

Convention Proceedings

[Below will be found a synopsis of the proceedings of the national convention up to the time we go to press.]

The national convention of the Socialist party of the United States was called to order by National Secretary Wm. Mailly, at Brand's Hall, Chicago, Sunday morning, May 1, shortly after 10 o'clock.

Nearly every delegate elected to the convention was present when the meeting was called to order.

"Before calling for the election of temporary officers for the convention," said Secretary Mailly, "which I believe will be the next thing in order, I will state that I am glad to be able to announce to the convention that the comrades of Wisconsin have presented to the Socialist party for the use of the chairman during this convention and succeeding conventions, this gavel, in the name of the Socialist party of Wisconsin."

The secretary exhibited a beautiful silver gavel, and the presentation was greeted with enthusiasm. "The next thing in order is the election of temporary chairman and temporary secretary, after which the election of the committee on credentials and committee on rules of order, if the convention sees fit, shall be elected. Nominations for temporary chairman are now in order.'

lames F. Carey, of Massachusetts, was elected temporary chairman.

Charles Dobbs, of New York, was elected temporary secretary.

Delegates Garver, Hayes, Kronenberg, Titus, Floaten, Bistorius and Lee were chosen as the committee on credentials.

Comrades Work, Slobodin, Stedman, Gaylord, Taft, Penrose and Robbins were elected a committee on rules.

The credentials committee reported the following entitled to seats:

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CI.	LORADO.
Wm Ash	Guy F Miller

A. H. Floaten R. A. Southworth



ARTICLE I-NAME.

Sectionn 1. The name of this organization shall be the Socialist Party, except in states where a different name has or may become a legal requirement.

ARTICLE II-MEMBERSHIP.

Sec. 1. Every person, resident of the United States, of the age of 18 years and "pward, without distinction of sex, race, color or creed who has severed connection with all other political parties and who subscribes to the principles of the party is eligible to membership. Any person occupying a position, honorary or remunerative, by the gift of any other political party (civil service positions excepted) shall not be eligible to membership in the Socialist party.

Sec. 2. A member who desires to transfer his membership from a local in one state to a local in another state may do so upon the presentation of his card showing him to be in good standing at the time of asking for such transfer.

ARTICLE III-MANAGEMENT.

Sec. 1 The affairs of the Socialist party shall be administered by a national committee, its officers and executive committee, the party conventions, and the general votes of the party.

ARTICLE IV-NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Sec. 1. Each organized state or territory shall be represented on the national committee by one member and by an additional member for every one thousand members or major fraction thereof, in good standing in the party. For the purpose of determining the representation to which each state or territory is entitled, the national secretary shall compute at the beginning of each year the average dues paying membership of such state or territory for the preceding year.

Sec. 2. The members of this committee shall be elected by referendum vote of and from the membership of the states or territories which they respectively represent. Their term of office shall not be more than two years.

Sec. 3. The national committee shall meet in regular session in all even numbered years when no national conventions of the party shall take place. Special meetings shall be called at the request of a majority of the members of the committee. The dates and places of such meetings shall be determined by the national committee.

Sec. 4. Expenses of the national committeemen in attending meetings shall be paid from the national treasury.

5. Between the sessions of the national committee, all its business shall be transacted by correspondence.

6. The national committee shall adopt its own rules of procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of this constitution.

ARTICLE V.-DUTIES AND POWERS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Sec. 1. The duties of this committeee shall be to represent the party in all national and international affairs; to call national nominating conventions and special conventions deoided upon by referendum of the party; to arrange rules and order of business of national convention subject to the approval of the convention; to make reports to national conventions; to receive and pass upon all reports and actions of the executive committee.

Sec. 2. The national committee shall neither publish nor designate any official organ.

ARTICLE VI .-- EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Sec. 1. The executive committee of the national committee shall be composed of seven members to be elected by the national committee, from the membership of the party, but no more than three members of the said committee shall be elected from one state. The term of office of the executive committee shall be one year.

