

THE LAVIN TRIAL.

(Continued from First Page.)

ers of the press, the citizens who desire and pay for police protection, to be robbed by the Chicago dailies protect them, and then have a joke to the citizens to have Lavin and his gang "protecting" them next winter, from murderers, burglars, robbers and thieves of every kind and from every place, who will flock to this city in thousands, if the commission rules in favor of their friends and protectors? The cry has gone out to the UNDERGROUND WORLD, "Chicago is the place to work." "If work is slack get in with a police official on special work."

"A \$9,000 job is called 'petty larceny' in Chicago, and for committing burglary you are coated and humored into going to the bridge."

"Yes, Chicago is a great place; that is, it was, and will be again, if the commission treats our comrades right. Should the commission discharge our pals from the force it's kidnaping us for us."

What a force! If the editors of three papers, at least, were to be put on the stand and told the TRUTH about what they personally have against Chief Collins, and why they are attacking him; but this would be too good for our ordinary citizens to know. Even if Lavin was to tell the public what he did tell a friend about why a certain editor is compelled to back him, it would be fair, pretty fair, reading. But as you cannot get anything as good as this, keep on reading about the Lavin case; but read between the lines, and do some serious thinking. When you think for awhile, you'll sympathize with poor Hageman. Yes, and with the poor fool and tool, Mahoney.

This man Lavin is on the police force 24 years, and has drawn in salary \$300-00 or on an average of \$1,500 a year. "Out of this" \$1,500 a year, he has bought Kentucky horses, lived in a style, reared and educated a family, made a trip to the land of his birth to meet Hinky Dink—after Mayor Dunne's election—bought gold-braided uniform, and all on \$1,500 a year? Now then, this man has \$40,000 worth of shares in Swift's books drawing 7 per cent, paid semi-annually; he has Northwestern railway stocks, Chicago City Railway, and relations hold more of his wealth. He made it on the force, and saved it all on \$1,500 a year.

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after spending \$2,500 a year on his family. This shows him to be the greatest ward of finance in the world. The newspapers and Mr. Rosenthal, yes, and himself, will tell you that he saved it out of his salary. Therefore it is to be classed as foolish for you to think that it came from special privileges, from strikes, from thieves, from prostitution, from gambling, from burglary and safe blowing. Think as you like, but think aright; for when a man does his own thinking he is about to be ready to see great truths.

Grafting police officials were—I say were, because Collins has actually stopped grafting and hit the grafters hard. They'll hit him hard for it; they are preparing now.

The grafting officials, and there were only a few of them—a chief, a few inspectors, a lieutenant or two, outside of the grafters' relations, who were as numerous as flies on molasses when spilled on the street of a hot day. These grafters were also tyrants. How they did lord it over the poor patrolman who did all the work was enough to make any free man's blood boil. Yes, indeed, I have seen the private followers, the relatives and tools of the grafting heg—erotic over and bulldoze sergeants, lieutenants, captains, yes, and even over honest inspectors. More than that, defy the chief of police. They have persecuted the honest policeman, made him a slave, and often the butt and ridicule of thieves and cheap politicians. They have driven the honest policeman with a cruel lash to do their bidding or suffer the consequences. Some who refused are dead, some driven to drink, disgrace, blacklisted and starved for want of work. As nobody who incurs their enmity can work in Chicago, some are forced to be the unwilling tools of tyrannical masters, while others have fought them, scorned them, defied them, and lived to damn them.

And every man who fought them and still fights them, is classed as an anarchist or madman. The man, or men, opposed to the crooks are "crucified," if not on the cross, on a more unscrupulous place—the newspapers—using a pen dipped in gall, and no truths. This is done through the influence of the big thieves, and will be done, while the humble citizen lets the press or the pulpit do his thinking and his voting.

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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN.

"Women to Have Equal Political Rights with Men."—Socialist Platform.

The State platform of the Socialist party of Illinois demands that women have equal rights with men.

The Socialist party makes no distinction as to the sex of its membership and women have equal voice with men in all party management.

The Socialist movement the world over stands for social and economic freedom and equality for women as well as men. Can the women of this or any other country point to any other organization or movement (the Christian church, to which they devote so much energy, included) which recognizes their position and possibilities?

Poet's Powerful Plea for Woman Suffrage

BY BJORNSTJERNE BJORNSON

Bjornstjerne Bjornson's notable utterance on the subject of woman suffrage as translated from the Danish language by Miss Ellen Arendrup of Copenhagen, and has just been published for the first time in the English language:

She rose up, saying: "In this world no justice shall we see. So long as you make all the laws, and ask no help from me. High have you flown, since first on earth the master you were made—A tower now to Justice build! For you that task is laid!"

"Too long were you sole master here—too arrogant your word! Too great the sphere you had to fill—too close at hand your sword! For justice and for peace, your course was never set to steer. Your compass never pointing true while steel was lying near!"

"The elements you conquered—aye!—and Nature's secrets found; By power and by wisdom's might as slaves you have them bound! But peace among you holds no sway—one bears alone the call To strife and war, as if in life the sword were all in all!"

"Our homes into the hands of debt in recklessness you gave; You crowned the money power king, and made yourself its slave! But not you only bear those chains; in bondage must remain— I see you understand me now—your children—yes, and mine!"

"For them I ask you, on your way through life, take me along! Through Justice lies the only path to Peace—to right your wrong! For Peace it is you violate, and blindly fail to see That Justice points the only way—so give it now to me!"

