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OUR MISSION

Eugene V. Debs Tells of filth and misery, crime and death. Object of Party.

To Orgenize the Working Class Into a Political Movement.

To free the workers of the world from the curse of wage-slavery and its countless brood of festering evils, to reorganize society upon a basis of co-operative industry in which all shall be workers, owning in common the machinery of production and producing wealth for their own enjoyment, is the prime object of the International Socialist Movement.

To organize the workers into a working class political party through which to secure control of the powers of government, the law making and law enforcing machinery of the nation, to put into effect the above declared object is the mission of the Socialist party.

A more righteous cause never inspired men to action in this world.

To secure control of government the Socialist party appeals to the working class and the ballot. Though a revolutionary party in the sense that it proposes to put an end to the present industrial system and establish a new social order, its program is one of perfect

That violence and bloodshed are resorted to is not because of the Socialist party, but in spite of it.

The present system, called the capitalist system because it is controlled by capitalists and operated in their interest, is based upon the slavery and robbery of the working class. Such a system has to be supported and protected by force. Violence follows as a matter of course.

The club, the blow and the blood that follows it, the bayonet, the bullet and the "bull-pen," the repeating rifle, the riot gun and rapid fire injunction are the gory and grewsome symbols of the cap-

italist regime of our day.

The Socialist party, seeing all this and understanding from careful study the cause back of it, does not advise the enjoined, assaulted or imprisoned workers to meet brutality with brute force, to answer the club with the dirk, or the bayonet with the revolver, but it does advise them to use their brains, remove the cause and walk forth free

There has been a great industrial change in the last century. New conditions have arisen and these demand a new system. Machines are now used instead of hand tools; great mills have taken the places of small shops, and armies of workers, co-operatively employed, are required to operate them.

These machines and mills are at present the private property of a few capitalists and are operated purely for their profit.

All the wealth the armies of workers produce above a bare living is taken from them by the capitalists, the owners of the mills and machines, who are also their industrial masters. These owners and masters can close down their mills and exclude the workers from them at will. The workers are wholly dependent upon them and at their mercy.

In modern society the capitalist, the owner of the machine, the tool of production, without which the worker cannot work, and therefore cannot live, has the power of life and death over his workingmen, their wives and children.

It is essentially a barbarous and demoralizing system in all its effects. The capitalist is calloused and debased, while the worker is enslaved and brutalized.

A few capitalists are gorged and bloated to the bursting point. Their features are distorted and Their features are distorted and discolored by their vulgar excesses.

Their better nature is besotted and of which will be a powerful article conscience has been suffocated.

A mass of workers are povertystricken, idle, homeless, hungry, desperate; a mass of women are wretched, despondent, covered must be in not later than Aug. \$1. The Polk county convention met

with rags, vainly seeking to appease the hunger of their offspring with crusts. A mass of children are born to degeneracy, food for

These hideous extremes, these social horrors, are the products of the decomposing, vermin-infested capitalist system; and upon this system the Socialist party, in the name of the working class, its most cruelly outraged victims, has declared war to the death.

When it is understood that the Socialist party is the party of the working class, its mission, in the presence of existing conditions, seems so evident that it almost suggests itself.

What workingman, unless his brain has been extinguished in wage-slavery, can fail to understand that the Socialist party is his party as against the republican party, the democratic party, the populist party and all other capitalist parties, because it is the only party that stands for the overthrow of wage slavery and the emancipation of the workers from capitalist tyranny and misrule.

O, workers of America, use your brains in your own interests instead of being satisfied with deforming vour bodies to enrich your masters!

You were born to noble manhood, not to serve as beasts of burden.

Be men enough to think and act for yourselves, and if you do, the mission of the Socialist party will appeal to your intelligence and claim your allegiance and support.

To conquer capitalism, to abolish slavery, to put an end to poverty, to overcome injustice, to be free men, to have the right to work, to secure what your labor produces, to see your wives and children glad in the joys of home and health, peace and plenty, you have but to do one thing, and that can be expressed in one word: UNITE.

You are a vast majority of the earth, and ought to rule it.

You are lacking in intelligence only, and this you have the means and opportunity to cultivate.

The mission of the Socialist party is to free your minds from prejudice, cultivate your intelligence, develop your brains, that you may become the slaveless masers of the earth.

When you succeed to power, all humanity will be free and civilized, and the exercise of power to silence the discontent of slaves will

be no longer necessary. To the working class the Socialist party makes its appeal. The Socialist party is the working class, in so far as it has awakened to its class interests and become conscious of its class power.

To organize the working class into a political party to battle for and achieve their own emancipation is the mission of the Socia party, and every worker in the land should hail with joy its glorious advent and join with all his heart the swelling chorus of the Social Revolution.

