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#### EVENTS CURRENT LOCAL

at last awakened from its lethargy and peting. finds itself confronted by the class ques-

tion of the globe at the moment.

prejudices the individualist is apt to take secret ballot: a very narrow scope of view and imagine damning its local exponents.

In consonance with this method the for being the acute discoverers of a plot say in the running of this burgh. which never existed. They have dewhich betray the presence of Socialism. that the grave deliberations of the Labor Congress have assumed an appear- union of its employes. If a vote of this ance of life at times that the cause of kind was taken it is emmently probable agitation was traceable to certain lead- Devereaux would not be awarded the iners, and that these leaders were Socialists. So far, good-but the next step another job which is so graciously acwhich these incipient Sherlock Holmes corded them at present. There are take is an unpardonable blunder which would not be even worthy of a Pinkerton from an immaculate reputation, and a of Dubuque are unaware of the fact that many of their officers are Socialists. they insult the intelligence of every union man by telling them they elected representatives conceding all the priviofficers whose sim is not the wirancement of the union but personal preferment by political means-that, in short, is the way the law stands. The dangers they are the little wooly lambs of the Mary type who are being led to slaughter by bad, wicked wolves in borrowed clothing.

There might be something to it if the more. union officers implied had ever tried to conceal their light under a bushel. It is no part of the Socialist program to charmed circle with the statement that cultivate bashfulness in the expression of opinion and these men have never gained the confidence which their brothers have reposed in them by being tongue tied. They were not elected for the purpose of advocating Socialism while transacting union business, and isfy the curiosity it has aroused as to therefore they have not done so; but in what sort of a crime Socialism really is. the hearty and sincere support of the Socialist movement in their private capacity they have only exercised that just as free to a democrat or a repub-

Socialism does not depend on the efforts of its own membership to demonstrate the weak points in the labor union. It has a large and abiding faith in the ability for this purpose of such men as Mr. Baer, Mr. Parry and Mr. Dame.

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It is entirely probable that if we had three men with such a talented managerial capacity as Mr. Dame at work for us that Dubuque would stack up a Socialist vote to beat Rockford at the next election.

It surely must be an easy proposition for a union man to see that whatever his sympathies may be for his fellow worker he is up against the law in expressing them.

His only safety is in public opinion, and public opinion is fickle and irresponsible. When it is fine public opinion walks, when it is wet it rides-and sometimes it heaves brickbats, which is distressing to all parties concerned and an unequalled opportunity for scathing cal power it will be in a position to treat editorial insinuations.

The boycott is condemned on all sides as the adjunct of the strike, although it is successfully used to further monopoly as instanced by the boycott instituted by the Union Electric Co. against the patrons of the Gas Co. last year.

The labor market is overrun with scabs and the workingmen of Dubuque

Superior to all the petty heart burn- are enjoined from endeavoring to depreings and recriminations which are the ciate this esteemed class of labor-for inevitable accompaniments of a bitter competition is the soul of monopoly, lesson rises the fact that Dubuque has when it is the other fellow that's com-

The question having been manipulated by various means until it has narrowed The conditions in this city are but a from its true aspect of a grievance beminiature reproduction of the struggle tween a corporation and the union of its which is going on in every civilized por- employes, to a grievance of a corporation against three of its employes, the Blinded by immediate interests and union is asked to settle the matter by a

Now this course would settle nothing. himself the arbiter and extinguisher of The majority of the strikers might elect an evolutionary movement, which is to return to work, driven, not by a sense world wide, by the simple process of of justice, but by sheer necessity. If a referendum vote is taken at all, it ought to be a vote of the population of Duwhole capitalistic press of Dubuque is buque, and that is precisely what would metaphorically patting itself on the back happen if the Socialists had anything to

The population of the city is the tected "feet" steps on the Union Label premier arbiter of such a dispute as that which was in progress by reason of their They are assured by several knockers patronage being the means of support of both the Union Electric Co. and the this phenomenon was agitation; that this that Messrs. Hennessy, Noonan and estimable privilege of freedom to seek others who are not accused of suffering man. They assume that the union men popular vote might occasion surprise where it would not be welcome.

However, be that as it may the people have lost their rights by reason of their leges involved to the Union Electric Co. for a period of twenty-five years. That were pointed out by the Socialists before the franchise was granted, but most of the union men of this city voted for itand they have got it. Don't do it any

The "Enterprise" rambles into the "Socialism is not Unionism."

After spreading itself on the records with a roast for everybody officially or unofficially connected with the whole capitalist system in general and the city of Dubuque in particular it fails to sat-

As the writer of this article is both a union man AND a Socialist it is to be hoped that a further elucidation by a few privilege of personal choice which is specifications will not be an infringement of any copyright.

A labor union is an organized association of individuals for the furtherance of their own interests and that of their fellow workmen by the elimination of many objectionable features forced upon them by a competitive system.

An employers' union, or a "trust," is an organized association of individuals for the furtherance of their own interests and that of their fellow capitalists by the elimination of many objectionable features forced upon them by a competitive system.

Republicanism, as practiced by Baer et al, says smash the union.

Democracy, as theorized by Hearst et al, says smash the trust.

Socialism, as formulated in the platform, says smash neither.

They are the logical outcome of hard won commercial experience and although tremendous abuses can undoubtedly be pointed out on both sides it would be sheer idiocy to attempt a return to the abortive methods of the past.

When labor secures proper representation and vests its interests with polition equal terms with capital-but until that time it will only gain concessions which are won by bitter sacrifice and which are easily evaded by legal process. ROBERT BIELBY.

The police department has been reduced to its usual numbers.

Let us forgive, but not forget.

The street car strike is settled. That is to say, settled if a truce in a local conflict of a universal class war may be considered settlement. While the Union Electric Co. does not recognize the union in that it will employ only union men, it agrees not to discriminate against the union or its members and "will recognize the union to the extent of treating with the members either individually or through their grievance committee in the consideration of any differences which may in the future arise between the company and its employes belonging to said union."

