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THE WORKERS' CALL.

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"Workingmen of all countries unite! You have nothing to lose but your chains; you have a world to gain."

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News of the Week And its Philosophy.

No old party politician who figured as a Labor Day orator attempted to tell in exact figures how much a "fair day's wage" might be. That was what they all said they wanted, but how is the workingman to know if he is getting it when the experts are silent on the subject? The politician does not make a specialty of being specific. He deals in glittering generalities, but there are many straws to show that the generalities do not glitter in the eyes of the workingman as they did once. There is more of a disposition each year to ask the politician how and when and where he intends to do these things, and many workingmen are beginning to realize that they must do them for themselves if they would be done.

Roosevelt went all the way to Minneapolis to tell the workingmen that the interests of capital and labor are the same. He said many other things, but so far as his address touched on labor topics that was the only specific statement. Labor's interests he said should be guarded by legislation; details could be safely left to the capitalist governments. As long as the wage workers think that way, Roosevelt and his friends can hold the offices and enjoy the good things which others have produced.

The dying building-trades council with the scars of the class struggle still fresh, was addressed by a politician who occupies a position as judge. He did not draw the lessons of the class struggle to these men, he was there for the purpose of healing over such things. By the way, did it ever occur to the laboring men who listened that no assembly of lawyers ever asked a laboring man to address them?

From dozens of stumps, socialist orators expounded to the workingmen on labor day the mission of their class and the possibilities for them in united action and there is reason to believe that the seed did not all fall by the wayside. If it could be followed up by a campaign for subscribers that would put the Workers' Call in the hands of every organized man in Chicago it is safe to say only members of their class would address them on next labor day.

The ban against politics may be removed at the next meeting of the Chicago Federation, as a vote on the subject has been submitted. That will be all the opening the socialists will want. The small but determined band of socialists in the federation will make short work of such democrats and republicans who remain, except those who hold political jobs or are looking for such jobs and want the labor vote as trading stock. Give us a hearing and if we don't prove our position, the laboring men are at liberty to continue to vote for the interests of their bosses.

The levee has been moved down a block, but there is no danger but the girls who are unable to earn a living as wage slaves will be able to find it; as to its idle rich patrons, they will just tell their coachmen to drive on a block farther.

Wage earners of Great Britain are facing a crisis, and those they elected to office are not trying to do anything for them. Perhaps they will send men of their own class hereafter. It is the only safe way.

Through some mistake, perhaps because he would not stand for a "shake down" a resident of the Lake Shore drive was fined for not complying with the garbage law. He will appeal the case to the supreme court. When will the officers learn that vulgar things like garbage laws are only to be obeyed by the poor?

Tomorrow the West Side comrades give their picnic and they want everybody to leave their troubles at home and go out to the grove.

The steel strike drags along, but so far no case of destitution among the stockholders has been reported to the police. The stockholders laid up something for a rainy day; the laboring men out of their wages forgot to save five or six thousand a year; hence they pay now suffer.

Everybody is coming back from the lakes and the seaside and the mountains for the coming season is nearly over. It will be observed that everybody found a few who had stayed at home. Street car employes for instance were so devoted to their work that few of them left it for a month at Saratoga or a run out to the mountains of Colorado; factory hands for some reason which no one can explain, preferred to remain at the bench in hot stifling air rather than to take their families and go to the woods of Wisconsin to wait for warm weather. It must have been because they are low groveling creatures. Nearly all of the judges and office holders whom the workingmen elected somehow found time and money to take lake trips and pay summer hotel prices.

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that was asked of a speaker at a West Side meeting this week. As under socialism there will be no domestic service as we understand it today, the servant girl system being abolished with the fall of the wage system, there seems to be no reason why those who live there at present should not continue to do so. Taking care of such a house as one of those would be splendid exercise for the woman, and the man would no doubt take intense delight in pushing the lawn mower up and down the yard. In his spare time he could carry the horses and oil the automobile. Let them live there, and rational people will live in homes built for comfort rather than show.

If such a thing as a labor day parade could be imagined under socialism there would be no women in the ranks. Women would be taken out of the factories and the sweatshops and placed in the homes where nature intended her to be.

Mr. Bryan does not want to see a new party organized; already there is a third party so large that it troubles his dreams.

Capt. Streeter's claim to the earth is just as good as any other man's claim, only the captain has not got his deeds backed up by force. That is the only difference.

We are about to buy the Danish West India islands not for the purpose of giving the people of the islands self government under a republic, but that we may exploit them and add to the glory and volume of our commerce. Under a commercial republic things will be about the same to the inhabitants that they were under a commercial monarchy. They will find there is nothing in a name and the ruling classes will see that the inhabitants keep their places.

Republican France should be ashamed of itself for the plans it is making to entertain the czar. When the socialists fully control that country the czar can stay to home, and probably he will have urgent business there with his subjects.

Bryan has absorbed another paper perhaps for the purpose of more effectively smashing the trusts.

A man committed suicide in a big Chicago hotel with four cents in his pocket and the police are unable to even guess at the cause of his act.

Strange but true. Read the papers and see how much more advertising the anarchists get from the capitalist papers than the socialists do.

You bet the millionaires are all honorable men except when it is a dollar in their pockets to be dishonorable. Their actions before the Chicago assessors and the board of review stands as a perpetual indictment against them. Not a one of them told the truth under oath, and they are proud of it.

New York has voted Sir Thomas Lipton a "rotting good fellow," but no vote has been taken among the laborers whom he exploits in order that he may get a name for generosity among the snobs of two worlds.

Kings are class conscious. Why should not workingmen be? Not one of the kings of Europe will meet the former president of the Transvaal, Paul Kruger, though the people they rule over sympathize with him. A fellow ruler, King Edward, might be offended. A similar spirit among workingmen would give them possession of the earth in a short time, in fact in our day.

Meat cutters are asking for an advance and the packers having recovered from the shock caused by the exhibition of nerve, have agreed to a conference. The workingmen saw the price of meat going up from time to time but nobody came around to inform them of an advance of wages in proportion. The packers absorbed the difference not because any of them were hungry and needed the money but because they could. Now they will grant the advance provided they have to, but the chances are they will not have to, having fortified themselves for months with the extra profits.

Southern whites will reap the whirlwind when the negro becomes intelligently educated along class lines. Alabama adopted a constitution practically disfranchising the black man this week. Who could blame him if he one day disfranchised the whites?

Grade crossings kill more people in Chicago than in any other large city in the country. Last year the number was 73, but as most of them were laboring men and women nothing but a three line item in the newspapers called attention to the fact. Let 100 millionaires be killed in a year and the grades would go up with a jump.