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

C. E. S. Wood, in the Pacific Monthly.

And the woman suffragists are here, too. It is not the men who keep women from their rights. Woman herself in the multitude loves her helplessness and opposes her emancipation. The hand which rocks the cradle cradles in a generation sweep the country with its home-made converts, if the "hand" had any mental conception of what it is all about, or any real desire for the voting power. But the cradle-rocker "hand" hasn't, as an average, an idea above beef, coal, bargain counters and jealousy.

If the vote on the question were left wholly to women, woman suffrage would surely be defeated. The great argument in favor of it is not that it will make politics purer and better, but that it is demanded by that equality which is justice. Woman shares with man the whole burden of the State, she bears and rears the soldiers and the laborers. She contributes by domestic labor to the income and resources of the States. There is a growing class of independent women who own their property and manage business affairs. Even were it true, which it is not, it is no argument to say women are represented by their fathers, brothers and husbands. The great law of equal justice requires that they have this political power in their own right. It is simply silly to say only bad and ignorant women will vote, for experience shows the best women vote when they have the chance, and it opens their intellectual eyes. As women are in fact purer than men, so their influx will make politics purer; but this is not the real point, nor will the difference, in my opinion, be very great. The real point is that now every small backward and ignorant man can vote if he wants to, and no woman, however cultured and intelligent, can vote if she wants to. Neither good nor bad women now have a chance to vote. Give all of them the chance all men have, and justice will have been done. It will then be a woman's own fault and choice (just as it is now man's) if she stays away from the polls. With the chief argument that she will be insulted at the polls and the fine gloss of her femininity worn away I have little patience. If our men are a mob to insult women, let us deprive them of every right incident to manhood. I have never conceived a half-baked intellect and an heroic docility and imbecility to be true womanhood. Neither womanhood nor manhood is lost by freedom. Much that is mistaken for womanhood is sudden ignorance and pitiful helplessness.

ZEUBLIN TALKS ON ORGANIZATION.

The Professor Thinks Both Organized Labor and Capital Are Here to Stay.

Richmond, Ind., Aug. 28.—Prof. Chas. L. Zeublin of Chicago university paid his respects to D. M. Parry of Indianapolis during the course of his address before the Richmond Chautauqua on the subject of wealth. He said:

"The great world of industry now comes forward with an employers' association. This great organization stands up and has the audacity to proclaim that this body will deal with the laboring men only as individuals."

"D. M. Parry, leader of this movement of employers, is certainly doing good work. He is doing more than any good man to bring about the organization of the laboring man through revolutionary reaction. Organized capital and organized labor are both here to stay."

A DISGUSTING RETAINER.

Preacher Defends Brutality of Packingtown—Says Jungle, Which Exposes Industrial and Social Conditions is an Unfit Book to Read.

The Rev. F. E. Hopkins is a well-paid retainer of a very respectable bunch of labor exploiters who pay him rent in what is known as the Pilgrim Congregational church in this city.

That he is making a desperate effort to earn his salary all who read the sermon he delivered last Sunday, which was reported in the public press last Monday morning, will have no doubt.

The Rev. Hopkins thoroughly understands the direction from which the danger to his masters is coming. In his sermon he attacked Socialism and "The Jungle." He knows the dangerous kind of Socialism from the harmless brand and he knows the type of books that are causing the working people, whom his masters exploit, to think, reason and look for a remedy for the hideous social and industrial conditions engendered by concentrated capitalism.

that the people must have access to before they can secure even the common necessities of life.

The Marxian brand of Socialism the world over stands for the principle that the tools and means of production that must be used collectively shall also be owned by the producing class in common. None of the other 56 skimmed milk brands of Socialism to which the Rev. Hopkins can consistently subscribe is at all dangerous to the class which retains him as an advocate.

He also made a vicious attack on Comrade Sinclair and "The Jungle." While the reverend gentleman came to speak of the stock yards and the social conditions at Packingtown he demonstrated that he was either ignorant of the social conditions prevailing there or he deliberately misrepresented the facts.

"The Jungle" tells only part of the truth about the horrible condition of the girls employed at Packingtown. No pen, not even that of Sinclair, can ever picture the awful social conditions under which the girls in Packingtown worked before Sinclair stirred up that nest of industrial filth by the story of "The Jungle." And this modern misrepresentative of Jesus of Nazareth calls that exposure a "sensational slap at the poor girls who work in the yards for a living." A lot he cares for the "poor girls." It is the profits and the privilege of exploiting them to the limit Mr. Hopkins is paid to defend which he did even at the expense of veracity.

In that portion of his sermon in which he dealt with the personality of Comrade Sinclair the preacher either deliberately lied or did not take the trouble to find out the facts before he talked. Speaking of the author of "The Jungle," he is reported to have said: "He is 28 years old and has always had plenty of money." This statement is a deliberate falsehood, as were most of his other statements, while the truth of the statements made in "The Jungle" have been verified by every uninterested investigator, private and public, who looked into the matter.

We invite the Rev. Mr. Hopkins to get the August number of the New York Independent and read Comrade Ghent's article entitled, "You Retainers," and get a good look at himself and his type in society.

Nothing but the Socialist probe was ever able to reach the Packingtown ulcer, and nothing but Socialism, of the Karl Marx brand, so hateful to all exploiters and their retainers, will ever be able to remove the cause of these social and industrial ulcers.

Mr. Hopkins may suit the so-called organized Christian church of to-day, but we imagine if the great Galilean could appear on the scene some evening he would repeat the drama enacted in the Temple at Jerusalem 2,000 years ago, when he made a whip of small cords and drove those who were making of the Temple a den of thieves out into the street.

