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THE PEOPLE WILL RESPECT YOU IF YOU WILL BE HONEST

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UNLESS YOU KNOW THESE THINGS YOU ARE NOT EDUCATED

Besides skinning the people of the United States out of their properties and earnings the alien financiers have also cleaned the bankers out of their possessions. Yes, during the past several years they have been closing up American banks as if they were but peanut stands.

Look around any American city today and you will see magnificent buildings once used as banks but now used as liquor stores, beer gardens, dance halls and gambling joints.

You may not know it but there is as much difference between a financier and a banker as there is between a wolf and a goat.

Of course a wolf can appear like a goat when he is licking his chops.

A goat can also act like a wolf when he is hungry. In fact they can both act like the same skin if they want to.

A financier can act like a banker and a banker can act like a financier if needs be.

Strictly speaking, a banker is one who manages a bank and a financier is one who gets the loot.

Of course, a financier could manage a bank and a banker could get the loot but that is not always the case.

A financier is one who collects tribute for the use of money or credit.

One can be a banker or a bum and still be a financier.

The banker is the fellow that holds the bag but is not necessarily the fellow that controls the dough.

There is quite a little difference between the fellow that holds the bag and the fellow that controls the dough. The bankers in America have learned that much lately.

I have told you before about Bill Bank President.

You may have known him yourself. He was a great gazebo at one time. He knew your wife and little ones by their middle names.

When you visited the bank you wouldn't talk to anybody but Bill. You would tell him how much money you wanted to borrow and he would say O. K. Jim.

Then you left town for several years. Just lately you wanted to borrow some money and went back to the old town and looked up Bill to get it.

Wasn't that a shock?

To begin with the old town did not seem like it used to. It looked ragged and run down at the heels. The streets were unkempt, the buildings were falling to pieces, and the people's clothes were in tatters.

But even so, you strutted into the old bank and told the doorman with much gusto "I want to see Bill."

"Bill, who?" asked the doorman.

"Bill Bank President," says you, haughtily.

"There is no Bill Bank President here," said the doorman, "but there is a Bill Clerk. I believe they used to call him Bill Bank President."

So you finally met your old friend Bill, but what a metamorphosis. What a pitiful figure he presented as Bill Clerk. Such a hang-dog expression drooped from his facial map. Will you ever forget it?

You said to him, "Bill, I want to borrow a bag full of dough." Then he said, "Jim, old bozo, I will have to call up old alien in New York about it as he is the fellow who now controls the dough."

So you see the man you call Bank President nowadays is only the bill clerk. He goes into the office in the morning and one of the first things he does is to pick up the telephone for New York. Then he says, "Hello, Alien, this is Bill Clerk of Michigan."

A gruff voice answers him, saying, "Well what do you want?"

Says Bill Clerk of Michigan to Alien Financier of New York, "I would like to know what you want us to do today."

Then Alien Financier of New York tells him to wait until he calls up the chief in Europe to find out about it.

So New York Alien calls up Europe and says, "Chief! Bill Clerk of Michigan wants to know what he is to do today."

The old Chief of the Alien Financiers scratches his head and drawls, "Michigan! Where is Michigan?"

"Michigan," says New York Alien, "is an island out in the middle of the Great Lakes."

Then the old Chief in Europe scratches his head again and asks "What sort of creatures live on that island?"

"They are Michiganders," says New York Alien.

"Ganders," stutters the amazed Chief. "Are they all Ganders out there?"

"No," says New York Alien, "they are not all Ganders, but they are all Geese. They handed over to us all of their banks, farms, factories, stores, newspapers and homes, and we did not have to give them a thing for them."

"Well, I blink," says the astonished Chief, "they are geese sure enough, but do they lay eggs?"

"Yes," said New York Alien, "they lay eggs all right."

"What percentage of the eggs do you take away from them?" asked the interested Chief.

"We have been taking nine out of every ten eggs they lay," answered New York Alien.

"Too liberal, aren't you?" inquired the Chief.

"That's what I thought," says New York Alien, "so lately we have only been giving them the shells of the eggs they lay."

Now, after such a conversation do you Americans think that you have bankers here? Do you actually think that you know something about finance?

Well let me tell you what these Alien Financiers are getting ready to put over and what they say they are going to make you like before they get through with you.

The object of the alien financiers is to take away from the American bankers all of their banks, take away from American manufacturers all of their factories, take away from American publishers all of their newspapers and magazines, take away from the American merchants all of their stores, take away from American farmers all of their farms, and take away from the American working people all of their homes. Then set up a financial aristocracy, do away with public schools altogether, and train an illiterate people to supinely obey the commands of their financial dictator as beasts of burden.

