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Don't worry

About Rockefeller

And others of his ilk.

They are taking care of themselves.

And besides they are not worrying about you.

Unless it's over some new method of skinning you.

They know you're still getting onefifth of what you earn.

And they are all making goo-goo eyes at that little one-fifth.

Unless you give them the look reproachful the flirtation may be fatal-to you.

In the travail of class struggles are born all social and political advances in the scheme of evolution.

One thing the Socialists believe ought got another crown of thorns. to be "divided up" is work. Nothing wrong about that, is there?

\$,000, \$90 Socialist votes in Germany. Right you are, Bill. Socialism is a "most stupendous question."

Under the new Denver city charter a councilman must have been a taxpayer for five years. Getting afraid of the So- order department, which has been given cialists, ch?

Workers beware of so-called middle class political movements. They are either born of ignorance or are merely capitalistic decoys.

No, "Anxious Inquirer," the postoffice system is not a good example of Social. of thinking and think Socialism for a ism. It is a bad example of capitalist change. politics. As long as a premium is placed on grafting, so long will there be government ownership , plank by the grafters.

It is a wise observation that the labor leader who is patted on the back by the capitalist press will bear watching. The labor leader who is zealous in the cause of unionism and true to the interests of his class gets no boquets from the opposition.

It is true that Socialism is greater than the Socialist party. But so also is the ocean liner greater than the pilot on the bridge. Socialist sentiment must be organized and directed even as the ship must be guided if it is to come safely into port. Join the party organization.

The notorious Loud, of California, who presented a bill in congress practically abolishing the second class mail privileges, is reported to be implicated in the postal scandals. We have said it before and we will repeat it that all the anarchists are not in the working class.

On to Washington! But don't forget Des Moines.

This is bad weather for Baer & God.

But if we have an early fall the firm may pull through.

That is, if the pestiferous labor agitators can be held in check.

And D. M. Parry hasn't had a fit for most a week. Keely or rest cure?

Instead of being "reaffirmed" by the lowa democrats, the Kansas City platform was "embalmed."

There are no micdle class interests. Oh little ones, that you might see Your interests are sither those of the And have the chance that's given me. capitalist class or those of the working It may be you'd leave a mark more wise class.

It has been a tough time for more than one "Iowa Idea." Ask Cummins, and Van Wagenen. And poor Bryan

It may not be necessary for workingmen to be class conscious in order to be Socialists, but it's truer than holy writ. that unless they do become class conscious we'll never get Socialism.

The contract for the printing of the money order blanks for the P. O. money to one firm for sixteen years, has been awarded to another firm. More scandal.

Do a little thinking on your own account. It pays. And it's better for your mental health. Some people become insane thinking too much along one line. Drop your capitalistic method

The rejection of Judge Van Wagenen's democratic state convention will save the Socialists of Iowa a whole lot of trouble in explaining the difference between government ownership and Sccialism. Thanks.

Capitalism's frantic efforts to belittle the influence of the Socialist vote of Germany by trying to show an imaginary difference in the fundamental principles of the party in Germany and this country reminds us of the ostrich's attempt to hide from its pursuers by sticking its head into the sand.

If the Socialists of Germany are only conservative democrats, as the capitalist press would have us believe, what becomes of that old stock argument against Socialism that "it is a German importa- the manager of the Union Electric Co., tion and will never take root in American so 12" Seems to have taken root

Robbed of your pleasure trips, stolen your rest Ever at work in the dark cellar's pest. From early morning to late at night. Your little hands are at labor's might; Your little songs are very few, Your little smiles are scanty too. But O, more scant your food and dress,

Chained down to labor, starvation and strife

Poor little laborers, robbed of your life

The Little Laborers

The wage you're paid can't pay your debts: Your little hands, so rough and brown, Should really earn a golden crown.

Little tots from six to nine Working as the sun does shine; Working till the sun will set; Where, O, where is wage and rest?

Toiling in the cotton mills, Toiling in the mine's dark dills. Poor little creatures, what do you know Of the ocean waves or the wide meadow?

Who do you work for, so hard and true? He gives one-tenth of your wage to you. Nine-tenths he keeps for his idle watch. And lets you starve and freeze untaught.

In the world behind you, if taught, than I.

-Blanch Sokoloff, Sious City.

Strike Echoes

By the Observer

The recent strike of the employes of the Union Electric Co. in Dubuque proved the solidarity of organized labor in that city. The magnificent maaner in which the different unions came to the aid of the strikers, morally and financially, brought a thrill of pride to the heart of the old-time trades unionist and made him realize that his labors in the past had not been in vain. This is as it should be. "An injury to one is the concern of all," was the motto of a once great labor organization, and so long as it remained true to that motto it grew and prospered. But in an evil hour its leader added "But all should not suffer for one," and from that moment the greatest labor organization the world had known up to that time began to crumble and is now but a memory.

* * Three men emerge from the strike

with the respect of all fair-minded men -Messrs Devereux, Noonan and Hennessy. It is a matter of sincere regret to every member of organized labor that these three men were sacrificed in the interest of harmony. During the con tinuance of the strike Mr. Devereaux in particular was the object of the most venemous attacks, all of which he bore without resentment. The manner in which he handled the strike and the magnificent discipline which he maintained prove him to be possessed in the highest degree of the qualities of leadership. His quiet, manly, dignified bearing stood out in strong relief to that of who attempted to ride rough shod over everything and everybody. Hats off to



When Labor Celebrates!

THE NECESSITY ITINERARY OF AN

Every new movement takes naturally to the 'itinerary. Early Buddhism, early Christianity, early Methodism-all were most marked by their missionary characteristic, and the rotation of their advocates. Socialism is not a religion in the old sense of that term, but it is a movement of humanity and as such it cannot escape the itinerary. Its missionaries must go from place to place with, the good news. They must GO! A Socialist agitator should study Marx first, but a close second to sound economics is a thorough study and understanding of the time-tables. A live agitator will spoil if he is not kept moving. A local organization will fail to catch the fire of the movement without it enjoys an itinerary of speakers.

You complain that the people of your county will not listen to you. Very well! "No prophet hath honor in his own county;" exchange places for a day or so with the local speaker in the next county, and you will both have a hearing.

The itinerary is not only useful for the propaganda; it clears the movement itself. One speaker is especially clear in one way, another in another way. Hear them all and you will get the whole science.

