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THE UNEMPLOYED.

BY A. M. SIMONS.

The press is telling us every day of thousands more men laid off because of the coming of a "trade depression." These depressions, or crises, have been coming regularly about every ten years for nearly half a century, so that we know they are now an established thing in our social organization. We know that the thousands of unemployed to-day will become the hundreds of thousands and even the millions of a few months later, and that these discharged workers must go up and down the country seeking for opportunities to use their strength and skill in the production of wealth.

While the army of the unemployed is larger than ordinary, still it always exists to some degree. Every workman knows what it is to feel the threat of the time when he may be without a master. Unlike the chattel slave, he must seek the master instead of being sought by those who would make a profit on his toil.

This great army of the unemployed standing ever ready to fight for the chance to sell its strength and skill threatens with failure every attempt of the employed workers to better their condition. It constitutes the most effective militia with which to keep the workers in servitude. Without this great body of ownerless slaves our present society could not continue. Philanthropists and preachers pour out their condemnation on the idle tramp. But on the shoulders of this miserable beggar for handouts rests our whole social system. Were it not for this class who are driven by the whim of starvation to battle with their fellow workmen for a chance at wage slavery, the employed workers could demand and obtain as a return for their labor all their toil created, and capitalism and exploitation with the whole class of parasites and the social organization resting upon them would fall to the ground.

It is the horror of falling into the ranks of the unemployed that holds the working class to the most poorly paid, dangerous and disagreeable toil. The presence of this class breaks the force of every revolt, weakens the strength of all resistance to exploitation and perpetuates all the horrors of wage slavery.

Against the unemployed problem, the pure and simple trade union movement is helpless. The union can only fight for better terms for those who are at work. It cannot find work, or give relief to those whose idleness threatens the very existence of unionism.

But there is a way to abolish this army of the unemployed. We have a country filled with untold natural resources, with boundless acres untilled, with exhaustless mines, and giant powers of nature waiting to be used. We have all the means by which to satisfy the wants of a population many times greater than that of to-day, yet amid these resources and machines stalks a gaunt and hungry army composed of the very class whose minds conceived and hands created the machines, and who alone can use them to transform the natural resources into things to satisfy human wants.

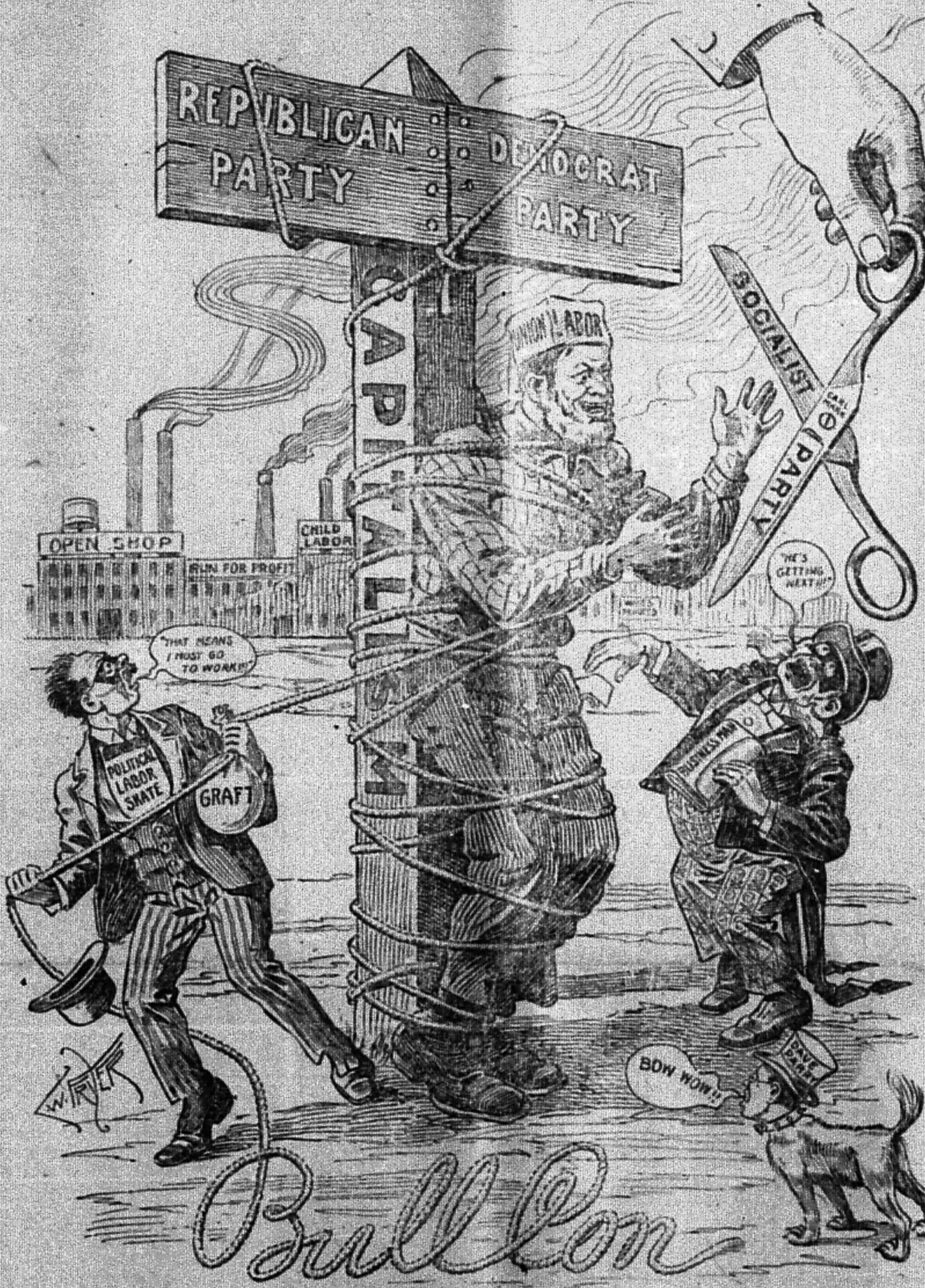
When the starving workers would seek to use the means for the production of wealth, they find that they are legally owned by a class of idlers who did not make them and cannot use them. These owners permit the laborers to use the tools only on condition that when the worker has produced enough to maintain the physical existence of himself and family, he shall not stop production but shall continue on through weary hours producing profits for the owner of the machines.

It is this ownership by the idle parasitic class that keeps up the army of the unemployed and keeps down the wages of those who are at work. But ownership is a legal institution resting upon man-made laws which man can unmake as easily as he made them. While the owning class controls the law-making machinery, however, no change will be made save in their interests. While the workers are divided politically into the Democratic and Republican parties who, however much they may pretend to disagree, always unite in defending private property in the earth and the things by which wealth is produced and distributed, and therewith wage slavery and the army of the unemployed that depends upon that ownership, no change will be made. If the workers really wished to abolish the army of the unemployed and with it wage slavery, they must unite with the only party that has as its object the abolition of that ownership.

The Socialist party is an organization of the working class for the purpose of capturing the machinery of government and using it in the interests of the worker. It has for its fundamental principle the abolition of individual ownership in the things that all must need. It would transfer the title to the earth and the things whereby the work of the world is done to the laboring class who alone are capable of using them to satisfy human need. When this is done, when no barrier of legal ownership shuts out the workers from the sources of wealth and the things which those workers have created for the production and distribution of wealth, there can be no army of the unemployed.

That would be Socialism. As soon as the workers shall have become sufficiently intelligent to learn these facts and act upon them, they will vote the Socialist ticket, which alone stands as an expression of these positions. Every laboring man who knows that the threat of unemployment hangs forever above his head and who has brains enough to recognize that while others are unemployed, his wages can rise little above the subsistence point, should work for the success of the Socialist party. Every worker who wishes to voice the interests of himself, his family, and his class at the ballot box must vote the Socialist ticket.

WHY NOT "CUT LOOSE," MR. WORKINGMAN?



JOB TALKS OF LABOR.

Frederick W. Job, secretary of the Chicago Employers' Association, addressed the convention on "The Inefficiency of the Labor Vote," and said in part:

"I want to call your attention to just one thing here today, and that is the necessity, the burning necessity, at the present time of showing the politicians throughout the country just what there is, exactly how little there is in these magical words: 'the labor vote.'"

"The labor political vote, in the first place, is always handled, or attempted to be handled, by what union members call 'the political labor skate,' who is one of those fellows who secure enough spoils during one campaign to tide them over until new plunder comes during the next political excitement." Chicago Tribune, February 23.

MEETINGS AT HEADQUARTERS.

Propaganda meetings at headquarters are a great success. The audiences are getting larger all the time. On Saturday, March 5, H. E. Hayward, of Milwaukee, will speak. Subject, "The New Life."