The three men whose discharge by the company was the immediate cause of the strike and who agreed to step down and out if given clearance cards were granted same. In passing it might be added that the charge of the Telegraph of Tuesday evening that there was too much of a disposition on the part of the strikers to "Let the public be damned" came with ill grace in view of the fact that these three men had signified their willingness to withdraw for the general welfare.

Thus endeth the greatest strike in the labor history of Dubuque.

After the so-called riots of June 16 no cars were run until Sunday, June 21, when three companies of militia had been sent here, in addition to the local company, on representations made to the governor by a "packed" meeting of the Dubuque Club. The arrival of the governor to look over the situation, and his order for the withdrawal of the troops within a few days started the negotiations which finally culminated in a settlement.

If the evidences of increasing class consciousness revealed by the strike. both on the part of the capitalists and the laboring class-by the former in the self-sacrificing manner in which they deserted their carriages and took to the cars, and by the latter in their determination to walk-were not wholly lost on the working class, that strike has not

The Socialists lacked about a thousand votes of becoming an official party in this state last fall. Two per cent of the total vote of the state is required for that we will get the required two per cent we ought to have tickets up in every county, as local interest will bring out the vote and is a means of propaganda. Comrades in unorganized counties should form a local and nominate a ticket. Not being an official party names of candidates will be placed on the ballot only by petition, in other words, the nomination paper for county offices must be signed by not less than wenty-five qualified voters and filed with the county a ditor not less than twenty days before election. Blanks may be secured from county auditors. The fact that the Socialist party candiates in any particular county may received over two per cent of the total had at very reasonable rates. vote of that county last fall does not give the party official recognition in that county. Two per cent of the total vote of the state is required. By all means, comrades, nominate county tickets wherever possible. Write to Secretary W. A. Jacobs, 316 E. 6th street, Davenport, Iowa, for information in regard to organizing locals. Although it is much the better plan, it is not absolutely necessary to have an organization to nominate a ticket by petition.

As a preliminary to a well organized campaign in lowa this fall a large attendance at the state convention is highly desirable, if not absolutely necessary. The nomination of a state ticket is only incidental. The most important work is to map out a plan of campaign that will make a record for the old Hawkeye state. Lend your presence as well as your counsel to this important gathering and celebrate the Fourth as you never did before.

The Socialist vote of Germany in the election of last week will foot up over three millions, fully one-third of the voting population.

The efforts of the capitalist press of America to belittle the Sociailst victory of Germany must be comforting to the



Up Against the Real Thing

3,000,000 Socialist votes in Germany and ninety Socialist members of the Reichstag.

#### Premiums for Club Raisers

1. The solicitor securing the largest number of subscribers to The Iowa Socialist between July 1, 1903, and Aug. 26, 1903 (a period of eight weeks), prowill be given a one-year, transferable tuition scholarship in the American Soforty weeks beginning Sept. 1, 1903, and ending June 21, 1904.

2. The solicitor securing the next largest number of subscribers to The lege towns. lowa Socialist between July 1 and Aug. 26, 1903, providing he secures at least fifty, will be given a sixteen-week transferable tuition scholarship, covering College, Trenton, Mo. Other names tuition for any sixteen weeks in the regular school year 1908-04.

The subscription price of The Iowa good for one year's subscription, may be of all subscriptions sent in between July 1 and August 26, and the winners announced in the issue of August 29, 1903. Single subscriptions for six months at 25c will be accepted, but no subscriptions for six months at the 25c per year rate will be taken. Remember you may buy postal subscription cards. Cash Bet I'd have dreamed again! must accompany all clubs and orders for cards. Here is an opportunity to secure And if I thought it was "form" to wheel? an education at very little expense and Was my latest yacht a Watson designat the same time advance the cause of Or did I prefer the Herreshoff line? Socialism by increasing the circulation | and thus extending the influence of The Iowa Socialist. The scholarships are Was my stable "fit"-had I "scratched my good for tuition only and do not include pard and lodging, but these may be

The object of the American Socialist College is to prepare men and women to work intelligently and effectively for the emancipation of labor and the establishment of the co-operative commonwealth.

wick Building, Wichita, Kan. The management consists of Thomas Elmer Will, Ph. D., President; Granville Lowther, D. D., Vice President; W. A. Ross, M. Accts., Secretary and Treas-

Courses of Study: A one-year course is provided for those who can stay no longer. It includes history, economics, politics, Socialism, fact collection and In my crack machine, the "Ghost" (of a barrow!) and oratory, and special studies in Kansas geography, history, government and ls out of reason at breakfast time people. A two-years' course carries these studies farther and includes more general subjects. A four-years' course will be given if desired. Preparatory work is furnished for those needing it. A strong Business College course, including commercial arithmetic, commercial law, book-keeping, stenography, typewriting and business organization, is offered.

Oratorical Instruction: Located also in the Sedgwick Building, is the Western School of Elocution and Oratory, the leading oratorical school of the

Southwest. Arrangements have been made whereby the pupils of the American Socialist College will receive their oratorical instruction in this institution.

The first term of the American Socialist College begins May 5, 1903, and conviding he secures at least one hundred, tinues four weeks. The fall term opens on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1903, and continues seventeen weeks; i. e., until cialist College, covering tuition for the Christmas. The full year covers forty weeks.

> Board and lodging can be had at about the rates common in western col-

> The faculty consists of Messrs. Will. Lowther and Ross, above named, and Mr. A. M. Smith, all late of Ruskin will be added.

