

WISCONSIN HIS COMPERS PLAN

State Federation Officers Denounce His Capitalist Affiliations

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Fond du Lac, Wis., July 15.—The political plans of President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor will be denounced before the sixteenth annual convention of the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor, which opens here today, by both the secretary-treasurer, Fred Brockhausen, and the general organizer, Frank J. Weber. The Social Democratic party will be recommended. The new political scheme of the American Federation of Labor, General Secretary-Treasurer Brockhausen's report will say, "is ominous in its worst sense. It cannot fail to lead organized labor in a dead-end of trouble. By being dragged into discussions or support of politics and politicians foreign to its own class interests and by permitting the commercialists or their henchmen to disseminate in the union meetings matters which have nothing in common with the cause of the organized wage-earners, the trouble always feared by labor—Gompers is bound to spread like wild fire."

"Jugglery by Our Leaders"

"If the capitalist politicians and the judiciary had ever, in any considerable degree, in their legislative actions or decisions, favored the wealth producers there would not now be any reason for them to plan and scheme for the votes of the workers."

"In view of the black eye given organized labor by the Sixteenth congress and so many of its predecessors and the bunch of 'lemons' handed the American Federation of Labor by the United States Supreme Court, including the many unfavorable decisions against organized labor generally by the courts throughout the country, it seems to me that we have arrived at a point where the old and contemptible political juggling by our leaders should be buried forever and that our officials everywhere should appeal to the manhood of the two million organized wage-workers for independent political action."

"As for Wisconsin, the foundation for true and logical unionism at the ballot-box is laid. The labor political party here has already an excellent record to its credit. Its sphere of activity, however, can be immediately enlarged upon the practical participation of the union men in the state. In fact its doors are open and it is ready to do your bidding. By its democratic system of government the membership in this party through its voting power, dictates its policies and selects its own servants."

Should Join Socialists

"By combining our economic interests as trade unionists with the Social-Democratic party the labor political party of Wisconsin, the work of all who seriously wish to elevate political juggling to a more practical basis, is done. Our movement, by getting away from the present chaotic differences, will at once become clear and concise and thus we will succeed in gaining the respect and confidence of all who are ready to co-operate against the tyrannical misrule of the capitalist parties."

To Defeat the Power of the Injunction

"To defeat the power of the injunction, General Organizer Weber will advise the energetic prosecution of an educational campaign in the rural districts and speaking of politics and the Gompers plan will say:

"The only weapon which is left to labor and which must be used by it without delay for its protection is the class-conscious political ballot. This weapon is yet left in the hands of labor and with it we can counter the profits, living class and its allies—the courts."

Annihilate Whole System

"I have shown the way in which organized labor can defeat the power of the injunction and now it is up to the individual members to use the most powerful weapon in their possession—the ballot—and annihilate the whole capitalist system."

Some Four Score or More Officers of National and International Unions

after two days of deliberation, decided on the political policy that is to be carried out by the American Federation of Labor. The document they present contains:

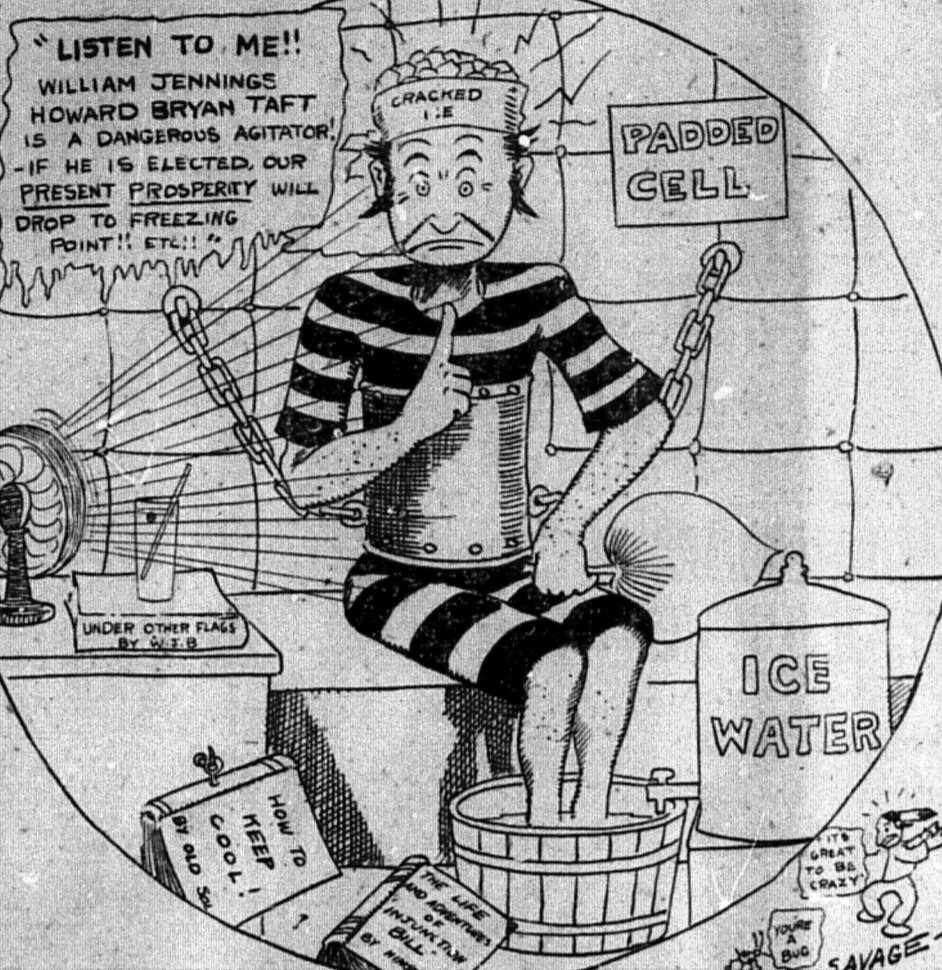
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TOLSTOY IN DEER PINE AGAINST CZAR, TAFT'S FRIEND

London, July 15.—The Daily Chronicle today prints three columns of the most passionate indictment ever penned by Count Leo Tolstoy, the Russian author of the present system of "government by execution," in Russia. Tolstoy bitterly execrates the bloody rule of the czar, whom William H. Taft traveled around the world to see. "I can no longer endure it," writes Tolstoy. "I write this so that either inhuman deeds may be stopped or my connection with them may be snapped and I be put in prison, where I may be clear, and may push me also off a bench so by my own weight I may tighten the well soaped noose around my old throat."

After describing wholesale executions in general, Tolstoy says: "All this is carefully arranged and planned by the learned and enlightened people of the upper class. They arrange to do these things secretly at daybreak and they so subdivide the

HEAT AND CAMPAIGN TOGETHER



—ARE HARD ON THE CITIZENS

MOYER HAS NO FAITH IN PLANK

He Says Labor Clause in Bryan Platform Is Worthless

Denver, Col., July 15.—President Charles H. Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners has no faith in the labor plank of the Democratic platform. He believes that the judiciary would interpret any laws enacted by the Democrats against labor. He says more laws would be useless if they are to be viewed as the present ones are. For Voters to Decide In his annual report before the sixteenth annual convention of the Western Federation of Miners, submitted at the opening session yesterday, President Moyer said: "There has just adjourned in this city a national convention of one of the old political parties. Before the committee of this convention there appeared labor representatives praying that might be inserted in the Democratic platform an anti-injunction plank. These prayers, as I am informed, were granted, and it is now for the voters of the United States to decide whether this party should be placed in power. Far be it from me to say anything or do anything that might interfere with labor's efforts, organized or unorganized, to temporarily better its condition, but have was any assurance or reason to expect an interpretation of these laws favorable to labor if they are enacted?"

"What Hope Have We?"

"Mr. Mitchell is quoted as being particularly gratified at having included in this plank the right of the workers to organize. When we remember that federal judges, by their interpretation of the laws, have vested supreme power to the executive of a state, and that no court would inquire into his acts, and when, as Mr. Mitchell says, the supreme court of the land has so construed the laws as to make it a crime for labor to organize, what have we to hope for by placing further laws on the statutes?"

