

Prof. Geo. R. Kirkpatrick

Will deliver a series of three lectures at Odd Fellows Temple, Ninth and Locust Sts., on April 23-24-25, on the following topics:

"Wages and Trades Unions." "Evolution and Revolution."

"The Purpose of a Gatling Gun."

The first lecture, "Wages and Trades Unions," which will be given Wednesday evening, April 23, has been delivered before the trades unions and central bodies of many of the principal cities of the country, and should be of special interest to trades unionists.

Prof. Kirkpatrick was formerly with the Chicago University and is highly spoken of as a lecturer and orator. You can't afford to miss hearing him. Don't forget the dates. Admission free.

What others say of him:

E. D. Kelley, President Ft. Scott Lodge 377, (Chicago Heights) International Association of Machinists: "Prof. Kirkpatrick is altogether worthy of labor union men's confidence. He is a thoroughly educated man, an eloquent speaker, and he strikes straight from the shoulder in defense of those who toil. He is an extremely valuable man for union men in our battle for jus tice.

Walter Thomas Mills, principal of the Mills School of Social Economy, says: "Few speakers equal Kirkpatrick in power to catch and hold an lience and say just what the occasion demands. e is brimful of fun, fire, facts and persuasive logic."

National Secretary Wm. Mailly has issued an appeal-authorized by the Local Quorum-for contributions to a Special Organizing Fund, which, the circular states, "will be used to the best advantage of the entire movement. Many states, already organized, need assistance in order to revive delinquent locals, to encourage other locals, now working, and to organize new ones. If we can get the organized states into a condition where a steady revenue is as-

sured the respective state committees and the National Committee, the states will be strengthened and provision thereby made for extensive operations in unorganized states. An organizer must be sent through the Southern states, where interest is growing, and where organizations that will provide tours for speakers must be formed. Interstate tours for the arrival of Archbishop Quigley in reliable organizers and speakers will be that city by electing an alderman. Archarranged. We intend to make the national office the headquarters for the best party lecturers, thus ensuring economy in every way, guaranteeing a systematic method of conducting our propaganda, and at the same time enabling this office to fulfill its real mission as the National Agitation Bureau of the Socialist Party. All this can be achieved in a comparatively short time, Comrades, if you will help do it. We know that the demands people receive wages only sufficient to upon your meager resources are never ending, but we wish to impress you with the fact that \$1,000.00 expended for organizing purposes by this office within the next few months will return in increased revenue and membership many times over before the year closes; and we want, and should have, at least that sum by May 1. We do not wish to go to the expense of issuing subscription lists, but we request that Locals get out such lists in their respective localities. There are many sympathizers who will subscribe to our fund if their attention is called to it." Contributions may be sent direct to Wm. Mailly, 10-11 Arlington Block, Omaha, Neb., or to the various state committees. Prompt action is requested and remember every penny counts.

Are you still hustling for subscribers or The Iowa Socialist? 'Profit! What countless crimes have been committed in thy name. Wilshire's Magazine and the Iowa So-

cialist one year for 75 cents. It's a bar-gain. Grab it!

The Toiler, of Terre Haute, expresses its opinion of Federal Judge Jackson, of West Virginia, who has issued another injunction against organized labor, by printing his name and title in lower-case letters.

A jury at Waterbury, Conn., has awarded the street railway company of that city \$2,500 damages from the street railway employes union. The United States is right up-to-date with England and Holland. You can't lose your old Uncle Sam, b'gosh.

Competition may be the life of trade in the business world, but competition among workingmen is the death of the "trade" of many of them. Many skilled workmen are forced into the ranks of common labor because of the fierce competition for a "job."

The American Labor Union is pushing its work of organization into Oregon, territory of the American Federation of Labor, whose reactionary political policy is distasteful to the class-conscious workers of the West. Look out for another howl from Gompers.

Dr. John Quincy Adams, of Amesbury, Mass., descendant of that famous revolutionary family which gave the republic two presidents, was elected member of the board of health on the Socialist ticket in the recent municipal election. Who said "ignorant foreigners."

Comrade McKee organized a Local at Clarinda, Ia. Dr. J. T. Furguson is secretary, and Dr. M. Enfield organizer. These doctors have evidently come to the conclusion that the diseases of the capitalist system are incurable, and, like cancer, require an operation for their removal.

The republican national committee purposes spending \$50,000 on literature to fight Socialism. Why spend it on literature? Why not depend on the buying of votes as heretofore It's much safer. Your literature is apt to make Socialists of the men whom you wish to turn against Socialism.

The United States circuit court of appeals has decided that the merger of railway interests effected by the Northern Securities Company is a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. However, passed judgment on the question-but "that's another story."

The Socialists of Chicago celebrated bishop Quigley prides himself on having "stamped out Socialism in Buffalo entirely, entirely, entirely." Stamp again, Comrade Quigley, and then again. And Father Heiter, won't you come back to Chicago. They need you.

die!" M. W. Wilkins will begin his northwestern tour in Oregon during the com-Antes . ing week.

Competition defined: "Root, hog, or

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Have you bought a share of stock in The Iowa Socialist Publishing Co.?

Socialism means production for use for oneself. Capitalism means production for the profit of some one else.

Food for the fool-killer: The man who howls about "government by injunction" and always votes for it.

Father Hagerty will start his tour in the central states on May 15 under the direction of W. G. Critchlow, Dayton, Ohio.