Give us the Ohio plan; give us the Michigan plan; give us any kind of plan that will swing the speakers around the circle. He is a poor agitator indeed who cannot do some good--if he moves with sufficient speed!



the unions followed the archbishop's adready to step in and take the situations they had vacated. Does the archbishop New York. think for a moment that the employers would hesitate to employ them; would make any inquiry as to their previous character? On the contrary the moment they "scabbed," they would become law abiding citizens in the eyes of the average employer, "loyal" to the interests of capital. The labor union takes men as -regulate the supply to the demand. For this reason it is necessary to admit

ber suspected or known to be in sym- Lawson. Other articles and stories are pathy with violence. Well, suppose contributed by Horace Traubel, Amy Wellington, Prof. Thos. E. Will, Ernest vice, what would be the result? The Crosby and Editor Spargo. Among the next time a union engaged in a strike it many illustrations must be mentioned would find these men opposed to them, the cartoons by F. Dahme and Ryan Walker. The Comrade, 11 Cooper Sq.,

The remarkable similarity of the editorials in the various capitalist papers anent the large Socialist vote in the recent election in Germany, suggests a common origin, or the pulling of a string which makes the puppets all dance the same jig. The impression sought to be it finds them and trusts to time to make made by these editorials is that the Gerthem good citizens. It is the aim of the man Social Democracy is a very tame labor union to control the labor market sort of a party-not even as radical as the conservative parties in this country.

While this subterfuge looks very

Remember the main issue of Socialism is a co-operative commonwealth in which all will have an opportunity of making a decent living without paying tribute to a useless class of parasites. If you are satisfied with free silver, free beer, or free love, apply to Hanna & Hearst. Office open all week before election.

J. A. Edgerton, of Denver, wants to form a new political party because "There are a large army of voters in this country who are not republicans, Cleveland democrats, or Karl Marx Socialists. They must have a political home. How is it to be provided them?" We were going to suggest the insane asylums, but on sober second thought we find they are not available. Most of them are already crowded.

"Labor Omnia Vincit," (labor con-American Federation of Labor. This is the mistaken policy of that great organization labor conquers only that others may enjoy. When labor wakes to a realization of its power and uses that things, but also enjoy all things.

eh? Hence the change of tune.

A newspaper report states that all classes were represented at the recent meeting of the Citizens' Alliance of this city. Yes, we noticed that. But the chairman of the meeting was one of the proprietors of the only large non-union publishing establishment in the city. It's a cold day when a bunch of capitalists get together without acting in a class conscious manner.

The Dubuque Telegraph-Herald says that when the trades unions are impregnated with t ocialism, if they ever are, it will be to the profit of the unions to get three elements-radical, conservative, a divorce. Which leads us to remark that when the unions become impregnated with Socialism, and that time is rapidly approaching, instead of getting divorces, they will commence housekeeping. And it won't be in a dog kennel or a two-room flat either, b'gosh.

At its recent annual convention the State Federation of Labor of Minnesota adopted a resolution recommending the quers all things), is the motto of the adoption by all local an I affiliated bodies of an amendment to their constitutions a good motto, but unfortunately under permitting political action along the line of the class struggle. A few more years and the labor unionist who is opposed to "politics in the union" will look like a cipher with the rim rubbed off. It is power in political action by voting for gratifying to note that the unions which Socialism, it will not only conquer all decide to go into politics go in for the right kind-working class politics.

Michael Devereaux.

* * The sermon delivered by Archbishop Keane Sunday, June 21, contained a good deal of sound sense and also considerable nonsense. In one place he stated that although the radical element of every labor union was in the minority it nevertheless controlled the union. How the radical element could be in the minority and still control the majority is a paradox which his grace did not see fit to explain. As a matter of fact the con-

servative element controls every labor union. In every labor union there are and timid-about equally divided. By playing the two other elements against each other, the conservative element prevents the union from dying of inanition and also from becoming too radical. Nor is the radical as difficult to control as is generally imagined. The radical is always an out and out union man-one who is willing to make any sacrifice in the interest of the union. All he asks is that the leader of the union shall make the interests of the union paramount. Given such a leader the radical is easily controlled. It is only when the leader of the union becomes too timid or conservative that the radical throws off all restraint.

all who apply-good or bad. It is better to have these men with us than against us. *.*

"Let the labor unions go on in their good work legally and peacefully," said Archbishop Keane, "securing more and more of the wealth of the world for the laborer until finally he has received all to which he is justly entitled." Precisely what the Socialist demands. Can it be that the Archbishop is possessed of Socialistic tendencies without being aware of the fact?

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A certain Dubuque newspaper recently devoted considerable space in explaining the difference between a trades unionist and a Socialist. The difference can be explained in a few words. The trades unionist believes he is entitled to a fair share of the wealth which his labor creates; the Socialist believes he is entitled to all the wealth which his labor creates.

The Comrade for June is certainly one of the best and most interesting numbers of that high class periodical we have yet seen. The place of honor is given to Mila Tupper Maynard, who writes brilliantly upon "Scientific Sentiment." Geo. D. Herron writes another of his "Point of View" articles and Rob ert Rives La Monte, of New Zealand, writes of the famous proletarian poet

childish to the Socialist, and there can hardly be a doubt that the writers of these falsehoods themsevles know better, those who depend on the Spiketown Blizzard and campaign speeches for their information will perhaps be deceived, as it was intended they should

It is true that like the Socialist party of the United States, the Social Democracy of Germany has incorporated in its platform sundry "immediate demands," but as everywhere the party in Germany never loses sight of the main issue of revolutionary, working class Socialism, as the following paragray hs translated from the German platform by Charles Deisel for the Colorado Socialist clearly show:

"The private property in the means of production, formerly the means by the owner secured the property of his product, has become the means by which to exploit the farmer, the mechanic and the small merchant class and put the capitalist in possession of the product of the working class.

"Only the transformation of the capitalistic system of private ownership in the means of production (farms, mines, raw material, tools, machinery and means of transportation) to social property, and the socializing of industrial production and distribution can effect that the always growing production and income of social labor shall be for the benefit of the hitherto neglected class of wage slaves and raise them from the depths of misery and oppression to the highest well being and to a whole and harmonious perfection."

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Archbishop Keane advised the unions to expel from membership every mem- and author, the Australias Gorky, Henry



settled down there is a deal of after dis- broadcast over the state. cussion and exposition of opinion which is claimed to emanate from the "conservative" members of the labor unions of Dubuque.

There are two or more sides to this question, as to all others, and as the "radical" members are not likely to secure space in the capitalistic press, it may not be uninteresting to elaborate some of their views.