Some day in the near future the Socialist of the "Karl Marx brand" will cleanse the temple of industry and politics by driving out those who are making of our world a den of thieves.

Remember you will have to register if you want to vote at the election next November.

NATIONAL PARTY NOTES.

Globe, Arizona, perhaps supplied the most unique Labor Day demonstration on record. It was organized and managed by the mine owners in conjunction with the county sheriff, the lieutenant of the Arizona Rangers and riff-raff politicians as an anti-climax to the monster demonstration held by the Socialists and Western Federation of Miners on May 1.

In July the capitalists tried to create a race war by pretending to arrange for a parade of negroes, and then announce that it was abandoned by reason of the fear that the Socialists would mob the paraders on account of the American flag being carried, by which race they became valiant defenders of the flag.

Several weeks before Labor Day the press advertised the fact that American flags were expected to be carried in the number of Socialists in the town, knowing the Socialists would not parade. The sheriff headed the procession, and exclusive of the local band, the marchers numbered 54, which is quite in contrast to the 1,300 in line in the May Day procession.

The story of the "Mollie Maguire" is handled by the National Office, which story vividly reveals the infamies of James McPartland, alias Jim McKenna, who is now so prominently identified with the Meyer-Haywood and Pettibone persecution. 5c a copy; 30 for \$1, prepaid.

The leaflets, "Socialist Methods" and "How to Organize a Socialist Local," have been translated into the Finnish language. Price \$1.50 per thousand, prepaid.

Comrade William Malloy, representing the national organization, attended a convention of the Polish Socialist Alliance, held in New York, Sept. 2-5, and reports in part as follows:

"At the morning session of the first day William Malloy, representing the National Executive Committee of the Socialist party, addressed the convention and conveyed to it the greetings of the organization.

In the course of his remarks, Comrade Malloy dwelt upon the necessity of the Polish comrades becoming more closely affiliated with the Socialist party and urging that action be taken which would encourage the Polish Socialists to join the party individually, so that the party could become a greater factor in national politics and exercise an influence on behalf of the working class struggle abroad as well as at home. Socialists of every nationality should support the Socialist party in each country so as to strengthen the whole international movement.

The report of the delegates showed that the Polish Socialist Alliance is making gratifying progress throughout the country, with the local treasuries in good condition, notwithstanding the great demands made upon them to support the revolution in Poland and Russia. In all \$15,086 had been collected for the revolution and this \$14,480 had been forwarded to the Central Committee, leaving a balance of \$606.28.

At the third day's proceedings a resolution was adopted amid much enthusiasm recognizing the Socialist party as the party of the American proletariat, acknowledging that the class struggle exists here as in all other countries and that it is even more apparent here than elsewhere. Class conscious workmen should recognize it as their duty to gather under the banner of the Socialist party and become members of the International Socialist movement. All Polish workmen should declare their affiliation with the Socialist movement and the convention bound itself to strive among its constituents to the end that every assistance be given the Socialist party. The Polish Socialists who could speak English should join English branches and others should consider it their duty to start Polish branches wherever possible.

After a long discussion, the convention adopted a resolution recognizing the Russian Social Democratic party as the representative of the politically organized Russian proletariat, but expressing the hope that the Russian workmen would soon see the necessity of a united Socialist party.

Resolutions of thanks to Comrade Meyer, Haywood and Pettibone for their brave stand against the capitalist class were adopted and a telegram of greeting ordered sent the imprisoned comrades.

One of the most important matters acted upon was that of the official organ, "Robotnik." The consensus of opinion was that the paper should give more attention to the Socialist party as the agitation literature of the Alliance was purposeless, if it did not deal with American conditions as well as those in Poland. It was decided to remove the place of publication of "Robotnik" from Chicago to New York.

A translation of "The Jungle" was ordered published in "Robotnik." Comrade Sinclair having given permission for this to be done.

The National Office has granted charters to Local Franklinville, Md., 18 members, and Local Manhattan, Nev., 18 members.

Comrade J. B. Osborne, candidate for Governor of Georgia, who was sentenced to 30 days in the stockade in Atlanta on Aug. 21, for speaking on the street, was released by the order of the Mayor on Sept. 8. The court house had been secured for a protest mass meeting to be held Sept. 7, but the janitor refused to open the doors, and the chief clerk, Henry M. Wood, explained the next day that he had forgotten to give orders to have the doors opened. Immediately upon the release of Comrade Osborne, a request for a permit to speak on the streets was presented to Mayor Jas. G. Woodward, which he immediately tore up, and explains his action as follows in a local paper:

"Certainly I tore up the petition, just as I would have torn up any other similar document, when I had looked it over and made up my mind. I do not intend to let the Socialists run over me."

