

ANOTHER STEP TOWARD SOCIALISM

It grows and grows—no we the same. The feeble hand, the few...

The ballots have been cast. Capitalism has received another short lease of life. The campaign of the old parties is over.

The Socialist sees in each election the political expression of a definite economic period. We regard the simple voting booth as a temple of truth.

We Socialists are today the only element in society, who know whether humanity is moving, and who consciously assist the social development in the direction of this movement.

Our campaign, therefore, goes on unremittently. We know that our ship will need a strong crew when the brewing storm will burst over us.

We know that there are too many novices, who regard Socialism as a quick remedy, such as are advocated every day by numerous old party tinkers.

No doubt, these renegades thought they were making a step toward Socialism. If disappointment and remorse are steps toward Socialism, then they are right.

However, the number of class-conscious proletarians and of the sympathizers who have adopted the proletarian standpoint, is speedily growing.

In the sixties it was a movement devoid of class lines, in which the Northern industrialists and the Southern feudalists led their respective working classes by the halter of sectionalism and mock patriotism.

In the nineties the class line was distinctly visible. The populist movement was a proletarian revolt at the ballot box.

Today, the whole body class is writhing in class convulsions. Country and city alike are rent asunder by the ever more apparent class antagonism.

And there is still another difference between the old politics and the new. Formerly the campaign of the capitalists ended with the counting of the ballots.

This is a distinct acknowledgment that Socialism has become a recognized factor in American politics. From now on, our organized conscious effort to abolish capitalism, will be met by organized, conscious efforts of the capitalist class, to roll the wheels of progress backwards.

Whether the capitalists give us a fair field and no favors, or whether they rely for their success on the frank brutality of a Party, or the indecent insinuations of the Jesuits, or the asinine dictatorship of a Judge Jackson or Adams, the result will not be doubtful.

BLOSSOMS AND THORNS

The Chicago Record-Herald says that there are only 76 colored men who can vote under the provisions of the new constitution of the state of Alabama.

Two men were killed by captain bars while launching the steamer Denver of the Sacramento Transportation Company at Washington, Yolo county, Cal.

The dedication ceremonies of the Louisiana Purchase Centennial Exposition will take place on April 30th at May 1st.

If you want to know what knaves and thieves you are electing to public office, read what the democratic and republican candidates say about one another at election time.

The Concordia Kansan, after reading our article on "Kansas Under Socialism," went into violent convulsions. The thing that hurt the editor so much was our declaration that all debts would be abolished.

The new Chinese minister rode to Washington in a special train. The American voting kings who built the railroad and the special train walk the ties or steal a ride on a box car.

The Boston Herald of March 8, after once more reiterating its statement that it would prefer an autocratic government to the "tyranny" of Socialism, makes the following assertion:

"If it is said that great gains have been made by the Socialists in Germany, no other answer need be made but that these gains are due wholly to the fact that the German Emperor is not an absolute monarch, but is endeavoring to have Germany ruled under parliamentary forms of control, involving elections and the like, in which a free expression is granted to public opinion.

A young Japanese blacksmith, whose right hand was cut off by a steam hammer in the ship building yard of baron Shibusawa at Tokio, sent the mutilated member to the baron by express by way of a reminder to compensate him for the loss.

every corpse, mutilated body, and crushed member were brought into the drawing rooms of the capitalists who profit by the callous sacrifice of life and limb of the working class.

President Roosevelt traveled in the cab of a locomotive from Altoona to Seward, Pa. After finishing the trip, he shook hands with the engineer and the fireman, and actually declared that he really thought he should have shovelled coal, being a member of the Brotherhood of Firemen.

"A European monarch scarcely ever rode so well protected as President Roosevelt," reports the Chicago American of April 3. "Ahead of the presidential carriage rode a squad of mounted police to clear the way.

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The Glasgow Socialist Sunday School Union in order to encourage other branches of the party to establish such schools, the secretary of the union, Mr. Alfred Russell, 366 New City Road, Glasgow.

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one over another. And because this is so, the Socialist party is organized for the purpose of inaugurating a system in which we shall not be compelled to compete for material wealth, but in which we shall be free to compete with one another for excellence in our higher qualities.

William Allen White, in an article in the Saturday Evening Post of March 23, entitled "The Balance Sheet of the Session," praises the work of congress in establishing the department of labor and commerce as a step toward Socialism.

Foreign Notes

By AGNES WAKEFIELD, Boston, Mass. SWEDEN. City council elections were held in the first ward of Stockholm, March 13.

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News From the Warpath

Local charters were granted during the week to Rock Springs, Wyo., Tucson, Ariz., Patton, Ala., and Coats, Ark.

The Peoria Socialist is the name of a new Socialist paper edited by Comrade Samuel Block, on the first and third Thursday of each month.

The national secretary has initiated a referendum of the Alabama locals for a state convention to form a state organization. The convention will probably be held in May.

John C. Chase begins his tour of Texas on April 7, and will spend nearly the entire month in that state, going from there to the Indian Territory, thence into Oklahoma.