Moral Evil Is Terrible

Tolstoy, instancing the shocking spread of greed among the Russians to obtain money by executing condemned prisoners, declares: "As well as are the deeds themselves, the moral and spiritual poison which they produce is incomparably more terrible." Tolstoy argues at length that both the revolutionists and the Russian government are pursuing the same objects, viz. the same criminal means and that if there is any difference it is in favor of the revolutionists.

REACTION IS ON IN LOS ANGELES

Persecution of Socialists Denounced by a Big Capitalist Paper

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Los Angeles, Cal., July 15.—The Herald is beginning to take the part of the Socialists now that Socialist women are in jail just about with the venom with which the cells abound. In an editorial which denounces "Tory Provincialism" the paper attacks the city authorities for the stand they have taken and clearly tells the police commission that its action has been and is illegal.

Editorial Attacks City

The editorial says: "Los Angeles has now presented to the world in the ungracious role of an oppressor of a delicately nurtured, scholarly, refined woman, who, as a result of a political belief which is as dear to them as religion, have insisted on speaking in public and have not obtained official permits because of their construction of the constitution of the United States leads them to believe that official permits are no more necessary for making street speeches than for publishing newspapers and selling them on the streets."

Calls Action on Outrage

"If the women who are charged with speaking publicly are detained in jail until the dates in late October set for their trial we have no hesitation in saying that their restraint will be a national outrage and a disgrace to the United States. It puts the great political parties in an especially awkward fix, as it brings up the question of inequality of all open air meetings unless held under special local red tape conditions. But of course they are legal. With the constitution before us we cannot question it for a moment and yet remain good Americans. We hope the city of Los Angeles will not yet have to pay dearly damages for the Tory provincialism of the enforcers of a 'city ordinance' which contravenes and defies an explicit provision of the supreme constitution of the land we live in. Whether or not our city may have to pay in damages it is only too certain. He is already paying in reputation."

The Municipality Will Win No Honor

by hurling women who acted not on impulse but on their honest belief that they were doing their duty and serving the best interests of their country. When citizens of Los Angeles realize exactly what has happened and what is happening they will be their mortification and grief to their shame."

Will Stay Till Laid

In the Record the following account of the conditions under which the Socialist women live is told by Mrs. Cloudesley Johns: "We are all firm in our determination to remain in jail to the limit," said Mrs. Cloudesley Johns. "Though we have been forced to extremities in order to keep clean, Matron Pheley has been over-kind to us."

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NEGROES READY TO AID BRYAN

Taft's Colored Foes Being Merged Into Big Organization

Washington, D. C., July 15.—According to the Rev. J. Milton Waldron, D. D., of Washington, the negroes of the country are becoming engaged in a formidable movement against Taft. Dr. Waldron says that all the anti-Roosevelt and anti-Taft negro organizations and their sympathizers among colored people are being merged with the National Negro American Political League, of which he is president. He says that the league is determined to support Bryan and that it will conduct a campaign of its own among the colored people of every state with the object of defeating Mr. Taft.

Send Telegram to Bryan

Along this line the following telegram was sent to the party headquarters: "The Hon. William J. Bryan, Fairview, Lincoln, Neb.—We congratulate you upon your nomination to the presidency by representatives of the American people—not by hirings of a boss—and we predict your election next November by a handsome majority. Judging from assurances given us by our people throughout the North and West, you will receive 75 per cent of the colored vote."

President Urges Negro American Political League

Dr. Waldron said Bryan and other leaders of the party have given their league sufficient assurance that if Bryan is elected he and the Democratic party will treat the colored man with due consideration. Nearly all members of the executive committee of the Negro American Political League, of the number are the Rev. Mr. Crothers, pastor of the American Episcopal Zion church, and the Rev. George W. Lee of the Vermont Avenue Baptist church, the largest colored congregation in this city. Dr. Waldron is pastor of the Shilo Baptist church.

It is asserted that the league has a membership of 70,000 through its various branches and organizations in its affiliation with it. The reasons for the proposed political departure of the black race are set forth in a statement prepared and published by the Rev. Dr. Waldron.

Negroes Pledge Support

Lincoln, Neb., July 14.—P. C. Thomas of Kansas, W. F. Scott of Illinois and George E. Taylor of Iowa, colored men representing the executive committee of the Negro Anti-Taft League, today pledged on Bryan and pledged to him the support of the league, which they said represented thirty-seven states of the Union. Their main efforts, they announced, would be directed to the states of New York and Indiana.

BROWN; ARISES FOUR HOURS LATER AND AETS FOR FOOD

Vienna, Mo., July 15.—Promised dead and laid out on a board death, awaiting the undertaker's arrival, Peter Frey, a farmer whose body had been taken from the Gasconade river, arose and asked for food. This was four hours after Frey had apparently lost his life by drowning. He now is apparently in no worse for his remarkable experience. Frey was swimming in the Gasconade river, when he became entangled in its seine ropes and he sank. His body was recovered with a grappling hook and he was carried home, supposedly dead.

DAVENPORT REFORMER IS SLUGGED FOR PROSECUTING

Davenport, Iowa, July 15.—The saloon troubles agitating the citizens of Davenport so much of late by the enforcement of the public law were renewed yesterday when George Schoenic was set upon by a mob as he was leaving the courthouse and slugged. Schoenic barely escaped with his life and confined in a hospital. This makes the third person assaulted this year for prosecuting saloon keepers in Davenport.

SAMPLE BALLOTS SIX FEET LONG

Blanket Ticket for August Primaries Is Also Seven Feet Wide

The size of the sample ballots and tickets for the August primaries has astounded the election commissioners. One is built in the shoe-string shape and starts at the ceiling. When it reaches the floor there is enough left to make a good-sized door mat. Another is fatter and longer than the shoe string. Its length is in the width and its fatness in its length. If Robert E. Peary had taken one along with him to the arctic regions he would find it a first-rate blanket.

The third is the safest and sanest from a utilitarian viewpoint, but it is confronted with a question of law which Attorney Frank Ayers for the election which proposes to resolve into its favor. It is a little more than two feet long by a little less than two feet wide.

Ballot Is Six Feet Long

The law says that the names of candidates shall be printed "in a column." Powell has done some figuring with the lists of candidates at his disposal and estimates the length of the Republican and Democratic ballots as between six and seven feet. The sample is six feet three inches long now and more candidates for the municipal court are coming in. Just how a voter would manipulate this shoe string is not explained by the law, although Representative David Shanahan called attention to the problem when the act was being framed. The chances are that a number of the free and independent would step on it and tear off about half.

No Press Big Enough

Furthermore, Powell has the word of W. J. Hartman, the board's printer, that there isn't a press in town which can print it all in one piece, and that if there were such a press there is no cutter which can cut it.

Powell has counted up forty-two Republican candidates for the county board and forty-five Democratic candidates for the same office. This makes a total of eighty-seven names. The known facts are not so bad as the theory on which the executive committee of the municipal court, with more coming. The known facts are not so bad as the theory on which the executive committee of the municipal court, with more coming. The known facts are not so bad as the theory on which the executive committee of the municipal court, with more coming.

Ticket Seven Feet Wide

The big blanket ticket which was prepared is more than seven feet long. It is a sheet of paper, long and narrow, which in the fire department would have to be summoned to retrieve him for his loving friends and relatives.

Hit By Coercive Law

Germany.—The new imperial union law which rolls the young workers and their right to organize has gone into effect. On the evening previous a public meeting was held in Berlin at which nearly 4,000 young workers were present. A speaker from the country to start a young workers' organization, a member of the reichstag, the crowd marched through the streets singing Socialist songs. One group was set upon by the police, who pressed upon the young workers with drawn sabers and set police dogs upon them. Those arrested were grossly insulted and two of them were gagged. Four of them are being prosecuted.

COLE SEES NEED OF SOCIALISTS

George E. Cole, president of the Municipal Voters' League, who has had long experience in fighting corruption among the old parties in Chicago, yesterday admitted that the time has passed when public service corporations can be run for private profit, and asserted that it would be a good thing to have a bunch of Socialists in the state legislature.

