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No man is great enough or rich enough to get this paper on credit or for a longer time than paid for. It is published as an advocate of International Socialism, the movement which favors the ownership of the earth by ALL the people—not by a PART of the people.

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See the figures steadily climbing! That's a record for the middle of August that I doubt will be equaled by any weekly periodical in the world. It shows what can be done when everyone helps—it's an example of co-operative propaganda work that is bound to count in the present political campaign.

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This fall promises to be the pivotal turning point in the history of Socialism in the United States, and I cannot urge too strongly on every member of the APPEAL Army the importance of working NOW! And to facilitate your work, I am enclosing in this paper one of those far-famed Madgenized sub-blanks, on which the APPEAL Army worker is ordered by the Third Assistant to write only one name! But the APPEAL gang always finds a way to beat this little game of Madgen's! And I have seen these one-line blanks come to the office with as many as thirty-two names written in them—all of them, mind you, prospective Socialist voters!

I can't instruct you to write more than one name on these blanks, and if you do it the responsibility rests entirely on your shoulders! See?

But what the APPEAL wants is subscribers, and I am, therefore, going to ask that you take this festive sub-blank and go out this bright September morning and corral at least ten new ones!

Attend the Labor Day picnic and nab 'em by the dozen. It's easy! We can boost the thermometer to 250,000, and not half try. How many subscriptions can you take on Labor Day this year?

Nature and Socialism.

Socialism is an impossibility because it is a violation of the law of nature. It is nature's law that nothing can remain still. Every atom in the universe must keep moving with a perpetual motion and all the forces of nature have ever been made since the world began—all the progress has been the result of competition.

It is the aim of Socialism to eliminate competition, so that follows as the night follows the day that Socialism means stagnation. If it were possible to stop the motion of the natural system; but indifference and mediocrity would appear, then we'd stand still every day, down, down, down we'd go until we were as low as the mud. It would be easier than the rise has been, but before we knew it we would be lower than our own noses.

But we'll never go backward, simply because we can't. We can't back up against the laws of nature. When men fight, Socialism on a large scale must fall as Zoro and Sparta failed.

A man has no ambition, what good is his? Ambition is simply the desire to compete with others and excel them, and when we eliminate competition we'll have to put our necks back before the word ambition in our Webster.

A Socialist is a man who is too lazy mentally or physically to fight for his share of things, and who would rather let us to divide up. Podophyllin or calomel helps some.

The Socialists tell us their system will make us perfect animals, and until we are perfect, let us look at the animals themselves. They certainly know how to take care of themselves, but it seems that every last one of them is an anarchist—without the possible exception of the angle worm.

If nature were socialistic we'd still be hanging on the hillsides (O.) News. You have read the fable of the ass that assumed the skin of the lion—but was still an ass. There are those who assume the role of the philosopher—but they remain the plain ignoramus just the same.

The first phrase of the foregoing editorial is an absurdity. No one can violate the laws of nature; if a man dams up water to prevent it going down the hill, it is the law of nature that it remains behind the dam; if its pressure grows too great and it breaks the dam, nature's law is not violated when it runs down the hill. But water never runs up hills—that would be a violation of the laws of nature. When men become angry and fight, they simply carry out the laws of nature; when they learn peace and love, they are simply obeying the same law in refusing to fight. Everything that is today is the only thing that can be because of things of yesterday.

If Socialism is impossible, what's the use of wasting words upon it? The writer evidently doesn't believe it is impossible, else he would have said that amounts of space to some quack doctor. That Socialism is here today is according to natural law. The economic conditions of yesterday have produced the Socialist agitation of today. It is just as logical as any other conception of the human mind. If we can't go backward because we can't, then we are going toward Socialism because we can't help it. "Men must fight!" Now, isn't that a grand conception of human life? It is true that a grand conception of human life with Mother Nature to get a living, but there is no need of us fighting each other to get a living. When men fight each other instead of helping each other they have to do a great deal more work for the same results of whatever kind. Now it is true that progress has come because of men fighting each other.

A Nursery Talk.