Dates for National Lecturers and Organizers for the coming week are: George E. Higgins—Louis, under the direction of the State Committee. May Beals—Sept. 30, South Pittsburg, Tenn.; 24, 25, Whitwell; 26, 27, Roop; 28-30, Chattanooga. B. Berlin—Colorado. J. M. Caldwell—Sept. 23, 24, Henderson, Ky.; 25, De Koven; 26, Paducah; 27, 28, Box; 29, 30, Princeton. John Collins—New York, under the direction of the State Committee. Sol. Feldman—New York, under the direction of the State Committee. J. L. Fitts—West Virginia, under the direction of the State Committee. George E. Goebel—Northern Idaho. Alex. Hannon (Finland)—New York City, Tenn.; 24, 25, Whitwell; 26, 27, Roop; 28-30, Chattanooga. Gertrude Breslau Hoot—Sept. 23, 24, Wayne, Ind.; 24, 25, Marion; 26, 27, Elwood; 28, Anderson; 29, en route; 30, Winchester. W. A. Jacobs—Sept. 23, Elwood; 24, Kokomo; 25, Peru; 26, Huntington; 27, Ft. Wayne; 28, en route; 29, Mishawaka. Lena Morrow Lewis—Idaho, under the direction of the State Committee. Guy E. Miller—Colorado. M. M. Siltion—Sept. 23, en route; 24, Byeville, Ohio; 25, Newark; 26, Zaner; 27, 28, en route; 29, Pomeroy; 30, Portsmouth; 30, en route. M. W. Wilkins—New York, under the direction of the State Committee. John A. Wood—Colorado. Fraternally submitted. J. MAHON BARNES, National Secretary.

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MINE OWNERS' PLOT EXPOSED.

Adams, Chief Witness Against Meyer and Haywood, Confesses He Signed False Statement—Accuses Gov. Gooding and McPartland of Securing Statement Under Threats—Colorado and Idaho Capitalists Frightened.

ADAMS' STATEMENT.

This is to certify that the statement that I signed was made up by James McPartland, detective, and Harry Orchard, alias Tom Hogan. I signed it because I was threatened by Gov. Gooding saying I would be hanged if I did not corroborate Orchard's story against the officers of the Western Federation of Miners.

STEPHEN ADAMS. Witness: ANNA ADAMS.

Writing from Denver, Colo., Sept. 9, G. H. Snow, special correspondent for the Appeal to Reason, writes that paper that the above statement, sworn to by Stephen Adams and witnessed by his wife, was made public in the District Court in Boise, Idaho, Saturday afternoon, Sept. 8.

Adams, it has been claimed by the prosecution in the Steenberg murder cases, would corroborate Harry Orchard's confession, charging that the assassination of the former Governor was committed by the officers of the Western Federation of Miners.

Adams told the story of his experience since his arrest last February, and if what he says is true, almost all of which is confirmed by his wife and uncle, some of the State officials of Idaho and Colorado will find themselves in a pretty tight place.

He said: "When I was arrested in Oregon and brought to Idaho, I secured a lawyer to look after my case. I had been in the penitentiary but a few days when I was persecuted into admitting the truth of some of the statements made by Orchard in his confession to McPartland, first by the agents of the Governor, that there was a mob waiting to hang me in Colorado, where they would send me if I did not do as they demanded, and second, because it was promised that I would be clear if I followed directions. After I had been in jail about three weeks a Pinkerton detective was sent to my place in Oregon and he brought my wife and two children, confining them in the female ward of the penitentiary, where I was allowed to live part of the time. Last June I was asked if I knew of a certain location near Telluride, being a spot designated by Orchard as the burying place of a man named Burnham, said to have been killed there. I said I did and was then informed that I was to go down and pick out the place. The detective took me in a wagon across the country to the siding called Orchard Station, where I was put on the train. Adit, Gen. Bulky Wells and Deputy Sheriff Bob McIlhenny of Colorado took charge of me and we went to Telluride, remaining there three days. I found the place described, but there was no grave. I think they expected to find some evidence against Vincent St. John, but, after staying there three days, I was returned to Idaho and put back in the penitentiary. During the time my wife has been in the penitentiary we have been held and treated the same as convicts.

"We were not allowed to see any one unless a guard was present, and we had to give the letters we wrote to the warden unsealed. Letters addressed to my wife were opened and read by the warden before being delivered to her. Last Monday J. W. Lillard, an uncle, came to see me, and I asked him to get me some lawyers who would secure my release. I gave him written authority to act, and he secured ex-Gov. Morrison, Clarence Darrow and John F. Nugent, the last two being attorneys for Meyer and Haywood. They brought the application for habeas corpus, and yesterday afternoon I was called on by Mr. Hawley, chief counsel for the prosecution. Hawley urged me not to see any lawyer and tried to induce me to sign a statement discharging the attorneys employed by my uncle. This I refused to do. Hawley said: 'There's nothing against you, Steve; you are not held as a

prisoner.' I then asked if I could leave the penitentiary. He said, 'No.' So I waited to see my lawyers. After they left the deputy warden had me taken to the cell formerly occupied by a man who was hanged there weeks ago, and after being stripped and searched, I was locked up. I was glad to give my wife the statement to take away with her when she was permitted to leave the penitentiary, for when I was taken to a murderer's cell I was afraid something would happen to me."

Mrs. Adams corroborated much of her husband's story. She and her husband had taken a homestead near Baker City and just moved to the land when he was arrested. After she was brought to Boise her uncle endeavored to secure permission from the Governor for Adams to visit the land office and make an affidavit, explaining why he was not on the land so that he could get a leave of absence, but this was refused, though Lillard offered to give a hundred thousand dollar bond.

As a result of the developments of the last four days, prominent members of the Mine Owners' Association in Denver are panic-stricken and James McPartland is white with rage and can hardly contain himself.

From reliable sources it is learned that the Denver Republican and the Denver Post have been advanced additional money to increase their diatribes against the Western Federation of Miners. The unexpected turn in affairs has enhanced Haywood's subterranean stock 1,000 per cent and the damaging disgrace of his imprisonment is the subject of remark on every hand. From an official high in the State house, personally friendly to union labor, I learn that the Mine Owners' Association is preparing to throw \$100,000 into the campaign to defeat Haywood's candidacy for the governorship. Prominent Republican politicians say Haywood must be defeated at any cost. McPartland's generalship is beginning to be doubted in many quarters, and to-day the men connected with the prosecution appear to be confused and confounded.