On Wednesday, March 9, Wm. Linke, just from Germany, will speak on "Socialism in Germany." Comrade Linke is a fluent speaker, and being just from the scenes of the triumphs of our German comrades, is able to give us all a treat. Don't miss this.

Both comrades are fine speakers. Comrades, turn out; give us good audiences, and bring your friends. Make these meetings even more successful than they are.

We are preparing a fine list of speakers, so watch for these announcements.

MINNESOTA SOCIALISTS IN-DORSE DEBS AS A NATIONAL CANDIDATE.

The Socialist State convention in session here the other afternoon declared in favor of Eugene V. Debs as a candidate for President. J. E. Nash, the nominee for Governor, was elected State Secretary in place of S. M. Holman, resigned. Candidates for presidential electors, to be voted on in November, were placed in nomination.

OUR FIRE CARTOON.

Have had another large edition of our Fire Cartoon run off. The first edition went like hot cakes. This edition will cost the same as the other—single copies at office 5 cents; by mail, 10 cents.

This cartoon is so good that we want all the comrades and locals everywhere to hang them up. Will therefore sell them to locals and agents for 40 cents per dozen at the office; by mail, 10 cents extra.

ELGIN NEWS ITEMS.

Elgin Branch, Kane County, has been holding a series of open Forum meetings. The first of the series was an address on "The Materialist Conception of History," by Carl D. Thompson. Comrade James H. Brooker gave a fine address last Sunday evening on "The Dime, the Dollar, and the Dokey." Next Sunday evening Comrade Walter Huggins, of Chicago, will speak on "The Rip Van Winkles of the Twentieth Century."

Next Sunday afternoon a convention will be held for the purpose of placing a Socialist ticket in the field for the coming municipal election.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 25, 1904. Comrades—Local Philadelphia is adopting the following method of developing 100 street speakers for the presidential campaign:

Our best speakers are preparing three-minute speeches, five-minute speeches, ten-minute speeches and twenty-minute speeches. Then the beginner will tackle whichever one of these he prefers, for a beginning. When he can handle a short speech with ease, before an audience, he advances to a lengthier attempt. We will guarantee our 100 speakers this campaign.

Comrades everywhere, go thou and do likewise, and at once!

NOTICE.

The Spring Campaign Committee meets every Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at party headquarters, 181 Washington street. A full attendance is desired. Wards which have not yet elected members to the Campaign Committee should do so at once.

It is naturally to be expected that voting "stock" will eventually land in "bull pens."—Exchange.

SPRINGFIELD NOTES.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 28.—The past week has been a memorable one in the history of local Sangamon County of the Socialist party. It has been an uninterrupted period of agitation and has seen the organization of three new local branches and a doubling of the party membership in the city.

The week's activities began Sunday afternoon, Feb. 21, when German National Organizer Sattiel addressed a good sized meeting in German and English. The Monday evening following Sattiel and State Organizer Collins addressed a meeting in the Sixth Ward and formed a new branch with a membership of eight. Tuesday night Comrade Sattiel addressed the Brewers' Union and Wednesday evening the Brewery Drivers. Thursday evening he spoke in the First Ward and organized with eight members.

Friday night Comrades Sattiel and W. J. McSweny appeared before the newly organized Sixth Ward branch. Two new members were taken in and much enthusiasm was shown by the new comrades.

Sunday afternoon, Feb. 28, a largely attended meeting of the central branch and the County Committee was held, at which an application was made for a charter by the Lithuanians, who have organized with a membership of eighteen. Comrade Joseph Tzenat having acted as organizer.

Addresses were made at this meeting by Comrades McSweny of Chicago and Ed Lyons of Decatur. Arrangements were perfected for a grand mass meeting for Father Hagerty, to be held at Arion Hall, Sunday afternoon, March 13. The admission will be 25 cents. The hall will seat 800 and the comrades expect to fill it.

The motto of the worker: "Give me liberty or—the militia, preferably the militia."—New Time.

NO WORD FROM HEARST.

The Labor War in Colorado.

Cost Has Already Equaled a Third of the State's Valuation.

In the grim tenacity of purpose, in the methods employed, in the number enlisted on both sides in proportion to the population of the State, and in the appalling cost, both in life and property, the industrial war now going on in Colorado is one of the most far-reaching ever recorded in the labor history of the world.

Thirty-five thousand workmen idle on an average of five months each; 1,000,000 working days lost; \$10,000,000—a low estimate—as a wage loss; \$90,000,000—conservative—estimate—loss from direct damage and non-production; \$500,000 cost of National Guard ordered to three different parts of the State within nine months for the protection of life and property. A total loss—at the most conservative estimate—of \$50,000,000. And this in a State where the total assessed valuation is less than \$150,000,000.

This is the stupendous cost to Colorado of the labor troubles of the year 1903. Sixteen strikes. That is the year's record. Sixteen strikes affecting from 500 to 21,000 men each and lasting from 10 days to 10 months each.

The results: A declaration of war between capital and organized labor as represented in the State; the increase of the National Guard from 550 men, in March, 1903, to 3,400 men fully armed and equipped; courts and civil writs superseded in the mining districts and martial law declared; the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus and the enforcement of the "rag" law in the mining camps and the subsequent deportation of all men who refused to work. And, with all of this, the 25,000 miners in the metalliferous and coal camps are still out, and threaten to stay out for months to come, although their places are gradually being filled with imported non-union men.

It has passed the point where one can refer to it as an "industrial upheaval." It has become a social rebellion—a rebellion against every recognized standard of business as it exists to-day—a rebellion brought about by the determination of organized labor to reign supreme in Colorado.

To get at the real beginning of this trouble, you have to go back just three years. In 1901, the State Legislature, at the insistent demand of the labor unions, passed an eight-hour law, applicable to all classes of labor in the State. A few months later, the Supreme Court declared it unconstitutional—at the behest of the mine owners, so the labor leaders declared. But whatever the cause, that started the fight. Labor in Colorado organized for an eight-hour law. They went into politics and united with the Democratic party, and at the succeeding session the eight-hour law failed to pass. Then the unions took the matter into their own hand. They formally espoused the cause of Socialism—in June, 1902—and supported the Socialist platform at the next election. They failed to win at the polls, and then came the threatened deign of strikes, with a war cry: "We'll fight until we force an eight-hour agreement over the State."—Collier's Weekly.

FINES MINERS! THEN ORDERS THEM TO LEAVE.

Because Colorado Strikers Refuse to Work They Are Arrested and Convicted of Vagrancy—Leave Families.

Telluride, Colo., March 2.—Thirty-four men, members of the striking miners' union, who refused to go to work in the mines, were arrested this evening, charged with vagrancy. Of this number seven were released and twenty-seven were fined \$25 each. The latter were given ten days to pay their fines, but were told by Judge Albert Holmes that if they left the county or sought employment in the meantime, sentence would be suspended.

A majority has accepted the alternative allowed of leaving town. Most of them leave families here.

Fifteen or more left this evening, some departing on the early train for Durango and others taking the Denver-bound train, presumably for Montrose. The others remaining have been engaged in packing blankets and other possessions and double a intend to be out of the county by midnight.

These men were banished at the instance of the mine-owners.

"Error of opinion may be tolerated when reason is left free to combat it."—Jefferson.

OUR STRIKE.

The Ballot is the Weapon—Class-Consciousness the Force.

Those who work for wages are held up in broad daylight.

Capitalism takes the dough, while Labor is satisfied with the doughnuts.

If the interests of capital and labor are identical, what is good for the master must be good for the slave.

Capitalism is legalized robbery and is right in saying there will be "no incentive" under Socialism.

The way the workers are lining up for Socialism, it begins to look like capitalism is paying too much for its whistle.

Many a man who follows a leader finds himself on the tail end when the leaders play crack the whip.

It is only a step to the polls, but a step in the wrong direction to vote for good men under a bad system.

The man who has a vote to sell may find he has a life to save.

So long as labor sleeps in the bed of fear and want, capital will remain secure.

Hearst is all right in his way so long as you are willing to give way.

Capitalist papers point to war in other countries so you will forget it here.

How many of you poor devils play at the game of Willie's "E. Z. Mark" on election day?

Those who are making so much ado about our forefathers may have a strong leaning toward the hindfathers.

Now that Hearst has started so many hot-air meetings, no one should have an excuse for remaining out in the cold.

Parry seems to be handling the trade unions so well that men now strike before they join the union.

Workers who are being coached against criminal trusts should remember that all trusts are bad unless you are on the inside.

There can be no doubt that Hearst thinks a monopoly of all the trade union voters is a good thing.

Capital has a long reach and is reaching out to pull the workers in.

The well-to-do ride in their automobiles, while you do well to keep out of their way.

The city of Chicago has municipal ownership of waterworks and advises the people to boil the water.

When you get tired looking for a job, you might change the monotony by looking for the reason.