You send your child to school because you feel there is much for it to learn, and that to learn requires that the mind shall dwell much upon the subject. You know that much contact with the subject is necessary to acquire an understanding. But there is one thing more important than that you do not know—that is, that YOU are still a child in every thought that you have not studied carefully, and that there are many things you know nothing about that are as important to you in your daily life as are reading and writing to your child. In other words, you do not know that men are taking advantage of you every minute of your life because you are too ignorant of common facts to protect yourself, which a knowledge of these facts would enable you to do. You have had a few sentences put into your mind by others, therefore you believe you know something about the subjects. Politics is one of these subjects. You feel as competent to render judgment upon any of the great world questions, without any study, as are the greatest of thinkers. Because some of the alleged great thinkers have spoken these sentences to you, you feel you are sure of your conclusion. But such alleged great minds had an object in view in having you believe these things; and those who opposed them also wanted the offices or patronage. They play battle-axe and shuttle-cock with your vote. YOU must know by your own earnest investigation. Another may know a thing and tell you, but YOU don't know it unless you gain the knowledge by your own study of the questions. You are just like the chap who wanted to know how much interest a fellow owed him, but had to go to some one versed in mathematics to get the calculation made. He had to accept the statement, but he did not know and could not know whether it was correct. That is just your position in politics. Now, we Socialists are not asking you to take our word for things. It is true we make statements, but we always try to reach your understanding—we want you to study the mathematics of politics for yourself, so you will KNOW. The other parties want you to vote "er straight—and they will do the calculating. Now think this over, and ask yourself if it is not the way the matter stands. I would not give a cent for your vote for Socialism. It wouldn't do any good. But much good would come of your knowing what Socialism really IS. Read a book on the subject and you will be convinced.

As for the Socialists being lazy mentally and physically, the great complaint we hear from the capitalists is that they are eternally talking and agitating—just the opposite of being lazy either way. In fact, if their activity had not been forced on the attention of this editor he would not have thought of them at all. So the facts of his own acts show that it is a misstatement. We Socialists are anything but lazy mentally, whatever may be said of us physically; but surely to go about from place to place, standing on corners talking and being knocked off and egged and otherwise mistreated, evidences anything but an inclination toward physical inactivity. Nor are all Socialists beggars. I probably am better fixed for cash than is the Chillicothe man, and probably have more property. And I gathered it in the hustle of this capitalistic hell, too. Those who have run up against me have reason to know they met a fellow who was not lazy mentally or physically. There are many rich men who are Socialists, but there are also many poor men who are Socialists. No one is a Socialist who has been too lazy mentally to read up on the science. Only those ignorant of social science are opposed to Socialism.

Finally, Socialism is here because it is here, and it grows because it must grow—according to the natural law that controls the universe. It springs up now instead of a century ago because the economic conditions now produce it. It will continue to grow until the reasons for its existence disappear. If justice prevailed you would never hear of Socialism or anarchism or a hundred other isms. We would not only be growing into perfect animals (which we are not), but we would be growing delightfully into perfect mental beings, instead of the distorted things we are. Now, if we are perfect, but we ought all to be growing toward perfection. It is impossible to find fault with perfection. The increasing criminal annals of the day are ample proof that this is true. And to remedy this comes Socialism, the aspiration of the wisest minds in every country.

We have too many portoplasmic minds editing newspapers.

And you really think the rate bill was intended to protect the public from discrimination and extortion by railroads? That is because you have given the subject no attention. For twenty years it has been shown that the railroads charge the government eight times as much for hauling the mails as it charges for hauling the same tonnage of express. If congress wanted to stop robbery, why did it not cut these charges years ago? Because the congressmen are largely railroad attorneys, they were elected because they were such, and their election expenses are largely paid by the railroads, and they have never failed to serve the railroads. No bill has ever been presented, so far as I can remember, to have these extortionate charges reduced. Congressmen who carry passes confess that they are hirings of the railroads. They are shameless boodlers. Railroad attorneys, men carrying passes, framed the rate law to deceive the people and make them believe that something in their interest is being done. When Socialists get into congress there will be something doing worth while—not before. So long as the corporation press can prejudice the public, so it will not read Socialist books, so long will corporations rule.

