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UNION MEN EXILED

Business Men Turn Anarchists and Drive Working Men from Their Homes. Working Men of the West Aroused from Their Slumbers. Capitalist Authorities Refuse Them Protection of the Law. Free Speech Endangered. Socialist Meetings Broken up. Will Test the Law.

The eyes of the industrial world are turned to the West. A little cloud in itself no larger than a man's hand has appeared on the horizon, but it has an ugly, ominous shape, such as often gathers force and develops into a cyclone.

The incidents that have led up to this serious condition are of an every day type. A strike in Idaho Springs was in progress, quite a number of union officials had been arrested on various trumped up charges. But despite the fact that the Businessmen's Alliance had all the courts and executive officers of the law at their command, these "good" businessmen organized themselves into a lawless mob and proceeded to drive union men out of town, with instructions not to return.

This high handed action on the part of the capitalists aroused every workman in the West.

Miners Union Ready for the Fight. At the Western Federation of Miners' headquarters, it was declared that if war is wanted they are prepared to give it and take no quarters.

The Citizens' Alliance, which led the action exciting the miners, is a powerful organization that claims to have a membership of 14,000 business men, representing every branch of trade in the state, while the miners say they can control three times that number with a better and more effective organization, which is backed by a treasury of \$750,000 ready cash.

Denver Businessmen's Alliance made preparation to follow out the same drastic plans that had been executed by the Citizens' Alliance of Idaho Springs. This announcement aroused the workers of the whole state and the unions at once took steps to meet the aggressions of the Businessmen's Alliance, and led by the printers union met and passed the following resolutions and sent them to the Citizens' Alliance of Denver.

The resolutions of the printers state the attitude of the Alliance is fraught with peril to the liberty of the people and is an incentive to lawlessness. The typographical union condemns such steps as outrageous and anarchistic in the extreme, concluding as follows:

"Resolved, That we warn members of the Denver Citizens' Alliance against taking such action because of the consequences that will follow, and further urge any members of organized labor assaulted in such a manner to protect himself to the fullest extent."

The Citizens' Alliance of the Denver Citizens' Alliance met behind closed doors and thoroughly discussed the situation. We are told that the wires between Boston, New York and Chicago were kept busy with advice from interested Eastern capitalists, telling the Denver Alliance to go slow. This, together with the determined stand taken by the unions caused them to defer action in carrying out the Idaho plan.

Situation at Idaho Springs. In the mean time the situation at Idaho Springs has reached an acute stage.

Sheriff Sandberg of Clear Creek county has announced officially that he will not undertake to protect the expelled miners should they attempt to return. The demand for protection was made as a preliminary to filing legal proceedings.

The affairs of Idaho Springs have been taken out of the hands of the regularly constituted law officers and all business is conducted through the Citizens' Committee, which in secret sessions decides what is to be done with men suspected of being in collusion with the miners.

The courts are temporarily suspended owing to the alliance serving notice on attorneys that it was not safe for them to enter Clear Creek county. The county is divided, the upper section favoring the miners.

The particular reason why the Citizens' Alliance is so embittered against the Western Federation of Miners is that it is besides being a labor organization also a Socialist political organization, which aims ultimately to secure for the workers the full social value of their toil.

The shrewd capitalists see that if this idea is permitted to gain favor

among the workers, then their domination is at an end.

The Idaho Springs incident, and the action of the Denver Citizens' Alliance in endorsing such outrageous action on the part of the business men of Idaho Springs, taken together with the fact that the capitalist press throughout the country has condoned, excused, and justified these anarchistic proceedings on the part of the capitalist class ought to open the eyes of the workers to the truths of Socialism if anything will.

More and more it is becoming apparent that nothing but the complete political and industrial control by the working class can bring any relief to the workers.

Let the workers throughout the country study the Socialist platform, and be prepared at the next election to vote for a party that represents their own class. The only party that does this is the Socialist Party. Then there will be an end to such outrages as are described above.

Free Speech in Danger.

Are our street meetings to be continued?

This is the serious question that is at present confronting the Socialists, not only in Chicago but in many other parts of the country. Throughout the South and West reports are coming in that our speakers are continually being arrested or are subject to all kind of petty police interference. And here in Chicago things have reached such a pass that our permits are being revoked and our meetings broken up without the slightest cause.

It is time something was done to find out who is at the bottom of this infringement on the right of free speech for Socialists. We say Socialists because street-preachers, the Salvation Army and all kinds of fakirs are unmolested and are allowed to speak on general permits or without permits, where and when they please.

Why this discrimination? That is what the legislative committee of the Socialist Party is going to find out. At the meeting of the City Central Committee, Saturday, August 1, a resolution was passed to raise \$100 or more to pay fines in case any of our speakers are arrested. Petitions soliciting funds for this purpose have been sent to all the branches and it is hoped the money will be cheerfully subscribed for this important work.

Comrades Take Notice

On the evening of August 17th, at 8 P. M., at the corner of State and Quincy streets, the Socialists will hold a meeting with or without a permit. The Legislative Committee in accordance with instructions given by the City Central Committee have perfected all arrangements to hold a meeting at this corner. Let there be a good turnout of comrades and we will see what we will see.

THE DOG AND THE FLEAS.

Once there was a very large, and powerful, but small, docile, and faithful dog, that in the course of his daily hunt, after the wherewith, to satisfy the cravings of the inner dog, was pelted by a flea, which forthwith jumped onto the dog's back, nestled down into the long hair, and began gnawing himself on the dog's flesh, saying to himself: "This is the greatestest snap that I ever struck, I think that I will stay, by it." The one flea did not bother the dog very much, and he paid but little attention to it, but soon other fleas began to appear on the back of the dog, and they consumed so much of his flesh, that he began to feel its loss, and he made several efforts to get rid of them, but they were so completely protected, by his long hair, that his efforts were of little avail.

All of this time, the fleas were increasing in number, and getting bigger, and fatter, and the dog was getting thinner, and it soon became evident to the fleas, that if they kept on increasing in numbers, and in size, as they were doing, that it would not be long, before the dog would be all eaten up, and their soft snap would be played out, so some of the largest and most influential of their number, got together to see if they could not devise some scheme, whereby they could continue to live off the dog's flesh, and still have him live, all kinds of schemes were proposed, but none of them seemed to be just the thing. Finally the old boss flea said that he had a plan that he thought would work all right. He said that it might seem a little cruel to the more tenderhearted of the bunch, but that their own interests made the plan necessary, regardless of how it might affect others of their tribe.

His plan was, that they (the select fleas) shouldn't eat any less dog, but that they should also begin eating the

smaller fleas, and continue the business, until the small fleas were all consumed.

Some of the "selects" were horrified at first, but the boss flea put the matter before them in such a light that they soon saw the force of his argument, and consented to fall in with the plan.

Soon there began to be a visible decrease amongst the smaller fleas, and lots of them made frantic efforts, to escape the fate of those who had been gobbled up, but it was no use. One by one, they fell the prey, of the insatiable appetites of the select.

The select, then began to get reckless, and their greed knew no bounds, and they began consuming the flesh of the dog in great big chunks, and the dog began to realize, that he had to get rid of those fleas, or he would soon be a dead dog. He was getting pretty thoroughly waked up, and was doing some thinking, and as he was jogging along, revolving the subject in his mind, he came to a large pond of water, and it looked so clear and cool, that he stopped to take a drink, and while drinking, the thought occurred to him, that in that same pond, he could get rid of the fleas, so he plunged into it. The fleas soon found that they had to let go of the dog's back, or drown in short order, and so they let go and rose to the surface, and the dog easily swam away from them, leaving them to either swim, or go under. Moral: When the workers all get to know enough to get into the pond of Socialism, they will get rid of the capitalistic fleas.—By a Friend of the Dog.

SOCIALISM SPREADS IN CHINA

Newspaper Devoted to Doctrine Has a Circulation of 30,000.

Berlin, Aug. 1.—Socialism has spread to the land of the almond-eyed. A Chinese savant, Lenoug-Kai-Kion, has just finished a translation of the German Socialist Marx's work, "Capital," in his native tongue. The translator publishes a Socialist newspaper in Chinese, with a circulation of 30,000. He says Socialism is making great progress in the Celestial Empire. The Japanese are in part responsible for its

Power of the Capitalist.