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MASTER AND SLAVE

The "True Relationship" Between "Education and Labor."

WHAT THE PROFESSOR SAID.

Alleged "Intellectual" Performs in a Circus Tent on the Chicago University Campus.

Here are some of the things, which according to the daily press, Professor Gregory of the University of Leipzig said, at the thirty-ninth convention of the University of Chicago. The address very appropriately took place in a circus tent erected for the occasion on the campus.



CAPITALIST: NOTHING TO ARBITRATE!



LABORER: MY INNINGS NOW!

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SIX CENTS PER DAY

How "Thrifty" is Discouraged in South Chicago.

WAGE LABOR AND PROPERTY.

Ambitious Wage Worker Discovers that "Reward of Abstinence" is a Capitalist Prerogative.

Last week an episode occurred in a South Chicago police court which is full of significance to those of the working class who take seriously the advice of the "reformers" who incessantly preach the virtue of thrift to the wage earners as an indispensable requisite towards the accumulation of "property," and the acquisition of "respectability."

One Andrew Genecezenis was called upon to answer a charge of failing to provide sufficient food for his wife and three children. The evidence showed that Andrew for many years was accustomed to hand over to his wife every day the sum of six cents with which the daily allowance of meat for the family was procured, Andrew himself bringing to the home each evening a loaf of bread and four potatoes.

Becoming tired of this luxurious fare, Mrs Genecezenis had her husband arrested upon the above mentioned charge and the following facts were brought out in the investigation that resulted.

The defendant earned a daily wage of \$1.50, but nevertheless was ambitious to become an extensive landholder. He had so far succeeded, that the food which his wife and children didn't get, appeared in the substantial form of a neat cottage and large barn. The thrifty laborer kept his wife in ignorance of the fact that the last installment on the "property" had been long ago paid, and had begun negotiations for the adjoining lot, when she discovered how matters stood and caused his arrest.

The court, instead of encouraging the laudable endeavors of the "property owner," ordered him to provide three full meals daily for his wife and children even if his passion for "property" remained unsatisfied. If the order of the court is complied with, no surplus will remain, and accumulation will become impossible.

Although an exceedingly thrifty person, Andrew has evidently a lot to learn yet about the meaning of "thrift" as it is recommended by capitalist reformers. He does not know for instance that it is really not intended for the purpose of making the laborer a property owner, but rather to cheapen him for the use of the possessing class. A workingman has no business to starve his wife and children in order to accumulate wealth—by so doing he usurps a function which is altogether a prerogative of the capitalist class, who have adjusted wages to the cost of the production of the laborer as closely as possible. The wife and children may be starved if the capitalist accumulates wealth thereby, but that is legitimate and an entirely different matter. The laborer has no title whatever to the "reward of abstinence." Does not "political economy" teach that it is the peculiar recompense of the capitalist class?

A knowledge of the "laws" of "political economy" would go far to prevent the recurrence of cases like the above. Labor is governed by the law of supply and demand. The recipient of \$1.50 per diem receives that sum for the purpose of reproducing his own labor power from day to day, and supplying his family with sufficient to enable them to enter the labor-market in normal physical condition, when his own labor power is exhausted through age. He is supplied with \$1.54 for that purpose and capitalist society demands that he expend it for that purpose. If he does not do so, he violates the law of supply and demand, and society must force him to observe it. The laborer has no legitimate surplus; it is not intended that he should have any. He gets the cost of his production—the capitalist gets everything above that, which his labor creates.

The wage working class as a class cannot create property for themselves by the exercise of "thrift." Their labor creates the sort of property that exploits wage labor, viz. capitalist property. And this is the essence of what was imparted to Andrew Genecezenis when the law commanded him to furnish the idea of a surplus, and apply his wages towards providing his wife and children with sufficient food.

Be sure to attend the Unity Picnic, at Bergmann's Grove, Riverside on Sunday Sept. 8. Sixty percent of the proceeds will go to the Workers' Call, the balance to the West Division organization of the Socialist Party. Take Metropolitan cars to Harrison and W. 46th and La Grange cars from there to Desplaines Ave. Tickets 10c.

Better ventilated and less crowded schools in the rich than in the poor districts, as you may have noticed.

YOUR'RE ALL INVITED.

The formal opening of the "Socialist Headquarters" of the South Side Division, 763 West 63rd St., one block east of Halsted St., will take place, Sunday, Sept. 15th, first with a mass meeting which will be held 3 o'clock in the afternoon on which occasion a large number of our best speakers will make addresses.

In the evening commencing at 8 o'clock an entertainment will be held. For this event a good programme has been arranged comprising some able entertainers, both vocal and instrumental, also some talented artists in elocution. Besides some piano soloists there will be our excellent Socialist Orchestra of five pieces. After which there will be an abundance of good things to eat and drink. A small admission of 5c will be charged, refreshments will be free. No pains have been spared to make this event an absolute success from every standpoint. Every comrade of the North and West Sides are not only cordially invited but are urgently requested to lend all their aid to make this occasion a grand success.

For further particulars write—J. W. Saunders, 501 West 46th St., South Side Divisional Organizer.

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What matters it that co-operation is not DISTINCTIVELY socialist? Among the means of action there are many which the bourgeois reaction has appropriated; does that prevent the Socialist Party from resorting to them? Shall the Socialist Party despise propaganda through the press, because there are bourgeois newspapers? Shall it neglect to hold meetings on the ground that all the bourgeois parties are organizing public assemblies? Shall it not display in the streets the disciplined mass of its force adherents because the

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ONE YEAR AGO AND TODAY.

Speaking of a small strike which was won last year by the Amalgamated Association, President Shaffer is quoted as stating at the annual meeting held last year in Milwaukee, that the victory was due not to the strength of the Association but the weakness of their opponents.

And this is what Shaffer evidently overlooked. He had no adequate conception of what is known as the "consolidation" of capital.

A LABOR DAY RETROSPECT.

And so the great Labor Day parade is over. The flags are furled, the bands are silent, and the marchers having "shown their strength" to the capitalists in the orthodox fashion, have again entered the factories, mills, and workshops, to pile up wealth for their masters.

"PUBLIC OPINION" AND STRIKERS.

An Eastern comrade now engaged in making Socialist propaganda in the districts affected by the great steel strike, sends us a sample batch of circulars which he states have been sent through the mail to every workman now on strike against the great Steel Trust.

THE BUTCHERS' BILL AMONGST THE WORKING CLASSES OF GREAT BRITAIN FOR 1900.