You say the American people won't stand for that?

Well, you have stood for three-fifths of it already and you haven't let out a snort against it. All you have done is to curse one another and threaten to kill each other because you attend different churches, were born in different countries or pay fees and dues to different organizations.

Of course you don't know and won't believe that the organizations that you are paying membership fees and dues to, are controlled by the Alien financiers.

You don't know that nor won't believe it because the Alien financiers control all avenues of publicity and they educate you to think and act just as they want you to do.

One set of Alien financiers control half of the avenue of publicity and another set of Alien financiers control the other half of the avenues of publicity and they make the people fight each other like cats and dogs in order to see which set of Alien financiers are going to put in the Dictator and rule the people as slaves.

What you call your education is just what the Alien financiers teach you in their controlled schools and colleges and newspapers and magazines and books and over their controlled Radio.

The Alien financiers started their big push to enslave the American people in 1929 when they withdrew most of the money from circulation after having loaned almost everybody money on their properties to buy phony stock and then when not able to meet the

back interest on the money loaned they forced the people to give up their properties to them.

Then they forced out of employment a large percentage of the working people and made them fight like wild animals among themselves for jobs. Such a maneuver they called a depression and they have been keeping these depressed conditions in operation ever since.

Next, they proved to the people that they had lost all control of their reasoning faculties when they decided to revalue the gold which gave them twice the power they formerly had in so-called credit dollars upon which interest must be paid and at the same time they reduced the purchasing power of the dollar bill to fifty-nine cents, thus forcing everybody to pay almost twice as much for their living expenses.

Now just as quickly as they can get one-half the American people to whip the other half of the American people thus deciding which set of financiers is to be the absolute master of this country, they then intend to do away with the American form of government and install a blood-thirsty dictator in its place.

When that is done, free speech, freedom of press, right of assembly and the people's voice in the management of their affairs and all free public institutions of learning will be abolished forever and the financial aristocracy will rule the once proud American people with sword, gun, gas and bayonet.

Through their controlled avenues of publicity they are now educating the people that the Capitalist (the manufacturer, merchant and farmer who make a profit) together with the politicians (who collect taxes to pay their interest) are responsible for all of the people's troubles and that they ought to be eliminated. They have also begun to tell the people that the police are inefficient and unnecessary and should be supplanted by soldiers.

The Alien Financiers want to do in America what they accomplished so easily in Europe. They want the people to attack the Capitalist system, overthrow the American form of Government and establish a financial aristocracy in which everybody will have to pay tribute to them for the use of the money they must use as a trade convenience.

Today, the dictators of Europe are controlled by the Alien Financiers who act as their agents in selling interest bearing bonds all over the world, which forces the people into everlasting slavery while trying to pay back interest to the financiers. The poor workmen don't know that and al-

low themselves to be used as cat-paws by the financiers.

In the background and unknown to them the Alien Financiers control their organization and double-cross workmen into thinking that the factory owners cut their wages and control their purchasing power. They incite strikes against industries that they do not yet control, in order to weaken, ruin and force them into their power.

Workingmen do not suspect that back of these organizations are agents of the financiers who lead them into ambush and have them shot down while aiding the demons who betray them in their efforts to put out of business the manufacturer who employs them.

Laboring men don't realize that their organizations are controlled by agents of the financiers. Neither do the manufacturers, merchants, publishers, farmers or soldiers know that their organizations are controlled by agents of the financiers. They must all wake up to this fact and get together to save themselves before it is too late. You will all be whipped unless you stop fighting among yourselves at the instigation of the agents and touts of the financiers.

The Alien Financier's touts have been hinting lately that what you need here in America is a Central Banking System, or, Nationalized Banking System, or whatever they may decide to call it. They of course pretend that it will be a Government owned institution, just as they pretended the Federal Reserve Banks were owned by the Government.

But I am here to tell you that this Central Banking System will be owned and controlled by foreign private credit monopolies, as are the Federal Reserve Banks, and that it is just another trick of the Alien Financiers to skin the people further and close all banks controlled by Americans.

Now let me tell you what it will mean to centralize the banks in the hands of the International Financiers.

First, it will mean that all bankers in America will be reduced to the status of clerks.

Second, it will mean that the chief of the Alien Financiers, who sits upon his financial throne in Europe will be in a position to decide whether any manufacturer, merchant, farmer or workman in America can borrow money from any bank in this country or not.