The power of the capitalist to turn everything to his own benefit nullifies many of the advantages gained by the strenuous struggles of the trades unions. Their heroic struggles frequently result in the raising of wages. But, all the capitalists have to do in order to defeat all the unions have gained in that respect is merely to raise the prices of the necessities of life. That process brings the extra wages right back into the coffers of the capitalists again. When the union gains shorter hours, the gain is absolute. It is real and tangible success. And the training in fraternity, comradeship, sticking together, is another positive and real gain. But the higher wages in the hands of the capitalist as the capitalist controls the price of things he can render negatory every advance in wages by putting up the prices. We all know that in the past three or four years, since wages began to advance, the prices of the necessities of life have advanced faster than wages have. This is an unquestionable demonstration of the truth of my proposition. The capitalist has the whip end. He controls the prices. It is scarcely necessary to say that he will continue to control them just as long as he owns the means of production and distribution. He will continue to control them until Socialism is introduced. Then the worker, mental and manual, will receive the full product of his toil and will buy the necessities of life at the cost of production.—John M. Work.

Workersmen, wake up! The time has come to open your eyes and see things as they are. You have been hoodwinked and robbed and enslaved long enough. Be a man and line up with your class in the great struggle for freedom. To train with the enemy, ignorantly or otherwise, as you have been doing, is treason to your fellowman. To be the ally on election day of the class that lives out of your labor and holds you in contempt, is not only cowardly and contemptible, but criminal, and means death to your manhood and infamy to the name you bear. The courts can be reached in just one way. The road is straight and it has no connection with any of the side tracks. The Socialist Party unerringly points the way.—Eugene V. Debs.

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SOCIALISM AND KAISER BILL

A Lady Comrade from the Fatherland Describes the Situation.

Nothing Weak-Kneed About the German Movement.

It is the tendency of the capitalist press of America to lead the reading public to the belief that the Social Democratic party of Germany is not the radical element we know by the same name in this country.

They endeavor to compare said party with mere reform parties, such as Populists, Prohibitionists, Single-Taxers, etc. He who familiarizes himself with the history of the German Social Democratic Party will discover that the capitalist press offers a deliberate misrepresentation.

I say deliberate because an editor must be more than ignorant before he can resort to such perversion of facts unless he works for the interests of capitalist politics.

German Socialists may (apparently) strive for the immediate benefit of the working class, but back of all their effort is the complete overturn of the capitalist regime and their final goal is the establishment of the Co-operative Commonwealth.

It seems well to translate the following extracts taken from the edition of July 2nd of the Arbeiterinnen Zeitung of Vienna—a weekly Socialist paper edited for the benefit of working women by Comrade Adelheid Popp, one of the finest and soundest women Socialists whom it was my fortune to meet one year ago.

In reference to the recent enormous increase in the Socialist vote in Germany the paper just named says:

"The Emperor has called Socialists 'men without honor' (Ehrenlose) and requested workmen to draw the line against such dangerous instigators. German workmen voted for the Social Democratic Party and drew the line between laborer and Emperor."

In Essen, where the Emperor made the above request, in his speech, the Socialist vote rose from 6,000 to 22,000.

Eleven three-quarter-year punishments in the house of correction; 275 year imprisonments; more than a hundred thousand marks fines have been inflicted on members of the Social Democratic Party of Germany during the recent five years. And for this party, in the ranks of which are so-called criminals, three million German men cast their votes. The jury of the capitalist state will perhaps realize that their jurisdiction cannot convince the majority of the people; that the punishment was justifiable. The voice of the people is the voice of God. This proverb seems quite apropos in this instance.

In behalf of the Socialist Party of America it is prudent to ask, Can the German Social Democratic party, pursued by the laws of aristocracy and plutocracy, be anything but revolutionary and soundly Socialist? Has ever a mere reform party been subject to oppression and despotism? Take warning, American voter. Study, think, investigate before you believe the reports of the capitalist press.

Support the press of the working class, make it the strongest weapon in your hand. Then, unlike the capitalist, who by means of the press seeks to win your vote with a lie, give your vote in truth and for truth, i. e., for the economic and moral interests of the working class of America and the world.

Do not rely in the voice of capitalism. It is for you to act and fall in line with militant Socialists. If the German Socialists had not in their hand a powerful weapon like the "Vorwärts" of Berlin, and other Socialist papers the people would never know the truth of scandals and fraud exercised by the ruling class.

It was the "Vorwärts," which exposed to the working class the scandalous life and action of Herr Krupp, the cannon king of Essen. The capitalist press sought to smother the truth as revealed by the Socialist press, but in vain. The Socialist vote of Essen increased from 6,000 to 22,000. An outraged group of workers answered the Emperor and the world in the voice of Socialism.

FRANCES NACKE.

The Duty of Every Man.

It seems to me to be the highest duty of every man to find out, if he can, what is the nature of the struggle in which men are engaged, and then to take the side in that struggle which to him seems the right.

The supreme struggle of the hour throughout the limits of civilization is between the principle of mastership on

the one side, and the principle of fellowship on the other. That is the meaning of the human struggle, independent of any man's wish. It is so in the very nature of things, and by virtue of law as inevitable as that of gravitation.

The time has come when every instinct and interest urges the working class to unite politically. It must itself become the dominant class. To it belongs by right the sole possession of the products of labor. It must get possession of the powers of government now in the hands of the exploiting class. It can get possession of those powers only by uniting in a political party standing solely for the interests of the working class. Such a party exists. It is the Socialist party. No man who believes in maintaining capitalism or wage-slavery will vote its ticket. Only they will vote its ticket who would put an end to wage-slavery and make it possible for every man who toils to have the full product of his labor.—Wm. T. Brown.

OUR LABOR DAY EDITION.

Chicago, Ill., August 1, 1903.

On Saturday, August 29, we will print a monster LABOR DAY EDITION OF THE CHICAGO SOCIALIST which will run up to a hundred thousand copies or more. This edition will deal with the Labor situation as developed in Europe and America, and will contain contributions by Debs, Hagerly, Santia, Wentworth, Bebel of Germany, Hyndman of England, and a host of others. There is no better time to reach a large number of workmen and women than at this annual turn-out of the toilers. The price of the paper will be \$5.00 per thousand, and to make sure of securing a supply it will be necessary for you to send your money along with the order. If you are so situated that you are unable to distribute any of these papers, and still feel as though you would like to assist in making this edition a grand success, send us what money you can spare and we will have our comrades distribute the paper along the line of march in the different cities. THE TRADE UNION MAN IS ORGANIZED

and is a much better subject for Socialist propaganda than the unorganized workman, hence our going amongst them with an armful of this edition will do a world of good for our cause. We want the co-operation of everyone who is in any way interested in furthering the EMANCIPATION of himself and his fellow workers to come to the front on this proposition and PUT UP something. No matter how small or large the amount, we can use it to good advantage. Place your order at once.

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Thomas K. Bates, Mgr.

Massachusetts Comrades Open Their Campaign.

The campaign in Brockton was opened Wednesday evening with a challenge to the Republican leaders of that city who have been attacking the Socialist administration, to open the platform in Perkins' park and state their position at a meeting at which Mayor Coulter presided and at which State Secretary White was to deliver the address and answer our Republican friends. They didn't put in an appearance, but there were over 2,000 people surrounding the band stand in the park and evidenced their interest in the Socialist philosophy by applauding and cheering the utterances of the speakers. Secretary White opened the campaign at Leominster with a largely attended meeting on the Common, and will open the campaign at Fitchburg on Sunday, speaking in the Auditorium at Whalom Park. This is one of the finest parks in the East. The Auditorium has a seating capacity of 3,500. Will open the campaign at Lawrence on Monday night and at Haverhill on Wednesday night.

We are arranging a tour for Comrade Hagerly for next month in this state and Comrade Spero is doing organizing work in Bristol county. This week, Comrade Hayman is doing work in Essex county.

DAN A. WHITE, Sec'y.

The objection brought against Socialism that it is a foreign movement, and that there is no Americanism in it.—T. C. Haller.

On the contrary, it is so intensely American that it will be adopted FIRST in the United States, notwithstanding the fact that the Socialists of Germany have just cast over one-third of the votes of the empire. It is because Americans have been taught to hate kings, and they find the autocratic authority of kings in the ownership and dictation of the owners of the great industries, that it will here find its first expression. Americans have been raised in the belief that men

have the same rights, that special privileges to one set of men over another is wrong, and they are rapidly getting ready to change things, and do away with the industrial monarchy that controls the nation. It would be just as sensible to claim the multiplication table or printing is a foreign movement, as both were brought here from Europe. Americans are going to take possession of America, and make it the property of Americans—not the property of a few Americans plus European capitalists. Its wonderful growth of late shows how adapted it is to American soil. If they can get any satisfaction out of this let them take it.—Appeal.