Sec. 2. The executive committee shall meet at least once in three months. It shall supervise and direct the work of the national secretary, organize unorganized states and territories, receive semiannual reports from the state committees, receive and pass upon the reports of the national secretary. and transact all current business of the national office, except such as are by this constitution or by the rules of the national committee expressly reserved for the national committee expressly reserved for the national committee or the general vote of the party.

Sec. 3. The executive committee shall adopt its own rules of procedure not inconsistent with this constitution or with the rules of the national committee.

Sec. 4. The executive committee shall transmit copies of the minutes of its meetings to all members of the national committee, and all its acts and resolutions shall be subject to the revision of the national committee.

Between sessions of the executive committee all its business shall be transacted by cor-Sec. 5.

a stock of Socialist books, pamphlets and other literature, and and shall have the right, with the approval of the committee, to publish works on Socialism or for the purposes of Socialist propaganda, but this clause shall not 'be construed as authorizing the bureau to publish any periodical.

Sec. 3. 'The profits of the literature bureau shall'go into the general funds of the treasury.

ARTICLE X-CONVENTIONS.

Sec. 1. The regular national conventions of the party shall be held in all years in which elections for president and vice-president of the United States are to held.

Sec. 2. Special conventions of the party may be held at any time if decided upon by a general vote of the party membership.

Sec. 3. The dates and places of holding such regular or special conventions shall be fixed by the national committee.

Sec: 4. The basis of representation in any national convention shall be by states, each state and territory being entitled to one delegate-at-large, and one additional delegate for every 200 members in good standing, provided, however, that no delegate shall be considered eligible unless he or she is a resident of the state from which the credential is presented.

Sec. 5. The railroad fares of the delegates in going to and coming from the place of convention shall be paid from the national treasury, and such expense shall be raised by a per capita asses: ment on the entire membership.

ARTICLE XI----REFERENDUM.

Sec. 1. Motions to amend any part of this constitution, as well as any other other motions or resolutions to be voted upon by the entire membership of the party, shall be submitted by the national secre tary to a referendum of the party membership, upon the request of twenty locals in five states or territories, or any smaller number of such organizations having a membership of at least 2,000 in the aggregate.

Sec. 2. Whenever a request for a referendum shall have been made as above provided, the national secretary shall forthwith cause the same to be published in the party press, and shall allow such question to stand open for forty-five days, within which time amendments may be offered thereto in the same manner in which an original request for a referendum is to be made, and at the close of the said period of thirty days, the original motion submitted to referendum, together with all and any amendments which might have been offered, shall be submitted to the vote of the party members, and such vote shall close forty-five days thereafter. Sec. 3. All propositions or other matters submitted for a referendum of the party shall be presented without preamble or comment. ARTICLE XII-STATE ORGANIZATIONS. Sec. 1. The formation of all state or territorial organizations or the reorganization of state or territorial organizations which may have lapsed, shall be under the direction of the executive committee, and in conformity with the rules of the national committee. Sec. 2. No state or territory shall be organized unless it has at least ten locals with an aggregate membership of not less than 100, but this provision shall not affect

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respondence.

ARTICLE VII-NATIONAL SECRETARY.

Sec. 1. The national secretary shall be elected by the national committee: his term of office shall be one year. The national secretary shall receive as compensation the sum of \$1,500 annually.

Sec. 2. The national secretary shall have charge of all affairs of the national office subject to the directions of the executive committee, and the national committee. He shall receive the reports of the state organizations and of local organizations in unorganized states and territories. He shall supervise the accounts of the national office, and the work of the lecture bureau, the literature bureau and such other departments as may hereafter be established in connection with the national office.

Sec. 3. The national secretary shall issue to all party organizations in such a way as the executive committee may direct, monthly bulletins containing a report on the financial affairs of the party, a summary of the condition and the membership of the several state and territorial organizations of the principal business transacted by his office, and such other matters pertaining to the organization and activity of the party, as may be of general interest to the membership. Such bulletins shall not contain editorial comment.

Sec. 4. The national secretary shall be empowered to secure such help as may be necessary for the proper transaction of the business of his office.