The ballot is a bird in the hands of capitalism so long as labor uses it against itself.

For the privilege of riding you, friends of labor offer you a ride to the polls on election day.

When the Almighty Dollar smiles, who doesn't? When it doesn't, who does?

A system which makes parasites of one class and paupers of another is bound to go to the dogs.

The City Council will deal with the street railways in such a way as to railroad the workers to the rear.

Rent, interest and profit are the three great rack horses that keep you running neck and neck in the stretch.

Labor is kept busy counting the hours, while the capitalists count the money.

Workingmen should now post themselves on what Col. Bryan has to say of Emperor William and his trip to Europe.

Wonder if "Brother" Hearst carries a card in the "Manufacturers' Association?"

Don't think because you are the man who works with the tools, capitalism can't make tools of you. E. H. L.

\$2.00 CUNNEY HATS. \$2.00

Spring styles now in. Comrades should go to this store for their hardware. 97 Madison street, northwest corner Dearborn. Union made.

ELECTION RULES ISSUED.

Commissioners Issue Directions for the Aldermanic Ballot.

Conditions under which citizens may vote are described in a notice issued by the Board of Election Commissioners. Registration day is March 15, 1904, and only those registered can vote. Following is the board's statement:

Only those persons whose names are upon the registers for the precinct in which they reside can vote.

If you fail to register for any previous elections, go to your precinct polling place and have your name registered on March 15, 1904.

If you have moved out of the precinct in which you registered last you should have your name registered on March 15 in the precinct where you now reside.

If you have changed your residence within the precinct in which you last registered and such change was made prior to or on March 15, 1904, you should apply on March 15, 1904, to the board of registry of your precinct to have your address changed. If you have changed your residence within the precinct subsequent to March 15, 1904, and prior to or on March 19, 1904, you should apply on March 19, 1904, to the board of registry to have your address changed accordingly. But if you have changed your residence within the precinct subsequent to March 19, 1904, and previous to election April 5, 1904, you may swear your vote in by having such oath substantiated by two householders of the same precinct.

Any person whose name does not appear upon the registers as a qualified voter at the close of registration March 15, 1904, will be unable to vote at the aldermanic election of April 5 or at the primary elections to nominate national, State, county and legislative candidates to be elected Nov. 8, 1904.

The Northwestern railway recently set a trap into which a number of trappers fell. They had a surplus of "old dogs" and wanted to retain the younger blood. So certain signals were set at a station while the superintendent noted the crews which passed

without stopping and reporting the matter. For the offense they all received heavy suspensions and young men filled their places. Thus is the incentive to faithfully serve a master is rewarded under capitalism.

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EDITORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We receive a return of unused manuscripts postage should be enclosed. The fact that a signed article is published does not commit the Chicago Socialist to all opinions expressed therein.

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Russia has removed the censorship on telegrams destined to foreign countries, at least the press dispatches would try to make us believe it has been done...

Carroll D. Wright tells the truth once in a while. He recently said that "law cannot adjust wages."

True to its medieval policy, the Chicago Chronicle shows that it favors Russia. Wonder if its because the Japs worship idols?

Out in Frisco, where a so-called trades union ticket was elected, and where certain reforms were attempted, the capitalist courts promptly stepped into the breach...

Class consciousness and class struggle does not mean class hatred, notwithstanding that the press and pulp and other agents of the capitalists try to make the unsophisticated believe it does.

COOK COUNTY PLATFORM.

The working class of America is the American expression of the International movement of the modern wage workers to liberate themselves from wage slavery through the collective ownership and democratic administration of all the means of production and distribution and the abolition of the capitalists' competitive system.

The founders of this republic declared for political freedom, but since the birth of this nation a revolution in industry has taken place. Formerly hand labor and individual effort produced the necessities of mankind.

Thus it develops that the battle for human rights has become a battle to determine which form of government we shall have in the future—capitalism or industrial democracy.

We hold that by the natural development of society this nation has outgrown the old system of class government and must throw it off.

liberty alone is inadequate. We must have both political rights and economic freedom. To secure these conditions is the aim of the Socialist party.

In the modern state the conquest of public power by the dispossessed class must be the result of persistent and conscious effort and the work of a working class organization on the economic and political field and through agitation and the conquest of municipalities and State and National legislative assemblies.

We call attention to the fact that the agitation for municipal ownership by the Republican, Democratic and Reform parties is for the purpose of dividing the working class on the political field.

We pledge our candidates if elected to use the power so obtained through the class-conscious votes of the working class in the interest of the entire working class and to examine all legislation by this one rule "is this in the interest of the working class? If so, we are for it, if not we are against it."

THE SPRING CAMPAIGN.

The following comrades have been nominated as Socialist candidates for Aldermen from the various wards throughout the city:

- 1-C. W. Goldman, 4 Hubbard court. 2-Robt. Kurth, 3022 Cottage Grove avenue. 3-Frank Bollman, 2322 State street. 4-James McNulty, 2859 Lowe street. 5-M. Hurley, 2184 28th place. 6-Robt. Waddell, 5041 S. State st. 7-T. J. Vind, 273 79th st. 8-A. Henry, 292 W. 14th st. 9-Jacob Winzen, 364 Blue Island av. 10-Anton Kracht, 305 W. 24th st. 11-Albert Hoedtko, 1369 Van Buren street. 12-F. W. Knoelke, 595 Grand av. 13-Peter Peterson. 14-O. Beselack, 846 N. Wood st. 15-Harry Petersen, 2322 W. Chicago avenue. 16-W. H. Riley, 100 W. Madison st. 17-Nicholas J. Cashin, 432 Washington boulevard. 18-M. M. Wilkinson, 2848 S. Halsted street. 19-John Aird, 720 Van Buren st. 20-C. E. Kirkland, 324 N. State st. 21-Andrew Luffin, 25 Langdon st. 22-Itud. Holtensen, 195 Mohawk st. 23-Jos. Langenberg, 315 Sheffield av. 24-J. E. Phelan, 1493 N. Clark st. 25-M. J. Jucker, 2247 N. Leavitt st. 26-J. H. Bard, 713 W. Irving Park Boulevard. 27-A. Spence, 1 St. Helen court. 28-Henry Whittemiller, 1913 W. 47th street. 29-P. J. Granberg, 5923 Center av. 30-E. Dierkes, 743 W. 60th st. 31-Harry Van Middlesworth, 7129 Drexel av. 32-George New, 2303 Harrison st. 33-E. M. Stangland, 919 N. Central avenue.

THE HEARST BOOM.

Hearst, as a candidate for President, is as grotesque as the candidacy of Frank Collier for Mayor of Chicago was some five years ago. The entire "boom" is confined to his own papers; he represents no ideas; as a capitalist he is a good advertiser for his papers; he will hire any one who has obtained any notoriety which can be exploited among so-called "reformers" and persons of "advanced ideas."

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THE INJUNCTION CRAZE.

Any intelligent newspaper reading working man during the past six months would have come to the conclusion that the injunction issuing craze had reached its limit. We have had injunctions issued by judges of all kinds, enjoining working men and women from doing everything, from going on strike to distributing rations to the starving wives and children of striking miners in Virginia.

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than from 10 to 14 years of age, from attempting to better their working condition.

When we first read the head line, "Federal Judge Issues Injunction Against Telegraph Messenger Boys," we thought, at last the court is going to use the injunction issuing power to protect the children, but reading further down we discovered that the good judge was still loyal to his class, and instead of enjoining the blood suckers from exploiting the children he had enjoined the children from endeavoring to get a little more out of life.

Oh! Capitalism, oh! Capitalist Justice, thou art surely blind to everything but profits; but the spirit and aspirations of these boys whom you are enjoining and robbing of their child-life will have to be reckoned with in the near future.

THEIR EYES ARE OPENING.

"We will pay no attention to the case because it is a foregone conclusion that Judge Holdom will issue the writ, no matter what we would say, and everybody knows that he is no friend of labor."

Secretary Nockels of the Chicago Federation of Labor is thus quoted on the day preceding the sweeping injunction which was issued by Judge Holdom last Wednesday at the request of the Dearborn Duster Co. This is a new departure in the matter of injunctions, and while it is only temporary it shows the trend and spirit of the courts, and will undoubtedly be copied in other cities.

Congregating in large numbers in the vicinity of the factory. Intimidating non-union employees of the company by speaking to them against their will in a threatening or abusive manner. Hindering or obstructing unlawfully the business of the company.

Following workers to their homes or going to their homes to seek their aid in the strike by their leaving the employment of the company.

Almost every day, in some part or other of this country, new and radical acts are being taken by which the working class is gradually being forced to the wall, the most recent of which was in Boston, where unions were denied the privilege of almost everything that could possibly be contemplated by a union or a union man in an effort to assist a striker.

