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NOT WHILE FINANCIERS RULE THE WORLD BY ALFRED LAWSON

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UNLESS YOU KNOW THESE THINGS YOU ARE NOT EDUCATED

An old soak used to say to me that talk is cheap but it takes money to buy whiskey.

At the present time people everywhere are giving a lot of cheap talk about peace, but they are paying a tremendous amount of money to buy war.

Every gazebo wants peace for himself, but he wants to raise hell with everybody else.

If that is the sort of peace wanted, then the way to get it is to turn over all of the money in the world to just one international financier, and he will raise enough hell on earth to suit everybody.

There are about two dozen international financiers in the world, and as long as they quarrel among themselves as to which gang is going to control all money and wealth, then there is no way for the people to get along without wars.

Now, get that straight, you peace talkers.

Understand, you will always have wars as long as you let financiers handle your money; and that is what you are doing all over the world today.

You are turning over four-fifths of everything you earn to a bunch of alien slickers. You let them handle your money until they become obsessed with the idea that it is their inalienable right, not only to use it as they like; not only to cheat you out of the largest part of your earnings through its manipulation; but that they have a right to enslave and horse-whip you besides.

Americans are so close to slavery that they are ready to tumble over the precipice toward it right now.

You don't know it because they feed you on dope; they feed you on liquor; they feed you on the funny papers to make you laugh like idiots; they feed you on Punch and Judy stuff over the radio; they feed you on degraded slop at the movies. So as long as they can make you contented with such an existence it is easy for them to take four-fifths of everything you earn.

The people of America must wake up.

The international financiers have been taking one country after another away from the people until they have them all tied up in a knot over in Europe.

One doesn't dare raise his voice against the governments under financial dictators in Europe. They will either shoot him or put him in a concentration camp and starve him.

The same international gangsters that are doing that in Europe today are the same financiers that are preparing to do it in America tomorrow.

Do you think there is any difference in the dictators of Europe? They're all the same—just common blood-hounds for the financiers.

Some people in this country say we ought to have a dictator here. Such fools should be sentenced to live in one of those European countries that are ruled by dictators as a punishment for advocating such horrors.

America is the best governed country in the world today. It isn't governed as well as it should be, but it is governed better than any other country that I know anything about.

The American Government allows you folks to come here and listen to me tell about the infernal financiers.

If you had a financial dictator in America now, he would not let you assemble here to learn how they skin you.

Do you think those dictators in Europe run those countries themselves? They are only the barkers who take their orders from the financiers. Before any one of those hounds can say what he is going to do, he must get his orders from the financiers.

How do these international swindlers who control your banks skin you out of your earnings?

Well, to begin with, they loan manufacturers money to buy materials and pay wages. Then they force them to pay such wages to the workmen as they stipulate.

When workmen see the manufacturer sitting in a great, big chair, in a great, big office, they say, "He is a mighty big man. We'll ask him to raise our wages." Little do they know that it is the financiers who decide the wage scale to be paid workingmen.

Financiers not only tell manufacturers what the wage scale is to be, but by controlling the markets they are able to force merchants to buy and sell products at their prices.

So financiers both decide the workingmen's wages and also the price he must pay for his living expenses. Yes, workingmen, the price of every mouthful of food that your wives, parents and babies eat is fixed by financiers.

Furthermore they not only rob the father through the wage scale and the baby through the price of its milk but they also steal their

homes and beds from them through their monstrous credit system.

Then to cap the climax, the financiers, after robbing the father through the wage scale and denying the baby milk by putting exorbitant prices on it and stealing the home and bed through crooked credit methods, actually get control of the workingmen's organizations and use them to ruin the business of the manufacturers and merchants so that they can get control of them. Yes, they force workingmen to ruin the manufacturer who gives them jobs to buy the homes that the financiers eventually steal from them.

International financiers control all avenues of publicity except the Direct Credits Society. They control hundreds of billions of dollars worth of property here in America. They are the most powerful and dreadful agency on earth today.

But as powerful as they are, and with as much money as they control, and with all of the wealth that they can use to buy human beings to do their dirty work, they haven't enough money nor wealth amongst all of them to buy the Commander-in-Chief of the Direct Credits Society.

Their dictators and touts frighten men. But here is a man who they haven't been able to frighten. Whenever one of their hirelings thinks of harming Lawson, something happens to him.

A greater power than financiers operates this life according to action and reaction and as Lawson never harms anybody, nobody ever harms him.

We keep track of slickers who try to harm the Commander-in-Chief of the Direct Credits Society or any of its officers. Something always happens to them. God protects Direct Credits Officers as long as they do what is right.