Sec. 5. The national secretary and members of the executive committee may be removed from office at any time by a majority vote of the members of the national committee.

ARTICLE VIII-THE LECTURE BUREAU.

Sec. 1. There shall be maintained in connection with the national office a lecture bureau for the purpose of arranging tours for lecturers on the propaganda of Socialism.

Sec. 2. The lecture bureau shall have no connection with the work of organization, and it shall have the right to make arrangements for the lecturers under its auspices with all state or local organizations of the party.

Sec. 3. The national committee shall establish a uniform rate of compensation for all lecturers and organizers working under its auspices.

ARTICLE IX-THE LITERATURE BUREAU.

Sec. 1. The national committee shall also maintain in the headquarters of the party a department for the dissemination ot Socialist literature.

Sec. 2. The literature bureau shall keep for sale to the local organizations of the party and others 5.

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vention.

Do these women surrender any

particle of their ability to educate

by taking an active part in

the party politics? Certainly not.

Heaven knows the field is large

and much educational work is

needed among women and chil-

dren. Nevertheless, the true

sphere of every Socialist woman is

We have heard enough of

"unions keeping out of politics."

When a woman understands her

economic interest, she will go into

politics, and until she DOES un-

derstand her economic interest and

that of her class and her sex, she

is not ripe to become a teacher of

others; it will simply be another

instance of "the blind leading the

blind," and they will all continue

to be wage slaves when they might

Our lives and our interests are

inextricably bound together; man

cannot escape his present bondage

be hastening their freedom.

They rise or sink together

The Hearst men were defeated

in the Dubuque county democratic

convention last week-as they de-

served to be. In order to secure a

delegation to the state convention

trial deliverance.

in active party membership.

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THE W. N. S. U.

The Woman's National Socialist Union convened in Chicago on April 29 and 30. One of the subjects to be discussed, according to their announcement of the convention is "The policy of separate organizations for women, and why it is not advisable for the union to affiliate with the political organization or become political instead of remaining educational."

What arguments can be produced to support a separate course for women do not readily appear, but perhaps some of those women who can discover them will enlighten us. All the weight seems to be on the other side. There is no reason why Socialist women need cease their educational activities because of affiliating with the political organization. Indeed, woman cannot be educational in her influence and work in the fallest sense until she does join the political organization.

There is one very marked and necessary educational work that should be going on constantly, and that can never come from separate organizations for men and women; that is the reciprocal education of men and women as a result of meeting together in the locals for the transaction of business and the planning and carrying forward the various lines of propaganda work.

Woman, environed as she has been for many generations, still under the hypnotic delusion that she is simply a breeding, dishwashing animal, and if she would know anything, she must "ask her husband at 'home," surely needs the training and the broadening influences that will come to her

Naturally the workingman who, doesn't know that he is being for men and women; several states. robbed, doesn't know enough not have given proof of its sincerity in to vote himself into the power of this direction by electing women as delegates to the national conhis robber.

> Can it be that workingmen interpret the Socialist's advice to "strike at the ballot box" as an injunction not to vote at all?

A "public" that tolorates conditions which make strikes necessary deserves to be "inconvenienced" by them.

Another difference between Anarchy and Socialism is that we've got the former and are going to have the latter.

The over-development of wage slavery is due to the under-development of the brain of the wage slave.

The Socialist party is a working man's party and that is why you as a workingman ought to work at it.

"The man with a new idea," says Pudd'nhead Wilson, "is a crank-unless the idea succeeds."

The Czar is indisposed. He ought to take outdoor exercise in the vicinity of Port Arthur.

Very few people as yet have sense enough to come in out of the

The class struggle will end as soon as the working class finds out there is such a thing.

In addition to being a state of the United States, Colorado is now a state of Anarchy.

Give a calf enough rope and it will hang itself. Colorado papers please copy.

War, said General Sherman, is hell, but in Colorado it seems to be Bell.

The ethics of capitalism are identical with the ethics of cannibalism.

About the only thing remaining to the democratic party is the split in it.

