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DEBS ACCEPTS



SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT
WRITES ENTHUSIASTIC LETTER.

In answer to a communication officially notifying him of his nomination for president, Comrade Eugene V. Debs has written the following letter to Secretary William Butcher at Springfield, Mass.

Terre Haute, Ind., July 31, 1900.
Wm. BUTCHER, ESQ.,
NATIONAL SECRETARY,
SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY,
Springfield, Mass.

My dear Comrade—Your communication of the 18th inst. has been received and I note that by the election of the Unity Committee elected at the Rochester and Indianapolis conventions, approved by the referendum vote, my nomination has been ratified as candidate of the Social Democratic party for the office of president of the United States.

Permit me to return my thanks to the committee and the comrades they represent for the ratification of my nomination, which I esteem a signal honor.

Having responded to the call of my comrades in accepting the nomination their confidence and partiality bestowed upon me, I am deeply sensible of the responsibilities which rest upon me as a Socialist candidate for the office of president of the United States.

Fully imbued with the philosophy of Socialism, I seek no personal preferment, and I claim consideration only as a representative of the principles of international, class-conscious Socialism.

In that capacity, and that alone, I appeal to the working class and my countrymen for their support.

The confidence implied by the unanimous action of my comrades moves me to regret my limitations and to wish myself a worthier representative of the principles so sacred to them because fraught with such grave import to the countless victims struggling in the grasp of economic bondage.

But all the strength and ability I have are at their service. Long since I consecrated myself to the cause and

all I have laid with joy at the altar of Socialism.

As we look abroad we behold the steady and stately march of transformation. Capitalism, which has written its record in the tears and blood of the human race, is staggering to its doom, while Socialism, herald of a new revolution, is sweeping over all the world.

Here in the United States of America we are on the eve of our first great battle. Let us gird on our armor and press forward to meet the enemies of freedom, the oppressors of the people, the exploiters of the working class and the foes of all humanity.

Let us dismiss all minor considerations and unite in every state and territory, from end to end of the land in one mighty effort to hasten the end of capitalism and the inauguration of the Co-Operative Commonwealth.

Thanking you again, and through you the members of your committee and your comrades for the honor conferred upon me, I remain,
Yours fraternally,
EUGENE V. DEBS.

CAREY'S TOUR.

Representative James F. Carey began his organizing tour of the New England states on Monday last, beginning at Rutland, Vt. He was advertised to address an open air meeting, but a heavy rain prevented its being held. He spoke, however, before the Painters' union, and on Tuesday night addressed a meeting in the city hall. Dates for the remainder of the week were as follows: Wednesday, Burlington; Thursday, Montpelier; Friday, Barre; Saturday, Graniteville. This is the first time the Social Democrats have ever had a ticket in the field in Vermont, and they expect to become an official party the first try.

Carey writes: "Have been in Springfield, Worcester and Holyoke and find business very dull—on account of Socialism in Haverhill, I suppose." He begins his trip in Connecticut next week.

LIEBNECHT DEAD.

FAMOUS GERMAN SOCIALIST
TAKES A REST AT LAST.

Liebnecht is dead!

The great German worker for Socialism has ended his labors for the working class. Death only could do that which tyrants and their tools strived to do, but failed. The prison cell, banishment and the lifelong persecution of the capitalist and ruling classes could not warp the brain, still the tongue, chill the heart or stay the hand which thought, spoke, throbbed and wrote for the emancipation of the toilers of all lands. Only Death, the unconquerable Anarchist, could do that. The true Socialist knows neither fear nor defeat when his principles are at stake and Wilhelm Liebnecht was a Socialist who consecrated the full energies of his life to our cause.

The cable dispatch in the daily press announcing his death is but a meagre one. It states simply that he died at Charlottenberg, Germany, on Monday evening last. This dispatch is hidden away in an obscure corner of the paper. And yet the name of Liebnecht is known to millions of workmen and women the world over! Not only that, but Liebnecht had become one of the foremost men of modern Europe. His ability as a writer, speaker and tactician made him recognized and feared by the ruling powers at home. He was one of the founders of the Social Democratic party of Germany and the successful conduct of that party to its present commanding position due to a great degree to Liebnecht's shrewdness, devotion and generalship. His name is a household word in every working-man's home in Germany and it is revered and respected wherever the working class struggles to free itself from the pitiless grasp of the wage system. The fulsome laudations poured out upon King Humbert will not be his. Those whom Liebnecht fought to free will mourn him in honorable fashion, and well they may, for to be Liebnecht was greater than to be king.

Yes, Liebnecht is dead. The long weary struggle is ended, but missed as he will surely be by his associates and comrades in the councils of the party, yet his place will be filled by another. While his labors as an individual contributed much to the organization of the movement in Germany, yet the movement for Socialism does not depend for existence upon any individual, great or gifted as he may be. No one understood this better than Liebnecht and he was fully conscious that the work he performed was permanent and enduring and that even after his death the cause would go marching on.