The Iowa Socialist in clubs of four or more for twenty-five cents per year. Four postal subscription cards good for one year each for \$1.00. They are handy. Order a bunch.

The Kaiser is having a hard time of it. A book just published by an exofficer of the army, who is a Socialist, shows up the Kaiser's pet-the armyin its true light and has created a sensation.

The cigarmakers union of New York sent \$100 to the union of that craft in Berlin to be used in the interest of the Socialist party at the coming reichstag elections. "Workers of the world unite!"

The reports in the daily press give the mpression that the general strike in Holland has failed. As a matter of fact it is impossible for the American press to get at the truth of the matter, as all news in regard to this strike is doctored by Dutch government censors.

Two Pittsburg "society" women recently gave a dog fight for the entertainment of their friends, their pet poodles being the principals, and the stakes a \$200 supper. There's always 'something doing" in the 400. And somebody's always "done" to pay for it. Is it you?

Some workingmen are afraid that they could not supply their wants in a fourhour day under Socialism: Yet these men, under the present system, supply (?) their wants by working two hours a day. The other eight hours they spend in supplying the wants of their capitalist masters. Oh, we working people are a wise lot.

It's too bad the fool-killer isn't around with his club every time the conservative man makes his appearance. The conservative man is responsible for all the misery of the world. Every advance the United States supreme court has not made by the race in any field has been due to the radical man. The former is always a stumbling block in the way of the latter. But the radical always wins out in the end. We are often tempted to pinch our selves to make sure that we are alivealive in a civilized country, rich in natural resources beyond the dreams of avarice, rich in wonderful machines that would take the burdens from man's shoulders, which yet swarms with millions who are engaged in a daily handto-hand struggle with poverty, whose lives are but a mere hand-to-mouth existence-the existence of the brute. The municipal elections all over the country show the usual marked increase in the Socialist vote, while at many places Socialists were elected, notably in Wisconsin and Montana. At Sheboygan, Wis., the entire Socialist ticket was elected, and the same is true of Anaconda, Mont. An alderman was elected at Butte, Mont., and the Socialist candidate for mayor was defeated by only 400 votes out of a total of 9,500. Aldermen were elected at several points in Wisconsin and at Battle Creek, Mich. At the latter place the democrats withdrew their candidates and supported the republican ticket, while the Catholic church openly opposed the Socialists. In spite of all this opposition the Socialists elected two aldermen and several minor officials, while the opposition candidate for mayor won out by but a small margin. Now, all together for the fall campaign and 1904. It's coming.

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Quien Sabe?

Who knows this thing-or knowing, yet shall say: This is the way of life--there is no other way! Vast are the depths of thought, and in the depths profound Alone is truth (so sages say) by sages to be found. Tangled is the skein of life, and he who gains a thread Pursues the way amidst a maze of forms which once were dead, And are alive, and yet again shall die Perhaps a myriad myriad times-who knows? Do you, or I?

Who knows this thing-or knowing yet shall say: This is heaven; that is hell; thus we bound the way! Vast are the realms of space-and in the depths remote Alone is heav'n (so sages say) by sages to be sought. Finite is the human mind-still some have dared assign The finite bounds of time and place to Infinite design; Have dared ascribe a hell to those, who seeking to descry A further truth, in reason ask-who knows? Do you, or I?

Who knows this thing-or knowing, yet shall say; O, hear the message of my faith-none other seeks the way! Vast is the scope of life-and millions die untold That mystery which (so sages say) alone can sage unfold. Percipient is all psychic life to that ethereal thrill Which, evolving cosmos out of chaos, bespeaks majestic Will-But harmony so infinite may, as yet, be keyed too high For imperfected sense to grasp-who knows?

Do you, or I?

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This much we know (and hope by stern array Of concrete fact to swiftly speed the abstract on its way): Though legion be division of faith, of sect, and creed— Transcendent thought can never void effect of sinful deed! On ethic point the black, the white, and indifferent, all agree Do that unto thy neighbor which thou would he do to thee! We fancy that we do, at times-but fact knows not to lie And shames the conscious guilt of man to ask, Do you, or 1?

This much we know (and knowing, hail the day When scientific truth shall sweep all myth away): That dual though the forces be, not for aye shall nature wage Contrasting war-for Progress marked on history's page Is witness of one Power Supreme; is voucher that above All contrast in the cosmic scheme is Love! Or else were thought itself a hell, and mercy might deny Sustaining power of hopeful life to such

As you, and I.

-Robert Bielby.

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At the last meeting of the Dubuque Trades and Labor Congress a workingman appealed to the congress for help in resisting the encroachments of his landlord who had raised his house rent two dollars per month. He asked the congress to interfere with this divine right of landlords. A Socialist member promptly got up and said the only remedy was to vote the Socialist ticket. But that means "throwing away your vote." Most workingmen prefer to throw away two dollars-nay, two hundred dollars a month, to throwing away that precious The Iowa Socialist in clubs of four or vote. At least they do it at every election.