[The above article, "The Mission of the Socialist Party," by Eugene V. Debs, Socialist party candidate for president, can be secured in pamphlet form from Wm. Mailly, national secretary, 269
Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill., at
the following prices: 500 for 75 cents; 1,000 for 11.25; 3,000 for

What They Voted For.

Duquoin, Ill, July 30.—The last union man left Joseph Leiter's model mining town last night. The 14-foot oaken stockade is finished, the search-light on the tipple house is being erected, and the platform on the smokestack, where rapidfire guns will be placed, is being put up.

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CONVENTIONS

Socialists of Muscatine and Polk Nominate.

Convention Also Held in Seventh Congressional District.

Muscatine, Ia:, Aug. 12.—A full ticket, candidates for all the county and township offices being named was put in the field and a platform declaring their principles in no uncertain language was adopted last night at the county convention of the Socialists held at Union Hall. The convention was well attended and great enthusiasm shown by the members of the local present.

The meeting was called to order by J. W. Zettler, who was then elected permanent chairman. B. F. Dyer was elected secretary. On ballot the following candidates were chosen to run on the Socialist ticket this coming fall:

COUNTY TICKET.

Auditor-J. G. Kent. Clerk-Milo Clapp. Recorder-Henry Schoenig. Attorney—C. R. Slaughter. Supervisors—Corwin Lesly, Andrew Johnson.

TOWNSHIP TICKET.

Clerk-A. G. Othmer. Justices of the Peace-G. J. Peck, Fred Zimmermann. Constables-Thos. F. Gleason,

Wm. Lamar. Trustee—J. E. Tetrick. Assessor—A. J. Endter.

County Central Committee—Lee W. Lang, J. G. Kent, A. Johnson, G. J. Peck, J. E. Tetrick.

THE PLATFORM.

The platform was adopted as follows:

We, the Socialist party of Muscatine county, in convention assembled, proclaim our unfaltering adherence to the principles and program of international revolu-tionary Socialism, which, briefly stated means the substitution of the co-operative system of production and distribution for the present competitive system.

This is the modern phase of the class struggle, which will continue between the producers of wealth and the exploiters of labor so long as the present system of production for profit remains, and there is but one weapon which the working class can successfully employ to accomplish the desired end, and that is the ballot.

This fact demands the organization of the working class into a political party distinct from and opposed to all other political parties, which are founded upon the support of private ownership of the eans of wealth product

The Socialist party is organized to meet this demand, and is, therefore, the party of the working class and the Socialist party when in office shall always and everywhere until the present system of wage slavery is utterly abolished, make the answer to this question its guiding rule of conduct: Will the proposed legislation, if enacted, advance the interests of the working class? If it will, the Socialist party is for it. If it will not, the Socialist party is absolutely opposed to it. In accordance with this principle the Socialist party pledges itself to conduct the county affairs of Muscatine in such manner as to promote the interests of the working class, and therefore, for the general good. In conclusion we appeal to all workingmen to study the principles of Socialism to the end that they may realize their class interests and join with us in our endeavor to overthrow capitalism, abolish industrial classes in society, terminate forever the class struggle, and inaugurate the co-operative commonwealth, based upon this fundamental principle of justice: "To every worker the full product of his or her toil."-Muscatine Jour-

Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 11 .-

at the court house in Des Moines, Wednesday evening, Aug. 10. J. DEBS' SPEECH J. Jacobsen was elected chairman and L. B. Patterson secretary.

The following nominations were made for county offices: Auditor—E. L. Crosby.

Clerk-J. R. Blenis. Recorder—John J. Donai. Coroner—J. C. McFadden.

The nomination for county at-torney was referred to the county committee.

A county organization formed. As the by-laws adopted may be useful to other counties which are contemplating the forming of county organizations, we give them in full. They are as

BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF POLK COUNTY.

1. The name of this organization shall be the Socialist Party of Polk County, Iowa, and it shall be composed of the locals and members-at-large of the Socialist party within said county.

2. There shall be a county committee composed of the recording secretaries of the locals within the county.

3. It shall be the duty of the county committee to call county nominating conventions, to attend to getting the county tickets placed upon the official ballot, and to attend to such other matters as shall fall properly within its province.

4. The county committee shall have power to make requisition upon all locals and members-atlarge for their proportionate share of the expense incurred by the committee in the performance of its duties.

5. Any local may require any act of the county committee to be submitted to referendum vote. Any local may also require any other question to be submitted to referen-

dum vote. 6. In any county convention

each local shall be entitled to as many delegates as the average number of its members in good standing since the preceding county convention. The delegates present from each local shall have power to cast the entire vote to which their local is entitled under this section. Each member-atlarge shall be entitled to sit as a delegate and cast one vote.

