

OFFERS SOP TO THE SOCIALISTS Roosevelt Tells Trainmen Government Has Something 'Just as Good'

Washington, D. C., Oct. 24.—President Roosevelt has come forward with a new campaign letter in which he states that the national government must undertake to improve the condition of the worker...

To Make Votes for Debs Naturally this union is likely to poll a heavy vote for Debs and in a desperate effort to offset such action the president has written a letter...

The choicest gems of the Roosevelt letter are as follows: "We believe not merely in retaining, but in developing to the utmost possible extent individual initiative, but we are not to be frightened by any outcry of paternalism or Socialism from going into any experiment which promises to benefit either farmers or wage earners..."

G. C. P. Works Miracles What the G. O. P. has done for the farmer is little short of miraculous, Roosevelt says. This ought to comfort the "trust ridden" farmer for the president says:

"Ten years ago organic evolution in agriculture was still a speculative science. Today the farmer has only to specify that his wheat must ripen by such and such a date, stand up under a certain wind velocity, bear in its seed a certain percentage of starch, etc. and our department can help him make a plant to order..."

"We can solve it" "We can solve this problem of the unemployed best by having no more unemployed. Already our bureau of labor, for the past twenty years of necessity largely a statistical bureau, is practically a department of sociology, aiming not only to secure exact information about industrial conditions but to discover remedies for industrial evils..."

"It is our confident claim, however, that applied science, if carried out according to our program, will succeed in achieving for humanity, above all for the city industrial worker, results even surpassing in value those today in effect on the farm..."

"The whole principle of material and social advancement has come to a quicker fruition in our department of labor for the reason that biology is more easily harnessed to reference to seeds and plants and cattle than as regards men..."

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IN RIFE WITH CHILD LABOR

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.) Washington, D. C., Oct. 27.—According to the report of the inspectors of child labor there are 823 children employed in the district. The inspection resulted in the issuing of 1,600 badges to newboys and vendors and the prosecution of eight men who were found guilty of breaking the child labor law...

WATCH THE CHANGE IN THIS ANNOUNCEMENT

Arthur M. Lewis Lewis will lecture in Leavenworth, Kas., at Grand Army Hall Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 29-30.

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LEWIS' MEETING AT SACRAMENTO

BY ARTHUR M. LEWIS. Traveling Lecturer for the Daily Socialist. The Socialists of Sacramento have struggled long against the trusts...

Talks Only of Gains It was worth something to meet Dr. Wright once more. For many years the doctor has discussed Socialism with some of the leading capitalists...

Another warm friend of the Daily Socialist is Dr. Briggs, whose office is in the same building. The contribution given below is by no means the first from Dr. Briggs...

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PASS GIVING WAS REDUCED OLSON AND AMBROZ, Socialist Legislators, Returned Gifts of Railroads

Candidates of both the old political parties are clamoring for election. They appeal to the voters by enumerating various qualifications which they have the honor of possessing...

Returned Railroad Passes In 1906 the Socialist party succeeded in electing Olson and Joseph A. Ambroz to the Illinois state legislature...

Debs Remains in Bed Debs remained in bed again today, taking some more rest to get into perfect shape for the wind-up in the big cities, especially St. Louis, Chicago and Milwaukee...

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What Debs Believes in "Mr. Debs," he declared, "believes in the abolition of private property. In his mind the only way to get rid of the capitalist class is to abolish private property..."

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE NOT A FAD J. H. Hanley Scores Catholic Officials Who Criticise Features of System

Quincy, Ill., Oct. 24.—The wording and spirit of your letter is not at all in line with the teaching of your church in the abstract. It is a significant sentence embodied in the reply of J. H. Hanley, Socialist nominee for legislature...

Hanley's Ideas Called Fads The letter to Hanley in part says: "There has been a tendency in the past to inject certain features into our school laws that are unjust and unfair to a large part of our population..."

Hanley Hits from Shoulder In answering Hanley made a clear, frank statement of the position of the Socialists on the school question, as well as on many other matters. In part he said: "The wording and spirit of your letter is not at all in line with the teaching of your church in the abstract..."

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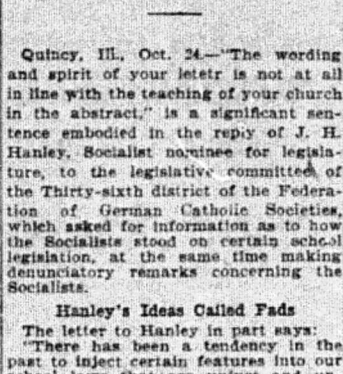
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HUNGRY; FORCE CITY TO YIELD

Three Great Demonstrations of Antwerp Jobless Give Ruling Class Scare

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 Antwerp, Oct. 26.—Forced by the three great demonstrations of the Antwerp workmen out of employment to take some cognizance of the present deplorable condition of affairs in this city, the city council passed by a unanimous vote a grant of 10,000 francs (\$2,000) and also passed a resolution that similar grants should be made from time to time as occasion might demand.

This petty sop was voted after the committee of the council appointed to examine into conditions had recommended the immediate grant of \$50,000 for the feeding of the unemployed in this city.

Fifty Thousand Starving

Cools, the Socialist councillor, made a stirring speech in behalf of the \$50,000 grant. He showed that more than 50,000 men in Antwerp had been on the verge of starvation for three months, and that unless something were done about it immediately, unpleasant things would begin to happen in Antwerp. He claimed that \$1 for each of these half-starving men was surely not exorbitant.

King Leopold's ministers had heard of the Cools plea in advance, and the ministerialists in the council threw all their votes against the grant. They declared that they were willing to give something "from time to time" to the poor, but they opposed the immediate grant of \$1 to each starving man.

Stroum, the leader of the so-called Liberal-Democrats, opposed any grant at all and protested against the demonstration of the starving workmen. Weyler, who is also a "Liberal-Democrat," stood by Stroum in his contention, and said harsh things about the hungry men who have been marching up and down Antwerp asking for food.

Money for Decorations

Cools came back with a tart reply, showing how the city of Antwerp had voted to spend the sum of 375,000 francs on decorations for a fête less than three years ago, and that this same city was now refusing to spend 200,000 on its own hungry citizens.

Cools showed that the commission had been very moderate in demanding \$50,000, barely half what the city had spent upon its fête, and pictured the conditions in furling language, declaring that it would be the "shame of Antwerp" if any smaller sum were voted.

Cools Claims a Victory

Despite his appeals, the Liberal-Democrats and the ministerialists formed a coalition and finally voted the pitiful sum of \$2,000, with the promise of occasional relief. Despite his defeat in the matter of the \$50,000, Cools declares that a victory has been won, in that the city council now stands pledged to feed the poor of Antwerp and the unemployed this winter. The breaking of that pledge, he says, will mean nothing short of revolution.

Talk Socialism This Week

Talk as well as you can and answer all of the other man's questions that you are able to answer. Probably you will make some votes and start some people to thinking for themselves. But probably you will be asked questions that you can't answer.

So remember that the Socialist campaign never ends. You will need to answer those same questions and other questions next week, next month, next year. If you answer them intelligently the questioner will be attracted to Socialism.

To do this requires study. Socialism is, on its theoretical side, modern science applied to social problems. There is no short cut to an understanding of it.

A Study Course in Socialism, conducted by Joseph E. Cohen of Philadelphia, starts in the November number of the International Socialist Review. You simply cannot afford to miss the education that course will give you. But to get the best results you should not study alone, but with other Socialists. The best time and place for co-operative study is at the regular weekly meetings of locals and branches of the Socialist Party. These meetings are too often taken up with long-drawn-out discussions over trivial business, that waste everyone's time and disgust the new members who come expecting something better. Cut the business short, and give over half of each meeting to study.

The Review containing Cohen's lessons costs \$1.00 a year, 25c for 3 months. You will need some books also, but as soon as you have become a subscriber we will offer you a chance to get the books free in return for taking new subscriptions. The Review is now on a paying basis, because it gives every month what the working Socialists want for themselves. But it is not run to make profits for anyone. It is owned collectively by 2,000 Socialists, who also own the greatest Socialist book publishing house in the English-speaking world. No dividends are paid and every dollar that comes in is used to circulate the literature that will make clear-headed Socialists.

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PARIS JEWELERS SWINDLED TO TUNE OF \$200,000 BY BEAUTY

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 Paris, Oct. 26.—Mme. Laroux, the daughter of a notary in the department of Oise, has just been arrested after one of the most astounding swindles ever worked on Parisian merchants.

Mme. Laroux defrauded Paris jewelers out of \$200,000 worth of jewels in three weeks.

She is only 18 years of age and very beautiful. The fame of her beauty penetrated to the studios, and she has been besieged by artists to pose for paintings, but has always refused, maintaining that it was beneath the dignity of a reigning beauty to pose for a portrait.

The swindle was worked with the assistance of a prominent merchant, who succumbed to the wiles of Mme. Laroux, and a stupid Norman girl, her maid.