Third, by so controlling all credits in this country, the Alien Financiers can put out of business all American manufacturers, all American merchants and all American farmers, and force them to become mere clerks in their former establishments to take orders

from half-witted sons of Alien Financiers. That will also stop all individual incentive of anyone from ever becoming the owner of a farm, store, factory or publishing house.

Americans, are you not ashamed of yourselves to let a little bunch of Alien Slickers make you fight each other until you are all whipped out of your own property and then hand yourselves over as slaves to them?

You can stop this idiotic procedure by studying the Lawson Money Plan and by joining the Direct Credits Society, and by standing together and putting this complete program into force instead of allowing yourselves to be separated into different mobs and fighting over petty trifles that mean absolutely nothing to you.

The touts of the financiers started more than 1,000 different organizations since the Direct Credits Society was founded in order to split you up into separate fighting groups. Every organization took some feature from this Society but none of them said Abolish Interest.

There was a catch in every one of them to skin the people. In most cases they made their dupes pay an initiation fee and monthly or yearly dues—mostly monthly dues because most of them burst within a year. Some of these organizations get your fees and dues one way and some another, but everybody is forced to quarrel, including the touts who fight among themselves over the possession of the fees and dues.

The Direct Credits Society has no fees or dues.

Officers of this Society chip in to meet the running expenses and that keeps the slickers out as there is nothing for them to get their slippery fingers upon.

The people have reached the stage where they must decide whether they will stand together on an honest platform and enjoy a purchasing power equal to their productive power that will give Justice to Everybody, as outlined in the Lawson Literature or whether they will continue to be split up into conflicting parts by the advice of the touts who lead them into the trap of the financier who swindles them out of everything and then enslaves them.

The people have gotten to the point where they must decide whether they will stand up with the American form of Government or lay down to a Dictator put in by the Alien Financiers.

You ask what has the American form of Government done for the people?

Well it gave to the people the right of free speech, free press, free politics, civil government, police protection, state rights and private enterprise.

Yes, under the American form of government the United States has become the richest country in the world. This country developed the greatest advancement in invention, organization and industrial enterprise during all history.

The standards of living for the people are upon a higher level than that of any other form of government.

Americans own more individual homes than any other people, they enjoy more recreation and amusements and travel than other peoples.

Aside from little tilts here and there over the wage scale the workingmen and factory owners get along fairly well together.

The ability of our American Industrialists in planning and organizing industry to reduce the cost of production to a minimum so that the people can enjoy maximum comforts at low prices is superb and deserving of praise.

American machinery and products are sent to all parts of the world and are appreciated by everybody everywhere.

America leads the nations of the world in Aircraft inventions — especially in the heavier-than-air craft. Americans were first to invent and fly the Airplane, the Flying Boat and the Airliner. They were first to establish Air-

lines for mail and passenger carrying service.

America leads the world in electric power machinery, telephones, telegraphs, radio and moving pictures.

All of these great things have been accomplished in America under the American form of Government by a people made up of all nationalities who came to this country to enjoy the freedom that the American Flag and Constitution stand for.

Now Americans what are you going to do, let a little bunch of Alien Financiers take all that away from you and then make you crawl to them besides?

Are you going to give up the liberty your forefathers fought for and turn around and fight yourselves into slavery?

Can't you see how the crafty Tout of the alien financier sics you on to one another as he does dogs in the pit? Can't you understand how you become the tool of the smooth Tout who double-crosses and steers you into the blind alley of the Financier from whence there is no escape?

Can't you understand this terrible game after I have so thoroughly explained it to you; this horrible trick of making you believe that you can get something for nothing through the Interest Collection Swindle?

Can't you see how these swindlers make it lawful to defraud you by making you pay tribute to them for the use of money and credit that does not belong to them either according to God or the Constitution of the United States of America?

What are you going to do, Americans, let these Touts educate you to believe that a Dictator is better than the American form of Government?

Can't you see how easy it will be for the financier's Touts to some day suddenly ballyhoo you into a state of hysteria over the Radio and through the newspapers and get you to throw out the Politicians and the American form of Government and accept their Dictator as your whipping master?

The Direct Credits Society Stands for Capitalism that will give to everybody a purchasing power equal to their productive power, while a financial Dictator, such as they have in Europe, takes away from the farmers their purchasing power and farms and turns them all over to the Financier, who issues Interest Bearing Bonds on them and makes serfs of farmers who have to pay the interest on the Bonds upon the farms as long as they live.

