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There Is No Good Reason Why the Workers of Cook County Should Not Elect Six Socialist Judges Nov. 7th. Will You Do It?

THE SHEEP KILLERS.

Reprinted for the education of the directors of the Equitable, the Mutual and the New York Life Insurance Companies.

The Night Dogs. Hid in the gloom of the thicket that droops by the pasture's fence...

They yelp not as they hurry, for behind the blood-lust is fear. And keen is the farmer's eyesight and the rifle is ever near.

They have drunk from the throats of their victims till every maw is full.

Their jaws drip with the blood-slaver and their fangs are clogged with wool.

They are snug, with rounded bellies, but they're tireless in the chase. Their jaws have the blood and the wool tufts; they are fat—but they can race!

And after the hunt they are pious, and they give in a ponderous way. But—they are one and one, the Sheep-killers, the Dogs of the Night and the Day!

CAPITALISM BREAKING DOWN.

Grand Jury Recommends Military Despotism in Place of Police for Strikes—Crime of Most Heinous Nature Rampant.

In its report on the conditions prevailing during strikes the jury made a severe criticism on the inadequacy of the regular police force to handle the situation and recommended that instead of hiring special police during labor troubles that the militia be used.

The grand jury also denounced carrying weapons, alleging that most of the homicides and murders for which Chicago holds the record would have been nothing but quarrels if the accused had not carried revolvers.

It was when the grand jury reported that innumerable attacks had been made on young girls and that many cases of that kind had been investigated by them that the full effect of the policy of the Employers' Association in bringing the criminals and thugs from all over the country to Chicago to act as strike breakers last summer can be realized.

There is a paragraph from the report that shows the effect of flooding the city with the desperate element that the employers rely on to break strikes.

The most serious and distressing cases which have come before us are those of assaults upon young girls, some of them too young to testify.

The report of the Cook County grand jury for September revealed the fact that the capitalist authorities are either unable or unwilling to longer protect human society from the beasts and beastly conditions of which it is the fruitful mother.

For a real scientific remedy study Socialism. When you understand it, work for it, vote for it. If necessary fight for it.



THE STORY OF LABOR'S STRUGGLE IN AUSTRALIA.

This story of labor's struggles in Australia, by Hugh O'Neil, was printed in the Kansas City Independent. It is republished in the October number of the "Open Shop," the official organ of the National Metal Trades Association.

The writer, as most Socialists will know, somewhat overstates the victories of the Australian workers. It, however, shows that when once the workers realize their political power they are no longer entirely at the mercy of the capitalist class.

It was Malcolm Donald McEachern, ship owner and capitalist, who delivered the Commonwealth of Australia to the Socialists. He is the one Conservative on the continent that the Socialists fight without malice.

Of course McEachern didn't want Socialism. He only wanted to break the power of the trades unions. He thought that their exaction had become intolerable and there was some justification for that view.

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A union man who will vote for either of the old parties is either a fool or a traitor to his race.

that the unions might strike and be damned. The strike was ordered. And then there followed a battle grim and great.

But all the same he was a great man. A much greater than Farley, the "strike breaker," who is now operating in Chicago. He was no "strike breaker."

The unionists were lions led by asses. McEachern knew that. Time after time the shipping union made demands upon his company, time after time he granted these demands with smiling readiness.

And then one day he loosened his thunders and struck hard and straight and true. He chose the time of battle, the cause of battle, and the place of battle.

Then it dawned upon the union that the strike had become a lockout. The besiegers were besieged. The weapon of capital was not free labor, but starvation.

Starvation won easily. Ten weeks after the first shot the unions capitulated to the grim foe hunger that before then had bowed the neck of many a proud city. McEachern had meant to break the unions. And they were broken all right.

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"SOCIALISTS MAKE GAINS."

Elections for the second chamber of the Riksdag in Sweden have just been concluded. The "paramount issue" before the electors was the extension of the franchise and the adoption of proportional representation.

A by-election in Essen, Germany, last week resulted in a greatly increased Socialist vote. The famous Krupp Gun works are situated at Essen.

It is stated that the Chicago Federation and other labor unions have used up almost \$10,000 defending their members for alleged law-breaking.

It is also stated that treasury funds are about exhausted. Justice comes mighty high under our present system.

A poor man has a very slight chance of getting a fair trial if he has no friends who will dig to pay attorney and court fees.

Savages and barbarians used to suffer during times of famine. Civilized white men suffer because of over-production. Nothing but the socialization of the means of life will adjust this absurdity of suffering on account of having too much.

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"A CHRISTIAN SOCIALIST'S" VIEW

Socialists Working for What Christians Are Praying For.

Recently a devoted Methodist said to me, "Why do you still identify yourself with Socialism? You Socialists have had an organized political movement for at least a quarter of a century, and you have not yet got the co-operative commonwealth you have been working for."