With that Boston decision and this injunction granted by Judge Holdom staring him in the face, there should really be nothing so remarkable in Secretary Nockels' words, from a pure and simple trades unionist's point of view, except for the fact that it should leave no doubt whatever in the minds of the working class that as long as the powers of government remain in the hands of the capitalist class, just so long will these injunctions be issued.

Let every workman remember these injunctions on election day, and elect only men of the working class, and not those who owe everything to your masters and who are always friendly to corporate interests. The Socialist party is the only one which represents the entire working class. Its candidates belong to that class, and if you want to solve the problem which Mr. Nockels seems to offer no remedy for, cast a vote for yourself by supporting the straight Socialist ticket.

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Grand Commune Festival and Anniversary

The Entertainment Committee of Cook Co. have in hand a grand entertainment for March 26th. It will be a festival and anniversary of the commune. It will be held at Tattersall's Hall, State and 16th Streets, one of the largest auditoriums in Chicago.

SPECIAL.

- 100 Hagerty Leaflets, 100 Pots of Gold, 100 Prisoners and Paupers, 100 Frances Willards. All for 50c. If by mail add 20c for postage.

Don't forget Comrade Conklin sells a 15-jewel Waltham movement in a 20-year Duerber gold filled case at \$10. or \$7.50 for solid silverine screw case.

DEATH AND PROSPERITY.

BY AN OBSERVER.

THE CLIMAX.

A great tidal wave in the affairs of this Nation has come and gone. And as its fast receding volume leaves us, it behoves us of the working-class to carefully examine our own situation and the effects that this great wave of "prosperity" has had upon us. In all the history of the capitalist-class and the capitalist system scarcely will there ever occur a more significant and historic period than the one we have just passed through.

First we will admit there has been "prosperity." But prosperity for whom? You of the working-class, how many of you have derived any substantial benefit from it? This "boom" period may be said to have begun in 1898, and lasted until September of 1903.

And amid all the vociferation over "prosperity" and the "full dinner pail," the class-struggle has gone right on, and is becoming more intense constantly. More strikes and lock-outs than ever before. More bitterness expressed by the capitalist-class against the working-class. In other words the more they rob us, the more they appear to hate us.

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WAR AND PESTILENCE.

As war records show, this is also a highly "patriotic" community. That is—an unthinking and unclass-conscious proletariat have ever been quick to fight the battles of all others, save their own class. Yet in no war can the number of deaths in battle compare to this slaughter in peaceful industry.

FIVE YEARS OF STRENUOUS LIFE.

During this period of "prosperity," the working-class of Allegheny County have, indeed, lived the "strenuous life." Long hours of unceasing toil. Overtime, that no "wages" could pay for. Sunday work almost constantly, and constantly increasing. Sunday work, not merely for repairs and other similarly legitimate objects; but also in the actual production of salable commodities and the consequent increased profits.

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strenuous period. Enormous profits have been literally sweated-out of the very lives of the worker. The pace has been a killing one, an abnormal condition and an abnormal life. Under this constant and brutal drive, blood, bones, tissue, life, have been consumed as by fire; used up, ground into profits as though human beings were but profit-yielding clay. In five years time, thousands of men have aged ten, fifteen, or twenty years. And low, still in poverty, still looking for work; they are wan, worn, aged, bent and broken; clad in the same poor garments of the wage-slave. As I pen these lines, the Christmas holiday draws nigh. And in this season of high festival, as I walk the streets of this great industrial center, I see everywhere workmen in little groups; sad, downcast and depressed; asking each other their only question: when will the mills start again? Christmas means no more to them, than that they hope after the holiday season is over, "business" will brighten up, and they will have an opportunity to coin the remainder of their lives into profits. Prosperity came, it found the worker a wage-slave; "prosperity" has gone, it leaves the worker a wage-slave; only this and nothing more.

CARNAGE.

But the most horrifying feature about all this is the frightful loss of life. Simply one long slaughter. Killings; useless, brutal and inexcusable; killings; that are closely traceable to the tigerish thirst of the best capitalism for profits.

In 1898, The population of Allegheny County was seven hundred and twenty-five thousand. At present it is scarcely eight hundred thousand. The Coroner's report for 1898, showed 898 violent deaths in the county. No sooner did this period of "prosperity" set in than a most appalling increase of violent deaths began also. An increase tremendously out of all proportion to the increase of population. The Coroner's report for 1902, shows 2,137 violent deaths in this county. Of these 76 were murders, 121 suicides, 124 killed in rolling mills and blast furnaces, 17 by elevators, 343 by railroad accidents, and so on through the dreadful list.

The Coroner's report for 1903, shows the violent deaths have again increased during that year; the total being 2,387. Of these 75 were murders, 144 suicides, 446 by railroads, 119 in rolling mills and blast furnaces. Simply a repetition of previous "accidents," on a more extended scale. The fearful increase of suicides is a matter to be noted particularly. Perhaps the capitalist "spellbinders" will explain these things next fall, I will confess that I cannot. The details of many of these deaths are terrible beyond description. By the breaking down of a "carrier" on the new Wabash bridge, fifteen were hurled down 190 feet on the barges loaded with steel; eleven of the men were killed outright or died soon after. In the steel works "vessels" that contain fifty tons or more of molten steel are overturned, or the crane breaks, and the fiery contents pour upon the wretched victims beneath. One appalling scream of horror and agony, and the poor scorched tongues are stilled forever. Men have been plunged bodily into furnaces heated to a temperature of 2,700 degrees. And not all the powers of man could so much as recover a vestige of the bodies. They passed at once into oblivion. No horror of the imagination could equal the hideous facts that have occurred in this community during this period of "prosperity."

Need I say that the most of these "accidents" are unquestionably chargeable to the brutal drive for profits? A drive and a rush so cruel and senseless as to absolutely prohibit the most ordinary precautions dictated by common sense. Indeed, human life is cheap, and labor-power in the shape of merchandise means profits. That tells it all.

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from small-pox. Day and night the armed officer of the law stands on guard; none save the physicians can go in or come out. The law provides safeguards in this case. But no officer of the law interferes when a blast furnace "hangs" and a score of workmen's lives are in imminent danger. The new year was not a month old and a coal mine explosion destroyed almost two hundred lives in a moment. And yet five thousand dollars well spent would have prevented this "accident." Death for the working-class hourly, and a Coroner's jury, generally composed of "professionals" render a verdict that is in itself an infamy.

A FRIGHTFUL PRICE.

Even "prosperity" can cost too much. And we in Allegheny County have paid a frightful price for "our share." And yet these occurrences are by no means local; all over this broad and the bloody signs of "prosperity" are in evidence; perhaps a little worse here than elsewhere.

A STERN DUTY.

One of the ancient philosophers declared, that revenge was one of the basest motives that could enter the minds of men; and we agree with him. Oh working-class we ask not for revenge. But we ask for something far higher, nobler. In the name of justice we ask you to vote this brutal system out of existence. The blood of our comrades rises up in judgment against us, because, having the power to end these horrors, yet we permit them to go on.

COUNTY CONFERENCE.

The following resolution was concurred in and referred to the State committee:

Whereas, The Socialist Party has within the State of Illinois approximately two thousand dues-paying members, and out of this total membership at least four-fifths reside within Cook County; Cook County would be, according to prescribed rate of representation in the call for State convention (one delegate for every ten members), entitled to one hundred and sixty delegates, while the State outside of Cook County would have but forty; and

Whereas, The membership of Cook County is composed mostly of wage-workers of whom the great majority, if elected as delegates, could ill afford the expense and loss of time necessary to attend the convention if held in the city of Peoria, and as the various branches composing above named local are in no position to defray the traveling expenses and other incidentals of a full delegation, as at the minimum expense for delegates of \$10 it would amount to \$1,600. Therefore the branches necessarily, in order to have any representation at all, would have to select such members as could bear the expense individually, regardless of their fitness; or else, in order to assume the expense of their delegates, would necessarily reduce their numbers to but a fraction of that to which they are entitled; and

Whereas, One of the duties of the State convention is to elect delegates to the national convention, unless such provisions are made that the members of the various locals and branches can, without any financial embarrassment, select from their membership those who in their opinion are the best qualified to represent them. The rank and file of the party in Illinois would practically have no voice whatever in the national convention, which would undoubtedly cause more or less discord; and

Whereas, The expense attached to sending the delegates from the State outside of Cook County, would be much less if the convention was held in Chicago than to send a full delegation from Cook County to Peoria; and as this expense could be met without inflicting any hardship on any one by the membership of the State contributing twenty-five (25) cents per member, which would aggregate \$500, said amount would be amply sufficient to defray the expenses of delegates from the State and would have a tendency to insure a full attendance at the convention; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Illinois State convention of the Socialist Party will convene in the city of Chicago on April 17, 1904; and be it further

Resolved, That the State executive committee immediately countermand the call for the convention to assemble in Peoria on above named date and make the necessary arrangements to have it held in Chicago; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Chicago Socialist for publication, to the county conference Feb. 14, to the Twenty-fifth Senatorial District convention Feb. 14, and to the executive committee of the Socialist Party of the State of Illinois.