The European financiers through their blood-thirsty Dictators keep the noses of the Merchants to the grind-stone with interest collecting tribute and taxes until they have them flattened. They wear the poor devils out trying to make a living and then throw them to the scrap-heap like squeezed lemons. They are pressed so hard with incessant grinding that they haven't enough strength left to read the writing upon the wall concerning their own doom. They don't have time to learn how it is done and some of them actually blame it on to a bugaboo they call Fate.

The financiers have certainly choked the life out of the factory owners in those countries now run by their Dictators.

They are also choking them to death here in America. They get the factory owner between a pair of pinchers and then squash him to a grease spot.

The financier lends money to the manufacturer to pay for raw materials and workmen's wages and then he, the financier, puts the prices upon the raw materials, the wages and the finished products. In this manner he trims everybody, including the consumer.

The workman wants more pay and the financier forces the manufacturer to give him less pay. Then the workmen go on strike and ruin the manufacturer's business.

That is just what the financier wants because the manufacturer,

being unable to pay his loan, is thereby forced out of business by foreclosure and the financier gets his business for the price of the loan that may be worth ten or twenty times the amount of it.

So by such methods most of the American manufacturers have lost their properties during the past few years.

But a more monstrous phase of corruption has also taken roots in America.

Different groups of financiers have already gotten control of the different industries, markets and banks and are now fighting among themselves for supremacy.

These different groups of financiers not only control their own industries, banks and markets but they also control their own manufacturers' associations, merchants' associations, farmers' associations, political parties and labor unions as well as their newspapers, magazines, screens, radios, libraries, schools and colleges.

So, the financiers have not only gotten control of all avenues of publicity and education in America but they have now entered into a life and death struggle between themselves to decide which gang is going to put in the dictator that will terrify and ride roughshod over the American people.

The worst part of it all is that they are going to egg the people on to whip and enslave themselves by dividing them into hostile camps and forcing them to hate and fight each other to a finish as they were forced to do in Spain recently.

Of course some of these international financiers call themselves Americans and they were actually born in this country, but nevertheless, they are in league with international financiers of other countries and they would just as soon skin an American as they would skin a Turk.

A financier knows but one game and that is, skin the people. So he skins you to a devil's taste no matter who you are. In fact, he makes you skin yourselves and then hand over to him your skins.

Master strategy, eh? One might laugh at such boobyery on the part of the people if it wasn't for the innocent children.

The grown-ups are responsible for upholding such a crazy system but the children had nothing to do with it. It's cowardly to force them to stand for it.

There is positively no hope for the people of the United States as long as they continue to take the advice of the touts of the financiers who betray them. There is no way they can learn how they are betrayed except through the Lawson Literature.

The people's coach, Lawson, knows these things because he spent a quarter of a century with financiers and knows their game and exactly how they intend to enslave the American people. He knows that it is the financier's tout whom the people trust that leads the people into ambush and has them skinned alive.

The people must first catch the touts and put them out of their organizations.

A Tout is one who leads a victim into the trap of a swindler.

The members of every organization should put their leaders on the spot to find out whether they are touts or not.

They should be forced to answer the following question, yes or no: SHALL WE ABOLISH INTEREST?

Never mind your slippery talk, the question is shall we Abolish Interest, YES or No?

If they say no, then you know they stand for the financier against the people.

They certainly do not stand for the people if they help the financiers to rob them.

The financiers, with the aid of their touts whom the people trust as friends and advisers, have already gouged the American people out of three-fourths of their properties.

Furthermore, they have also tied up the people to an interest bearing indebtedness of more than

\$300,000,000,000 (Three Hundred Billion Dollars) Federal, State, County, Municipal, Private and Public indebtedness.

The American people are now paying interest on money and credit of more than \$20,090,000,000 (Twenty Billion Dollars) annually.

As there is no more than \$4,000,000,000 (Four Billion Dollars) actually in the people's pockets today (not counting that laying dead in the vaults of the financiers), it can easily be figured out how the people are drained of four-fifths of their earning power by a bunch of slickers who give them nothing but abuse in return for it.

Now, red blooded Americans, where are you going to stand—with the touts of the financiers who tell you it is all right to pay tribute for the use of your own money and credit and then tax you out of your homes, farms, stores, factories and purchasing power as well as making you pay fees and dues for the privilege besides, or are you going to stand with the Direct Credits Society and Abolish Interest and Taxes altogether?

It must be either one or the other as there is no alternative course.

The Direct Credits Society stands for the American form of government and is opposed to an alien dictatorship. Which do you stand for, Americans?