As is the teacher so is the school. The American Socialist College prides Socialist is 25c per year in clubs of four itself upon the ability of its teachers and or more. Postal subscription cards, the character of its instruction. It holds that nothing is too good for the student. bought in lots of not less than four at What it lacks in material means it seeks 25c each, and will be counted in the con- abundantly to supply in the things of official recognition. To make certain test. A record will be kept at this office the mind, heart and character. It seeks to inspire its pupil to noble living and heroic service for the common good.

# Leaves From the Dreamer's Note-book

I dreamt one day that division of class Was only a dream-I dreamt I would pass A couple of weeks at the Waldorf-Astoria-But if I had known just what was in store you

They wanted to know did I "automobile?" Had I yet met His Grace the "Dook"-And what "consideration" the "arrangement"

string?" And if I could "place 'em next a good thing?"

I thought I could-but I "scratched" my head-Good things are better sometimes unsaid! My stable is "fit"-put oats on the post And old Dobbin would run from the lakes to the

coast! As to the question of meeting His Grace. I told them I really hadn't the face Value to gain an end so delectable-And besides, my folks were always respectable! This institution is located in the Sedg- In the matter of yachting. I told them how weary I was of discussing the Herreshoff theory-I told them I stood for a nautical school On practical lines ('twixt a barge and a mule!) And wheels! why wheels are not fit to mention In the sanctified presence of social pretension-Since the "ruck" for pleasure has taken to biking urer, and G. W. Davis, Field Secretary. I thought it more swagger to take joy in hiking Regarding the "auto," I swelled up with pride Relating the record of victims who died As I steered my course with the speed of an arrow

arrangement, ethics, psychology, Bible And just as I was stating my views on ping pong. I dreamt that I heard the breakfast-call gong-Which ended my dream, for lying in rhyme

> Uneasy the head that wears the hat Of Roosevelt. For in the South the negro fat Is in the fire, and where the Republican and Democrat, Inquire of Roosevelt. On point of "honah" they're standing pat,
> They swear the "coon" was ne'er begat
> From Tuskogee to Barnegat
> Can back the postal coup d'etat
> Of Roceans! Can back the postal coup d'etat
> Of Roosevelt.
> Perhaps if Roosevelt knew just what
> It is to "bell the (colored) cat"
> He'd speak his piece with less eclat.
> For despite the onus of legal fiat
> The South unites in stating flat;
> "A coon's a coon for a' that,"
> In Dixie far away.

-Robert Bielby

# NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON FUSION RESOLUTION

To the National Committe, Socialist believe the clause to be absolutely Party:

fusion resolutions adopted at St. Louis by Comrade Mills. last February:

of the Socialist movement of the country a discussion which left no doubt as to there is neither necessity nor excuse for the standing of the committee on resolusuch alliance.'

plication that with further development the circumstances. There was no equivexcuse may arise. I voted for the reso- member of the committee give reason to lution at St. Louis without noticing the believe that he was in favor of fusion. force of the above clause. I am confident that most of the other members did of the National Committee favors fusion the same. I therefore move that it be because he oted for the resolutions as struck out."

The vote of the National Committee resulted as follows:

Yes-Richardson, Colo.; Berlyn, Ill.; Work, Iowa; Mills, Kan.; Dobbs, Ky.; Christenson, Neb.; Claffin, N. H.; low, Ohio; Halbrooks, Okla.; Lovett, S. D.; Local Quorum, Untermann, Roe, -Total 17.

No-Mahoney, Ind.; Carey, Mass.; Hillquit, N. Y.; Barnes, Pa.; Boomer, Wash. -Total 5.

Not voting-LaKamp, Colo.; Healey, Fla.; Miller, Idaho; Raebel, Mich.; Fox, Mont. : Berger, Wis .- Total 6.

The motion was therefore adopted by a vote of 17 to 5.

Comments were made upon the motion as follows:

Dobbs, Ky. (voting yes.) "With my the clause cannot be taken as evidence that the framer of the resolution desired future. The resolution, as originally submitted, contained in the "Resolved" immediately following the "Whereas" quoted the word "hereafter." This fact conclusively demonstrates that the framer of the resolution had no intention of leaving the door open for fusion, as rade Hillquitt, of New York, should Labor Union Journal a communication fusion resolution, together with my protest against the effort of Comrade Mills in his notice in the paper referred to, to cialist party rather than encouraged. read into the clause under discussion the utterly unwarranted meaning he attaches to it."

Critchlow, Ohio, (voting yes.) "When voting for the resolutions at the last meeting of the National Committee I noticed this section, but did not place the same construction on it as I have since the point has been brought out for more thorough discussion. I am quite well convinced that others were like my self, and as the resolutions were not discussed at any length it is but natural that such an oversight should happen. I feel sure that had the framers of the resolution noticed it before presenting it, that it would not have been inserted."

Mahoney, Ind., (voting no.) "I saw and discussed the clause referred to and think it proper and necessary. It is true that it does carry that implication which is logical and consistent. It also carries the implication that there was a past state when it was necessary to fuse and this is the point it aimed to cover. We can only legislate for the present. We do not know what the future may develop. It is within the bounds of future possibility that the organized workers of cussion along fair and rational lines." this country would form a Socialist party that would eclipse us completely and force us to fuse or amalgamate, but that following reasons: is not within the present stage. But as we are not oracles it is best that we speak for our own time, and if we speak The Socialist parties in this country as with correctness we must admit that the well as in all other countries have at the Socialist movement has fused and this outset of their careers supported not clause simply states that we have passed only other labor parties but reform parthat state. Comrade Mills gives it a ties of the bourgeois class as well, and biased construction.