Territorial Secretary Sweat, of Oklahoma, is working hard to convince the membership of the value of the dues paying system, and while he says the work is harder than digging post-holes, he is confident that he will succeed.

John Collins, who did valuable work for the Socialist party in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania during the big strike of last year, is there again. Collins reports that the field is as fertile as ever, and that the work of last year shows permanent results.

Colorado state committee granted charters to six new locals on March 26, and the state secretary organized another at Sterling on March 29, with twenty-eight members.

Comrade Robert B. Ringler, of Reading, Pa., writes: "Things are moving here. We have 180 members in the local. Polled 1,149 votes in the municipal election; 349 in spring of 1902."

The fair gotten up by the Socialists and trades unions of New York City to help swell the fund for a daily paper, to be known as the Daily Globe, opened on March 28 with a tremendous crowd.

W. J. Bryan and Adlai Stevenson spoke at Des Moines, Iowa, on April 3, for the sake of booming W. R. Hearst for president.

Dayton comrades report that A. L. U. union has been organized there with over 600 members, and one of their first acts was to send \$50 to the Socialist campaign fund.

The Chicago Record-Herald and the Chicago Daily News have endorsed Comrade William J. Johnson as candidate for city council in the thirty-third ward of that city.

The killing of children by street cars is so common in Chicago, that nearly every issue of the daily press contains a report of one or more accidents of this kind.

Receipts for national dues during March were larger than any month since the party was organized at the Indianapolis convention in 1901.

Eugene V. Debs addressed a big meeting in Cincinnati on March 23, on behalf of the Socialist municipal ticket. He scored the reform ticket, headed by M. E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four railroad, who is famous for his utterances that \$1.12 a day is enough for any workman to live on.

It is precisely the condition that such a paltry wage produces that generates the misery, vice and crime that Mr. Ingalls so proudly proposes against and so patriotically protests against.

Don't You Think It Worth a Postal To Get Well?

When you write that postal, I will gladly send my help. I will mail you an order—good at any drug store—for six bottles of Dr. Shoop's Restorative. You may take it a month on trial.

I do that for every sick one who writes me, and I have for twelve years. I have found that the sick are honest, and I have proved that I can cure nearly all.

There are 39 chances in 40 that I can cure you, and I alone am the loser if I can't. Let me try.

I have spent a lifetime in learning how to strengthen weak inside nerves. Mr. restorative brings back that power which alone operates the vital organ.

Send the following question to the editor of your local paper and ask him to answer it: If there are no classes in this country, how is it that the eight-hour bill and the anti-injunction bill were defeated by congress in spite of the strenuous opposition of the labor lobby?

The American Socialist College. Prepare to fight the battles of Socialism. Trained men are needed. West Point makes officers for the army; Annapolis for the navy.

This College will teach general subjects to those who desire such instruction, but it will emphasize economics, politics, sociology, history, ethics and psychology, the things the Socialist worker most needs to know.

The Western College of Oratory is now in operation. The American Socialist College opens May 5 at Wichita, Kan. This institution will make history. Become a charter member.

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When answering, mention the Appeal.

Organization and Circulation Department.

Conducted by A. W. RICKER.

Collecting Money

The Comparison of Propaganda. The Socialists Must Adopt the Missionary or Expansion Method of Propaganda. A Few Words About Dues.

The proclivity for collection-taking, which soon becomes a part of a clergyman's life, has been both ridiculed and caricatured, in fact, has become a standing joke everywhere. I do not suppose that any preacher really enjoys this part of his work, but he is driven to it, not alone by the necessity to preserve his institution, but to preserve himself. You cannot divorce any kind of public work from money these days, and the preacher who can raise more money is more popular in his conference, or society, than he of great learning.

AS THE BREEZES BLOW ENROUTE TO DIXIE

J. Edward Morgan

Gosh all fish-hooks, ain't I sleepy! Every night, till half past ten. Agitate! preach! preach! Savin' souls 'o' workin' men! In the streets and opera houses. Filled by them 'frill dinner palis'!

Big meetings in Joplin, Mo., 7,000 miners unorganized, coming in body to Socialist movement. Comrade Ricker's work there is showing great results. Comrade Jas. A. Slanker, ex-judge, powerful speaker, agitating every night in streets to great crowds of miners.

Struck the streets of Rogers, Ark., at 2 p. m.; landed in police station at 2:05 p. m.—rapid transit. Arrested while shaking hands on sidewalk with citizens of Rogers—asked to "move on down the street," and Socialism objected. Result, killed the fool prejudice against Socialism; spoke four times, three hours each, in two days.

Spoke three times, three hours each, in twenty-four hours, at Springdale, Ark. Crowds very attentive, all eager for information. No hall; organized local by moon light out in the street; eleven charter members, and perhaps 100 more can be induced to join.

Very attentive crowd at court house at Fayetteville last night—Monday. Not one dissenting voice. There is a small local here. More joined last night. The wage slaves of Arkansas, small fruit growers and tenant farmers are anxious to learn the Socialist philosophy.