Everything comes to him who waits-provided he is a trust mag

Patriotism has become merely another name for national self-conceit:

The anti-injunction bill has been killed. Burial private. Omit flow-

Owning the government is better than government ownership.

Socialist Seedlings



Is it any wonder that western unionism has grown tired of that sort of thing and insists that wherever else they strike, the workers strike first, last and all the time at the ballot box?

Child slavery in free America is receiving some slight attention at present from the capitalistic press. It is the usual ebb and flow of the tide, however-only the abolition of the profit system will abolish child labor. "Do you hear the children crying-oh, my brothers?"

"Heads we win and tails you loose," is a good way to express the Socialist's confidence. If a strike wins, they rejoice as showing labor's growing strength and sense of unity. If it loses the worsted laborers have learned a lesson and will do some thinking which will land them in the Socialist camp.

Socialists do not claim to be prophets or sons of prophets. Their complacency in affirming that co-operation in industry-Socialism-is bound to come, is due to the fact that it is the next step already outlined in industrial evolution, The principle has been introduced in the trust-there only remains a wider application of it. . .

Remember, Socialism is not a new election-day fad-a new spelling for tweedle-dee such as is sprung each year as dust in the eyes of the people. It is the science of industry as the world's greatest students have found it to be. It is an international movement without "isms," because founded on facts and laws as they are seen to exist.

"I do not want to give up my little home," says some one fearing Socialism. Bless you! No one wants you to. The only persons. whose homes will be disturbed whether they want it or not are the disease filled, indecent, crowded tenements and shanties. When you see what good homes will be given instead of these, perhaps you may hurry the management into giving you something as good, but is long as you are satisfied no one will disturb you.

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country are equal on election day. Is this true? Are the workingmen equal to the capitalists in sagacious class consciousness? Did you even see the capitalists as a class work and vote for a working class candidate? But on the other hand how often do we see the working class work and vote for capitalist class candidates!

instructed for the New York cham-

and Labor Congress. And there were alleged union men in the convention who lent their support to the proposition! May their unionism never grow less. In truth we

Ostensibly Hearst is in favor of the Panama canal and a big navy because their construction would give the workingmen more work. He may also be in faver of setting men to work digging fence post holes and then filling them up again. Such a policy would no doubt make a hit with the men who are satisfied with a job and a full dinner pail.

pion (?) of union labor they were willing to endorse as a delegate-atlarge from Iowa to the national democratic convention a manufac-

turer whose products are on the unfair list of the Dubuque Frades

don't see how it possibly could.

It is said that all men in this

without taking woman with him into the promised land; it would be wise then that woman assist to her uttermost to bring about our indus-"The woman's cause is man's; reign-of the capitalist. Dwarfed or god-like, bond or free."

through her attendance at the fo-
cals and membership in the party.
Man, too, needs the woman in this
relation; even the Socialist man
sometimes "forgets to remember"
that women are human beings, and
to secure the best ends for both
she must stand on an equal footing
with him in all lines of activity.
Then there is the subser

hen there is the expense of maintaining two separate organizations, holding two separate conventions, and the like, when all interests of both may be served by one. And surely no one imagines for a minute that when Socialism triumphs and we get our Co-operative Commonwealth that there will be two separate governments or organizations, or parties, one composed of women and the other of men.

Men and women work together now in all branches of industry; they will be called upon to manage those industries in unison, not upon sex lines but upon trade lines. There is no time like the

The average workingman is certainly an extravagant cuss. Although he produces-according to the last census-\$2,450 of value each year, he hands all but \$437 of it over to the capitalist.

Many men are dissatisfied with present conditions and would gladly change them if they knew how. It is the business of Socialists to show them the way. Are you doing your part?

Surplus value is the rent the workingman pays for the use of machines owned by the capitalists. Collective ownership of the machines would do away with the rent.

present to begin to train together the laborer shall have "something" for the harmonious and intelligent to say in regard to wages, hours months, and Free, the first three issues of

Capitalism is highway robbery brought down to date.

State capitalism also is no better than the other kind.

Freedom comes only to those who deserve it.