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President D. M. Parry, of the National Manufacturers Association in his recent speech at New Orleans said: "Organized labor knows only the law of physical force, the laws of the Huns and Vandals, the laws of the savage. It is a despotism in the midst of libertywith blood and ruin. Wrongs committed by it cry unto heaven. It demands of penses. Rah! Raw! Rotten!

or benefits in case of accident as follows: If these environments are such as to Loss of life, twenty-six weeks' full make man a savage and vandal, those who refuse to permit a change of environment are alone to blame. Mr. Parry is a believer in the competitive system of capitalism, which develops all the baser traits of man. The trades union is a standing protest against the competitive system whether the members of the unions as a whole realize it or not. Mr. Parry's chickens are simply coming home to roost.

> During the first ten days of April there were landed at Ellis Island 38,076 immigrants. During the first ten days of April last year the number of immiwas a record breaker for immigration, but 1903 bids fair to surpass it. What will become of this vast horde when the next business depression sets in? What effect will they have on wages? On strikes? On the unemployed problem?

The Iowa Socialist for one year, The Comrade, illustrated Socialist monthly, for six months, and "The Triumph of Labor," a beautiful picture by Walter Crane, 12x24 inches in size, all for one dollar.

Five prominent athletes from the University of Chicago have gone to loving people. Its history is stained Buffalo as "strike breakers." They are to receive \$30 for five days work and ex-



If you steal a dollar, you are a thief. | dole out charity to those to whom society If you steal a million, you are a financier.

If you deprive a man of life, you are a red-handed murderer. If you deprive Organized charity has become one of our a thousand families of their means of living, you are a substantial citizen. **

Has it ever occurred to you that there has never been a time in the history of the world when everybody had enough to eat? It is true. And much less has there ever been a time when everybody had the comforts of life. Still less has there ever been a time when everybody had access to the mental, moral and spiritual advantages of the world. At various times and in various places the primary reason for this was that there was not enough in existence to supply everybody. It also used to be true that in some localities, on account of machinery and modern appliances, scarcity of natural aids, skill and kncwl edge, all men, under the best planned system of production then in use, did not have sufficient physical ability to produce enough for all. But the chief They get men to work for them at the reason for the fact that not all men have lowest possible wages without regard to ever at any time had enough to eat, or the comfort of the families of the men. possessed the comforts of life, or had They frequently put them in vile and the higher privileges of life, is that a unhealthy quarters where their lives are few have possessed the good things and threatened by disease and their wives the many have not had enough to give and children oftimes lose their only in exchange for them; while at the same support on account of it. They employ time the established social system not women and children and press them only has not guaranteed them an oppor- through the same process of dehumaniztunity to earn a living, but has decreed ing. They build hovels and tenement that they must starve unless they can houses in the most undesirable places pay their way, although it does not pro- and rent them to the men. They strenhibit charity from being doled out to uously object if these hovels and tenethem if anyone is sufficiently interested ments are too close to their own handto dole it out. The many have produced some mansions on the broad and beautithe wealth, the few have taken posses- ful avenues. They do not want to defile

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in want.

In our own country there never has been a time when there was not enough in existence for all. And it is true that for several decades after the United States became a separate nation, practically no one in this country was in feriors and regard themselves as the want for the bare necessaries of life. lords of creation. Besides hiring the The reason is not far to seek. There was a wide domain of idle land, so that when a man could not get employment working for somebody else, he could go on the land and work for himself. The land seemed inexhaustible. The people preempted vast empires of it. The government gave away other vast empires to the railroads. The population increased enormously. The land was steadily taken up, until all of it that can be utilized without the expenditure of capital for irrigation, etc., is now gone. That avenue of escape for the unemployed has been closed. No sooner had the land begun to show signs of exhaustion than extreme poverty and even starvation began to make their appearance. has gone on fro bad to ployment, failure in business, desponwas such a rarity that it stirred people are in absolute want; in other words, to you have been voting for.

ought to guarantee an opportunity to earn a living instead of compelling them

to accept humiliating degrading charity. regular institutions, charity which is necessary under the present system, but which always degrades its recipient. In the meantime, the men who do no useful work, the men who have money invested from which they draw an income, the men who through their invested capital have a suction pump by which they suck into their own coffers the lion's share of the product of labor, these men are rolling in the wealth which they did not earn. We find, then, that in our coustry the reason why not all people have enough to eat, or possess the comforts and higher privileges of life, is not because there is not enough in existence to supply all, for there is an abundance, but because the few possess the good things and the many have not enough to give in exchange for them.

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The few grab at every cent in sight. sion of it, and the many have remained themselves by too close contiguity with workingmen. They contribute to the campaign funds of all political parties that will accept their bribes. They influence legislators with money, flattery or intimidation and get passed such laws as are in their interest and rejected such as are not. They treat poor men as inablest lawyers in the land; they bring extraneous influence to bear upon the courts, and they rarely fail to get the decision they want. They unconcernedly indulge in extravagant luxury and vain ostentation, while men and women and children with human hearts and souls and feeling and longings actually die of starvation, and while millions of others live upon the ragged edge of poverty, destitute of all the refining and ennobling influences of life.

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By The Observer

The right to remain at work where others have ceased to work, or to en-gage anew in work which others have abandoned, is part of the personal libdoned, is part of the personal liberty of a citizen that can never be sur rendered, and every infringement there-of merits and should receive the stern denouncement of the law. Our language is the language of a free people, and fails to furnish any form of speech by which the right of a citizen to work when he pleases, for whom he pleases, and on what terms he pleases can be successfully denied. common sense of our people as well as the common law, forbids that this right should be assailed with impunity.-Report of Anthracite Coal Commission.