Care, Mass. "After some considera- choice, but as a matter of necessity. tion upon the motion made by Comra le Mills regarding the anti-fusion resolu tions adopted by the National Commit-

tee, I have decided to vote 'no.'

necessary, not because I believe there Comrades:-Herewith I submit report will ever be necessity or excuse for of the action taken by the National fusion, but as a protest against the Committee upon the motion proposed methods used in presenting the motion by Comrade Mills of Kansas to strike and against the construction placed upout the following clause from the anti- on the meaning or intent of this clause

"The anti-fusion resolutions were "At the present stage of development unanimously adopted at St. Louis after tions upon fusion. Comrade Mills was In presenting the motion Comrade present at the time and I cannot under-Mills said: "I mave to strike out the stand why he should plead ignorance as above because it carries with it the im- to the contents of the resolutions under of the Socialist movent the necessity or ocation upon the matter, neither did any To assume, therefore, that any member adopted is not only ridiculous but becomes almost malicious, when its effect is considered.

In this connection, I cannot help commenting upon the attempt being made Talbott, Minn.; Fox, Me.; Turner, Mo.; by certain comrades, Comrades Mills in particular, to fasten by implication, if Goebel, N. J.; Massey, N. D.; Critch- not directly, the stigma of "lusionists" upon those who acted as a minority at the recent National Committee meeting, because this minority opposed the removal of the old local quorum in an indecent and unfair manner, as well as the summary removal of the headquarters to Omaha before a referendum of the party was taken upon the question. An examination of the names of those who made up the minority will show them to be men who have been identified with the Socialist movement for years and not one of them can be charged with ever having attempted to compromise vote let the explanation be recorded that the Socialist party which they helped to organize, or to endanger its principles.

"These comrades have differed over to leave the way open for fusion in the internal party affairs in the past, differences unavoidable in the process of organizing a party like ours, but not until this year has their adherence and devotion to Socialist principles and the International movement been brought into question. I especially regret that Comcharged. I have sent to the American have been made a special object of attack. It is not clear to me why he setting forth the facts concerning the should be subjected to misrepresentation word "hereafter" in the original anti- and suspicion at this time unless it is that ability, fearlessness and faithful service are to be derided inside the So-

> "Comrade Mills' motion exaggerates a harmless statement out of all proportion with the situation. The Socialist movement has reached its present commanding position after many vicissitudes and through many dangers. It is not likely that those who helped to organize it and steer its course will try, either now or in the future, to wreck it upon the rocks of fusion or compromise, or deliver it over to a Hearst after saving it from a Bryan. "Nor is it likely that the new comrades who are now entering the party in every section of the country will consciously do aught that would undo the work that has already been done. Having confidence in the working class and faith in its power to emancipate itself, I welcome the accession to the Socialist party of the workers everywhere, regardless of section, no matter what may be said to the contrary.

> "You are at liberty to use this for publication if necessary and I would have said before what I say now had not the controversy over headquarters assumed a phase which precluded dis-

> Hillquitt, N. Y. "I am opposed to the motion and vote against it for the

> "The clause in question is an organic and necessary part of the resolution. that not as a matter of principle or

"The first declaration of modern Socialism was that it would not form a party of its own, but support the most progressive and radical political movewil vote in the negative, not because I ment in every country, as those who are Receipts for month.............

familiar with the Communist Manifesto May 1, balance ..... will remember.

"If a union labor party had arisen in this country at the time when Socialism was just in its infancy and had hardly any organization of its own, Socialists would very properly have supported that 1903, which was sent out by me on May party. It has supported similar parties when it was in that condition, and our resolution was not intended as a censure Thomas Mills, representing Kansas. of those past acts. We are opposed to fusion with the union labor party today because the Socialist party is strong enough to wage the political battles of the working class, and being strong enough, it is the most competent organization to do so.

"This phase of the question was fully gone into by the committee on resolutions at the last National Committee meeting, and the members adopted the resolution with this clause in it by a unanimous vote. It comes with ill grace at the present time for any committeeman to say that he had not understood what he was voting for at the time."

Barnes, Pa. "I wish to say I do not think at the present time or any future time there is or will be excuse for fusion on the part of the Socialist party, but I take Comrade Mills' proposition simply as a quibble incident to his attack on Comrade Hillquitt in the party press and I therefore vote "no."

Massey, N. D. "I vote yes, not because it is necessary, but it emphasizes our position on being now and forever opposed to fusion."

Talbott, Minn. "I cannot yet see the trength that this clause gives the antifusion resolutions, and believe that if left as a part of these resolutions it must necessarily be a breeder of discussion and a go-between link for fusing the Socialists with the capitalistic parties. I would rather see the Socialist party with all its uplifting principles buried beneath the fires of Mt. Vesuvius forever than to accede one inch in the way of fusion or compromise with the old line parties. Nor do I want to leave any loop-hole for them and their advocates to split the Socialist party in the future. Such tacics would eventually mean the death knell of Socialism. I heartily favor Comrade Mills' motion and hope the National Committee will deal with such a question with the despatch and decision it deserves."

> Fraternally submitted, WM. MAILLY.

# National Secretary's Report-

Month of May

RECEIVED

National dues, organized states -

California	
	37.85
Colorado	20.00
Connecticut	15.00
Piorida	20.70
Tables	30,00
Town	28.30
Kansus	24.50
Florida Illinois Indiana Iowa Kansus Kentucky	* 18.75
Maine	15.00
Michigan	10,00
	44.00 4.00
Missouri	25.00
Minnesota Missouri Montana Nebraska New York North Dakota Oregon Pennsylvania South Dakota	20,00
Nebraskat	8.25
New York	100.00
North Dakota	18.75
Oregon	14.45
Pennsylvania	25.00 5.00
South Dakota	4.60
Washington	41.70
National dues, locals in unorganized sta	
	10.10
Alabama	15.10
Arizona	21.80
Georgia	2 80
Indian Territory	1 10
Louisiana	6.10
Maryland	2.50
Louisiana Maryland Rhode Island Tennessee	1.90
Tennessee	7.20
Virginia	4 00
Virginia Washington, D. C	2 00
Wyoming	4.80
Members at Large	1.30
Total for dues	659.65
Supplies	20 78
Special organizing fund	307.85
Total for dues	
of national committee meeting	22.00
Donation to defray party debt incurred	
prior to Unity Convention at Indian-	
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The expenses of the national committeeman from Kansas for the 1903 meeting were \$22, and were donated by Comrade Mills to the national organization. Inasmuch as no account of this year's expenses and the donation had been received by me from Comrade Mills, when the report for 1903 was issued, and the cash book of former Secretary Greenbaum did not specify otherwise, I assumed that the \$31.75 entered as paid on Jan. 29, 1903, was for expenses incurred this year and I so reported it. This would not have occurred if the national committeeman from Kansas had filed the account of his expenses for 1903 in regular order. The account of his expenses was not received until May

This explanation has been delayed because of my absence in Massachusetts.