7. These by-laws may be amended at any time by referendum vote. They may also be amended by any regularly called county convention, but amend-ments so made shall not go into effect unless approved by referendum vote, to which they shall be submitted seriatim.

The following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION.

The Socialist party of Polk and is used for campaign purposes. county, Iowa, in convention assembled this 10th day of August, Socialists Act With Dispatch. 1904, hereby extends cordial sympathy to the striking packing house workers and best wishes for the successful termination of the strug-

Strikes are caused by the fact that under the present capitalist system a few capitalists own the industries, the means of production and distribution, while the workers in Chicago he was notified to come are compelled by necessity to work for them for a bare subsistence men as he could secure. He did wage. The men and women who do the necessary and useful mental and manual labor of America are big packing house to fill positions entitled to the full product. But occupied by the strikers. the present capitalist system enables the capitalist stockholders of the industries, who do no necessary members, who so successfully or useful labor at all, to appropriate to themselves the lion's share of the product. They get something for nothing. The workers are compelled to divide up with them the product of their toil. Manifestly, this must continue to be the case as long as capitalism continues. At the best, a strike can do no more than secure a slight increase in wages or a slight him from the organization for his improvement in the conditions of act in taking the 20 strike breakers labor. The working class will be to Chicago. compelled to hand over the bulk of the product of its toil to the capitalist parasites until the indus-tries are owned by the public. Then, the workers will receive the

"The Socialist Party and the Working Class."

Opening Speech at Indianapolis to Be Published in Booklet Form.

Eugene V. Debs' speech at Indianapolis on Sept. 1, at the opening of the national campaign of 1904 will be the historic speech of the great political struggle between the capitalist class and the working class. It will be the greatest effort of Debs' career as well as the trumpet call of defiance to the ruling class of the world. It will ring with the spirit of working class revolt and vibrate with the passion of a splendid and righteous cause. Confined to no special phase or single incident of the class struggle or any one prominent personality involved in that struggle, but covering the whole question of Socialism and working class politics in the vivid manner for which Comrade Debs has become justly famous, this speech will be the most inspiring and stirring utterance of an epoch making campaign. Nothing more rousing and effective for propaganda purposes could be devised.

Anticipating its value in this and every other respect, arrangements have been made by which Comrade Debs' speech will be issued by the National Headquarters of the Socialist party in booklet form immediately after its delivery. It will be ready for shipment on Sept. 2d and orders should be placed with the National Secretary at once so as to ensure prompt attention.

The booklet will be uniform with "What Workingmen's Votes Can Do" and the "Speeches of Accept-ance" already issued by the National Headquarters and of the same neat and creditable appearance, but will consist of not less than 32 pages, with picture of

Debs on the cover. The prices on the booklet will be as follows: 1 copy 5c; 15 copies 50c; 40 copies \$1; 100 copies \$2; 500 copies \$7.50; 1000 copies \$12. Send orders and make remittances payable to Wr. Mailly, National Secretary, 269 Dearborn St., Chi-

cago, Ill. There should be at least one million copies of this booklet circulated in this country before election day. There can be, if the Socialists themselves but will it. Remember that whatever profit accrues from the sale of the National Headquarters publications goes into the National Campaign Fund,

Davenport, Ia., Aug. 6.—The Socialist singing society, the Vorwaerts, has acted with summary dispatch in the Emil Ketelsen mat-

Mr. Ketelsen is an employe at the local Armour establishment. At the time of the packers' strike to Chicago at once with as many so and took 20 men to the Windy City, who were given places in the

He returned home Monday, and since then the unions and the broke up the attempted taking of 60 strike breakers to Omaha last Saturday night by Manager Sweeney, have made life a burden to him.

His Socialistic friends are also helping to make his path not one of roses.

At a meeting held Monday night the Vorwaerts Singing Society, of which he is a member, expelled

Meantime Mr. Kettlesen is considering what singing society in the city he will approach with an application for membership.

Every local should order a bunch of our Labor Day edition.

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For President, EUGENE V. DEBS. Of Indiana.

For Vice President, BENJAMIN HANFORD, Of New York.

WELLMAN ON COLORADO

Walter Wellman, the well known newspaper correspondent, has been out in Colorado as a representative of the Chicago Record Herald to investigate the strike in that state. He summarizes the result of his investigations in his eighth and last letter which was published in the Record-Herald of Sunday, Aug. 14. Whatever may be said of the first seven letters, there is no question but that the last contains more inconsistencies and misstatements than were ever crowded of the legislature and its conseinto an equal amount of space in the Record-Herald since the time about a year ago when Wm. E. Cartis, of the same paper, came to Iowa and in a series of letters made so many deviations from the truth about things in Iowa that practically the whole press of the state took him to task and literally "jumped on him with both feet."