THE FIGHT FOR FREE SPEECH. The Socialists of Kalamazoo are putting up a splendid fight for the right of free speech in that city. The Mayor and City Attorney have refused to grant a permit to hold street meetings under any circumstances. The Socialists are now taking a poll of the citizens of the town. A citizens' ballot has been circulated to secure the expression of the public on the question. The ballot reads as follows:

Citizens' Ballot. Resolved, That, irrespective of political opinions and affiliations, I am in favor of Free Speech in Kalamazoo, and that the streets of this city, especially the corners of Burdick and Water and Rose and Main streets, be used by the citizens for peaceable political meetings provided due precaution is taken not to blockade same, and in case said blockade is probable I am in favor of adjourning the meeting to the Public Park.

Signed, [] Cut this out, paste it on a sheet of paper and get the signatures of every citizen with backbone enough to stand up and be counted. For a favorable vote mark a cross at left of name; for unfavorable a cross at right of name.

Take or send these ballots to the big citizens' referendum meeting at the Maccocks Hall, corner of Burdick and Eleanor street, Thursday night, Sept. 13. Ballots will be counted at this meeting and result of vote will decide the next move for free speech in Kalamazoo.

G. H. LOCKWOOD. Acting for Socialist Party, 1015 Egleston avenue. With the contemplated nationalization of railroads in England and their proposed socialization in the United States, comes a glimpse of the next step in the growth of industry—universal ownership of the land and machines, and the application of labor to them, the product to be distributed to the people at actual cost. This only will solve the industrial dilemma which the people are suffering to-day.

SOCIALIST STATE ACTIVITIES INTERNATIONAL

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Receipts—Due stamps, \$60.75; campaign fund, \$11; literature, \$5; balance on hand last week, \$6.37; total, \$83.12.
Expenses—Due stamps, \$40; printing, \$6.75; postage, \$2.50; literature, \$1.23; secretary's salary, \$20; office expense, \$2; balance on hand, \$10.12; total, \$83.12.

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Meeting called to order by Chairman Benzinger. Minutes of previous session read and approved. Roll call showed twelve members present.
Press committee reported contents of paper, as evidence of its work. Report accepted.

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It is with no small degree of pleasure that we report the splendid success of the tour of Comrade Joseph Medill Patterson through this section of the State. He addressed large gatherings at East St. Louis, Belleville and Collinsville.

The East St. Louis meeting was held under the auspices of the Socialist party of St. Louis, and was attended by about 2,000 people. His address at East St. Louis was along the line of evolution, and he clearly demonstrated to the entire satisfaction of all present how the present social order has outlived its usefulness, and as evolution destroyed barbarism, slavery and feudalism, it was only a question of a short time until this line of industrial development would abolish capitalism and usher into being the co-operative commonwealth.

His meeting at Collinsville was held in the opera house, and was attended by a large and enthusiastic audience of all shades of political belief. Comrade Patterson's presentation of the class struggle and his remarks on the coming revolution, wherein labor would dissolve its time servitude partnership with the parasitical class, impressed his hearers with the fact that Socialism, a world wide movement, is the only remedy for present economic wrongs; and that the day of its triumph rests solely with the working class, with the great majority, who have silently and ignorantly supported a class of drones in luxury and indolence from time immemorial.

Comrade Patterson explained the "system" thoroughly, mentioning how the workers were robbed, deluded and slaughtered, and then told them in his calm, unassuming manner, that as long as they, the working class, were satisfied with that kind of a system, and kept on voting for it, they could not reasonably expect the capitalist class to change it, because they were having too good a time, under capitalism, to pay any attention to the many grievances of their numerous slaves.

While we appreciate the fact that it is not a Socialistic idea to educate any man for doing his plain duty, yet it may not be amiss to say that the comrades in this section of the State are very appreciative of the services of Comrade Patterson, and feel proud of his enlistment in the proletarian army, that is marching "on to Washington" and the co-operative commonwealth.

We hope he may be with us again in the near future.

SALEM.

Comrade J. C. Wibel says that the men and women engaged in working at the apple house of Rogers & Schwartz in Salem struck for higher wages last week. Their demands were granted, but when they went back to work the leaders were discharged and a pensioner as strike breaker put in the place of one of them.

The girls immediately walked out, followed by the gentlemen, and another strike was on. They demand an increase of wages and reinstatement of the discharged men. We understand the difficulties have been adjusted and the strikers returned to their former positions.

Last week the employees of the Robert Martin lumbard yard in this city went out on a strike. We were told that their demands were agreed to except in one instance, and the men went back to work.

For the first time so far as we know in this county farm hands engaged in harvesting apples have on several occasions struck for higher wages and better conditions, and as a consequence in some instances much trouble is being experienced in gathering the crop.

The love of the Bryan Democracy for the laborer is being used to its fullest extent in Marion county. Those whom it is thought can be drawn back to the old parties are put on as judges or clerks of election, or grand and petit jurors, as the case may be.

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From J. H. Dehner: We have challenged Mr. B. M. Chipfield, candidate of the Republican party for Representative from the Forty-third District, to meet our candidate, E. C. Sullivan, in debate. Other parties will be challenged at once. No reply as yet from Mr. Chipfield.

Branch Canton has decided that the investment of \$12 in papers in orders of 500 each, would be much more lasting than the placard offered by State headquarters. We have distributed them and from the educational point find them much more useful.

Agitation and Organization.