"The ideal legislature," said Cole, in a public statement, "would be composed of a large extent, a few members of Republican and Democrats, but with the Socialists and Prohibitionists holding the balance of power. I am an individual, not a Socialist, but I realize that the Socialists must sooner or later be included in the party politics before we get anywhere near the ideal government."

"The unearned increment that has given us our gas meters and our franchise barons, etc., should hereafter be exploited for the benefited of the body politic, and not individuals. The time has gone by when we can raise the money by direct taxation of property to meet the demands of our modern cities. Part of our money to give us the ability to take proper care of the halt and the blind and our

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SHAH'S KIN DESERT PERSIA; ASK ASYLUM IN TURKEY

Frankfurt, July 15.—The Frankfurter Zeitung's correspondent at Constantinople says the brother of the Shah of Persia, Shuhas-Sultaneh, and the latter's son, Path Ali Mirza, have begged the sultan for asylum in Turkey.

EMPLOYER LASHED TO PIER AND IS LEFT TO DIE

New York, July 15.—Lashed to a pier in front of Mrs. Frank Gould's residence at Greenwich Court, Dominic Bond, a superintendent of construction on a sea wall being built there, was left to die by his workmen, who believed him drowned. Bond had been in swimming and was taken with cramps. He sank twice and when he came up unconscious some of the men, seeing him dead, passed by him and left him to his fate. He was not seen until he was found by a fisherman and taken to a hospital.

ZU EULENBERG AGAIN TOO ILL TO STAND COURT TRIAL

Berlin, July 15.—The case of Prince Philip zu Eulenberg, who is being tried on charges of perjury in connection with the court scandals of last year, again had to be postponed on account of the mental and physical weakness of the defendant. The chief surgeon of the charity hospital, where the prince is held in confinement, notified the court yesterday morning that the prince was not well enough to be taken to the courthouse, which is about a mile distant from the hospital.

STORM OUTFLOW BAND AND KILL FOURTEEN OF THEM

Manila, P. I., July 15.—Lieutenants Burr and Whitney, commanding a detachment of the constabulary, attacked and stormed Cotac on the island of Mindanao, which was occupied by the outlaw Uyan. Fourteen of the outlaws were killed and two were captured. Lieutenant Burr was slightly wounded, and one private was seriously wounded.

HUSBAND OF MRS. THOMPSON HELD; STORIES CONFLICTING

Edward Thompson, husband of Mrs. Frances Gilmore Thompson, the woman found strangled in her apartments at 1242 Michigan avenue, was locked up yesterday as a witness pending further investigation into the crime. His detention was a surprise to Thompson, who came to Chicago from Minneapolis Monday night without coercion, accompanied by William H. Thompson, Inspector Wheeler, who, after considerable questioning, concluded that Thompson was not telling the whole truth. The Inspector of the new Detective team to Minneapolis, Minn., to check up on the man's statements.

STEEL TRUST'S MINE TRACKS BLOWN UP WITH DYNAMITE

Birmingham, Ala., July 15.—The track of the Republic Iron and Steel company between the mines at Sayreton and Arson, Ala., was blown up with dynamite yesterday. Notice was posted by the Tennessee company at William in the western part of Jefferson county that houses of the company occupied by union men must be cleared by July 16. A statement from the miners' headquarters yesterday was to the effect that the men remaining at work are Americans, the colored men and foreigners coming out with the union.

YOUNG WORKERS SHOW ACTIVITY

Bulletin Shows Progress of Junior European Organizations

The bulletin of the International Federation of Socialist Young Peoples' Organizations dated June 15 has been received. Extracts from it follow: Denmark.—At the congress of the Ungdomsforbundet held in Fredericia a resolution was adopted calling upon the young workers to join their trades and voting unions as soon as qualified to do so. In order to lighten the educational work, the executive was requested to create a traveling library and it was decided to commence an energetic campaign for the improvement of the legal conditions and to combat the existing evils in the lot of the apprentices. Copenhagen was decided upon as the center of activities and T. Andersen Gadstrup was elected chairman. The next congress will be held Easter, 1909, in Odense.

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Crew Turns Socialist

Stephen M. Reynolds, the well-known Indiana Socialist, was with Debs and related an amusing and suggestive incident of the trip from Milwaukee. In some way the crew of the boat went out who was on board and a series of impromptu meetings and discussions were held, which resulted in the entire crew declaring their intention to vote Socialist next November.

Those who have been worried about the health of the presidential candidate were reassured at once by his appearance. Not for years has he looked as well as today, and there is every reason to believe that his work in the coming campaign will be of greater power and filled with more enthusiasm than even those of the past.

DAYTON POLICE NAB SOCIALISTS

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Dayton, O., July 15.—On a charge of violating a city ordinance two Socialist speakers, Frank Midway and D. P. Farrell, were arrested here while speaking on a street corner. Both speakers were in the midst of an interesting recital and the audience was deeply interested in their talk when the police came and without deliberation arrested both.

MAN, AGED 57, IS ACCUSED BY ELEVEN YEAR-OLD GIRL

Albert G. Weston, 230 Forest avenue, was arrested today by the police of the station on an accusation of the ten-year-old Sophie Peterson, 11 years old, who asserted that Weston had assaulted her. According to the police, disclosed the fact that other little girls had been similarly mistreated by him. Weston is said to be 57 years old.

VICE WAR IS EFFECTIVE WHEN REAL ESTATE DROPS \$1,000,000

A mighty howl has been raised against vice in the Douglas neighborhood on the south side, now that property has decreased to the extent of \$1,000,000. The conditions have stirred the citizens of the Third ward, represented in the Douglas Neighborhood Association, to raise the arrest of eight vice keepers. Secondary to the depreciation of the real estate, the homes of the members of the association have been disturbed by the noise of the carousals. The district covered lies between Cottage Grove and Indiana avenues and Thirty-first and Thirty-fifth streets, and in this radius disorderly arrests have been operated close to the homes of the business men of the ward.

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PICK TICKET IN NORTH CAROLINA

Socialist Gathering Ends in Adopting Platform and Constitution

Winston-Salem, N. C., July 15.—Socialists met in state convention here and nominated a full ticket for the coming election, besides adopting a platform and a constitution.

Office Under Democrats
The credentials committee was out a half hour or more and upon its return the secretary read the list of delegates who were entitled to participate in the convention.

Bradford State Secretary
Winston was chosen for the State headquarters for the next two years and W. T. Bradford of this city was elected secretary.

Many Locals Represented
The roll call showed the presence of delegates from the following localities: Granite Falls, Greensboro, Salisbury, Pottsville, Lewisville, Spencer, Gastonia, Washington, Waynesville, Wilson, Hickory, Aurora, Davidson, Callege, Madison, King and Wilkes.

The afternoon session was called at 2:00 and the reports of the constitution and platform committees were called for. There were not ready at the moment and some delay was caused in speech making.

Complete State Ticket
The following is the complete state ticket: For Governor—J. A. Transon, Pottsville.

For Attorney General—Dr. J. W. Sumner of Davidson College. For Auditor—E. L. Barkley of Spencer.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction—N. R. Pickett of Madison. For Treasurer—Commissioner—R. J. Morton of Greensboro.

For Commissioner of Labor and Printing—R. J. Smothers of Winston. For Commissioner of Agriculture—P. E. Burke of Forsyth.

For Electors at Large—H. H. Lane of Aurora and J. E. Bean of Asheville.

nothing new—the same old rot in politics is recommended: "Defeat your enemy and reward your friend."

Gives Eight Reasons
I am opposed to the political policy of the American Federation of Labor for the following reasons: Because both the Republican and Democratic parties are antagonistic to organized labor.

RECTOR ACCUSED BY CHORUS
The resignation of the Rev. Robert Morris Kemp, rector of St. Chrysostom's Protestant Episcopal church, against whom sworn accusations were made by several chor boys, was accepted yesterday by the wardens and vestrymen of the church after a stormy two hours meeting in the office of Vestryman F. E. Norcross in the Commercial National Bank building.

BOY, 18, IS HANGED FOR MURDER AT NEW CASTLE
New Castle, Pa., July 15.—Rosario Serge, 18 years old, was hanged here today for the murder of Arthur Boniti at Hillville, June 11, 1932. The youth maintained until the last that he had killed Boniti in self-defense.