My reply was, "Brother Smith, you are a Methodist and a Christian. For nearly two thousand years you Christians have, every day, and many of you three times a day, prayed 'Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come and Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven, etc.'"

You have the promise that if you are faithful the kingdom of heaven shall be established on earth, when swords shall be beaten into plowshares, and spears into pruning hooks, and nations shall learn war no more.

Now, that desired condition of things has not yet arrived, and because it has not, are you discouraged and ready to declare that you are no longer a Christian? Because the will of God is not done on earth as it is in heaven, is your obligation to continue praying for its consummation any less binding? You can make but one answer, and that is you must pray on and leave to God the results.

Now, Brother Smith, let me speak plainly, but kindly. For two thousand years Christians have prayed for the coming of the kingdom of God on earth, but they practiced an economic system under which co-operative commonwealth could be established and maintained.

They practiced a fierce competitive system, under which war, and selfishness, and all manner of unrighteousness flourished. They prayed the correct prayer, but practiced badly.

A few short years ago a few honest souls thought that good men should practice what they preach. They remembered that the good book says, 'Faith without works is dead.'

They started the Socialist movement and adopted as mottoes, 'One for all and all for one.' 'An injury to one is the concern of all.' 'Equal opportunities for all, special privileges to none.'

Every man should have the full product of his toil. Every one shall be rewarded according to his deeds. In short, they went to WORKING for what Christians have been praying for for two centuries—the abolition of war, for economic conditions that will make it possible to practice the golden rule, for the erection of a co-operative commonwealth, and the bringing of the kingdom of heaven to earth.

Now, Brother Smith, if you Christians sincerely desire to have come what you have been praying for so many hundred years, you should not try to discourage the Socialists from trying now to have your prayers answered.

How do you know that God has not finally heard your petitions and has raised up the Socialists to write, and talk, and work, and suffer, and be persecuted, and if need be, that your prayers may be answered and the Christian Millennium be ushered in? Pray on, Brother, but I entreat you in the name of millions of over-worked children in the factories, and other millions of homeless, propertyless, dependent men

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THE MODERN TRAGEDY. A man wanting to live by work, yet finding no work to do—all the dramas of the poets furnish no figure more tragic than that spectacle. Here the man is in a world, not of his own choosing—in a world where he must eat his bread. Social conditions forbid him to work, and the laws forbid him to be idle.

For he is gravely told that he must not be a vagrant. He is reminded that every man must have visible means of support; otherwise the jail swallows him. It is illogical, if not grotesque, in a government to punish a vagrant, when that government has not secured to him the opportunity to make a living by work.

Until the right to labor is secured to everyone down to the lowest and the least, we should abolish all the laws we have leveled against poverty.—Edwin Markham, in the Cosmopolitan.

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NO JURY YET.

Two Weeks Spent and 200 Men Examined without Getting One Jurymen—Class Line Closely Drawn.

The Chicago Tribune, commenting on the difficulty in getting a jury to try Gilbooley and the members of the Wagon Makers' Union, jokingly stated in a paragraph that the trouble was caused because Stedman, the attorney for the defendants, would accept nothing but Socialists and the State would not accept any union man.

It is a fact, however, that the men who have been drawn for jurors, one after another, go on the stand and swear that they are prejudiced in favor of either one side or the other.

Here are three hundred witnesses, examined in two weeks, all attesting the truth of the Socialists' position that society is divided into two great classes.

Consider for a moment the significance of the evidence brought out in this case.

Workingmen frankly tell the court and attorneys that they would give their fellow toilers the best of it if they were on that jury. Then, on the other hand, the employers and big and little capitalists are just as frank to admit that they are prejudiced against all union men and could not give them an impartial trial.

It is interesting to speculate on what will happen when the class feeling, evidenced so plainly in this trial, manifests itself at the ballot box, as it is certain to do in the near future.

The labor unions have exhausted their treasuries defending their members against trumped-up charges brought against them by the employers' associations and their spies through the assistance of grand juries packed with members of the capitalist class.

There is no hope of relief from this devil's dance of class struggle until the workers arise in their omnipotence and take possession of all the means of employment and abolish the profit system.

It takes but little analytical thinking to discover that 95 per cent of all disgusting lawsuits, both civil and criminal, arise out of the fierce struggle for possession of the things that labor produces.

This case of the wagonmakers, together with the report of the September Grand Jury, should go far to dispel the dream that any mere reforms can bring relief to a suffering public.

To clearly understand the meaning of all this class turmoil and its cure, study Socialism.

THE NEW CHIVALRY.

The story, "The New Chivalry," that has been running in the Chicago Socialist for some weeks, is concluded in this issue. The Chicago Socialist will issue it in pamphlet form in a few days. Single copies, 10 cents. To publishers and agents, \$4.00 per hundred. Send orders to Chicago Socialist.

WISCONSIN CONTROVERSY ENDED.