The above constitutes the basis of the competitive system. Remove this basis and that brutal system would crumble to pieces. Its existence depends upon unlimited competition in the labor market. Divested of sophistry and carried to its logical conclusion the above should read: "Unlimited competition among laborers is desirable. The right to work for starvation wages is part of the personal liberty of a citizen that can never be surrendered, and every infringement thereof merits and should receive the stern denouncement of the law." That men possessing the intelligence of those who constituted the personnel of the coal commission should be willing to stand sponsor for such a declaration shows how completely our opinions are controlled by environment.

The trades unionist concedes the legal right of every man to work "on what terms he pleases." He does not con cede the moral right. To do so would be to concede that unlimited competition is best for the laborer. The labor union is a protest against unlimited competition. Now then, can the trades unionist be expected to believe in unlimited competition? He does not, and he never will. This is the pith of the whole question.

Why did not the commission say: 'The right to work carries with it the right to an opportunity to work." That sentiment would have been endorsed by every trades unionist. Were it crystallized into law and lived up to the world over, there would be no necessity for labor unions and nine-tenths of the misery and wretchedness with which the world is filled would disappear from the earth as the dews of the morning disappear before the rays of the sun. To say that every man has a right to work when he pleases, for whom he pleases and on what terms he pleases," is a hollow mockery when as a matter of fact there is not, never has been, never can be, employment for all under the competitive system. It is the realization of this fact that is responsible for the rapid growth of Socialism among workingmen and particularly among trades unionists. Does not the commission know that there is not a trade in existence in which at least 20 per cent of its members are unemployed the year around? Are the labor unions responsible for such a con-Yet they are not to blame. They do dition of affairs? Assuredly not. Does these things because we permit it. Pri- not the commission know that the labor vate ownership of the means of produc- unions of this country have for the past

one another's wages to the starvation point in order that we may have milli ires on one hand and propers on the other. This sacred right must not be abridged. The less wages the laborer receives, the less independent, the more docile, will he be, the more "loyal to the interests of his employer." Nothing like starvation to break a man's spirit and humble his pride.

Whom do we mean when we say "the people?" A majority, do we not? And do not the workingmen constitute a majority of the population of this and every other country? Does the commission mean to say that the workingmen of this country are in favor of unlimited competition among workingmen? From whom did it receive authority to make such a statement? That such is the law we concede. But who made the law? Did the workingmen make the law? Were they consulted in regard to the matter when the law was made? No, indeed. They are in the majority, it is true, but they have no influence whatever with the law making power and never will until competition has been superseded by Socialism.

We advise our friends to see Althauser's line of Refrigerators before buy ing elsewhere.

The late James T. Barnard used -to tell a story like this:

"A man owned a herd of cattle, which were lean, even to starvation, and their bones stuck out of their skins. He owned also a luxurious pasture, from which his cattle were excluded by a strong, high fence. But this owner, Finest Store, Largest Stock and Lowest whatever might be said of his wits, was Prices on same quality of Goods and a kindhearted fellow who occupied him- Work in the State of Iowa. self daily in pulling handfuls of grass from the pasture and shoving them through the fence to the hungry animals outside. Nevertheless, the weaker cattle Seeds ... starved and died. One day a passerby said to him:

- "'Friend, do you own these cattle?' " 'I do.'
- "'And do you own the pasture?'
- "Yes.' "Then why don't you let down the

bars, so that the cattle can feed themselves?'

"Said the owner:

Althauser's shoe sale.

"I have as yet failed to see that letting down the bars would be a panacea for all the leannesses these cattle are heir to. Instead of broaching far-away theories, do something practical; jump over the fence and help me pull some grass and feed it to the calves.""

"Those who tell our young men that they can achieve success by being studious and looking out merely for their own chances are in effect advising the calves to be cunning and strong," says Bolton Hall, "that they may, when they grow up, be able to grab the best places, where the grass comes through the bars."-Ex.



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To Local and State Secretaries of the Socialist Party:

Comrades: - Apparent manderstanding different quarters as to the provisions under which the referendum on the location of national headquarters shall be conducted, make it impera tive that your attention be again called to the following instructions to secretaries:

The vote closes on May 1, 1903, and lo staries shall not count votes cast after that date. Local secretaries in organized states must the vote of their locals, signed by the chairs at file

worse until now there is over a million of the product of his toil in return for to make it possible for every man "to of men out of employment all the time an opportunity to earn a living. When- work when he pleases, for whom he and frequently this figure swells to several ever we see fit to al o ish pr.vate propmillions. Thousands of men, women erty in the means of production and disand children die of downright starvation tribution, that exploitation will cease, and exposure every year. Lack of em- we will get the full product of our toil, and poverty will be a thing of the past. dency and loss of hope drive thousands We have only ourselves to blame. If to suicide. Most of us can remember we lived in a country where the workwhen a death from starvation or suicide ingman had no vote, it might be otherwise. But in this country a workingman to the bottoms of their hearts. Now, it has as many votes as a capitalist. The has become such a common thing that workingmen can end exploitation by votwe do not give it a passing thought, ing for the public ownership of the The employing class do not want to see We do not even invest a penny in a means of production and distribution newspaper to find out who the poor fel- whenever they wish. If you want all laborer would be in a position to treat low was, when we hear the newsboy you earn, vote the Socialist ticket. If with his employer on equal terms, be in calling the event. In every city and you do not vote the Socialist ticket, guit a position to set a price upon his labor town of any size in the land there are growling because you are deprived of and not be compelled to accept the valorganizations whose object is to provide everything that amounts to anything in uation placed upon it by his employer, food, raiment and shelter for those who the world. You are only getting what as is now too often the case. The un-

and secretary, with the state secretaries in the respective states before May 5, 1903. Secretaries of branches where Central Committees exist should make returns to the secretary of the Cen of contract for the individual laborer. tral Committee. Local secretaries in unorganized states must file the vote of their locals, signed by the chairman and secretary, with the national

ecretary before May 15, 1903. State secretaries shall compile and file with the national secretary a complete tabulated state ment of the vote of locals in the respective states before May 15, 1908. Fraternally yours.

