

This appears to be another "presentation", possibly to a young-people's group. At first, I thought it was written at the same time as the "Indian" paper, but on further scrutiny, I see a reference to a CCF member "Telford" and Liberal "Weir" which puts it around 1935 or so, before Mom and Dad were married. I think the date is significant because put in the context of the 1950s or later it comes off as a bit naive, but in the time frame of the depression and mom's deepening relationship with Dad, it seems more "current". I think mom grew up in a family which grew through years of stress and deprivation (flood, failed homestead etc.), moving to the "land of milk and honey" where they could live in large houses and find enough employment to enjoy a happy family and social life. All this provided by a seemingly successful capitalist system. During the depression "the other side" becomes increasingly visible to mom, undoubtedly aided and abetted by Dad's views.

You have ~~not~~ doubt listened to a number of political speeches by C.C. F. candidates and perhaps you are tired of hearing about them. But I'm going to present the C.C. F. idea in a series of pictures.

All great educators, even our worthy liberal candidate, Dr. Weir, will tell you that a better understanding is ~~got~~ obtained by pictures.

In presenting these pictures, I want you to form your own opinions.

All thoughtful people are distressed about the great extremes of wealth and poverty that are so evident today.

Let us consider, first the homes - those of the rich and those of the poor. Contrast the two.

Take some of the homes along Marine Drive, for example. They are an example of an overabundance of wealth and luxury. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are spent on these homes. The gardens are very extensive and costly. Inside these palatial homes are found every modern convenience. The furnishings are most elaborate and expensive, even going to the extent of having gold door knobs, as one of the new homes is rumoured as having.

The idle rich of these homes are waited upon by a retinue of servants.

The children are constantly in the care of their nurses and tutors, thus relieving the mothers of their worry and responsibility.

These privileged children have unlimited space for their games and exercise.

Their clothes, too, are of the very best and most expensive. Stomped with their jewels and furs are driven about in

their high-powered cars.

Take the father of one of these families homes. He usually spends only a few hours at his office, while the rest of his time is spent on the golf course or at the horse races or other places of amusement. If he feels like taking a day or a week off, he is able to do so, without consulting anyone.

The majority of these wealthy people have no financial worries - a lot of their money is invested in tax-deductible bonds (another case of exploiting the small tax-payer).

These are just a few pictures showing the great advantages of wealth. This is the world's money-making age. There has never been such an accumulation of wealth by the few.

Let us look now at another picture. Is this one as pleasing?

Take some of the homes in the East End, or other parts of the city, where the less fortunate people live. The shabby, dilapidated houses with their few square yards of ground do not present a very cheery home atmosphere. The interior is even less pleasing than the exterior. A table and a few chairs or boxes and an old stove usually complete the furnishings of the living-room. The doors are half-off their hinges and often lack door-knobs entirely.

There are no retinue of servants, or nurses for the children, - but the mother working from morning till night, cooking over a hot stone, washing and scrubbing to keep her small home looking as neat and clean as possible. Sometimes you will find more than one family in one of these tumble-down shacks, so that the little ones have little room to play.

Outside, the small yards are not sufficient for their games, so the children must play in the street.

Often these ch. are very ill-clad. They may be seen wearing the very scantiest clothing in the ~~coldest~~ ^{hottest} of weather.

The mothers are so busy working and planning to make the food and clothes hold out that they have little time for relaxation. The only time they may leave their duties is to rush down to some bargain sale, providing they have the money.

The father of one of these families nearly always is one of the large army of unemployed, who has to depend on relief for the bare necessities of life. His idle hrs. are spent walking the streets in hopes of finding work.

When one is rewarded by finding a job he is little better off than before. Very often he works 18 hrs. a day for the small wage of 15¢ an hr.

If he is lucky and has been working steadily for some time, he dare not take a day, nor an hr. off, for fear of losing this job.

Now is his mind ever free from the strain of its financial burden.

If he owns his own home, he is continually afraid of losing it, or if he has rent to pay, he has to skimp to save enough to pay it.

Such is the existence of the less fortunate.

Here you have the two pictures of wealth & poverty. Should this great division exist? What an influence has wealth. Its power and influence is beyond all calculation.

What a new seriousness men everywhere are in the quest of a new & sounder civilization.

Are we going to keep on with this system? - in which some have all while others have none the result of the capitalistic system.

How can we redeem these "haunts of wretchedness and need"?

The C. C. F. stands for a new civilization. It is a dominion wide movement for better homes, better clothing, better food, more education - in short, a more abundant life.

Their motto is "Humanity First." All men are brothers - not merely brothers in name, but br. in fact - with a common blood, common interest and a com. cause. The welfare of one is the concern of all of us.

Under the C. C. F. the old system will change. Mr. Telford himself will tell you how they will be brought about.

Let us look now at our picture

when the proposed changes are made.

He will no longer see ~~within~~ side by side the two extremes of, the opulence of the homes of ~~the~~ some and the poverty of others, but all will have comfortable homes, all necessary conveniences for the homes.

There will be no unemployed - no hungry, weary men tramping the streets, begging for work, but all will have employment.

They will receive also the full value of the product of their labor and those who produce nothing will receive what they produce, nothing.

No longer will the ch. of the rich man be better clothed than those of the poor laborer. But each man receiving the full value of his labor, will be able to clothe his family according

Exploitation ~~of~~ or the power of one man to live off the product of another man will be at ^{an} end. All must render, if able, some useful service.

No longer will the rich be able to accumulate wealth, not having to worry about the future, while the poorer man, if he has a job, dreads ^{losing} and thereby losing his small means of existence. But the fear of want and poverty will be removed - all ch. will be given an equal opportunity of education, and the aged and disable will be pensioned & protected.

This will be accomplished ^{only} if every man and woman recognizes his or her duty and votes on Nov. 2.