The butchers' bill amongst the working classes of Great Britain for 1900 amounted to 1045 killed and 7,575 injured, a large increase over the preceding year.

PARIS DISPATCHES STATE THAT THE GERMAN ARMY IS AGAIN CAPTURING THE CITY FOR THE SECOND TIME IN THIRTY YEARS.

Paris dispatches state that the Germans are again capturing the city for the second time in thirty years. The business men are alarmed over the invasion and are about to take defensive measures against the newcomers who are intruding into every branch of industry in the city.

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The truth or falsehood of these statements is not of near so much importance as the method of their delivery. The striking workman is treated as if he were a creature without any capacity for independent thought, and with no possibility of ever acquiring any.

ST. LOUIS PAPERS USE THE OFFICIAL ASSESSMENT RECORDS OF CHICAGO TO SHOW THAT THE CITY IS DECLINING.

St. Louis papers use the official assessment records of Chicago to show that the city is declining. They should be informed that it is not the city, but the big capitalists of the city who are declining—to pay their "just proportion of taxes."

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AGAINST JOURNALISTIC LIARS WHO WILLFULLY MISREPRESENT SOCIALISM IN THEIR COLUMNS.

Is it any wonder that the masses of the people in the United States are so slow to become interested in really vital movements? Most of them read nothing but daily newspapers. The daily newspapers are interested in giving as little information as possible about some subjects—especially socialism.

THE INVESTIGATION OF THE RECENT GRADE CROSSING STREET CAR ACCIDENT.

The investigation of the recent grade crossing street car accident in which six people lost their lives, resulted in finding the motorman (who was also killed) guilty of "criminal carelessness" and "censuring" the company for employing an incompetent man.

THE SULTAN OF TURKEY THREATENS TO "WIPE OUT" THE ARMENIANS.

The Sultan of Turkey threatens to "wipe out" the Armenians if the capitalist governments of Europe persist in bothering him with their little bills. So long as he "wipes out" the debts by prompt settlement, the capitalists don't seem inclined to call a halt on his usual recreations.

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SNAP SHOTS BY THE WAYSIDE

Now that you have shown your strength to the capitalists on Labor Day, why not make the demonstration complete by letting them feel your strength on election day? They will never be convinced otherwise.

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THAT SUGGESTION THAT EVERY FAMILY IN THE CITY SHOULD KEEP A HOG TO DEVOUR THE GARBAGE THAT LIES IN THE ALLEYS?

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The laboring man can march for himself as long and as often as he wants to, provided he votes for the boss. Have you enlisted to get subscribers for the Workers' Call? Soldiers were never needed like at the present.

SOCIALISM WILL ALSO DO AWAY WITH THE LABOR "LEADER."

Socialism will also do away with the labor "leader." Perhaps that is one reason why said "leader" is so shy of it. The man who did no work all summer is now afraid the strikers will lose a few days' work from their daily grind.

THE UNIONS HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE BY GOING INTO CLASS POLITICS.

The unions have nothing to lose by going into class politics; what have the capitalist parties ever done for them? Sam Jones of Ohio can keep his old sympathy as long as his vote does not accompany it; the latter is what we can use.

A LABORING MAN NEVER KNOWS WHEN HE IS WELL OFF UNTIL HE READS IT IN THE PAPERS.

A laboring man never knows when he is well off until he reads it in the papers; that is what capitalist papers are run for. The injunction eats nothing and costs nothing for board and lodging. That is why the capitalists find it so convenient to use.

SOME COMRADES FEAR SOCIALISM WILL COME BEFORE WE ARE READY FOR IT.

Some comrades fear socialism will come before we are ready for it, but it will not if everybody is a subscriber to the Workers' Call. Diamond cutters are on a strike and there is much suffering in consequence. Comrades who bought their diamonds before the trouble are in luck.

IF YOU WANT A THING DONE WELL DO IT YOURSELF.

If you want a thing done well do it yourself. Don't send a republican or democrat to do it. He might look out for himself and his class first. The employer who takes his employees out in the country for an outing, should graciously attend and allow the lower creatures to feel of his wings.

ROOSEVELT COMPLAINS THAT MEN DO NOT PRACTICE WHAT THEY PREACH.

Roosevelt complains that men do not practice what they preach, but let him handle a strike before and after election and see if his practices match his theory. No one will be arrested for gambling on the yacht race. The laws are not for gentlemen. Neither will any of the sports-love their standing in church for that offense.

WOMAN ARE REPLACING MEN AS TELLERS IN CHICAGO BANKS.

Woman are replacing men as tellers in Chicago banks, but the interesting part is that the bosses with grave faces assure the public that they will pay the women as much as they did men. One might think Judge Haney had nerve to address a gathering of laboring men, but not when you come to consider the number of laboring men who voted for him.

CORRESPONDENCE

From Headquarters. St. Louis, August 25th, 1901. To the delegates to the Socialist convention held at Indianapolis, Ind., from July 29th to Aug. 1st (inclusive) 1901.

Comrades—You are hereby reminded of the pledges made during the concluding hours of the above convention, for the purpose of starting the work of the newly elected National Committee.

These pledges amounted to \$243.00, of which only one quarter has been paid up to the present time. The National Committee has been under extraordinary expenses and its resources are being taxed to the utmost in order to furnish the necessary printed matter containing instructions on organization, constitutions, platforms, application blanks etc.

No better work can be done at the present time in identifying the Socialist Party with the trade union movement. If you open your columns weekly to this appeal we feel assured that your "Strike Fund" will grow larger.

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SOME CAPITALIST GYMNASTICS

Political, Clerical, and Literary parasites at the usual game of fooling the Workers. Harmony between "Capital and Labor". "Brotherly Co-operation". Depreciation of "Class Hatred". Garbled statistics on Distribution of Wealth. Mallock versus Marx. Champions of capitalism under guise of solicitude for the working class seek to perpetuate the system which robs and degrades them.

Some of the selected champions of the privileged classes in politics, of the pulpit and in the press have had one of their periodical fits of paternal solicitude for the common people. Of course, this solicitude is entirely free from all low selfish interest. We must not imagine for a moment that it could be dictated by the wish to throw mud into the fountain of the people's knowledge. Who ever heard of a capitalist fishing in troubled waters? Why, they would as soon do that as get off the backs of the workmen.