God wants the people to become more intelligent. He wants Everybody to be unselfish; He wants the people to work for all humanity; and as long as Lawson teaches God's principles to the people, He protects him.

Can you believe that God would protect Gold worshipping financiers or their touts? He allows them to punish one another, that's all.

Wherever you go these days, some fellow will tell you that you ought to have a government in America like they have in one

part of Europe, and another fellow will argue that you should stand on the principles adopted by another European Government. You find financial agitators everywhere trying to divide the American people into two European parts. Yes, American boys are beginning to punch each other over which dictator in Europe is right and which is wrong.

That is because two sets of international financiers are splitting the American people into two different parts. They are teaching them two sets of un-principles to fight about.

International Financiers are now engaged in putting out of business all American manufacturers. There are a few of them left who think they own their factories, but, only by the grace of financiers are they even allowed to operate them.

International financiers control all organizations in America except the Direct Credits Society. They control manufacturers' associations. I used to be a manufacturer myself and I know what I am talking about.

Manufacturers have to sweat blood to pay workingmen's wages. They have to sweat blood to meet the payments on the interest that financiers charge them for the use of the money that they have to pay to the laboring people for their labor.

They are made to sweat blood all of the time, borrowing money to pay the workmen's wages, pay for the raw materials; pay taxes; and pay interest to greedy financiers.

You would think the financiers would be satisfied with the tribute they extract from the factory owners but they are not. They entice them into manufacturers' associations and make them pay fees and dues to be robbed of their properties.

All of these organizations make members pay fees and dues to be robbed. As far as I know, the only organization in America that has no fees or dues is the Direct Credits Society. There is nothing that you have that we want to rob you of so we don't charge fees and dues to join our organization.

But worse, the financiers are not satisfied to get manufacturers to pay them interest, to get them to keep down the workingmen's wages, to get them to pay the interest and high taxes which go to pay for their interest, but they also foment strikes to ruin the factory owners as well.

Why ruin the factory owner? Because if the manufacturer owes them a million dollars on a ten million dollar plant and cannot pay that amount, they can foreclose and get a ten million dollar plant for the loan of a million.

Can't you understand that? There used to be twenty or more gangs of international financiers in America but according to wolf eat wolf methods it has now narrowed down to two combinations of international financial gangs in this country.

One combination got so tremendously powerful that they controlled almost all industries, stores, farms and homes so that forced other combinations to merge together and fight for their very lives. So two big gangs of international financiers are now fighting tooth and claw to see which will control all wealth in America and then put in a Dictator to enslave the people.

You don't read that in the newspapers. The owners are afraid to print it.

Why are the newspaper owners afraid to print what Lawson tells you? They know it's the truth.

Newspaper owners know that if they printed what Lawson told you, word for word, without fixing it up and making it look funny, that the financiers would say, "I'll close the mortgage on your plant right now."

These newspaper owners know what is going on. They know Lawson is telling the truth. They would like to tell you that Lawson is right, but they don't dare. They know that the freedom of the press is gradually being taken away from them. They know that unless something stops it pretty soon there is going to be no free press in this country. So they say, "We should like to get back of Lawson, but we can't." Then they add, "but we hope he wins the people's battle."

Pity the poor merchants who pay fees and dues in Merchants Associations to be robbed and put out of business.

Poor devils, they get up at four in the morning and work until midnight to eke out an existence and finally lose their stores anyway.

The cards are stacked against the merchants—the dice are loaded that they try to play with. There is positively no chance for final success for them unless they wake up and help to Abolish Interest.

Several million merchants lost

their stores since I began to tell them how to save themselves. They stagger along blindly without heeding my warnings until they flop out of business altogether. They say Lawson is right but the financier will squeeze us out of business if we holler.

But merchants, it is better to have the financier squeeze you out of business than to have God squeeze you out of heaven.

Stand for what is right, merchants. The financiers can eliminate you easier when you are wrong because you lose God's protection unless you are right.

Stand for what is right while you have the strength to do so.

I find that God looks after me when I stand for what is right. I gave up the accumulation of money when I founded the Direct Credits Society. I told my Maker, "I am going to live as a moneyless man—as a propertiless man."

The Creator tried me out by nearly starving me to death the first year. But He was merely testing my courage, the same as He tests the courage of these merchants to see what sort of stuff they are made of. When He found that I would actually go hungry and even starve if necessary, fighting for the protection of His innocent babies and feeble old folks, He then showered so much food at me that I now have a hard time keeping from growing fat.

So people, stand for what is right. Don't be afraid. Right always wins in the end, and wrong always loses in the end. It is the finish of a race that counts.

The Direct Credits Society stands for right and therefore it is going to win in the end. The international financiers stand for what is wrong and they are going to lose in the end.