We are indebted to Chas. R. Martin's I. O. K. of L. Handbook for the following sketch of Comrade Liebnecht's life:

"William Liebnecht was born in 1826, at Leipzig, Germany. He studied at Giessen, Berlin, and Merburg. Before he was 24 he had taken part in three revolutions, suffered ten months imprisonment, and been expelled in turn from Switzerland and France. He spent thirteen years in London as the friend and pupil of Marx, and returning to his own country he got into prison in 1867; he entered the parliament of the North German Confederation and with Bebel, founded the German Social Democratic party, and became editor of its organ, the Volksstaat. In 1871 he and Bebel were sentenced each to two years' imprisonment for sedition. On his release he entered the Reichstag and sat there until he died, one of the leaders of the workers' party. He was editor-in-chief of the daily Vorwaerts, the most successful Socialist newspaper in the world, which is constantly astonishing and enraging government by publishing secret state documents which by some mysterious channels he reaches it. Liebnecht found much time for organizing work, for the writing of several books and he was a familiar figure at international congresses. He went to London in August, 1885, to attend the cremation of his friend Frederick Engels, and made an extended lecturing tour through England during the summer of 1886. In the fall of 1886, in company with Dr. Aveling and wife, he paid a brief visit to the United States. In March, 1898, this veteran completed a four months' imprisonment, being his eighth Christmas spent in prison for daring to express his convictions."

WOLVES FATTENING ON PUBLIC NEEDS.

A man may steal other things besides commodities; he may steal my chance of becoming honest and true by taking away my opportunity and my bread. He also can steal into a public function to which no one has appointed him. The modern capitalist is such a thief. No private man on earth should be supplying the world or anybody outside his own household with illuminating oil, or coal, or beef, except he is doing it for charity, and no one should need charity or would need charity but for this species of private theft. Public needs supplied for private profit only by private persons is such a monstrous perversion that men of the future will not be able to think of it. These capitalists are wolves creeping through private doors to public functions and we must hunt them out. These fellows have undoubtedly appointed themselves to look after our business and they fix the amount of compensation due to themselves for their unsolicited services; fixed it so high that you laborers must work ten hours a day all the year round, and live on the parings of your own corns to foot the bill. And how do you like their gall whose sole business in life is to raise their own salary from the sweat and the devil's labor of E. Burrows in New York People.

MAINE NOTES.

A BREEZY REPORT OF THE
SPLENDID WORK BEING
DONE IN OUR SISTER
STATE.

The Haverhill Social Democrat has generously offered your state committee a column in which to keep you posted on the movement in this state. Show your appreciation by sending in forthwith your own subscription and follow this up by getting others to subscribe.

The Skowhegan comrades are actively at work circulating books and other literature among old party voters—the good effect of which is seen in the steadily growing sentiment favorable to Socialism.

Chairman Fox and Clinton Simonton, candidate for congress in the first district, are stumping together in Androscoggin and Cumberland counties. They spoke at the following places: Aug. 2, Gorham; Aug. 3, Westbrook; Aug. 4, Bridgton; Aug. 6, North Bridgton; Aug. 7, Norway; Aug. 8, Mechanic Falls; Aug. 9, Minot; Aug. 10, Lewiston; Aug. 11—Auburn.

Joel Hills, an old-time greenbacker and populist, has been nominated for representative to the legislature by the Socialists of Union and Warren.

Comrade Charles Murphy has returned to his old home in Skowhegan after an absence of two years in New York and California. "There is no place like home," says Murphy.

From August 12 to 18 inclusive, Comrade Simonton is booked for meetings in Somerset county. From there he will go to Kennebec, Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Knox, Waldo, Hancock and Washington counties, returning September 1 to his own district, where he will put in the remainder of the time until election day, September 10. Comrades in any part of the above counties who wish Comrade Simonton to lecture in their town should write at once to the secretary of the state committee.

Comrade Charles L. Nye, the Socialist nominee for congress in the third district, continues to put in telling talks for the cause that lies nearest his heart. Brother Nye is an ideal Socialist—may his kind increase.

H. S. Copeland of Thomaston, who was the populist candidate for the legislature in 1896, will make the run this year on the Socialist ticket.

The S. D. P. branch of Skowhegan voted at their last meeting to affiliate with the state organization. The Socialist Educational club of Portland has the matter under consideration. The state committee needs the help of every Socialist in Maine. Send in your names, comrades, for enrollment.

The Skowhegan Socialists are under many obligations to Comrade Talbot for favors bestowed during the past year.

The International Socialist Review is on sale at Thos. Jantiah's news store, Madison avenue, Skowhegan.

Less than a year ago Robert Fillmore, the well known and highly respected blind book agent of eastern Maine, was "whooping" it up for McKinley and the republican party; today he is preaching Socialism where—
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HAVERHILL, AUGUST 11, 1900.