NO DEATH FROM FOURTH REPORTED IN NEW YORK
New York, July 15.—The health department has not received the report of a death due to tetanus from Fou... of July 15.

Lawyers in Tilt in Adams' Trial

Day Taken by Clashes Between Witnesses and Attorneys

Grand Junction, Colo., July 14.—Court adjourned yesterday till Monday. The day was filled with clashes between counsel and incoherent testimony by the star witness for the state, Ruppels.

Was Blood and Thunder
The testimony of Ruppels was blood and thunder all the way through. It was only equalled by the testimony of Bulkeley Wells himself and Mills, one of Wells' employees, who told how Adams had interrupted a friendly game of cards to tell of blowing up the Independence depot in company with Orchard and of the lifting of a variety of bombs.

Wells Tells Just How
Wells, in reply to Hogg's question, gave an account of his trip with Ruppels to Orchard and his conversation with Adams at that time.

Was to Get \$1,000
Wells then told that Adams had said that the killing of Collins and others had been contracted for with the executive board of the I. O. O. F. in Denver for a compensation of \$1,000.

Show Stars and Stripes
When the result of the hammer throwing was announced, it being the first final of the fourth Olympiad, the stars and stripes were run up on the arena flagstaff to announce that the United States had gathered in the first event of the best of the series.

In Cycling Events Also
The Americans made their first appearance today in the cycling events. Wents and Cameron having been drawn in the third and fourth heats of the 20-kilometer race, the final of which will be run in the afternoon.

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NEW JAPANESE CABINET TO BE ANNOUNCED TODAY
Tokyo, Japan, July 15.—The announcement of the formal appointment of the new cabinet is expected this afternoon. It is probable that the portfolios will be distributed as follows:

Foreign secretary—Count Komura, now ambassador to England (until Count Konawa's return, Viscount Teraji will act in his stead).

Department of justice—Viscount Okabe. Department of education—M. Komatsu.

Department of agriculture, commerce and industry—M. Tanihara, president of the South Manchurian railway.

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MINERS OBJECT TO EXAMINERS Refuse to Appear Before Board; One Member Is a Nonunionist

West Frankfort, Ill., July 15.—The board of examiners appointed by the circuit court judges of this district for Franklin county to meet the requirements of the new miners' law, making it imperative for all miners in the state to be examined, is very unsatisfactory to the miners of this county and they will not appear before this board.

Nonunionists on Board
The union miners feel that they have been insulted by the appointment of a non-union Ziegler miner as a member of the board and say that the other two men are incompetent.

Members of the Board
The personnel of the examining board at High Harren, a company head at the old Benton mine, John Stuber, Rend City, superintendent, and J. B. Blenche, assistant superintendent of the Ziegler mine.

USE PAINLESS WEAPON TO KILL CATTLE IN SCOTLAND
Washington, July 15.—Consul Maxwell Blake reports that in spite of much initial opposition on the part of Scotch cattle killers to a new style of killing device is being introduced in the Dumfries slaughter house as a humane substitute for the old style of killing.

PLACE MAP OF ADJACENT TERRITORY IN EACH DEPOT
Bristol, England, July 15.—It has long been the custom of English railways to display in the stations and inside of the railway coaches a large and varied collection of pictures, usually photographs.

21 Socialist Booklets for 25 Cents
In addition to these booklets we will include the following illustrated leaflets: "A TIP FOR THE JOBLESS MAN," by Joe Washhope, the greatest propaganda leaflet for times of depression ever written.

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What Mitchell Says
John Mitchell returned from Denver yesterday. He said: "I am in full accord with the political policy of the American Federation of Labor. Regarding an endorsement of the Democratic party, I will have to wait for an announcement from President Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor.

Claim 50,000 Cards
There will be a meeting of the committee tonight to begin the work of ascertaining the cards addressed to John C. Harding, secretary of the committee, stating that those who signed them were interested in the program of the federation. It is claimed that 50,000 of these are now in the hands of the secretary.

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Conservative Leader to Do Utmost to Have Bryan Elected

Helena, Mont., July 15.—In an interview here, former Judge Alton B. Parker said he intended to offer his services to the Democratic national committee as a campaign speaker and would devote all the time he could to making speeches.

He said he would speak outside of New York, but at this time could not say where he would speak.

Parker said he believed the Democrats had a good chance to carry New York this year and that he would give hearty support to Bryan and Kern.

Leaders Visit Bryan

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb., July 14.—The first formal work of the Democratic campaign was taken up here today when members of the national committee, returning from Denver, called upon William J. Bryan and John W. Kern, the presidential and vice-presidential nominees, at the Bryan home.

The committee will be in expected here on Wednesday and will select a chairman of the committee who will be selected and the city for the national headquarters agreed on.

The committee members were met by a reception committee headed by John T. Kent and talking to Fairview in special trolley cars.

Thus far those most prominently mentioned for the chairmanship are National Committeemen Ollie James of Kentucky, Atwood of Kentucky, Lamb of Indiana and J. W. Campbell, former member of the committee for Michigan.

May Notify in Chicago

Denver, Colo., July 14.—Plans are being made here to formally notify William J. Bryan and John W. Kern of their nomination for president and vice-president of the United States at the Coliseum in Chicago shortly after August 1.

Roger Sullivan is instrumental in urging a demonstration of this kind in connection with the official declaration of the two nominees of the action of the late convention and has agreed to produce a big crowd that can be jammed into the Coliseum.

BUSINESS DULL DEALER IN SHOES KILLS HIMSELF

Dependent through lack of business and other worries, Gus Anderson, a shoe dealer who lives at 1145 South Oakley avenue and runs his store near by, committed suicide by cutting the arteries of his neck.

Anderson closed his store Saturday and the neighbors became suspicious that something was wrong when the shop was not reopened Monday morning.

Nothing was done, however, until today. Then an investigation was started and Anderson was found in his room dead.

He had cut the arteries of both wrists and then turned on the gas.

POLICE SEARCH CHINESE DENS FOR A MISSING WHITE GIRL

Detectives from Inspector Wheeler's office will search throughout the dens of Chinatown for Edna Coblenz, 19 years old, of St. Louis, who is believed to have been kidnapped away by Chinamen engaged in the white traffic.

The girl arrived at the union station Wednesday in response to an advertisement in the Taylor cottage at Greenwich, Conn., last night Mrs. Frank Gould narrowly escaped serious injury when her automobile was struck by a truck.

The girl was taken to the hospital and is recovering from her injuries. Mrs. Gould is recovering from her injuries.

MRS. FRANK GOULD IS IN PERIL IN AUTO COLLISION

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PROVE OLDER CRABBY SAYS JOHN D.'S BIRTHDAY POEM

New York, July 15.—John D. Rockefeller was the recipient of many congratulatory poems on the occasion of his recent 63rd birthday anniversary. Among them were some lines from the pen of the Rev. Dr. Charles T. Conover, who was twenty-two years pastor of the Second Avenue Baptist church in New York.

Downing's message was as follows: "Glad to hear of the poet being young."

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'PRISON' IS RUN BY CONTRACTORS

Tells of Construction Work at New Corn Products Plant

The Lake Construction company, which is building the new plant of the Corn Products company at Summit, Ill., is running a veritable penitentiary. It not only confines men within its walls against their will but forces them to work without pay.

The plan that is followed by the company in this practice is systematic and has been practiced for some time undisturbed by the police. It might have gone on for some time longer had not J. H. Devine, 73 Edgemont avenue, become a victim.

A high fence surrounded by barbed wire surrounds the construction company's "prison." Armed guards patrol the premises to see that no one leaves without a pass from the management.

Devine, who had been out of work for some time, applied for work in the St. Louis Shipping agency, 97 Canal street, where he was given a letter to the Lake construction company and told that he would receive work there as a mechanic.

On Thursday morning Devine fell into line at the company's door with several hundred other men. After waiting for some time he was given a so-called identification check bearing the number 1190 on its face.

More he was told to fall in line, and this time he received a work check, bearing the number 1190. He, with a gang of other men, was told to form a line. They were marched past a pile of shovels and picks, each man being asked to take one of each.