Socialist votes are coffin nails of capitalism.

Socialism is the quintessence f justice.

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ist speaker had been assured to There is no power in the heavens conduct a school of instruction at the Corners. Through the efforts of the "gang" sufficient funds had the principal beneficiaries of the been raised to enable the Socialist local, under whose auspices this in an ever-accelerated ratio. They educational work was carried on, must decrease, but we must into admit the general public free.

It was the first meeting of the Zeke, Sile, Bob, Tom and Beecher himself, while the remaining seats were occupied by the sturdy sons and fair daughters, the fathers and mothers, the grandfathers and grandmothers representing the past, present and future of the Corners' industrial life.

The lecturer announced the subject of the introductory lecture of factors in an industrial system-Need of the Present."

"Viewing our subject from one standpoint-the economic need of the other for a chance cither to the present is one thing-while earn a livelihood or to determine viewing it from another standpoint how much of a livelihood it shall it would be quite another thing.

"Viewing it from the standpoint of the present economic system, known as the competitive, capitalistic system, it would undoubtedly be correct to say that the great overshadowing need is a marketan increased market for the products of industry. This system is one of large production-of enormous production. This large production is a necessity to the securing of profits, the fundamental in- other before the laws of God and centive of the system itself. Profits the laws of man. are obtainable only through a sale of the products, and this sale is dependent upon the expansion of the market.

"Demand for product must ever keep pace with increased production. The great need then from the standpoint of our present system is an increased market. In the language of Senator Beveridge, 'the Oriental markets must be secured-they are a necessity.'

"It is scarcely necessary, however, for me to say that in this lecture we will not consider our subject from this standpoint; but will rather consider it in the light of human interest and human need. No change in human institutions, political social or economic systems should be made-no question pertaining to any department of human living should be settled unless such change and such question welfare. Indeed, this should be it rests. the primary consideration in all questions affecting human life.

The services of the little Social- | method of distributing the product. above, the earth Leneath, or the waters under the earth to prevent system from decreasing in number crease.

"The capitalist class are the benseries. On the front seat sat Uncle eficiaries. The dependent class are those who must be satisfied with the crumbs that fall from the master's table.

"The overshadowing economic need, then, of the present from the standpoint of human welfare, is a just system of economic distribution. A distributive system that does not make one of two equal the course as "The Economic speaking now trom the viewpoint of the old political economy-dependent upon the whim or will of be. A system of distribution in which the two factors engaged have conflicting and opposing interests can never become a just system.

"Men may not be born equal and may not be endowed with power to become equal, but every man is entitled to equality of opportunity with every other man. All men are entitled to live under industrial conditions that will give to each equality of opportunity with every

"Equality of opportunity is an impossibility under the competitive capitalistic system as at present organized. As a matter of fact, it was always so-but that aside, it is with the system as it exists at present that we are concerned.

"From the standpoint of human interest, then, the economic need is the abolition of the system of private profit under which 87 per cent of the product goes to the capitalist, one of the two factors in production, and 13 per cent to the laborer, the remaining factor.

"The capitalist has the power to make and insist upon the division by reason of his ownership of the tools of production, by reason of possessing the economic might and being made thereby the social and political ruler. It is his economic interest that determines the entire superstructure of society as well be submitted to the test of human as the economic basis upon which