A blue pencil mark across this notice signifies that your subscription expires with this issue. If you wish to continue receiving this paper you should renew at once.

For President: Eugene V. Debs Of Indiana.

For Vice President: Job Harriman Of California.

ELECTORS:

- At Large: CHARLES S. GRIEVES, Amesbury. HERBERT L. WOOD, Brockton. Districts: First—LEON H. OLIVER, Westfield. Second—W. H. LAWLER, Springfield. Third—C. E. FENNER, Worcester. Fourth—JOHN P. McDONALD, Clinton. Fifth—JAMES A. WILKINSON, Lawrence. Sixth—GEORGE L. EVANS, Haverhill. Seventh—ERNEST W. TIMSON, Lynn. Eighth—WILLARD CONEY, Cambridge. Ninth—MORRIS KAPLAN, Boston. Tenth—W. PACKARD, Quincy. Eleventh—DAVID W. CHASE, Jamaica Plain. Twelfth—SAMUEL LEWIS SMITH, Brockton. Thirteenth—WILLIAM OLMESBORGE, New Bedford.

STATE TICKET:

For Governor: CHARLES H. BRADLEY of Haverhill.

For Lieutenant Governor: GEORGE WRENN of Springfield.

For Secretary of State: ADDISON W. BARR of Worcester.

For State Treasurer: STEPHEN O'SHAUGHNESSY, Boston.

For State Auditor: FRANK L. WALSH of Brockton.

For Attorney General: J. F. BILLINGS of Rockland.

AGAINST SOCIALISTS.

Justice Loring of the supreme court handed down a decision in Boston on Thursday ordering that a writ of mandamus may issue according to the petition of the anti-Socialists in the Monument street school house case. The writ is made returnable at the sitting of the court, the first day of September. This recognizes the anti-Socialist committee as the legal one.

WANTED—AN ANSWER.

The Bryanites claim that the Socialists are being aided and abetted by the McKinleyites. Here are a few questions for the Bryanites to answer:

If the republicans and Socialists are in league, why is it that Haverhill, where the Socialists have elected several state and municipal officials, was formerly a stronghold of the republican party?

If the republicans and Socialists are in league, why did the republicans and democrats unite in Haverhill to defeat the Socialists?

If the republicans and Socialists are in league, why does the democratic city committee of Haverhill endorse Bryan and Stevenson and also work in harmony locally with those who support McKinley and Roosevelt? We await answers to these questions. Bryanites preferred.

FOR A GREAT CAMPAIGN.

We wish to call special attention to two things in this issue of the Social Democrat. One is the letter of acceptance of Comrade Eugene V. Debs and the other the call for campaign funds issued by the provisional national committee.

The letter of acceptance of Comrade Debs ensures harmonious and effective work in the campaign now upon us. This letter is so characteristic of our candidate for president; it breathes in every line so fully the spirit of international socialism that it cannot fail to arouse enthusiasm in the breast of every man and woman working for the Co-Operative Commonwealth. Coming at this time, upon the heels of the lying reports from democratic headquarters that Comrade Debs would withdraw in favor of Bryan, a report which was never for a moment believed by those who knew our presidential candidate, it puts the finishing touch upon the preparations being made for months for a magnificent rallying of the workers for Socialism in this campaign. Capitalism will undoubtedly receive a shock in November which will make

Socialism a force thereafter not to be ridiculed or ignored, but one to be debated and grappled with by every supporter of the present system. Every Socialist should be fully cognizant of what we may expect to encounter in our work in the next three months. Already lies and misstatements are flying thick and fast about our national candidate. Following upon Comrade Debs' denial of his withdrawal comes the unqualified and dastardly statement from James Creelman, the lackey of Hearst, the proprietor of the New York Journal, San Francisco Examiner and Chicago American, a statement published simultaneously in those three assumed organs of labor, that "Mark Hanna is assisting and encouraging Mr. Debs, the Socialist candidate for president." Defeated in the efforts to have it appear that Debs was favorable to Bryan, the democratic press and politicians, the most brazenly corrupt and treacherous of any on the American continent, openly charge our candidate with coalition with the party of the brutal capitalist class. Such reports as these, false and doubly false, can be expected and looked for. It is absolutely necessary to bear in mind that Debs and Harriman are the candidates of the Social Democratic party, the party opposed to both the republican and democratic parties, the parties of the large and small capitalists' class. As between McKinley and Bryan the representatives of the two parties, Socialists have no choice. Both stand for Capitalism. Socialists are against Capitalism and for Socialism.