Everything we do is either right or wrong. So, everybody, act right. Don't act wrong. You will get along all right if you act right. But you must make personal sacrifices. That is the way the Creator judges your value. He wants you to prove that you have good stuff in you.

So He lets you go hungry occasionally. He puts obstacles in your path to try you out. If you look at those obstacles and say, "I can't get over them," and you run away from them, He says, "Poor timber. I don't want him."

But if you say, "Obstacles! Come on, OBSTACLES, the more the better. Come on, I'll knock your blocks off," then the Creator will pat you on the back. You may not feel it, but He pats your spinal column, where you need it the most. He then says, "Good stuff. There's something in you." So He helps you to go on and do what is right. And He lets those who do what is wrong commit suicide.

Several thousand millionaires committed suicide since the international financiers got control of the American banks. The Creator may have sent the devil to urge them to go to it.

There are thousands of millionaires in this country today who are going to commit suicide unless they turn over a new leaf; unless they get into an honest game; and God Almighty is going to allow them to do it.

Now, you millionaires; if there are any of you here—I suppose most of you are out hooking fish today—but if there is just one, little peewee millionaire in this auditorium now, let me tell you, the international financier is going to take your million.

Have you an insane idea that you can keep your million when the people of the U.S.A., including yourself, owe the financiers an interest bearing indebtedness of more than Three Hundred Billion Dollars?

You say, "My property is all paid for."

That doesn't mean anything. They can tax you out of any property to pay back interest that the people of the United States owe to them. They can tax you out of any property that any of you people have, whether it is worth a hundred dollars or a million dollars. They can tax it and

take it away from you to pay what the people of the United States owe in back interest! So your property doesn't mean anything. They can take it away from you tomorrow if they want to, but they intend strangling you to death slowly. They say, "Give him a slow dose."

Now, are Direct Credits Laws going to take your property away from you? Of course not.

Direct Credits Society rules are based upon God's natural laws.

God doesn't do anything dishonest. It is only man who does dishonest acts.

We want you to hold it, because the workingmen could not organize and operate an industry. They haven't been schooled or trained for that sort of work. There must be men who can manage the plant; and as owners they have had the practical experience to know how to manage it.

Therefore we are not going to take away a factory from the practical owner and put it into the hands of impractical men who don't know how to operate it. We are not that dumb.

But we are going to stop those international financiers from

stand up on their feet like men. They are going to take that twenty billion dollars saved from the interest swindlers each year as tribute and raise the workingmen's purchasing power with it.

Now, workingmen, don't you want your purchasing power raised? Well, you are never going to get it raised as long as you fight for the financier against the manufacturer. Get that straight. You are fighting for the man who skins you. You are fighting for the man who puts the manager of your factory out of business.

You are fighting the man who

by making workingmen fight each other. They couldn't skin the people if they couldn't make them fight among themselves.

When the people whip themselves they all lose but either one side or the other of the financiers win.

The financiers don't want Lawson to explain these things to the people. So they won't let him talk over the radio. Think of it. Are they your friends, when they won't let Lawson talk to you over the radio? They'll let some skin talk to you, or they'll let some fellow crack a few funny jokes to you. But they won't let Lawson teach you how you can have five-fifths of everything you earn instead of one-fifth.

However the last eight years of my work have brought good results and we now have over two hundred thousand officers in the United States who have signed millions of people to our membership blanks.

We will let the world know how many millions of good law-abiding Americans have signed applications for membership as soon as we train enough genuine officers to work conscientiously for the rights of little children and feeble old folks.

The great mass of people want Direct Credits for Everybody. They are waiting for self-sacrificing and reliable leaders to guide them. Lawson will choose and train trustworthy leaders for the people as quickly as possible.

Only about one out of every thousand who sign for membership can qualify as officers. It takes several years to train reliable leaders.

Up in Michigan a short time ago, after I got through talking, an old farmer came up and whispered in my ear, "I've got a gun over home that I'll use whenever you say so."

Then I said, "We are not going to use guns."

"How are you going to lick 'em?" he asked.

"Well," said I, "There are so many people in the United States that want Direct Credits that all we will have to do when we are ready is to go to the polls and vote for it—that's what will lick the financiers. Enough people to vote for it."

We don't have to hate and shoot people to get Direct Credits. We have to play square with everybody and make them love us. If we hate people, they will hate us. Hate begets hate which leads to shooting one another. Nobody hates me nor wants to shoot me because everybody knows that I don't hate nor want to shoot anybody. Every act has a react. If your act is good, there is a good react. If your act is bad, there is a bad react. If you hate others, then others will hate you. Furthermore, your own hate harms you more than it does others.