Lieutenant Governor Northcott in his Labor Day speech, Bishop Potter in the Chicago American and the Record-Herald in its editorial columns have all been doing the usual mental stunts which we admire and enjoy so much. The Lieutenant Governor, in the flowery language of the orientals, pictures an ideal state of coming society in which Capital and Labor will peacefully co-operate. And so they will, Lieutenant Governor, only the CAPITALIST will be missing then. The Bishop has a similar pipe dream of BROTHERLY co-operation—for the benefit of the capitalists in general and luxury loving clergymen in particular—and besides he jumps with both feet on my patent ready made republic in which almost all liberty of action—which in the vernacular means LIBERTY TO SKIN THE PEOPLE—is taken away from us and society reduced to the dead level of a dreamy commonplace. In which men and women every where shall dress alike, in paper costumes, etc. Not only dress alike, Bishop, they will also have to become equally long, short, thick, thin, wise, foolish, eat the same kind and amount of food, go to sleep at the same hour, get bald—as bald as your head—at the same time. And the editor who has become awake a century too late, knocks the everlasting stuffing out of a strawman whom he labels Marx and whom he alleges to have evolved out of his inner consciousness the "incontrovertible (with a sneer) axiom" that the rich are getting richer and the poor poorer. Of course, every common sense can see the fact without spectacles. But the editor blackens the innocent white paper in his fool endeavor to show that the rich are getting poorer and the poor richer.

The Lieutenant Governor, while pretending to stroke the fur of Labor the right way, has "nothing but contempt for that demagogue who preaches a doctrine of hate between one class of people and another". Of course, the Lieutenant Governor knows very well that the class struggle is a fact. We have never maintained that it is a doctrine. The "outrage and character" which the Lieutenant Governor praises so much, simply compel us to point out the existence of the class struggle to our fellow workers. The capitalist class are doing their level best to demonstrate the fact of its existence. The bull pen in Idaho, the riot guns and police clubs in Homestead, Chicago, etc. are teaching that "doctrine" more forcibly than our words could do. The Lieutenant Governor had better reserve his contempt for the class who slaughter their fellow beings for profit, who coin the "brotherly" words MOB, VOTING CATTLE, RIEF-RAFF, COMMON HERD, etc., who vulgarly display their wealth in face of the suffering workers that produce it, and who show their appreciation of the American working people by a boundish adulation of European nobility.

"Wages are now double what they were one hundred years ago"—and the product of the wage workers is now ninety times what it was in 1800. The purchasing power of money has increased at least one-fourth—and is 75 per cent of the goods this purchasing power will buy are adulterated. "The hours of labor have been shortened"—and as an offset the intensity of "driving" the workers has been increased. Government inspection of factories and mines has been brought about—and the strikes increase in proportion; "child labor restricted"—in the North and increased in the South; "National Labor Commission and State Bureaus of Labor Statistics established"—that take good care of Capitalist interests.

Slavery has been abolished among the civilized nations—and the cheaper wage slavery substituted for it. "Every child is now taught to read, write and cipher"—except the 25 per cent who cannot gain admission to public schools. Colleges place thorough (capitalist) education within the reach of every young man—if he has displayed sufficient discretion in the selection of his father.

Socialists believe in the efficiency of inequality, Bishop, and therefore they would not pay several thousands a year to such a poor brain as yours, and let the active brains of thousands of better men than you go to waste, for want of useful employment. A brain like yours, that with all the advantages of your position, has not acquired a better understanding of the most heroic struggle for human freedom the world has ever witnessed than your inane article in the Chicago American reveals, would not be allowed to maintain its hollow sham of wisdom in the socialist republic. Such a brain would have to learn something before it would be allowed to attempt teaching others.

"It has been recognized"—by the capitalists—that the interests of Labor and Capital are not antagonistic, but one and the same. I believe it, but the working people think differently from their "class" standpoint. They are beginning to see, that we need capital—land, machinery and means of communication—but, Bishop, we don't need titles to own this capital for us. We made it, and therefore we propose to own it and operate it FOR OUR OWN BENEFIT.

serious collisions (between laborers and capitalists) valuable lessons are to be drawn. The lesson which especially the American workmen are drawing at this movement are that neither spouting politicians, nor drivelling divines nor fool editors are safe pilots for proletarians. They are beginning to see that to the politician elected by capitalist machines, the shepherd of sheepish souls, and the journalist by the grace of Capital, "freedom" means something different from what workmen want. And they will act accordingly to this revelation in the near future. Ernest Untermyer.

He "Does His Duty."

Speaking of Hanecy's injunction against the Bush and Getz piano workers, Chas. Doid, the organizer of the union is quoted as follows: "Judge Hanecy, like all Labor day craters, believes it is necessary for laboring men to organize in order to awe legislatures and courts into doing their duty, but if a judge needs a whiplash in order for him to do his duty it is time for that judge to get off the bench."

No Mr. Doid, you are positively mistaken—it is not necessary for the judge to get off the bench, but it is necessary for the working men to get hold of the whiplash, which is now in the hands of the capitalist class. The "duty" of a judge at present is to obey the orders of that class. Just let us call your attention, Mr. Doid, to this extract from the same paper in which your speech was reported. You can find it on the same page and same issue of the paper, Chicago Tribune, Sept 3rd. It relates to McKeesport, Pa. and runs thus: Governor Stone has promised that in the event of Mayor Black refusing to DO HIS DUTY he will send troops into the city.

You see that Governor Stone is quite ready to "wield the whiplash in case Mayor Black refuses to DO HIS DUTY, which is to bring troops into the town to shoot down the strikers. You seem to have some peculiar ideas about "duty". Mr. Doid, which are sadly in need of revision. "Duty" is what the fellow who holds the whiplash says. Mr. Doid, and it isn't anything else, in the sense that you use the word.

Attention! The regular monthly meeting of the General Committee of Local Chicago will be held at Assembly Hall Schiller Bldg, Saturday evening Sept. 7th.

M. H. Taft, Sec'y.

In our next issue we shall be in a position to publish a list of contents of the first issue of "The Comrade", the new Illustrated Socialist Monthly, that will make its appearance in about two weeks. Today we are able to announce that Jack London, Morris Winchewsky, Richard Le Gallienne, George D. Herron, Herbert N. Casson, William Mailly, M. Hillquitt, J. Spurge, Fred Kraft and others will contribute to the first issue, in which, besides, about 50 illustrations and cartoons will be found.

Socialist Co-operative.

The Socialist Co-operative of Chicago held its first annual meeting, Monday evening, Sept. 2nd, in Room 218, Athenaeum Bldg. Comrade Lambert, Chairman. The minutes of meeting of Aug. 5th, having been published in the Workers' Call, were dispensed with. The Secretary reported that for the 16 days' time the Co-operative had operated in the Temple the cash receipts had been \$276.61 derived from the following sources: On 65 membership \$56.50, for Mide sold \$39.11, from J. J. Jessup \$100.00, from S. Washowsky \$50.00. The disbursements had been: for Mide \$18.75, Fixtures \$5.75, for expenses \$28.91, Sundry \$2.91, leaving a cash balance of \$10.12. He also reported 65 members and 6 non-members, and that outside comrades and the public were already liberally supporting the project with their trade.