DON'T WASTE YOUR VOTE.

(By William Harrison Riley.)

George IV has been dead many years and his treatment of the American colonists was not admirable, yet were he revived and nominated for President on the regular ticket, there are American citizens who would march to the polls and vote for him, and thousands of them would parade the streets, with tin hats and tin torches, and yell for George.

Year after year, a million misguided antiquies vote for the ghost of Andrew Jackson, or for the imposture that masquerades as the successor of the free-soilers.

The millions of the workers' votes are so nearly equally divided that they almost counter-balance each other. "Don't throw your vote away" by the cancelling process. It is better to be right with a few companions than wrong with a multitude—whose votes are lost by counter-balancing.

Vote for yourselves—for your own homes and families.

There are many details we cannot all agree on, but all the workers should unite to put an end to the usurpations of the idlers and embezzlers.

So long as seven million workers, plus one, are induced to vote for two, twelve, and seven million, minus one, for two, twelve, and seven million, the workers will be slaves of extortioners. Their millions of votes will be wasted.

It is time for us to stop bowing the knee to Nebuchadnezzar's golden image. It is time that we cease to elect as our legislators and magistrates, the agents of Sbylock. As Carlyle said, the men we elect should be as different from the men hitherto elected "as the star fire is from the street mud."

GENERAL ELECTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF STATE COMMITTEE.

To the members and locals of the Socialist Party of Illinois.

Greeting:—In accordance with Article V, Section I, of the State Constitution which provides as follows: "There shall be elected a State Committee consisting of one (1) member from each Representative District for a term of two (2) years, elected in the month of September of each odd numbered year." You are hereby fraternally requested to assemble in your respective Senatorial Districts for the purpose of electing said member, not sooner than the 1st, nor later than the 30th day of September next, and forward credentials, giving names and addresses of such members to the undersigned within five (5) days after such election. Wherever two or more Locals exist in one District the election shall be by a delegate convention on a basis of one (1) delegate for every five (5) members from each Local. In district where but one Local exists such election shall be by a special meeting of the Local and every member notified of such meeting.

As provided in Section II of Article V, "The State Committee shall within sixty (60) days after its election assemble and elect a State Secretary and such other officers as it may deem necessary," the members so elected will please take notice that a meeting of the State Committee is hereby called for its first session to assemble on Thanksgiving day, Thursday, Nov. 26, 1903 at 10 o'clock A. M., at State Headquarters, 181 Washington street, Chicago, Ill., for the purpose of transacting the above and such other matters as may properly come before said meeting.

By order of the State Committee, per JAS. S. SMITH, Sec'y.

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JOHN MITCHELL A PROPHET

He Says Conciliation Will End Labor Struggles—States that Capital and Labor Are Not Necessarily in Conflict. "The Socialist View of the Situation."

A few days ago Mr. Mitchell was interviewed by a Chicago American reporter, and among other things he stated the following:

First, "That most of the workers in many industries have settled their grievances and are toiling peacefully and busily to continue the national prosperity."

From this we may reasonably conclude that in Mr. Mitchell's mind, those "toiling peacefully" will some day join the banqueting table of Mr. Vanderbilt and Gould, for considering the immense prosperity, the productiveness of present efforts, with modern methods of production, and the full reward to the workers, there can be no other alternative than that of a blissful, happy, dreamy life.

Mr. Mitchell is undoubtedly a great organizer and labor leader. But his prominence is possible only under circumstances where great ignorance prevails among the organized workers of the country. He says:

"Grant that under present social conditions, capital has a right to a fair profit; deny that these two are necessarily in conflict and there is no reason why industrial disturbers should not be tossed into the rubbish heap."

With such a confession we may expect that when Mr. Mitchell dies the flags will all be at half-mast on the railroad depots and factories of the United States. His statement contains three elements:

First, That capital under present social conditions has a right to a fair profit. Now, what is a fair profit? and this reminds me of an old story.

During the feudal days there were a great many handiis who were around pillaging the chateaus, robbing the wayfarer and killing peasants, and once there was a gathering of quite a few barons and among them was one named John Michallano, who said: "This vengdetta and brutal robbing banditta have gone to great expense and trouble; they have the best horses that ever threw dust in the air or jumped a hedge; their helmets and breast plates are polished and of very fine metal; their swords are sharp, and long and cut a throat as nicely as any now from the forges of Damascus. Now, fellow barons, when you consider that these robbers have been to so much trouble to accumulate all these weapons and accoutrements essential to pillage, it is but just and right that the should have a fair profit and return upon their capital investment. Therefore, gentlemen, the insipids with a deep, reverential bow confessed his wisdom and said, "Low and behold, we will hereafter shell out when the thief presents his card, for he is entitled to a fair return, UNDER PRESENT CONDITIONS."

"There were, however, some who would neither consent nor submit to the daylight holdups and midnight assassinations; they were men of spirit and courage and struggled for relief until they had exterminated this class of genteel exploiters. They had souls akin to the protesting Socialist of our day.

Second, Mr. Mitchell says: "These two (capitalists and workmen) are not naturally in conflict." If not, what reason for existing has the organization of which he is the head? If the interests of the capitalists and those of the workers are the same, there has been no basis at all for their struggles between each other and we may hope in the near future that when they are endowed with the intelligence of which Mr. Mitchell is now the exclusive possessor they will lie down together like the fabled lion and the lamb, which will only exist in fable, the facts will place the lamb inside the lion.

Mr. Mitchell's fling at "industrial disturbers" is a mauling and contemptible bid for the plaudits of those who would use him and then fling him aside. If Mr. Mitchell thinks he will establish himself either socially or economically, or in any sense within the domain of the capitalist class by such cheap observations he is mistaken. It has been the "disturber" and the so-called demagogue that has made it legal and possible for an organization to exist among the working class and has given him the chance of becoming a national figure. It is the same disturber who will lead this

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FLASHES ON THE HORIZON.

The action taken by the business men of Idaho Springs in expelling the officers of the local branch of the Western Federation of Miners is of itself not of much consequence, but the developments during the past week in connection therewith is of the greatest importance to the working class.

The Citizens Alliance in Denver held a meeting and it was announced beforehand that preliminary steps would be taken to follow up the Idaho Springs tactics on a larger scale, but they simply passed resolutions commending and approving of the actions at Idaho Springs, and advised for the present conservative action.

The dispatches also state that the proposed action in harmony with the Idaho Springs outrage we deferred in consequence of advice received from New York and Chicago. We are told in these dispatches that the wires were kept warm.

There is much food for reflection in all this for the workers, especially the thinking portion of the trade unionists. The conservative action advised is simply an effort to throw the workers off their guard.

They know that peace between capital and labor is impossible, but they like to play the fake game of making the workers believe they are desirous of peace, and so they are, but the peace they desire is that the slave shall wear his chains without rattling them.

When we take into consideration the fact that Congressman Lovering is considered an expert on finance and industry and that he sees clearly the gravity of our industrial situation as set forth in his address, we see the utter helplessness of capitalism to stave off the great unemployed problem that is staring us in the face.

When will the working class consider and act upon the full and adequate remedy for all over-production pointed out by the Socialist program i. e. produce commodities for use and not for profit. Then, and not till then will there be any relief from over-production.

Then there will be no unemployed problem. Nor will we need a wise statesman to tell us what to do with our surplus products. We will eat them, wear them, and use them for our pleasure and comfort.

Socialists Camping.

We are having a great old time out in the woods by Lake Michigan. Several families and comrades are out from different wards. A few tents are pitched, camp fires are burning and fishing and swimming are excellent.

More and more will the delusions which have misled the working class mind become dispelled. One of the most harmful delusions which had a strong hold upon the working class mind was that the working class had certain rights before the law, that there were still some liberties which he could enjoy but he is at present finding out that as against the capitalists interests the working class is always outlawed by a capitalistically-administered government.

Every local in Chicago should take a bundle of at least 200 per week. Send in your orders.