The Wisconsin comrades are the rank and file of the party at large, through National Secretary Barnes, have settled the Wisconsin charter question in accordance with the expression of the referendum on that subject in a manner that should be satisfactory to all.

It is now up to the National Committee to square itself with the result of the referendum on the question of removing Berger from the National Executive Committee. Wisconsin has graciously shown that she is capable of submitting to party discipline even when she thinks she has been wronged. This is the true spirit of international Socialism.

REFORM AND REVOLUTION.

Keep the Revolution in Sight as the Ultimate Object of Every Reform.

The reformer sees in the reforms he advocates nothing else; the Socialist sees in the reforms he advocates steps, logical and necessary steps, to the revolution. And that revolution is the destruction of man's dominion over man; the end of private ownership and control of socially necessary things, and the substitution therefor of social ownership. The revolution means the liberation of the social and individual life, and the triumph of the fraternal spirit; the dethronement of the brutish Mammon and the enthronement for once and all of humanity.—John Spargo.

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JUST A COUNTRY GIRL.

BY KATE RICHARDS O'HARE.

"Oh, I don't know, she is just an ordinary country girl." It was the reporter speaking to the editor, and he turned to catch the rest of the sentence.

"She is only about seventeen and she charges the defendant, a young fruit tree agent, with being the father of his unborn child. How much space shall I give it?"

I did not listen for the editor's answer, for the words "just a country girl" kept ringing in my ears and the picture of the woman the reporter could only describe by that phrase would come before me and my work.

I could see her shrinking under the insolent stare of court lawyer and hardened attorney, see her face, pale and flushed with the agony of shame, as the relentless questions of judge and lawyer forced from her lips the whole story of her fall, see her wind-torn hair, sunken cheeks, and work-hardened hands.

The case was still on trial and I asked to be allowed to cover the court assignment the next day in order to see for myself the principals of this little tragedy in real life.

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that all the people who write on that subject live in the city and never see the country except when they sit under a tree and watch the other fellows farm. The farmer never writes of his own condition because his hands are too stiff to handle a pen gracefully, and he is very busy hustling for a living.

Notwithstanding the wonderful advance in the machinery and science of agriculture, the lives and work of the farmers' wives and daughters are as hard as was John's when Darby essayed to assume her role, and like Joan can truthfully sing, "A man's work is from sun to sun, but a woman's work is never done."

With the housework, washing and milking in the garden, chickens and milk, the fruit to be canned and the pickles to be made, not to mention the sewing, mending and darning, is it to be wondered that with all the fresh air and outdoor exercise the woman of the farm is old and broken when she should be just in her prime? Add to this the loneliness and isolation, the lack of mental food and financial worry, and you will understand why more farmers' wives go insane than the women of any other industry.

In any assemblage of women you may mark with unerring surety every farmer's wife or daughter. Their sun-tanned faces, work-hardened hands and sagging forms are not the only trade mark, either, but their clothing is always an unfailing indication.

Cut off from well-supplied markets, they are dependent on out-of-date jobs lots of both dry goods and millinery for their scanty wardrobe. Good dressmakers are few and far between, and the incompetent ones turn out work that is an abomination to the eye and taste, while the home dressmaker, being lacking in proper training, is no more successful.

Opportunities for education are largely lacking, except what may be acquired from poorly paid teachers in crowded district schools. The cost of a high school or a university course makes it out of the question for the daughter of a poor farmer. Not that alone, but an education does not merely mean acquaintance with text books, lectures, music, art, contact with our fellow men at work and play are essential and from all of these are the country girls shut out. Libraries are not available, books too expensive to own, standard magazines prohibitive in price and the only literature at hand the country newspaper, possibly a city weekly and some "domestic" papers.

Forty years ago the sons and daughters of the farmer had hope of owning a farm of their own. A little to the westward was untaken land, from which a farm might be made, and hope of better things stirred them, even if the struggle was hard. To-day there is no untaken land, the capital to buy a farm is entirely beyond the power of the average country boy. For the landless farmer there is no prospect but a long life of tenantry, moving about from place to place, living in miserable houses and lacking the necessary equipment to make farming either profitable or bearable.

When we realize the unending, deadening toil, the colorless lives, the awful monotony and isolation of the farm we can understand why the farms are being deserted by the boys and girls who find themselves "out of the frying pan into the fire." The country girl is totally unprepared for her life and education to fight the bitter struggle for existence in the city. With pitifully and squares on every side and every hand ready to push her down, the country girl fares but ill. To-day there are thousands of heart-broken mothers who are waiting for the girl who went to the city to make her fortune and found want, misery, shame and death instead.

It is said that the farmer will never be won over to the gospel of Socialism, but time proves that the farmers are rapidly awakening to the fact that of all people the farmer and the farmer's wife and children need Socialism most.