> WILLIAM MAILLY. National Secretary.

#### Railroads Against Treaty

Washington, June 20.-Reports received in Washington from Bogoto state that lobbyists representing the millionaire owners of the transcontinental railway system are on the ground with millions of dollars to spend to delay the ratification of the Panama canal treaty by Colombia.

It is said by some who pretend to know that the interests which have contributed to the fund to secure votes of Colombian legislators are Morgan, Rockefeller, Gould, Hill, Harriman and others controlling the Central Pacific, the Southern Pacific and Texas Pacific, and nearly every other railroad in the

The vast railroad interests are willing, it is said, to pay even more than the ten million dollars offered by the United States if the treaty is rejected.

The Colombian government has an emissary en route to Washington for a conference with the president, and it is learned that unless the United States offers more money than that agreed upon, the conference will come to naught. It is pointed out that the men who control the big cross country lines cannot afford to have the canal built because it will come near bankrupting some of them.

President Roosevelt is determined, PETER MEYER. President Roosevelt is determined, remarked a few days ago to a prominent republican senator that if Colombia did not come to terms on June 22 he would re-open negotiations with Nicaragua.

It can be seen that the fight is not go ing to be ended when the contest between the United States government and the greatest combination of private capital ever known closes with the defeat of the treaty in Colombia.-Dubuque Times.

Yes, and when after two years of hard work our government is ready to make a treaty with Nicaragua we will find that the same interests will defeat our government again.

We would advise Roosevelt to open negotiations with the republic of Switzerland for a canal through the Alps which would have a better chance, since it could not possibly interfere with the profits of our railroad corporations.

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# The Social Price Ethelbert Stewart in Chicago Socialist

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Most of our taxes go to pay the social price of commodities individually consumed long since by those who may or may not now be taxpayers. This was and old people's homes, or is it subsidies palpable when, under the poor laws of to the "cheap commodities and high England, the wages of laborers were deliberately reduced by manufacturers and farmers alike, so that general taxation "bargain-hunting" "lifts" only the somight be compelled to pay in poor-rates a part of the cost of production of all commodities. Social price is very apparent when congress pays the sugarproducers two cents a pound bounty out of the federal treasury, leaving the individual consumer to pay a first installment and take the goods. It is just as real though not so apparent when childlabor and old-age limits to employment throw upon society droves of morally and physically mal-developed adults, and still greater droves of practically blacklisted persons charged with the new crime of having gray hairs.

"Squeeze the lemon and throw away the skin," was said to be the motto of the railroad wreckers of the Erie school. When the famous engine 999 of the Emre State Express was made a switch-engine after six years of record-breaking service, the general surprise called out an interview with an American railroad manager. He said that while English and German roads coddled and repaired their engines, keeping them in service form schools, houses of rescue, penitensometimes for forty years, and as "switchers" for twenty more, the American plan is to "hammer the road life out of an engine in five or six years, use it as a switcher for five or six years, use it as a switcher for five or ten more, and then scrap-iron the whole engine at once. We believe it pays better."

At a recent milk-c'airymen's convention the policy of milking cows to death in the shortest possible time was discussed from a purely business point of view. It was claimed that by means of milk-producing foods the quantity could be trebled. To the objection that such milk-forcing shortened the life of the cow, it was replied: "It does not pay generations ago; but their blindness to look to long life for a milker. If the person rolls, growing out of their pet life energies of a cow represent one hununits of milk, and thes marketed in five years under high-pressure feeding, why should the cow be kept ten years? If the milking possibilities of a cow can be gotten out of her in three years, it does not pay to keep her five.

With lemon-peels and engines society need not concern itself, nor will we sentimentalize over the application of humane ideas to milch cows; but when the economic doctrine embodied in these three illustrations is applied to men, society has much to do with human engines sent to an early scrap-pile. The "age-limit to employment" is now practically universal, and ranges from twenty-five to thirty-five years. Most concerns prefer to employ youths of twenty years when taking on new help. "Old men cannot stand the pace," says the employer, but neglects to add that a pace in any industry which a man of forty is too old to stand is one that puts a large element of social price in the product. Where the "premium plan" of increasing the pace has been adopted, it too frequently, though happily not always, happens that workmen who do not earn premiums are discharged. In reducing the number of employes, those who do not earn | remiums or bonuses are always the first to go. A convention of bankers, ministers and university presidents is called for Chicago to discuss the opposition to piece work in the

work is the lemon-squeezer of most apand only price attaching to it, society proved pattern. It is believed to be the could strike a balance-sheet each night quickest way to "hammer the life out of a human engine and scrap-pile it all at

> Taking the ages of gangs of men employed at street-cleaning and park labor in various cities recently, it was found enough to obtain employment in private establishments. Most of these men would have to be supported out of the public funds directly if they were not employed by the public on public work. If half their wages represents charity disguised, it is in reality the social price of commodities produced by them years ago "at a pace old men cannot stand." After all, is it charity to the old men that we are giving in our streeet departments profits" mania with which we are fooling ourselves? The shoplifting which as cial price, proudly paying the "marked down" one, is, unconsciously perhaps, second cousin to the shoplifting which takes all. Public or private contracts let to the "lowest bidder" merely postpone to a future day to be paid as social price the difference between the lowest and the fairest bidder. Especially is it disastrous when articles of export are endowed with a large element of social price.