The capitalist class smile when the proud American workmen prate about liberty, that amuses him, but let them try and assert these liberties and it is all off. The lessons taught by these experiences will make it easier for the Socialist agitator to make himself understood by his fellow workers, the trade unionists. It is true that corrupt leaders or rather misleaders will try to stem the tide which exists among the rank and file of the trade unionists towards Socialism, but they can't stop it. It is not the advice of the misleaders that will influence the mind of the workers but the actual facts connected with the class struggle which are unfolding themselves from day to day that will bring them all in to the rank and file of the struggling class conscious proletariat whose cry is "Workmen unite for the overthrow of capitalistic oppression."

The fakirs and misleaders will have one solace. They can follow the example of their prototype, Judas Iscariot.

A STATESMAN IN A DILEMMA.

Congressman Lovering makes some important statements before the Furniture Manufacturers Convention at New York. He spoke in part as follows:

"It is a fact that most of the industries of our country to-day are sorely in need of new outlets in the markets of the world for their products and that the tariff should be so laid that the doors may sometimes swing outward as easily as they swing inward."

The statistics show that within the past twenty-five years the number of factories has been doubled, the amount of capital invested in them has been quadrupled, the number of employees is now nearly three times as great and the total value of their annual product has grown from \$5,500,000,000 in 1870 to \$15,000,000,000 at the present time.

Consumptive Capacity Overborne.

Along with this marvelous increase of productive power, there has undoubtedly gone an increase of consuming capacity. But notwithstanding the increase per capita consumption the fact is becoming clearer every day that the productive power of the country has been steadily outgrowing the consuming power and that our factories are being directly confronted with an increasing surplus of products which are not required for domestic consumption.

This, then, being the actual state of affairs, the question remains, how can we increase our sales of manufactured articles in foreign markets?

After admitting that the conditions are as described above he proceeds to point out the remedy. He has two, they are as follows:

Drawback Law is Valuable.

"The first of these is the proposition to amend the customs drawback law, a provision of our tariff laws which allows a drawback of the duties paid on materials entering into the manufacture of goods for export upon the exportation of these articles."

The second remedy is to amend the revenue law on alcohol.

Alcohol Should Be Cheaper.

"The second proposition is that of the amendment of our internal revenue laws so as to provide for a system of cheaper alcohol for manufacturing purposes."

When we take into consideration the fact that Congressman Lovering is considered an expert on finance and industry and that he sees clearly the gravity of our industrial situation as set forth in his address, we see the utter helplessness of capitalism to stave off the great unemployed problem that is staring us in the face. Capitalism demands ever-expanding markets for its surplus products and the forthcoming great over-production is the result.

When will the working class consider and act upon the full and adequate remedy for all over-production pointed out by the Socialist program i. e. produce commodities for use and not for profit. Then, and not till then will there be any relief from over-production.

Then there will be no unemployed problem. Nor will we need a wise statesman to tell us what to do with our surplus products. We will eat them, wear them, and use them for our pleasure and comfort.

Socialists Camping.

We are having a great old time out in the woods by Lake Michigan. Several families and comrades are out from different wards. A few tents are pitched, camp fires are burning and fishing and swimming are excellent.

More and more will the delusions which have misled the working class mind become dispelled. One of the most harmful delusions which had a strong hold upon the working class mind was that the working class had certain rights before the law, that there were still some liberties which he could enjoy but he is at present finding out that as against the capitalists interests the working class is always outlawed by a capitalistically-administered government.

Every local in Chicago should take a bundle of at least 200 per week. Send in your orders.

Signs of the Times

Editorial and News Items from the Chicago Chronicle.

The following editorial with the above title appeared in the Chicago Chronicle a few days ago. We print it together with a news item of the same issue. Which is one of hundreds of a similar character which appear from day to day. "A Sign of the Times." So say we, without further comment.

"One of the truest indications of the thrift of wage earners is the condition of the building and loan associations. The official reports show that for the first time since 1898 the aggregate assets of the associations present an increase over the returns of the previous year.

There are now in the United States 5,299 of these societies with a total membership of 1,350,707 and assets amounting to \$577,228,014, an increase of \$11,840,948 over the previous year.

This token of general prosperity might reasonably be expected to include Chicago and Illinois. It does not.

Thanks to the folly and perversity of labor demagogues, the largest decrease of the past year are in Illinois and Missouri. Although prosperity has attended all other planes of industrial life, Chicago and Illinois wage-earners, who so largely created the building and loan associations have had to pay forced tribute of idleness for several years to misleadership which halts at no injustice in order to line its own pockets.

The slump in Illinois building and loan association assets is due more to senseless and suicidal strikes than to all other causes.

The states in which these frugal societies prosper are those least devastated by the strike plague. In ten years their assets have increased over \$100,000,000. The states showing the largest proportional increase are Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Mass. Since 1897 Illinois has fallen away 50 per cent. "Local conditions," the report says, "were largely responsible for this result and fortunately the depressing influences did not extend to the other states." It is depleting and depressing influences are not numerous. They are not obscure. They are still rampant here, but declining.

These associations had their origin and find their vitality in the worthy ambition of men of modest income to become builders and owners of their own homes. "The importance of the home," said President Fitzgerald, "is the stronger force in the development of men and nations." The Socialist-labor demoralizer despises this strongest force in the development of men and nations. His perversive policy seeks to destroy the home and disperse the family.

The "state" that policy holds, should furnish greagious dwellings in which nothing shall be private or individual. The "state" is to own the children; no mother should know her own offspring otherwise than she should know the offspring of other mothers. No child should know its parents; the "state" is to be the common parent. The family unit is to be abolished. There shall be only a vast herd with no more respect for virtue, modesty, chastity than prevails among lower species of animals.

To this complex Socialism rambling in labor ranks purposes reducing the family unit upon the home is the final battle in the Socialist war. The wage earner with a home has given a hostage to fortune which his family should cherish with unflinching pertinacity. So long as that roof is over their heads the pestilence of Socialism is stayed.

Every day's wages unearned at the bidding of a labor demoralizer is so much taken from the purchase or the maintenance of a home and is a contribution to the policy of home destruction.

AGED WOMAN, KILLS HERSELF.

Takes Overdose of Morphine in Waiting-Room at Union Depot.

Homeless, friendless dependant and with only enough money to pay her expenses for a few days, Mrs. Sarah J. Martin, the widow of an old soldier, committed suicide yesterday morning by taking an overdose of morphine at the Union depot. She was found in an unconscious condition by Special Officer Nator at an early hour and was at once taken to the county hospital, but medical aid came too late and she died soon after reaching the institution.

A letter was found in the woman's pocket, written with a lead pencil, which seems to establish the fact that she took the poison with suicidal intent.

The letter was addressed to the city officials and read as follows: I am homeless, friendless and sick and no one will give me a home for which money I have. I can't do their hard work and I am sick so much. All week I have tried to find some place, but cannot. What else is left for me? I cannot beg. My husband was an Odd

Fellow and belonged to the Grand Army, but I would not tell them. Please forgive me for all the bother and when you hear of those charity homes tell them they are for the rich only. Please don't put the city to any expense. Tell the old soldiers I think they ought to buy a coffin. You will find all my pension papers in my satchel and the checks for my baggage in my pocketbook. Sell them and put my darling soldier's picture in my coffin. You can burn the others, but I beg of you to bury his picture with me. Send all my pension papers to Jonathan Merrim, United States pension agent, Chicago, Ill. Farewell to all.

On one side of the paper was marked "G. A. H. Q. State and Randolph streets." The police believe that the letters refer to the Grand Army, but are not positive.

The police are of the opinion that the woman did not live in Chicago, but that she came to the city looking for a situation and that, failing to find one, she determined to take her own life. She entered the depot Saturday night about 10 o'clock and went into the ladies' room, where she sat down upon a bench and seemed to be waiting for a train. Employees who saw her sitting there thought she had fallen asleep and it was until morning that it was ascertained that she had made an attempt to take her life. She was a matronly looking woman, about 65 years old and plainly but neatly dressed. Her remains were taken to the county morgue and efforts are being made by the police to find her friends or relatives.

CHILD LABOR—CHILD MURDER.

"It Was Hard Work, Papa," Said the Dying Girl.

"Oh, father! the work was so hard, it was killing me. I couldn't stand it any longer." It was with this last protest on her lips against the harsh conditions which forced her to work all day long in a stifling hot laundry that 13-year-old Sarah Solomon, whose frail, worn body was made the subject of a corner's inquest to-day, ended her short, dreary life with poison.

Dizzy from her long day of toil over an ironing board in the laundry at 157 West Madison street, she gave up her position because, she said, she could no longer stand in the steamy air and was utterly worn out and ill. The neighbors, who knew and liked her, sympathized with the little girl and said that it was good for her to rest awhile, but her stepfather, they said, was displeased with her and wanted her to go back again.