Fraternally submitted, THE TWENTY-EIGHTH WARD BRANCH OF LOCAL COOK CO. SOCIALIST PARTY. Chicago, Ill., Feb. 11, 1904.

VERY SPECIAL.

Hilquit's History of Socialism in the United States is becoming a famous book. It costs \$1.50. If by mail add 17 cents postage. To those of our comrades who would like to get a copy, but cannot afford it, we will make the following very special offer: Send us twenty-five subscribers at one time, with money for same enclosed, adding 17 cents for postage, and we will mail you a copy of the book. This offer closes March 14. Cards that have been sent on account will not apply on this offer. Who will be the first?

Woodworkers' Local, No. 7, 129 Lake street, Monday, March 13, 1904, 8 p. m. Lecture, illustrated by stereopticon views. Speaker, John E. Phelan.

the literary work of the national office and especially of the Literary Bureau hereafter described. This "literary secretary" could collect the matter to distribute and send it each week to the various papers who might desire it.

2. These papers could pay, say, \$1 a week for the service, which with the increasing number of the party papers, would pay all expenses, save the Secretary's salary.

3. The national office could announce that for such matter as was used a rate of, say, \$5 for 1,000 words would be paid. The expense for this would amount to little and would easily be met from the amounts paid by the various papers.

The following are some of the advantages which I believe would result from such a plan:

1. It would at once raise the grade of the entire party press by giving each editor an opportunity each week to secure articles from a number of writers.

2. It would enable comrades to start local papers in small places where there might be no one fitted for the position of a Socialist editor. Many times local papers would be glad to publish such matter if paid for by the local comrades, who could thus secure many of the advantages of a local Socialist paper at an expense of only \$1 a week.

3. Many trade union journals are willing to print Socialist material and would do so if the Socialist members of the union would pay for this service. In even more cases the journal would itself pay for the matter.

4. It would enable the Socialist party to largely control the character of the press with none of the disagreeable features of a censorship. They would control only by offering a superior article and the greater portion of the space in each paper being still made up independently there would be ample room for diversity.

5. Perhaps one of the most important advantages of the plan is that it would quickly develop an organized body of able Socialist writers, and would enable the Socialist press to hold and further develop its staff of writers.

6. It would bring the national office in close touch with the entire literary talent of the party and permit the utilization of that talent in a variety of ways—for leaflets, pamphlets, etc.

7. It would lead to the organization of a body of news gatherers and correspondents national in scope, which is an absolute essential to the operation of the daily press which must soon appear.

These are some of the reasons which lead me to call attention to this matter now. I hope that those comrades who are interested either as writers, editors or as readers of the party press will consider these matters in order that some sort of action may be taken during the time of the next national convention. Yours fraternally, A. M. SIMONS.

NEBRASKA PARTY NEWS.

Local South Omaha held a city nominating convention Feb. 13, adopted a strong working class platform and placed the following comrades on the ticket: For Mayor, Thos. Myler; for City Treasurer, Thos. Jourgensen; for City Attorney, James McCurran; for City Clerk, J. A. Jacobson; for Tax Commissioner, J. L. Lewis; for Councilman, First Ward, Jos. Bestenhelder; Second, T. L. Phillips; Third, Geo. Markstahl; Fifth, Wm. Memmer; Sixth, G. W. M. Bowen; for Members of the School Board, J. F. Chase and Chas. Abbot.

State Secretary Roe and several comrades from Omaha were present. Comrade W. E. Clark, of the National Headquarters, addressed the convention, urging the candidates to take advantage of the opportunity to teach the science of Socialism. "Do not waste your time," he said, "in an effort to get votes. Go among the workers and try to create in their minds the desire for better conditions. If you can succeed in pounding the theory of surplus value in their heads, don't worry about their votes. When a man becomes a Socialist you can't prevent him from voting the Socialist ticket, not even with a club."

Comrade P. J. Hyland also addressed the convention, laying especial stress upon the necessity of education. The Socialists of Omaha and vicinity will have the pleasure of listening to a lecture by Comrade George D. Herron on March 20. He will deliver only one lecture near Omaha, and everyone who can should make it a point to come and hear that lecture. Comrade Herron's work for the party is distinct for its clearness in advocating the real science of Socialism. We are delighted with the opportunity of getting to hear him, and urge all who can to attend.

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 20, 1904.

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AN APPEAL TO THE WESTERN FEDERATION OF MINERS

You may think it strange that anyone should address an appeal to you, who feel that you are being ground beneath the wheels of capitalism as is no other portion of the working class of America. You have been appealing to the world of workers for money and sympathy and support, and you feel that these have sometimes been given less freely than the terrible emergency demanded.

But in reality it is you who can give to us far more than any petty dollars or empty words of cheer and sympathy that we may have given. Your terrible extremity carries with it the most tremendous opportunity that has ever been granted to any portion of the laborers of this country.

The institutions of capitalism are on trial as they have never been before. If the result of these outrages is not to solidify the ranks of labor and inspire them to revolt, then deeds have been lost their power to affect the minds of men. But if the revolt which comes is a blind one, if intelligence does not guide it, the rulers and exploiters of labor can take new courage and proceed to greater acts of oppression and cruelty. It is for these reasons that I, like thousands of others throughout the country, am appealing to you. For neither your sufferings nor your revolt are yours alone. They are a part of the great universal tragedy of labor. On the way that you move in response to these conditions of your tormentors depends in no small degree the duration of our servitude, and the degree of the sufferings which we and our wives and children must suffer.

Hence we in the East and throughout the world have a right to call upon you to think well before you act. We have admired the brave caution with which you have so far avoided all the pitfalls of your oppressors and have refused to be tempted into unreasoning violence, which would but have furnished the excuse for wholesale murder and rapine for which they sought. Now the next step is to carry that same brave and intelligent action to the one place where you can strike a blow that will resound around the great world of labor—the ballot box.

Here it is that your masters fear your action. Here it is that every effort will be made to so ward off your blow and divert your indignation that your efforts shall be but the beating of empty air. If they can but turn your revolt against a single man, or against any small group of individual officers they can laugh at your efforts. So it is that they are inciting you to cry "Anything to beat Peabody," and we are hearing on every side that next year will see a Democratic landslide in Colorado which will "bury the present administration beneath an avalanche of miners' votes." If that

be true those votes will but have created the foundation for a new and greater tyranny. Roosevelt, Peabody and the Republican party are but one expression of capitalists. Hearst, some local tool, and the Democratic party constitute but another expression of the same identical cruel and grinding despotism. Think you that the disfranchiser of the negro and the supporter of southern child slavery will press with lighter hand upon the working class of Colorado? Was the Coeur d'Alene under Populism and Democracy any less a hell than Cripple Creek and Telluride under Republicanism?

Workers of Colorado, the laborers of the world need you and you need them. We are all engaged in a common fight. We have found that the rulers of the world, whatever their names may be, are alike but tools of our masters. We have seen that if we would be free we must ourselves strike the blow, and strike it with our own weapons. We must have our own political organization as we have our own economic organization. We can no more free ourselves at the ballot box through the Republican and Democratic parties than we can win strikes by joining the Civic Federation or the Employers' Alliance. One of these organizations may sometimes talk smoother to us than the other, but we know them alike as our enemies.

In the Socialist party we have an organization which represents the political interests of our class. It makes no pretense of advocating or defending the interest of any other class. We appeal to the western workers to bear these facts in mind. Only through this party can your political revolt express your economic interests. Only by voting this ticket can you make your revolt a part of the great resistless upheaval of labor that is threatening tyranny and exploitation in every part of the world.

Will you prove false to yourselves, your families, your class and the cause of freedom at this one point where your allegiance counts the most, your treason is most deadly? I do not believe you will. I believe that the next election in Colorado will show that the workers of that State, and especially the members of the W. F. M., will have risen to a full recognition of the duties and the opportunities that lie before them, will have turned a deaf ear to the lying allurements of the political henchmen of their oppressors, will refuse to be content with slavery because the labels on their fetters have been changed, but will, on the contrary, cast their ballots in accord with their fellow workers for freedom all around the world, and thereby send such a host of Socialist votes out from that State as shall forever make impossible another Cripple Creek, or Victor, or Telluride.—A. M. Simons, in the Miner's Magazine.

SOCIAL NOTES.

The Third Ward comrades and their friends gathered in their fine ward headquarters at 2325 State street in full force last Saturday evening and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The committee on arrangement had their plans well in hand and the splendid program was carried through from start to finish without a hitch.