MAYBE those people who made an unsuccessful attempt to poison General Treadwell will know enough next time to use Chicago canned meat.

"We tender our grateful thanks and appreciation for the able and courageous services of the Appeal to Reason."—Resolution by Mass Convention of the Socialists of the City and County of Boulder, Colo.

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Following is an illuminating passage from the commission's report:

Too much praise cannot be accorded to Attorney General Moody in carrying this case through to a successful termination, and that, too, after the grossest criticism and the most vituperative attacks of the administration to undertake the prosecution of Paul Morton, then secretary of the Santa Fe, and formerly head of the traffic department of the Santa Fe system. The case was investigated by Mr. Harmon and Mr. Johnson, who had been employed by the government to make a preliminary investigation, and who, with foreknowledge of the legal difficulties involved in the case, had at once proceeded to prosecute Mr. Morton. There was a technical violation of the law involved in the transaction, as has already been pointed out, but there was no criminal intent on the part of Mr. Morton and the other officials involved has always been denied and the true purpose of the transaction was to support that view.

So, as the innocent-minded Mr. Morton's purpose was of the purest, criminal proceedings will not be pushed against the former secretary of the navy—and the president's personal friend.

The report calls attention to the fact that with the imposition of a \$15,000 fine on the railroad—heaven! what a heavy punishment for illegal operations involving only a few millions—the history of the famous Santa Fe rebate case is practically closed!

No wonder the president is so popular. It pays to be his friend.

Classifying Bonaparte.

Secretary Bonaparte, aristocratic descendant of a family of Corsican bandits and wife deserters, whose own grandmother was abandoned by the King of Westphalia, is seriously disturbed in what he is pleased to call his mind, by the rapidly increasing proportions of the Socialist movement. This gentleman is perfectly qualified to discuss Socialism from the non-Socialist viewpoint, inasmuch as he knows nothing whatever about it. The vast extent of his valuable misinformation may be estimated by the fact that he confuses Socialism with anarchism and fuses into identity these two extremes of social philosophy. However, his information is quite sufficient to qualify him as spokesman for the republican party, and is fully in proportion to his general intelligence.

The honorable secretary has a remedy for anarchism. It consists of the simple expedient of killing the anarchist. As he considers anarchism and Socialism synonymous, of course he must mean that he favors also the killing of Socialists because of their political heterodoxy. For this he has an illustrious precedent in the declaration of the humane and reformed Senator Tillman, who said of the Socialists, "We'll just have to shoot them like niggers."

Such ignorance in a day that affords every opportunity for acquiring information, seems a crime; and it certainly is criminal to place in high office the victims of such blightedness.

The editor of the Pueblo Chieftain, a republican newspaper of large circulation, sizes up the secretary pretty accurately in this wise: "If Secretary Bonaparte is not a Socialist, he is an individualist. If he is an individualist and none Socialist, he is an anarchist. If he is none individualist he is all Socialist. And if he is neither Socialist nor individualist, he is nothing."

That's it! That last word describes Mr. Bonaparte to a nicety.

The Better Way.

It is a good deal better to have your children poisoned with candy and canned corn than to have wholesome food made by the public for the public, isn't it?

It is infinitely better to have your cigars made by syphilitic hands in mephitic quarters than to have the public produce its own cigars for its own consumption, under the best possible sanitary conditions and inspection, isn't it?

It is better, O! so much better, to have your food produced in a manner that offers big profits for adulteration by private producers, than to have it produced by all the people under conditions that would not permit of profit from the substitution of cheaper or bad substances!

The people can't trust themselves to do anything for themselves, but they can trust the good, honorable, patriotic capitalists to do everything for them! You really don't know how stupid and foolish you are.

OFFICES, from president down, are bought and sold in America today just as they were in early Rome. The nation is following in the footsteps of its illustrious predecessor, and accepts as changed economic conditions permit. Violation of the eternal laws of justice never yet went unwhipped of vengeance.

The Church Militant.