The misrepresentation to which our candidates, and through them our party, will be subjected will make our work in the campaign difficult indeed. In our last issue we called attention to the necessity for immediate activity in agitation and organization. This week we wish to impress upon every Socialist the urgent need for money for the campaign. Not only will educational pamphlets be required for disinterested speakers and organizers sent throughout every state, but the lying influence of the capitalist press and other mouthpieces will have to be counteracted. There is a hard and trying battle ahead and the sinews of war will be needed in plenty. No man or woman whose heart is in the cause but can give their mite to advance that cause in this most momentous year. Our campaign funds do not come from the coffers of the rich. The republican and democratic parties have their Havemeyers, Rockefeller, Carnegies, Clarks, McLeans, Hearsts and the countless others who know the perpetuation of their class depends upon the perpetuation of the system of exploitation of labor and who give willingly and well of their plenty to elect either McKinley and Bryan. The Social Democratic party is the party of the workers and out of their pockets must come the necessary wherewithal to carry on our campaign.

Contributions to the campaign fund will be received by this paper in any amount and acknowledgement made from week to week. The money will be forwarded promptly to William Butcher, national secretary.

Let every comrade do his or her utmost to marshal the awakening of the workers to the polls in November that they may elect their ballots for the candidate of International Socialism—Eugene V. Debs and Job Harriman.

AS TO ANARCHISTS.

The Gazette in a particularly rancid editorial last week made strenuous efforts to have it appear that the Social Democrats were nothing but anarchists. The Gazette could not allow the occasion of King Humbert's wedding-off to pass without shooting behind a hedge at its opponent whom it knows to be anything but what it would have its readers believe.

The editorial in question answers itself so completely that we would not mention it at all did we not wish to call attention to the following editorial in the Gazette of Monday last:

"Senator Tillman steps to the front long enough to again remark in a falsetto voice: 'We have shot them down (meaning the black men of the south) and we will shoot them down again if they attempt to have their votes counted.' Now if some militant black man should fire at a bird in the air and hit the separator from South Carolina by mistake, Ben would only be getting what he deserves."

Taking into consideration the vehement denunciation of the anarchists by the Gazette, we are tempted to ask what other inference can be drawn from the foregoing editorial than that some negro should assassinate Senator Tillman? And is not this anarchy of the worst kind?

We have no sympathy with Senator Tillman. He has long since proven himself to be a bourbon politician and a bitter enemy of the working class. But he is no worse than any other politician in the capitalist parties unless it be in degree. Tillman is usually frank enough to express his views openly; he knows it will not affect his political future for his democratic constituents endorse his views. His conferees in his own and the republican party believe as he does, but they dare not speak their thoughts to the multitude. The killing of Tillman would no more rescue the white and black workers from being disfranchised than the killing of Humbert would save the workers of Italy from tyranny.

The Gazette should learn the gentle arts of peace itself before daring to accuse others of contemplated violence. Its execration of Tillman shows that the worst anarchists are those who pass before the world as the conservators of law and order.

The movement for the federations of the various textile unions into one organization follows naturally upon the concentration of ownership, the increasing development of machinery and the consequent displacement of labor in that industry. It is significant that the delegates present at the conference of textile workers held in Boston last Saturday party recognized the forces which had compelled the textile workers to realize the utility of independent unions and the necessity for united effort on the part of labor in all sections of industry. Witness the following quotations from the aims and objects of the proposed federation: "The alarming development and aggressiveness of capital, and its tendency to crush the laborer into subjection leads us to the necessity of becoming more firmly united," and as an object, "to secure to the workers the full enjoyment of the wealth they create, sufficient leisure in which to develop their intellectual, moral and social faculties. All of the benefits, recreations and pleasures of association, in a word, to enable them to share in the gains and honors of advancing civilization." It will not be amiss to remind the textile operatives that they can never "secure the full enjoyment of the wealth they create" so long as the capitalist class retain the ownership of the machinery of wealth production and are permitted to appropriate

the large proportion of the wealth in the shape of rents, interest and profits. And capitalist ownership will never give way to social ownership until the textile workers join with their fellow laborers in all other industries and VOTE for the change in ownership. Then, and only then, will they share in the "gains and honors of advancing civilization."

A perfect cyclone of prosperity has struck New England. Its effects are visible in several places. Weavers in the Totoket mills at Norwich, Conn., had their wages reduced last week. The wages of the puddlers, horseshoers, roughers and finishers of the Diamond state steel company at Wilmington, Del., were reduced from 10 to 100 per cent. Several thousand men in the textile mills of the Amoskeag corporation at Manchester, N. H., have received two weeks' "vacation." In Fall River the mills continue to close down according to agreement. Biddeford, Me., cotton mills have closed and 2000 workers are thrown out of employment. There are others. And yet there isn't a Socialist official in any of the cities where this took place.

"Socialists in French Municipalities" is a new number of the pocket library issued by Charles H. Kerr & Co., 56 Fifth Avenue, Chicago. Price 5 cents. It is a valuable compendium of what the striking class Socialists holding municipal office in France have done to improve the condition of labor. The pamphlet shows that Socialists do something for the workers while on the other hand the capitalist parties do the workers.