The Direct Credits Society stands in defense of children and old folks and will see that your children and parents are protected and provided for, while the Slickers think that widows and orphans are their inalienable prey to be defrauded of everything a dead husband has left.

The American Form of Government is the freest kind of government on Earth. But the American People are not obtaining the full freedom their Constitution grants them. They have been losing it, piece by piece, until they are now in a precarious condition relative to their freedom.

The Constitution gives the people's representatives in Congress, assembled authority to "Coin money and regulate the value thereof," but the financiers by crooked credit maneuvers have stolen that prerogative from them and now regulate and utilize the American People's money system to skin them out of their earnings and properties.

Then they use part of the people's earnings to buy up all of their avenues of publicity and education to fool them and pay craven touts to make the people whip themselves into slavery.

Bankers should use their talents to help mankind, not degrade it by teaching and practicing swindling methods.

Interest can be abolished and those with money can invest it in wealth producing industries.

There is a big difference in investing money in industries that produce wealth and in tribute loans that defraud people out of their wealth.

Bankers should not become touts of the tribute collecting financiers who are responsible for starving innocent babies and feeble old folks.

Bankers do not have to be dishonest unless they want to be that way. Under Direct Credits Laws, Bankers will receive their pay from the United States Government to operate the People's Banks without interest charges.

Bankers will be happier working for the benefit of everybody than by working for crooked financiers.

Working under God's Natural Laws for the benefit of all His little children they not only will be happier but will be healthier, and, when they do not feed upon other people's earnings they will not be fed upon by hungry doctors.

Bankers, you should be too Proud to Cheat.

Under Direct Credits Laws there is also a chance for financiers to become honest and use their talents to build up industries instead of tearing them down. They can keep whatever money they have

on hand but they must invest it in new industries that will employ every man and woman who wants to work instead of keeping millions of people out of work by their crooked schemes.

The people all over the United States are joining the Direct Credits Society by the millions and are looking to Alfred Lawson for the truth in Economics. They have picked him as their Coach because they realize that he knows the cause of their troubles and will show how to eliminate them. They have learned that he understands the fundamentals of Economics such as no man has ever known before and that more than sixty years of all 'round practical experience along every avenue of human effort has fitted him to build up a perfectly balanced plan that will give Justice to Everybody and Harm Nobody.

The people have learned that Alfred Lawson is not against wealth that is acquired honestly although he has taken a vow to God, as a preventative against the loss of the people's confidence, to live and die a moneyless, propertyless man.

The people have also learned that Lawson is willing to sacrifice himself that they may have freedom and intelligence.

The Direct Credits Society now has a membership in every state in the United States. In Michigan it has more than 1,500,000 members. In metropolitan Detroit there are more than 600,000 members. About eighty-five per cent of the working people of Michigan are members. Almost all farmers in Michigan are members.

Any human being can join the Direct Credits Society to register his or her desire for Justice for Everybody, but those who would become officers must qualify as to good character and stability.

There are no fees nor dues in the Direct Credits Society. The officers work without pay and contribute to the support of the organization. Everybody will eventually become members of this great humanitarian movement. We do not interfere with your race, religious, political or personal inclinations. Of course officers have to abide by very strict rules or lose their officership. Our officers are told to help the people, not cheat them.

The Direct Credits Society is not affiliated with, nor in the least way interested, in any other organization on earth. Our job is to ABOLISH INTEREST and TAXES and not get mixed up in other things at all.

Just as soon as farmers, industrialists, merchants and workingmen learn to say ABOLISH INTEREST and TAXES in large enough numbers then you will stop the financier from swindling you out of your property and purchasing power and not before.

INTEREST and TAXES are the slickest pair of twin thieves that ever stole your earnings and must be abolished or nothing else counts.

But the Touts won't tell you that—no, the Touts won't tell you that. Nor will the financiers let me tell it to you over the radio. I must tell it to you through the Benefactor and you must tell it to others.

Would you please God and keep the American people out of slavery? Then see that this message is given to every farmer, merchant, manufacturer, professional and laborer in the United States. If you believe that TRUTH should prevail, then tell it to others as quickly as possible.

My first job in this life was to extirpate bugs that live upon the juices of potato plants. My last job may be to extirpate bugs that live upon the sweat of the bodies of human beings.

So, come on, people, and join the Direct Credits Society while I have the strength to lead you to victory. Delay will prove fatal. I am willing to die, if necessary, that you, your parents, your widows and your children may live and be free.