The facts leaked out when Mrs. Laroux attempted to pawn a diamond necklace at Mont de Piete.

RUSS PRISONS BREED DISEASE

Convicts Chained to Walls Without Any Sanitary Conveniences at All

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 Dalny, Oct. 26.—Russia has proclaimed that the "political prisons" of Siberia have been abolished! Here is the tale of the prison at Akatjewachen, in the Trans-Baikal, given by an escaped soldier who has just arrived here:

"Modern" Jail Accommodations

Prisoners chained to the wall of cells which have only one outlet, on a long winding corridor; absolutely no sanitary arrangements; prisoners left in this cell for months at a time without being unchained even for a walk; prison cells washed out by turning a small hose into them once a week; cholera case after cholera case among the prisoners; the absolute isolation of all political prisoners from the end; prisoners fed once a day only and then on a thin gruel; no hospital arrangements for the sick and the weak.

This is the picture painted of this "political prison" where the genius of Russia has been incarcerated by the "benevolent" Czar, Nicholas II.

Russia Suppresses Facts

The Russian government through its censored press has proclaimed that at the horrors of political imprisonment have been done away with, and that now Siberian jails approximate those of any country in cleanliness and liberty allowed the prisoners. The half-shaved heads, the chain galled ankles, the festering wrists, and in rogue, now the same as in the old days, according to the man who has escaped.

The cultured prisoners, the students from Moscow, have been dying by thousands in such prisons as Akatjewachen, and it is from these prisons that the cholera has come to plague Russia and not from China, according to the prisoner.

TRY TO PASS GAS TALK THROUGH THE PARIS COUNCIL

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 Paris, Oct. 26.—Paris has a gas scandal which the leading radical papers are calling the "Panama of Gas." Paris has not forgotten Panama.

According to the radical press the "pillagers" of the Panama days will be shown up to be curb-stone brokers as compared with the new "gas" thieves, who are engineering in the municipal. The bourgeois financiers of Paris have been plotting for years to take the gas profits which have been accruing to the city itself and they have at last made public their scheme.

The reactionaries in the council, headed by that incarnation of the bourgeoisie, Rouvier, premier and a ring of capitalists behind are trying to impress upon the people of Paris that they have outgrown the grant which made the handling of Paris gas a municipal matter in 1877 and that the gas should be taken out of the control of the city and placed under a holding company.

This company, of which Messieurs Rouvier, Desplas and De Selvas, all members of the council, are members, and undertakes to supply Paris with pure gas, for the trifling sum of a franchise worth millions of francs, then upon all the city lighting and the authority to issue unlimited bonds and have them guaranteed by the city.

The bill, which will take the gas question out of the city hands, except for the trifling fact that the city must pay millions for the "fait accompli" was introduced into the council by Desplas himself, who is one of the members of the "holding company."

The bill was not yet passed by the council and the radical members of the council are up in arms.

HUDSON RIVER FURNISHES ANGLERS A NEW FISH

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 New York, Oct. 26.—A new fish story has made its appearance. For the first time in years striped bass are running in the Hudson. Between Spurten Dury and Riverdale the river is full of them. They seem to be coming in regular shoals, and strange to say, they are ranging very small in weight, from three-quarters of a pound to a pound.

New York anglers have heard of the "healing" of these game fish, and the river for miles is black with fishermen. Some of these are using angworms, others are trolling, while some are marching up and down the shallows in rubber boots. The street cars are filled with the returning anglers bearing strings of five, ten and even as high as twenty of the much-prized fish.

PASTOR WILL NOT HEREAFTER MARRY ANY CONSUMPTIVES

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 Boston, Oct. 25.—The Rev. Herbert S. Johnson, pastor of the Warren Avenue Baptist church, announced recently in church that he would never again marry a consumptive and would at the next district meeting ask the church authorities to prohibit a marriage where one of the parties was infected with tuberculosis.

"I am taking that step," he said, "because I do not want to stand before my God as a murderer. The marriage of an uninfected person with one suffering from the great white plague means that both inevitably will have the disease."

KILLS MAN FOR SMOKING CIGARETTE BEFORE WOMEN

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 24.—At Walnut Ridge, Ark., Marvin Burdfield, aged 19, was shot and killed by Perry Hoyer. Burdfield was smoking a cigarette in presence of ladies and when reprimanded a quarrel ensued.

Advertises in the Chicago Daily Socialist.

SEEK TO CHEAT HUNS OF BALLOT

Reactionaries Retard Suffrage With Makeshift Amendments

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 Pesth, Oct. 26.—The government of Hungary is now in position to assure universal suffrage. It only remains for the defenders of universal suffrage to look out for "jokers" which may be turned to account as technicalities by the reactionaries and the henchmen of the emperor.

Imperial Jokers at Work

And the "jokers" are making daily appearance. The nearest the universal suffrage comes the more frequent the proposed "amendments" emanating from imperial circles and the gangsters in Vienna. The "plural vote," by which one man may cast just about enough to carry through any crown projects which he favors and beat popular legislation, is one of them, but now several new schemes have been developed. The amendments are worded variously, but here is the summary of their exact meaning:

Under the first amendment to universal suffrage proposed 1,270,000 electors will have 157,000 votes. Needless to say this kind of "universal suffrage" is popular at court.

Under the second amendment 855,000 electors will have 1,752,000 votes. Here also is some plurality easily manipulated for the royalty.

Under the third amendment, which will be fought to a finish by the reactionaries, 217,000 electors will have 651,000 votes.

Amendments to Be Fought

These three amendments to "universal suffrage" will be bitterly fought out at every stage, but it seems now that victory is assured for real universal suffrage as against these makeshifts, which means that the 1,500,000 electors of Hungary will have just 1,500,000 votes, no more and no less. No man will be able to cast a plural vote on account of property qualifications, government service, army service, or any affiliation with the monarchy.

The number of suffrages in Hungary is divided about as follows: Sixty-two per cent Magyar, or Hungarian proper, 15 per cent German, 10 per cent Slovak, 7 per cent Rumanian, 4 per cent Serbs and Croats.

The overwhelming preponderance of the Magyar vote may or may not make for a separatist movement. It is understood that the separatists have decided to withhold any active cooperation until after the death of Emperor Francis Joseph.

GETS \$1,000 TO CARRY A CRUTCH

Little James Kolar, eight year old, starts out in life with an artificial leg and \$1,000—less lawyers' fees. James' mother is a widow, who earns her living and that of her son. If James had kept his leg he might have even had \$1,000—less lawyers' fees. Even at that the fees will not be large for the case was settled on the first hearing. Therefore, it takes a most unusual place in the annals of personal injury cases that come into court.

Court Might Have Robbed Him

Unordinary circumstances, at the age of fourteen, James Kolar might have sprung a learned decision handed down by the state supreme court, after much wrangling. Then there might not have been anything coming to him.

James lives with his mother, who speaks no English, at 1639 Turner street. And among those who speak English, especially, has gone the word that the law is a fearsome and tedious thing. Therefore, when in Judge Himes' court in the municipal court building Glenn E. Plum and E. D. Stevens for the Chicago Southern Traction company offered to compromise the suit for \$1,000 and an artificial leg, plus doctor's bills, Mrs. Kolar readily agreed.

Thus, little James, aged eight, a light-haired, blue-eyed boy, on crutches, his right leg gone at the knee, obtained his \$1,000 and a leg. The car company showed that James had no witness on his side and got badly tangled when cross-examined.

She Knew of Other Cases

The proposition was made to Mrs. Kolar and she at once recalled other suits of which she had heard and she accepted the compromise at once.

When it was all over James and his mother and their attorney, Joseph P. Dea, and the car company attorney, E. D. Stevens, walked out together.

OPEN WAR ON SCARLET FEVER IN 29TH TODAY

A campaign against an epidemic of scarlet fever which has been discovered in the southwestern part of the city will be outlined and instituted today at a conference between Health Commissioner W. A. Evans and Ald. Downey and Golombowski of the twenty-ninth ward, where most of the cases have been found.

As an initial step preparations were made yesterday for health officials to file suits against Dr. J. G. Wachowski, 1858 West Forty-eighth street, charging failure to report cases and take proper precautions prescribed under the city ordinance. Dr. Wachowski attended three children of Ad. Golombowski who were stricken and, it is charged, reported none of the cases until one child died.

FORMER RICH WOMAN FOUND ON AN ASH HEAP STARVING

Washington, Oct. 24.—Once the possessor of wealth and now a pauper, a woman is the daughter of Dr. Richard S. Mason, secretary and president of Hobart college, New York. Mrs. Rebecca E. Mitchell, who was found under pitiful circumstances in an alley in a suburb of Washington, was arranged by Dr. Mason to be taken to the city.

She is the widow of a former business man of this city, who left heavy debts, to clear which she had mortgaged her property. She had spent her money in vain, and was discovered by a police sergeant, who heard her cries for help, and was being escorted from behind a police shield.