The large hall was packed to the doors and standing room even was at a premium. The program of music, recitations, vaudeville sketches, etc., kept the large audience intensely interested for more than three hours. When this part of the program was completed part of the audience departed for their homes and the chairs were removed to the sides of the hall and the dancing commenced to the strains of lively music and continued for several hours. The verdict of all present was that the Third Ward comrades know how to provide for the social side of the Socialist movement in their part of the city. We hope that in the near future every ward in the city will have a headquarters as spacious and cheerful as the Third Ward Branch. We rather suspect that a great measure of the success of the Third Ward along this line is owing to the fact that there are a large number of lady comrades in their branch. We know of no place where women are more needed or can render greater service to the working class than in the Socialist movement at the present time.

THE LA SALLE CLUB.

At a meeting of the La Salle Club held last week a campaign committee consisting of five members were elected to act in conjunction with the campaign committees of the Ninth, Tenth and Nineteenth wards during the spring campaign.

It was also unanimously decided to place the club hall at the disposal of the Socialist party to hold campaign meetings at any time between now and the spring election.

OSCAR RUBENSTEIN, Press Committeeman.

On Saturday, March 5, the regular monthly social given by the North Town comrades will take place at their headquarters, 363 Sedgwick street. The character and quality of these monthly social gatherings are so well known that all that is necessary is to announce the date and place to assure a large attendance. An especially fine program, consisting of music, recitations, vaudeville sketches, etc., has been arranged for Saturday evening, March 5. Any comrades who are looking for an enjoyable social time should be at 363 Sedgwick street on this occasion. Tickets, 15 cents. Refreshments free. Dancing after the program. First-class music. We will meet you all there.

The Commune festival of the German-speaking comrades takes place at Brand's Hall, corner Clark and Erie streets, Sunday, March 13, commencing at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Comrade T. J. Morgan will be the English speaker, Comrade Anton Hurn the German speaker. Tickets, 15 cents a person; 25 cents at the ticket office. Tickets for sale at the headquarters, 181 Washington street. Everybody welcome.

RESOLUTIONS

Passed by the Fifteenth Ward Branch of the Socialist Party on the death of Comrade J. B. Adamson at its regular meeting, Feb. 19, 1904:

Whereas, It has just been brought to the attention of this branch that our comrade, J. B. Adamson, has recently departed this life; and

Whereas, We recognize that our late comrade was a true and consistent Socialist, and that in his departure the Socialist Party meets with the loss of an earnest worker; therefore be it

Resolved, That the members of this branch extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved widow in the hour of her affliction and trust that she will be comforted by the knowledge that during his life our comrade gave his best efforts to a movement which forever will banish poverty, vice, crime and misery from the earth.

ATTENTION, MOLINE!

The city convention of the Socialist Party of Moline is hereby called to convene at Art Gallery, 519 16th street, Thursday evening, March 10, 1904, for the purpose of nominating one (1) candidate for Alderman for each ward for two (2) years, one supervisor for two years, one assessor for one year, one collector for one year, three assistant supervisors for one year, and the transaction of such other business as may properly be brought before the convention. All party members are requested to be present.

By order of City Central Committee. Fraternally yours, J. B. WEIZENBACH.

Bloomington, Ill., Feb. 26, 1904. Editor Chicago Socialist:

Comrade P. J. Doyle, of Local McLean County, Bloomington Branch, died at St. Joseph's hospital of this city Feb. 24, of pneumonia. In the death of Comrade Doyle Local McLean lost one of its most faithful and devoted workers. Fraternally, DR. J. F. SANDERS, Rec. Sec.

Some of these days workingmen will cast their votes for a National Labor Day on which all contracts with employers will expire forever.—The Labor Advocate.

COMMUNE FESTIVAL

Held by the Twenty-fifth Ward Club, S. P., at 900 Sheffield avenue, corner Barry avenue, Saturday evening, March 19, 1904.

A brief summary of the working class uprising in Paris in 1871, illustrated by stereoscopic views.

A cantata showing the lessons to be learned from the Paris Commune. Readings, vocal and instrumental music.

Illustrated campaign lecture. Speaker, John E. Phelan. Subject, "Why a Worker Should Line Up with His Class Party and Be as Active in Ward or City as in State and National Campaigns." Music by Ford's Orchestra. Refreshments. Tickets, 25 cents.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 25, 1904. To the Fourteenth Ward Branch, Local Cook County Socialist Party, Chicago, Ill.:

Comrades—It is with great pleasure that I accept the honor of the nomination for Alderman of the Fourteenth Ward from the hands of the Socialist party.

Realizing that in order to be elected the working class will have to delegate to me the power of their suffering under our crazy political system, and also realizing that if elected I will be there not to represent myself, but the Socialist party and the working class of the Fourteenth Ward, I pledge myself to stand, when elected, squarely upon the platform adopted at the conference at Dillie's Hall, March 14, and will stand at all times willing to be instructed, both by your body and the Cook County Central Committee, or any mass or delegated meeting called for that purpose. In short, I recognize that I am your creature, and not a free agent, should I by any chance be elected to the Common Council.

Further, I pledge myself, if elected, to stand of my own accord by the mandate now being voted on by referendum vote by the Local.

Yours for the emancipation of the working class.

F. W. KNOCHLE.

First entertainment and ball, auspices Twenty-sixth Ward Club Socialist Party at lower Social Turner Hall, Belmont avenue and Paulina street, Sunday, March 6, 3 p. m. Tickets, 15 cents at the door. Music by Krauer & Clark's Orchestra.

Kankakee, Ill., Feb. 23, 1904.

Dear Comrade Smith—Comrade Mat Whalen was with us Saturday, the 20th inst., and gave a rousing talk on the principles of Socialism before the largest audience we ever had at any hall meeting in Kankakee. Comrade Whalen brought down one hundred copies of the Socialist pocket library. We sold \$1.35 worth and distributed a large number of Socialist papers and magazines. Comrade Whalen only asked us for \$1.00 for the booklets, turning over the surplus 25 cents and the remainder of the literature to the local. We also paid his car fare and kept him at the house of one of our members. This is all that he would accept.

We will have Comrade Lemon's challenge to D. M. Parry reprinted in the Kankakee Democrat, which will cause it to be read by at least 3,000 workingmen, thus reaching a much larger audience than we could by a speaker. The editor of the paper is friendly towards us and will charge us only \$2.00 for printing it.

I forgot to say we gained two new members at the meeting, which brings our membership up to nineteen. There are several more in sight.

I inclose the result of the referendum vote. Will advise you later when we will be ready for the next speaker. Fraternally yours, CHAS. SIEVERS, 542 Harrison avenue.

Bloomington, Ill., Feb. 24, 1904.

Jas. S. Smith, State Secretary: Dear Comrade—Comrade John Collins was with us last night. Spoke to a fair sized audience. Much good was done. Splendid meeting. Local McLean says: "Keep Collins on the go all the time if possible." Four new members. Collections, \$3.31, which I turned over to Comrade Collins. Fraternally, DR. J. F. SANDERS, Recording Secretary.

Out in Colorado they have a new way of manufacturing "scabs." They arrest the strikers on the charge of vagrancy, and then sentence them to go to work. Do you see how law and capital join hands?—Statesman.

THE BIG 6 DEBATE.

Single Tax vs. Socialism. Is now out and we can fill all orders by mail or at the office, 25 cents. Order before the supply is exhausted. This is a verbatim report of the debate at West Side Turner Hall last fall between Simons, Stedman, and Underman for the Socialist position, and White, Post and Hardinge for the Single Tax position. Buy it. It is interesting.

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FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

The response to the new card is very encouraging. Requests for additional cards are being received daily. These requests, coming from States as far apart as Arkansas, California, New York, Illinois, Virginia and Michigan, emphasize the solidarity of the movement and bespeak a strong party organization for the coming political contest with the capitalist class.

National Committeeman Berlin of Illinois reports to the National Quorum that Brand's Hall, corner of North Clark and Erie streets, has been secured for the national convention in Chicago on May 1. The hall will hold 1,500 people and is conveniently situated to the center of the city.

The following names are now upon the reserve list of National Organizers and lecturers of the National Headquarters: John W. Bennett, Sioux City, Iowa; George E. Eisel, Newport, Ky.; James H. Brower, Elgin, Ill.; W. G. Critchlow, Dayton, Ohio; Gertrude Grewish Hand, Chicago, Ill.; F. J. Byland, Omaha, Neb.; Tom Pendergast, Watertown, N. Y.; Chas. G. Towner, Louisville, Ky.; Ernst Untermyer, Chicago, Ill.; William S. Walker, Detroit, Mich. These comrades are open for engagements, either for single lectures or for organizing and lecture tours.

PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

State Secretary Sick reports as follows upon the municipal and town elections held in Pennsylvania on Feb. 15:

"Election day was a very cold day in Pennsylvania, but the Socialists polled a very good vote in spite of the weather. The two old parties combined in many places to defeat the Socialists.

"In Panther Creek Valley either one or the other of the capitalist parties refrained from nominating or fused, yet, in spite of the combination, the Socialists won out in many places.

"In Summit Hill they carried the Fourth Ward. The Socialists still hold sway in Coal Dale, having elected their candidates for Supervisor and School Director. In Spring City, Montgomery County, the Socialists carried the First Ward. A minority inspector was elected in the 121 division of the Third Ward, Philadelphia. In Ansin, Porter County, the two old parties combined and beat the Socialists by a very narrow margin. The Socialists elected one inspector of election. In the First Ward, Shenandoah, Schuylkill County, the polls were closed at 10:40 a. m., after 28 votes were cast. The board refused to receive any more, although there are at least 500 qualified voters in the ward, and at the last general election there were over 700 votes cast for the different officers. The trouble was caused, it is alleged, because of the polling of the Socialist vote, which is the strongest at Shenandoah of any place in the county. The case will be taken to court."

MINNESOTA STATE CONVENTION

National Headquarters Socialist Party, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 27, 1904. The Minnesota State Convention of the Socialist party was held in Minneapolis Feb. 21 and 22. F. A. Hoffman acted as chairman the first day and M. N. Rogers on the second day. Fred Miller, of St. Paul, acted as secretary throughout the convention, with S. N. Rubin as assistant.

After the delegates were seated committees were appointed on credentials, amendments to the State constitution and platform, on rules and regulations and the press. The first day was consumed in hearing reports from delegates and adopting committee reports.

On the second day, when more than sixty delegates were present, a State ticket was nominated, and State officials and delegates to the National Convention elected.

J. E. Nash of Minneapolis, was elected State Secretary, and S. M. Holman, M. A. Bratthand, J. E. Nash, Thomas Lucas, A. N. Gilbertson, N. Klein and G. B. Leonard chosen as delegates to the National Convention at Chicago, with P. H. Zender, Ed Bosky, Dr. Hirschfeld, E. D. Cross, E. B. Ford, F. G. Bover and E. L. Anderson as alternate delegates.

The following State ticket was nominated: For Governor, J. E. Nash, Minneapolis; Lieutenant Governor, O. E. Loftus, Shelby; Secretary of State, J. E. Carlson, St. Paul; Treasurer, C. E. Kiehl, Mankato; Attorney General, G. W. Downing, Fergus Falls; Railroad Commissioner, C. C. Talbot, Minneapolis.

The convention unanimously extended a vote of thanks to retiring State Secretary Holman and State Organizer Klein for their efficient work in the State. The convention was most successful, the attendance exceeding in size the most sanguine expectations.

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FOLKWEITH WARD—MEETS EVERY Friday, 8 p. m., at 151 Federal Hall, cor. Grand and Western avenues, J. C. Alderson, Secretary, 200 Grand avenue.

FIFTEENTH WARD—MEETS FIRST AND third Friday, 8 p. m., at Bob's Hall, southeast corner Thomas street and Western avenue, John Cope, Secretary, 144 Fowler street.

SIXTEENTH WARD—MEETS AT Schoenbohn's Hall, Milwaukee and Addison avenues, A. Segal, Secretary, 133 W. North avenue.

SEVENTEENTH WARD—MEETS EVERY Wednesday, 8 p. m., at 230 W. Chicago avenue, A. Wisniewski, Secretary, 304 W. Erie street.

SEVENTEENTH WARD (POLISH)—Meets first and third Sunday, 3 p. m., at Northwestern University Settlement, Noble Street, Secretary, Joe Kodis, Secretary, 720 Milwaukee avenue.

EIGHTEENTH WARD—MEETS FIRST AND third Thursday, 8 p. m., at 628 W. Madison street, third floor, room 10, Emanuel Williams, Secretary, 309 W. Adams street.

TWENTIETH WARD—MEETS AT 720 W. Van Buren street, residence, Flat F, every Tuesday, 8 p. m., David D. Slagle, Secretary, 471 S. LaSalle street.

TWENTY-FIRST WARD—MEETS FIRST AND third Wednesday, 8 p. m., at North Town Socialist Headquarters, 393 Sedgwick street, W. Link, Secretary, 26 N. Clark street.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD—MEETS FIRST AND third Thursday, 8 p. m., at North Town Socialist Headquarters, 393 Sedgwick street, Andrew Laha, Secretary, 25 Langdon street.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD—MEETS SECOND AND fourth Wednesday, 8 p. m., at North Town Socialist Headquarters, 393 Sedgwick street, Francis Fred Holthausen, Secretary, 213 Madison street.

TWENTY-THIRD WARD (WEST END)—Meets first and third Wednesday, 8 p. m., at 148 Willow street, corner Bissell, Max Lohman, Secretary, pro tem, 142 Bissell street.

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD—MEETS SECOND AND fourth Monday, 8 p. m., at Stern's Hall, Fulton avenue and Ward street, E. K. Knapp, Secretary, 364 Lincoln avenue.

TWENTY-FIFTH WARD—MEETS FIRST AND third Friday, 8 p. m., at 690 Sheffield avenue, H. N. Daniels, 1440 Newport avenue, Secretary.

TWENTY-SIXTH WARD—MEETS FIRST AND third Sunday, 6 p. m., sharp, at 900 S. Sheffield avenue, corner of Noble avenue, May Bair, Secretary, 919 Byron avenue.

TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD, No. 1—Meets every third Thursday, 8 p. m., at West Irving Park boulevard, Ida Olson, Secretary, 425 W. Chicago avenue.

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TWENTY-EIGHTH WARD—MEETS EVERY second and fourth Wednesday, 8 p. m., at 1900 Lincoln street, M. L. Lundquist, Secretary, 6417 Sangamon street.

TWENTY-NINTH WARD (BOHEMIAN)—Meets second and fourth Sunday, 3 p. m., at Bohemian School Hall, 48th and Honore streets, Ad. Ualik, Secretary, 5113 Winchester avenue.

TWENTY-NINTH WARD (POLISH)—Meets first and third Sunday, 2 p. m., at Kosciuszko Hall, 48th and Wood streets, J. Marchukiewicz, Secretary, 1340 W. 4th place.

THIRTY-FIRST WARD—MEETS SECOND AND fourth Friday, at Laudan's Hall, 81st and Morgan streets, Louis Bick, Secretary, 624 S. Boyer street.

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THIRTY-THIRD WARD (BOHEMIAN)—Meets at 333 Fulton avenue, Paulinus, Chas. Naprawnik, Secretary, 333 Fulton avenue.

THIRTY-FOURTH WARD—MEETS SECOND AND fourth Friday, 8 p. m., at Lux Hall, 41st court and 12th street, H. G. Kautzer, Secretary, 2240 W. Harrison street.

THIRTY-FIFTH WARD—MEETS THURSDAY, Headquarters, 45 N. 48th avenue, Geo. L. Simpson, Secretary, 140 North Central Park avenue.

KARI MAIKI CLUB—MEETS EVERY first and third Monday, 8 p. m., at 380 Larabee street, Paul Voges, Secretary, 500 Armitage avenue.

NORTHWEST SIDE GERMAN CLUB—Meets first and third Wednesday, 8 p. m., at Schoenbohn's Hall, Ashland and Milwaukee avenues, Frank Kautzer, Secretary, 483 S. LaSalle street.

FRIEDRICH ENGEL CLUB—MEETS EVERY first Monday, 8 p. m., at 1013 W. 51st place, every third Monday, 8 p. m., at 4928 Western avenue, Henry Toun, Secretary, 4928 Western avenue.

BOHEMIAN (SLAVONIC BRANCH)—Meets first and third Monday, 8 p. m., at Atlas Hall, 28 Emma street, Emil Skalicky, Secretary, 139 West Fullerton street.

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CHICAGO HEIGHTS—MEETS FIRST AND third Mondays, 8 p. m., at West End avenue, W. B. Lockwood, Secretary, 28 Melwood avenue.

KVANSTON—MEETS THIRD WEDNESDAY of each month at 613 Davis street, Peter Miller, Secretary, 1508 Sherman avenue.