Comrades Kleininger, Milde and Zahlan joined, each paying 50c on his share of the capital stock. Comrades Kleininger, Kerr, Kracht, Crook, Lambert, Huggins, Wachowsky, Daly, and Jodaped were elected directors for the ensuing year.

A communication from the Rochdale Co-operative Association, St. Louis, Mo., was read and ordered answered. Secretary was instructed to open correspondence with all possible co-operative societies in the land with a view of having all associate in buying direct from manufacturers.

Propositions and suggestions for aggressive growth of the Co-operative for delivery of goods, handling of coal, etc., were made and discussed. Board of Directors will meet Thursday evening, at the Temple to select a secretary, treasurer and manager, and decide upon ways and means for the furtherance of co-operatives amongst the socialists of Chicago. We feel satisfied with our two-weeks' experience and look forward to see great good to the cause as a result from our plan, and laborers. We feel the support of all interested and earnestly solicit new memberships. Correspondence invited. J. M. Crick, Sec'y.

Berlyn's cigars will be on sale at the Unity Picnic tomorrow, at Bergman's Grove, Riverside.

When you hear people talk about union labor violating contracts, you might remind them that the employing class never broke a contract with labor. Of course, you will be, if you do; but the people who are down on union labor will believe anything—Social Democratic Herald.

Local Party Progress.

Reports of Organizers of the North, South, West and 4th District Divisions, on public meetings, party press, financial returns, and general agitation for the past week. A record of growing activity.

NORTH SIDE.

At the meeting of the North Division Organization Committee, Com. A. S. Harold was elected Recording Sec'y. In place of R. Morris, Com. A. S. Schilder, Treasurer in place of Knox resigned and E. O. Knades, Fin. Sec'y. Minutes will be sent to Branches.

On Tuesday evening at the corner of North Ave. and Clark St. a good sized crowd listened to Com. Chas. Sand. Calls were distributed and a collection was taken up, one subscription card was sold.

Wednesday evening Comrades Sand and Morris addressed a crowd of one hundred at the corner of Oak and Franklin Sts., a collection was taken and one hundred calls distributed.

Thursday evening Comrades Klenke, Zimmerman and Berlyn spoke to the usual large crowd at Washington Square. A collection was taken, and one hundred calls distributed. Three subscriptions for the Call were taken.

Friday evening at Diversey and Racine the speaker failed to show up but an impromptu discussion meeting was held and many CALLS were distributed. Comrades Schuler, Knauts and Harold carried on the discussion.

Sunday at 4:30 p. m. the meeting at N. Clark and Center Sts. was a success. Comrades Sand, Zimmerman, Morris and Cottrill spoke. Two collections were taken up and one hundred calls distributed, one subscription was taken.

At Sheffield and Wightwood Ave. Sunday evening a very good meeting was held a hundred and fifty persons listened to Comrades Anderson, Zimmerman and Morris. After a fine discussion a collection was taken, calls distributed and a yearly sub. and four six months sub. cards were sold.

Not being satisfied with the game on Monday at 5 p. m. the North Division Committee arranged for and held a meeting opposite Sunny Side Park. Comrades Zimmerman, Baur, Sand, Fhelan and Morris addressed the crowd. Five hundred calls were distributed. Two collections were taken up and three sub. cards were sold.

The Speakers' Club on the North Side will meet at 132 N. Clark St., Basement, on Monday evenings. All North Side comrades who want to learn to speak should attend.

The North Division has distributed OVER 2400 CALLS THIS WEEK.

An effort will be made to have all clubs hold their business meetings on one night.

SOUTH SIDE.

The workers for socialism on the South Side put in one more week of hard work for the struggle against capitalism and with good results for socialism.

All the meetings were well attended, about 800 copies of the Workers' Call were distributed. "Call" Cards as well as an increased amount of literature were sold—besides 8 new members were taken—collections amounting to about \$5.00 was received.

As stated in last week's Workers' Call the new socialist headquarters of the South Side Division, 763 North 63rd Street, near Union Ave., will be formally opened Sunday, Sept. 15th, with a mass meeting in the afternoon with a number of good speakers—in the evening an entertainment will be held; a first class programme has been arranged (see programme in Workers' Call). As this will be the opening of the first divisional headquarters of the South Side, every comrade and sympathizer on the North and West Sides are invited and urged to lend all possible aid to their comrades on the South Side to make this event a grand success for socialism.

Financial report from the South Side Division, for week ending Sept. 1st 1901.

RECEIPTS: Balance on hand \$3.24, 23rd Ward 9.00, Private donations 5.99, 21st Ward 70, 32nd Ward 1.50, Total \$85.39

Call Cards: 1st Ward 25, Fire and Drum Corps 30, W. T. Mills 50, Total \$105

Literature: 22nd Ward for Calls 25, By Division Organizer 70, Total \$95

Collections: 22nd Ward \$ 85, 23rd Ward 2.99, 3rd Ward 75, 7th Ward 1.35, Total receipts \$245.69

EXPENSES: Division Organizers salary \$15.00, Workers' Call 4.30, Stationery 1.20, Paid Division Organizer for money advanced 5.96, Total \$31.46

Cash on hand \$53.93

Fire and Drum Corp.

The ten best workers: Call Pocket Cards Library, Nathan Berlyn 34, Esperance Saunders 37, Harry Saunders 5

John Wanhope 10, Stella Nelsen 8, WBH Moos 5, Inora Forberg 7, Gunnar Anderson 5, Edith Madison 5, Gretta Barlett 2, Total receipts Sept. 1 \$34.57, Previous disbursements 35.84, Tuition 1.50, Call cards to date 30, Files and Caps 1.21, Literature 50, Total disbursements \$42.48, Balance on hand \$2.49

WEST SIDE.

At the meeting of the West Division Committee the following wards responded to the roll call: 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 17th, 18th, 24th, 35th, absent: 9th and 16th, 19th, 20th, and 25th.

All wards reported good agitation meetings except the 11th and 12th where the speakers failed to come. This will be remedied at once by a better distribution of speakers so that each ward will have at least one speaker who is reliable.

The Division organizer reported sending postal to 37 socialists residing in the 20th ward to attend a meeting for the purpose of effecting a reorganization but as only five persons showed up owing to the hot weather the work of organization was postponed and the matter was placed in the hands of a committee consisting of comrades Larsen, Lambert and Brannen.