It is a fact that cannot be ignored that the church, in its general view of things, champions militarism and opposes Socialism. Capitalism and the organized church go hand in hand, and their interests are interdependent, each serving the other. They are twin beneficiaries of a system of which militarism is the prop. The church founded on the teachings of the Divine Proletariat has no room for the modern proletariat. It has been subsidized by the "system."

Evidence of this is found in the words of Bishop Fallows, in a sermon before the Second Regiment, I. N. G., at Indianapolis, when he said:

"We must never be unprepared for the unexpected. Therefore we must have a vast host of men in training. No reliance of any individual or corporate employer to have the members of the militia guard force should be witnessed. They are productive citizen-soldiers."

The "unexpected" is hardly what the good bishop meant in advising us not to be "unprepared." It is the "expected" the expected strike of the workers—for which we "must" have a vast host of men in training. There can be no other reason, for even the basest of a slavagist dreamer would never predict a military invasion of this country in this day.

And this prelate, who prates simultaneously of the Prince of Peace and of the glory and honor of war, need not be distressed because of any reluctance of the "corporate employer" to have employees serve as members of the militia to shoot down other employees who are not members. The "corporate employer" never yet has objected to such service.

It is an admirable arrangement this, and a considerable improvement on the ancient form of feudalism, to arm and drill a part of the workers to shoot down the others, in order that all may be kept in a state of properly respectful and profitable submission.

"They are productive citizen-soldiers." Formerly feudalism was more crude. A certain number of retainers bore arms continuously and were non-producers. They were supported in idleness by other retainers who labored in the fields. Now the soldiery is not only made self-supporting, but is made also to yield revenue to the lords.

Feudalism, it is seen, has kept step with the march of progress.

The Enlightened Public.

The owners of the railway to Coney Island, N. Y., were enjoined by the highest court from collecting double fares. But they disregarded the order and hired thugs to beat such passengers as refused to submit to the illegal extortion. One day recently these thugs killed Fannie Rodovsky and threw three other women into the bay, and beat up a lot of men. The New York papers are full of the affair, which has been going on for days.

The owners of the road, when arrested, laughed and directed the thugs to continue to assault every person refusing to pay the extra fare. But this should not surprise any sensible person. These things have been going on ever since men hold the strategic points in the highways and compelled travelers to give up part or all of their possessions for the right to travel over the earth. The people really like this kind of thing. They may say they don't, but they do, for they vote for the private ownership of transportation and other industries, and their votes speak louder than words. If the public owned and operated its transit lines, is any one silly enough to suppose that such things would occur? The capitalists know the people are "easy," and that they can extort from them and still extort. This holdup on the fare is not worse than the holdup on the price of goods that people have to buy. It is all the same. The people would rather be "bugged" the way the industries that they use and to have their use of them at the labor cost. The more people the corporations slug in their efforts to collect tribute, the better. Perhaps after awhile the people will be forced to think on the subject—and then there will be a change. The people would elect to any public office the very men who hire these thugs to beat them—if such men were on their party tickets. Stupid! No, the people are very wise!

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Stampede to Socialism.

Labor unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor have shown a surprising alacrity in following the advice of President Gompers to enter politics in order to enforce their demands and secure their rights.

The first union to respond was that of Gompers' own staff, the cigar makers. Next came the brewers, and then the bricklayers. The word of some craft that has joined the stampede to the Socialist party. For, be it known, this is the political party that is receiving the endorsement of organized labor.

On this subject the Morning Tribune, one of the leading dailies of Providence, R. I., in an introduction to an extended article, makes the following significant statement:

"It is becoming evident that the labor unions are turning to the Socialist party. Following the advice of Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, to ally themselves with the political party which seemed to promise most for their welfare, the cigar makers' union gave official endorsement to the Socialists. At a meeting Sunday of the Brewery Workers' Union, No. 114, one of the strong bodies in membership, similar action was taken. It was stated in the Tribune some days ago that the indications were that this movement would benefit the Socialists more than any other political party."

Continuing, the Tribune says that "all the politicians are interested to see what effect the expected big increase in the Socialist vote will have."

The Providence brewery workers, in their resolutions, declared that "the democratic and republican parties are both capitalist parties, both uphold the republican form of government, allowing the people to vote for individuals only, placing the power in their hands to betray the workers into slavery to the profit-making class."