Max Hayes, on his return from a tour through Michigan, reports a splendid trade union and Socialist movement in that state. He says the workers are certainly waking up, Saginaw taking the lead of the other cities. Hayes says Saginaw is going to be the Haverhill of Michigan. Glad to hear it. The more Haverhills there are the better.

The Boise (Idaho) Typographical union, No. 271, have struck the name of democratic Governor Steunenberg of that state off the roll of members, and ordered that their action be published in the International Typographical Journal. The governor was an honorary member of the union and a Bryan democrat at that!

Did you ever notice that the fellows who make the fuss for restriction of immigration on the plea of protecting American labor are the same fellows who employ the immigrants in preference to American laborers?

There is more debate in the capitalist press about the lieutenant-governor losing his side whiskers than about thousands of workmen in Fall River, Lowell and other places losing employment.

If the injunctions now going forth to wipe out the anarchists in this country were enforced, what a monopoly the Socialists would have!

The government will never lack for "patriots" to enlist to fight the Filipino and Chinese so long as there are thousands of men who cannot get work.

W. R. Hearst's ownership of the New York Journal, San Francisco Examiner and Chicago American gives him the unparalleled opportunity to tell the same lie in three different places at the same time.

The good reason why Debs does not withdraw in favor of Bryan is because Bryan is not a Socialist and Debs is.

Make Socialist day at the beach the biggest and best of the season.

JOTTINGS.

By M. Winchewsky In the Socialist Review.

A glance at the life-work of either Bismarck, the "man of blood and iron," or Gladstone, the man of words and postal cards, will soon convince you that political greatness is a very small thing indeed. Think of the work of Debs!

As the rockets rose to the sky, they mocked the stars above them. "You have, it is true, many admirers now," said the eternal planets with a merry twinkle, "but who will remember you one week from now?"

When the news reaches you that three professors have declared for Socialism, raise up your mind that the reign of Mammon is at an end.

Trinity church, facing Wall street, seems to be a blasphemous joke on the church that chased the money-changers out of the Temple.

If you come across a man who apologizes for his having a heart, tell him he has very little to apologize for.

America is ripe for Socialism. It is, unfortunately, the Socialists who are not yet ripe for America.

The relation of freedom to equality is the same as that of health to food.

THE ARROW-HEAD.

Once I was toiling through the field Behind the weary harrow; And in the torn and dizzy soil I saw this Indian arrow; I stopped the team, went back and found it, And wove my usual dreams around it.

It is an ugly thing to prize, With its thirsty, ragged edges; And many a brow of glittering eyes Has aimed from the serges; Has tield many an agonizing yell, And told how it was pointed well.

But that was tribe and tribe ago— This very age have forgotten Ancient rivers have ceased to flow; And granite rocks lie old and rotten.

Still hard as God's universal truth, This rude work of a savage mason Down from the wild days of our youth Comes with its silent lesson.

And as I stood in that wide field That in the spring would grow and ripen, I saw the day when man shall yield To patient God. For it shall happen That man to man shall stand revealed; And in his hand shall be no weapon.

PAUL SHINELL.

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The Class Struggle

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By JAMES O'NEAL.

"The ruling ideas of each age have ever been the ideas of its ruling class."

—Marx. To me this statement of Marx contains one of the most profound truths ever given to the world. Modern bourgeois science has never given an answer to the following question:

Why do certain ideas in a certain given stage of the world's history gain the ascendancy and receive popular approval, and then decay to give place to others?

Bourgeois science cannot give an answer to this question because for them to do so they would become "socially ostracized." They would have no standing in society and would become social revolutionists.

Marx is the only one who gave an answer to the question and was hounded all over Europe for his answer to it, and the persecution was all the keener as the truth of his answer became apparent. His reply is contained in the above quotation.

This ruling class is distinguished by the fact that it has in its possession the means and resources of life. Of course, these means and resources vary as the society develops and never being one thing in our age and another thing in another age. And as this variation in productive forces proceeds, new classes gain the supremacy in society and shape the popular ideas so as to favor with the interests of their class. For instance, as many Socialists have pointed out, chattel slavery was abolished not because the moral sense of society was shocked, but the ruling class found that it was cheaper to employ wage labor; hence they discarded it.

Professor Ely, who wrote an able criticism of socialism, seems to recognize this fact, for he says on this point: "This may be a poor reason for becoming humane, but it is well to become humane even for a poor reason."

All this is of value to the Socialist, for it serves him to detect spurious "reformers," who have no conception of the class struggle and the close relation it has to morals. For instance, he who criticizes the dominant social system prevailing, from the standpoint of the ruling moral code, has no real dynamic force behind his agitation, for that code prevailing at the time is moulded for the purpose of perpetuating the system that the objector is trying to remove. He may oppose the system, but supports its sanctions and by so doing may render his agitation void of effect. He must oppose that code by one which is drawn from the very source that the ruling ideas derive their origin, that is from the class struggle.