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SOCIALIST PLATFORM Adopted at Indianapofis, Ind., 1901. The Socialist party in national con-vention assembled, reaffirms its adher ence to the principles of International Socialism and declares its aim to be .\$ 71 02 1 05 the organization of the working class, and those in sympathy with it, into a political party, with the object of con-1 '00 quering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production 1 95 9 00 and distribution into collective ownership by the entire people. Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by individual 1 20 workers. Today, the machine, which is an improved and more developed tool 2 (0) 2 .25 of production, is owned by the capitalist and not by the workers. The own-2 (11) ership enables the capitalists to con-6 00 trol the product and keep the work-ers dependent upon them. 50 1 50 Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is respon-sible for the ever-increasing uncer-tainty of the livelihood and poverty 25 and misery of the working class, and livices society into hostile classes—the capitalists and the wage workers. The nce powerful middle class is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competi-tion. The struggle is now between the apitalist class and the working class he possession of the means of livelinood gives the capitalist the control of he government, the press, the pulpin and the schools, and enables them to reduce the workingmen to a state of mellectual, physical and social infer ority, political subservience and vir ual shavery. The economic interests of the capi anst class dominate our entire sociaystem: the lives of the working class re reckiessly sacrificed for profit, wars are iomented between nations, indis runinate slaughter is encouraged and he destruction of whole races is sanctoned in order that the capitalists may stend their commercial domination abroad and enhance their supremacy at home. But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to so alisa, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wage workers. And the active force in oringing about this new and higher or der of society is the working class. Al. other classes, despite their apparent or actual conflicts, are alike interested in the upholding of the system of private ownership of the instruments of wealth production. The democrat, republian, the burgeois public ownership parties, and all other parties which do not stand for the complete overthrow of the capitalist system of production

are Linke political representatives o the capitalist class. The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the ollective powers of capitalism, by constituting themselves into a political party, distinct from and opposed to all partles formed by the properties classes. While we declare that th development of economic condition. cends to the overthrow of the capital ist system, we recognize that the tim and manner of the transition to Sa alism also depends upon the stage o. development reached by the profetar rat. We; therefore, consider it of the armost importance for the Socialis party to support all active efforts of the working class to better its condi-tion and to elect Socialists to polit:cal offices in order to facilitate the at ainment of this end.

As such means we advocate: 1. The public ownership of all means of transportation and communication and all other public utilities, as well as of all industries controlled by monopolies trusts and combines; no part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the taxes of the capitalist class, but to be applied wholly to the increase of wages and shortening of 'he hours of labor of the employes, and to the improvement of the service and diminishing the rates to the con sumer.

The progressive reduction of the hours of labor and the increase of wages in order to decrease the share According to press reports, congressmen are using their franking of the capitalist and increase the share privilege to send their household of the worker in the product of labor. 3. State or national insurance of working people in case of accidents, lack of employment, sickness and want in old age; the funds for this purpose to be collected from the revenue of the capitalist class and to be administered under the control of the working class 4. The inauguration of a system of public industries, credit to be used for that purpose in order that the workers and FURS. be secured the full product of their labor. 5. The education of all children up to the age of 18 years, and state and municipal aid for books, clothing and food. 6. Equal civil and political rights for men'and women. 7. The initiative and referendum, proportional representation and the right of recall of representatives by their constituents. But in advocating these measures in steps in the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of the co-operave commonwealth, we warn the work ing class against the so-called public ownership movements as an attempt of the capitalist class to secure government control of public utilities for the purpose of obtaining greater security in the public exploitation of other in-Open Day and Night. dustries and not for the amelioration of the conditions of the working class. **Clubbing Offer** The Iowa Socialist for one year and any of the following papers for one year for 60 cents: Wilshire's Magazine, Coming Nation, Chicago Socialist, The 1347 Clay St. Vanguard; or the Iowa Socialist for one year and The Comrade for six months for 60 cents. P. C. Murray, the lawyer in the office building, makes a specialty of drawing wills and settling estates.

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"It is, therefore, to the bar of human interests and human needs that we will bring all matters to be considered by us in these lectures.

"Let us inquire, then, is there an economic need arising from existing human conditions independent of that springing from and necessary to the economic system. In a system in which all men were equal factors with equal interests or substantially that, the needs arising from the system would beyond question be vital to all men. That, however, is not the present system.

"The competitive system, never a just system, has been rendered still more unjust by reason of the concentration of wealth that has gone on side by side with industrial organization. This organization in industry standing unparalleled in the realm of beneficial human achievements, when judged from the standpoint of what it might be and ought to be-is, in fact, a burden instead of a lightener of burden, a blight instead of a blessing. All this because under

"There is but one place where the workingman is the equal of the capitalist. He can become his political equal whenever he will cease voting in the interest of capital and begin voting in his own interest. The moment he does this he can overthrow the economic rule of capitalism, his can become the ruling class and his interests -the interests of 95 per cent of humanity-can determine the superstructure of the social system, well as its economic as foundation. He can abolish the iniquitous system of private profit and inaugurate a just system of distribution under which labor, which creates all wealth, will re-

ceive that which it creates. A system that will give to all men equality of opportunity. When the workingman has done this he will have supplied the economic need ful men! If you get more than you of the present." SAM OAKS.