When Devine's turn came he refused to take either one or the other on the plea that he was a mechanic and not a day laborer. His objection was laughed down at first, but when he persisted and absolutely refused to go to work for the foreman, or gang boss, as he was called, turned on him savagely with the remark that it did not matter what he was hired for, as all men there were alike.

Held In By Revolvers

Devine remained firm, however, and seeing the uselessness of arguing, made a move toward the gate, intending to go out. In this he was frustrated by a couple of guards, armed with revolvers and bilbies, who ordered him back.

At this moment the superintendent happened to ride by in his automobile. He laughed at the argument, he stopped and inquired as to the cause. On being told he held a whispered consultation with his executives. The result was that the foreman approached Devine in a conciliatory manner and told him he was to have an easy job in the lumber yard driving out old nails.

Is Released at Noon

Devine said that it would be nothing but folly to try and to oppose the company on its own domain and agreed to work out the day. He worked until noon and during the half day he made open threats to disclose the abominable practice of the company as soon as he was free.

At noon an official of the company came to him with a pass and told him that he would be allowed to leave the premises. He also—politely, too—told him that in a couple of days, if he came back, he would "be placed right." For his day's work he received a red paper check, which was valued at 25 cents and was good for a dinner inside of the company's grounds.

On leaving the yards of the company Devine neglected to return the identification and work checks. He had not walked far down the road leading to the offices when two armed guards ran after him. They stopped him and demanded his checks. He argued that they had no right to stop him on the public road like a couple of high thieves. The two laughed at him and told him that the road belonged to the company. He gave up the checks.

High Price for Board

During the half day that Devine spent within the walls of the company he learned many particulars of how things are run. He found out that the company paid its men \$1.65 per day and nothing on rainy days, when work is suspended. The company has three big boarding houses on the ground where employees are charged from \$5 to \$10 a week for board.

Some of the employees say that the food served at the table is unfit to eat and is dished out in proportions that might be all right for a sick person's breakfast. All of the men sleep in bunks, placed one above the other against the walls of the rooms.

If an employee should be pressed for money he is given a book good for \$3.50 in trade at any of the company's stores in the "prison" yard. If he should need anything outside of the grounds he must go without it.

Meal Ticket System

The 25-cent meal checks are printed in various colors. A blue check is good for breakfast, a red one for dinner, and a white one for supper. In case an employee loses a meal check he must secure another one and an additional 25 cents is taken out of his pay.

In this manner an employee of the company is forced to work for practically nothing, as practically all of his pay is returned to the company for meals and lodging.

DE. EVANS BLAMES OVER FEEDING FOR BABIES' ILLS

Overfeeding is one of the greatest causes of infant mortality in Chicago, according to Dr. J. H. Evans, physician in charge of health, who delivered an address yesterday afternoon before the Chicago and Suburban League, which met in the city laboratory.

"Don't use the baby's stomach as a receptacle for food," Dr. Evans said, "but feed him as he means to be fed. Don't feed him because you don't want to see him starve."

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THE HUSTLERS' COLUMN

By H. G. Creet

WHAT THE SUBSCRIPTION HUSTLERS DID YESTERDAY: New out-of-town subscriptions 121. New city subscriptions 8. Total for the day 129.

The subscription Hustlers did a little better yesterday than day before. Now keep it up. We ought to be ashamed of anything under 200 daily. The workers are doing more reading now than ever before. Get to them with the Daily in one hand and a sub card in the other. Hit out with YOUR individual lick today and watch the figures jump tomorrow.

Now we're off in earnest on the new \$3 a year rate. With just a little help from YOU that extra dollar on each subscription can be made a mighty boost for the Daily. You Hustlers know a lot of people who ought to take the Daily; you know a lot of people who will take the Daily if approached by you. Go after them now when the taking of a sub means more to your paper financially than ever before.

The slightest disposition to falter now means reaction to the Daily's progress; an effort from each Hustler to push ahead means that the paper goes forward with renewed vigor and greater income from natural sources. Everything depends on the Hustlers. Just now, as the present reader of this column, YOU are the most important Hustler in the Daily Socialist army. The Daily will advance or retreat under the new rate as YOU advance or remain inactive.

Comrade Hustler! Prove true to your post. The Daily believes in YOU and depends on YOU individually to increase circulation. It was because ALL of you were depended upon that the new rate was put in effect. See that your class paper is not disappointed in YOU. Never mind about someone else. IF YOU hustle WE'LL win!

Don't let the first week of the new rate pass without YOU sending in at least one new subscription.

Sing a song of Bryan, pocket full of rye, Nice injunction plank in a Democratic pie. When election's over the plank begins to rot. Isn't that a dainty dish to share the workers' NO?

From Alberta, Canada, comes \$18 to help out in the fight. The Canadian Hustler doesn't want his name used. He sends the mazzara via C. F. Lowrie, Chicago.

"We have the Daily Socialist in a number of business houses here and refuse to patronize those who are antagonistic to the paper," writes James Manning, secretary of Local Edinwood Place, Cal., as he plunks in \$ for sub. cards. Bully! Hustlers more than one way to boost the Daily. This particular local is alive in a number of ways. What's your local doing?

"I thought you were barred from the mails when I received no paper," writes published in pamphlet form and sells at \$2.50 a thousand, or \$1.50 for 500. Get it.

Of course, the salt gets damp and won't come from the shaker. Don't give your turn to page 126 in the Daily's prize book of trade secrets and learn how to keep salt dry in the shaker.

Alarm Clock leads are still dealing telling blows on the solar plexus of the profit system. Nothing so arousing as an awakened worker, as one of those noisy leaders is placed. They cost 50 cents for 500 or \$1 a thousand, postpaid. Today's order follows:

B. H. Wood, Pittsburgh, Pa. \$1.00. Will Thompson, Du Bois, Pa. 1.50. Ralph Sasseman, Ashtabuta, Pa. 1.50. Fred W. King, Taylor, Mo. 1.50. F. E. Rano, Brattleboro, Vt. 1.50.

Two subs. for a full year each and one of the Karl Marx pins is the way N. D. Pritchett, Bella, Texas, stacks up today. Wisconsin, Wis., stacks up today.

Another singer enters the fold! W. G. Martin, West Seneca, N. Y., subscribes for himself and orders a copy of "So Many Stars in the Labor Problem" from the book department.

Alice Roberts, Sour Lake, Texas, gets in subs. orders two cards, mazzara a 75 cent donation and asks for the book of trade secrets. That book comes only Italian and the Labor Problem. She desires the request if the volume is desired.

J. F. Zoucha, Centerville, Mo., held a note of \$5 against the Daily. As a means of helping out he marked the note "paid" and sent it to the Daily. That's as good as cash. Zoucha didn't stop at that either. He added another dollar, making \$6 donation. The spread of working class propaganda.

"Ten Blind Leaders of the Blind," is not yet off the press. All orders have been entered and will be forwarded as soon as the book comes from the publisher.

With a pocket full of sub cards no Hustler need fear the enemy. He has an answer for every argument in "Buy a subscription card, read the Daily Socialist and learn." Here are today's orders:

A. J. Mutchink, Niles Center, Ill. \$5.00. C. Svendsen, Chicago, Ill. 2.50. F. P. Wood, Deadwood, S. D. 1.50. William H. Greer, Chicago, Ill. 1.50. A. N. Vogt, Aurora, Ill. 1.50.

A. J. Habig, Kokomo, Ind. (\$18). "No Name" (Box 120) and Thomas A. Spivey, Rio Vista, Cal. (\$3) all come in on the Sustainers' Fund today. A good strong Sustainers' Fund gives the profit system the cold shivers.

Get in on that book of trade secrets, Hustler! It comes with \$2 worth of subscriptions or with a sub card order of the same amount. Non-Socialists in Chicago are coming to the Daily Socialist and \$10 cash for the book. You can have one at the same price by mail. Don't get it that way, though, at all. Order it the proper way and let it come a gift from the Daily.

St. Petersburg, Russia, July 15.—A telegram received here from Tabris, Persia, states that the bombardment with two guns of the British quarter of the city during the morning. The revolutionaries replied with a heavy rifle fire. The result of this engagement has not yet been reported.