The objector will reach the same or different conclusions according as he takes his position on the class struggle. If he tries to occupy a middle ground he will not only be impotent, but ridiculous as well, for in this case he comes an ardent reactionist and would not only retard social development, but would try and go backward, if possible, by destroying present institutions, which same institutions make possible the advance to a higher stage of society. This is the position now occupied by the democratic party. The republican party takes its stand on the class struggle, but is forced to hide its position by using such phrases as "highest destiny," "national honor," etc., because were they to state their true objects they could not receive the popular support.

In time, as capitalism develops and its contradictions become more glaring, the purpose of this party will become more apparent and it will cease to exist. The Socialist also takes his position on the class struggle, but unlike the others he has no need to cover up his intentions with flib phrases; on the contrary he exposes the hypocrisy of those who do. He comes out in the open and exposes the class character of the other parties and admits the same of his own, with the exception that he stands for the workers and the others do not.

THE SOCIALIST PROCLAIMS THE CLASS STRUGGLE IN ORDER TO ABOLISH IT. THE SUPPORTERS OF CAPITALISM WISH THAT THE STRUGGLE IN ORDER TO PERPETUATE IT.

The moralist of capitalism no doubt will say that the above is a "narrow" philosophy. To this we can reply that we have been taught this "narrow" philosophy in the school of capitalism by our capitalist teachers themselves. They AND ATTEMPT TO COVER IT UP. THE SOCIALIST EXPOSES IT IN ORDER TO END IT.

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STATE NEWS

BROCKTON.

Mayor Coulter of Brockton presented a message to the board of aldermen on last Monday evening recommending the construction of city ice houses for the sale of ice from the reservoir to the people of the city, or for the use of the city departments, if the former plan is not feasible.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OF STATE COMMITTEE WITH COMRADE E. V. DEBS.

To the Haverhill Social Democrat: The following correspondence with Comrade Debs was ordered published by the state committee.

Yours, S. E. PUTNEY, Secretary.

Somerville, July 23, 1900.

Mr. Eugene V. Debs: Dear Comrade—The state convention of Massachusetts of the S. D. P. has met and chosen its state committee, which, united with the state committee of the S. L. P. convention, constitutes a committee for a vigorous campaign in Massachusetts.

Acting according to the spirit of the position taken by the state convention, the state committee will not interfere with the relations of the several branches as to their national executive boards. We believe the branches are fully capable of determining such matters themselves.

There is great enthusiasm for our cause and national ticket in this state, and rest assured that Massachusetts will at the November election speak up loud and strong for Socialism.

I shall be glad to hear from you any suggestion as to propaganda and work as the campaign progresses.

Yours fraternally, S. E. PUTNEY, Secretary of State Committee, S. D. P. of Mass.

WESTFIELD.

As a sequel to the recent foundry strikes which have taken place all over New England, resulting in victories for the workmen, the employers recently held a secret meeting in New Haven, Ct., perfected an organization and are preparing to fix their own prices on labor. It is understood that the B. Smith company was represented at this meeting, which was so secret that the capitalist press was silent on the subject.

It will be remembered that the employees of this company recently went on strike and a victory was won from them. Since that time the men have been on short time, presumably that the company may weaken their resources and make it more difficult for them to support their union.

The present outlook in that the foundry owners all over New England may shortly after the elections institute a lock-out. It is difficult to conjecture any other result from this stroke than a reduction in wages.

The union workmen must make this fight continuous, must carry the battle to the polls and must unshrink their voting swords in defence of the Socialist candidates.

The lock-out at the W. Warren thread works is being rigidly maintained. The most strenuous efforts are being made to compel the men to submit to the will of the company, but they have enough of manhood left to be willing to continue suffering rather than be deprived of the right to combine in a trade union.

Never have the people of Whitfield had such a shocking example of the brutality of capitalism as in this lock-out. Men are fired because they are related to members of the union, or because they are boarding with union men, or because they are working in a business which has been summarily evicted from the house in which they were living, notwithstanding the fact that he was not in arrears for rent. He belonged to the union.

The lock-out is an attempt on the part of the company to annihilate the Thread Glaziers' union in its factories, and it is hoped the effort will be a miserable failure. OLIVER.

CAMPELLO.

Branch 23, S. D. P., had a very successful outdoor festival on French hill Saturday evening. About 1000 were present. Mayor Coulter made a 40-minute address. His theme was Socialism in its national significance. Prince Steadman of Branch 23 also addressed the gathering and his words were received with favor.

There was music by the Svea sextet and the Scandia quintet gave several vocal selections.

Many members of Branch 9 were present and mingled freely with those of Branch 23. The committee on arrangements was distributed as follows: Printing, John Bockstrom, John Doran; music, Orlander Bengstrom; ice cream and tonics, Patrick Peterson; John Bockstrom, grounds, Albin Benson; George Ahlberg, tickets, Thomas B. Menton, C. A. Norling, A. T. Benson; treasurer, Orlander Bengstrom.