On motion comrades Overberg and Anderson were elected a committee to audit the accounts of former division organizer comrade Klenke and report at next meeting.

At the previous meeting it was decided to recommend to branches that the office of ward organizer and financial secretary be merged into one to enable the ward organizer to tell the standing of each member in the branch and collect the back dues and receipt same with a stamp, also to be able to render the necessary financial report of the branch to the Division organizer each week so that the Division organizer can in turn render his report of the whole Division to the General Secretary. Also that the branches must purchase all party stamps and "Call" cards from the committee.

There will be no outdoor meetings held next Sunday, Sept. 8th, as all the crowds promise to be at the picnic given by this division at Bergman's Grove, Riverside.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Income: Balance from Aug. 25 \$7, 14th Ward due Stamps 1.50, 14th Ward Call Cards 2.99, 15th Ward Collection 1.90, 18th Ward Collection 1.29, 25th Ward Collection 25, Total \$39.15

Expenses: To Ex. Com. on Stamp Acct. 1.50, To Ex. Com. on Call Cards 2.90, Klenke on account 5.69, Total \$10.09, Balance on hand \$29.06

Total \$31.12, JAS. S. SMITH, Organizer West Division.

North Side Branches holding Picnic tickets of the 25th Ward Branch are requested to return them and settle for those sold with M. H. Taft at Workers' Call office 36 N. Clark St. Committee wishes to make final report, therefore a prompt response is asked.

Agitation in Fairbury, Ill.

A correspondent writes us an enthusiastic report of the results of the visit of Comrade Strickland at Fairbury, Ill. A local clergyman it seems tried to throw all possible obstacles in the way of securing the use of a church for the lecturer and in the end succeeded in forcing the local comrades to rent the only available hall in the city for this purpose, where Comrade Strickland delivered two addresses to large and appreciative audiences. Collections were taken up, much discussion ensued, and a fair amount of literature was sold. Altogether Fairbury seems to have been pretty well shaken up by the lecturer as it was the first appearance of a socialist speaker in that city. Our correspondent speaks in the highest terms of Comrade Strickland's ability as a socialist agitator.

A "Bible Conference" recently in session at Winona, Ind., has decided that "there is a hell". The recognition of capitalist conditions is becoming more widespread every day.

Don't forget the date of the Unity Picnic Sept. 8th and don't neglect to be present. You are expected.

GETS AFTER CREELMAN.

Indiana Comrade Calls Attention of Capitalist Back Writter to Some Significant Facts.

NOTE.—The following reply to James Creelman's recent article in the Chicago American on the "Fallacies of Socialism" has been refused publication in that Journal is hereby published by request of the author. Ed.) 316 Washington St., Alexandria, Ind.

To Jas. Creelman Esq. Sir:— From the tone of your article "The Fallacies of Socialism", published in the Sunday Chicago American of May 12th, I judge you to be a paid tool of the Capitalist class or a paid tool of the Democratic, political, corruptionists, which is one and the same thing.

You commence your harangue by stating there is not an observant political leader in the country, who does not see the socialistic idea spreading among persons who five years ago were staunch advocates of the competitive system, under which you claim the American people have grown and prospered.

I will tell you why it is; because the competitive system has outlived itself and the natural born child is the Trust. Close competition aided by the protective tariff was merciless in production, regardless of demand and has had its evil effects upon the American people, the keenness with which manufacturing was carried on, the reduction of wages in consequence, more work done in the same number of hours and additional hours of labor and less wages in a great number of trades.

I will cite one illustration in the plate glass trade in one department, which is a fair and plain illustration of the rest. Eighteen years ago, there were but two plate glass factories in the United States, which had run any length of time up to that time—one at Crystal City, Mo., and one at New Albany, Ind.; a third had run only 9 months up to that time, located at Creighton, Pa.

In the Polishing Department, nine men laid nine tables a turn, at most, from 6 A. M. to 6 P. M. For said amount of work the layers received eighty to eight-five dollars per month—piece work. Just before the plate glass trust was formed, seven men laid nine tables per turn, and received sixty-five to seventy dollars per month, which was equivalent to 130 per cent additional work, and 18 per cent reduction in wages, besides plate glass was retelling at 12 per cent more than it was eighteen years ago. Now who got the difference? This is a fair illustration of the majority of trades and manufacturing.

Now I ask "where was the prosperity of the American People?" Had there been free trade, the trust would only be in the embryo yet, but then under free trade wages would have gone down much lower in order to compete with cheap foreign products.

You state in the next paragraph you do not oppose municipal ownership but, in substance, without stating any reason, you claim nationalization of industries is impracticable.

The Post Office department is a nationalized institution and would be a paying one, but for the enormous profits paid Chauncey Depew in his mail-car service, and others of his ilk. Under Socialism, the carrying of mail would only be one-half what it is now, besides, the people's mail would not be re-shipped before being delivered in order that the mail-car owners can reap a bigger revenue, since they are paid so much per mile on the bulk handled.

I have had the opportunity of living in a large number of small towns, as well as several large cities, and numbers of Post-masters, first, second, third and fourth class never devote more than one-half to one hour per day, in their respective post offices, and each of them receive from three to ten times the salary of the clerks; these are only a few reasons why the Post Office institution is not a paying one.

In the next paragraph you say the American people should not be scared even by the billion dollar steel trust by continuing the struggle in defense of the competitive system, under which, you say individual liberty and progress is possible.

You state also, that socialism is as unsound as the trust system, and yet in almost the same breath, you make the assertion that if it were possible for the monopolies to be transferred to public ownership you would be a socialist, but you say it is not true, without giving any reason why.

When a man gives vent to his spleen by calling socialist theories damnable heresies, and everything pertaining thereto damnable, I am satisfied he sees the doom of the cause he advocates. Your vain vituperations remind one of the last will of the drowning man. The inconsistency of your plea is shown in your denunciations of the trust by stating that the genius of Messrs. Carnegie, Rockefeller and Morgan was awakened by the competitive system, which has given to them the opportunity they now deny to others, it naturally follows, such being true, that the competitive system was the direct cause of the trust system, then to continue progressive, the next and only inevitable result will be public or collective ownership of the trusts.

You call it a fallacy that men collectively are superior to men individually. I am not surprised at a statement like this after reading your so-called fallacy article; it is only the expression of a mind pregnant with avarice, anxious for a slice at the Government spoils through the instrumentality of the so-called Democratic Party. If individual knowledge is superior to collective knowledge, why don't the people of the United States abolish the Senate and Congress, and allow the president and his cabinet to run the country; the people in each state sweep out their representatives and leave the governor to run their affairs for them, and all the way down the line to the town council leaving the Mayor only in office to run the towns.