The court dismissed her case.

WOULD DISSIPATE FUNDS WHILE CITY'S POOR STARVE

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 Ober-Schoeneweide, Prussia, Oct. 26.—The church society of this city and the Socialists are in a pitched battle over the appropriation of 2,500 marks for beautifying the streets, which the church society has recommended to the city council and worked for.

Grunow, the Socialist, protested against spending the money on the streets while the poor of the city were hungry, and contended that the first thing for the council to do was to see that the unemployed were provided for without making these objects of charity. It was contended that the "beautification of the streets" meant employment for the unemployed, but Grunow showed that the contracting company with the lowest bid had already imported cheap labor from Russian Poland, thus keeping the unemployed of the city out of work.

The Socialists protest in the council was unavailing, but Grunow has taken the matter to the courts and will fight the expenditure of the money.

EVEN KURDISH TOILERS REBEL

Miners at Heraclea, No Longer Fanatics, Refuse to Be Wage Slaves

Constantinople, Oct. 26.—Information just received here is to the effect that the Kurdish miners in the town of Heraclea have struck for an advance in wages of 10 per cent and a week's vacation every year.

Blow to Reactionaries

This is one of the severest blows the reactionaries have sustained of recent years. They believed they could depend upon the Kurds, who have been the most fanatical supporters of the Sultanate for seven centuries.

It was not supposed that the Young Turk movement had penetrated even to the Kurds. It develops from the strike, however, that not only the miners, but certain agrarian workmen among the Kurds have become imbued with the Young Turk principles.

The disorders at Heraclea have led the government to send a battery and a regiment of Syrian lancers to the scene of the trouble.

Railway Strike Spreading

Additional news received here which is causing consternation in reactionary circles is that the strike of the workmen on the Damascus railway at Beyrout is spreading. The trainmen and factchini or truck handlers were already out, and it is rumored here that the Young Turks have succeeded in getting out the telegraphers and that communication with Damascus from Beyrout is cut off.

COLORED CHICAGO PASTOR MAKING SOCIALIST CONVERTS

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 Terre Haute, Ind., Oct. 26.—Rev. Geo. W. Slater, the Socialist pastor of Zion tabernacle in Chicago, held three meetings here, which resulted in the formation of a new local composed of negroes. The meetings resulted immediately in fourteen new party memberships and greatly aroused interest among the negro voters. Slater told of his experience during last winter in Chicago, how he had heard Woody of California and been induced to study Socialism.

Slater showed that Socialism is such a just and reasonable thing that his audience was impressed. The Socialists here are taking every advantage of Slater's work, and the new negro party members are very active in gathering in their friends and inducing them to vote for Debs. The Republicans will get a surprise when the vote is counted here.

FINE FOR DOCTORS WHO FAIL TO REPORT PHTHISIS CASES

The continued fight against diphtheria and scarlet fever and the decision to strictly enforce the rule requiring doctors to report all cases of tuberculosis were the chief developments of the last meeting of the health department.

The department eighteen months ago asked physicians to report cases of tuberculosis during life. About 3,000 cases were reported, but it has been estimated that the wide field has not been reported. November 6 has been set as the date for tightening the lines. After that date every doctor, under penalty of prosecution, must report to the health department every case of consumption that he treats.

COLLECTIVISM AND INDUSTRIAL EVOLUTION

By EMILE VANDEVELDE, Member of Chamber of Deputies, Belgium. Translated by Charles H. Kerr. Price 50c, postpaid.

To all those who wish to study Socialism in a single book this work is recommended.

Part I, headed Capitalist Concentration, treats in three interesting chapters, "The Decadence of Personal Property," "The Progress of Capitalist Property," and "Objections," an interesting summary is drawn from the content of the people, and implores them to vote for Bryan. This appeal has been met by the Social-Democrats with a merry laugh.

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Notice!

The Daily Socialist is on sale on the news wagon, corner of Maricopa and Paschtree streets, Atlanta, Ga.

The Garrick Lectures Begin One Week From Tomorrow

TO THE SOCIALISTS OF CHICAGO

On Sunday morning, Nov. 1st, the Sunday before election, will see the grand re-opening of the Garrick Season. The 21st Ward Branch invites all their comrades and friends to turn out in force to give the first lecture a great reception. Our comrades, Mr. and Mrs. Annelewski, will have charge of the musical program, and no further comment is necessary.

Owing to the Big Parade in the afternoon, the Garrick doors will be open at 10 o'clock, meeting will begin promptly at 10:30, and will close before 12 o'clock, to give everybody time to get ready for the parade.

Everything Free and Everybody Invited.

ROSE LIKES THE SOCIALISTS NOW

Milwaukee Mayor Changes His Line of Remarks as the Election Nears

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
 Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 24.—That both old parties in this state and especially around Milwaukee are badly frightened at the tremendous increase of Socialist sentiment and the outlook for the election of Socialists there can be no doubt. The old party managers are casting about in every direction for help.

Even Mayor Rose, who two months ago called the Social-Democrats "curse" and one month ago called them "free-lovers," etc., saying that he would fight them to the last drop of his blood, has begun to beg them for votes by changing his line of remarks entirely.

Give Rose the Laugh

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AGED BANKER ACCUSED OF ASSAULT ON BLIND GIRLS

Santa Fe, N. M., Oct. 24.—With the police in every southwestern city and town on the lookout for him, H. H. Wierre, a wealthy banker of Alamo, N. M., was charged with a criminal assault upon two blind girls aged 14 and 16 years, of the institution for the blind at Alamo, N. M. The accused was a member of the board of trustees.

Indictments charging the crime have been returned by a grand jury of Albuquerque, and warrants of arrest have been issued. It is alleged that the offense was committed six weeks ago at Albuquerque, where he took the girls to the national irrigation congress to show what is being accomplished by the Alamo Gordo institution. The matter came to light owing to one of the victims having made a confession to the superintendent. The matter was at once reported to Governor Curry, who ordered Attorney General Harvey to make a rigid investigation.

The findings of the attorney general resulted in the removal of the accused from the board of trustees. The accused left for parts unknown. His family is prostrated. He has a wife and children. The affair has created a great sensation here owing to Wierre's prominence throughout the territory, of which he has been a foremost citizen for years.

The feeling at Alamo Gordo is bitter against him, and should he be captured and brought back there violence might occur.

CANADA WILL VOTE FOR NEW PARLIAMENT TODAY

Montreal, Que., Oct. 26.—A general election will be held today throughout the dominion of Canada to choose a new parliament, the seventh since the confederation of the provinces of British North America in 1867. At present the Liberal party, led by Sir William Laurier, holds control of the Canadian government, although it has done for last twelve years had nothing has developed during the five week campaign just closed to indicate that a change is imminent.

Most authorities, however, agree that the Liberals will be shown of some of their strength should they again be returned to power. The Liberals had a majority of sixty seats in the last parliament. Their leaders say they will be satisfied with half that number in the new one.

Conservative leaders and conservative newspapers are not placing an estimate on the size of the majority which they expect their party to achieve. The Toronto World, independent of Conservative leanings, predicts that the next parliament will be Conservative with a majority of six.

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Good Reports All Over

Walter Thomas Mills reports magnificent meetings at Two Rivers, Oshkosh and other points. At all points speakers are holding the best meetings ever held in Wisconsin. Good reports come in from all quarters.

HONOR POET OF THE GHETTO WITH SILVER LOVING CUP

A silver loving cup was presented to Aaron Heller, the poet of Chicago's Ghetto, last night at Hull house by Samuel Weinstein in behalf of the latter's relatives to honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the poet's birth.

Tributes to the poet by various prominent Jews were interspersed with appropriate musical numbers. Heller responded to the reception with an address.

WARNING SEABOARD is nearly three-fourths gone, and unless we can get another block to sell, we shall have to turn orders down. Of course, we have other things, too, but CALIFORNIA OIL is "the peerless ONE" investment for you! Ask for a ballot (prospectus) by post card, and see if you don't conclude to VOTE IT STRAIGHT. There's no cryin' about Bryan (instead we left at Taft) around our premises—and you shall too, if you heed us. Either brand of Capitalism can't scare the wise investor. Declare for your own interests today. Write us.

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The International Socialist Review starts with its November number a Study Course in Socialism, prepared by Jos. E. Cohen, easy enough for a workingman to enjoy as he goes along; thorough enough to give him an insight into capitalist society that will make him doubly effective as a fighter for the Revolution. The Review including the Study Course is a dollar a year, single copies 10c. Send Bulletin free. Address Charles H. Kerr & Company, 128 East Kinzie St., Chicago.

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FLAMING BILLS BLAZE THE WAY

Poster Boards Announce the Big Debs Parade and Rally on Nov. 1

When Gompers was challenged to debate by Debs some time ago, he refused on the ground that his appearance in debate would insure Debs an audience.