Wellman begins by stating that "this investigation was approached perhaps he thinks that this too was with a perfectly open mind; with- a blunder on the part of the peoout any bias as between the fac- ple which the capitalists in their It is run in the interest of the tions; without the slightest con- infinite wisdom found it necessary cern for the interests of any polit- to rectify by the perpetration of ical party or candidate," and then the most heinous crime of any at once develops a case of union- committed in Colorado-the wholephobia which makes those of D. M. Parry and the Chicago Cron- lature and the consequent defeat icle look like mild attacks of spring fever.

war in Colorado was precipitated by a series of blunders on the part of the Western Federation of Miners-blunders so wicked and atrocious that they may fairly be called crimes." Let us see what these patient, and Mr. Wellman treats blunders or crimes were. Mr. a crime committed against them Wellman says it is agreed "that as a matter of course. Yes, Mr. the beginning of this Colorado cat- Wellman is right; after being aclysm was in the trouble at the treated in this manner by their Standard Mill at Colorado City. * * * Having organized most of the mining camps in Colorado, the Western Federation determined to organize the smelter and reduction mills which treat the ore

When this failed the federation resorted to the desperate recourse of a strike. An effort to unionize a plant is praiseworthy and legitimate if it be done in the right way."

Mr. Wellman then proceeds to give union labor some capitalistic advice on the right way to do it, which, according to this wiseacre, is to get "all or nearly all" the men into the union and then make their demands. The wrong way, according to this modern Solomon, is for a minority to form a union and then bulldoze the majority and the owner of the plant. "That was the serious blunder the Federation made in this case," says Wellman. According to his own statement Wellman admits the first strike was successful to the extent that a commission was appointed by the governor to endeavor to bring about a settlement, although claiming that only one third of the mill men were in the union and on strike. Here then we have the absudity of a two-thirds majority being "bulldozed" by a minority and that minority winning a strike. Mr. Wellman is out of date. This is a strike bogey as old as it is id-

After this exhibition of his "perfectly open mind" we can readily see why Mr. Wellman should regard the attempt to unionize the smelter and reduction mills as a blunder and a crime.

Another evidence of Mr. Well-

man's great impartiality (?) is the slight consideration he gives to the real cause of the strike and the object of the Western Federation in unionizing the smelters and reduction mills as well as the mines. He barely mentions the passage by the legislature of an eight-hour law which was declared unconstitutional; the subsequent amendment of the constitution by referendum of the people of the state by a vote of 72,000 to 26,000 providing for an eight-hour day for miners and employes of smelters and reduction mills. While he admits the bribery quent failure to enact legislation putting in effect the amendment and declares "no language is strong enough adequately to condemn such crimes by the rich," we are naively informed that it was not the mine owning interests that corrupted the legislature. We presume the innocent Walter imagines the cheese manufacturers of Switzerland are the guilty parties, or sale purchase and sale of the legisof the will of a majority of the people. If such a crime as this had He says for instance: "This been committed in benighted Russia its perpetrators would be sent heavenward on an over-inflated dynamite bomb. But the people of America, and especially those of Colorado, are long suffering and masters the workers of Colorado made a blunder-but it was in re-

So much for Mr. Wellman's impartiality. Let us note just one from the mines." Mr. Wellman instance of a misstatement of fact then relates the story of the organ- among many others: After chargization of the mill employes at ing the officers of the Western ers, are weak on account of their Colorado City; the first strike and Federation with bringing about the poverty. At the ballot box, the its settlement; the violation of the strike, Wellman says: "As usual, capitalist class is weak on account agreement on the part of the mill the men responsible for this blun-owners in the matter of re-instate- der worse than a crime—this crime their yast numbers. Consequently, ment of the strikers; and then con- against their own people-are pay- whenever the workers are wise

maining in Colorado. They should

have gone to Russia.

The Iowa Socialist tinues: "The real purpose in view ing no penalty. They draw their was unionization of the plant. salaries in security. They live in comparative luxury." In his impartial (?) zeal to get both sides of the case Mr. Wellman seems to have forgotten all about the three months or more that President Moyer was confined in a bull pen while in ill health and without medical attention. Such palpable lies as these are not calculated to inspire faith in the truth of any other statements made, except perhaps to the gullible individual who accepts as truth everything his masters offer him, and for whose benefit this whole mass of fabrications was written by the imaginative Wellman.

> Last week representatives of the Chicago Tribune made a canvass of some 3,600 voters and among this number discovered 121 who declared their intention of voting for Debs, although only 37 were found who had previously voted the Socialist ticket. This indicates an increase of over 200 per cent. If the same percentage held good the country over and the election took place tomorrow the vote for Debs would come near the million mark. But there are almost three months left for propaganda and education. Are you doing anything in that line?