Everybody should study the Direct Credits principles and learn how wonderful and fair they are. Know why they will not harm anybody. Learn how we can give everybody five-fifths of what they earn. Study all of our elevating literature and you will surely help the Direct Credits Society to win, not only for yourself but for your weak children and feeble parents.

Surely you will help to protect the little babies and feeble old folks, won't you?

Make up your minds right now, before you leave this hall, that you, too, are going to become officers in the Direct Credits Society and fight for the rest of your lives for the high principles that this humanitarian organization stands for.

That is the only way peace can be obtained as there can be no peace as long as swindling financiers rule the people.

So stop your cheap talk and spend your money—not to buy whiskey, as the old soak does—but to buy Peace on Earth and good will toward all mankind

SMOKE EVAPORATOR INVENTION OF ALFRED W. LAWSON

PATENT PENDING

SMOKE is a mixture of HEAT and SOOT. With the loss of TEMPERATURE, the SOOT loses its bouyancy and falls toward the center of the Earth.

According to the LAWSON LAW OF PENETRABILITY, the movement of all matter is caused by PRESSURE of substances of greater density toward substances of lesser density.

Therefore, the substance HEAT being of greater density than the substance COLD, HEAT presses toward COLD and is drawn toward it and is absorbed by it.

So, when HEAT is released by wood, coal or other combustible substances within a stove or furnace, it presses, and is drawn toward the lesser substance COLD and carries along with it solid particles, known as SOOT which passes through chimneys to the outer COLD beyond, where it is distributed throughout the surrounding air.

Then, as the HEAT is drawn from the SMOKE BY COLD, the heavier particles of SOOT are drawn by suction toward the center of the earth. Now, by the LAWSON PROCESS, the HEAT that is connected with SMOKE, is absorbed by COLD and causes the particles of SOOT to fall toward the center of the Earth by their own weight, which makes up-right chimneys useless because the SMOKE, having been relieved of HEAT which gives it buoyancy, the SOOT falls downward instead of being carried upward as heretofore.

The LAWSON SMOKE EVAPORATOR provides downward passageways of suitable size and shape that are surrounded by COLD that draws the HEAT from the SMOKE and thereby permits the SOOT to fall downward into suitable vehicles and be transferred back to the stove or furnaces as extra fuel instead of being wasted.

Thus, by this invention of Alfred W. Lawson the SMOKE nuisance can be prevented by the non-use of upward chimneys which belch forth their heated SOOT into the air and is sprinkled over everybody from above.

The scope of this invention is increased by the number of pipes that may be extended from every stove and furnace of an entire city and connected with central tunnels of sufficient size and draft capacity to free the largest metropolis of SMOKE altogether.

The dimensions of the different sized passageways can be calculated according to the quantity of the heated gases to be handled, the quantity of COLD and the quantity of space needed for producing a balanced operation in which the SOOT is successfully removed automatically by reason of its greater weight.

So as we work according to natural laws, we don't intend to take away property from anybody no matter how much or how little you have.

But while you may keep your own property according to Direct Credits Laws, we are not going to let you cheat other people out of their properties by making them pay tribute on money that doesn't belong to you.

If you've built a factory or business and paid for it, that belongs to you and we are going to let you make a profit from it. You manufacturers and merchants wouldn't work if we didn't let you make a profit. So we are going to let you work for the people who make the goods and we are going to let you take a profit—a reasonable profit—as your share for the work you put into it.

So you are not going to lose your plant under Direct Credits.

making factory owners pay heavy tribute and forcing merchants to raise the prices of products so that the workingmen are robbed of four-fifths of their earnings through the process.

These international financiers, together with the peewees, are forcing the people of the United States to pay twenty billion dollars in annual interest.

That isn't profit. That is TRIBUTE.

So Direct Credits for Everybody will stop the TRIBUTE but not the profit.

Profit is that part of the earnings of a concern that the owner is entitled to for the work he puts into the product.

Tribute, that defrauds people out of their earnings through interest and credit is not profit; it's robbery.

So we are going to let the manufacturer, merchant and farmer

gives you the job to buy a home and feed your little ones so that you will lose your job and so the financiers can take your home away from you and starve your loved ones. You do it because you are double-crossed by your so-called friends—the touts of the financiers.

Then after the financiers have gotten you to help them put out of business the manufacturers, merchants and farmers, they are going to show their contempt for you by disorganizing all of your labor unions just as they have done over in Europe after they got control of everything and put in their blood-thirsty dictators.

Yes, you fight for the fellows who steal your home against the co-laborer who helps you to get it. There is no sense to that.

To do what is right, we must extirpate this infernal interest collecting swindle. Swindlers live