Tomorrow the city and the suburbs will be flooded with big four part posters announcing the parade and meeting.

The posters will be turned over to a bill posting company, and will be conspicuous on almost every billboard in the city by next week.

Not only will Chicago Socialists participate in the parade, but responses are coming in from many local organizations.

An overflow meeting, even though it will keep thousands out of the hall, is to be desired, however, for it will make the affair more impressive.

Some of the Speakers J. O. Bentall, state secretary, will act as chairman of the armory meeting.

Two "Red Specials" will be flying through the streets of Chicago tonight.

The "Red Specials" will circle the southwest side, taking in the Twentieth ward and its new headquarters.

The Socialists in the Twenty-seventh ward are waging the hottest kind of a campaign, for they feel that their chance of electing a candidate is most favorable.

An effort is being made to make the remaining ten days before election the biggest in the history of the campaign.

While the returns show the franchise was defeated by a majority of 666, an explanation of the voting machines used in sixty-six precincts scattered throughout the city show surprising errors.

As a result of the meeting called by the Teachers' Federation and held in Handel hall last night to wage war against school dodgers, a committee of ten to the city and soap box meetings will be appointed to carry on the fight.

In spite of the rainy weather the hall was packed with people interested in stopping the robbing of the public schools by the big tax dodgers.

Major Johnson may win THE THREE-O'Clock FARE YET Cleveland, O., Oct. 25.—It is believed here today that Mayor Johnson may yet win in the referendum election on the street railway franchise question.

SEARCH SHIP'S COAL BUNKS FOR SMUGGLED TREASURES New York, Oct. 25.—Led by customs officers, a score of longshoremen are digging through the coal bunkers of the Italian steamship Regina d'Italia, which arrived in port yesterday.

RICHEST VILLAGE IN THE WORLD IS NOW BANKRUPT St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 25.—National City, Ill., the richest village in the world, because of the location within its limits of the big packing houses and National stock yards, is bankrupt.

KOPENICK COBBLER'S NIECE DROWNED IN RAIN-BARREL Berlin, Oct. 24.—The now famous "cobbler" of Kopenick, the workman who came into prominence by impersonating a captain in the Prussian army and looting the town treasury, again came into prominence yesterday.

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THE HUSLERS' COLUMN

By W. H. Murphy

A HEART-TO-HEART TALK

BY PEYTON BOSWELL (MANAGING EDITOR)

The members of the editorial staff of the Daily Socialist feel pleased with the six-page paper, of which this is the third number.

The last three days, however, is only a foretaste of what the Daily Socialist will be under the permanent six-page plan.

The really important point, however, is this: Under the new arrangement it will be possible to create a newspaper that other persons besides orthodox Socialists will read and enjoy.

The six-page paper will lead to the eight-page paper and the twelve-page paper, because when the general public becomes interested in the Daily, its advertising patronage will grow quickly.

This is not simply a dream that is fathered by a desire. These predictions are based on the experience which the Daily's management has had in the two years of the paper's existence.

Are you pleased with the six-page paper? Do you want it to be permanent? Do you want the Daily to embark on prosperous seas?

So let your response be immediate, for on what you do in the next few days will depend whether the Daily will keep on under the new plan or whether it will go back to the old four-page regime.

FIRST—You can get subscriptions. Begin now and hustle for your paper as you never have hustled before.

SECOND—If you have money, help take up the \$50,000 bond issue that the Daily is floating. This bond issue will wipe out all the previous indebtedness and leave a balance of \$25,000 to use for improving and enlarging the paper.

Now, then, it is squarely up to you. We of the Daily's staff are straining every nerve to merit the confidence which we believe you have in us.

Friends of the Daily Socialist, the editorial staff asks you to do as it is doing—STRAIN EVERY NERVE DURING THE REMAINING SEVEN DAYS OF THE CAMPAIGN SERIES.

Remember there are two things you can do: 1. GET SUBSCRIPTIONS. 2. PUT SOME OF YOUR MONEY IN THE BOND ISSUE.

GOV. PATTERSON IS GIVEN JEERS

Sanburg, Tenn., Oct. 25.—While he was leaving camp for Walnut Log yesterday, threats were made yesterday against Gov. Patterson. As he passed a store the governor was met by jeers and verbal assaults.

Col. Tatum stated that the information now in possession of the governor and officers of the national guard will lead to the capture of every night rider implicated in the assassination of Capt. Rankin.

MRS. HAINS WROTE THAT SHE SMOKED, DRANK AND GAMBLED New York, Oct. 24.—Letters in which Mrs. Claudia Hains is said to have written of smoking cigarettes, drinking whisky and shaking dice have been turned over to the counsel for Capt. Peter C. Hains and his brother, Thornton Jenkins Hains, charged with the murder of William E. Annis. The letters were found by an army officer of Fort Hamilton. The letters were addressed to Capt. Hains, who at that time was in the Philippines.

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M'MECHAN, W. VA. All persons wishing the Chicago Daily Socialist delivered daily in Wheeling, Benwood and McMechen, will please send a copy to do so by addressing C. V. Leeds, Box 90, McMechen, who will be glad to save them daily and collect at end of month.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING You are hereby notified that at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of November 22, 1908, at the office of the Chicago Daily Socialist, 130 East Washington street, Chicago, Ill., the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Workers' Publishing Society will be held for the purpose of passing upon the annual report of the board of directors and for the election of seven members of the board of directors for the ensuing year.

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EASTERN TOUR OF RED SPECIAL

OCT. 26—MONDAY: Jacksonville—Arrive 10 a. m. Wabash Ry. Chicago—Arrive 10:15 a. m. Wabash Ry. leave 10:45 a. m. Buffalo—Arrive 12:30 p. m. Wabash Ry. leave 1:15 p. m. Erie—Arrive 1:45 p. m. Wabash Ry. leave 2:30 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 3:15 p. m. Erie—Arrive 3:45 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 4:30 p. m. Erie—Arrive 5:15 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 6:00 p. m. Erie—Arrive 6:45 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 7:30 p. m. Erie—Arrive 8:15 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 9:00 p. m. Erie—Arrive 9:45 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 10:30 p. m. Erie—Arrive 11:15 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 12:00 p. m. Erie—Arrive 12:45 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 1:30 p. m. Erie—Arrive 2:15 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 3:00 p. m. Erie—Arrive 3:45 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 4:30 p. m. Erie—Arrive 5:15 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 6:00 p. m. Erie—Arrive 6:45 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 7:30 p. m. Erie—Arrive 8:15 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 9:00 p. m. Erie—Arrive 9:45 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 10:30 p. m. Erie—Arrive 11:15 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 12:00 p. m. Erie—Arrive 12:45 p. m. Buffalo—Arrive 1:30 p. m. 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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

The Hooded Women of Bosnia

The battle was lost and won. By King Ladislav, the Hun. In a fire of hell and death's front On the day of Pentecost.

Thus in a word does Longfellow describe the dread fight before Belgrade, when Ladislav, son of Janos Hunyady, hurled back the army of Amurath the Turk and broke the oncoming wave of Asiatic Invasion. But what Longfellow does not say, is that that battle the "hooded women of the Serbs" became an institution, the same hooded wom-

en, who by their activities, have just been instrumental in sending out the appeal of Bosnia and Herzegovina to lei those of Robert Bruce he was saved the Bosnian workers.

From the "rout and wrath" of that battle rode Scanderbeg, or as he is also called Iskander of the Hills, the great Bosnian chief, with the Serbs in his train. Amurath knew that the Bosnian chieftain had betrayed him in the battle, that the flight of Scanderbeg had meant to the Turk the loss of an empire and that the Bosnian chief had been in correspondence with Ladislav, the Hun. Therefore, many were the traps set to catch Scanderbeg. After a number of adventures which paral-

works of mercy; they go among the poor, but above all they have taken upon themselves the championship of the poor.

A clerk at the Austrian consulate in Chicago declared that these hooded women, so far from comprising all the women of Bosnia composed but a very exclusive part of the population and that they were most influential in all political matters.

Hunger as a Campaign Issue

To women especially the end of the campaign will be welcomed. The papers will have room then for more news of merely human interest. That the average woman will skip a presidential message to read a fashion note has often been remarked. Possibly, however, that does not prove the unfitness of the average woman for politics, but only the unfitness of average politics for women.

For example, an investigation made by direction of the Chicago Board of Education, shows that at least five thousand pupils in the public schools of that city are habitually hungry, and ten thousand more do not get adequate nourishment. There is sufficient information to warrant the investigators in concluding that "girls stand hunger better than boys," and "many wage-earning mothers, having small children to support, receive an income less than eighty cents a day." Reports of the same tenor from New York are more or less familiar.

This great and melancholy problem of desperate poverty in a land of plenty is rather too unpractical and altruistic for male politics—which prefers to concern itself, at times, with such eminently intelligent subjects as whether Mr. Stevenson was a "copperhead" forty-odd years ago, and the drain upon national resources involved in Mr. Taft's trip around the world.