There is plenty of good fighting all along the line," as Phil Sheridan said: the "strike" made by Comrade Goldstein of the British-American voters' league meeting, set that body in commotion and their agitation set the city press in motion.

"David" has been in the papers and on the bulletin board all the week. The advertising brought a great crowd to our Marx class meeting on the Common. After his address, which had been frequently cheered, there was evidence that there were 50 or 60 subscriptions among the crowd, which Comrade Goldstein and others were proceeding to collect, when the sergeant interfered with the work.

On the next day our Karl Marx class permit was revoked on the scant buttons and papers were sold. We had not been notified not to sell them.

It is a good sign for the "powers that be" to clap the clamps upon free speech. We are winning old-timers from the republican and democratic camps. But the more they practice the restraining hand the better our opportunity to propagate the doctrine of emancipation of the working class, as the press than upon the Common. We are easy to please—we are pleased to use the permit and pleased to have the opportunity to regain it—to protest against its withdrawal. For no right is more sacred than the average man than that of free speech.

THE HUB. NOTICE.

The new joint Boston city committee will meet for organization at headquarters, 1129 Washington street, Tuesday evening, August 14, at 7.30. JOHN WEAVER SHERMAN, Secretary.

SPRINGFIELD.

Editor Haverhill Social Democrat: Dear Comrade—The comrades here "stand pat" for union. Branch 8 of Massachusetts was organized in the rooms of the S. L. P. and when the branch went to its new room Section Springfield went, too. The members of both parties had looked forward to a union and on Tuesday evening, July 30, Branch 8 and Section Springfield were joined in the holy bonds of Local Springfield.

The officers are as follows: Chairman—Charles Rawbone. Recording and corresponding secretary—Nelson J. West. The Organizing—Geo. H. Wrenn. Financial secretary—Samuel Eschenbach. Treasurer—Francis Grohowski. Literary agent—Silvio Origo.

By note, meetings for business are to be held the first and third Tuesday and a discussion meeting the second Tuesday of each month. The following committees were chosen: Wages and means—S. Eschenbach, G. H. Wrenn, A. E. Fenton, S. M. Jones, P. J. Fitzpatrick.

For discussions—S. M. Jones, S. Origo, G. H. Wrenn.

By vote, the dues will be twenty-five cents a month. The secretary was instructed to send a report of the "union" to the Haverhill Social Democrat, The People, and Public Ownership.

We have applied for a charter and have thirty-five members. This number is certain to be largely increased, perhaps doubled, within a few weeks. The literary agent was instructed to obtain one hundred copies of Harriman's book on the Idaho "Bull Pen."

By request from the Haverhill Social Democrat that a correspondent be appointed, the local chose the secretary to train his head, heart and pen for that form of exercise. So while the reading public shall have my sympathy during these gyrations, I remain yours cordially and fraternally, NELSON J. WEST, Sec'y, 519 Union Street, Springfield, Mass.

Aug. 5, 1900.

LAWRENCE.

The city central committee of Lawrence met Thursday, August 2, and permanently organized with James A. Wilkinson as secretary, Fred Tepper as treasurer, and Charles McGuire, J. O'Brien, William J. Lynch as auditing committee. The secretary was instructed to send for 200 stamps from the state secretary and intend to support that board to the best of our abilities, recognizing the fact that in union there is strength. JAMES A. WILKINSON, Sec.

STATE PICNIC.

The state committee of the Social Democratic party will give the annual state picnic at Lynn on Sunday, Aug. 26, for the purpose of raising funds for the state campaign. There will be much money needed for the campaign and it is essential that the state committee have enough in hand to ensure a large vote on election day. Tickets have been forwarded to all locals and come to us to sell as many as possible. Comrade Joseph is secretary of the picnic committee and those who wish tickets should address him at 99 Chelsea street, East Boston. Unsold tickets and money should be returned not later than Aug. 24 to Comrade M. J. Konikow, 230 Shawmut avenue, Boston, treasurer of the state committee.

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THE MOVEMENT'S PROGRESS.

Socialists of Philadelphia united in the county convention and nominated a ticket. Branch 5, which has heretofore opposed union in the state, took part and one of their members, M. Gillis, was nominated to head the united county ticket.

Max Hayes' visit to Saginaw was productive of great good to the movement and many former republicans and democrats have expressed their determination of severing their connections with the old party and uniting with their fellow workers under the banner of the Social Democracy.—Saginaw, Mich., Exponent.

Eugene V. Debs has declined the invitation to speak at Chicago on Labor day from the same platform with William J. Bryan and Theodore Roosevelt. He is engaged to speak at Canton, Ohio, on that day.

Ex-Gov. Llewellyn of Kansas has joined the Socialist movement. Ex-Secretary of State W. E. Bush is also working for the S. D. P.