The Cigar Makers' Union of Denver has not only declared for Socialism, but has endorsed Haywood personally.

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However, the state campaign committee is working under a serious handicap—a lack of funds. In the letter that has been quoted, Comrade Buie says:

"We ask you to appeal to the Socialists of America to assist us financially in this the most critical period in the working class movement of modern times. We are entering into the most important political struggle ever waged on American soil, with practically nothing but 50,000 APPEALS each week and 10,000 copies of a campaign pamphlet furnished by the Western Federation of Miners. We want the APPEALS to continue to come, but we want and must have funds to enable us to make a practical political campaign, and by so doing reap the results of the sentiment that has been made in the last few months. We believe you can and will help us in this fight. Write an appeal that will move the workers of America, not to tears, but to action. It is not sympathy that we need, but dollars. In nominating Haywood we did only our duty as a party that represents the interests of the working class. And he, in accepting the nomination, did only what was his duty as a true representative of that class. And now it is the duty of the working class of America to furnish us with the means of war. Money! Money! Money! for the speakers and campaign workers. This is their fight, as well as ours. The powers of capitalism are centered upon Colorado, and if this fight can be won (and it can) the working class movement of the world will spring ahead by leaps and bounds. We have turned to the APPEAL in this hour of need, knowing that you are equal to the occasion and that the comrades of America are not asleep to their interests."

This appeal should meet with a ready and a generous response. It is impossible to overestimate the importance of this campaign in Colorado. Issues more momentous than those of life and death depend upon the outcome. It is a supreme occasion, offering opportunity for a supreme victory, and it calls for a supreme effort. Do you want to see Haywood elected governor of Colorado? How much do you care for that consummation? Let your desire be expressed in dollars. Cash is the most convincing token of your interest and sincerity. Sympathy is very sweet, but money is most substantial.

Contributions for the Colorado state campaign committee should be sent to Thomas L. Buie, Room 22, Good Block, Denver. Contributions for the purpose of sending 50,000 APPEALS each week to Colorado should be mailed direct to the APPEAL TO REASON, Girard, Kansas.

Every member of the Western Federation of Miners should appoint himself a committee of one to see that Haywood is elected. The thing can certainly be done if every member will but do his individual duty. Let each give to the limit of his substance and his time. Let there be no indifference and no idling. The time now is short and much work is to be done. Let every energy be concentrated in one tremendous effort, and victory is inevitable.

It will require much money for propaganda purposes to carry Colorado for Socialism, but not nearly so much as to conduct a single strike. And once Haywood is elected governor strikes will be ended in that state—for the plutocrats no longer dare to provoke a strike without the powers of government behind them.

The miners of Colorado have passed through a nightmare of misery, and the clouds still cover them. Relief is a hand if they will only reach out for it. Are they unwilling to make the effort? Will they spare anything whatsoever that will insure the triumph of their courageous comrades and gallant leader—that martyr, man, William D. Haywood? The opportunity is theirs; if they fail to grasp it to the fullest, then theirs will be the blame.

Give generously. By contributing to the Socialist campaign fund in Colorado you contribute to your own salvation. By electing Haywood governor, the enslaved proletariat of Colorado will approximate freedom with a mighty bound.

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"We ask you to appeal to the Socialists of America to assist us financially in this the most critical period in the working class movement of modern times. We are entering into the most important political struggle ever waged on American soil, with practically nothing but 50,000 APPEALS each week and 10,000 copies of a campaign pamphlet furnished by the Western Federation of Miners. We want the APPEALS to continue to come, but we want and must have funds to enable us to make a practical political campaign, and by so doing reap the results of the sentiment that has been made in the last few months. We believe you can and will help us in this fight. Write an appeal that will move the workers of America, not to tears, but to action. It is not sympathy that we need, but dollars. In nominating Haywood we did only our duty as a party that represents the interests of the working class. And he, in accepting the nomination, did only what was his duty as a true representative of that class. And now it is the duty of the working class of America to furnish us with the means of war. Money! Money! Money! for the speakers and campaign workers. This is their fight, as well as ours. The powers of capitalism are centered upon Colorado, and if this fight can be won (and it can) the working class movement of the world will spring ahead by leaps and bounds. We have turned to the APPEAL in this hour of need, knowing that you are equal to the occasion and that the comrades of America are not asleep to their interests."