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Conventions.

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full product of their toil and will, therefore, be able to live comfortably and afford themselves and their families the time and the means for self-development. Public ownership is the sole and only solution of the industrial problem. The Socialist party stands for public ownership. The republican and democratic parties are against The Socialist party is the party of the working class. The republican and democratic parties are the parties of the capitalist class. The Socialist party gets its campaign funds from the workers. ne republican democratic parties get their campaign funds from the capitalists. They are run in the interest of the capitalists. It is to the interest of every worker to vote the Socialist ticket. It is against the interest of every worker to vote the republican or democratic ticket. worker who votes the republican or democratic ticket throws away his vote. He helps to strengthen and perpetuate the rule of his enemies. A worker who votes the Socialist ticket strengthens and builds up the party which is destined to emancipate the working class. The only way in which a worker can avoid throwing away his vote is by voting the Socialist ticket. To vote any other ticket is to vote to make his chains thicker.

Therefore, while thoroughly sympathizing with the packing house strikers in their courageous strug gle and extending to them our sincere well wishes for its successful outcome, we are fully conscious that its results can only be slight at best. In it, the workers are attacking the capitalist class where it is strong on account of its vast wealth and where they, the workof its small numbers, and the

enough to assert themselves at the ballot box, they are invincible. This closed the county conven-

A congressional convention was then held, with the same officers as in the county convention. G. R. Jones, of Des Moines, was nominated for congress. Jones is a painter and paper hanger. He is a

cialist, a hustler tried and true. A district organization was formed. The by-laws adopted are the same as those of the county or-ganization with the exception of the name.

skilled workman and a skilled So-

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Sioux City Local meets every Thursday at 7:30 p. m. in Trades and Labor Assem-bly Hall, fifth floor Opera House Block.

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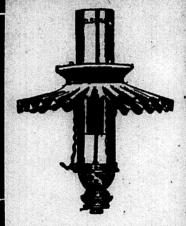
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ness of being to the higher stages ening them. of evolution, probably the most marked change is that of passing squeeze the wind and water out of from the capitalistic to the socialistic mind, a change similar to the childish belief in Santa Claus and the fairy tales to the hard, stubborn facts of life. The entire structure of the mind is readjusted and passes swiftly through a complete regeneration, old ideas and forms give way before the irresistable influx of newer and loftier realities; given a foundation upon which to build a mightier temple of learning, the mind proceeds to construct its new idealisms-negatives become affirmatives, impossibilities become inevitabilities; death itself becomes life. Like the coral of the seas, humanity must die to live; in its death lies its perpetuation-the dead matter of yesterday forms the basis of the life of today, the life of today is building the basis of future existence, a perpetual organism, the minute cells of which we are a part, passing eternally through destruction to reconstruction in the wonderful garden of evolution, bearing its golden fruit in social harmony with the buds and blossoms.

The socialistic mind creates within the heart a longing for a higher life, a longing to view the beauties and possibilities of life from a higher plane, to turn away from the darkness of the past and enter the light of a practical and realistic civilization. When the vision is swept clear, when the inherited tribal instincts of man have reached their ultimate unification in the process of evolution, when we realize that there is no self preservation without the preservation of the whole, the cultivated ideals of is any war. mammonism will collapse and fall in a mass of jumbled wreckage and the corpse of ancient superstition will be borne to its last resting place and left to languish in a deserted grave during the ages to

In the "dismal swamp" of egotism half submerged individuality, covered by the moss of prejudice, now drained of its poisonous pools, ship with the other side. blooms a cultured flower of a higher life, altruism, permeating in this battle. Its purpose is to the cosmic ether of worlds with a train for the battle-to train in the of the laboring class as against the higher incentive. Unconsciously, knowledge that there is a war to forces of oapital. To join the Soyet consciously, we stand in the be waged. The main obstacle has cialists is to enlist for this battle. faint glimmer of the millenial always been that workers were so -Mila Tupper Maynard. dawn, awaiting the next forward slow to realize that they were wage step in the evolution of the human slaves with interests opposed to mind, cosmic consciousness.—Milo their masters. Mitchel Clapp.

Ran-One of the best ways to dom work for Socialism is to Shots get subscribers for The Iowa Socialist.

Socialists aim to make public capital out of private capital, defining capital as that wealth used in the production of more wealth.

There are four kinds of Socialists, the non-active, the active, the more-active and the most-active. To which of the four do you belong.

The ultimate aim of the Socialist is the abolition of capitalism and the establishment of industrial democracy.

The workingmen of America are in an industrial prison and are given an opportunity of pardoning themselves once each year.