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lots of 'em?-New Nation. . . .

Think of the absurdity of it! The advocates of the capitalistic profit system would have us believe that each man can make profit out of others and all of them be successgive, somebody loses, and if everyone were to make profits everyone would have to participate in the losses! And nearly everybody does -and that's why things are out of joint today and the people doomed to lives of mental torture and anxiety, and worse.-Social Democratic Herald.





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Comrade Carey was elected permanent chairman, and Comrade Dobbs permanent

The committee on rules reported as follows

1. A chairman shall be elected at the commencement of each day's session. 2. A secretary and two assistants shall

be elected for the entire convention. 3. A reading clerk and one assistant shall be elected for the convention.

4. A sergeant-at-arms and assistant shall be appointed for the entire conventior 5. Five pages and five messengers shall be appointed from visiting members by the sergeant-at-arms.

6. Four tellers and two judges to count all ballots shall be appointed for the entire convention.

7. A committee on platform shall be elected, to consist of nine members, 8. A committee on constitution shall be

Report of the committee on platform. Report of the committee on munici-4. pal platform. 5. Report of the committee on resolutions. 6. Nomination of candidates for president. 7. Nominations of candidates for vice president. 8. Election of delegates to the International Congress of Socialists. 9. Report of committee on ways and means. 10. Report of auditing committee. 11. Election of the national campaign committee. Morris Hillquit, of New York, was elected chairman for the day. The entire time of the two sessions held Monday was taken up by the election of committees. The deliberations resulted as follows: PLATFORM. Eugene V. Debs, Indiana } George D. Herron, New York Ben Hanford, New York William Mailly, Nebraska Hermon Titus, Washington - Strobell Thomas E. Will, Kansas W. M. Wilkins, California Victor Berge . Wisconsin CONSTITUTION. Robert Bandlow, Ohio Barney Berlyn, Illinois William Butscher, New York! Morris Hillquit, New York Walter Thomas Mills, Kansas J. Mahlon Barnes, Pennsylvania H. L. Slobodin, New York N. A. Richardson, California W. E. Clark, Nebraska RESOLUTIONS. Algernon Lee, New York James Oneal, Indiana Peter Burrowes, New Jersey Ida Crouch-Hazlett, Colorado John Spargo. New York N. Klein, Minnesota Charles Heydrick, Pennsylvania Ed Moore, Pennsylvania J. M. A. Spence, Wisconsin STATE AND MUNICIPAL PROGRAM Ernest Untermann, Illinois John M. Work, Iowa A. H. Floaten, Colorado W. R. Gaylord, Wisconsin nanner above provided. S. Stedman, Illinois - Reynolds, Indiana Luella R. Kraybill, Kansas - Atkinson, P. H. Keller, California RESOLUTIONS ON TRADES UNIONS Max Hayes, Ohio Guy Miller, Colorado Frank Sieverman, New York James F. Carey, Massachusetts C. A. Hoehn, Missouri John Collins, Illinois A. L, Nagel, Kentucky Dan A. White, Massachusetts Jacob Hunger, Wisconsin The National Constitution

19. Following shall be the order of

1. Report of the committee on creden-

Report of the national secretary.

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shall make monthly reports to the national secretary concerning their. membership, financial condition and general standing of the party. Sec. 6. The state committees shall pay to the national committee every month a sum equal to 5 cents for every member in good standing

within their respective territories. Sec. 7. On the complaint of any national committeeman or of three locals in any state of any act on the part of such state organization in violation of the platform or constitution of this organization, an investigation shall be undertaken, acting under rules of the national committee, to the end that such organization shall be brought into conformity.