The glass bottle manufacturers appeared before the Illinois legislature in opposition to a child labor bill with the statement that "glass bottles cannot be manufactured and sold on the market without child labor." Possibly the social price of glass bottles exceeds the net price to consumers. Silk from silkmills "utilizing the labor" of children in the anthracite fields, and sold by child clerks in department stores where "cashgirls" run for change and bundles, may accumulate a social price on the way that might render boycotts moral. Retiaries are some of the large ways in which we pay the social price; night schools, social settlements, fresh-air funds, indicate some of the smaller ways. As intimated above, the circumlocation of the collection agency frequently obscures the origin of the debt. Half of our drunkenness, most of our social vice, much of the insanity, and all the general letting down of social status in mining and manufacturing centers will be charged to social price when the tangles in our bookkeeping are straightened out. The federal pension roll convinces even political economists that we are still paying for the war of economic fetich of competitive industry and commerce, is hopeless. If profit wait until these Kilkenny cats were gone that the capitalists may extend their commercial and the last echo of their expiring yells dominion abroad and enhance their supremacy a had died away. But what profit cannot unload upon price or price snatch away from profits, is both dumped upon society and forms the social price. Before the days of political economy the Hanits goods.

Old-age workingmen's pensions, a plan to which every commercial country. must come in some form, are, in any form, a subsidy to non-self-supporting industries and the commerce growing parties formed by the propertied classes. While we declare that the development of economic out of such. In countries where old-age pension laws have been boldly and openly passed as such, they serve to show in bold relief the element of social price attaching to our system. But we in America will probably keep on doing things by indirection, put our old men on street cleaning gangs, and growl at the cost of public work. It serves to disguise the real cause of the trouble, and as a Chinaman would say, it "saves

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Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by individual workers. Today, the machine, which is an improved and more developed tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. The ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them.

Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever-in-

and distribution is responsible for the ever-in-creasing uncertainty of the livelihood and poverty and misery of the working class, and divides so-ciety into two hostile classes—the capitalists and ciety into two hostile classes—the capitalists and wage workers. The once powerful middle class is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competition. The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives the capitalists the control of the government, the press, the pulpit and the schools and washles them to reduce the

The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social system; the and price could be net and actual in profit, wars are fomented between nations, indiscretion, society could afford to

But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to Socialism which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of abolish both the capitalist clave force in bringing wage workers. And the active force in bringing about this new and higher order of society is the working class. All other classes, despite their apparent or actual conflicts, are alike interested seatic League was obliged to include the ship of the instruments of wealth production cost of its navy in the selling price of The democratic republican, the bourgeois public ownership parties and all other parties which do not stand for the complete overthrow of the cap-italist system of production, are alike political

representatives of the capitalist class.

The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the collective powers of conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist system, we recognize that the time and manner of the transition to Socialism also depends upon the stage of development reached by the proletariat. We therefore, consider it of the utmost importance for the Socialist party to support all active efforts of the working class to better its condition and to elect Socialists to political offices in order to facilitate the attainment of this end in order to facilitate the attainment of this end

As such means we advocate The public ownership of all means of trans-portation and communication and all other public utilities, as well as of all industries controlled by monopolies, trusts and combines; so part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the taxes of the capitalistic class, but to be applied wholly to the increase of wages and shortening of the hours of labor of the employes, and to the improvement of the service, and diminishing the rates to the consumers.

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Local charters have been granted as follows: McCabe, Ariz.; Orange, Ga.; Phoenix, Ariz.; Macon, Ga.

National Organizer Wilkins reports having made forty-three speeches and organized fourteen new locals in Oregon from April 15 to May 31. The locals were organized at Drain, Cottage, Grove, Turner, Oregon City, Aunsville, Slayton, Detroit, Lebanon, Seio, Independence, Dallas, Sheridan, McMainville and Lafayette. Wilkins met with bitter opposition from the supporters of capitalism at many points, where advertising posters were torn down and seats stolen from the halls. He will soon enter Washington and also fill a few dates in British Columbia, by request of the comrades there.

National Organizer Ray's work in Georgia and Tennessee was considerably hampered by the floods and washouts. He visited Tullahoma, Manchester, Knoxville, Sweetwater and Chattanooga in Tennessee and Blue Ridge, Orange, Canton, Atlanta (2), Midland, Columbus, Macon and Augusta, Ga. He organized locals in Tullahoma, Knoxville, Sweetwater, Canton, Columbus and Macon.

National Organizer John W. Brown, who was selected to fill Comrade Dan A. White's dates in New Hampshire and that can well be followed by the Social-Vermont, reports successful meetings in ists of the United States. the former state where he closed on June 13. He spoke in Rochester, Milford, Nashua, Manchester, Concord (2), Franklin, Tilton, Claremont, Hinsdale, Keene and Portsmouth. New locals have resulted in Rochester Tilton and were organized. Brown began his Vermont trip on June 15. Comrade Dan A. the state committee.

National Lecturer John W. Slayton will close his tour for the present at Michigan City, Ind, on June 23, and will return to New Castle, Pa., where made.

The demand for the new party button has been so great that the first lot of 10,000 was exhausted in two weeks. A second shipment of the same quantity placed at work when it will be possible has been ordered.

The state referendum in Indiana resulted in the re-election of James Oneal as state secretary and the election of S. M. Reynolds as national committeeman and Matt Hollenbarger, alternate. Both the former comrades belong to Terre Haute, where the referendum also decided the state headquarters be located. Colorado has fifty-three locals,

A directory issued by the state secretary of North Dakota shows twenty-one locals in that state.