WILLIAM MAILLY, National Sec'y.

throughout the United States in order pleases, and on what terms he pleases?" And who is it that has opposed the passage of such a law? The employers of the country, led by the Manufacturers Association. Why do they oppose the passage of such a law? Because they do not want to see a condition of affairs in which every man can "work when he pleases, for whom he pleases and on what terms he pleases." This is the plain truth of the matter. Why deny it every man employed because then the organized workingman has no more to say about what wages he shall receive than an animal has as to the kind of food he shall get. Freedom of contract! Bah! There is no such thing as freedom

"The common sense of our people, as well as the common law, forbids that this right should be assailed with impunity," says the commission. Certainly not, the holy right to starve must be preserved. The interests of civilization demand that men, women and children shall go into the market and bid down

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n an evolutionary process-Farmers Alliance, Populist, Popocrat, Socialistwith eternal opposition to fusion. Since becoming an avowed Socialist I have also experienced some changes. At first the class struggle was not clear to me. It seemed to jar on the nerves. I disliked the idea of class war. It looked heathenish. At last the truth flashed across my mind that the class struggle really meant the leveling of all classes on the economic plane; that all classes were to be eliminated but one-the working class; or to put it more correctly all classes were to be MERGED INTO ONE-the working class. By "working brain or hand, or both, are to produce something useful to society. It does not mean that society shall devote its whole time to the handling of the machinery of production and distribution to the exclusion of moral and intellectual development. On the contrary, the almost universal co-operation of society in producing the material necessities, will tend to make such production merely incidental or subservient to the development of the finer sensibilities. Furthermore, the co-operative commonwealth will not restrain a man of real worth in art, science, philosophy or literature, from devoting the needed time to his chosen work. These things are considered useful and are counted as part of labor's production.

Under capitalism a genius may give to the world the product of a great mind and then die in the almshouse, while of approaching the subject of Socialism. others may grow rich through the work of this genius, and through this method upon this question should be scientific; of acquiring riches they actually produce nothing.

The same is true with the products of manual laborers. It is the exploiting, non-producing class that Socialism pro- argue in behalf of our principles from poses to eliminate. Every man must be worker with hand and brain and the result of his work must not be exploita- know this and is unable to comprehend tion but production. Of course it is and explain this phase of the subject is always understood that due allowance is incapable of teaching or speaking upon made for the young, the old and the in- it. But is Socialism simply a science? firm.

We are sometimes led to believe that many Socialists themselves fail to get a broad and comprehensive view of the class struggle. We are prone to view the whole situation from our own viewpoint. If we have devoted our entire life to manual labor we look with suspicion upon the honest men and women of the professional class who are advocating the doctrine of Socialism. I wonder if we stop to think that at least 75 per cent of this class have felt the tyranny of capitalism as keenly as those who work in our industrial institutions. and exclusively be based upon scientific They have not revealed the fact hitherto propositions. Socialism is scientific, for the reason that their social relations but it is more-it is philosophical, poet are more directly connected with the ical, sentimental. None of these cohcapitalists, and have lacked the moral flict, but all harmonize. Philosophical, courage to speak out, or have been poetical and sentimental Socialism are blinded to the real causes of the economic struggle. From personal knowl- methods of teaching Socialism crosses edge I can speak for one large profes- the path of the other. All are needed sional class-the clergy-and I am per- to enlist our fellowmen in the great fectly safe in saying that there is not struggle for industrial emancipation. more than one out of ten, if that class Let the poet sing, the sentimentalist exshould meet with some misfortune and hort, the philosopher and scientist lose their financial support, but that reason from fact, argument and deducwould be a subject of charity in a short tion. Each is reaching his own class. time or a candidate for the poor house. Each path, though divergent it may Certainly if any class should be Social- seem to the purely scientific mind, is ists the clergy have every reason in the leading to the land of the co-operative world of being, for it would bring about common wealth.

My arrival into the Socialist camp has | a condition for the protection of the weak and unfortunate which Christ himself advocated, but which the church during almost 1,900 years of experience has utterly failed to usher in. Who can deny this? Not one.

When Socialism comes we will all belong to the producing class. Conditions will be such that we will enjoy compar ative economic equality, and by the diffusion of education and opportunities of travel we shall also come to comparative social equality. But on this side of Socialism the proletariat must accept the aid that men of any class volunteer to give, even if Mr. Morgan or Mr. Rocke feller should declare themselves avowed class" is meant that all men, either by Socialists. While we are on this side of our coveted goal it makes no difference what diversity of classes are involved in advocating Socialism. So long as men understand what the co-operative commonwealth means and realize that all classes under the new era are to be merged into one-the working or producing class-that is sufficient. As Socialists we must accept the co-operation of all classes that desire to help us, not because of what they are, but because of their assistance to make us ALL what we hope to be-ONE UNIVER-SAL BROTHERHOOD. Though fai removed from each other now, we should all work together that hereafter we may be one. Socialism is a class struggle indeed-a struggle to BECOME one class.