In front of her home her aged stepfather, Aaron Solomon, found her writhing in pain at 11 o'clock last night. In her hand she clasped an empty bottle and on her lips there was the odor of carbolic acid. Her lusterless eyes and the white, scarred lips, burned by the poison, told the rest of the story. "It was the hard work, papa," she gasped, "the hard work. I couldn't stand it."

The father sought a physician, but no physician could be found, and, suffering intense pain, the little sufferer was finally taken by the police to the county hospital. But medical aid was of no avail, after lingering and moaning for an hour, she died soon after midnight.

IMMEDIATE RESULTS FROM SOCIALIST PROPAGANDA.

Little do the working class realize what their power might be, to-day, if properly handled and how they might be enjoying fruits from that power which to-day is denied them. Yet it is not necessary that we must follow the steps of political hucksters and reformers by laying down a lot of demands, requests or pleadings from the powers in control to benefit the working class before Socialism is acquired. We stand as a working class party and our demand as such, and greater, than all, the extent of our propaganda and attacks on the citadels of capitalism will bring to the working class many a sop thrown as a bone to a hungry or vicious dog because of the showing of his teeth.

To-day the great mistake of the organized labor unions is that it goes hat in hand to its master and on bending knee begs for amelioration of its conditions and when what might seem as beneficial legislation is passed by congress or legislation it is "bowled out" by the courts as unconstitutional, void: the Anti-Injunction Bill, the Eight Hour Bill and many others, sought for, worked for and paid for by the great labor organizations.

What the workers should get in their minds is that just as soon as the capitalists and their political acrobats see you showing any energy and he knows you mean it and his minions in the ranks—traitors to the cause of labor—

have no longer power to control you, then it will be you who will see the showing down on your legislation.

Then it is that the workmen who are the militant power, who have stood to the front with the battle cry "To the workers the full social product of their toil and to the strikers the opportunity to go to work," to stand firm and not allow their heads to be turned by cajolery. Accept the small favors thrown like bones to a barking, yelping horde, certainly, such as employers liability laws, limitations of women and child labor laws, shorter work hours, increased pay, sanitary laws, disability and old-age pensions and a score of the demands that the "reformers" have been petitioning for from time immemorial. Accept, yes, but firmly say those were not what we are banded together for. We want to make the conditions of society such that such legislation would be unnecessary. Stand firm to your guns then and while the unconscious workmen are enjoying the apparently "good things" (?) that have been grudgingly doled out or may be stolen or exploited from us in some other way, and when this unconscious class extols the donors for the kind blessings (?) then is it the duty of the Socialist to show to the world that his demands are for justice to all and not petty donations of the loot taken by the capitalist robbers from us, given back only when forced to by the show of strength by the thinking workman.

Only as the workers unite on the battle ground and as a political body demand complete freedom and not homeopathic doses will it succeed. As the Socialist vote mounts towards control so dawns the day of deliverance for the workman, and just in proportion to the rise of that vote in the interim will the "sops" be thrown at the workman to blind him and keep him from seeing the beacon light afore. Why then waste our time trying to get some of these "sops" when by forging ahead they will come anyway and the sooner the sunrise of freedom and exploitation goes just to the ebbing point but is careful not to go beyond because the workers are useful—upon their useful backs the weights and measures of the nation poise and therefore it is not wise to disturb the equilibrium too much.

Awake ye workers and learn that you produce all the wealth and then vote it away to the non-producing class and instead of wasting our time begging for what we have produced we should take it. Stop struggling with each other over the small share doled out to us so-called wages. Let us cast from our feet and hands the shackles that have bound us slaves so long to petty affiliations and with one protest loud and long, vote for our freedom. To the thinking workman is the duty of not only freeing himself but also securing the freedom of that fellow wage-slave who will not and never could think himself.

Daily not your time with what kind of locks the shackles have that bind us but strike to break them. As we strike hard the master class may come around and pad up the hands on our wrists and legs a little to ameliorate our aching bones and some may think it fleeting kindness but yet we are slaves and the bands are there. Strike on, strike on, till we are free!

W. HARRY SPEARS.

News from Michigan.

Dr. S. A. Knopfner of Peoria, Ill., is working in Michigan to the entire satisfaction of comrades, so far heard from.

Frank P. Hall closed his Michigan work at Dryden on July 25, and is now working in W. Virginia. En route he held meetings at St. Thomas, Canada; under the auspices of Canadian Socialist League No. 14. Comrade A. Knowles, Sec'y.

Comrade Wm. E. Walter has been working very successfully across the south part of the state, as a result of which several new stations have been established.

Comrade Ira Cross made his first appearance on the soap box, at Holland, Mich., Saturday evening, July 25. Comrade A. L. Heath says it was the most enthusiastic audience that Holland (pop. 9,000) ever turned out to a Socialist meeting. He held his audience from start to finish.

Comrade Sam. Block of Peoria, Ill., swings around the northern circuit, beginning August 1, at Ludington. Results will follow.

Comrade O. P. Bard of Texas, completed his more than two months of very satisfactory work in Michigan on July 31, at Sturgis, and began his August work in Indiana at Elkhart.

Several pioneer picnic associations in Michigan county are calling for Socialist speakers which is not considered a bad sign.

An evening spent on the lake by the Socialist will be a new feature for us. Get your tickets at Headquarters or from Ward Branches. See Advertisement.

Is He A "Steal" King?

Does Carnegie's Wealth Really belong to Him, or is it the Blood and Tears of the Dispossessed?

Under the heading "Debs on Carnegie," the Milwaukee Germania, (largest national circulation of any German paper in America), of last Monday says the following editorially on the Milwaukee speech of Eugene V. Debs:

"Debs renders a severe and, in some respects, a very unjust judgment on Carnegie and his life-work. For instance, the remark that Carnegie is not a 'steal king,' but a 'steal king,' was surely quite out of place. If Carnegie is a thief, honest men must be very angry among the great industrial capitalists of America, at least we have never yet heard that Carnegie has used other methods than are now customary in large enterprises. And although Carnegie's entire personality is not especially sympathetic to us, still he has done services which give him a right to a more unprejudiced and friendlier criticism than Eugene Debs grants him and, therefore, we cannot let pass unchallenged the following: 'Every library which Carnegie has built is a monument of the sweat and pain wrung from the crucified sons of toil. Mr. Carnegie has given millions abroad, but every penny of it was squeezed from the workmen of this country.'

"This is so gross an exaggeration that it may be simply set down as nonsense. It is indeed asserted that the Carnegie plant in its time skinned Uncle Sam unmercifully on the furnishing of steel plates, but to our knowledge this has never been proved; if it were true, Uncle Sam would surely have something very serious to say to Carnegie, for in such matters it is dangerous to fool with Uncle Sam. 'Mr. Eugene Debs at any rate may think himself fortunate if he is ever famed for so useful a life as Andrew Carnegie has led.'

Thus the Germania.

Now we do not believe that the Germania will persuade any one of this, who has a better memory than its editor. Everybody knows that the furnishing of "rotten armor plates" in the eighties was not only proved against the Carnegie plant, but Andrew Carnegie & Co., were even sentenced to a fine of \$400,000. It is therefore NO EMPTY ASSERTION that "Carnegie in this time skinned Uncle Sam unmercifully on the furnishing of steel plates." On the other hand it is, to say the least a ridiculous phrase when the editor of the Germania says in regard to this: "If it were true, Uncle Sam surely would have had something very serious to say to Carnegie."

The courts were indeed very lenient in their sentence, but mark you, the president of the United States saw fit to remit to Mr. Carnegie even the payment of this fine by a special act of grace, after he, the president of the United States, had remained a while as Carnegie's guest on board his world-renowned yacht. The case at that time excited a great deal of attention throughout the country, and the Democratic press made extensive use of it in their propaganda against the high tariff; this ought to be remembered by the editor of the Germania, who was formerly an editorial writer on a Democratic paper. Moreover, in view of the post-office scandal, the scandal in the War department, and in all other governmental departments—the "irregularities" in the different branches of our government have been estimated by

sure of the penitentiary; but the man who makes forty or fifty thousand dollars, with the help of contracts, can defend himself tolerably well; and a multi-millionaire like Carnegie can do pretty near as he pleases with Uncle Sam. Carnegie's fine, which in itself was insignificant enough, was duly remitted to him by TELEGRAPH.

