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## SOME LLLUSIONS OF GOVERMENT

 OF GOVERMENTA few days aoo The Pilot was
given a book calling attention to
the dangers of Communism, or
Socialism, or Sovietism, or whatever term may be used to specify the particular thing considered.
An opinion was asked. Inasmuch An opinion was asked. Inasmuch
s scientific men have been divid-
ed on this subject for generaed on this subject for genera-
tions, or to be more specific,
since the morning stars first sang togethorning is sard firs
sing the province of
in country
newspaper to settle the matter newspaper to settle the matter
At any rate as it was settle
with the primal law of life and existence, a law that was laid
down at the same time that those other fundamental laws were
given their power, the working of the law is fairly well estab-
lished without much outside
hel heip.
Socialism is a word that is va-
riously interpreted. The current riously interpreted. The current
acceptation of its meaning| de-
pends on how you want to unpends on how you want to un
derstand $i t$. Volumes have been written, and sciences laid down
with socialism for the founda-
 roetically we are all for govern
ment. Government is socialism Actually we are all individualist and we accept a certain socialist
restraint under the belief that
socialism has good features. socialism has good features
Government has had a feeble domination over men as far back
as we know. Steadily it has de-
veloped a stronger hold, until at
the present it assumes a highly the present it assumes a highly
centralized form, so much so
that a reaction is setting in
which has for its manifestation a which has for its manifestation
growing disregard for law. N.,
body knows the multitude of laws, and very few people reall.
entertain a serious intent to ob
serve more than a limited few of

Individualism does not protest
much against the law, but simply shows indifference. Yet our gov-
ernments become more socialistic year by year. Our legislat:ire
this year took control of the
roads, the schools, and other
minor factors of human relation minor factors of human relation
and action. The Federal govern-
ment is steadily encroaching on individual freedom. Russia, in
its sovie'ism, Italy in its fascism have gone a little farther in their
brutal crudeness than we have brutal crudeness than we have
but probably they have done no
more violence to individual free dom. We talk about a government of the majority, but we are and the chairmen of a few com-
mittees. Our revolutions are confined so far to political leaders. for we do not allow too many the big game. We may all vote,
but we vote for what the speaker of the house permits to be-
come an issue. Socialism infers a common
movement for the goo movement for the good of so-
ciety. But it becomes absolute
domination of all his rights and privileges, and through the idea of a govern-
ment in which control is centered it puts our congress and legislature, which in turn are center-
ed on their presiding officers ed on their prestraing us as far
Government rill
as men are willing to submit, or as men are willing to submit, or
as far as they will go without
revolt. And that is where we are. Russia is working out its problem. Russia is experimenting with more or less promise some curious successes. We
tying a few hard knots in tying a few hard knots in


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