No class is so trust-ridden, for he must both sell and buy in a trust ruled market, and notwithstanding the fact that he feels himself to be more independent than the wage worker, he receives less of the comforts of life for his work than does his city brother. The iron law of wages the world over and in all industries is the bare cost of subsistence and the farmer is as amenable to this law as the hod carrier.

The work that should be the most enabling and enjoyable is made very bitter drudgery, the man who supplies the first demand of nature, food, and who feeds the whole world receives least for his work.

Brains, science and education bring greater returns in agriculture than in any other industry, and yet that branch of the world's activity is carried on by men who have no special training or adaptability for the work. Every man who is a failure at all other callings turns farmer and digs along with the same methods and equipment as did his father.

Agriculture needs brains, education, special training and special equipment, and men who love the soil to raise it to its rightful place, and that can never be possible until the co-operative commonwealth makes the farmer an equal sharer with all other workers in the wealth, the equipment, the education, the art, the literature and the life of the whole world.

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The robber barons of old used to keep a priest in their castles who would promptly square up with the Almighty, when the robbers came back from an expedition of rapine, murder and robbery. The modern highway robbers and masters of high finance follow the same course, and our modern priests, preachers and bishops very promptly extend their hands and shut their eyes.

Now that the campaign is on, let every man make it his duty to see to it that every voter in his precinct gets some Socialist literature.

MILWAUKEE SOCIALISTS ACTIVE.

Socialists Fight for Election Inspectors—Health Wins Out—Polish Women Interested in Socialism in Spite of Priests.

The fight for and against the Social-Democratic election inspectors and clerks is on in earnest. The Milwaukee City Council at its last meeting refused to appoint our inspectors. The Social Democrats will now call a special meeting of the Council to place the aldermen on record. The matter will then be carried into the courts. The law is so plainly in our favor that there is little chance even for a capitalist judge to decide against us.

The anti-Socialists in the Milwaukee City Council, who wanted to expel Alderman Heath (Social-Democrat) for alleging that some of them owed their seats to the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, on consulting counsel found that this would be illegal. So they have contented themselves with introducing in the Council some amusingly fierce resolutions on this subject. "Whereas," say these resolutions, "the Journal of the Common Council of Aug. 21, 1905, is smirched with a contemptible effusion of one Heath," and since the Council "would not lend itself so well to the Socialistic idea of rushing into print for the plaintiffs of their ilk," therefore it is resolved, with a great deal more abuse in the same strain, to strike Alderman Heath's charges from the records of the Council, a stamp being procured "for that purpose, and a 'smirched' alderman offering to do the work himself. The Social-Democrats succeeded in laying the resolutions over till a subsequent meeting when they will doubtless be carried, but the stamp will not so easily cover the bad record of the anti-Socialist aldermen.

The reports from the Socialist press leave no doubt that there is a concerted movement all over the country against freedom of speech and open air speaking. This is probably the result of the recent convention of police chiefs. The same game was tried in Milwaukee. A street speaker not a party member was arrested and sentenced to the house of correction. But a Social-Democratic alderman appearing on the scene, the affair speedily took another turn, and the speaker was quickly freed, with assurances that Socialist demonstrators would not be molested on their street speaking. The moral is plain, comrades. If you want to keep your street speakers, you must elect Socialist aldermen.

Comrade Barkowski spoke at Kosciuszko Park, Milwaukee, in Polish last Sunday afternoon. Five dollars' worth of Polish literature was sold. The most encouraging feature of the meeting was the fact that many women stood listening for hours to the speaker. Since these are the women who are commanded by the Polish priests to go through their husbands' pockets and abstract Socialist literature, their attention is a splendid sign of the progress of the movement among the Milwaukee Poles.

A stranger attending the meetings of the Milwaukee Common Council must be struck by two things. First, that when a Social-Democrat speaks, all the aldermen listen, some of them rising from their seats and going forward in the aisles to hear more distinctly. Second, that while it is impossible to decide from the aldermen's speeches who are Republicans and who Democrats, it is very easy to decide who are Socialists and who anti-Socialists. The line-up has come in the Milwaukee Council, at least.

A special meeting of the Milwaukee Central Committee was held Sept. 25 for the purpose of hurrying the purchase of the new Social-Democratic printing plant. Committees were appointed for the North, South, East and West sides, and for the women's clubs, and much enthusiasm was evinced.

Supervisor Chas. Jeske will speak in Racine Sept. 30, and Comrade Schmidt will speak in Kenosha the same evening. E. H. THOMAS.

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PEORIA TO EXTEND ORGANIZATION.

Other Locals Should Carefully Consider This Plan, and, Where Possible, Do Likewise.

Local Peoria is one of the most active in the State outside of Chicago.

We hold meetings in Peoria Sundays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

These meetings are addressed by comrades John Weaver, Uman Cankins, Tom Miller, James Duffy, Rudolph Pfeiffer and Dr. Knopfngel.

