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SOCIALISM AND THE BIBLE

By William T. Ellis.

Persons who read more of radical- | see your life structure collapse-that ism than of religion, are fond of appealing to the Bible as the basis of all their varied socialistic theories. Their appeal, if they know anything the kingdom of heaven-that ultiabout the eNw Testament, is usually to the brief communistic experiment

that ended in poverty and disaster. It is crowded with truth for our man-and-man fidelity to opportunitimes. There is more of hope for ties and responsibilities. human progress in it than in any One does more for all the world quote the parable itself, from the mas. Weymouth Translation:-

going on his travels, called his bond- with our life is the real measure of servants and entrusted his property what we do for God. The two-talent to their care. To one he gave five man may be quite as successful in talents, to another two, to another kind, and earn the same reward, as one-to each according to his indi- the five-talent man. vidual capacity; and then started | Each is responsible for his use of from home. Without delay the one his gifts When an heir of opporwho had received the five talents tunity and privilege fails to use his went and employed them in business, life aright he is a more culpable and gained five more. In the same failure than the son of ignorance and way he who had the two gained two limitations. Both in their respective more. But the man who had re- degrees are answerable to God. ceived the one went and dug a hole and buried his master's money.

"After a long lapse of time the

trustworthy servant,' replied his mas- day, but He always pays." There are put you in charge of much: share | who thinks he can escape God. your master's joy!'

two talents, came and said.

plied; 'you have been trustworthy in Khayan. the management of a litle, I will put you in charge of much: share your master's joy.'

one talent in his keeping came and the great Assize. An old story tells

16 Apr. 30 June 1 Caronia sown and garnering what you had not bayed at the moon: but the moon winnowed. So, being afraid, I went simply kept on shining. Puny minds and buried your talent in the ground: | cry out in protest against God: but there you have what belongs to you. God keeps right on being God, and vant,' replied his master, 'did you not impious young people, who have know that I reap where I have not been "emancipated" from the old sown, and garnered what I have not faith, laugh at the idea of God and winnowed? Your duty was then to a reckoning. Today is their turn to N. Y., TO VIGO, GIBRALTAR, PATRAS, deposit my money in some bank, and laugh; tomorrow, as said the Psalm-OVNIK (FRUME and TRIESTE so when I came I should have got ist, "He that sitteth in the heavens

my property with interest. So take shall laugh." away the talent from him, and give It is a real and reasonable incenit to the man who has the ten.' (For tive to faithfulness and clean living to every one who has, more shall be that we are servants of the living given, and he shall have abundance; God, and that a reckoning with Him but from him who has nothing, even is one of the sure and inescapable what he has shall be taken away.) things. 'But as for this worthless servant. put him out into the darkness outside: there will be the weeping and

Whose Money Was It. According to the most advanced of modern theories, this householder words of Jesus are explicit: it was his own money that the man in the story distributed to his own servants

the gnashing of teeth."

life, must be enhanced or it will de-The three servants had varying capacity, even as have every group of it applies. Some silly folk think that men today. To say that we are all equal in character and in possibility is to flout the plain facts of life. If human beings did not differ greatly, grade of individual life, such as the Lenine and Trotzky would not be running and ruining Russia today. The master in the parable knew his men, and he was fair to them all; for handle. What a blunder it would have been to have entrusted the five

talents to the one-talent man! Each was given the opportunity to fulfill a trust, and to prove his powers. With all the unsocial selfishness that there is in the world The death occurred on Tuesday today, it is none the less true that of Miss Eliza Prudence Henderson at many business men care more for her home in Belleville, after two their achievements than for their weeks' iliness. She was sixty years gains. The work means more than of age, and leaves two brothers, the dividends. As a friend said recorge, Belleville, William, Tyendin- cently, himself a man of large busiiga and one sister, Mrs. R. Bird, ness responsibilities, when we were discussing certain commercial fail-Twin baby boys have come to the ures: "It isn't the money that matmen have put into their work. To

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is the bitterness of it all." Lafe as a Talent.