California Socialists have been making ineffectual attempts to drag the democrats into debate. They will now challenge republicans.

Job Harriman spoke to a crowd of 10,000 people in Chicago last week.

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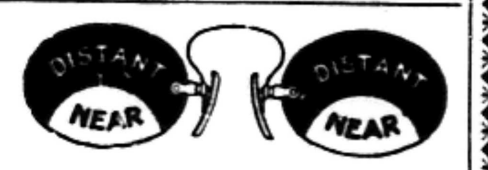
The Chicago American gives James Creelman an opportunity to repeat the state and county the two Socialist republican national committee is assisting and encouraging Mr. Debs'. The fact is that the only party that the republicans have ever openly assisted in recent years was the democratic party, and this was done at Haverhill, Mass., last election, when the democrats and the republicans united to beat the Socialists—and were most beautifully licked.—Chicago Workers' Call.

EXETER. N. H.

The S. D. P. branch here has taken no definite action as yet, bearing on the matter of Socialist unity, which has been before the two Socialist parties for discussion and action. A meeting held on Monday evening the trend of feeling among the members seemed to be toward the withholding of all funds from national or other outside organizations, and the expenditure of the same for propaganda in Exeter, until such time as the present quarrelling shall cease, and a fair union of Socialist parties shall have been accomplished. We hope to give Debs and Harriman an increased vote over last spring, which was 130. If a date can be arranged, Comrade Job Harriman, our candidate for vice president, will address the people of Exeter soon. LEWIS.

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LOCAL NOTES.

The meeting of the local branch on Wednesday evening appointed a committee of five to act in conjunction with the Lawrence Social Democrats to arrange a joint picnic between the two cities. The campaign committee was instructed to arrange a series of open air meetings at City hall park, arrangements to be made with the band to give concerts. The new officers of the branch elected at the meeting last week were: Chairman, Napoleon Theriault; vice chairman, Sam Goldman; secretary, George A. Keene; treasurer, Walter S. Morse; organizer, John T. Harding. The Womens Social Democratic club held a special meeting last Tuesday evening and heard the report of the committee on excursion. The report was received and approved. The next meeting of the club will be held on Tuesday, July 21, at Beal's dye house. John T. Harding spoke at Brockton last Friday night, at Nashua, N. H., on Saturday and Sunday, and Hyde Park on Monday. The Brockton Times says Harding is "the most eloquent speaker Haverhill has yet sent to this city." Now, what have Carey and Chase to say to that? Now is the time to begin your fall advertising—and the Haverhill Social Democrat is the paper to use for that purpose.

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MAINE NOTES

(Continued from Page One.) ever he goes, and it is needless to say he is making converts every day. In a few hours canvassing in Rockland and Thomaston, Brother Fillmore sold fourteen cloth-bound copies of Prof. Parson's great Socialist work "The City for the People," and thus is the heaven working. Comrade Oliver P. Davis of Cushing called at our office yesterday. He reports a growing Socialist sentiment among the old party voters of Friendship and Cushing. Comrade Davis predicts a good-sized Socialist vote in those towns. We are pleased to acknowledge the receipt of seven dollars contributed to the campaign funds by the comrades of North Lubec. These comrades are veterans in the work, having formed the first branch of the S. D. P. in Maine. They prove by their acts that they are for union and Socialism—and hence good Socialists. The campaign will open in Knox county with a rally at Thomaston, to be addressed by Alfred L. Carleton of Rockland, our candidate for congress in the second district. The county committee will meet at "The Willows," Warren, Sunday, August 12. A full attendance is hoped for. We see by the daily press that Mark Hanna has decided to put up a vigorous campaign in Maine and Vermont. This is not to be done through any fear of those rock-ribbed states being lost to the G. O. P., but "TO PREVENT ANY FALLING OFF IN THE REPUBLICAN VOTE," which would have a depressing effect on their campaign in other states. You see "Joe" has had his ear to the ground and has heard loud Socialistic rumblings and taking the alarm, has posted off in hot haste to consult and advise with his Hannanish. Oh, yes! there are quite a number of republican business men in the state who are not particularly stuck on the McKinley brand of prosperity and are beginning to ask themselves if Socialism, after all, is not the only antidote for demo-rep, trusts and hard times. These sheep must not be allowed to wander from the fold—hence a "vigorous campaign" with big guns, a la Tom Reed, et al, and plenty of smaller arms thrown in, is in order. From all of which Socialists should take renewed courage to push the propaganda. Comrades, the time is short; there is much work to be done; uphold the hands of your state committee by furnishing the needed funds. Due credit will be given in this column for all sums received. Next week we will render a statement of receipts and disbursements. Contribute something, if only ten cents, for the general campaign expenses. N. W. LERMOND, Sec. State Com. Thomaston, Me., Aug. 2, 1900.

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