The bourgeoisie in Peoria is up in arms against us. Comrade Cankins has succeeded in pulling the tongue of one of the police force, who stated that the chief is getting tired of our propaganda and gave them orders to arrest us. We are getting ready for a free ride and a fight in the courts.

We must organize an army more formidable than our enemy's is. Equality in strength with our enemy will not give us power. We must be stronger. Only superiority in strength over our enemy can and will give us the upper hand.

We must not wait for a political campaign. With us it must be a ceaseless, an eternal campaign of agitation, education and organization. All our life we must be dedicated to this work, if we would succeed.

The Peoria Socialists therefore make the following proposition to the locals and readers of Socialist papers in the Sixteenth Congressional District: (1) Let us organize a Congressional Agitation Committee.

(2) This committee to be composed of (a) A Congressional Organizer. (b) Each local to be represented in that Agitation Committee by its Local Organizer and by a committeeman for each ten members or fraction thereof. (c) Each County Organization to be represented by its County Organizer.

(3) This Agitation Committee to carry on an active campaign of agitation, education and organization of city and county locals. (4) To create a Special Congressional Agitation Fund in order to meet the expenses.

Comrades, do not rely on the State and National organizations to do this work for you. Our State and National organizations are overburdened with work. They are far away from us; do not know our local affairs; they lack means. They cannot do this work. We must assist them. We must help them. They will help us, as far and as much as is in their power.

Already our State Secretary, Comrade Smith, has promised me help. Our State will do all in its power to assist us. Our State will send us speakers when we ask, and will help us pay the speakers' expenses, when we need it.

Comrades, wake up! Throw off your lethargy! Go at this work at once! Elect your men. We will elect ours. Let us hold a convention and harness ourselves to our cause.

A grander cause man never had to work for! A nobler cause man never had to live for or die for! Answer at once! Fraternally, DR. KNOPFNGEL, Secretary Local Peoria, 1515 S. Adams street, Peoria, Ill.

Comrade Knopfngel joined the Cigarmakers' Union in Hamburg, Germany, in 1874. He came to this country in 1881, and has taken an active part in his union and the Socialist organization at all times. Comrade Geisler came to this country from Germany in 1886, and has kept up the agitation for unionism and working class political action among his fellow workers through all these years.

Thousands of workers vote the old party tickets simply because they know of nothing better. Strange as it may seem, there are thousands of workmen in Chicago to-day who have never read any of our literature, many do not know that we have a paper called the Chicago Socialist, and thousands of them have never heard a Socialist speech. They are ignorant on political and economic questions, because these have never been brought to them in such a way as to attract their attention. They are neither against us nor for us; they would be with us if they knew what we represented. It is to these that we must look for new recruits into our ranks. And there is no better way to reach them than by a systematic distribution of literature.

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**SOCIALIST STATE NATIONAL ACTIVITIES INTERNATIONAL**

**GENERAL PARTY NEWS.**  
Thomas A. Sladden, 309 Davis street, Portland, has been elected State Secretary of Oregon.

At a Socialist meeting at Twelfth and Olive streets, St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 29, about 100 men, women and children were brutally clubbed by the police and the meeting broken up. Comrades G. A. Hooker, Wm. Brandt and W. C. Benton were to be speakers.

The following resolution has been submitted by the New York State Committee:  
"As the National Committee and National Secretary have found no successful way of publishing and sending out the National Monthly Bulletin, the State Quorum of New York recommends that publication of the same be discontinued."

National Organizer Guy E. Miller was arrested in Huntington, W. Va., for speaking on the street and fined \$10.

The late session of the Kentucky Legislature submitted to the voters of the State an amendment to the constitution which repeals the secret ballot and provides for a return to the old "viva voce" system of voting. The amendment was proposed by the Democrats, but by the silence of the Republicans it seems to be satisfactory to and desired by both old parties.

The following resolution was passed by Locals Moonhead and North Cambridge, Minnesota; also the Finnish local of Minneapolis:  
"Resolved, by Local North Cambridge of the Public Ownership (Socialist) party of Minnesota, That we hereby endorse the State Executive Committee headed by Harold Hanson, State Secretary; Thomas A. Lutz, State Organizer; Thomas H. Lewis, Fred Miller and B. F. Morledge, as the only legal State Executive Committee in Minnesota, and we hereby demand that the National Committee immediately refuse to recognize J. E. Nash and S. M. Holman, who have been expelled from membership and who are now claiming to be the State Secretary and National Committeeman."

"Resolved, further, That we urge the comrades on the National Committee to vote for Comrade Randall's motion to investigate the situation in Minnesota because of the existence of rival State organizations. In order to correct a false impression which a number of the National Committeemen seem to have, we hereby submit a statement of facts which we demand be sent out with the Weekly Bulletin.