Of course, Jesus was talking about mate goal of all wise seekers after a better order of human life-when He of the Apostolic Church, a venture He dealt in terms of individualism, narrated this parable. Significantly as God always does, in both rewards duty, as well as an opportunity. In If anybody wants to go to the Bi- and punishments. And it was the ble for ecenomics and sociology, here faithfulness of the single man that it is, in the familiar parable which he stressed. His idea clearly is that is the present Sunday School Lesson, the kingdom is to come by way of

of the countless treaties upon Bol- by living a true and growing life Are counted and crowned by the feel very miserable. After having socialism. Suppose we first of all or by subscribing to any set of dog-

Life is the talent of which every "Why, it is like a man who, when one of us is steward. What we do

When the Reckoning Comes.

Unfashionable though the idea master of those servants returned, may be at present it is still as true and had a reckoning with them. The as when the Master told this tale, one who had received the five talents that the day of reckoning is coming. came and brought five more, and It may be postponed but it may never be averted. It was "after a long "'Sir, it was five talents that you time" that the lord of the servants reentrusted to n.e: see, I have gained appeared for his reckoning: but he did return. An old Italian proverb . "'You have done well, good and says, "God does not pay every Saturter; 'you have been trustworthy in many kinds of fools in the world, but the management of a little, I will there is none so foolish as the one

Under the delirium of mob was- in the appointments previously fill-"The second, who had received the sion, Russian Busheviks interdicted the Church, even as the French Rev-"'Sir, it was two talents you en- olution "abolished" God. In our trusted to me; see, I have gained two mood of "modernism" we may decry the idea of a judgment day as an "'Good and trustworthy servant, affront to the sovereign dignity of you have done well,' his master re- man; and we may exclaim, with Omar

"I myself am heaven and hell." Just the same, such vaporings do not postpone by a single minute the "But, next, the man who had the inevitableness of the reckoning at of the dog that was disturbed by the "'Sir, I knew you to be a severe brightness of the moon. So it went 8 Apr. 16 May 17 Carmania man, reaping where you had not out into the field and barked and "You wicked and slothful ser- judge of all the earth. Scornful and

"A Better Man That His Dad." Unless my sons become better men than I am, both they and I must be written down as failures. "He is not the man his father was," we sometimes hear of a youth; and condemnation could not be severer. Sons should be improvements upon fathers to vindicate the divine principle of the increase of the talents. That is the way the kingdom comes.

Not better laws, but better people, make a better state of society. What ails prohibition enforcement? Simply the fact that a multitude of the people are not up to the level of the law; and no law ever attains a higher plane of fulfillment than the sentiment of the men and women to whom if we adopted the soviet form of government our ills would vanish. 'Absurd. What we need is a higher Sunday school is seeking everywhere

Like all the words of Jesus, this parable compacts exhaustless wisdom. It points the way to the kingdom's coming; and it points the way also to individual improvement. Use, enlarge and multiply your talent, whatever that be. When we have five-talent men increased by fidelity and efficiency to ten-talent men we are, obviously, lifting the common level of society up to a ten-talent scale. All the best of human qualities-initiative, courage, application, fidelity-are called into being and developed by the talent-increasing

How is this land of ours growing? The story is being repeated every day on every hand. One ambitious person succeeds: it may be a working girl who introduces into her home better furniture, a plano, and a more careful manner of dress and conduct. The whole family is lifted up to her level. His neighbors emulate the family's example, and planos are heard up and down the street. Books and reading and a finer social code follow. The men must earn more to maintain the scale of life. Relatives are drawn into the process. Every one of us has seen neighborhoods and families so lifted up merely by one person's employing his or her own talents to the full. As yet socialism has found no substitute for this tested process of democracy.

When the Auto "Knocks." One of the wise sayings born of modern e perience is that "An automobile 'knocks' going up-hill; but

a man 'knocks' when going down HEADACHES was the man who was the failure. MAKE LIFE MISERABLE.