In a city run by women we do not believe there would be, very long after the fact was published, five thousand hungry school children—not unless the offensive armory of hatpins gave out. Male politics, of course, will demonstrate that you can't really do anything about more personal hunger; which is mainly the reason why women take so little interest in it.—Saturday Evening Post.

Socialist Home Book

I have transformed a number of books, whose bindings were perfectly good, but badly faded, and rubbed by pasting blue, or gray, or black, or red, or yellow paper over the cloth or leather, using heavy white paper for the labels, with lettering in library writing.

Michael paper is used by some of the best binders. It is very tough and strong, and comes in a number of shades of blue (one quite dark), grays and sage green. It is sold at all the large artists' material shops, and costs three or four cents at the table in 18x24 inches. In applying it, the entire piece must be covered smoothly with paste, so as to shrink it evenly, and it must be rubbed smooth immediately. Picture mats can be made in the same way, on a cardboard foundation. For such purposes I buy at a paint store paper hanger's paste, getting nearly a quart for five cents. It is perfectly smooth and very strong. To insure its keeping more than a day or two I work into each quart a teaspoonful of oil of lavender, pack it in preserve jars, screw the tops on and set it away in a cool place. It keeps indefinitely.

A Practical Skool

I have one article in my kitchen which I consider invaluable. It is a round stool about a foot and a half in height. When not in use I keep it under the table or the sink, but when I am in the kitchen it is rarely out of use. I use it when at work at a table in preparing vegetables, making cake, or with the chopping bowl, and it saves me much fatigue. I also use it when washing and wiping dishes, and here it serves another purpose. My sink, and also kitchen tables, are so low that one must stoop when at work over them, and it is a hard matter to keep from growing round-shouldered. But the stool brings one to the proper level and the work is done without stooping or weariness.

For Home Dressmakers

White cotton crepe is being used for the separate waists this season, and this dainty little affair is developed in this material with the pattern in silk, embroidered in white or colors. It may also be developed in white linen, or in any of the wash materials with the yoke of the same or a contrasting material, and the cuffs may be of all-over lace or embroidered to match the yoke.

Swiss Women Workers

The Swiss government has just finished an investigation into the condition of Swiss working women which reveals some conditions which show that in this so-called "idea" republic capitalism has secured a foothold which will drag in its train all the old evils which other countries know even better than the Swiss. Here is the scale of women's wages.

Twenty-six different establishments were investigated as to those salaries received by women, with the following result:

\$8 per month	10
\$4 to \$5 per month	9
\$5 to \$6 per month	26
\$6 to \$6.50 per month	111
\$7 to \$7.75 per month	126
\$8 to \$9 per month	94
\$9 to \$10 per month	37
\$10 to \$12 per month	3

From this it will be seen that the lowest salary paid is \$2 per month in the industrial establishments of Switzerland and the highest \$12, and only three persons in the twenty-six establishments are receiving the maximum wage. The old cry of the capitalist

Chestnut Brownies

It occurred to me one day to make the shining brown horse chestnuts into little men, and after many attempts, I hit upon a quaint little figure, and I will now tell how to make one like it.

First procure your chestnuts, a small round one for the head, and a larger one for the body. Then you will need some straight hairpins, some yarn or wool, and a little brown or red sealing wax. Open out two hairpins, and push in across the body, one on each side, for you must know that the right leg and left arm are made of one hairpin, and the left leg and right arm of the other. Wind the wool or silk evenly around the pins, leaving the ends and knots at the end of the hairpins, as they will presently be covered with sealing wax. Now join the head to the body with long pins, or, if you wish the brownies to stand up, you must use a hairpin straightened out, and pushed right through the body to make a prop, also covered with silk or wool.

Heard at the Woman's Socialist League

The "hot weather" never phased the interest of our members in their league. Always, the hottest days in summer, we have had at least a quorum present. But this "hot campaign" is too much for us. As we are each and every one members of the ward branch, our first duty is to the party. Therefore, our educational work will be held in abeyance until after election.

At our last meeting a member with shining eyes and glowing cheeks told of distributing the "Hungry Children" edition of the Daily Socialist. We worked until 11, at the branch, Monday night, making a transparency to carry in a proposed march the following night through the streets in our neighborhood, for the purpose of distributing the papers. We led the march, a good sized crowd by that time. (We had been at the work from 6 to 8) to the door of our hall, then took them right in with us to hear good speaking.

The next morning a neighbor went with me to the cemetery carrying as big bundles of the papers as we could, distributing them along the way, and as reaching the cemetery we passed

Chsne Postoffice Returns

In reporting that the returns of the Imperial maritime customs of China for 1907 shows that there are 2,403 working postoffices and postal agencies in China, showing an increase of 707 over the year 1906, Consul J. C. McNally, of Nanking, has summarized the returns as follows:

The business of the postal service has increased over 50 per cent, the receipts over expenditures being correspondingly larger. Much of this increase is due to the railway development of China, particularly that forming a connection with the Trans-Siberian route, which accelerated European communication so that London letters reach Peking in sixteen days.

BONNIE DUNDEE

VERSION OF 1908
(Writer by a lined descendant of John Grahame of Claverhouse.)
To the leaders of labor, 'twas Gompers that spoke.
Let us all vote for Bryan, for Taft is a snake.
He will issue injunctions against you and me,
And labor will be very much up a tree.
So come fill up cup and come fill up my can,
Come load up that dinner pail, Mister Trustamas.
Come down with cash for just Bryan and I me,
Or 'ell ne'er hear the last of my cohorts and me.
But the cohorts, gouce folk, just scampered away,
We're no to be led by the nose, o'er the sea.
Sae we'll aye vote for Debs and purer country.
So it's come all ye workers free for 'tis Debs we'll see.
'Tis Debs we'll see at dinner pail, never ye fear,
'Twas empty we'll baith o' them, an' 'oo they will see.
Th' we're out for that dinner pail, fu as can be.
W! Gompers an' Taft an' w! Hill Bryan, too,
Ic's him the workers will make more a'round.
The Dinner Pail's blager than Taft, a'round.
An' empty o'er makes a Bill Bryan sound.
So come fill up that Dinner Pail, then we'll believe
That nae trust is lurkin' up either ain's sleeve,
But ill ye hae grutchit the hunger a' a' the three.

THE DONKEY

BY LEWIS G. DE HART.

"No, we're full up," he said shortly, as he turned back to his plan of the Crucifixion, and with averted eyes, the searcher left the shop. Outside he braced up his shoulders and walked briskly away, his stubborn pride refusing to show outward discouragement. But, when out of sight of the place, his gaze slackened and became an aimless ramble, the continuation of the fumble of many days and weeks, a ship without a rudder, striving for port, and always driven back to sea, helplessly drifting, hope almost gone.

"What's the use," he murmured despairingly, "it's been hunt, hunt, hunt and no, no, no, ever since my last job, and God knows I've had about enough of it. I'd better be a convict for then I'd get my meals regular. Uncle Sam takes better care of a convict than he does of a man out of a job, and between the two, I guess I'm the donkey."

An automobile came whizzing by, leaving the air reeking with gasoline and dust. The wanderer was too indifferent to care for the insult to his outworn clothes, but he shook his fist fiercely at the fact vanishing car.

"D— you," he hissed between his clenched teeth, "you cursed hell-hounds. You ride in a ten thousand dollar motor to kill time, and I walk the streets from my feet hunting a job, and starve at last. D— you again," he breathed vindictively, summing up all his resentment at the world on the only visible object representing that class which could tell him to loaf and starve, while standing there with the curses still hot upon his lips, the man at last became aware that someone was speaking to him, a tiny voice that was breaking into his sullen humor, as the sunshine after a thunder storm.

"He turned and looked down" where

THE RED SPECIAL

BY H. L. HOOVER.

To the great Atlantic seaboard,
Where the blood of toll is shed,
Myriad voices now are calling,
"Speed the 'Special Flyer Red.'"

Where the confidence is lacking
And the "full pads" unrestored,
Blow the whistle and no backing,
Forward speed'er! All aboard!

O, my brother, and my comrade,
Nor sidetrack, nor delay!
Let'er rumblings be Hosannas
Of our hosts spreading dismay.

Not unto the enslaved toilers
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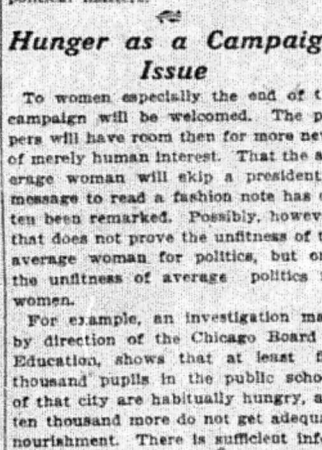
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Sleeping sickness, the most feared disease in tropical Africa, is spread by the tsetse-fly. So great have the ravages of the disease become that the English government has established a national sleeping sickness bureau in London to act in co-operation with the Sudanese government and the Royal Society. Its work will be the collection of topographical, statistical, pathological, and other information regarding sleeping sickness, and to arrange for its prompt distribution among those who are engaged in combating the disease, as well as for the circulation of publications designed for the use and guidance of government officials and missionaries in all infested parts of Africa.