In the first place a labor union is not organized on the basis of the W. C. T. U. or the Y. M. C. A. They are organized for business-and that business is to secure better conditions for their own class by the decrease of hours and increase of wages.

Naturally, there is opposition on the part of the employers. This has been demonstrated locally by the causes which led up to the button cutter's strike the thirteen years closing March, 1903, and the strike of the street car employes.

Not being in possession of legal means to oppose the organization of the working class, the capitalist class almost invariably resorts to the subterfuge of discharging union officials on trivial charges or boldly proclaiming a lock-out, such as is now in progress at Davenport, in the They do not pay \$800,000 per year for a vain hope of scaring the union out of a year's growth.

Net results, as shown in Dubuque and hundreds of other cities-a strike: loss of wages on the one side and of dividends on the other; mutual recrimination between capital and labor as to such concentration as directs business "nerve" in the usurpation of rights; a interests in the East, and it is highly grim determination on both sides to probable that in Pennsylvania, for infight it out on "those" lines. And finally, after a little of the wire edge has worn off, a reluctant concession that the labor roads shut off their wind-See! Simple union has a right on earth after all.

Many capitalists, headed by Mark devil knows to his cost. Hanna, are acknowledging that labor must be recognized and treated with. Not because they want to, but because they have to.

They are beat into it; and Dubuque is no exception to the rule. Two or three years ago it was esteemed high treason with all the trimmings to breathe union- political freedom consists in the ability ism in many of the factories and shops to choose a despot or a group of oliof this city. It is comparatively safe now to mention it when there is no produced dissatisfaction, to choose anmilitia in town. The thanks are due other despot or group of oligarchs: havnot to any business men's association or ing meanwhile been made subject to to the governor. It is due to the gener- laws sundry of which are repugnant. al public, who by their much appreciated Abolish the existing conventional usage kindness in walking enabled the "radicals" to save the union from "conservatism."

the loss of wages and the disturbance to and the whole of this vicious system ordinary business conditions as an irretrievable disaster. If so, their unionism their representatives would really come needs stiffening about the dorsal col- to be the makers of the laws they live umn. A man who is content-a man under." [Facts and Comments, p. 142.] who is satisfied that he and his fellow workers are getting all they are entitled trious a thinker as to be entirely above to in the line of remuneration and treat. the charge of plagiarism, one might be ment has no business in a labor union. excused for wondering if he had a plank As before stated, they are not formed for the purpose of expressing felicitous resolutions, and if the "conservative" unionist is not aware of this, the "radical" unionist and capitalist are.

Now that the dust of the strike has the "Shame of Dubuque" and spread it

* * They say that farmers have no use for Socialism. It is not likely that they would have if they could all carry on cooperation and defy monopoly in the successful manner exemplified at Rockwell, Iowa, by an association of five hundred farmers, who have united their commercial interests irrespective of politics, and are giving an object lesson in economy which is a credit to the state and a terror to the trusts.

They did \$620,000 of business last year on a \$25,000 capital at a cost-for salaries, rent, insurance, etc., of \$4,000, or just about two-thirds of one per cent. Ye gods! How it must make a mortgage shark shiver to think of it-two-thirds of one per cent! And to think that we all might do it if we would only try. In these farmers have accomplished \$5,000,-000 worth of transactions without the loss of \$1.00, and their indebtedness has never exceeded \$5,000. They deal straight from the shoulder and a middleman is prized in that section with as much appreciation as a missionary in Borneo. president, nor \$50,000 for a "co-operative" counsel, but they are getting there just the same.

Still, it is a blessing that they have the advantages of the state of lowa to help them. We are not suffering from stance, such a co-operative concern would not be allowed existence. Railbut highly effective, as many a poor

Those who comfort themselves with the knowledge that Herbert Spencer is antagonistic to Socialism should not fail to read his opinion of the present form of government herewith appended:

"At present that which we boast of as garchs, and after long misbehavior has -let each member feel that he may express by his vote his adverse belief respecting a government measure, without The "conservatives" perhaps look at endangering the government's stability, would disappear. Constituencies through Now if Mr. Spencer was not so illus-

in my paper I was reading penings of the day prece I saw an item stating. With voluminous dilating, That one John D. Rockefeller, (Coal oil carrier and seller), With remarks both wise and witty, Had presented New York City What must be, by the account in The dispatch, a costly fountain; Then the public, by the thousand, Met to greet him, and carouse, and Give him an immense ovation For his generous donation.

The Iowa Socialist. Ol Has Riz

Many a man of humble class works in a town that has no gas works; That is my case; and the sole oil That I use for light is coal oil: So at eve, upon returning From the place where I've been earning What my daily round of toil can, I proceed to take my oil can To O'Fallon's (he's my grocer, Though there's one a few rods closer) From the pockets of my raiment I extract a dime for payment; 'Not enough!" exclaims O'Fallon. "Oil has riz a cent a gallon!

Now, my poor, hard-working brother, Seems to me, somehow or other, We are, through the retail seller, Reimbursing Rockefeller, By compulsory contribution From our depths of destitution; Our extorted pennies count in Toward the payment of that fountain; But, as the dispatch has said it, Rockefeller gets the credit; And, so far as I can see, No one's thanking you nor me! -J. L. McCreery.

By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them."

"Socialism is not Unionism and Unionism is not Socialism." Who said that they were the same? Certainly no intelligent unionist, nor any intelligent Socialist. The man who wrote a long sight of, the eyes being turned by this editorial for a local paper of which a and sent out broadcast, seemingly to tell interest is all in this party-"party of those whom he would deceive that which the second part"-the labor party, their they most clearly understand without votes and the four-fifths of their earnhis information. The local press has ings. This is an important part of this been burdened with the news given from the pulpit and in editorial columns that the enemy of the unions, and of all the second part." But where was this laboring class, is Socialism and the Socialists. That these pulpiteers and these certain fellows are and always have been the friends of the toiling classes.