"We also desire to enter our protest against the recognition of J. E. Nash and S. M. Holman as State Secretary and National Committeeman."

Contributions are solicited by the Finnish agitation committee. Address P. O. box 337, Hancock, Mich. The particular purpose of this fund is for agitation in the State of Wyoming, where there is a determined attempt on the part of the capitalists to harass and victimize our Finnish comrades. At Hanna, Wyo., a superintendent named Brooks is especially antagonistic.

The Massachusetts State platform, which aroused such enthusiasm at the convention, and which was written by National Committeeman Wentworth of that State, has been issued in pamphlet form by the State Committee, with a picture of Comrade James P. Carey, candidate for Governor, and the names of the other candidates for State offices.

The Socialists of Plymouth county, Massachusetts, held a reunion at Abington, Sunday, the 17th, in Island Grove, the place made famous by Wendell Phillips and the Massachusetts abolitionists. There was a large attendance. Comrade Franklin H. Wentworth of Hancock was the principal speaker. Steps were taken toward forming a county organization, and a preliminary meeting for the purpose called for Sunday, Oct. 7, at Socialist party headquarters, in Whitman, Mass.

The National Office has printed 100,000 pamphlets containing an address by Rufus W. Meeks, delivered in Newark, N. J., March 1, 1905. Mr. Meeks takes the ground that the coding of "Socialism is as sure as mathematics." These pamphlets are 6 by 9 inches in size and will be sold to State Committees at 50 cents per 1,000, and cost of transportation, which is one-half the cost of printing. This pamphlet should be widely circulated. Order now. The edition will be increased if the orders warrant.

Comrade Clinton Sisson, as State Organizer, is touring the State of Arkansas.

The amendment to the constitution submitted by Local Des Moines, Iowa, has been seconded since last report by Locals Covina, Cal., Onelda, N. Y., Philadelphia, Pa., Addison, N. Y., Harrison, Tenn., and Alameda County, Cal.

Pennsylvania has ordered the largest number of ets of books for local organizations, New Jersey ranking a close second.

Every party member, new or old, should have a set of the official leaflets. Every applicant for membership should read "Socialist Methods" and the National platform and constitution before joining the party.

A price list of supplies and literature in the National Office, together with a catalogue descriptive of the sets of books for locals and branches, will be supplied upon the receipt of a two-cent stamp.

Dates for National Lecturers and Organizers for the coming week are:  
George E. Higdon—Oct. 3, 4, 5, Hillsdale, Mich.; 6, Sturgis.  
Geo. H. Goebel—Oct. 8, en route; 9, Rapid City, S. D.; 10, Hot Springs; 11, Rapid City; 12, Sturgis; 13, Bellefourche; 14, Deadwood.  
Guy L. Miller—Oct. 8, Wadsworth, Ohio; 9, Coshocton; 10, Uhrichsville; 11, Alleghany, Md.; 12, Lonsconing; 13, Hagerstown; 14, Sharpburg.  
John W. Slayton—Oct. 8-14, in California, under the direction of the State Committee.  
M. W. Wilkins—7-14, in Massachusetts.

John M. Work—Oct. 5, Toledo, Ohio; 6, Sandusky; 10, Mansfield; 11, Cayuga Falls; 12, Toronto; 13, 14, Zanesville.

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slit affiliated with the National party, cuts them to residential relations as soon as possible, they having been also barred since Sept. 15.

The National Secretary has no desire to transcend the authority vested in him, or encroach upon the prerogatives of the National Executive or National Committee, and he "believes" he has not done so in this instance.

Firm in the conviction that the membership, when they speak, desire results, without regard to the ham-strings of red tape, the division of a hair to the dis-appearing point or all the involved niceties of parliamentarianism, the National Secretary has taken this course. Practically submitted,  
J. MAILLON BARNES,  
National Secretary.

**REPORT OF J. L. FITTS' LECTURE TOUR—SEPT. 26-OCT. 2**  
Sept. 26, Monmouth. Entertained by Comrade Tom Higgins (his brother John being absent from city). Local papers gave notice of meeting and asked for synopsis of address. Large audience and good attention. Except interruption by song of young students. Good questions. Collection, \$2.40; sales, \$1.10; Many comrades at meeting. All seemed well pleased.

Sept. 27, Colchester. Comrade Youngson of Macomb advised me to speak in Colchester instead of Macomb, and referred me to Comrade Ed. Smith. Too late to write to him. At work, so could not find him until 5 p. m. Found Comrade Bob Underhill about 2:30 p. m., arranged for meeting on street, and tacked up eight posters. Entertained by Comrade Smith. Fine audience and attention, and good questions. Collection, \$2.75; Sales, \$1.15. Several Socialists did not leave at meeting, and were not out. Comrade Smith hopes to organize local soon.