The Socialists of Joliet are preparing to make that town up. They have secured Comrades Eugene V. Debs and J. M. Patterson for a monster rally for Oct. 9, and propose to make this one of the biggest meetings of Illinois campaign.

Comrade Eldridge reports good meetings at Mahomet and Springfield and an especially enthusiastic one at Taylorville, and this in spite of the fact that the farmers at the latter place had been idle for five months.

Comrade Brower reports polite interference with street meetings in East St. Louis. His meeting at Collinsville was a great success. Comrade Goodell of Litchfield writes that the speech by Comrade Brower was the best ever delivered there, while Comrade Bude reports a good meeting at Taylorville.

To the Editor of the Chicago Socialist:

Our meetings among Comrade Uterman's "Rural Proletarians" were not as well attended as they ought to have been. But since my last report we held three fine meetings among the industrial wage slaves of Mt. Carmel, Robinson and Edwards. At Robinson a big fat lawyer in the crowd wanted to know "who pays you fellows?" We at once answered this question by taking up a collection of \$1.90 and selling \$2.65 worth of pamphlets. At Eldorado a middle-class labor skinner wanted to know why, "if I was a workman I have such soft hands?" I answered him to the satisfaction of the crowd. Result, Comrade Lafin got \$1.10 in the collection and \$1.65 for literature and subs. I had to beg some of the crowd not to lay violent hands on the fellow, as some of the coal miners present wanted to punch his face, and he was forced to leave the crowd. Fraternally.

PHIL ENGLE.

Andrew Lafin.

CAMPAIGN FINANCES.

The fall campaign is now swinging out into full strong strokes. The details are getting well in hand. The "square deal" leaflet has been circulated in large numbers, and more are being called for. Two hundred and fifty thousand platforms have been printed and they are going like hot cakes. Another leaflet is in course of preparation. It will debate the Socialist position from the rural or farmer standpoint. It will be a winner. A big series of meetings following the grand rally at Brand's Park is being planned. All our meetings are being attended splendidly and a fine interest is everywhere manifest. The one essential thing in this campaign now is funds. The attached list is published to remind those pledging themselves for the amounts opposite their names that the cash is sorely needed. In this connection those holding campaign lists are urged to get them filled up and turned in as quickly as possible.

E. W. Moore, Middle Grove \$ 5.00
Gus Benson, Stratford 2.00
Billon 25.00
Edw. Lofenthal 2.00
"Socialist" 2.00
Shep. Zimmerman, Peoplet 5.00
Rudolph McElfer, Peoplet 5.00
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Chas. W. Green 5.00
E. B. Cope 5.00
W. E. McDermott 2.00
John Swanson 2.00
Geo. L. Spencer 10.00
Birmingham, 10th Ward 1.00
Chas. Rector, Glen Ellyn 1.00
Cook County 5.00
8th Ward 1.00
15th Ward 1.00
16th Ward 2.00
17th Ward 5.00
18th Ward 5.00
23d Ward 2.00
27th Ward, 2d District 2.00
28th Ward 5.00
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Le Salle County 4.00
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If each organization will ascertain if the halls named can be secured on the dates indicated, or if not, then get the next best, and so notify the committee at headquarters. They will do just the right thing to make for the success of this series of meetings.

Second Ward—Metropole Hall, Oct. 14, 8 p. m.
Third, Fourth and Fifth Wards—Frelheit Hall, Nov. 3, 8 p. m.
Fifth Ward—McKinley Hall, Nov. 4, 8 p. m.
Sixth Ward—Oakland Music Hall, Oct. 21, 8 p. m.
Seventh, Thirty-second and Thirty-third—Grand Crossing Turner Hall, Oct. 27, 8 p. m.
Eighth—To be selected by ward, Nov. 3, 8 p. m.
Ninth—Metropole Hall, Oct. 18, 8 p. m.
Tenth—Thalia, Oct. 20, 8 p. m.
Eleventh—Pison (in doubt), Oct. 30, 8 p. m.
Twelfth—Valdmar Klatsch, Nov. 2, 8 p. m.
Thirteenth and Thirtieth—Kehring's Hall, Oct. 20, 8 p. m.
Fourteenth—Friedman's Hall (in doubt), Oct. 20, 8 p. m.
Fifteenth—Chicago Park Hall, Division and California, Oct. 13, 8 p. m.
Sixteenth—Central Turner Hall, Oct. 25, 8 p. m.
Seventeenth—Scandia Hall, Oct. 15, 8 p. m.
Eighteenth, Nineteenth and Twentieth—West Side Auditorium, Oct. 21, 2:30 p. m.
Twenty-first—Brand's Hall, Oct. 28, 8 p. m.
Twenty-second—Moetter's Hall, Oct. 27, 8 p. m.
Twenty-third—Yarodoff's Hall, Oct. 29, 8 p. m.
Twenty-fourth and Twenty-sixth—Schwartz Turner Hall, Oct. 28, 8 p. m.
Twenty-fifth—Lincoln Turner Hall, Nov. 4, 8 p. m.
Twenty-seventh—Spa's Hall (in doubt), Nov. 1, 8 p. m.
Twenty-eighth—To be selected by ward, Oct. 31, 8 p. m.
Twenty-ninth—Schumacher's Hall, Nov. 4, 2:30 p. m.
Thirtieth and Thirty-first—Boulevard Hall, Oct. 21, 2:30 p. m.
Thirty-second—See Seventh Ward.
Thirty-third—Kenington Turner Hall, Oct. 28, 2:30 p. m.
Thirty-fourth—Deary Hall, Oct. 14, 2:30 p. m.
Thirty-fifth and Thirtieth—Rehburg's Hall, Oct. 20, 8 p. m.
Maywood and Monroe Park—Raven's Hall, Oct. 13, 8 p. m.
Harvey—Opera House, Oct. 21, 2:30 p. m.
Blue Island—To be selected, Oct. 19, 8 p. m.
Chicago Heights—Opera House, Oct. 10, 8 p. m.
Evanston—To be selected by branch, Oct. 8, 8 p. m.
Cicero—To be selected by branch, Oct. 25, 8 p. m.