The old saying is true "Two heads are better than one, even if they are only sheep heads." Supposing a man with \$500,000 wishes to go into some manufacturing business, he builds his factory, but who is he dependent upon for his success? It is his employees or wage slaves in the various departments working co-operatively and harmoniously until the article becomes a finished product; were it not for the brain and brawn of the workers collectively, the article could not be manufactured.

Your profane harangue about national monopolies being a curse in Germany, and other countries is as false and erroneous as the rest of your statements. Railroads that are owned by the state in Germany pay their employees about 50 per cent higher wages than the private Companies pay, and employ 12 men to the mile, where in this country, private companies employ but four. The New Zealand Government pay their Railroad Engineers and firemen 30 per cent more wages than the private companies pay in the United States, and employ thirteen men to the mile.

Your hypocrisy would not appear so plainly if you did not throw so many bouquets at "The American Citizen" trying to elicit their sympathies and prejudices as suits your purpose. While the trust is the inevitable result of close competition and is getting production down to scientific lines, they must face the greater problem of distribution. With 20 per cent increase in prices, 50 per cent reduction in the standard quality and 30 per cent in the curtailment of production; which means 100 per cent reduction in the purchasing power of the people what is the capitalist and democrat or republican politician going to do about it?

I will show what socialism is as compared to individual competition or individualism. Socialism is derived from the Latin word "socius" meaning brother or companion. The first incentive of socialism embodies brotherly love, or companionship. "Do unto others as you wish others to do unto you". The first incentive of individualism is class distinction, the desire to get above your neighbor by getting the larger part of his product for nothing, in the plain every day phrase—the individualists maxim is "Do everybody and watch that nobody does you". The socialist's chief aim in life is to give to all the producers a full return for their labour under the collectivity. The individualists' chief aim is to reap from 75 to 90 per cent of other men's labor, to destroy equal rights to the producers (the workers) by cutting off those equal rights and privileges through the instrumentality of a corrupted dollar representative legislature. Socialism stands for the development and elevation of the mind of every individual through association of interests and the co-operation of all mankind. Individualism breeds avarice, pride, envy, covetousness, anger, lust, intemperance, sloth, hatred, gluttony, tramps and all the evils neglected flesh is heir to, and last but not least, Anarchy, and the anarchist who is second to none, the great capitalist employer and feeder of labor.

JOHN A. HUNTER. Remember you have an engagement for Sunday Sept. 8. The Unity Picnic will take place that day. See ad for particulars and directions. The most imposing spectacle about Labor Day was not the parade, but the spectacle of thousands of workingmen listening to the claptrap speeches of impostors like Harrison and Hanecy. The Athletic Committee wishes once more to call the attention of the comrades to the games and races at the Unity Picnic next Sunday. Everyone with any physical powers at all should enter and help to maintain an interest in such games at our picnics in the future. While 10 cents is charged as an entrance fee to each race of those entering into them, that money goes into the Temple and Workers' Call funds. As stated before, prizes of such a nature will be given that some of them can be enjoyed at the picnic. Others are more permanent. The tub race has been abolished but the other races remain the same. First and second prizes will be given in all, and in some a third will be granted. If you are ambitious to move in the best society what's the matter with attending the Unity Picnic at Bergman's Grove, Riverside tomorrow? Is Going East. Comrade Wilmut L. ("cyclone") Goodspeed of the Fifteenth Ward will go east next week. He will be in New York during the third, and in Boston during the fourth week of September. Though his time will be limited, he will be willing to give our Eastern comrades a few whiffs of Western Socialism at their meetings. His New York address will be Hotel Empire, Boston, The Berkeley. The anniversary of William Ledebner's death (Aug. 7th) was duly commemorated by the Socialists of all European countries.

Open Air Meetings.

ALL SPEAKERS TAKE NOTICE. You will please read this list carefully so that you will know what meeting you are booked to speak at and if you cannot be there let the Division Secretary or Organizer know by return mail.

Monday, 8 p. m.—Armitage and Kedzie Avenues. Speakers: Leffingwell and Robbins. Tuesday, 8 p. m.—Lincoln and 28th Street. Speakers: Jaeger, Leffingwell and Robbins.

Wednesday, 8 p. m.—Albany and Belmont. Speakers: J. B. Smiley, Robbins and Leffingwell. Thursday, 8 p. m.—Clark St. and North Ave. Speakers: Zimmermann and Anderson.

Friday, 8 p. m.—Oak and Franklin Streets. Speakers: J. B. Smiley, Sand, and Bayr. Saturday, 8 p. m.—Walton Place and North Clark Street. Speakers: J. Cattrell and Morris.

SOUTH DIVISION: Friday, Sept. 6, 8 p. m.—State and Congress. Speakers: J. Wanhope and H. Dreisvigt. Saturday, Sept. 7, 8 p. m.—63rd and Halsted. Speakers: C. L. Bracken and Mrs. C. F. Hunt.

WEST DIVISION: For week beginning Sept. 7. Saturday, 8 p. m.—Roby and Chicago Ave. Speakers: J. B. Smiley, J. W. Bartels and Chas. Sand. Sunday, 8 p. m.—Western and Madison Street. Speakers: J. Fox, Sam Williams and J. W. Bartels.

will become a "bloated capitalist" all right, but "it" is a very doubtful quantity. The Standard Oil Co. may be depended upon to do all in their power to preserve Mr. Bryan from this awful fate. They will limit the output of "dated" capitalists in the oil industry as much as possible, and permit Mr. Bryan to hold his present political opinions pure and undefiled. The "pearl-leader" is not in such imminent peril after all.

Reform as a Business.

Verily the ways of the evil doer are hard—sometimes. The president of the New York State LAW AND ORDER Society has been arrested on the charge of blackmailing a saloon keeper. Another "reformer" whom he had employed as a collector of tribute from disorderly houses, has filed an affidavit to the effect that Russell, the "President" in question had suggested the murder of the aforesaid saloon keeper. The following extract from this affidavit appears in the daily press:

"I can get this man Nader killed. Do you think I had better do it?" The man's audacity amazed me. I had known him as a blackmailer and Nemesis of unfortunate women, but it had never occurred to me that he would use his influence with the criminal class of the city to compass the death of a fellow citizen.

Whether the charges against this champion of "law and order" be proved or not, the incident is strongly suggestive of the possibilities which the career of "professional reform" opens up to the young man starting out in business.