The usual course of the disease is from four to eight months. At the outset there is headache, a feverish condition (lassitude and corresponding disinclination to work. The facial aspect changes and a previously happy and intelligent looking negro becomes, instead, dull, heavy and pathetic. Later, tremor in the tongue develops, speech is uncertain and mumbling, walk shuffling and progressive weakness, drowsiness and oblivion to his surroundings afflict the sufferer. The last stage is marked by extreme emaciation, and a coma deepening into death.

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A group of people, possibly related to the article on sleeping sickness.

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THE DONKEY

BY LEWIS G. DE HART.

"No, we're full up," he said shortly, as he turned back to his plan of the Crucifixion, and with averted eyes, the searcher left the shop. Outside he braced up his shoulders and walked briskly away, his stubborn pride refusing to show outward discouragement. But, when out of sight of the place, his gaze slackened and became an aimless ramble, the continuation of the fumble of many days and weeks, a ship without a rudder, striving for port, and always driven back to sea, helplessly drifting, hope almost gone.

"What's the use," he murmured despairingly, "it's been hunt, hunt, hunt and no, no, no, ever since my last job, and God knows I've had about enough of it. I'd better be a convict for then I'd get my meals regular. Uncle Sam takes better care of a convict than he does of a man out of a job, and between the two, I guess I'm the donkey."

An automobile came whizzing by, leaving the air reeking with gasoline and dust. The wanderer was too indifferent to care for the insult to his outworn clothes, but he shook his fist fiercely at the fact vanishing car.

"D— you," he hissed between his clenched teeth, "you cursed hell-hounds. You ride in a ten thousand dollar motor to kill time, and I walk the streets from my feet hunting a job, and starve at last. D— you again," he breathed vindictively, summing up all his resentment at the world on the only visible object representing that class which could tell him to loaf and starve, while standing there with the curses still hot upon his lips, the man at last became aware that someone was speaking to him, a tiny voice that was breaking into his sullen humor, as the sunshine after a thunder storm.

"He turned and looked down" where

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BY H. L. HOOVER.

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Where the blood of toll is shed,
Myriad voices now are calling,
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"Well," said his father, "how can you tell the difference between a goose and a geese?"

"Aw, that's easy," said Fred. "One geese is a goose and two geeses is geese."

—New York Tribune.

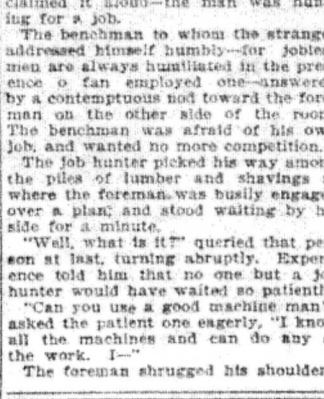
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THE SOCIALIST PARTY OFFERS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE TO VOTE HIMSELF A PERMANENT JOB.

The Socialist Party does not simply offer a CHANCE of temporary labor, but the CERTAINTY OF PERMANENT WORK. It does not offer simply WAGES, but the certainty that all that is produced will go to those who have the jobs and do the work.

It will do this by making the mines, and mills and factories, TO WHICH THE JOBS ARE ATTACHED, the property of all the workers. THE WORKERS WILL THEN OWN THE JOBS.

This is what Socialism means. It means that everyone will OWN HIS JOB, and also that he, with his fellow workers, will enjoy the ENTIRE PRODUCT.

It will be the best job that has ever been offered to a worker. It will be a job in which the very best tools will be used, operated with all that the triumphs of modern science have made possible, until the product will be far beyond the wildest dreams of today.

No other party offers anything like this. No other party can. All others stand for the PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF THE JOBS by those who DO NO WORK, and who must therefore be supported by those who do work.

DO YOU NOT THINK THAT THIS IS SOMETHING WORTH VOTING FOR?

What Has Been Gained?

The campaign has now almost run its course. Sufficient time has passed to determine the results of the Gompers' policy upon the unions. This is a phase of the question in which neither Democrats nor Republicans are interested. Bryan and Taft look upon the unions as something to be USED BY THE POLITICIANS DURING CAMPAIGNS and as something to be FOUGHT BETWEEN ELECTIONS.

This is not the attitude of the Socialist. To him the economic organization of Labor is a means of fighting for better conditions ALL THE TIME. Therefore he is opposed to anything that injures those unions.

The attempt to use the union organization as a cog in a capitalist political machine has only resulted in smashing the cog. Mitchell and Keefe are already trying to get out from under, and are repudiating Gompers in whole or part.

Local unions by the hundreds, in every part of the country, are denouncing the whole policy of using the labor movement as a sort of trading-stamp in political merchandising. Wherever the rank and file have had any opportunity to speak they have revolted at such tactics.

The officials who are paid to see that organization is perfected and extended, and that the membership secure better conditions of work and living, are worse than wasting their time in political trading. They are busy denouncing as traitors to unionism all those who refuse to become a part of the political trading stock of these officials.

Meanwhile no effort is being made to increase the membership of the unions, to improve their organizations, to fortify them against the fights that must come, or to seek to use them in the great industrial fight for which they were created.

A few more days and election will be over. Then will come the real hard struggle in the shop and mill and mine and factory. Whether Bryan or Taft is elected the government will be in the hands of those who hate unionism. THEN UNION MEN WILL NEED THEIR ORGANIZATIONS. They will need them as they have never needed them before. With the Sullivans, Taggarts, Corners and Haskells in power there will be little mercy for the unions. With Taft and his injunctions at the helm Labor must fight for life.

In either case the Socialist Party will be found the day after election, as it was the day before and the year before, on the side of the working class in every fight that it wages against capital. The Socialist papers and the Socialist literature will not take off the union label on November fourth.

WHEN LABOR NEEDS HELP THEN THE SOCIALISTS WILL BE ON HAND, NOT BECAUSE THEY ARE FRIENDS OF LABOR, BUT BECAUSE THEY ARE LABORERS.

When Capitalist politicians NEED Labor, they are on hand. When Labor needs help, they are on the other side.

Coming in a Blaze of Glory

Nothing ever undertaken by any political party has ever aroused such a wave of enthusiasm as the triumphant trip of the Socialist "Red Special."

With every turn of the wheels this enthusiasm has increased. When the train came back from the West all feared that the East would fail in comparison. So tremendous had been the interest that it was felt to be impossible to keep it up.

Now that the train is sweeping on through its final week each meeting becomes a climax and a new record for the locality in which it is held.

Neither Taft nor Bryan, nor any other candidates for office in this country have ever created such enthusiastic interest, or met with such an encouraging response.

This train reaches Chicago Sunday afternoon. From all appearances that day will see such an outpouring as the city has never witnessed before. To those who have fought for years for Socialism, who have stood upon the streets and poured out their lives in telling what they knew to be the message of liberty and life to the workers, this result comes with a gratification that is hard to understand by those who are just realizing the truth of the message of Socialism.

It is a sign that the beginning of the end is here. The day of fighting to attract attention has passed never to return. The day of ADVERTISING Socialism has passed. The DAY OF FIGHTING FOR VICTORY IS HERE.

From now on the American working class is coming to school to Socialism. It is coming willingly, gladly, eagerly. Progress from now on will be measured only by the ability of the Socialists to bring the knowledge of Socialism to those who are willing to listen.

THROWING AWAY THEIR VOTES

BY EUGENE V. DEBS

It is eminently fitting that workingmen, and especially organized workingmen, should examine their position in the existing wage system and consider remedies for the political and industrial ills that afflict them. This is particularly true at the present juncture when we are engaged in a political contest that will decide which party shall control the agencies of government for another term of four years.

A man's vote is an expression of his right to impress his will upon the machinery of government so as to make it operate in the manner he desires. His vote expresses his right to alter or repeal existing laws and to make new laws, or to inaugurate new policies or systems of government if he wishes to do so. Naturally men have no desire to throw away their votes. They want them to count as fully as possible in the accomplishment of the results they are seeking to attain.

It may be assumed without argument that workingmen vote to improve their condition. They seek to impress their will upon the machinery of government so as to make it operate for their benefit. In short, they seek by their votes to accomplish the best results for themselves. If it shall appear that with all their voting workingmen have failed to improve their condition; that, on the contrary, their condition has actually grown worse; that they have been robbed of their constitutional guarantees to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, both through the law and in defiance of it; that their economic condition today is virtually one of slavery, as irksome and infinitely more brutal than the chattel slavery that has been abolished, then it must be evident that they have been throwing away their votes all these years.

