the trusts are but a stage in the development of industry from which we are to step to something higher and better.

The trusts came into being as the result of perfectly natural causes; they are here to stay, and you can't legislate them out of existence. When you try to do so, you are merely butting your head against progress. Sooner or later you will smash your head, and progress will march right along without noticing you or your puny opposition.

Now I have a suggestion to offer. As yet it is but a suggestion, but when we have crowd enough we will make it a demand. We can't each own a trust, and, if we could, to whom would we sell our products? We can't exist to-day without the trusts; therefore, let us take them and operate them for the common good. Let us usher in the co-operative commonwealth that these "crazy socialists" are always talking about, and make the trusts serve all the people; for "the trusts must own the Nation, or the Nation own the trusts."

In other words, "Let the Nation own the trusts," as comrade Wilshire says. It's the only remedy. If you do n't believe it, just read up a little. Try some of "Cotton's Economic Bitters." They'll fix you all right.—Roscoe Fillmore, in Cotton's Weekly.

We Are Believers.

Socialists are not unbelievers. They believe that every child has a right to education and opportunity; that every man and woman has a right to a place on the earth without paying another for the privilege of staying here; that man has a right to work when he wishes, without having to give part of his product to another for the privilege; that the workers who produce all the good things of life have a right to enjoy them. The Socialist is a great believer. He believes that all exploitation and all poverty can be banished from the earth, and pledges his life that it shall be so. He believes that man has only begun to live; that when given opportunity life will be sweet and rich beyond all that poets ever dreamed. He believes in a religion that will mean something for the world, here and now; in homes for all, each a refuge and good beyond all that it has ever been; in marriages that shall mean love and devotion and happiness. The Socialists are believers. They have faith. There's nothing wrong with that belief, is there?—Cotton's Weekly.

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