CLEVELAND TO DELAY CLEVELAND TRACTION VOTE

Cleveland, O., July 15.—After a bitter debate the city council last night practically postponed indefinitely the holding of a special election under the new state constitution. The council's decision on the question of the transfer of the property of the Cleveland Electric Railway company to the Municipal Traction company, the present holding concern.

While the petition circulated originally by the state Supreme court has passed on the two suits recently brought by a Cleveland Electric stockholder seeking to annul the loss of that company to the Municipal Traction company, it is conceded that these suits will not be heard by the Supreme court for several months.

UNION MEETINGS

Woodworkers' Council will meet Wednesday, July 15, at 151 East Washington street.

Woodworkers' Local No. 17 will meet Thursday, July 16, at 25 Milwaukee avenue.

Woodworkers' Local No. 44 (Polish) will meet Thursday, July 16, at 154 West Division street.

Regular meeting of Casting Workers' Local No. 123 Saturday, July 18, at 3 p. m. at Fifty-third street and Ashland avenue.

Woodworkers' Local No. 81 will meet Friday, July 17, at 429 South Halsted street.

Woodworkers' Local No. 45 will meet Friday, July 17, at Metz's hall, Oak Park.

Woodworkers in the Chicago Daily Socialist.

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Gompers and Bryan

Samuel Gompers has announced that he will take the stump for Bryan. As a private individual, as a trade unionist even, no one has a right to criticize him for so doing, except in so far as to dispute his good judgment.

But he is not going to speak simply as an individual and as an officer of the American Federation of Labor. He presumes to speak FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THAT ORGANIZATION. He speaks for Bryan, under the pretense that Bryan and the Democratic party embody the interests of organized labor.

He is asking that the trade unionists vote for Bryan and the Democratic party as a means of defending their interests.

There are some places where the Democratic party is supreme, where it has for years had an opportunity to carry out its policies.

In the states of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Texas, Louisiana, South Carolina, North Carolina and Florida there is none to dispute the power of the Democratic party. Governors, legislatures, courts, all are in the hands of this party for which Gompers is preparing to make speeches.

From these states will come a majority of the Democratic congressmen who must be depended upon to carry out any legislation in favor of labor. From these states will come the overwhelming mass of the electoral votes upon which Bryan must depend for election.

In these states, then, if the Democratic party is the friend of labor, we should be able to discover the most favorable legislation, the best organized trades, the greatest favors shown to trade unionists.

Will Gompers "point with pride" to the Democratic record in these states? Will he tell his audiences of favored laws granted in the legislatures of these states? Will he boast of the age at which children are permitted to work in the mines and mills of Alabama, South Carolina and Georgia? Will he illustrate his talks with pictures of the chain gangs of Florida and the Carolinas? Will he claim credit for the peonage system in the turpentine and lumber camps of these states?

It will not do to say that these things do not apply to local elections in the north. THIS IS NOT A LOCAL ELECTION.

Every vote cast for Bryan and Taggart's man Ker is a vote for the exploitation of babes in cotton mills and coal mines, a vote to strengthen the class that rules and robs and oppresses throughout the south.

Every congressman that is elected by the votes of labor upon the Democratic ticket will be bound by a caucus, a MAJORITY OF WHICH COMES FROM STATES WHERE UNIONISM IS A CRIME AND WHERE LABOR LEGISLATION IS MORE BACKWARD THAN IN ANY PRETENDEDLY CIVILIZED COUNTRY ON EARTH.

In view of these facts what do you think of a labor leader who claims that he is advocating the election of Bryan and a Democratic congress for the sake of labor?

The Socialist Program

IV.—OWNERSHIP OF NATIONAL WEALTH.

The wealth of the earth, which no man created, and which is brought forth only by the direct application of labor, should certainly not be a source of income to any save those who perform that work.

Yet it is from the mineral wealth stored in the bosom of the earth that some of the greatest unearned incomes are drawn. Private ownership of the coal mines places the industry and life of the nation in the power of a handful of men. Private ownership of the oil wells has made a half dozen men more powerful than any autocrats that ever sat upon thrones.

Private ownership of these things that are limited in quantity has another injurious outcome. When they are exploited only for profit no heed is paid to the duty which the present generation always owes to the coming ones.

Already we are beginning to hear of the exhaustion of the coal, oil, iron ore and the products of the forests, and this in a country more richly endowed with natural wealth than any other land on earth.

Unless this is stopped, the working class, when it comes into power, will gain possession of an earth ALREADY LOOTED OF MUCH OF ITS WEALTH.

For these, and a host of other reasons, the Socialist party demands:

The extension of the public domain to include mines, quarries, oil wells, forests and water power.

Today the last phase of this demand has an especially timely application. The great extension of the irrigation work in the west is developing water power sufficient to operate all the manufactures of the nation. This water power, created by the common effort, is being turned over to private profit. Roosevelt, the great "trust buster," is thereby creating new and more powerful trusts than those he is pretending to fight. Make these water powers the property of the collectivity, and it will give the nation the power to control the entire industrial situation.

Control of these natural resources would give a source of income sufficient to provide for the entire army of the unemployed, to erect a system of socialized industry that would expropriate the trusts, and place the working class in possession of the entire industrial life of the nation.

It would do these things provided this measure was used as one "calculated to strengthen the working class in its fight" and to "increase its power of resistance against capitalist oppression."

Free Speech Again

Los Angeles is now getting on the map with a reputation for something besides a climate. It is rapidly becoming known as a place where petty police officials suspend the constitution of the United States and where men and women who dare to take that constitution seriously and try to take advantage of its provisions are punished in a manner that suggests the dark ages.

It will surprise some people to learn that a city that makes some pretense at being progressive still maintains the public chain gang and uses this method of punishment for petty offenders, and especially for workingmen who have been unable to secure a master for whom to produce profits.

There is little doubt as to how the fight will end. The Socialists who are going to jail by dozens are not built of a caliper that can be defeated. In fact every "defeat" by the enemies of free speech is a victory. The jailing of women who have been guilty of no worse crime than an attempt to exercise a constitutional right of free speech will carry the word which they would speak to thousands whom their voices never would have reached.

Every such imprisonment, every attempt to illegally force men upon a chain gang but brings nearer the day when those who seek to suppress liberty and outrage humanity will be torn from power and their attempted victims be given the position of rulers.

We do not need to be prophets to foretell that the outcome of the Los Angeles fight will be the downfall of the chain gang and the triumph of free speech.

"THE PHILOSOPHY OF FAILURE"

BY R. J. CALHOUN.

We do not know the bright intellectual star who first gave out the above luminous definition of Socialism, but he evidently filled a long felt want among those of his class. A phrase so expressive and "catchy" should of itself go far towards demolishing the Socialist philosophy and movement in the minds of the conceited mass who aspire to the distinction of "better class."

For the detection of this class it is again repeated in a late number of Scribner's by J. Lawrence Laughlin, who says: "Disagreeable as it may sound, in reality Socialism is the philosophy of failure."

If any system of philosophy can be refuted or proven untrue or unsound, then it may fairly be held that it is used by its adherents to bolster up an untenable position or otherwise unjustifiable system of belief, as has often been done. But since Socialism, considered from this standpoint, has grown stronger year by year, until it may fairly be classed as a science resting upon demonstrable truth, against which only lies and sophistry can be directed, what sort of mental mendacity is that which still ranks it as a "class philosophy" used to strengthen a false and untenable position?

But suppose we freely concede the claim that "Socialism is the philosophy of failure."

The vast majority of the race, our brothers and sisters in life's struggle, are included in this failure.

So general and widespread is it that it is always before us, and millions are always in despair and suffering, and

other millions pass their lives on the ragged edge of uncertainty but a step removed from actual want and denied everything that makes life pleasant and desirable.

This is the condition and has been for ages. There was no ray of hope for this great majority racking up the working class. Their lot was always to produce wealth, but never to enjoy it.

The very nature of society was, though unconsciously, such as to compel them to do this. "The poor ye have always with you," and there was no other hope in religion than to keep them contented with this condition of failure.