An "Imposing" Spectacle.

This is how the meeting between two great men on Labor Day is described in the press: "Hello, Judge!" said the Mayor. "How do you do?" said Judge Haney. "God bless you both," echoes Senator Mason, as he raised his hand and assumed a pious air.

Conrade Geo. E. Bigelow's dates for the coming week are as follows: Columbus, Ind., Sept. 7 and 8; Greensburg, Sept. 9; Jeffersonville, Sept. 10; New Albany, Sept. 11; Louisville, Ky., Sept. 12; Madison, Ind., Sept. 13; Newport and Covington, Ky., 14 and 15; Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 16; Dayton, Ohio, September 17.

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Branch Directory.

GENERAL COMMITTEE meets first Saturday of every month at Schiller Hall, 3rd floor, Schiller Bldg., 193 E. Randolph street. M. H. Taft, secretary, 26 N. Clark street.

BRANCHES.

THE following directory announces only the business meetings of the various branches. All agitation meetings will be announced in the "List of Meetings," which will be found on the first page of every issue of The Workers' Call.

EIGHTH WARD BRANCH—Every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 8 o'clock, at 152 1/2 1/2 Street, corner Buffalo Avenue. T. J. Voth, Secretary, 125 92nd Street.

NINTH AND TENTH WARDS—Meets every 1st and 3rd Monday at 6:30, Halsted street, secretary, Geo. L. Rosenberg, 527 W. Taylor St.

ELEVENTH WARD—Every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 8 o'clock, at 1111 Cor. 51st Street and Paulina street. Robert Pieter, 409 Washburne ave.

TWELFTH WARD—Secretary G. J. Sindelar, 119 S. Albany Ave.

THIRTEENTH WARD—Every Wednesday evening, 8 p. m., at Socialist Temple, 420 E. Western, secretary, Jas. Lambert, 1013 Washington Blvd.

FOURTEENTH WARD—Every Friday at 8 o'clock, Halsted street, corner Grand and Western, secretary, secretary, E. Cops, 153 Emerson avenue.

FIFTEENTH WARD BRANCH—Meets every Friday at 8 o'clock, at 511 Thomas St., secretary, P. H. Reichenbecker, 459 N. Winchester Ave.

SIXTEENTH WARD—Every 1st and 3rd Friday, Shonora, secretary, O. Beselack, 346 N. Wood St.

SEVENTEENTH WARD—Every 2nd and 4th Friday, Aurora Hall, Huron St., and Milwaukee Ave., secretary, A. Mork, 451 N. Wood St.

EIGHTEENTH WARD—First and third Wednesday at 477 W. Madison street, secretary John Gillespie, 477 W. Madison street.

NINETEENTH WARD—Every Tuesday evening, at Hull House, secretary, Miss Mary Colson, Hull House, corner Polk and Halsted streets.

TWENTIETH WARD—Every Thursday at Socialist Temple, 129 S. Western, secretary, James S. Smith, 412 W. Madison street.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD—Every first and third Wednesday, 8 p. m., 133 N. Clark St., secretary, R. A. Morris, 36 N. Clark St.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD—Every second Tuesday in the month at 58 Clybourn Avenue, secretary, Robert Baur, 302 Blackhawk Street.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD—Meets every other Friday evening at 64 Sedgewick street, R. Holthausen Jr., secretary.

TWENTY-FOURTH—Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at N. W. cor. Southport and Diversey, secretary, E. G. Knapp, 851 Lincoln ave.

TWENTY-FIFTH WARD—Every second and fourth Tuesday, at Fridheim Hall, 174 Diversey Boulevard, secretary, H. N. Daniels, 140 Newport Avenue.

TWENTY-SIXTH WARD BRANCH—Meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at Corner Belleplaine and Leavitt Sts., secretary, A. T. Johnson, 233 Cuyler Avenue.

TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD, No. 1—AVONDALE—Meets every Friday at 365 W. Wellington street, secretary, Wm. H. Leffingwell, 629 W. Wellington St.

TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD, No. 2—IRVING PARK—Secretary, J. H. Bard, 113 W. Irving Park Blvd.

TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD, No. 3—CRAGIN—Every 1st and 3rd Monday, Lindstrom's Hall, 193 N. 51st St., secretary, J. Harris, 1559 W. Montana Av.

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TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD No. 6—HANSON PARK—Secretary, Daniel Zatsky, 1151 N. 47th Court.

TWENTY-EIGHTH WARD—Every Tuesday at headquarters, Socialist Hall, Armitage and Milwaukee Avenues, secretary, Inga Johnson, 1261 North Washburne Ave.

TWENTY-NINTH WARD—Meets on call at 344 Ashland Ave., Organizer, Wm. S. Ellis, 347 Ashland av.

THIRTIETH WARD—Secretary, F. W. Fisher, 426 Westward Avenue.

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THIRTY-SECOND WARD—Meets every Friday, 8 p. m., at 4419 Halsted St., Sec. Lillie M. Kring, 620 Halsted St., Organizer, G. Anderson, 713 Emerald Ave.

THIRTY-THIRD WARD—Every second and fourth Wednesday evening at 1113 1/2 street and Michigan Avenue, secretary, G. F. Denne, 1147 Perry av.

THIRTY-FOURTH WARD BRANCH—Meets every 1st and 3rd Friday at 2249 Harrison St., Sec. H. G. Lowater, 2249 Harrison Street.

THIRTY-FIFTH WARD, No. 1—Secretary, J. M. Crook, 136 N. 52nd ave.

GERMAN BRANCHES.

KARL MARX CLUB—Every second and fourth Monday evenings at 389 1/2 1/2 street, Sec. Edgar North, secretary, John Vogt, 187 Starfield Ave.

FREDERICK ENGELS CLUB—Meets every 1st and 3rd Monday at 457 1/2 Bishop St., secretary, J. Sievers, 3412 W. Sixty-sixth St.

EIGHTH WARD GERMAN CLUB—Every first and third Friday evenings at 230 South Chicago Avenue, secretary, Ferdinand Jabock, 19613 Ave. K.

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POLISH BRANCHES.

POLISH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Meets every Monday at Polish headquarters, 484 Noble street, secretary, F. Cieslarski, 484 Noble street.

SEVENTEENTH WARD BRANCH—Every Saturday at 484 Noble street, secretary, M. Pisek, 484 Noble street.

EIGHTH WARD BRANCH—Every Sunday, 2 p. m., at Prokop's Hall, 84th street and Superior Avenue, secretary, P. Rudzinski, 217 Market ave.

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