I go from here to Brentwood. All along the line I met with people who wish me to speak in other towns, and receive telephone messages from nearby towns, requesting me to visit them and lecture. Comrades, the harvest is white, the reapers are few. Let every Socialist learn to reap. Agitate, spread literature, and work to beat the land-voyager is not far ahead.

Will stir up the dead here for the next ten hours, and harangue them between trains at Brentwood, on way to Van Buren. Yes, Arkansas is rotten ripe for a change. More anon.

Social Hobgoblins

We read a story not long ago about some philanthropic minded Englishmen, who in a trip around the world, and having stopped at a semi-civilized quarter of Patagonia, observed the natives carrying heavy loads up the wharf on their heads. These Englishmen decided to send out from their native country a supply of wheelbarrows as a present, to relieve the burdens of the hard working savages.

The things that people might have they do not get, because they are afraid. From Europe to America is but a week's voyage now, but the time was a mysterious and terrible ocean lay to the west of the old world.

All of the medical skill in the world is powerless to cure certain diseases unless the patient is put upon pure, scientific food. Then the disease seems to cure itself in many cases, proving that nature was demanding proper food to build a healthy body from.

On the Skirmish Line.

We are waiting, we are watching. For the arrival of the day when we will call the New Millennium. When wage slavery rolls away.

Fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, Rouse yourselves, ere it is too late! In the distance hear the rumbling—Freedom's knocking at your gate.

For election day is coming. And this vote may be their last. With opportunity all past.

Comrade Trammel, of Los Angeles, Cal., has organized a local with nineteen members.

Comrade North Jackson, Ind., has organized a local with five members.

Prof. J. L. Fitts, assisted by Rev. T. J. Deane, is organizing in Missouri.

Comrade Hayford, of Diamond, Ark., has organized a local with ten members.

New Orleans Socialists are enthusiastic over the pledge and send \$5 to square the deal.

Comrade Morton, of Conneaut, Ohio, says he wants the Appeal for a year, and that it is the best Socialist paper published today.

Comrade Hunt, who lives in Texas, says: "Just distributed 100 Railroad Edition. Did not have near enough."

Local Elgin, Ill., has secured the services of Dr. Knopfnagel, of Chicago, to hold a two weeks' series of meetings, beginning April 7, and closing April 21.

Comrade W. B. Cole, Geriag, Neb., says: "We organized here last night, with fourteen members, and more coming. Will send order for books soon."

Comrade Mason, of Wynne, Ark., hands up \$5, and says: "I am doing my part for the cause. I am going to make the subscription business hot."

Comrade in British Columbia, says: "When we see our offspring the Appeal will be a good thing."

Editor Appeal to Reason. The comrades will send you a word or two regard to our state work. Comrade Carl D. Thompson will be with us for about six more weeks.

die, and the amusing part of it is that he lives among the farmers in rustic Iowa. Oh, no, these farmers are not ready for Socialism. I don't think.

Comrade Wm. Morris, of Canal Dover, Ohio, sends these encouraging words: "I have tried a whole lot of papers in my time, but the Appeal beats all the rest put together. I have made up my mind that I cannot and will not do without it as long as it is printed."

Comrade Allan, of Oneida, N. Y., writes the Appeal an interesting letter. He says he has received the polite invitation to pay fifty cents and join the National Economic League, but my fifty cents will go for Socialist literature and the big red flag.

"We Socialists," says E. W. O'Brien, of Neck, Mo., "have organized a warm little local here. It began with ten members, and met in a private house until this week. We will move into more convenient quarters. The organization has grown to fifteen members, with prospects of a steady increase."

A local has been organized in Comrade C. McDuffee's town, Pa., in which seven members are enrolled, representing three nationalities. They expect soon, however, to have a good increase in membership.

The Socialists of some of the leading cities of Maine began some time back to circulate petitions, praying the legislature to enact a law permitting municipalities to establish fuel yards.

Comrade Parker, of Sabetha, Kan., writes as follows: "Just a few wage slaves (compared to the great number) are now in the hands of the slaveholders."

WEST VIRGINIA TALKS. Editor Appeal to Reason. March 30, 1903. Comrades—Enclosed find money order for \$7.50, the contribution of a few of the Socialists of this state.

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A BOOMERANG. Ash Grove, Mo., April 1, 1903. Editor Appeal to Reason. I have just received your issue of the 17th inst.

"My last physician advised a sanitarium but my husband who had been reading one of your articles, said: 'Not until we have tried the boasted virtues of Grape-Nuts.'"

to Reason, must have so and so, that settles it, and here's the price of seven cards, which you sent me. Hlt 'em again, hard this time." "I have voted the prohibition ticket for twenty years straight," comes from Hannibal, Mo., "but they are the long-suffering me, and I am now yours for Socialism and victory in our time."

Engels, forty years ago, and an interest proved today, after the industry evolved to the period of the steam and the machine, two labor saving agencies.

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