And now as to other points in the editorial of the Germania. "Steal king" instead of "steal king" is certainly not very gracious, but the pun lay handy, and its justice can be proved. Or will the editor of the Germania maintain that Carnegie earned by honest labor the two hundred and eighty million dollars which he confessedly owns? How long would it take for a man to earn this sum by honest labor?

Just one example. Let us suppose that Adam, the first Biblical man, when he was driven out of paradise had received from God a steady job—ten dollars a day for HONEST LABOR. And that Adam since that day had worked honestly—every day except Sunday and high holidays—therefore, about 300 days in the year. That would make three thousand dollars a year. Now let us suppose further that Adam had kept his Republican papers at more than forty-five million dollars a year—it is really amusing when the Germania maintains that "in such matters it is dangerous to fool with Uncle Sam." It depends entirely on who fools with him. Indeed if a letter-carrier or a post-office clerk steals a quarter from a letter which is not registered, he may be pretty ten-dollar-a-day job since the creation of the world—according to the geology of the Germania for 6,000 years—that during this time he never had lost a day through illness or idleness, that he had laid up all this money, and not used a cent, and had begged or stolen food for himself and family, and had "clothed" himself and his Eve in innocence; how much would old Adam have to-day? If he had not put his money to interest and never exploited other men, he would now after six thousand years call eighteen million dollars his own. But Carnegie also began without capital, God gave him no ten-dollar-a-day job, and yet Andrew has saved for himself two hundred and eighty million dollars within thirty years.

Could he then have earned this money honestly? Can such money be earned honestly in so short a time?

But enough of this. The riots at Homestead, the fight at Monongahela give the answer. On Carnegie's money there is BLOOD.

However, not only the workmen in the steel mills, but the whole American people has been exploited by Carnegie. Wherever a cottage is built or a plow is bought—directly or indirectly Carnegie receives it. This may be business; but it is robbery all the same.

Moreover Carnegie's gifts are also humbug. The steel trust was capitalized at fourfold its value. By means of his presents—jointly and severally in steel shares—Carnegie will now make all sorts of learned institutes and city corporations joint owners and joint creditors of the steel trust. And if Carnegie should finally give even one hundred or indeed two hundred millions of his 280 millions—up to the present time he has not given away one fifth part—he would not suffer at

OUR BAND OF HUSTLERS

During the month of June we sent out a little over TWELVE THOUSAND pieces of literature with the dues paid in by the MEMBERS of our TRADES UNION FUND. Now it is up to you to make the amount sent out in the current month double the above figures. Will you do it? Members are joining this fund from all over the country, but the number is not large enough. Go out among your friends and show them the benefits the workers will receive from the Mites you pay into this fund. Our fight is a fight of education and it is all important that you leave nothing undone to make the influence of this FUND of a national character. Fill out the blank below and send in as much dues in advance as you possibly can and thereby you will assist in pushing a good thing along.

APPLICATION BLANK. I hereby apply for membership in THE CHICAGO SOCIALIST TRADE UNION FUND and agree to pay the fee of five cents per week for one year from date. (The whole year can be paid at once if you desire.) The object of this fund is to send literature to non-Socialists through out the country. The money should accompany application. Sign here _____ Street No. _____ City _____ State _____ Forward to The Chicago Socialist Trade Union Fund, 181 Washington street, Chicago, Ill.

all in his manner of living through his munificence. A man with a property of ten million dollars can lead exactly the same kind of life as with fifty, one hundred or five hundred millions. With ten million dollars he can build castles. Besides in any case he has less care with ten million dollars than with two hundred millions.

But it is unnecessary to waste more words. Even to compare Carnegie with Debs is to insult Debs. Carnegie is an oppressor a "steel king" and a "steal king"—Debs is a liberator and a workman. Debs will live in the history of America as an emancipator when Carnegie and the other moneybags have long been forgotten. The spending of his bloodily gained wealth can buy Carnegie neither peace of mind nor the immortality which he, the "freestinker," would gladly win in this way. On Carnegie rests the curse of the workingmen of America. The name of the "Carnegie libraries" will one day be changed throughout the whole country, because the people will be ashamed of the beggary of their forefathers. Of him shall it be said as of the tyrant in Uhland's poem:

"In vain was all his striving for a crown of purchased fame, In darkest night forgotten is lost his faded name."

VICTOR L. BERGER. (Published by request.)

THE RANK AND FILE.

Comrade Gaylord, state organizer of Wisconsin will speak at headquarters Wednesday, Aug. 12th, 8 P. M. Be sure and hear him.

The price of the "Labor Day" edition will be \$5.00 per 1,000. The price quoted last week was an error.

Have you clipped in on the "Labor Day" edition? No matter how large or small the amount we can use it.

The Labor Day Edition needs your help.

Send a nickel in for one of the new party buttons.

If you want something good to read send for our price list of books, pamphlets and leaflets.

We can take your subscription for any paper published.

Try our Literature Department at headquarters for anything you may need in that line.

You should contribute something to the "Labor Day Edition". We want to distribute 100,000 along the line of march.

This paper wants a reliable agent in every town in the state. Will you take the job?

We can only make the paper go by you helping us. Are you ready?

We should have at least 100,000 subs. by Jan. 1st. How many of them will you dig up?

The watch contest of Aug. 15th will be the last one, are you in on it?

Hustle up a few names and send them in. They need our paper.

What are you doing to push the work in your branch or local? How many papers do you distribute each week?

Unaccepted challenges by Father McGrady, price five cents. Just received.

If you want to do something for the general propaganda join the Trade Union Fund.

All those who are indebted to this paper will please come in and pay up. We need the stuff.

You are hereby appointed a special committee to get out and look up one or more ads for this paper.

THIS IS FOR THE BOYS.

Now boys we have made all kinds of premium offers to the grown folks and it now comes your turn. Every boy would like to have a watch to carry to school or to work, and we will show you how easily you can secure one. Send your name to us and we will send you subscription blanks and a bundle of sample papers to use in soliciting. Upon receipt of same you take the subscription blanks and papers and go out among your friends and acquaintances show them our paper tell them what we stand for and sell them a years subscription for 25c. get twenty subscribers at that rate which will make five dollars then send the money in to the Chicago Socialist and we will forward you by return mail a good durable nickel watch guaranteed to keep good time for one year. Secure the 20 subscribers and you will get the watch absolutely free. This offer is liable to be withdrawn at any time, so you had better get to work at once, if you desire one of these souvenirs.

If you should have a job of printing, bring it down to headquarters and we will do the rest.

Comrade Gargin of Streator sends 75 cents to the T. U. F. and Comrade Nelson follows suit for 50 cents.

Comrade Nelson of Streator sends in a list of six yearlies.

About the best thing to go on record will be the Chicago Socialist Lake Excursion, August 22.

Comrade Marygold of Spokane, says the P. P. & P. leaflet is O. K. send me along a bundle. So ordered.

When you say you cannot sell our sub. cards you are out of order, for Comrade Gregory of Springfield, Vt., dumps an order for five and says its easy.

Comrade Billow takes five yearlies and says its a very simple proposition to sell our subscriptions. All he has to do is to announce them from the soap box and the bunch will do the rest.

Comrade Giamback got himself into action and landed ten subs. in less than ten jiffys. We have room on the list for a few more. Get out and hustle.

Comrade Mable of Chico, Mont., says the Chicago Socialist is O. K.

Comrade Duffy of Dover, N. H., says "Our local likes your paper very much. Send me four more subs." That helps.

Comrade Moorhead of Louisville places his order for a bundle a week for a year. He says spasmodic doses are not as effectual as regular treatment.

Comrade Stockham of Scottsville, Ohio, takes 100 P. P. & P. leaflets and says: "I take about eight Socialist papers and they keep me strapped putting out the good things they have for making people think." This leaflet is a wonder and you will do well to take a bundle of them.

Com. Lafin, the long keen hustler of the 22nd ward, takes a bundle of 40 subs.

He! for the Lake Excursion, August 22nd. Boat leaves from No. 4 River street 8 p. m. Round trip tickets 25 cents each. Children under 12 years free.

"I think the Chicago Socialist the very best paper published and very much admire the way it is collectively controlled."—C. E. Martin, Plattsmouth, Neb.

The Prisoners and Paupers are going to beat the band. The comrades from all over the country are circulating them very widely.

You should order a bundle of the Willards. They hit the spot. 25c per 100.