Sept. 28, Quincy. Entertained by Comrade Kaulping. Met many others. Speech on street. Fair audience and good attention. Some good questions. Collection, \$1.40. Sales 15 cents.

Sept. 28, Barry. Entertained by Comrades Cleary and Lintner. Residence town, up footpaths. Town almost dead, owing to bank failure on days days. Therefore no advance preparation for speech. Arranged and advertised by few posters stuck up meeting. Visited school, and lectured to pupils, unassuming meeting. Fair audience and good attention, especially from those interested in banking. But when I explained the infamy of the banking system, many left. They seemingly thought they were hit. "The lit dog bellers," or he runs away. The comrades thought it best not to take a collection, but they (about two dozen) did all the work and bearing the expense donated \$2 to me.

Sept. 30, Griggsville. Comrades arranged for quarters at Oliver House, and had posters printed and tacked up. Also secured the handstand and lights. Fine audience and attention, and several good questions. Comrades delegated to take collection seemed of very "retiring disposition." Collection, 21 cents. Sales, \$3.57. Talk of a school house campaign this winter.

Oct. 1, Jacksonville. Quarters arranged at Union Hotel. Splendid place. Comrades called on me. Regular meeting of local at 2:30 p. m., about 20 persons present. After business was finished I lectured on "The Local and the Party." All seemed well pleased, and one young enthusiast of eighty winters congratulated me and pressed a half-dollar in my hand. One new member was added.

Oct. 2, Jacksonville. Posters printed, and stuck on sidewalks. Ordinances forbids putting up poles. Banner painted, and placed on piazza in park, which, with lights and chairs, was secured from the city for the occasion. Good audience and splendid attention. Questions showed deep interest. Collection, \$3.00. Sales, 55 cents. The town had been well stocked with literature. The comrades, especially the old workers, such as Al. Pierson and Dr. Wakely, seemed well pleased with the meeting and the address.

Oct. 3, Havana. Accommodations arranged at McKinley House. Posters printed and circulated, and city hall secured in case weather is cool, which now seems improbable. Fraternally yours,  
J. L. FITTS.

**MONTANA NOTES.**  
During September new locals were organized at Havendale, Combs, Kendall, Nowell and Whitehall. Ida Crouch Hazlett is lecturing and organizing in Ferris county. She held four open air meetings during the Ferris county fair at Lewistown, having an audience of from five to eight hundred each night, good collections and large sale of literature.

During the months of July and August Comrade Hazlett visited thirty-six places and made sixty-three speeches.

J. H. Walsh will give illustrated lectures all through October.

Great success has been obtained in the campaign of visiting unorganized districts.

From a large number of unorganized districts visited requests are coming for more speakers.

Plans are being made to carry on school house campaign among the farmers during the winter months.

**AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.**  
A very important conference was held at LaSalle on Sunday, Oct. 1, at which comrades from Bureau and LaSalle counties were in attendance and plans were discussed for the complete organization of the two counties, which offer an exceptionally good field for organization.

At this first conference steps were taken to place Comrade Adolph Harrack of Chicago in the field as joint county organizer for a short period. Another conference will be held at Costello's Hall, First street, LaSalle, on Sunday, Oct. 8, at 3 p. m., to complete the work so well begun the Sunday before. This conference will be attended by the State Secretary himself, to help the efforts of the Socialists of the two counties perfect their plans, which are worthy of the best support that is possible to give to such undertaking.

Any reader of this, residing in either of the two counties, is invited and urged to attend this conference and lend a helping hand to build up healthy organizations in each of the counties.  
JAS. S. SMITH,  
State Secretary.

Comrade Goldie Karnoll of Edwardsville, Ill., writes us that Comrade Benton held a very successful meeting in that town on Oct. 2. She writes that a few more speeches like that would stir the town to the bursting point. The collection amounted to two dollars.

Comrade Harrack has been engaged by the comrades of Bureau and LaSalle counties as organizer for a short time. The comrades in many parts of the State are beginning to wake up. The announcements from Peoria and the report of the joint conference of Bureau and LaSalle counties in another part of this issue are most encouraging signs of the times.

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FAVOR EARLY CONVENTION.

The "New York Worker" and "Socialist" of Toledo, Ohio, both agree with the Chicago Socialist that the Socialist Party should hold a convention in 1906.

We are glad to note that the Chicago Socialist takes up the question of a national convention of the Socialist party to be held within the near future.

While we realize and appreciate fully the importance of the party being prepared to take advantage of the opportunities for Socialist advancement being presented to it more and more every day, yet we do not believe that this can be done by drawing up more platforms or by issuing more statements of the Socialist position.

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STREET MEETINGS.

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SATURDAY, OCT. 7.