> Another question that seems to confuse our minds is the diversity of ways A good many think that every argument that it must deal strictly with the working class problem. So much is this so that some Socialist leaders declare those unsound in the faith who venture to any other standpoint. Socialism is certainly a science and he who does not

We must bear in mind that we have all classes to convert and every character of mind with which to deal. There is the philosopher, the poet, the sentimentalist and the scientist. God made every mind for a purpose and every mind must be dealt with according to its peculiar mould. It is the boast of Socialism that it will make free the individual to follow his own ambition and develop his mind according to its natural tendency. We therefore destroy one of the greatest arguments for Socialism when we declare that all its arguments must necessarily not unscientific. Not one of these

& Sons, where the strike is on, was to Organizer Lymburner and former Or-discharge all officers of the union as well ganizer Wilbur was brought up and cre-as members of committees appointed to ated considerable discussion. A cominvestigate the grievances, leaving no other course open than to call a strike. The livery owners union of Des Moines for a time absolutely refused to treat with representatives of the hackmen's union, and a strike was declared. They are beginning to see things in a different light, and concessions are now

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being obtained which a week ago were altogether out of the question. The Glove Workers union of Des

Moines was responsible for a week's closing down of the Cownie glove factory. The difficulty should have been adjusted without a strike, as an agreement to adjust differences arising had already been entered into by the interested parties.

Marshalltown has a strike of track ayers on its hands. Whether or not the men are members of a union is not known.

A difficulty between the Anterican Express Company and the Expressmen's Union of Sioux City, which for a time threatened a boycott, has been satisfactorily adjusted.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS.

Sioux City-Retail Clerks, reorganzed; Waiters and Union Label League. Boone-Electrical Workers.

Waterloo-Teamsters.

Dubuque-Stage Employes, Button Vorkers and Brewery Workmen.

Oelwein-Carpenters. Des Moines-Hackmen.

IN GENERAL

The indications are that there will not be less than two hundred delegates at the convention at Davenport in May. Secretary Strief, of Sioux City, to whom credentials should be forwarded, reports them coming in by every mail. Several state craft organizations will likely be formed at the convention. Organizer Menton, now of the American Federation of Labor, and a retail clerk by trade, is out in a circular urging the formation of a state organization. The Boilermakers and Stationary Firemen and Engineers, too, are considering the launching of a similar body, which it is aimed to make particularly useful in securing a boiler inspection law.

F. A. Lymburner, who was the Federation's delegate to the American Federation of Labor last year, has been appointed organizer for Dubuque and vicinity.

At the municipal election in Oelwein proposition to accept a gift from Andrew Carnegie for a public library was voted down. The Trades Assembly was on record against the acceptance of such sults of marital relations in the 600. gift.

Secretary Strief designed the coat of arms appearing on the handsome credentials issued by the Federation. Instead of the coat of arms on the state seal of lowa, where a soldier appears with musket and sword, the designer has placed a mechanic in overalls and cap eaning on a sledge hammer.

Organizer H. E. Hales, of Denver, epresenting the Retail Clerks, has been in Sioux City for ten days stirring up unionism in his craft. His next visit is at Burlington.

The municipal elections at Waterloo and Boone, in which union labor had whist and baccarat with some of that inbecome interested, resulted in both instances in the election of the other fellow. The vote polled in both cities, however, was fairly representative of the if you have a taste for scandal. strength of union labor, and will act as gentle reminder that labor is awakening to employ all the means at its command to secure justice. The school boards over the state are taking notice of the agitation in favor of the teachers and are increasing their salaries to nearly half of what they ought to be. Let the good work go on. After a conference of several weeks duration the Iowa Mine Workers secured an advance equalling the Indianapolis J. J. JACOBSEN. agreement.

mittee was appointed to investigate the matter.

F. A. Lymburner was elected to represent the Congress at the coming convention of the Iowa State Federation of Labor at Davenport.

The committee on hall was given further time in which to secure a new home for the Congress.

Go-Carts at Althauser's.

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Where is capital? In the hands of the capitalist, of course.

Who built the U. S.? Capital-kind, patriotic, sacred capital, without which we cease to exist.

Why is capital patriotic and sacred Because it is the bulwark of the nation; it assures a certain continuance of prosperity by its judicious and inalienable can laborer by an easy method of cominvestment in home industry; and because

There are several other reasons in the orthodox catechism, but the above sample will be sufficient to enable us to revel in the glorious proof of its truth, which is now being corroborated as never before.

Comrades, and otherwise! Do you remember Papa Zimmermann digging down into OUR inviolable, inalienable, sacred pile of capital to buy a real live duke!

They needed a duke in Cincinnati. Zimmermann is in the pork business, and with his shrewd business capacity, could probably have purchased half a million four-legged ones for the cash consideration required in exchange for his two-legged Grace. But, still, Cincinnati is proud-though, be it whispered, Manchester's willing.