These were the failures of the past, they are the failures of today and society is satisfied that they should ever remain failures.

In the failures of time, marked by new methods of production and distribution, new ideas are born out of the womb of society which had been maturing for their birth.

A new philosophy is evolved from these ideas, which explains why society is just as it is and why the great majority always have been failures, and always must be in such a society. Here is the first real ray of light that has ever dawned for them.

No philosophy ever before reached down to them. They must first perform the impossible by climbing out of the abyss before they could share in anything that ministered to the real man—the man of intellectual human stature.

So long had they been held in this

abyss of darkness that they could not believe anything could reach them or lift them up. Degrading charity was the only thing that had ever been offered them—the only help they knew. They were incredulous and slow to investigate, but they are learning that this "philosophy of failure" is the philosophy of useful workers.

It will enrich all who are willing to be useful in society and will impoverish none. It will make a condition so improved, so ideal as compared to the past or present that even those who are now wealthiest will find a truer, greater happiness possible without the soul-cursing consciousness that others are suffering in order that they may enjoy.

This, then, is the "philosophy of failure" which the exploiting class affect to hold in derision.

Is it any wonder that it transforms unlearned workers into prophets with tongues of fire, going up and down the land preaching this grand new "philosophy of failure"?

Is it any wonder that women with hearts of mother-love, seeing the physical and moral ruin of childhood and the debasement of womanhood, face insult and persecution and prison cells in order to proclaim this "philosophy of failure" which reaches down to those who need it and becomes to them the only "philosophy of success"?

A rose by any other name would be as sweet, but the very name "philosophy of failure" should end Socialism to every one of the vast majority who, but for this philosophy, must ever remain failures.

LABOR'S RIGHT TO ORGANIZE

BY JOSEPH M. COLDWELL.

Say, did you ever see such a fuss made over organized labor as the two old parties made at their conventions, each of them trying to outdo the other in their utterances that labor "right to organize" must not be denied? But did you ever hear of a Democratic or Republican official trying to organize the unorganized in his official capacity? Did Schmidt, while mayor of San Francisco, or Sullivan, while mayor of Hartford, or any Democratic or Republican mayor that you ever heard of ever leave his office at the request of the business agent of a union and tell the non-union men who were employed on city work that they should join the union? "Why of course not," you will say. "That would not be dignified for the mayor of a city to do." And yet you will let the politicians tell you about the dignity of labor.

"Oh, well, that is different," you will say. "Of course it is different. You never imagined that it was possible to have a public servant look after the interests of the working class. You always were satisfied with talk—just talk—but a Socialist official is different from any other kind, and 'there's a reason.' As our friend from Battle Creek says, 'And the reason is just this: They are class conscious.'"

Now do not get scared at these words. Class consciousness simply means that a man knows that he is a member of a certain class and that he can best protect his own interests by protecting the class interests. All members of the employing class are class conscious and always protect their class interests. Now all workmen are not class conscious; they have listened to the politicians too much and have simply used their heads for a hat rack instead of a thinking box.

We got tired of doing that in Brockton, Mass., and decided that it was about time we did our own thinking, and elected men of our own class to protect our class interests. In other words, we did just what our bosses did. We became class conscious.

One of the first things we did was to raise the pay of the city laborers and foremen, getting \$2.25 per day and eight hours, which constitutes a day's work. That is the union scale for laborers in Brockton.

After that was done we began to abolish all contract work, taking steps toward having the city do its own work. One big job the city did was extending the sewer and we had to hire a lot of new men who came from surrounding towns. Now our own men all belonged to the laborers' union, affiliated with the A. F. of L., and employed a business agent to look after their affairs. When he went down to the job to collect the dues he found a lot of new men who were not members of the union. He asked them to join the union. They told him to go to, they were free Americans and they did not want to join any union, and more words to that effect.

So Mike Neasey, the business agent went down to the City Hall and told his tale of woe to the mayor. The mayor put on his hat and said, "Let them go. They are free men. Let them go when they arrived at the job the mayor said to the foreman in charge, 'I am the mayor and I want you to call all your men together as I have something to say to them.'"

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

A Practical Effort to Reach the Women

BY MAY McDONALD STRICKLAND.

The message of Socialism has been adapted to reach men in all walks of life.

Small effort has been made to reach women.

True, the Socialist party has always stood for the equality of the sexes and offered women a voice in all its deliberations. For those of us accustomed to take our place by the side of man this is sufficient. But we are fast learning that there is a large majority of women who for various reasons cannot or will not go into party meetings, especially business meetings, and work.

Some effort has been made to reach the woman wage worker. In those states where woman has the franchise the work is fairly well begun.

But there yet remains a large percentage of women who are housewives who do not work for wages but for food, clothing and shelter. They are not asking for higher wages but for their freedom; to be an equal with the man by whose side they stand to build the home. These women are, as yet, practically uninterested in Socialism. There must be a special work done to reach them.

A very practical effort has been made in this work by the Women's Socialist society of Anderson, Ind.

Four Socialist women began the work. They now hold a weekly meeting with a regular attendance of twenty-five and thirty women. Recently a woman who has become interested entirely through the efforts of the club said: "I will be at the meeting whether we have any supper at home that evening or not. I feel that I have missed something if I stay away."

They have built line upon line. No one has seemed to be a leader. The women have made their growth together.

It is a wise leader who can get down in the ranks and push rather than lead. When you have made the organization stand alone, when it will go on whether you are there or away you have proven your leadership and build on the firm rock. The organization will accomplish something.

They began with very simple programs. Two or three members would come prepared to read an article from some paper or magazine that had especially interested them. This they did at first with great effort and often after much urging and encouraging from the other members. They gradually gained confidence and were constantly watching for something to read at the meeting. Thus they became more careful readers of our literature. The Chicago Daily Socialist, the Appeal to Reason and the Socialist Woman furnished most of the articles read. The reading of each article was followed by discussion. Sometimes a certain member was selected to start the discussion. In this

way they began to put their thoughts into words.

One by one they ventured to write their thoughts on some subject and they began to prepare original papers. Recently they wrote some very interesting papers on the subjects "Why Should Women Vote?" "Why Should Women Join the Socialist Party?" "How Can Women Help the Socialist Party?" "Conditions Under Which Children Toll." "How Socialism Will Affect Child Labor."

In the beginning they had no constitution or set form of organization. Object of the work and experience they evolved a formal body. Under which a few of the important things in their constitution are:

"The name of this organization shall be the Socialist Women's society of Anderson."

"The object of this organization shall be to give women an opportunity to learn the real meaning of Socialism."

"An active member shall be any woman who belongs to work, Anderson Socialist party. She shall be eligible to hold any office of the organization."

"An associate member shall be any woman who is in sympathy with the object of the organization and is willing to sign the constitution. She shall have a full voice in the meetings and serve on any appointed committee but shall not be eligible to hold any regular office."

"They stand in the city as one of the women's clubs. Their meetings are announced in the weekly calendar of the daily paper with the other women's societies."

"They have demonstrated that an active propaganda can be carried on among women and that as soon as woman understands what Socialism is and what it will do for woman she will come into the party. The women are rapidly joining the party and taking active part in all its work, proving that the women's meeting may be conducted so as to be a feeder for the party local. The women make good workers in the local. It was said in Anderson, 'If that work is given to the women members it will be done.'"

"Indiana has a woman for assistant state organizer. She will work especially with and for the women. It will be her purpose to organize them after the Anderson plan until there will be a State Federation of Women's Socialist societies, holding a state meeting at the time and place of the regular state convention of the party, this state federation to be affiliated with the national federation when it is formed."

"The work is being done with the approval and help of the state executive committee."

Besides the assistant state organizer there are two women agitators at work in Indiana. The local secretaries write to the state secretary for suggestions and a preference for women agitators. Don't send us a man."

"Our battle cry is: 'The Women of Indiana for Socialism.'"