The political spellbinders' stock of eloquent platitudes when fishing for the votes of workingmen have been marshaled around such meaningless phrases as "pauper labor," "protection to American labor," "the full dinner pail," "European conditions," "American standard of living" and others of like import, though fully as meaningless.

Workingmen have been told and will be told again in the impending campaign by Republican and Democratic orators, that the very life of our glorious republic depends upon maintaining "our present high American standard of living." They have been taught that this alone is the real foundation of all our greatness and glory as a nation; that this it is which enables us to stand forth as the one successful experiment in nation building in the history of the world; that this it is which has truly made America the land of the free and the home of the brave; and they have been, and will again be, implored, for God's sake and the sake of their wives and children, for the sake of their homes, their families and their glorious country, for the benefit of posterity and their common humanity, by the memory of Washington, Jefferson, Jackson and all the other saints in our political pantheon, to walk up to the polls and save this country from degradation by casting the ballot of a free and enlightened American citizenship for the candidates of the Republican or Democratic parties, both of which have the interests of the dear workingmen at heart and would never consent to have them reduced to the "pauper level of European conditions." Above all, they have been warned, as they will be again, not to "throw away their votes" by giving them to the Socialist party.

Should we look for results to correspond with the professions of the old party politicians we might naturally expect to find workingmen generally enjoying an exceptionally high standard of living. Indeed, we might look for them all to be in affluent circumstances. But it is not so. On the contrary, the American standard of living has been steadily lowered, until it now practically conforms to European conditions.

During more than a generation past there has not been a legislative measure advocated or enacted that has not

been supported by the plea of benefit to the workingmen. Distinctly and repeatedly have American workingmen been told that the main purpose of all legislation was to uphold their wages and improve their condition—all for the good of the country, of course—and after all this legislation, founded upon burning anxiety for the welfare of the free and independent American wage earners, what are the results?

While money wages in a few selected trades have increased to some extent, actual wages in all trades and callings, as compared with the cost of living, have enormously declined. By the indisputable evidence of official reports from capitalist sources themselves workingmen are now receiving a far smaller portion of the product of their labor than ever before. Millions of them are on the verge of want even when employed, and when deprived of work from any cause are at once thrown into pauperism and slow starvation. By the enactment of laws and judicial interpretation of laws already enacted their most sacred constitutional rights have been trampled upon and ignored. Their unions have been declared criminal conspiracies and a law enacted to protect them from discharge and blacklist by their employers, simply because of their membership in a union of their craft, has been declared unconstitutional by the highest court in the land.

They have been forbidden by law to boycott unfair employers of labor in the effort to maintain union conditions of employment, and have even been denied the right to strike except in a manner that will work no inconvenience or loss to the business of their employers; and in addition to the criminal penalties for disobedience to this mandate they are subject to threefold damages for any injury to the business of their employers which may be sustained by reason of a strike or boycott. In short, workingmen have been deprived of every vestige of protection afforded them by their unions, and are turned over, bound hand and foot, to the tender mercies of the most heartless oligarchy of wealth that ever existed in any age of the world.

In this country men are theoretically equal. John Smith and John Rockefeller are assumed to have precisely equal rights and powers in the government. It is the cant of capitalism that we have no classes, and John Smith has been urged to support, and has supported, the same political party as John Rockefeller, on the fallacious assumption that the interests of labor and capital are identical. Smith is not to be blamed for this, as, and to relate, the leaders of his union, whom he has looked to for advice and instruction in economic matters, have vied with the capitalist spellbinders in dining the truth into his ears, and have pictured to him in somber colors the dire results that would follow the introduction of politics in his union. Even now these same leaders, although forced by the inexorable logic of events to abandon their cry of no politics in the unions, are endeavoring to steer the votes of workingmen into the Democratic party, which is equally responsible with the Republican party for the deplorable condition of the unions. They still insist that the interests of labor and capital are identical, and seek to prevent workingmen from voting for the only party which accurately represents their class interests on the plea that such action would be equivalent to throwing away their votes!

Workingmen necessarily throw away their votes when they cast them for any capitalist party, as the relation between capitalist and laborer is one of thorough antagonism, and as long as a capitalist party, no matter by what name it is called, remains in control of the government, the laws will favor capitalism and the workers will be robbed. It is only by placing themselves in control of government, through a political party representing their own class interests as opposed to capitalism, that workingmen will obtain their rights, and they should remember that no vote to this end is a vote thrown away.

Every vote cast for the Socialist

party increases the strength of labor's protest and adds to the fear of capitalism. A united labor vote demanding justice for workingmen is the one thing that capitalism dreads, and every effort will be made to prevent voters from supporting the Socialist party, as capitalism truly recognizes that that party is the only one which is uncompromisingly opposed to its rule. It is only by demonstrating its power that labor can command respect, and even from the standpoint of palliative legislation workingmen should unhesitatingly support the Socialist party.

As the strength of Socialism increases and is registered through the party vote the economic condition of workingmen is improved by ameliorative legislation forced from capitalism through fear. This is true of all countries where Socialism has become an organized political force, and it will be true here.

Remember that the Socialist party proposes, not to reform the capitalist system, but to abolish it. By the magic of private property the capitalist has acquired ownership of the tools and materials of wealth production. He has obtained possession of the instruments which the laborer must use in order to obtain the means of life. By reason of this ownership the capitalist draws to himself wholly without labor and by the mere right of ownership as it is legally recognized, the whole product of the workingman's industry, save barely enough to support his existence, which is returned to him in the name of wages.

Under this system the whole product of industry belongs to the capitalist; all that the laborer can claim is his contract wages, which are determined by laws of competition over which he has no control, and which, according to the economic statement and the demonstration of actual facts, always tend to the minimum that will support existence at the worker's accustomed standard of living.

Under capitalism the worker builds a palace and lives in a hovel; weaves the finest fabrics and clothes himself in shoddy or in rags; makes fine shoes and wears the coarsest brogans; produces elegant silk hats and wears a flustian cap; builds luxurious carriages and breeds fine horses to draw them and then walks; extracts fuel from the earth, where a beneficent creator has placed it for the use of all His children, and freezes for the lack of it; in short, he produces everything and enjoys nothing. The entire product of his ingenuity and his industry flows into the possession of the capitalist class as the price of permission to labor for a bare existence.

In former days the slave was compelled to labor for the benefit of others by virtue of brute force exerted by the strong arm of his master reinforced by law. In these days the slave is called a free man, and is compelled to labor for the benefit of others by virtue of his master's law enforced ownership of the tools of production and his own necessity to live.

Give to one man the right to own and control the means of another's existence and he is as truly that other's master as though he stood over him with whip and gun and hunted him with bloodhounds if he attempted to escape; though the other may be called as free as his master. It is the result of the exercise of the power of man over man that constitutes the essence of slavery, not the manner in which the power may be exercised, and the laborer of today is as truly a slave as was his prototype in ancient and feudal times.

Capitalism is the latest, best and most perfected form of mastership. The capitalist has merely stepped into the shoes of the ancient slaveholder and feudal baron.

This is the condition that is frankly recognized by the Socialist party, and which it proposes to correct by abolishing the competitive wage system and placing the worker in possession of the entire product of his industry through the collective ownership and operation of the means and instruments of production. Actually, as well as theoretically, it will give John Smith and John Rockefeller precisely equal rights and powers in the government.

A vote for Socialism is never thrown

AN AMAZED BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BY ERNEST POOLE

There is nothing made up about this yarn. It was given me by a man who saw it happen.

In New York is a certain high educational institution for Jews. It is on the Lower East Side. It is free—supported by a group of rich Jewish men from uptown. Efficient men, they have spent both time and money in plenty to make the place efficient. And they have succeeded. It is known as one of the best of its kind.

But the directors live uptown. Some years ago one of them prevailed upon Mr. Andrew Carnegie to come down and address the people. The board was delighted. At their meeting that month they told the superintendent of the place to send out "to the best, most solid people" in the tenements nearby enough invitations to fill the small auditorium. It was to be a great, an impressive event.

A month passed. They met again. The superintendent gave his report. "How many invitations did you send?" "Twelve hundred."

"What?" Up rose the board of directors. The silence was intense.

"My friend," said one of them, grimly, "are you aware of the fact that the hall seats just five hundred—at a pinch?"

"I am."

"Well, can't you see what a hole you've put us in? Seven hundred people, the very ones we depend upon to spread our work, invited guests, are to be turned away!"

"Gentlemen," said the superintendent, coolly, "I've lived down here for about ten years; I think I know these people. You requested me to fill this hall. I said I've done it. I'm not sure."

"But," said one stout gentleman, agitated, "Mister Carnegie's library are scattered all over the Lower East Side!"

"That's true. I think I've filled the hall," the superintendent had thought wrong. The time for the meeting arrived. The board of directors and many friends were crowded on the platform. Mr. Carnegie had arrived. "The Gospel of Wealth" was about to begin.