Comrade Bruce of Detroit is hard to hold down. He landed another batch of subs this week and is stirring the enemy up in great shape.

Comrade Coll of Rock Rapids, Iowa, a staunch fearless advocate of the overthrow of capitalism, stopped in to size up our efforts. Comrade Coll says the farmer is coming our way as it is fast beginning to dawn upon him that he is about the worst exploited proposition that is running loose.

Go out and devote ten minutes to securing a few subs. for this paper, it is very easy especially when you explain to them our price is 25 cents per year in clubs of four or more.

Our Printing. This paper has completed arrangements to do all of the Job Printing for the locals in Chicago. It is the duty of our comrades to see that our paper gets the benefit of their patronage. Trot in your job work and we will guarantee prices, quality and promptness.

More subscribers all ways wanted.

Ohio Socialist News.

One hundred and eleven new members were taken into the Socialist Party in Ohio during the month of July.

Over 110 dates are included in the Ohio circuits now and the speakers are doing the greatest work by far that has ever been attempted in Ohio.

The Toledo Times of July 27th contains a double column article about Mayor Jones and the Socialists. It leaves the impression that the Socialists of Toledo are in cahoots with "Golden Rule" Jones and are arranging a fusion deal with him for the coming election. The cotarades of Toledo want it distinctly understood that this is absolutely false. There is not an organization in the Nation that stands for uncompromising Socialism any more than Toledo. Their watchword is "no fusion," "no compromise," "no quarters to capitalism or its parasites."

The efforts of the Toledo dailies to fuse the Socialists without asking them will prove futile, just as in the past, and the Socialist candidates will again appear before the working class of that city at the fall election asking their suffrage in order to gain industrial freedom. And the Socialists of Toledo present their candidates and platform with a clean record too, which can't be said of the other parties.

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districts, have been printed and can be had by applying at this office.

The price is seventy-five cents per thousand, for those who can afford to pay for them. Comrades and branches should take hold at once and distribute them in their unions and workshops or wherever they see an opportunity for the education of the workers.

Let's propagate Socialism where opportunities are greatest and the distribution of Socialist literature easiest.

Votes on Referendums 2, 3 and 4 must be in this office by August 15. THEO. MEYER, Secy.

ILLINOIS LIST OF LOCALS.

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- Bloomington—J. F. Sanders, 435 W. Madison street.
- Cairo—Chas. Farrell, 4100 Sycamore street.
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OFFICE OF CITY SECRETARY.

The City Central Committee will meet in continued session on August 15, 8 P. M. sharp.

Expelled. William Arentson, member of the 15th ward branch, having been found guilty of the charges preferred against him, was August 1st, expelled from the Socialist Party.

All Men and Women, that desire to take a course of instructions, gratis, on Socialism under the auspices of the Socialist Party of Chicago, for the purpose of becoming speakers for said party, and all members of the party, who are able and willing to assist in the above noble work, in their capacities as teachers will send their names and addresses to the above office.

Let all assemble and do their utmost in devising ways and means to create and develop a sufficient number of speakers, that will make the coming political national battle between Socialism and capitalism the most aggressive fight on educational lines that has ever been fought in Chicago.

An Organization was successfully launched in the 32nd ward Tuesday night last, with twenty-seven members. Comrade Berlyn got in his fine work "on original lines," and another wedge was driven by him hard and fast between capitalism and the working class which will help greatly to deprive society of capitalism and destroy classes. He was heartily applauded, showing that the "city men present, understood what was said, aye, were ready to organize to do battle with capitalism. Immediately after Comrade Berlyn's speech the organization was formed.

The following temporary officers were elected. Organizer, W. G. Wehrwein; Rec. and Corr. Sec'y, John Dobelman; Fin-Sec'y-Treas., Chas. Fritz. The meeting then adjourned until Tuesday, August 18, 8 P. M., 7001 Loomis street.

Watch for an increased vote in the 32nd at the next election!

Ten German Workingmen and one woman, on Wednesday last, organized a Socialist branch, to be known as the "23rd Ward West End Branch" of the Socialist Party. These new comrades intend to hustle for Socialism, and stir up and arouse the class-interest in the Germans living in the 23rd ward, especially in the West end of said ward. Comrade Marie Haldeman says, she intends to work among the German and English speaking women and have them join.

Max Lehmann was elected organizer; Wilhelm Gebhard, corr. and rec. secy; Conrad Pavogel, fin-secy and Chas. Haldeman, treasurer. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 12, 8 P. M. sharp, at 148 Willow street, corner of Bissell street. Good speakers will be in attendance. All are invited to be present and to join.

Durch Kampf zum Sieg!

25,000 Leaflets, containing information on the cause of, and remedy for strikes, the resolution introduced in the city council by Comrade Johnson, etc., suitable for distribution in a factory

JOHN MITCHELL A PROPHET.

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working class into a sane orderly system of society where neither the brutality of capitalists nor organized labor will exist. The organized workers are a higher type of manhood than the unorganized. They have struggled and done a great deal to reduce the hours, increase the pay and raise the standard of life of all the working people, but their mission by that has not been fulfilled, and can only be regarded, with any great commendation as it becomes a step in the great aim for which their unity of purpose and education must fit them—Socialism.

Mr. Mitchell again says: "So long as the workingmen are busy—the workingmen being the only producers of wealth, there need be no fear for the prosperity of the nation." It may be proper to inquire here why, if they are "the only producers" Mr. Mitchell should recommend them to divide, rendering a fair share of "profits to the exploiting class."

A leader of trade unionists may very well urge his organization to adopt such policy as will best insure its benefit and those affiliated with it, but when he goes into the public press, stating his views on economic questions, displaying the misconception of the conflict in modern society, which Mr. Mitchell has, he must expect to be treated as one who is with the working class in their unions and against them outside, this naturally diminishes his influence for good and makes the task much harder for those who realize that the trade union is but one wing of the great army which is preceeding not only on the economic field but the political as well for the accomplishing of industrial freedom.

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Socialist Sunday School Lessons.

By May Wood Simons.

The First Stage of Economic Development.

Introductory.—While the periods of man's existence have been divided according to the tools he used into the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age...

The first period is that known as the age of house industries. It extends from the earliest times to the 10th century when towns began to grow in importance.

Under the earliest period that of domestic economy or house work there are certain subdivisions. The first stage is called the Hunting and Fishing stage and corresponds in time to the Age of Stone.

It must be borne in mind that great difficulties surround the study of the industrial and economic life of savage man. There are two sources from which we may draw our knowledge.

The second source is the study of the modern savage. Many look upon this as a most fruitful way of gaining knowledge of our far removed forefathers.

The early individual search for food gave place to hunts carried on by the whole tribe. The arrow used seldom killed, only wounded, their victims were followed till it fell from exhaustion.

Pre-historic man was most ingenious in the catching of fish. He used not only a hook and line but a net, spear and arrow and was acquainted with different methods of stunning.

The limited existence of this early man is seen in the fact that he had no domestic animals and was clad in the skins of wild beasts. He was very much of a child in his conduct and moved entirely by impulse.

The raising of plants for food was at this period practically unknown. The terms of a social organization were developing at this time and the best of authority can be found to support the statement that some form of family has existed from the earliest times.

Central Thought.—At the close of this period man had learned not only how to select the materials for his implements and use them but he had learned as well how "in live in sympathetic relation with members of his own clan and how to gain the social approval of the members of his group."

Suggestions.—In dwelling on the hunting stage illustrate carefully to the class the materials used in constructing the bow and the manner of using the bow and arrow. In the fish-

ing stage point out how they learned to walk in with stone large flats and so on in fish brought up by the tide, how it was no doubt through a desire to follow the fish to the deep sea that the idea of building boats first originated.

WEEK'S MEETINGS.

Speakers must be paid their carfare. When speakers have cause to change their established date, they should notify the city secretary so that such change may not imperil the meeting or disappoint the comrades that are responsible for such meeting.

NOTE.—Figure or letters in () brackets denote the number of ward or name of club in which and by which (respectively) meeting is held.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 8 P. M. 71st and Cottage Grove (7) Speaker: Spears.

92nd and Commercial (8) Speaker: Local. 19th and Halsted (9) Speaker: Bartells.

Loomis and Blue Island (10) Speaker: Snalley. Campbell and North ave. (15) Speaker: Local.

Division and Noble (14) Goodspeed and Polish speakers. Milwaukee and Paulina (16) Local speakers.