One of these states that his father was a laborer-ergo the son must be a friend of the laborer. Answer: One's ancestor may have been a king, that show their friendship for labor-and the would not make all his descendents kings, nor the friend of kings. One's many of these were Socialists? How ancestors may all have been laborers; many of the Socialists used the cars? that would not constitute him the sole How many of the Socialists did not ride friend and best advocate, and best advisor of labor. He is most likely to be a true sympathiser and friend who is in like occupation-in like trials-and a fellow in the grievous burdens borne, not one whose ancestors may have been toilers but he himself living in luxury, in soul and action is to knowingly or unin ease, beyond the possibility of want knowingly speak an untruth. To deof any kind or degree; instead of toiling clare or insinuate that the Socialists for, being toiled for. Let it be clearly were the instigators and leaders of the understood there is no assertion made riotous element in, order to bring a here as to who are not the friends of labor, but who are, or who are most against them, and the cause they reprelikely to be; who, if any, should be. sent, is to knowingly and maliciously Are not those who are fellows in the ex- say what they at least do not know to periences of life most likely to be able be the case. It is a shame for all to feel to sympathize with each other and give that such an event should have occurre comfort? More likely than those who in Dubuque. But it is not as great an never walk with or toil by their side, or evil as some of which we have greater ever have any of their experiences. reason to be ashamed. Malicious de-Those who are not fellows MAY yet struction of character is worse. sympathise, furnish aid, and strive to

better the condition of the toners; but this is just as likely, at least, that those who are in like circumstances, will be true sympathisers, and true helpers and stay by them longer, even to the end.

Another fact. It is a common adage, that "every tree is known by its own fruit." If there is any doubt as to the nature of the tree, certainly the fruit it bears should end all dispute-"for men do not gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles." The Socialists are given more credit than they ask. They may offer to union labor, and to non-union men the same, advice and counsel, and aid, but that the unions are under the power of the Socialists, and are being led by them--following as the tail does the cow-and brushes off the flies at her will, is according to the Socialists an influence and a power they have not even dreamed that they possessed, and imputes to the unions a degree of lack of intelligence they certainly must feel proud of, and thank their would be friends most heartily for the information.

Here is another fact for their attention. It may be history, fiction or fable the account we have of the origin of the race. It matters not to the truth there taught which is that those who would despoil always pose as great friends, and having much concern for the welfare of their victims, like the fable of the spider and the fly. The confidence game is as old as the race and as recent as our own day. It sometimes wins. How it will prove in this instance remains to be seen. The method is to pose as an acquaintance-a friend-very anxious and concerned for the welfare of the "party of the second part." There is a "party of the first part." He is sometimes lost posing of great interest in the welfare very large special edition was printed of the "party of the second part." The "party of the second part." There is great INTEREST in this "party of the 'party of the first part" in their sympathy and in their helpfulness during the weeks just past? Who was it that said "the strikers ought to be shot down in their tracks." Who made their boasts that they would close their business houses and take their families and unions-by riding in the cars? How the cars? "A tree is known by its fruit." "Actions speak louder than words." Socialism may be considered by the uninformed as impractical, or even as baneful, but to say that the Socialists were not as the strikers and the unions stigma upon them and create a prejudice



In comparison with other points Dubuque has taken the first step in the new order of commercial procedure at a trifling cost.

" It is a matter of congratulation that despite the bitterness exhibited no one was injured physically with the exception of a couple of strike breakers-and of the circumstances comment is needaless.

It is true that a mob, almost entirely composed of boys, defied the law with an utterly mistaken and useless zeal on behalf of the strikers. It is also true that the police were dilatory in suppressing them. But reflection should convince a person that if extremities had been resorted to there would probably have been a funeral with a white casket -and it might have been your boy.

The "fair fame" and "irreproachable reputation" of the Key City suffered to some extent. But it does not take long to repair a breach in polite fiction. And it is noteworthy that the newspaper which shrunk with such virginal timidity from the editorial ordeal of our neighbors was the very one which heralded wills and settling estates.

of the Socialist platform in his mind when he got rid of the above sentiment. * *

Mary had a little lamb; its fleece was white as snow. But laws a' one, my honey! that was a long, long time ago. For Mary's now at work you'll find along with Jack and Jill-the Forty Thieves have got 'em in a sunny southern mill. That fleece is combed and carded now by little girls and boys, who never wish to play with lambs and such like foolish toys. For the genii of Alladin have as they hired out with a full cognizance tampered with the mold, which God impressed, and children now are conjured

into go'd.

Little Jack Horner sat in a corner eating his Christinas pie. But if he ever does it now he does it on the sly. For Bluebeard owns some caverns in the dusky diamond ground, where Jack must play Bo-peep with Death the weary year around. The trappers and the driver boys have lots of jolly fun-on Sunday they're allowed ."on top" to see the glorious sun. For men have got so. scarce these days that Bluebeard has to call, on little boys to "man" the mines and break our precious coal.

P. C. Murray, the lawyer in the office building, makes a specialty of drawing

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returns from Germany.

with alarm the wholesale republican corruption in the postoffice department, alarm.lest the people become so watchful that the democrats themselves will not find it possible to renew the corruption in case they get into power. Meantime the republicans will point with pride to the way in which Teddy cleaned the Augean stables when he was forced tional Economic League, etc. In Gerto it.

The result of the German elections is nothing short of magnificent. Eightyone seats in the reichstag and more to follow. Herr Krupp's district overwhelmingly swept by the Socialists in would mean an increase of ten thousand spite of the emperor's slurs and insults. A gain of from half a million to a million in the popular vote. Enormous gains by the Socialists in the districts which they did not carry. And all this accomplished in the face of the fact that Germany has a property qualification for voting which gives a poor man one vote and a rich man several. No wonder the capitalist press broke over its conspiracy

of silence and heralded the news far and wide. It was necessary to do so in order to strike the capitalists with a sufficient degree of consternation to arouse them to action. Although they foresaw the outcome, the capitalists are appalled terizes the Teutonic race. But they are at it. The thing which strikes terror and dismay to their hearts is the fact know just what they are doing. They that the Socialist movement keeps never go off at half cock. Furthermore, marching steadily, constantly and per- they have an organization which 'for sistently onward. To them this is a new and inexplicable phenomenon. They have been accustomed to killing off radical political movements by shrewd pofitical maneuvers. They confidently expected to lay the Socialist movement in its grave in the same manner. But continuous events have rudely awakened them to the fact that the Socialist movement is a law unto itself. It does not respond to the old tactics. Capitalist weapons hurled against it rebound with their points turned. It is not a loose organization of half-baked reformers who do not know what they want. It is a compact organization of class conscious, definite and positive men who know just what they are after and how to get it and who keep right on following the direct path to their goal utterly regardless of blandishments, flatteries, threats, invitations and insults. These men understand the philosophy of history. They are able to read the signs of the times. They are therefore able to of the boomerang variety. It was an forecast the future, in its general as- unfortunate selection for the Economic in the Sedgwick Building, is the Westpects. When they say that Socialism is League. But it is a good selection from ern School of Elocution and Oratory,

Those innocents who think Socialism | is merely one means of propagating it. is a far off dream had better read the This aggravating fact leaves the capitalists stranded. They do not know which way to turn. They will be condemned

Next year the democrats will view if they do and also if they don't. Small wonder that they are scratching their ginning to dawn upon them that Socialism is inevitable.