THE GERMAN ELECTION.

As was expected, the Socialists (or Felger. Social Democrats) of Germany made

Tuesday, June 16. On Wednesday the capitalist press of the world was compelled to announce the marvelous advance male by Socialism in the empire tributions have been made to the special where Kaiser William heretofore claimed ascendancy. The Socialists have had the opposition of all parties to contend with, but have gained nevertheless.

The press of Berlin confesses its astonishment at the victory of the Socialists and already great anxiety is manifested at the probable results of the second election which takes place on June 25, and at which 118 seats will be again contested. In Germany a majority elects, and failing this a second election is held. This gives the electors a second choice, and this invariably results in the Socialists' favor, although the opposition will undoubtedly combine to prevent further gains. 

A gain of over 400,000 Socialist votes, or a total of over \*2,500,000 in the em pire was conceded on Wednesday. In Berlin, a seat in the reichstag, (German parliament) and 63,000 votes were gained, and other seats captured in Dresden, Solingen, Pirna, Plauen, Sittau, Doebel, Altenburg, Dunstadt, Schwartzburg, Bielfeld, Beyreuth and

Fifty-three Socialists are elected to the reichstag with the second election to come. In the last parliament the total numbers of Socialists was only 58. In 1898 at the first election 32 Socialists were elected. It is computed that the Socialists may win 36 seats in the second election, which would make a total of 89 seats. The Socialists had 322 candidates in 394 districts.

The greatest surprise was the result in Essen, Krupp's town, where Emperor William recently denounced the Socialists, and blamed them for Krupp's suicide. There the Socialist vote was increased from 4,400 to 22,705.

In Berlin the Socialist working women went from house to house, getting out the dilatory voters in at least 80 districts. The Socialist vote in Berlin in 1867 was 67; this year it was 218,122.

On Wednesday morning the national secretary of the Socialist party sent the following cablegram to the German com-

"Congratulations from Socialist party of America upon splendid victory for International Socialism."

The election results in Germany are the direct outcome of organization, which enabled the Socialists to take advantage of the prevailing industrial conditions and the blunders and injustice of the administration. This is an example

# Ohio Notes

The State Headquarters force has been working overtime ever since the others, comrade. State convention and the work is just | Comrade A. K. Gifford is among those | A limited number of visiting delegates Keene with i crease of membership, getting arranged again into a systematic who will represent Davenport at the may be entertained at the homes of Des and prospects of new locals where none method. Plans are being laid for the fall campaign and literature bearing the State Ticket and Emblem in addition to White, Massachusetts, is also filling the regular propaganda material is bespecial dates in Maine upon request of ing prepared for distribution from the State Headquarters at Dayton.

The lecture tours for Caldwell and Kirkpatrick are highly successful, and excellent work has been done during the past week. Caldwell has held successhis presence is required. Requests for ful meetings this week at Conneaut, an eastern tour for Slayton are being Elyria, Akron and Wadsworth, while Kirkpatrick has been holding forth in the southern part of the State at Jacksonville, Corning, Newark and Mc-Mechen. Another man will shortly be to reach every part of the state thoroughly before election.

> Up in Canton, Ohio, there is a Socialist by the name of Chas. Felger who dwelleth at 323 Prospect Avenue. This in itself is not a distinction, but the point is this: He had made a beautiful National Socialist Party emblem which he transfers onto the backs of the comrades' watches "just for the love of the thing." The work is real art and those who are lucky enough to have a watch might have an emblem placed on it if they look pleasant enough—to Comrade

The street agitation has been started

Hynes, Martin and others will be heard may attend, but representation is thus at regular intervals on the corners from assured. now on. State Secretary Critchlow has, so far at least, had to forego the pleasure of acting on the "box" because of but more particularly since the beginning the official duties at the state office which requires attention day and night.

Jno. W. Martin, of Dayton, Ohio, has been selected by the local quorum to act as the state secretary's assistant at the in such a way as to obtain the best re-

Father Thos. J. Hagerty speaks in Omaha, Neb., Wednesday, June 24, under the auspices of the Socialist Propaganda Club, the regular party organization having refused to arrange a meeting

Over twenty-five enthusiastic letters have reached the state headquarters this week from unorganized towns in Ohio. All these letters breathe the same spirit, that of pushing the work for Socialism and extending the organization into new territory. The general situation seems to be greatly improving since last week and there is certainly increased activity along lines of agitation.

The daily papers in Ohio are filled with stories to the working people about the Socialist victories in Germany. Following this they are all crying out that the Socialists of Germany are not of the Marx-LaSalle type but are like the conservative democrats in this country. Ye Gods! If this be so why such alarm? The conservative democrats of this country have never given capitalism tem adopted, commencing with May. cause for alarm, yet capitalism is shaking at the very mention of Socialism today. Yea, comrades, verily do we say unto you that the comrades of Germany chances on going to Des Moines for fear and the comrades of America are alike and are part of the same organization of workers that is surely going to wrest from the capitalists, the powers of government. For this reason capitalism quakes and attempts the sand throwing racket to longer befuddle the eyes of cautioned to properly "tag" their deletimes. Hurrah for Socialism which is this isn't so death to capitalism.

W. G. CRITCHLOW.

Smoke "The Iowa Socialist" 5c cigar Best cigar in the city. Give it a trial.

#### Iowa Notes

Comrade W. H. Attlesea orders a bundle of No. 38.

The Iowa state convention will be held at the Yeoman Hall, 410 W. 8th street, Des Moines.

Comrade Chas. H. Alberts, secretary of the local at Lester, sends in a club of tion.

Comrade J. J. Jacobsen, of Des Moines, gets under the wire with another list of four names,

Des Moines comrades have secured The railroads offer the usual rate of fare published in The Iowa Socialist. and one-third for the round trip for the

Comrade N. Sokoloff, of Sioux City, orders a bunch of ten sub postals for state to this most important gathering. Father Hagerty's meeting in that city.