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HOME or he won't have any. What he has now isn't a home. It's only a house. NOTICES. The County Central Committee meets the second Sunday of each month. Hour, 2 to 6 p. m., at 720 W. Harrison street. Treasurers: I. C. Ahlstrom, Sergeant-at-Arms: And. Lahn. NOTICE. Above ward branches will meet every first Sunday of the month, 8 p. m., sharp, at 900 Sheffield Av., corner Noble. Seventeenth Ward Branch Headquarters, 260 W. Chicago Av. Attraction meeting every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Sunday every Sunday afternoon at 1:30. All Seventeenth Ward comrades are requested to send their children. Will the comrades who have signed their names on the petition for hall rent please come in and pay up to the business manager, so that we can keep the hall in good shape. NOTICES. Secretaries of branches please take notice: All ward branches who have not yet elected their delegates to the Campaign Committee should do so at once and send the name of said delegate to the County Secretary, 181 Washington street. The name and address of the candidate for Alderman should be sent in as soon as possible. Branches are requested to send in list of street corners for which they wish to secure permits for open air meetings. The 23rd Ward, No. 2, German, meets every Sunday forenoon at 10 o'clock at 148 Willow st. NOTICES. The Executive Committee of Local Cook County at its last session passed the following resolutions: "That no ward branch, candidate or individual member shall distribute any campaign literature or canvass door-to-door without the sanction of the Cook County Campaign Committee;" and "That the above should be published in the next issue of the Chicago Socialist." Harold Lindgren, Secretary. Branches must send in the name and address of their candidate for Alderman. If they want your candidate on the ticket attend to this at once. NOTICE. Will those comrades who will volunteer to speak on the street corners for the coming season please send in their names and addresses to the County Secretary at once. Also that what days of the week they can speak. NOTICE. Towns in Cook County outside Chicago should see to having a full ticket in the field. This is imperative. Secretaries of such town branches please attend to this. SPECIAL NOTICE. Secretaries of ward conventions please take notice: The chairman and secretary of all ward conventions must be sworn in before a notary public and sign their names and address to the filing officer. A notary public will be at Headquarters, 181 Washington street, Thursday, March 3, 1904, from 9 to 5 p. m. All comrades and chairmen of conventions must be present if you want the name of the candidate of your ward on the ticket. HAROLD LINDGREN, Secretary. HALL MEETINGS. (For Workers' Union, No. 97, northeast corner Ash and Halsted streets, Sunday, March 13, 9 p. m. Speaker, E. Dierkes. Metal Polishers and Buffers' Union, Zephyr Hall, 122 West Lake street, Friday, March 11, 8 p. m. Speaker, J. U. Bartlett. THIRD WARD BRANCH. Every Saturday night we give a social and dance, serving light refreshments. All South Side comrades invited. Beginning Sunday, March 6, at 7 p. m., sharp, we will have a series of four scientific lectures by Miss C. McEachern, of Harvey Medical College. Subject, "Evolution in its Relation to Man." This is a subject of every scientific Socialist should be conversant with, and soap box talent for the spring campaign should not miss one of these series. Sunday evening, March 7, at 7 p. m., sharp, we will have a free discussion, Wednesday evening regular business meeting, at which we take in new members and discuss the standard works on Socialism. NINETEENTH WARD BRANCH. Second and fourth Wednesday, 8 p. m., at Sheridan Hall, Center avenue and Taylor street. Speaker, Marcus Perlson. Subject, "Why Wage Workers Should Vote the Socialist Party." Sunday, March 27, Sheridan Hall, Center avenue and Taylor street. Speaker, Walter Huggins. TWENTY-EIGHTH WARD BRANCH. Friday, March 18, at 8 p. m., Wendell's Hall, 154 Milwaukee avenue. Speaker, J. E. Phelan. Tuesday, March 22, 8 p. m., Meis' Hall, corner Armitage avenue and Kedzie avenue. Speaker, H. Finkelstein. Wednesday, March 24, at 8 p. m., Fenwick's Hall, corner North and California avenues. Speaker, A. W. Natue. Friday, March 25, at 8 p. m., 914 Setters' Hall, Leavitt and Hamburg streets. English Speaker, M. H. Taft. Polish speakers. Tuesday, March 29, 8 p. m., Temple Hall, 420 Fullerton avenue, corner Rockwell street. Speaker, Max Lohman. Thursday, March 31, 8 p. m., Stell's Hall, Sacramento and Johnstone avenues. Speaker, W. I. Goodspeed. Monday, April 4, 8 p. m., Wendell's Hall, 154 Milwaukee avenue. Speaker, J. E. Phelan. (For Workers' Unity Lodge, No. 7, 5401 Westwood avenue, 8th and 11th streets, March 9, at 8 p. m. Speaker, Mat. Whalen. LAKE VIEW NOTES. 969 Sheffield avenue, corner Barry avenue, Sunday, March 6, 8 p. m. Speaker, A. S. Edwards. Sunday, March 28, Swedish meeting, Speaker, Chas. R. Ekman. All Swedes residing in the vicinity should not miss this opportunity. This will be the last growing meeting that will be held in the Twenty-fifth Ward this season. Come, and bring your friends. NORTH TOWN NOTES. 393 Sedgwick street, Sunday, March 6, 8 p. m. Speaker, E. M. Strangland. 393 Sedgwick street, Saturday evening, March 5, the North Town comrades will hold their regular monthly social and entertainment. An interesting and entertaining program has been prepared. Music, recitations, comic sketches, artists, etc., refreshments will be served free. Good time will be furnished, so that young and old, beginners and all others can dance to their hearts' content. Judge from the growing popularity of these social gatherings, we are assured that all comrades and friends who want to spend an enjoyable evening will be sure to attend. School meets every Sunday morning at 10:30. Thirty-first Ward, meeting at Clifford's Hall, 925 South Halsted street, Sunday, March 6, 2:30 p. m. Speakers, Thomas Moore and others. Comrades of the Thirty-first Ward, don't forget your duty. Come to these meetings, bring your friends, and help us make these campaign meetings a success for Socialism. CHARLES WISTRAND, Secretary Campaign Committee. SOME TALKERS AND WRITERS on Socialism mean well, but they do more harm than good. Those who always do good by talking and writing are the ones who never mind reading a number of the INTERNATIONAL SOCIALIST REVIEW. Monthly, 64 pages, a dollar a year. 10 cts. per copy. All orders, this paper, and we will mail you three copies of the Review for ten cts. Address CHARLES H. KERR & COMPANY (Co-operative), 56 Fifth Av., Chicago.

CAPITALISM AND THE HOME.

How capitalism has destroyed the proletarian home we all know too well. How it is also destroying the business man's home is well told by Charles Frederic Goss in the Chicago Record-Herald as follows: "The best energies of his heart and mind are absorbed to such a degree in the conduct of some great commercial enterprise that he has nothing to contribute to domestic life when he comes home at night like a squeezed orange. The energies of men are not like those of a river. The water that turns the wheel of a factory is just as able to turn that of a grist mill a quarter of a mile farther down the stream. But the man who has poured out the last drop of his strength on the wheel of his business simply goes home empty to his family. Among the most pitiful spectacles in this world I put that of the haggard, exhausted man of affairs sitting helpless and useless in the circle about the fireside. If he is not so nervous and fretful as to forbid all merriment, he is so used up that he cannot enjoy it. If he realizes his condition he decorates his face with a smile, but it is at best no better than a petrification. His mind is not on the scene or the subject. His thoughts are down at the shop or the store. He scarcely hears the children when they speak. Later in the evening his wife may try to engage his attention upon some problem of the domestic life. 'Billy has not been behaving well at school, or Mary is begging to take music lessons, or Bridget has just 'given notice,' or most likely gone off without as much as saying good-by. She does her best, poor woman, but even while she is talking she knows by the look of his eye that his mind is wandering. 'You aren't listening to a word I say! You don't care any more about your home than if it were a boarding house!' she snaps. 'I guess if you had all my big burdens on your mind you'd find it as hard as I do to listen to little tattle,' he replies. 'Who asks you to burden yourself in this way? I'm sure I don't.' 'Talk is cheap! You want an establishment, and it takes money to keep it up. You ought to know that a man can't earn money without the concentration of all his strength on business.' 'For my part, I would rather have less money and more husband.' 'Nonsense!' 'It's little enough you know about a woman's heart. What I long for beyond all earthly things is your love and your sympathy. I want you to help me discipline the children. I want you to be interested in my household cares. I want to hear your old gay laugh. I hate that store! I hate business! I'm sick and tired of money and position! I want my lover back! I want to feel that he hears me when I speak! Can't you understand?' 'Why? What? Excuse me, but I wasn't listening. I just happened to think of an order for twenty dozen suits of underwear that I'll be a twenty-dollar bill that stupid shipping clerk has forgotten!'"

Pitiful, isn't it? What are we going to do about it? It's getting worse all the time. There is so much truth in what the man says about the exactions of business that we cannot help pitying him. To succeed for even not to fail a man must keep strained up like a fiddle string. His competitors are after him with a knife and tomahawk, day and night. If they would only be reasonable—he could! But they won't! The whole pack are as mad as March hares! There seems to be no "middle way" to-day. A man must either "get rich" or "go broke" and that in a mighty short hurry. He must either march at the head of the procession or get out of the ranks entirely. Nevertheless—the dilemma remains. This man must give more time to his

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