The one-talent man produced noth-Headaches are one of the most aging but complaints. Just as "the degravating troubles one can have, and it is hard to struggle along with a struction of the poor is their povhead that aches and pains all the erty," so the failure of the unsuccessful is usually their own weakness. It was because he was only a

Headaches seem to be habitual with many people; some are seldom; one-talent man that the servant did if ever, free from them, suffering continually from the dull throbbings. Instead, he substituted criticism of the intense pains; sometimes in one part, sometimes in another, and then The poorest stick is a good "knock- again over the whole head.

There is only one way to get relief from these persistent headaches, and It was not for lack of two talents that is by going direct to the seat of that the failure in the story was the trouble, for unless the cause is condemned; but for lack of attempt removed, the headaches will still to do his duty-for, be it remember-

ed, the increase of the talents was a The fact that Burdock Blood Bitters keep the stomach, liver and effortless, self-pitying, bitter-souled bowels toned up is proof enough to sloth, the one-talent servant showshow that it will eliminate the cause himself a simple quitter. Had he of the headaches.

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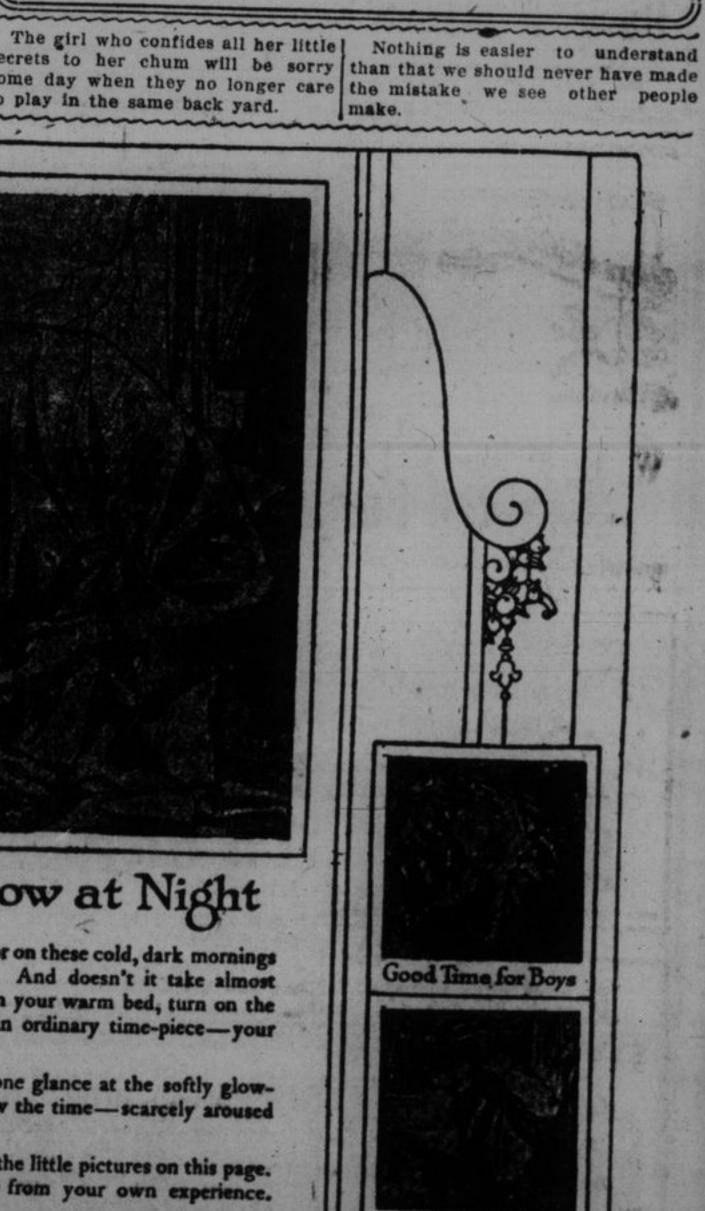
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