Comrade Henry Potter says Frederon the face of the earth. There are Fifth and Grand avenue, have been re-

Des Moines convention.

E. P. Dieter is secretary.

Comrade W. A. Jacobs will speak at July 8.

crowds and marked attention on the I am, street corners of Sioux City.

Comrade Wm. H. Luebbe, of Oelwein, orders a lot of sub postals.

Sigourney comrades are working for subscribers to our papers and magazines. Over 100 are now going there to about 17 per cent of the voters.

Comrade Florence Brown is a memthey will devote most of their time to the study of Socialism. A local will be the result.

Whenever they have a speaker at Sigourney some comrades get a brush, mix some whiting (10c) and water and placard the main sidewalks early in the to the addresses below. morning. A good plan and cheap.

Several comrades will attend the state convention from Sigourney.

MUSCATINE NOTES.

Local Muscatine expects to capture the state convention with one delegate, Comrade J. G. Kent having been elected to perform the feat. T. J. Grant was tremendous gains in the election held on in Dayton and Comrade Lewis, Gardner, named as alternate. Other comrades

In the matter of propaganda there has been "something doing" all the time, of the present year. At that, time a "literature committee" of five was named, whose duty it was to take up a collection at each meeting and invest the proceeds sults. The following is a summary of what has been accomplished:

550 four weeks subscriptions divided between The Iowa Socialist and Coming Nation.

40 four weeks subscriptions to Die Wahrheit.

160 Socialist Primers mailed to individual addresses.

250 copies of No. 470 of Coming Nation distributed.

The above all free to recipients. In addition for y pamphlets and books have been sold and a bundle of ten each of The Iowa Socialist and Coming Nation subscribed for for six months to be placed in the hands of a newsboy to be sold. The number of these will be increased and other papers added as fast as is warranted by results from this ex-

This does not include the unrecorded work of individual comrades. Can any Iowa local make a better showing?

The voluntary contribution plan has been discarded and the dues-paying sys-Exceedingly good results are already noticeable.

Comrade J. W. Zetler declined to take that his experience of last year might be repeated, when he stood on the depot platform at Davenport and watched his train pull out, but didn't know it until so informed about fifteen minutes later.

The Sioux City comrades should be workingmen. Read the signs of the gates this year. Ask Comrade Shank if

#### Local Notes

At the meeting of Dubuque Local last Thursday the proposition, "Resolved, That three hours work per day is sufficient to supply the world with the necessities and comforts of life" was debated by Comrades Emil Staheli, Chas. Holmberg and T. A. Masters, the latter taking the negative. Of course the affirmative

A considerable number of Dubuque Socialists will attend the state conven-

### State Convention

DES MOINES, Iowa, June 23, 1903. Dear Comrades: We desire to call your attention to the call for the state reduced rates at the Wellington Hotel convention to be held in Des Moines on for delegates to the state convention. July 4, issued by our state secretary, and The Des Moines branch wishes to ex-

tend an invitation to all and hopes to welcome all members of the party in the

The convention will be held at Yeoman Hall, 410 West Eighth street, and icksburg is the rottenest republican hole rates for rooms at the Wellington Hotel. duced to 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1.00.

Moines comrades, preference to be given Charter issued this week to Cresco. those coming from the greatest distance.

Again urging that a special effort be made to commence the campaign by a Grinnell on July 2 and at Newton on large representation at our state convention and that special meetings, if neces-Comrade Wilson is attracting good sary, be called to present this circular, Yours in Comradeship,

J. J. JACOBSEN. ecretary Branch No. 6.

FERTILE, MINN., June 19, '03. We have just concluded a series of most remarkable meetings here. Fertile is a small village in an agricultural region. We held three meetings, and although there was no organization the ber of the New Thought Club at Delta audience numbered fully 300 and last and has so aroused their interest that night we perfected an organization with twenty-five charter members.

CARL D. THOMPSON.

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#### Convention Call

DAVENPORT, IOWA, May 18, 1903. To the Socialists of Iowa, Greeting:

In compliance with the referendum vote taken, a call is hereby issued for a convention of the Socialist Party of lowa to be held in Des Moines, Iowa, on July 5, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for the office of

Governor of the State, Lieutenant Governor,

Judge of Supreme Court, Superintendent of Public Instruction. Railroad Commissioner,

And for the transaction of such other business as may be properly brought before the convention.

The basis of representation will be as

Each branch will be entitled to as many delegates as the members care to send. The delegates present from each branch shall have power to cast the entire vote to which their branch is en titled as per Section 15 of the Constitution of the Socialist Party of Iowa.

The following is a copy of Section 15 of the Constitution of the Socialist Party of Iowa:

Sec. 15. The state conventions of the party shall consist of one thousand delegates, except when automatically limited by the further provisions of this Section. The State Committee shall apportion these delegates among the branches in accordance with the number of their members in good standing, provided, however, that no branch shall be entitled to more delegates than it has members in good standing. ber of members in good standing in each branch shall be ascertained by striking an average of the number of members on which state dues shall have been paid during the months intervening since the preceding state convention, except that in case of branches organized after such preceding state convention the full term of their existence shall be the basis of calculation. The delegates present from each branch shall have power to cast the entire vote to which their branch is entitled under this Section. State Committee, Socialist Party of

W. A. JACOBS, Iowa. Secretary.

P. C. Murray, the lawyer in the office building, makes a specialty of drawing wills and settling estates.

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## BRANCH MEETINGS

Des Moines-Branch No. 6 meets first and third Sunday afternoons of each month at 3 o'clock in Marks' Hall, 518 Walnut St,

Dubuque—Branch meets every Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock at Socialist Headquarters, 6th and Main Sts.

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