This appeal should meet with a ready and a generous response. It is impossible to overestimate the importance of this campaign in Colorado. Issues more momentous than those of life and death depend upon the outcome. It is a supreme occasion, offering opportunity for a supreme victory, and it calls for a supreme effort. Do you want to see Haywood elected governor of Colorado? How much do you care for that consummation? Let your desire be expressed in dollars. Cash is the most convincing token of your interest and sincerity. Sympathy is very sweet, but money is most substantial.

Contributions for the Colorado state campaign committee should be sent to Thomas L. Buie, Room 22, Good Block, Denver. Contributions for the purpose of sending 50,000 APPEALS each week to Colorado should be mailed direct to the APPEAL TO REASON, Girard, Kansas.

Every member of the Western Federation of Miners should appoint himself a committee of one to see that Haywood is elected. The thing can certainly be done if every member will but do his individual duty. Let each give to the limit of his substance and his time. Let there be no indifference and no idling. The time now is short and much work is to be done. Let every energy be concentrated in one tremendous effort, and victory is inevitable.

It will require much money for propaganda purposes to carry Colorado for Socialism, but not nearly so much as to conduct a single strike. And once Haywood is elected governor strikes will be ended in that state—for the plutocrats no longer dare to provoke a strike without the powers of government behind them.

The miners of Colorado have passed through a nightmare of misery, and

The Question Box.

"Will collective ownership of the means of production be secured in part or in full through the taxing power of the state?"

This is a question that can be answered only when the people decide to put collective ownership into effect.

WAR ON LIQUOR AND TOBACCO.

The Kansas Anti-Liquor Society has adopted a new plan to fight the liquor traffic.

RAILROAD TIME BOOK

MEMO OF THE APPEAL

Advertisement for Finck's "Detroit Special" Overalls, featuring an illustration of a man in overalls and promotional text.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Wanted - A number of socialists to join in the publication of a daily socialist newspaper.

REAL ESTATE

WE WILL SELL YOUR PROPERTY, no matter what it is or where located.

FINANCIAL

LET US INVEST YOUR MONEY TO EMPLOY OUR OWNERSHIP OF A DAILY SOCIALIST NEWSPAPER.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

FINNICK MAKES THE DOLLARS. Would like to see from parties who have \$100 or more to invest in Ohio Operated Machines.

MUSIC

SONG-BOOKS and music published on royalty. We write music for all instruments.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

"THE RAILROAD QUESTION" by G. G. Larrabee. Half price. A \$1.50 standard work.

SOMETHING FOR STUDY

"Higher Lessons in Socialization" by author of "The Socialist Program".

THE INTRODUCTION TO SOCIALISM

THE FOUNDATION OF "GOOD" WAS IT GOOD? Read on Socialism - four books 100 pages.

SOCIALIST BOOKS

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MISCELLANEOUS

LEARN TO MAKE - Instructions from International Brotherhood of Magicians.

CAMPING AND GOLF

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MILL SLAVE SPEAKS FOR LA MANCHE

GRACE MILLS, ANDERSON, S. C., Aug. 22. To the Captives of South Carolina:

You are aware that our good friend and comrade, George W. La Manche, has been arrested and held in the stocks for the purpose of collecting subscriptions for the Appeal to Reason.

This is an exact statement of the situation. For the only offense of Comrade La Manche was that of carrying to the despotic mill-slaves of South Carolina the splendid message of Socialism.

The Appeal to Reason has circulated in South Carolina long enough and largely to the profit of the mill-slaves.

"I have a hundred acres of land, from which I get my only income. Will the Socialists take my land from me?"

You do not wish to have your land taken from you because, under the present system, you would lose your income.

The land is necessary to man's subsistence, and whoever is willing to work should have the opportunity to apply his labor to the land.