"They waited. They still waited! The hall was but half filled."

And from the stage some two score

pairs of eyes looked down, filled with wondering and gloom—at the unengaged peer.

Finally somebody had an idea. Messengers were sent upstairs, and in a few minutes the place was packed with chattering boys and girls brought down from the class rooms.

To them the "Gospel" was now preached. As somebody said at the end of it all:

"The children, the young generation, can still be reached, thank Heaven. There is still some hope for them."

On the next evening, in the same hall, a Russian Jew who was little known, whose lecture had not even been advertised except by a one line notice up on the bulletin board, gave a talk. His subject was not Money—only Science.

But long before he began to speak, the hall was crowded to the doors!

These treatment millions. What a strange mysterious mass—with what deep, surprising, almost ominous hunger. All to be so nicely, wisely guided from uptown.

Yes! What an amazed-board of directors!

A COMPANION TO TRUTH

A BOY'S ESTIMATE OF EUGENE V. DEBS.

By Robert Hunter.



EUGENE V. DEBS

been out of work for some time stopped to say that he had a job offered him on the railroad, but he would have to have a watch before he could go to work. Immediately 'Gene took out his gold watch and gave it to the man, telling him to return it when he was able to buy one for himself.

These and countless other stories are told by his fellow citizens. Many of them do not understand 'Gene. His views and his work they cannot comprehend, but every man, woman and child in that town loves him with a devotion quite extraordinary.

They say that a prophet is without honor in his own country, but in Terre Haute you will find that however much they misunderstand the work that 'Gene is doing there is not one who does not honor and love him.

Ask anyone. Go to the poor, the vagrant, the hobo. Go to the churches, to the rich, to the banker, to the traction magnate. You will find that every single one will say that 'Gene has something which other men do not possess. Some will say he is rash, unwise, and too radical. Others will say that he is too good for this world, and that his visions and dreams are the fanciful outpourings of a generous but impractical soul. But ask them about his character, his honesty, his sincerity, and unconsciously many of them will remove their hats.

Some of these statements will seem an exaggeration. But one cannot avoid it in speaking of 'Gene. When one who knows him makes any statement, no matter how moderate, it will seem to others who do not know him an exaggeration.

'Gene has followed Truth wherever she has led. He does not ask what is politic, what is wise, what is expedient; he only asks what is truth. He loves Truth beyond all things. She is his absolute mistress, and he has gone with her from riches to poverty, from popularity to unpopularity. He has gone with her out of great positions into small positions. He has stood up for her against all men. For her he has seemed at times to sacrifice all earthly gain and to accept without one pang of regret misunderstanding, misrepresentation, and almost universal condemnation. For her he has been momentarily one of the most popular men in the country, and for her he has been momentarily one of the most unpopular men in the country. He has been her companion when everyone believed in her, and he has been her "companion when to believe in her meant to go into prison stripes, behind iron bars.

Sometimes I have differed with 'Gene. I have said to him that what he was doing was unwise, impolitic, dangerous. At such times, under such criticism, he is always kindly but unyielding; and it is his conscience that answers you back and asks, "But is it right? Is it true?"

Shortly after I left college I went to live in one of the most poverty-stricken districts of Chicago. On Sunday it was announced that Eugene would come there to speak. Though I came to hear him, and overflowing the hall a multitude waited outside to hear him speak from a truck. After waiting for two hours perhaps, 'Gene came out and began to speak. Most of the audience were foreigners who could hardly understand a word of English, and as I heard his beautiful words and saw their wistful, earnest faces I felt that something more powerful, penetrating and articulate than mere words was passing between the audience and the speaker. For a moment it seemed to me that a soul was speaking from the eyes and frame of 'Gene, and that, regardless of differences of language and all the traditional barriers that separated him from the multitude about him, they understood and believed all he said. I remember how my heart beat, and how tears began to flow from my boyish eyes. I was ashamed for fear someone would see me. And it was not because of anything that 'Gene was saying. It was solely because of something back of the man, something greater than the man, something bigger, more powerful, and more moving than any words or expression. And after the thing was over I went to him, helped him on with his coat, and fondled him as I would my own father or brother. And as we went away together there kept coming into my heart the words of Ruth:

"Entreat me not to leave thee or to return from following after thee. For whither thou goest I will go, and whither thou lodgest I will lodge. Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God."

PRICKLY POINTS

Evidently Hearst knew what he was doing when he refused to accept from his own hand the presidential nomination and passed it over to the unsuspecting Higen. All of the indications now are that the Hearst candidate will run like a second-hand auto with the spark plug strayed or stolen.

To see the way their officials at the state federation are pulling for politicians is enough to disgust the rank and file of labor. However, their stomachs are strong and they are not easily disgusted. But maybe they will be some day.

About the only thing clearly shown by the Record-Herald's straw vote is that wherever it has been taken the Socialist vote is more than double what it was four years ago. That isn't as discouraging as it might be. It will only take a few doubles to land us on top, where we belong.

Magazine writers, preachers, lecturers, and newspapers have demonstrated that the Socialist sentiment is here. To harvest it in the form of a big vote is

the work of the organized Socialists. They can do nothing better to help to accomplish that than by circulating the party press between now and election. Dropping half a dozen papers in the street cars every night will be something.

Four years from now Gompers' antics in the present campaign will look even more ridiculous than they do at present.

Are the police and the capitalist papers losing their resourcefulness? As yet they have not attempted to charge up the 22 bombs in the gamblers' war to the Socialists or to ignorant foreigners.

Do you notice how hopefully the Republican forecasters say that Debs is going to draw more from the Democrats than the Republicans, although their own straw votes do not show it?

Let us not lose any sleep over the danger of defeat for poor old Uncle Joe Cannon. Capitalism cannot afford to lose such a valuable servant at the present moment.

Work for the Police

Few people in Smoke Ridge had ever seen an automobile, so when one of these "red devils" stopped for a few minutes in the isolated village the curious inhabitants gazed at the sporting demon with a mixture of fear and awe, and the owner, who had entered the general store to make a purchase, heard one rustic remark:

"I'll bet it's a man killer."

"Of course it is," assented the other. "Look at the number on the back of the car. That shows how many people it's run over. That's according to law. Now if that fellow was to run over anybody here in Smoke Ridge it would be our duty to telegraph that number—124—to the next town ahead."

"And what would they do?" demanded the interested rustic.

"Why the police would stop him and change his number to 125," Mobile Register.

Something Lacking

A certain drill sergeant whose severity had made him unpopular with his company was putting a squad of recruits through the funeral exercise.

Opening the ranks so as to admit the passage of the supposed corpse between them, the instructor, by way of practical explanation, walked a short distance down the line with the two ranks, saying to his aid so:

"Now, I am the corpse. Pay attention." Having reached the end of the party he turned round, regarded them with a scrutinizing eye for a moment or two, then remarked:

"Your ranks is right and your aids is right, but you 'svent that look of respect you ought to 'ave."—Cleveland Leader.

Merely Preparing for the inevitable

Company

"I hear you have bought your wife a pet monkey."

"I got her a cute one."

"That will be fine for her."

"So I thought."

"She won't miss you when you are away from home."—Boston Advertiser.

GLASGOW LABOR CONDITIONS

The general trade depression that has continued so long throughout Great Britain is causing great distress in Glasgow and vicinity, especially among workers of all classes in the shipbuilding industry. The slackness in the shipbuilding trade has naturally had a depressing effect on the iron and steel trades, and in consequence the distress on account of unemployment is not nearly so prevalent as in the shipbuilding trade.

The slackness in the steel industry commenced in November, 1907, and the prospects of revival in the trade are not very promising, in spite of the fact that both coal and steel have recently fallen in price. The armor-plate branch

of the trade is stagnant, as the government is not at present building war ships.

In the locomotive building industry business is quiet, but the number of unemployed is not far below the normal. Short time, however, has been resorted to, and the trade has not increased as anticipated, and the home trade is remarkably dull. The general inactivity has led railway companies to economize, with the result that fewer engines and cars are in use, and instead of ordering new engines the old ones are repaired on their own premises.

The building trades of Glasgow are in a very depressed condition, and with winter approaching, which is always a dull season for masons, joiners, plumbers, and painters, the outlook is anything but cheerful. There are few large buildings in course of construction, and

contracts are scarce, owing largely to dear money and building material. The general depression has affected all classes of workers, and the number of idle artisans and laborers is exceptionally large, 25,000 being considered a fair estimate.

Distress among the poor and unemployed has become so acute that the sympathy of the authorities and the public at large has been thoroughly aroused and active measures are being taken for the relief of the needy.

Various relief funds have been opened and are being subscribed to liberally. Charity organizations are co-operating with the authorities, parishes, councils, school boards, the police force, and other agencies, in administering these funds for relief of the destitute. Glasgow can be depended upon to ameliorate the sufferings of the needy until improved trade conditions enable them to help themselves.