Sec. 8. All state organizations shall provide in their constitutions for the initiative, referendum and imperative mandate.

ARTICLE XIII-HEADQUARTERS. The location of the headquarters of the party shall be determined by the national committee.

ARTICLE XIV-AMENDMENTS. This constitution may be amended by a national convention or by referendum of the party in the

Capitalistic Cussedness

Denver, Colo., April 30. W. M. Wardjon, national organizer of he United Mine Workers of America, is lying in the hospital at Salida, Colo., as the result of a cowardly assault by thugs in the employ of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company. This gang of cutth oats are headed by W. H. Reno, a former detective of the Colorado and Southern railroad. Wardjon was qui tly seated in a passenger coach of the Denver and Rio Grande railroad, when the train stopped at Sargent. a station between Salida and Gunniscn. was reading a newspaper and was unprepared and unarmed. The three murderers slipped up behind him and began beating him with revolvers. After mortally wounding Wardjon, the cowardly detectives leaped from the car, junped into waiting buggy and made their escape. It is useless to pursue them, for the Colorado authorities are bribed to shield them. Should any one get arrested the banks furnish bonds. The capitalists of Colorado are inaugurating a reign of murder, rope and arson. No man's life is safe who stirs out after night, unless he is a member of the Citizens' Alliance, a bired murderer or tinhorn militiamen. This man Reno has long been known as a cowardly scoundrel, ready to murder for hire. But (olorado is full of thugs, murderers and women assaulters, and each and every one are under the protection of James H. Peabody, the governor, and in the employ of the capitalists. Every act of violence which has occurred in the strike regions of Colorado has been committed either by militiamen, deputy sheriffs or railroad detectives Not one single act has been traced to the doors of the strikers. HENRY O. MORRIS Smoke "The Iowa Socialist" 5c cigar. Best in the city. Give it a trial.





elected, to consist of one member from each organized state or territory, who shall be chosen by the delegates of each organized state and territory respectively.

9. A committee on resolutions shall be elected, to consist of nine members.

10. A committee on municipal program shall be elected, to consist of nine members.

11. The standing committee on municipal program appointed by the Indianapolis convention shall report to the committee on municipal program.

12. A press committee shall be appointed, to consist of five members.

t3. An auditing committee of five mem bers shall be appointed by the chair.

14. A committee on ways and means shall be elected, to consist of nine members

15. Discussions shall be limited to ten minutes for each speaker. No speaker shall speak a second time until all desiring to use their time shall have had an opportunity to speak.

16. The sessions of the convention shall begin at 10 a. m. and continue to 12 a. m., and from 1:30 p. m. to 5:30 p. m., and a night session as soon as the reports of committees are ready or have been called for. The night session shall extend from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m.

17. Roberts' Rules of Order shall be used, with the exception that when the previous question has been called for three delegates on each side of the question shall be allowed three minutes each for closing the debate before the question is put.

18. During the sessions of the convention no smoking shall be allowed on the thereof shall have no right to infloor of the convention.

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the rights of states and territories drganized prior to the adoption of this constitution.

Sec. 3. The platform of the Socialist party shall be the supreme declaration of the party, and all state and municipal platforms shall conform thereto, and no state or local organization shall under any circumstances fuse, combine or compromise with any other party or political organization or refrain from making nominations in order to further the interests of candidates of such party or organiza-tion; nor shall any candidate of the Socialist party accept any nomination or endorsement from any other party or political organization.

Sec. 4. In states and territories in which there is one central organization affiliated with the party, the state or territorial organization shall have the sole jurisdiction of the members residing within their respective territories, and the sole control of all matters pertaining to the propaganda, organization and financial affairs within such state or territory; their activity shall be confined to their respective organizations, and the national committee and sub-committees or officers terfere in such matters without the streets.

Local Notes

Comrade Harry McKee, organizer for. the Northern district of California, who was a delegate from that state to the na-tional convention, stopped off in Dubuque last Friday and gave the natives a frst. last Friday and gave the natives a first-class soap box talk at Seventh and Main