That Socialism thrives upon opposition has been sufficiently proven in this country by the Madden fiasco, the Namany it was proved long ago by Bismarck's repressive measures, and it has again been proved in the campaign just closed. A few months ago the Socialists of Germany asserted that every speech made by the emperor against Socialsm Socialist votes at the election. The capitalists all over the world treated it as a joke. But the Socialists knew better. The result shows that the prediction has been more than fulfilled to the letter.

I have said before, and it will bear repeating, that the Socialists of America can learn a great deal from the Socialists of Germany. Remember this: The Socialists of Germany never get frantic. They are always cool and collected. They attack capitalism with all the deep impassioned earnestness which characalways self-possessed. They always compactness and efficiency is unparalelled in the history of the world. These are our weak points. They are the points wherein we must subdue our weakness and become strong. Let us learn from Germany.

Typographically the little monthly issued by the National Economic League is quite attractive. It lacks only the union label to be presentable. On the rear cover it sports a cluster of maxims, some true, some half true, and some false. The first one is this: "It is the single aim that wins." The single aim that wins! The single aim of the National Economic League is to destroy Socialism root and branch. As we have seen, it is doomed to disappointment in this design. All of its efforts in that di- A strong Business College course, inrection will merely serve to propagate cluding commercial arithmetic, com-Socialism. The very singleness of its mercial law, book-keeping, stenography, aim will cause Socialism to be realized typewriting and business organization, all the sooner. The maxim is therefore is offered.

es our vote in America to grow by leaps and bounds. It is the

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The Growth of Socialism

Some newspapers seem to have entered into a conspiracy of silence for the purpose of hiding from thoughtful persons the ominous significance of the re-turns exhibiting the growth of Socialism during the last two years. It is no sin-cere or far-sighted upholder of individualism who acts upon the theory that anything is to be gained by a suppresunwelcome facts. If, on the sion of face of official statistics there is spread proof of the fact that Socialism is likely two years hence to become as formid-able a political power in this country as Populism was ten years ago, the sconer the fact is recognized the better. Eter-nal vigilance is the price of economic salvation. Individuals cannot conjure the spectre of Socialism by shutting their eyes and pretending that they see no signs of it. The startling trath is that while Eugeue V. Dets, its Bocial-

ist candidate for President in 1900, received but 86,000 votes, over 400,000

votes were polled for Socialist candidates for congress at the recent general elec-tion. If the voting strength of Socialists should increase at the same rate during the next two years-that is to say, at the rate of 500 per cent-they uld be able to cast almost two million votes in November, 1904. In other words, they would be twice as strong as the populists were in 1892, might carry a few states, and would hold the balance of power in others. What is much more sended, they might tempt one of the great political parties in 1908 to a speabout between the democratic and popufusion such as Mr. Bryan brought ing and pretending to ignore it that the at means of coping with so grave a nger can be devised. — Harper's

SOCIALIST PLATFORM Adopted at Indianapolis, Ind., 1991

The Socialist party in convention assembled, reaffirms its adherence to the principles of Inter-national Socialism, and declares its aim to be the organization of the working class, and those in the Socialists when with great eclat it sympathy with it, into a political party, with the object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collec-

the present system or private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collec-tive ownership by the entire people. Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by individual workers. Today, the machine, which is an improved and more devel-oped tool of production, is owned by the capital-ists and aot by the workers. The ownership en-ables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them. Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever-increasing uncertainty of the livelihood and poverty and misery of the working class, and divides so-ciety into two hostile classes—the capitalists and wage workers. The once powerful middle class is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competition The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives the capitalists the com-trol of the government, the press the pulpit and the schools, and enables them to reduce the means of livelihood gives the capitalism the con-trol of the government, the press, the pulpit and the schools, and enables them to reduce the workingmen to a state of intellectual, physical and social inferiority, political subservience and

virtual slavery. The economic interests of the capitalist class The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social system; the lives of the working class are recklessly sacrificed for profit, wars are fomented between nations, indis-criminate slaughter is encouraged and the de-struction of whole races is smootioned in order that the capitalists may extend their commercial dominion abroad and enhance their supremacy at

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SPECIAL ORGANIZING FUND. Since last report, the following contributions have been made to the special

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Local Cheyenne, Wyo., will give \$1 a month for twelve months to the special organizing fund, and the first remittance came this week.

The national quorum, consisting of National Committeemen Work, of Iowa; Berlyn of Illinois; Berger, of Wisconsin; Reynolds, of Indiana, and Dobbs, of Kentucky, will meet at national headquarters on Sunday, July 5, at 10 a.m. to consider matters of organization and other details of importance to the national organization.

Beginning today the national headquarters will send out from time to time for the use of the Socialist and labor press a bulletin reporting items of interest concerning the Socialist movement in other countries. These notes will be compiled specially for the national office by Comrade Agnes Wakefield, of Boston, Mass., whose qualifications for the work are already well known to many. Socialists. The publication of these notes should tend to develop a greater interest in the doings of our comrades in other countries and should emphasize the character of the international movement.

The Socialist alderman in Chicago, Comrade William Johnson, is credited by the daily press of that city as being a veritable Aladdin, for having made a discovery, while pursuing his duties as a Socialist representative, which puts the story of the genii and the lamp almost in the shade. Comrade Johnson, is especially interested in the abolition of grade crossings in his district, a movement which the railroads, of course, have always discouraged. In his search for means by which he could reach the railroads Johnson found an ordinance state conventions will meet on July 4, passed in 1893, that required railroads the first named at Tacoma, the second to elevate their tracks within a certain at Des Moines, and the third at Omaha. time limit. All railroads that failed to observe the ordinance were to be subject to a penalty of \$200 a day for every on June 30. State Secretary Dial writes grade crossing in existence after Jan. 1, that "he is doing splendid work and the 1899. Applying the ordinance to his district where six crossings are still in existence, the railroads are subject to \$200 fine for 1,642 days since the ordinance went into effect. This would He will tour Maine during August unmean a sum of \$328,400 due the city for der the direction of the state committee. Iohnson's district, or for the whole city, where 1,200 crossings are in existence, a