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Previously reported \$874.61
Sam Jessup, No. 2133, Galeburg 5.00
Received from "Spravell" 9.00
Earl Jensen, No. 2889 1.00
W. H. V. Jensen, No. 2889 1.00
Wm. Acker, 21st Ward, account meeting 4.25
Duncan McDonald, Oglesby 2.50
Fred McCallum, No. 4905 2.50
Ben Smith, Oglesby 2.00
S. S. S. (founded June 7, 1895) 10.00
E. O'Leary, No. 1137 4.50
W. H. Kirksland, account meeting 10.00
Sophia Anderson, No. 4765 1.50
Al. J. Becker, No. 4765 4.75
C. E. Kirksland, account meeting65
Branch Belleville, col. Patterson meeting 6.57
Dr. M. H. Brown, No. 4905 2.00
John Ald 2.00
Soren C. Sorenson, No. 17 5.00
J. A. Johnson, No. 2468 4.75
Peter Miller, account Evanston meeting 1.70
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Geo. Koop, account meeting 1.00
J. W. Bartels, col. Patterson85
C. E. Kirksland, account Fifteenth Ward meeting49
E. Berkies 2.50
John Bock 2.75
John Lindner59
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ATTENTION, INTERNATIONAL SOCIALIST CHORUS.

The chorus is now rehearsing to render songs at the fall festival to be given at Brand's Park on Oct. 7, and we want as many singers as possible. All comrades wishing to help us will kindly attend the next rehearsal on Monday evening, Sept. 24, at room 404, 29 Van Buren street. Mabel Breckon, Secretary-Treasurer, room 14, 163 Randolph street.

A SOCIALIST ORCHESTRA IN CHICAGO.

A number of comrades have signified their willingness to join the Socialist Orchestra which Comrade Ide of Springfield, Ill. is about to organize if sufficient interest can be obtained. At a minimum estimate there absolutely must be had in addition to what have been offered:

4 violins,
2 violas,
2 cellos,
1 double bass,
French horn and clarinet,
1 bassoon.

Those wishing to help organize this Socialist Orchestra need not have full technical knowledge of the instruments named. As they will receive instructions from the undersigned.

If this interests you address at once the undersigned and full particulars will be given. CHESTER IDE,
1515 W. Third St., Springfield, Ill.

BANK HEADS TO ESCAPE PRISON Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 11.—In view of the agreement of the directors of the wrecked Real Estate Trust Company to put up sufficient money to rehabilitate the bank and for the still more important reason that his investigation as not revealed any criminal intent on the part of that body, District Attorney John C. Bell announced today that there would probably be no further prosecutions.—News item in daily paper.

Sure, Mike, there is no criminal intent when a haul of seven millions is made. It is only the poor devil who steal a dollar, a hen or a loaf of bread who have criminal intentions. Seven millions never has a criminal intent. Seven millions covers a multitude of sins and makes law-abiding look respectable and causes even the prosecuting attorney to compound a felony with impunity.

Mrs. Russell Sage is said to have eighty million dollars that she wishes to give away. This good lady is now 86 years old. She stood prosperity a long time without worrying as to what to do with her pelf. We don't suppose that she is in any great hurry to get rid of it now. We would suggest that she spend it for making presents to some of her poor friends, among whom we would mention Andrew Carnegie, John D. Rockefeller, Theodore Roosevelt, Henry Phlips and poor old grass-widower Cores, which would be very worthily bestowed charity, and if she has a few millions left, build a fine church at which these poor people may worship God.—The Mirror.

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BRYAN, HEARST AND GOMPERS.

The three men who stand out most conspicuously as the leaders and spokesmen of the great mass of the American people who are not satisfied with the present conditions in this "land of trusts and prosperity" are Mr. Bryan, Mr. Hearst and Mr. Gompers.

Mr. Bryan in his recent speech in New York outlined what is likely to be the policy with which the Democratic party will go before the electors in the campaign of 1906.

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Since Mr. Bryan has declared that Socialists must be met with argument and not with abuse, let us suppose for a sake of the argument that his policy of making the railroads national property will be inaugurated after the election of 1908.

How much would that relieve the tolling millions of tired men, women and children who are producing the \$12,000,000,000 worth of wealth annually that the capitalist press and our so-called statesmen so greatly boast of?

We will assume that the nation under a Democratic administration, of which Mr. Bryan is the head, has acquired the ownership of the railroads of the country.

When you want steel rails or material to build steel bridges, where will you get them? You have no steel mills or ore mines, so you will have to apply to the steel trust for what you need, and the country knows well what kind of bargains the steel trusts drive with the government when it needs steel to build battle ships.

When the Chicago Daily Socialist once comes into existence, as it will in a few weeks, it must never be allowed to suspend publication for even a day.

The cowardly attitude of the daily press of Chicago in this police scandal should go far to open the eyes of the people to the actual condition of affairs.