Taxes, as understood at present, will be abolished under the co- his own interests. He is classoperative commonwealth, hence conscious himself, but his tactics there will be no crimes committed are to keep the laborers from seeby dodging them.

cialistic ment of the human mind song, "Please go way and let me the issues all they can. from the mere conscious- sleep," but we must insist on awak-

> Wanted - An invention trusts.-The Common Herd. The invention is here, dear people; vote the Socialist ticket and get it patented .- W. M. Shaw, Newton,

> Socialist Persons first entering 'Narrow- the Socialist party or becoming interested therein are often surprised to find what they think a narrow policy cropping up occasionally or perhaps frequently.

It is well to understand what underlies this "bigotry." There has been in the past too much of this and may easily be again, but many policies will appear narrow which are necessary to final success.

We need to understand what it is that underlies this strange tendency among people with no theological training in heresy hunting.

The secret is this: Socialists have a purpose radically distinct from any other party that is now or has been.

They propose a revolution in industry and the character of the

All other parties propose changes in details-Socialists intend to alter the foundations of the system. This is revolution.

Previously revolutions have come with no party back of them.

There was no ballot to appeal to, o brute force had to reign.

Conditions now are different. The battle must be fought at the ballot box. The war is already on. The troops, however, are unorganized. The forces that must do the fighting do not all know that there

The capitalists know that there is a struggle and are conscious of their interests at every point. Labor, however, is only partly conscious of itself and of the war. Indeed, great troops of laborers think, perhaps, their interests are the same as that of capital.

It is hard to fight a battle if your soldiers think they are in partner-

Socialism is the organized army

The trades unions are slow to awake to this in spite of the many proofs of the fact they receive. They could not go on in the old way if they realized the class struggle. When they wake up to the fact that a war is on they do as the western unions did, namely, line up for battle with the Socialists.

Now you will find that wherever Socialists appear narrow there is something involved which they think is mixing them up with the

Socialists know that they would win tomorrow if every wage slave, i. e., every one who depends on some one else for a chance to work, knew he was a slave and that his freedom must be won from the capitalists and their capitalistic government.

The capitalist knows and feels ing that they, as a class, have in-In calling the attention of some terests utterly opposed to his own.

56. So- In all stages of develop- | Socialism, they remind me of the | the capitalistic battles and mix up

Is it strange, then, that Socialists are afraid of anything which tends to blur the lines and make people forget this class struggle or fancy that anything can be gained by old compromise methods?

Is it strange that they want to be sure that all members are fully convinced of their class interests? They want no traitors, and innocent traitors are the most danger-

This week a person who thought he was a Socialist said to another: "I do not expect Socialism will ever win as a party; I expect its principles to be absorbed and some of the old parties carry them out a little at a time."

Now if the majority of Socialists knew no more than this the party might as well break up. 😹 😽

Socialism win through capitalist

As well expect France to win in a war with Germany by letting the Germans fight the closing battles

A war is on. Never run the risk of putting on the firing line men or women who do not know which side they are on or even whether there is a fight or not.

Now because this is so important Socialists often have to seem ungracious. Instead of welcoming everybody who can vote, with open arms, they act sometimes as if they were anxious to frighten every one away. This for a party that works as if for dear life all the year around to make converts seems queer until one understands.

It is like the Methodists who turn the world upside down to make converts and then sifts its new members by a six month's

Sometimes Socialists turn necessary caution into unnecessary suspicion and foolish fear. should be quickly checked. One party of Socialists has lost its usefulness by carrying this principle of battle into a method of petty inquisition.

This our party must avoid.

But never forget the principle back of the party which every member must accept when he joins: There is a class struggle and Socialism can only win as a victory

Literary It is announced that Note The Vanguard, edited by Comrade J. M. A. Spence, of Green Bay, Wis., has been purchased by the Social Democratic Publishing Co., of Milwaukee, and will hereafter be issued from that office. The Vanguard has already a large circulation in all parts of the country and has proved of great service in introducing Socialism to a constituency unreached by any other Socialist publication. Under the new business management the magazine will retain its present attractive form and distinctive character. Comrade Spence will continue as editor. The publishers intend increasing the number of its pages and making it a monthly repository of the best Socialist thought, invaluable for reference as well as propaganda. The price will remain 50 cents a year. made for the Vanguard and Social Dubuque, Iowa. Democratic Herald. Address, The Vanguard, 344 Sixth street, Milwaukee, Wis.

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CAMPAIGN BULLETIN

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CAMPAIGN FUND. Total to noon, Aug. 13... Previously reported...... ...\$2428 43

The national quorum has been called to meet at national headquarters on Friday, Aug. 19. A full report of the meeting will be sent out as usual.