track elevation committee to secure the Slayton acted as orator during the cereabolition of the six grade crossings in his district and he will call on the corporation counsel to learn what steps that the unit of the task of the penalties. It is be taken to collect the penalties. It is conceded that the ordinance cited by tal and labor were to go on to greater achievements hand in hand." The achievements hand in hand." themselves to find out what's doing next. Secretary Serwy, of the International Socialist Bureau, Brussels, Belgium, requests that the Socialists of America make a strong protest against the crimes against humanity committed at Kishineff, Russia, which were instigated for the speakers like him. purpose of crushing the revolutionary Socialist propaganda. The next meeting of the bureau will take place at Brussels. July 15. Comrade Serwy also dues system will be pushed and an orrequests that the Socialist papers of America place the bureau on their mailing lists, so that a file can be kept. Prof. Richard T. Ely, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis., is preparing the articles on Trade Unionism and Socialism for the new International Encyclopaedia, and requests the national secretary to make mention of this in the party bulletin for a special purpose. The article on Trade Unionism will consist of 15,000 words and two articles on Socialism, one on Socialism in general and the other on Socialist parties, will be of the same length. Prof. Ely wishes two or three different issues of every Socialist paper and all prominent labor papers published in the United States. Any older Socialist literature would Le es-pecially welcome and a moderate price will be paid for complete files of any Socialist papers, which are in existence in existence of State Secretary Irish. Comrade Frank Gavin went on a foraging ex-pedition during the work and gathered in a clab of five. Comrade Frank Gavin went on a foraging ex-pedition during the work and gathered in a clab of five. Comrade Frank Gavin went on a foraging ex-pedition during the work and gathered in a clab of five. Comrade Frank Gavin went on a foraging ex-pedition during the work and gathered in a clab published in the United States.

Copies of all national, state and local platforms of the Socialist parties are also desired. Information is wanted which would enable Prof. Ely to give a true historical account of the Socialists in office in the United States, and for this purpose a complete list of all persons who have held office, and of all utterances of Socialists, such as speeches in legislatures and city councils, mayors' messages, etc. Any speeches or pamph-lets issued in Socialist campaigns would 2.00 1.00 be very welcome. Proï. Ely concludes: "I have no doubt there will be many 2.00 who will be glad to assist me, appreciat-1.00 ing fully the importance of having an 5.00 accurate presentation of facts. As you know, the new International Encyclopaedia is a standard work, which will be 2.50 10.60

consulted by editors, legislators and others for years to come. I need not say that in this Encyclopaedia there will be no advocacy of opinions, but simply an objective presentation." dress Prof. Ely as above.

Comrade T. H. Lucas, of Minneapolis, was arrested in that city one night last week for "blockading the sidewalk," while making a Socialist speech. Lucas acted as his own attorney and subjected the policeman who made the arrest to a rigid examination, much to the officer's discomforture and the intense amusement of the spectators. The judge was anxious to dismiss the case without trial, but the Socialists insisted on a hearing, with the result that the judge decided that under the present ordinance the Socialists could not be molested. Lucas was followed to the police station by an immense crowd when arrested, and next night, thanks to the advertising, there was a great audience in the same place, and cheers given for the Socialist speakers. The annual picnic of the St. Paul and Minneapolis locals held last Sunday was attended by over 1,000 people and was a great success.

State Secretary Oneal, of Indiana, writes that fifty-two towns have been secured on the organizing circuit for summer work and others will be enlisted as the work develops. New locals have been organized at Laketon, New Washington and Hartford City and others are in process of organization at Wabash and Waterloo. Prospects are bright and the number of locals are expected to be doubled by December.

The second order of 10,000 of the new party buttons supplied by national headquarters is going out already. Orders are increasing daily. Locals in organized states should order from their state secretaries and locals in unorganized states can send direct to the na tional secretary, 10 Arlington block, Omaha, Neb. Prices, one cent a piece up to 500; 500, \$3.25; 1,000, \$6.00.

The Washington, Iowa and Nebraska

National · Lecturer John C. Chase closed his two weeks' work in Kentucky comrades hated to see him leave." Chase will spend July in Ohio, Pennsyl-vania and New York, reaching Massachusetts the latter part of the month.

National Lecturer J. W. Slayton has returned to New Castle for the present. total of \$394,080,000. On June 22 He will probably speak in Hagerstown, Johnson had the council instruct the Md., on July 4. At Greensburg, Ind., mony of opening a labor temple owned by the trades unions. A comrade writes pout or feel hurt, while there is a strong desire to have Slayton speak in Greensburg again. The secretaries of the carpenters unions at Bedford, Ind., and Marion, Ohio, write enthusiastically about Slayton's addresses' and want more

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That Coming Nation push are hastlers. The first of the 200 agitation yans they contemplate putting in the field will start out next week, working north through Missouri into lows. The comrades in charge of these yans will take sub-scriptions for all Socialist papers and megazines and will sell the books and pamphlets of all So-cialist publishers, "Two million votes in 1804 and a Socialist president in 1908" is the slogan of the Coming Nation and they certainly mean it.

the Coming Nation and they certainly mean it. Comrade Charles Oliver Jones requests us to ask all those to whom he sent Iowa Socialist sub cards for disposal to remit direct to us for same, and also return cards not disposed of to this office. Comrade Jones is now in Colorado and writes: "I organized six new locals here in twenty-nine days. Will take a long trip across the state of Colorado now and organize every-thing is sight."

Ottumwa organized June 27 with seventeen nembers.

Correctionville comrades send in another club Comrade E. P. Dieter, of Cresco: "After working here for a year without a charter we concluded to organize a local and hope to de good work here. We believe The Iowa Socialist to be a great help in our work, and will do all we can to make it a success."

National Secretary Mailly will attend the Iowa state convention at Des Moines.

Comrade J. J. Jacobsen remits for a bunch of sub postals and fires in another club. Comrade A. R. Kolar, of Clinton, sends in a club and orders sub postals.

Comrade Wm. H. Luebbe, of Oelwein, orders riot bullets from our arsenal of "Books of Scien tific Socialism."

Are you in on the scholarship contest.

"Am well pleased with your paper. I intend to take advantage of your premium offer and get all the subscribers I can," writes Chas. H. Al-berts, secretary of Local Lester.

Local Lester has added several names to its roster since organizing and the comrades there have others on the string. Watch us grow.