The general public doesn't seem to be satisfied-but then, they never are. They say it is a poor investment-even Toddy is quoted as saying that it is a poor breed which does not reproduce its kind. And, instead of being thankful for such a blessing the dear, foolish old public is disgruntled at the barren re-

And, do you remember the Gould family investing six or seven figures in a count. A count of no-account at that. For be it known that France is a republic, too. They get their nobility by adoption-different here, we get 'em by purchase. As a means of distribution even the butterfly is utilized in nature; so we suppose Anna must have been taking lessons in natural history.

And, do you remember a gentleman Dr. L. H. Engelken, by the name of Astor packing his grip full of capital and walking over to London.

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FROM THE BATTLEFIELD

have signed an agreement not to recog- of \$4 a day. nize any of the building trades unions.

Junction to obtain the proper promotion half a day's strike.

The building trades unions of De Moines all secured increased wages and recognition of their respective unions. through conference with the Builders' Exchange.

A contract between the carpenters union of Boone and the contractors has been entered into. It terminates in one year

All the carriage factories at Des Moines, with one exception, have gainted the nine hour day. At the street, Burlington, to secure plumbers Shaver factory a strike is on to secure a similar concession.

Plumbers at Sioux City, after being in Columbus, Ohio. Twenty-one contractors at Waterloo out a few days, secured a rate of wages

Two hundred button workers at Du-A walkout of machinists in Valley buque are on strike, and an appeal for moral and financial aid has been issued Bakers, Tinners, Beer Bottlers, Stationof apprentices resulted favorably after by the Dubuque Trades Congress. The ary Engineers and Hod Carriers. system employed by Harvey Chalmers The controversy between A. F. of L.

Dubuque Trades and Labor Congress The attendance at the Dubuque Trades and Labor Congress continues to grow. At the regular meeting Sunday, April 12, delegates from the Boilermakers, Button Cutters, Butchers and Steam Engineers were seated.

A committee was appointed to wait on the city council in regard to the purchase of fire apparatus from a non-union firm

Organizer F. A. Lymburner reported having organized unions during the month as follows: Freight Handlers, Metal Mechanics, Metal Polishers,

violable star spangled capital now. Of course, you can get your interest on itin the pages of the "Sunday American,' Space will not allow of further instance. But this will be sufficient to draw your attention to the lavish investment of patriotic capital in a titled stock, which has already at Newport and Saratoga formed the nucleus of a society

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From the Field

The effective work of Comrade Jones, following that of Comrade Oneal, is shown in the increased vote in Aspen. Our vote in the city for governor last fall was 127. Our candidate for mayor, Comrade Frank Kuntz, received last Tuesday 358 votes. The old parties

National Headquarters Notes

Election Results

It is impossible to give anything more than a mere outline, in reporting the results of the municipal elections in several states, during the past week. It can be said, however, that the most notable thing about the elections was the great increase in Socialist votes in every locality. Wherever the Socialist party had tickets in the field, ad vances were made, testifying to its growth as a national party, and the rapid approach of a po-litical crisis in the nation.

The most conspicuous victories gained were in Chicago, Montana and Wisconsin. In the western metropolis, comrades were partially rewarded for years of unceasing agitation by not only seeing their vote for mayor reach 11,227, an increase of 6,000 over the election of two years ago, but also in the election of William Johnson as alderman of the Thirty-third ward (Pullman) by a vote of 8,116 against 2,888 for the democrat and 2,119 for the republican. Johnson is the first alderman in Chicago elected on a straight Socialist platform. He is 28 years old, is a wood carver by trade, a union man and has been a Socialist for years. He is highly regarded by the Chicago comrades and will make an able representative in a responsible position.

In Montana, the Socialists carried Anaconda and only missed Butte by less than 400 votes out of a total of 9,500, after the hottest kind of a campaign. In Anaconda, John W. Frincke was elected mayor, the first Socialist to hold such a position west of the Mississippi. City treasurer, police magistrate Tuesday against 327 a year ago. The and three out of six aldermen were also Economic League (union labor with elected. The results in Butte and Ana- democratic backing) is dead.

votes, and with him the treasurer, city organized at Claremont with twenty attorney, assessor, two justices of the peace, six aldermen, three supervisors and two school commissioners were elected. A Socialist alderman was elected at Plymouth, and 648 votes were McMechen, W. Va.; Monday, 20, East polled for mayor at Racine.

the city council.

At Liberal, Mo., Comrade G 20. Mel-

In Colorado, Fred Pheasey was elected alderman at Telluride. In nearly all the cities, the fight was between the Socialists and the citizens tickets. At Aspen, the Socialist mayoralty candidate polled 346 votes against 533 for the citizens ticket; and at Boulder 346 votes were national party, giving special attention

saved themselves from defeat by fusing. The republican-democratic-citizens candidate for mayor received 538 votes. Jones and the moving pictures in a warm campaign of over a month greatly assisted to this satisfactory result. Comrade Jones will soon start out to

meet his engagements in Colorado.

former city, Sam Jones was re-elected mayor, and the head of the Socialist ticket suffered to the extent of between 800 and 900 votes. Keogh, Socialist mayoralty candidate, got 549 votes, the other candidates polling an average of 1,406. The mayoralty vote two years ago was 482, and last election Hayes polled 1551 for accretative of state polled 1571 for secretary of state.

At Cleveland Tom Johnson was reelected on a three cent fare issue, the workers preferring to save two cents on each street car ride, to securing the full social product of their labor. The So-cialists held their vote of last fall, which vas 2,000.