Would it not be better, since there is plenty of land for all, to give every worker the opportunity to use what land he can farm to advantage?

Your neighbor Jones, like every other human being, should have access to enough land to which he may apply his labor and get a living by his own work.

You should read a standard book on Socialism, like Spargo's "Socialism" or Vall's "Principles of Scientific Socialism."

CENTRAL STATES PARTY NEWS

W. E. McDermott, of Chicago, superintendent of public instruction, has today won the prize of Evanston university trustees.

National Organizer George H. Goebel held successful meetings last week in Racine and Kenosha, Wis.

The third annual Socialist encampment at Grand Saline, Tex., closed on Saturday with a grand success.

There are fifty-five constitutional districts in the Indian territory, and the Indians are that each district will have a Socialist ticket.

On August 23d, at Henderson, Ky., Robert Hill was made candidate for congress from the Second congressional district.

It will be unnecessary for the comrades in Detroit, Mich., to vote at the primary on the 11th of this month.

Politics is getting warm in Minnesota. Several counties are going to put up a full ticket for the Public Ownership party.

The conspirator, Governor Gooding, of Idaho, has over-reached himself in boasting the republican convention which re-nominated him.

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SOCIETY DOINGS

Col. Dick Edwards, a New York millionaire, will by the decision of a Tennessee court, pay \$21,000 to Miss Lola Walker.

Charles E. Fumston, nephew of Gen. F. V. Coville, has been arrested for selling carbolic acid at the St. Charles hotel in Toledo, O.

Dr. James D. Eggleston, son of the president of the Pacific Express company, has been arrested for selling carbolic acid.

Miss Gies Gamble McLaughan, of Stamford, Conn., has inherited a fortune from her father.

Bel, the "British diamond king," was always known as a bachelor and woman-hater.

Mrs. Mary Dwight Hervey, wife of T. W. Hervey, has a new club, and an apartment in Chicago.

Mrs. Leahlan V. Van Alstema, of New York City, has sold her husband, Guy C. Van Alstyne, for divorce.

Bonnie McGillan, a New York chorus girl who mysteriously disappeared several months ago, has been found.

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Haywood Campaign Fund.

Table listing names and amounts for the Haywood Campaign Fund, including individuals like Otto Frison, J. B. McNeill, and various other contributors.

HE Circulation Man read in the Daily Paper: "Thousands Want Work." With the Circulation Man, to Resolve is to act. He said, "I will give all the Readers of the Appeal Work at once."

Not So Rotten as That. Two Thespians met on the railroad track midway between water tanks in the wilds of Indiana. They approached the glimpse of recognition and into the eye of such, but it was accompanied by no gleam of pleasure.

REVERSE THE REASONING. The best comment we have seen on our Judge O'Neill's decision that a creditor cannot be compelled to pay his obligation to a Trust is that a Chicago banker will have the effect of making the Trust more popular with a large proportion of the public.

DEBS IN DAKOTA. Non-Socialist Editor Comes Under the Conquering Spell of Socialism's Splendid and Magnetic Leader. From the Sioux Falls (S. D.) Critic. We know not the size of the audience; we were interested in the soul of the man.

The Student's Column. WAGES. From "The Proletariat," by Karl Kautsky. Wages can never rise so high as to make it impossible for the capitalist to carry on his business and live; under such circumstances it would be more profitable for the capitalist to give up his business.

TO THE APPEAL ARMY. The largest grocery houses in the country has ordered big supplies of specially prepared samples of Nutrito for their traveling salesmen. They start out next month to take orders from your grocer everywhere.

The Sub Blank and "The Jungle"

There goes out with this issue a quarter million sub blanks. Nab one of these blanks and send in seven yearly subscribers at 25c each and get a copy of "The Jungle" - a copy of the original edition, which you can't buy for love or money.

For many years the scientists knew that the world was a globe gyrating through space, but the common people were still told by their immediate teachers that it was flat.

SEVERAL years ago there was a great deal in the papers about the large land owners of this country. Lists appeared showing that individuals and corporations owned hundreds of millions of acres, and that the landownership of western Europe was nothing compared to our landownership.

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