Comrade J. J. Grout, secretary of Local Rock Rapids reports effective work by his local. The comrades intend to put a full county ticket in the field, and will have a delegate at the state conention

Local Rock Rapids meets every Sunday at 3 p. m.

"To preserve manhood men must have not only political and religious liberty, but economic free-dom as well," said Hon. E. M. Warner, a distin-guished attorney of Muscatine, in an address to he Alumni Association of Lenox College, Hop-kinton, Jowa. Mr. Warper said many other good things in his address, which leads Comrade T. J. Grant to remark that he "appears to have a very clear concept of the philosophy of Social-ism. When he decides to 'come all the way,' as he undoubtedly will before long, he will be a tower of strength in this neck of the woods. It was pretty good 'stuff' to 'dish up' to a college crowd."

Comrade G. P. Maxwell, of Lexington, O., remits for a bunch of sub postals, and says; "Your paper is liked very much.

On another page we print a poem written by Miss blanch Sokoloff, the fifteen year old daugh-ter of Comrade N. Sokoloff, of Sioux City.

ter of Comrade N. Sokolofi, of Sioux City. W. G. Critchlow, state secretary of Ohio, writes: "While writing you on business I desire to take the opportunity to pay you a compaiiment for the excellent paper you are issuing. It has come to me quite regularly lately, for which I am deeply indebted to some one, and speaking frankly there is no paper which reaches me that is read as eagerly as yours. The reference to your paper in the last issue of "The Socialist." while put in a very blackguarding manner is your paper in the last issue of "Ine Socialist," while put in a very blackguarding manner, is nevertheless a distinct compliment to you. What-ever you do, continue your policy of giving the state movement a helping hand and push propa-neede mutter." ganda matter.

SIOUX CITY NOTES

The Hagerty meeting last Thursday" proved a The ragerty meeting last inursday proved a great success. The Grand Opera House was well filled with earnest seekers after the truth and the general verdict was that "we got what we were seeking." Father Hagerty handled his subject, "Objections to Socialism," in an able and schol-arly manner, making all the points very clear. The members feel that a great good has been form and tare much accounted to much formand done and are much encouraged to push forward for greater things.

Comrade Wilson, the rustler for Socialism. keeps pounding away every night on the street corner. He is doing a great work which is greatly appreciated by this local.

The next important move to be made by this seal toward the organization of the Eleventh congressional district is to secure a campaign wagon for Comrade Wilson. We feel that the wagon for Comrade Wilson. speakers we could capture the state of Iowa very short time. If any comrade reading this item feels like contributing to the Eleventh district wagon fund, the same will be kindly re-ceived. You can address Max Brodkey, treasurer Sioux City Socialist Club.

the movement Palmer, Iowa, Tuesday. ent in Dubuque, and now located at wa, was a caller at this office last

Comrade Fred Stahlschmidt takes out another bunch of sub postals. The Strickland family will present their So-cialist play. "A Generous Love," at Aspen, Colo, July 16.

July 16. The preliminary steps in the formation of a Citizens Alliance were taken at a meeting of "Citizens" (preachers, lawyers, doctors and mer-chants), laboring men are presumably not sup-posed to be "citizens," last Monday evening at Stout Auditorium. Although the meeting was called for the ostensible purpose of forming an organization to ferret out the guilty parties in the recent "rots" and bring them to justice, the major portion of the evening was taken up in de-nunciations of the officials elected on the "citi-zens" ticket last year. Wonder if they'll vote "citizens" ticket last year. Wonder if they'll vote "citizens" again next spring? If these people are sincere, and the resolutions adopted are ex-pressive of their aims and purposes, we would suggest that they join the Socialist party.

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

Foreign Notes

Compiled by Agnes Wakefield, of Boston

GERMANY. The first Socialist mayor in the state of Baden, Germany, has been elected in Ispringen, near Pforzheim. Comrade Wilhelm Haug, with 150 votes defeated the former mayor who had 106 votes votes

A decisive victory has been won by the Social-ists of Hesse, Germany. The election of Com-rade Orb to the Hesse state legislature was an-nulled because the voting for electors in Bieber was declared irregular. A new election was held in Bieber and the six S. cialist electors were all re-elected with increased votes. So Comrade Orb goes back to the legislature. No attempts of the conservatists can diminish the strong ranks of the 100 Socialists who are now members of Ger-man state legislature are now members of German state legislatures.

The president of the German province of Hanover has warned the teachers, through the dis-trict superintendents, against visiting Socialist meetings

SWITZERLAND. .

In the May elections in Canton, Lucerne six Socialists were elected to the cantonal legislature. Four of the successful comrades were elected in the city of Lucerne and two in the adjoining in-dustrial village of Kriens. Hitherto there has been only one Socialist in the legislature.

In Canton Graubuenden, the district of Fuenf-loerfer, has elected to the cantonal legislature a Socialist, the Rev. Knellwolf, pastor in Untervaz The Socialists of the capital city. Chur, have elected a candidate.

Ten Socialists, nine liberals and twenty-one radicals have been elected to the great city coun-cil in Chauxdefonds (Canton Neuenburg).

The Socialists won eleven out of forty seats in Locle

In the industrial village of Travers the Social ists won the majority and in Less Brennets, near Locle a Socialist comes to the second ballot.

In Basel the Socialists elected their candidate in Horburgquartier; the great council now has twenty-three Socialists among 130 members."

FRANCE. In the French parliament the motion of the Socialists and radicals for the separation of church and state was defeated by 275 against 240 votes. The advocates of that very desirable reform will continue their efforts, hoping for success before many years have passed.

The French government has introduced new chines in the state match factories of Auber villiers and consequently it was announced that. on June 4, of the 230 workers employed there, 186 were to be discharged. The Government Employes' Union protested and demanded that, in order to avoid the discharge of workers, the government should introduce the eight hour day in the match factories as it is done in the post-office and the naval work office and the naval work.

ITALY.

In Genoa, Comrade Gino Murialdi, a law /er, has been elected common councilman There are now seven Socialists in the council. ENGLAND.

The Midland Trades Federation of England, in its annual convention, passed a resolution in favor of the nationalization of land, mines and railways.

A convention of delegates from English trade unions and democratic, societies has elected a provisional committee for founding in London a Labor Institute on the plan of the continental labor exchanges and people's institutes (Maisons du Peuple). The Socialists have been invited to send delegates to the future meetings. W. Par-nell, of the National Amalgamated Furnishing Trades Association is chairman of the provisional committee. The address is "Committee for Larbor Institute, Swiss Hotel, 53 Old Compton

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Ohio Notes

Toledo comrades report that they are arranging for a circuit of street meetings in their city with local talent as speakers.