The national secretary regrets to announce that Comrade W. L. Oswald has been compelled, on account of ill health, to resign his position as assistant in the national office and return to his home in New Jersey. During his two months' occupancy of the position of bookkeeper Comrade Oswald showed his fitness for and devotion to the party work in a marked manner and his leaving was sincerely regretted by his associates in the office, who had already become closely attached to him. Comrade Robert Saltiel, of Milwaukee, has been secured to fill Comrade Oswald's

NATIONAL CAMPAIGN SPEAKERS.

Dates for Comrade Eugene V. Debs are being rapidly made and before he opens the campaign at Indianapolis on Sept. 1, it is expected that arrangements for the entire tour up to election day will be completed. The itinerary as now arranged is as follows: Sept. 1, Indianapolis, Ind.; 3, Louisville, Ky.; 4. joint demonstration, Cincinnati, Ohio, Covington and Newport, Ky.; 5, Erie, Pa., (Labor Day); 6, New York City; 7, Baltimore, Md,; 8, Wheeling, W. Va.; 11, St. Louis, Mo.; 13, Chattanooga, Tenn.; 14, Atlanta, Ga.; 15, Birmingham, Ala.; 16, Little Rock, Ark.; 18, Fort Smith, Ark. Other cities that have definitely accepted dates offered them for Comrade Debs are Wichita, Kas.; Portland, Ore.; Tacoma, Wash.; Missoula and Butte, Mont.; Denver, Omaha, Des Moines, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Dubuque, Rock Island, Ill; Toledo, Ohio; Chicago, Reading, Pa.; Milwaukee, Wis., and Terre Haute, Ind.

The dates for Ben Hanford are also being rapidly made. He spoke on Sunday afternoon, Aug. 7, at the Danville, Ill., chautauqua to a large crowd and then proceeded south. His dates are as follows: Aug. 20, Emporia, Kas.; 22, Pittsburg. Kan.; 23, Springfield, Mo.; 24, Kansas City, Mo.; 25, Chillicothe, Mo.; 26, Ottumwa, Iowa; 27, Muscatine, Iowa; 28, Davenport, Iowa; 29, Canton, Ill.; 30, Joliet, Ill.; 31, Streator, Ill.; Sept. 1, South Bend, Ind. Comrade Hanford will then go east to fill the Labor Day engagement at Haverhill, Mass., and return west through Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

John Spargo is now booked on his western tour as follows: Aug. 29-31, New York state; Sept. 1, Franklin, Pa.; 2, Oil City. Pa.; 3, Cleveland, Ohio; 4, Toledo, Ohio; 6, Chicago; 7, Rockford, Ill.; 8, Dubuque, Iowa; 11, Omaha; 13, Denver. Aspen, Colo., Salt Lake City, Idaho Falls and St. Anthony, Ida., have also accepted dates.

James F. Carey will campaign in Connecticut and Vermont during August, and be the Labor Day speaker at Schenectady.

Dates for M. W. Wilkins in Maryland, then go into Connecticut and Massachu-

Charles G. Towner is dated in Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky up to Sept. 5, Labor Day, when he begins work in Indiana for six weeks.

Harry M. McKee is dated in Tennessee and Alabama up to Sept. 3 and will proceed south to Louisiana and Texas.

Geo. E. Bigelow will fill a number of dates in northern Nebraska during the endof August and will begin a month's work in South Dakota under the direction of the

Geo. H. Goebel is in Oregon and will go into Washington before beginning his return trip to the east.

Franklin H. Wentworth works in New York state from Sept. 1 to 15 and will follow with dates in states as far west as Iowa. John W. Brown will also fill dates in middle western states and John M. Work is being dated for Minnesota.

Louis Goaziou, of Pennsylvania, will act as French organizer through Ohio, Indiiana, Michigan and other middle western states beginning early in September.

All the foregoing speakers travel under the direction of the national secretary and applications for dates should be made to him at 269 Dearborn street, Chicago.

THE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN.

A special effort will be made to cover every part of the United States during the campaign, but it will require money to do t. The national campaign fund should be Indian Territory

supported liberally. The demands upon the national office are unlimited and only lack of resources prevents the utilization of all the speakers waiting to be put to work.

The national campaign fund can be materially augmented if the party locals, wherever possible, order their campaign literature, lithographs, buttons and other material from the national headquarters. The prices upon campaign material have been set as low as possible, so as to promote its circulation. The margin of profit is therefore small, but whatever there is goes into the campaign fund and directly assists the campaign.

So far the quality of campaign material being issued by the national headquarters has met with universal approval. The leaflets and booklets are neatly gotten up and the lithographs and buttons have received an enthusiastic. reception. A complete catalogue of all the campaign supplies is now ready and can be had from the national secretary. All orders are promptly filled and comrades can do nothing better than push the sale and circulation of the party's publications.