At Cincinnati, Swing, Socialist, polled ,774 votes for mayor, after a hot campaign, and comrades express themselves is satisfied with the results. Definite figures have not been reported from other Ohio places, but the capitalist press admits general increase.

In Missouri, 233 votes were cast for the Socialist candidate for mayor at Joplin, an increase from 97 last fall. dalia gave 225 for Socialism against 908 for combined democratic-republican fusion ticket.

Minnesota continues to develop as a Socialist stronghold. At Crookston the vote for mayor was as follows: Republican 489, citizens 324, Socialist 218. Socialist polled 100 last election. Faribault gave Socialist candidate for mayor 141 out of 802, which gives party official standing.

At Plattsmouth, Neb., the Socialist vote trebled over last election.

The Socialist party polled 529 votes in Hartford, Conn., in the city election on Tuesday against 327 a year ago. The

conda will have tremendous effect on the west. Clarence Smith says "Capitalism is shattered in Montana." Wisconsin shows big increases. At Sheboygan, the candidate for mayor, Comrade Born, was elected with 1,723 the tremendous effect on the socialist party of New Hampshire will be held in Concord, at the local head-quarters, on Thursday, April 23, and plans will be made for uplifting the party in that state. A new local has just been members, and another will soon be formed at Littleton.

Liverpool, Ohio, Central Trades Coun-At Battle Creek, Mich., two aldermen were elected, making four Socialists in Carpenters union; Wednesday, 22, Carneige, Pa., Carpenters union; Thursday, 23, Reynoldsville, Pa., Trades Council; At Liberal, Mo., Comrade G 20. Mel. lor regained his seat in the town council, where he made a good record before, and an increased vote was polled for the entire ticket. In Colorado, Fred Pheasey was elected Socialist party. Slayton will spend May and June in Ohio, Wisconsin and Missouri.

> John M. Ray will devote three weeks to organizing work in Alabama for the to the Birmingham district, where the



is working very successfully and other comrades should profit by it.

Dayton reports the organization of a new branch composed exclusively of women. Its success is already assured and more new members are being added at each meeting.

A total of 229 new members were ad-mitted into the Ohio organization during the month of March. This is a large increase over January and February and is the largest month in the history of the party.

Comrades Frank P. and Kate O'Hare will tour in Ohio beginning May 5 and ending May 19. Comrades should apply for dates to the state secretary at once.

The fund for placing an organizer in the field is progressing nicely and a per-manent organizer will probably be placed at work before the summer season is far advanced.

The municipal elections are over and the partial results are found to be as follows:

Ashtabula, 71. Union labor ticket in the field. Held our own O. K. Bellaire, 71. Increase of 10 over fall

of 1902.

Hamilton, 96. S. L. P., 76. First municipal ticket in field. Springfield, 280. A gain of 75 over spring of 1902.

Bucyrus, 78. Spring of 1902 had 54. Very jubilant.

Cleveland, about 2,000. In spite of Tom Johnson held their own, but the official count will have to determine the exact figures of our vote.

Columbus, 94 to 111. First trial. S. L. P., 46.

Xenia, 141. Good gain over former elections in spite of fierce fight. Cincinnati, 3751 for mayor. Ticket

ran about 3900. Small gain over fall of 1902. Immense gain over spring of 1902. Cox machine dominates.

Findlay, 140 votes in the first attempt. Large gains over fall of 1903. Elyria, 34 to 61. Fifty per cent in-

crease over last fall.

Toledo, 549 for mayor. Ticket ran about 1400. The "Golden Rule" Jones fight was awful hard and hurt our ticket. Comrades will now work to build up a good class conscious organization and line up all sympathizers.

75 to 150. First trial Youngstown.

in the opening sentence of his last week's communication in The Iowa Socialist in his defense of changing Article 15. However, as we have been many years mixed up with the old party workers we fail to see wherein we are wrong on our first stand. Of course, we will admit that even under the old law there are dangers, but we also feel that we also have a better check on the tricksters. We still maintain that the new law, while worded very cleverly, simply means in plain English that the convention town will have full control and can have things their own way.

In all conventions the committee work is of some importance and under the old law all locals having a representative present can have some show in the committee work, but under the new law the convention town will have say twentyfive to seventy-five delegates present while the balance of the entire state will be represented by say fifteen or twenty delegates. Under such conditions, Com-rade Work, don't you think Des Moines would rather be inclined to take the lion's share? I guess so. We presume at this late hour the die has been cast at this rate nour the the has been cast and further argument will not count. However, we are glad to report that Sioux City local voted almost unani-mously against a change, there being only two votes in favor of the proposed amendment.

. The Ladies Social Economy Club is a great power toward helping our local push the good work. A, an item of their substantial encouragement I must mention the fine new \$325 piano placed in the hall last week. The men have been getting along with an old worn out \$16 piano for nearly two years and afraid to tackle a new one. But not so with the ladies. They said we are tired of the old tin pan and away they went to the music store and the new piano is the result. Bless the ladies; they will surely get their full reward when we Socialists gain the coming victory.

The Ladies Club has just completed arrangements to have with us on the 21st and 22d Mrs. Abbott, of California, president of the Women's National Union. Mrs. Abbott comes recom-

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ly pat on the back from Comrade Work mended as a fine speaker and we all expect good results.

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