Everything seems to be taking on a lively aspect throughout the state and Socialist propaganda work is being pushed more than ever before.

Ashland, Ky., comrades report the visit of Kirkpatrick a great success. Since he has left the preachers have been calling him anarchist and arrangements are being made for a return trip to take another fall out of the plutes who are trying to starve the Ashland workingmen into submission by the strike now in progress there among the steel workers.

Isaac Cowen, of Cleveland, nominee for governor of Ohio, has been reported as doing good agitation work for the textile workers who are now on strike in Philadelphia.

The Socialists of Dayton, as well as the state organization, desire it distinctly understood that they have nothing to do with the proposed "Magic City" which is being heralded as a short cut to Socialism. It is a real estate proposition pure and simple, and comrades should not be misled into believing that it is endorsed by the Socialists.

Conneut Local had Caldwell for three doys and such good work was accomplished that they are now on the speaker's circuit for a week per month.

Public meeting in Elyria on the 17th was a success and much good work was done by Speaker Caldwell. Work is now being started in earnest.

The latest success by the Akron comrades was an Ice Cream Festival, which turned out fine. Caldwell was there and they are taking in new members as a result of his two days visit.

Every speaker on the circuits in Ohio will in the future distribute free each evening 100 copies of the Coming Nation. The Coming Nation Educational League is responsible for this. Keep up the good work.

Canal Dover comrades have got just four times the membership now that they had when first organized a few weeks ago. How's that?

Father Thos. J. Hagerty contemplates a tour of Minnesota during the month of September or early October. Comrades should write to the state secretary of Minnesota relative to the same.

Socialists of Newark are highly elated t the success of the first open air meeting there which was addressed by Kirkpatrick. About 600 were present, and a regular scramble ensued when the literature was announced. Luckily enough

o one was seriously injured

street, Soho Square, W. London.

organizer will be kept in the field. The ganizing fund for state purposes raised.

Comrade Ernest Untermann was arrested and fined last week for speaking upon the streets of Girard, Kas. He paid his fine, but the street meetings are still going on.

Local Phoenix, Ariz., reports an increase of five new members over last month.

National Organizer M. W. Wilkins is ow in Washington working under the direction of State Secretary Moore.

National Organizer John M. Ray will devote the next two weeks to a return visit to Alabama, where he will work principally in the Birmingham district

At the regular business meeting of the local Sunday afternoon Comrade J. W. Bennett was chosen as delegate to attend the state convention at Des Moines July 4.

Last Sunday's propaganda meeting was a regu-lar love feast for the large crowd present. Com-rade L. J. Richardson, of Chicago, delivered one of his earnest, red-hot and very impressive speeches, which caused every one in the hall to speeches, which caused every showing and the begin to think that something is wrong and the Socialists offer the only remedy. Comrade begin to think that something is wrong and the Socialists offer the only remedy. Comrade Richardson is here representing the Chicage Rec-ord-Herald educational department, and finds time every day to convert somebody to Socialism. The need ubbrailers are considered uncomplete and The good vibrations are spreading very rapidly and soon there will be demonstrations that will surprise the natives. "KRANK

MUSCATINE NOTES.

In almost every township in Muscatine county The state quorum of Kansas met on June 21 and outlined plans by which an organizer will be kept in the field. The out?" Will some experienced comrade tell us. as we are desirous of forming a county organiza tion

Even Gov. A. B. Cummins, that tried and true "friend of labor," couldn't stand the pressure and turned Dubuque into a military camp to aid in the defaat of the street railway employes. The governor is wise. He desires to be a United States senator, and the working men have noth-ing to de with sending men to that august body. Why shouldn't he serve those who serve him?

If it's votes they're after the Socialists should It is votes they to their the observations for sending the feel grateful to Gov. Cummins for sending the militia to Dubuque. For every riot bullet car-ried by the soldiers (?) ten additional Socialist ballots will be fired—into the box.

Four new unions recently organized, and the organizer is a Socialist.

It was really unkind of the Dubuque street way company to force Gov. Cummins to show hand just before election. It must be com-ed of an anti-Cummins gang. T. J. GRANT. railway co



In several parts of Russia it is feared that other massacres will follow that of Kishineff, but the police are seizing the arms which the Jews, in terror, are providing for self-defense. The Russian government neither protects the Jews, nor allows them to protect themselves, their wives and innocent children.

In Kronstadt an officer of the Caspian regiment been searched and letters found proving his activity in revolutionary propaganda.

JAPAN.

The first Japanese Socialist convention was held April 5 and 6 in Osake, the industrial center of Japan. A Socialist party organization is lack-ing in Japan: the first attempt to form one, two years ago, was suppressed by the government and the leaders sentenced to pay severe fines. So in order to hold a convention, the meetings were advertised as scientific discussions. The purpose of thefely making the Socialist program known of thereby making the Socialist program known in the widest possible circles was successful in the widest possible circles was successful From 500 to 600 persons attended each meeting The press could not slight the convention, es The press could not slight the convention, es-pecially as the "Osaka Asaki," the most widel, circulated daily journal of Japan, helped adver-tise the convention by asking a Socialist leader, Comrade Abe, to publish several articles on So-cialism in its columns. The program of the con-vention was very extensive; among other subjects discussions were held on "The Coming Party," by Comrade Katayama, formerly a Buddhist priest, now editor of "The Socialist;" "The His-tory of Socialist Ideas in Japan:" Municipal So-cialism," "Tactics" and "Agitation." They spoke also on the international Socialist move-ment and on that subject an Austrian comrade. spoke also on the international Socialist move-ment and on that subject an Austrian comrade, Dr. G. Eckstein, of Vienna, addressed the Japan-ese Socialists. He received greetings for the Austrian and German Socialists. Several resolu-tions were passed regarding Socialist propaganda and tactics. The Japanese journal, "The Social-ist" (formerly called "The Labor World,") which in each number publishes several pages in Eng-lish, gives a report of the convention.

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italism.

The work in Youngstown is being pushed and the secretary reports excellent work done by Caldwell in spite of the rainy weather. One evening he drove the Socialist philosophy home to shot himself, after the house of his relatives had been searched and letters found proving his ever assembled in Youngstown to hear a Socialist speaker. Oh, it's coming faster than you think.

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