Evergreen Park, Ill.—Chas. L. Brecken, Germania Hall, cor. Westworth and 25d Samuel Block. Wood and Chicago—D. S. Melvin, Maxwell and Halsted—Seakind and Bernstein. Maxwell and Jefferson—Leutermann and Katzman. De Koven and Halsted—Robert Salfeld, 32d and Congress—Barney Berry, 14th and Center—Phil Engel. Wood and Van Buren—J. M. Barnes, 111th and Michigan—Jas. McCarthy, 6th and Halsted—A. W. Mayo, 6th and Halsted—J. A. Pratt, 47th and Ashland—Matt Whalen and C. E. Kirkland, 92d and Houston—Geo. Koop, Belmont and Sheffield—Mrs. R. F. Orr, Milwaukee and Center—J. W. Bartels, Chicago and Paulina—Edw. Logan, 7th and 12th Sts.—W. A. Jacobs, 48th and Lake Sts.—A. S. Edwards, Maywood, Ill.—A. M. Shonous.

SUNDAY, OCT. 8.

M. Valley Hall, 6341 Cottage Grove Av., 2:30 p. m.—Samuel Block, C. E. Kirkland and others. California and Division, 3:30 p. m.—George Koop. Clark and Walton Pl.—Phil Engel, 51st and Cottage Grove—J. A. Pratt, 52d and Cottage Grove—T. R. Root, 71st and Cottage Grove—A. W. Mayo, Western Av. and Madison—M. H. Taft, Center Av. and Erie—L. Dalgaard, 33rd and Archer—Walter Hoegsli.

TUESDAY, OCT. 10.

W. 24th and S. Western Av.—Andrew Logan, North Av. and Orford—Robert Salfeld.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 11.

Congress and Halsted—Mrs. R. F. Orr.

THURSDAY, OCT. 12.

26th and Westworth—J. M. Barnes, Center Av. and Erie—Edw. Logan, 4th and Madison—Geo. Koop and Jas. McCarthy.

FRIDAY, OCT. 13.

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The capitalists, however, are overshooting the mark. There is nothing that gives one of our meetings so much zest and life at present as to have a policeman walk up to one of our speakers and demand to see his permit to talk to his fellow workers on the subject of how to keep from suffering for the necessities of life in the midst of superabundance and overproduction.

These incidents of the police interfering with our propaganda work in the various cities throughout the country, with the result that in the end they only help us along, demonstrates how helpless the capitalists are to keep back the oncoming, resistless tide of Socialist sentiment.

"Workers of the world, unite; you have nothing to lose but your chains, you have a world to gain." All things are now working together to bring about the collective ownership of the means of life.

THE SOCIALIST SINGER BUND will celebrate its thirteenth anniversary at Brandt's Hall, Sunday, Oct. 15. A first-class musical program has been arranged. Those who have attended the musical entertainments given by our German comrades in the past only need to know the place and date to assure their presence there. There will be a grand ball after the musical program, a musical treat, and an all-around good time. Mark this date on your calendar.

55,000 MEN LOCKED OUT. The outgrowth of an unimportant strike in Berlin is 55,000 men locked out. There is no telling what moment a fierce social revolution will break forth as the result of one of these sudden labor struggles. Capitalist conditions produce the same effect in despotic Russia and constitutional Germany as they do in "free democratic America." The Chicago Chronicle says you can't change human nature. That is true, but we can change the productive system and make it fit "human nature." The capitalist government in Germany has called out the troops to assist the employers, thus adding more evidence that capitalist human nature is the same the world over.

PAT CROWE says that young Cudahy was the ringleader in the plot to squeeze \$25,000 out of his father. He wanted more spending money than the "old man" was allowing him. Well, since "business" is simply the easiest way to get the other fellow's money the boy appears to be a chip of the old block. After all, there is not much difference between Pat Crowe "cornering" young Cudahy and demanding \$25,000 for his release, and Cudahy cornering the necessities of life and demanding millions for their release. Crowe's method at least demanded physical courage.

Just as we go to press we notice a "rich" article in the Chicago Tribune by Dr. Pearson on "Tainted Money and Socialism." The Doctor appears to be an authority on "tainted money," but is short on knowledge of what is the basis of modern Socialism. Dr. Pearson evidently got his knowledge of Socialism from reading the Chicago Chronicle. We will deal with Dr. Pearson's article in our next issue.

The Industrial Exponent, organ of the St. Louis Citizens' Alliance, once in a while lets in a bit of truth, by mere oversight, among its multitudinous lies about the labor movement. For instance, it says:

"The aristocracy of organized labor is supported by discontent in the same way that the physician lives by the sickness of the patient."

Cut out the first three words, and the sentence is true. The trade unions and the Socialist movement are "supported by discontent" in exactly the same way that the honest physician is supported by disease. If there were no disease there would be no physicians; and the physicians are always at work fighting disease, tending to do away with the very reason for their own existence as physicians. If there were no justified discontent among working people there would be no labor movement; and the success of the labor movement will do away with the reason for its existence. That is good Marxian doctrine.—New York Worker.

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