What is true of the position of Mr. Bryan is also true of the attitude of Hearst and his newspapers. They propose to reform capitalism by adopting a few "Socialistic" reforms, but it can't be done.

While Mr. Bryan and Mr. Hearst both declare that they are not against capitalism, large or small, they have both rendered great service to the cause of Socialism by showing how feeble are the ablest arguments in opposition to it.

THE POLITICAL ROSTRUM.

Joliet Daily News Gives All Parties a Hearing—Socialists Take Advantage of Offer—Local Comrade Tells What Socialism Is and Answers Bryan.

The Daily News of Joliet has introduced a unique political idea into the columns of that paper that should make it the most interesting newspaper in that city for all fair and open-minded readers who are interested in politics.

Here the candidates and their friends may advocate their own cause. The man who has the best argument and can present it in the best way, now has his opportunity. Be brief—make it hum.—Editors News.

Editor News—Allow me to say a few words in answer to Mr. Bryan's article in the Century Magazine on "Individualism Versus Socialism," reprinted in the News of Aug. 21.

To start in with, it is a fact significant of the times that so many politicians have lately taken up the habit of ventilating their ignorance about Socialism.

Mr. Bryan's article is a sad one and is a dark reflection on the organized Christian church, but it is not near so bad as the tens of thousands of cases of a similar character with which working men and women in every calling are so familiar with that they are considered as a matter of course.

Mr. Bryan in his ignorance thinks that the Socialist movement is based on some form of ethics alone, and should be met on that field. Then he it even so! Let the best ethics win!

Mr. Bryan represents Socialism as a movement based on human altruism which must be met on the "ethical field." He claims that the Socialists try to appropriate Christ's teachings as a foundation for their "creeds." Then he adds, "for the purpose of this discussion," that individualism will be defined as the private ownership of the means of production and distribution when competition is possible, and Socialism will be defined as "the collective ownership through the State of all the means of production and distribution."

For the information of Mr. Bryan and those people who may imagine that the above definition of Socialism is correct, allow me to state that Socialism is no such thing. The definition is incorrect because it is incomplete. It says too much and too little. Ancient Sparta was a society to which this definition strictly applied, and Spartan society was an aristocratic oligarchy of the worst kind.

It is necessary to discuss this point somewhat at length in order to make it clear. "The collective ownership through the State" is not a definite idea. Mr. Bryan, in all depends upon who is the State. Louis the Fourteenth said, "I am the State." The capitalist class of to-day is the State in this country. By means of the locus pocus called capitalist politics, to be sure, but still they are the State.

When the working class constitute the State, in other words, when the working class have captured the powers of government, and make their own laws to suit themselves, the State cease to be understood it today will cease to be. It will no longer be an instrument of compulsion and oppression, it will become an agency of administration.

In other words, it is absolutely essential in a definition of the Socialist movement to state that Socialism is no such thing. The definition is incorrect because it is incomplete. It says too much and too little.

At last laboring men have discovered that their interests are not coincident with those of their masters, which doctrine the Civic Federation was specially organized to teach them, and we have it on the authority of Ralph M. Easley, organizer of the National Civic Federation, that there are many defections from its members of both labor leaders and capitalists.

When it suits the purpose of the judiciary, they are very blind to the class struggle, but now Judge Terrell declares the wide title law to be "class legislation." How long shall we permit those degenerate Solomon to issue judgments!

"REV. MR. CHASE'S CASE."

Capitalist Press Indignant Because Pastor with Gray Hairs is Treated the Same as a Worn Out Workingman.

The congregation of the Austin Congregational church is the subject of some severe and caustic criticism by the capitalist press for doing what almost every other business institution does every day; that is, relegating to the scrap heap its worn-out employees.

The action of the Austin congregation is hardly in line with Christian ethics, but is quite in line with the general business practice of Christian employers of labor in mines, factories, mills, and stores.

The Chicago Chronicle refers editorially to the incident in the following language: "With all the formality and elaborate sensibility with which a coal merchant would discharge a supernumerary driver or the driver shoot a disabled horse, the Austin Congregational church has dismissed its 60-year-old parson, Rev. Mr. Chase."

Mr. Chase's case is a sad one and is a dark reflection on the organized Christian church, but it is not near so bad as the tens of thousands of cases of a similar character with which working men and women in every calling are so familiar with that they are considered as a matter of course.

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POSTAL EMPLOYEES WARNED.

The Ban of Authority Placed Upon Any Form of Organization Other than Fraternal.

The following general postoffice order has lately been distributed among the railroad mail employes in the ninth division and we suppose in all other divisions, but the ninth is the only one we have definite information of:

Office of the Postmaster General, Washington, D. C., Sept. 5, 1906. The Postmaster General invites attention to that portion of the last annual report relating to organizations of employes as the present position of the department, to be respected and enforced by all officials and employes of the service.

Special attention is invited to the concluding paragraph reminding employes of their supreme personal allegiance to the government and the overshadowing authority of the department.

"Organizations within the department to receive its sanction in any degree must have for their object improvements in the service or be of a purely fraternal or beneficial character. With any other purpose in view, they are detrimental to the service, to their members, and to the public."

Now, Messrs. Workingmen in general, and postal employes in particular, what do you think of that? In the above order you find exactly the kind of a labor organization that your masters are in favor of. You are encouraged to organize to advance the interests of your employers and to take care of yourselves during times of sickness, but you must depend entirely upon the goodness of heart of the capitalist or his representative to improve your material conditions.

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Advertisement for SOCIALIST CO-OPERATIVE PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION, featuring "THE WORKER" and "VORWAERTS" magazines.

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