Milwaukee and Carpenter (17) Speaker: Bard. Halsted and Maxwell (19) Speaker: Rubinstein.

North ave. and Orchard (K. M.) Speaker: Local. Clark and North ave. (23) Speaker: Local.

Elston and California (27) Speaker: Menke. Kedzie and Armitage (27) Speaker: Local.

Milwaukee and Powell (28) Speaker: Ehnborn. 63rd and Halsted (31) Speaker: Perison.

Wood Workers' Local 67, 6235-7 Paulist street. Speaker: Berlyn. 111th and Michigan (33) Speaker: Anderson.

120th and Lowe (33) Speaker: Whalen. 12th and 49th ave. (34) Speaker: Dalton.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 3 P. M. 8th and Superior (8) Speaker: Anderson. 92nd and Commercial (8) Speaker: Whalen.

California and 12th (13) Speaker: Bard. Ogden and Warren (14) Speaker: Menke.

North ave. and California (15) Speaker: Dalton. Walton place and Dearborn (21) Speaker: Courtney. 4 p. m. Chicago ave. and Clark (21) Speaker: Perison. 4 p. m. Fullerton and Clybourne (24) Speaker: Larsen.

Lincoln and Belmont (25) Speaker: Menke. Lawrence and Milwaukee (27) 2 p. m. Speaker: Spears. Milwaukee and Powell (28) Speaker: Heniv. 45th and Wood (29) Bartells and Bohemian and Polish speakers.

48th and Throop (29) 2:30. Bohemian and Polish speakers. 47th and Lincoln (29) 2:30. Ehnborn and Bohemian and Polish speakers.

45th and Wood (29) 2:30. Bohemian and Polish speakers. SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 3 P. M. 39th and Cottage Grove (3) Speaker: Ehnborn.

Western and Archer (5) Speaker: Menke. Van Buren and California (13) 7 p. m.—Local speaker. Western and Madison (13) Local speakers.

Erle and Center (17) Speaker: Local. Clark and Walton place (21) Speaker: Henry. Sedgwick and Division (22) Speaker: Manco. Clark and North ave (23) Speaker: Spears.

Belmont and Sheffield (25) Speaker: Kaplan at 7:30 p. m. 62nd and Ashland (31) Speaker: Berlyn. TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 8 P. M. 47th and State (6) Speaker: Lindquist. 100th and Ewing (8) Speaker: Whalen.

12th and Sangamon (9) Speaker: Henry. Loomis and Blue Island (10) Speaker: Harry Horn. California and North (15) Speaker: Spears. Grand and Center (17) Speaker: Ehnborn. Clark and Ohio (21) Speaker: Smiley. Clark and North ave. (23) Speaker: Ogas. Wrightwood and Sheffield (25) Speaker: Bartells. 48th and Harrison. Speaker: Perison.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 8 P. M. Archer and Halsted (4) Speaker: Ehnborn. 43rd and Cottage Grove (6) Speaker: Dalton. 12th and Ashland (11) Speaker: Menke. Robey and Chicago (14) Speaker: Bartells.

Milwaukee and Robey (15) Speaker: Local. Oak and Wells (22) Speaker: Smiley. Clark and Aldine (25) Speaker: Spears. THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 3 P. M. 25th and State (3) Speaker: Berlyn. Chicago ave. and Clark (21) Speaker: Ehnborn.

59th and Halsted (31) Speakers: Spears and Courtney. 40th and Madison (34) Speaker: Henry. FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 3 P. M. 106th and Ewing (8) Speakers: Anderson and Rubinstein. Madison and Aberdeen (18) Speaker: Bartells.

Diversey and Lincoln ave. (24) Speaker: Ehnborn. Wrightwood and Sheffield (25) Speaker: Spears.

From National Headquarters.

Local charter granted to Wilmington, Delaware.

Speakers and Organizers. Goebel in West Virginia and Maryland. Wilkins in Washington. Ray at Home; begins in North Carolina, Aug. 17th. Hanford begins tour at Williamsport, Pa., August 24th.

Actions of Quorum. Further information requested as to terms, liabilities etc., concerning Central Lecture Bureau. Proposed tour of Geo. E. Bigelow endorsed.

Referred to Quorum. Correspondence with Walter Thomas Mills, relative to non-receipt of mail sent from this office bearing upon protest of Nebraska Quorum and H. M. McKee, and other correspondence to him as National Committeeman. Request from Local Dallas, Texas, that National Organizer Goebel be placed in that city for three weeks beginning Oct. 1st. Request from Haverhill, Mass., that John W. Brown be placed in that vicinity for one week to offset opposition of capitalist press.

Actions of National Committee. Carey, Hillquit, Ciaffin approved the semi-annual report and printing of same. Hillquit and Berger reported action on report of Quorum meeting. Full report of action upon Quorum meeting will be made within the next few days.

Miscellaneous. Received list of subscribers in unorganized states from Los Angeles Socialist and Wiltshire's Magazine. Geo. D. Herron, International Secretary, reports that there is nothing to report to the National Committee at present. Sent invitation to August Bebel in accordance with instructions of Quorum. Letter of endorsement of the plan to establish a course of lessons in Socialism under direction of the National Committee, received from Local Elgin, Ill. Semi-annual report has been sent to all local and state secretaries and the press.

In answer to inquiry regarding work in Pennsylvania, Eugene V. Debs, states that his time is already booked for October and some of September. If not able to comply with request of National Committee, it will be because of prior engagements. Should he be able to give time as requested, his services will be given without charge. WILLIAM MAJLILY, National Secretary.

Socialists of Constableville, N. Y., elected an assessor.

Inventions and not intentions of men have been the cause of progress.—Gabriel Deville.

In Minden, Germany, three companies of soldiers were disbanded because they voted the Socialist ticket at the recent election and openly boasted of their "treason."

A Frenchman has willed August Bebel, the great Socialist leader of Germany, the sum of \$2,000 for propaganda purposes, in recognition of his firm fight against militarism.

Labor is robbed by the politicians, and votes for the robber. Labor produces wealth and votes it to the non-producer. Labor builds fine houses and votes them to those who do not labor. Labor produces everything to eat, votes it to those who are not hungry, and goes hungry itself. Labor makes the clothes for those who do not labor and wears the cheapest it can get. Labor builds fine carriages for drones to ride in. Labor builds railroads, and is robbed by the railroad companies. Labor makes fine farms to mortgage to the user.—The Niagara Toller.

35th Ward! Comrades of the 35th ward will please remember our regular meeting Thursday eve, August 13, corner 48th and Lake. Important business. E. M. STANGLAND, Sec'y.

RESOLUTIONS. WHEREAS, the Seattle Socialist, and Local Omaha have been waging unmerciful war against Walter Thomsen, and other class-conscious revolutionary Socialists who are eminent before the public as propagandists; and inasmuch as we deem these attacks unjustified; THEREFORE we, Local Sioux City, feel called upon to express our sentiments in regard to this much to be deplored imperialism within the Socialist Party.

THEREFORE, be it resolved: That we, Local Sioux City, in regular business meeting, declare the action of said Seattle Socialist, in its half-splitting and technical interpretation of who in the exploited class may become Socialists, is obviously detrimental to working class interests, and out of harmony with our national platform.

Logical deductions are the result of general facts, and minutia invariably lead to error and false conclusions. Therefore it is obviously clear that this effort to build up a class within a class conscious body of workers, is detrimental to working class interests, and unscientific in deductions relative to party tactics. A man with an empty stomach and no prospect of a meal ahead is not the fighter for revolutionary Socialism, as Morgan of Local Omaha seems to think. In the records of our whole international movement it has been the precipitation of the middle class into the ranks of the proletariat that has furnished the material for revolutionary action.

THEREFORE, be it further resolved that we deplore the action of Seattle Socialist and Local Omaha in this effort to retard our movement, in a country where capitalistic development is so far in excess of economic ideas amongst the great mass of workers, a united class-conscious revolt against private capitalism should be stimulated.

BE it further resolved that we request all other locals to take action along these lines, lest the Socialist Party be ruined by these dangerous elements gaining the ascendancy, whilst the true Socialists are working for Socialism. J. C. SMITH, Sec'y. Sioux City Local.

The 13th Ward Socialist Educational Club will open its propaganda hall at 1197 W. Van Buren street, Saturday, Aug. 15, with a lecture by A. M. Simons to be followed by an entertainment and Ice Cream social. Admission will be free but refreshments will be charged for.

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