Woman's League

The most interesting report from the "Suffragettes," received at the last meeting of the Women's Socialist League, was that of Comrade Twining. Evidently a comrade of the Twenty-sixth or Fifth wards read the notice of the meeting in the Daily Socialist; so the two lone women, Comrades May-

nard and Twining, not one whit afraid, held a meeting at McKinley Park by their lone selves and a very successful one. Too. All the other meetings were well backed up by branch members. Many bits of interesting experiences were related, serving to stimulate further action along the same lines. "Lessons in Social Evolution" are proving so interesting that it is doubtful whether the league will take a month's vacation as planned. The question will be brought up, however, at the next meeting Thursday, 2:30 p. m., at 26 Van Buren street, room 312.

ANNAH FINSTERBACH.

More significant still as an indication of the way the wind is blowing was a resolution—which was passed last year by the California State Teachers' association—to the effect that it was the duty of the teacher to instill into the minds of the young respect for the sacred rights of property; the teachers presumably being ignorant of the fact that the property interests enthroned in this Republic of the United States, while the masses are oppressed, as they have been since civilization first began.

But, if the Socialists are alive to their responsibility in this matter, it is not likely that this capitalistic attempt to dominate the elementary schools will even temporarily check the growth of Socialism. The reactionary attitude of the church has reacted most injuriously on that institution, while the power of the capitalistic press is on the decline. "No one takes any notice of the newspapers," is a common remark nowadays.

How then should the Socialists meet this move on the part of the powers that be? The Socialists have already met this move by many wise counter-moves, but the most important thing of all—that of winning the elementary teachers to the cause of Socialism—seems to have been overlooked.

Papers and magazines there are in plenty, but so far I do not think there is one whose speciality is to discuss educational problems from the Socialist viewpoint.

And it is most important to win at least a good part of the elementary teaching force. At the present time the elementary teachers are serving the reactionary interests right royally. Not that they are conscious instruments of the reaction; for there is not a more conscientious body of men and women in the country; but this unfortunately does not make them any less useful to

For Home Dressmakers



2312 GIBBLE DRESS Paris Pattern No. 2313 All Sizes Allowed.

Coral-stink chambray has been used for this pretty little frock. The waist, which closes at the center-back, has a wide ribbon-like trim over each shoulder, and the fancy collar, cuffs and belt are of white linen, stitched with black. The full skirt is attached to the waist, under the belt, and the skirt is of black satin tulle. The removable chemise may be of white linen, or all-over embroidery. The pattern is in A sizes—6 to 12 years. For a girl of 5 years, the dress, as illustrated, requires 3 1/2 yards of material 27 inches wide, 3/4 yard of contrasting material 27 inches wide, 1/2 yard of silk 20 inches wide for the belt and 1/4 yard of ribbon to trim. Or, at one material, it needs 4 yards 27 inches wide, 3/4 yard 36 inches wide, or 3 yards 42 inches wide. Price of pattern, 10 cents.

All orders for patterns shown in this column should be sent to the Chicago Daily Socialist. Remember these patterns are strictly the product of union labor. Catalogue showing 1,500 patterns sent on receipt of 15 cents to cover postage.

"The Jedge," Charlie and Willyum

By Robert Hunter.

Well, I see that Bryan has already lost New York state. "Jedge" Parker and Charlie Murphy have once again double-crossed the peerless Nebraskan farmer. They have handed him a gold brick.

If Bryan had met that gang in their dives on the Bowery he would have kept his eyes peeled. He would have realized that he was only an innocent hayseed and that he ought to be very careful when he met light-fingered, bediamonded, check-vested city folk.

But as these distinguished New Yorkers could not get Bryan on their own ground they went out to Denver, and when "the Jedge" and Charlie are through with him his watch will be gone, his traveling bag, his roll of long green, and even his gold-rimmed spectacles. Bryan will be lucky if he gets out of their company with his clothes left on him.

It seems Charlie Murphy and "the Jedge" met Gompers on the way out. They framed up a platform which includes every one of labor's demands. They forced the platform on the convention and the press of the country is holding up its hands in amazement at Tammany hall in its new disguise, AS THE FRIEND OF LABOR.

When Tammany gets that platform adopted you will see "the Jedge" and Charlie hot-footing back to Wall street. They will go to Ryan, Belmont, Morgan and the other big guns. They will tell these big fellows that nothing under God's heaven can keep Bryan from carrying New York on that platform unless they cough up enough money to buy Tammany hall.

And they will get the coin. Every election inspector in New York will have money to burn. Tammany men will be wallowing in riches. Corruption funds will be piled up and prosperity will return to the haunts of election crooks.

Wall street will be elected to death and will mortgage the vast properties of the other people to supply money to Tammany hall TO DEFEAT Bryan.

Roger Sullivan will play the same little game in Chicago and Guffey will be on the job in Pennsylvania. Tom Taggart will be stacking the cards in Indiana.

And when the money is telegraphed them from Wall street Bryan will perceive a strange iciness pervading the camps of his organized followers.

The local boys will be taken care of all right. The municipal councils and state legislatures will contain about the same number as before of old-line Democrats.

But Taft—dear Injunction Bill—will get the hearty, loyal support of the Democratic organization.

After the election I think I will invite Bryan down to New York to show him the town. It is never too late to learn—and that applies to politics as well as to anything else.

Come to think of it, I may invite Gompers also.

Elementary Teachers and Socialism

BY CORA J. READ.

The church and the press, the colleges and the universities have long been pressed into the services of the reaction by the economic masters of the United States; but it is only within the last decade that certain innovations have been introduced into the elementary schools, which prove conclusively that the reaction has reached the domain of elementary education.

Among the most important of these innovations there might be mentioned the fact that a spirit of jingoism and national swelled-headedness is assiduously cultivated, under the mistaken impression that patriotism is thereby inculcated, while a kind of flag-worship, approaching almost to idolatry, is a part of the daily exercises in the schools of many large cities.

More significant still as an indication of the way the wind is blowing was a resolution—which was passed last year by the California State Teachers' association—to the effect that it was the duty of the teacher to instill into the minds of the young respect for the sacred rights of property; the teachers presumably being ignorant of the fact that the property interests enthroned in this Republic of the United States, while the masses are oppressed, as they have been since civilization first began.

But, if the Socialists are alive to their responsibility in this matter, it is not likely that this capitalistic attempt to dominate the elementary schools will even temporarily check the growth of Socialism. The reactionary attitude of the church has reacted most injuriously on that institution, while the power of the capitalistic press is on the decline. "No one takes any notice of the newspapers," is a common remark nowadays.

How then should the Socialists meet this move on the part of the powers that be? The Socialists have already met this move by many wise counter-moves, but the most important thing of all—that of winning the elementary teachers to the cause of Socialism—seems to have been overlooked.

Papers and magazines there are in plenty, but so far I do not think there is one whose speciality is to discuss educational problems from the Socialist viewpoint.

And it is most important to win at least a good part of the elementary teaching force. At the present time the elementary teachers are serving the reactionary interests right royally. Not that they are conscious instruments of the reaction; for there is not a more conscientious body of men and women in the country; but this unfortunately does not make them any less useful to

our incomes amounted to more than a living. Why, you'd see these farmer boys in the cities going back to the farms quicker than heat. Way of course, a man is going to work where he gets the most pay. That's only human.

"But see here"—Dobbins was getting excited—"when they leave the cities they don't increase the amount of money the people have with which to buy, but, on the other hand, they do increase the number of bushels and tons that we—all we farmers, must sell for the same number of dollars, and it cuts the prices right down again to starvation wages."

"If there is but one dollar to be spent for one bushel, he gets one dollar a bushel. But when a lot more people go into farming and produce two bushels instead of one, we must sell two bushels for one dollar."

"Under capitalism the more people produce the worse off the people are. Under Socialism the more people produce the better off all the people will be."

PROBLEMS OF THE SOIL

BY CLYDE J. WRIGHT.

Dobbins said he was discouraged. "He said that under capitalism 'we farmers can never hope to make more than a living.'"

"There is a reason," Dobbins has been doing some thinking as well as farming. "You see," said Dobbins, "there's only so much money in the country to be spent for what we farmers have to sell. No matter how much we produce or how little we produce, there's just so much that we can get for our products and no more, and when the wages of the city working class are set up the amount that we can get is still less. They get for nothing else than a living and when they spend all they get they can't spend any more."