NEW CAMPAIGN LEAFLET.

Comrade A. M. Simons has written a four-page leaflet entitled "Which Party Should Workingmen Support?" which is being issued by the national headquarters in style uniform with "The Mission of the Socialist Party" and the national platform. The new leaflet is a concise statement of the attitude of the republican and democratic parties toward the workers and of the Socialist party. Prices prepaid: 500 for 75 cents; 1,000 up to 5,000, \$1.25 per 1,000; 5,000 and upwards, \$1.15 per \$1,000.

The national secretary can also fill orders promptly on "Unionism and Socialism," by Eugene V. Debs, 10 cents a copy or 100 for \$4. "The Labor War in Colorado," by Ben Hanford, 5 cents per copy or 100 for \$2. "The American Movement," by Eugene V. Debs, 5 cents per copy or 100 for \$2. These are the same prices these booklets are sold at by the publish-

LABOR DAY SPEAKERS.

The following speakers are open for engagements for Labor Day: J. W. Bennett, Sioux City, Iowa; George Briel, Newport, Ky.; John M. Brown, Worcester, Mass.; N. P. Geiger, Boston; W. L. Dewart, Washington, D. C.; Ida Crouch Hazlett, Butte City, Mont.; Freeman Knowles, Deadwood, S. D.; Chas. L. Breckon, Chicago; E. W. Perrin, Little Rock, Ark.; A. M. Simons, Chicago, Ill.; Frederick G. Strickland, Indianapolis, Ind.; Ernest Untermann, Chicago, Ill.; George D. Evans, Chicago; Dan A. White, Brockton, Mass.; H. H. Caldwell, Dayton, Ohio; Len Button, Chicago, Ill., L. D. Mayes, New York City; John M. Ray, Nashville, Tenn.; B. F. Adams, Sligo, Md.; A. H. Floaten, Colorado; John M. Work, Des Moines, Iowa; P. J. Hyland, Omaha, Neb.; B. McCaffery, Omaha, Nebraska; George Newcomb, Williamsburg, Pa.; Thos. E. Will, Wichita, Kansas. Applications and enquiries for information regarding terms, etc., should be addressed to William Mailly, national secretary, 269 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.

Additional engagements for Labor Day Pennsylvania and New Jersey are arranged up to the end of September. Wilkins will have been made as follows: Jas. H. Brower, Janesville, Wis.; Jas. F. Carey. Schenectady, 'N. Y.; Gertrude Breslau Hunt, Staunton, Ill.; Courtenay Lemon, Wallertown, Pa.; Charles H. Towner, Bedford, Ind.

> WILLIAM MAILLY, National Secretary.

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Hon. B. McCaffrey, of Omaha, will be the Labor Day speaker at Lehigh.

STATE NOTES

A local with eight members has been chartered at Hilton, organized by F. J. West. of Avery.

The Monroe county convention will be held Aug. 20, and the Boone county convention, Aug. 22.

Eugene V. Debs, our candidate for president, has been secured to deliver an address at Oelwein, Aug. 22.

Orders for Iowa Socialist subscription cards have been received from Locals Sigourney, Dubuque, Sioux City, Keb and Des Moines.

Our candidate for vice president. Ben Hanford, of New York, in addition to his Iowa dates previously mentioned, will speak in Ottumwa, Aug. 26.

G. R. Jones, of Des Moines, secured the nomination for congressman for the Sevventh congressional district. All but the Eleventh district have nominated.

"He who hesitates is lost," and locals and Socialists generally that delay in making applications for speakers cannot be accommodated. Make application to the undersigned.

J. C. McFadden, the secretary of the Des Moines local, has made arrangements for a tent at the state fair grounds during fair week. He will distribute and sell Socialist literature and subscription cards.

Our candidate for secretary of state,

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Nomination papers for the state and congressional tickets are now in the hands of the local secretaries. Each petitioner, in order to make the papers valid, must add his residence address. Forward all papers to the Iowa secretary as soon as possible.

Dates for Prof. Geo. R. Kirkpatrick have been made as follows: Keokuk, Sept. l; Centerville, 2; Seymour, 3; Mystic, 4; blocking, 5, and from the 6th to the 10th, inclusive, he will work in Keokuk county under direction of Edw. J. Rohrer, of

The Des Moines Auditorium, with a seating capacity of 3,000 has been engaged for the Debs lecture in Des Moines, Oct. 10. An invitation is extended to the Socialists in this part of the state to attend, and an effort will be made to secure reduced railroad rates.

J. J. JACOBSEN, Secretary. Des Moines, Iowa.

LOCAL NOTES

Be sure you do your share for a big meeting for Comrade Spargo on Sept. 8. This will be a street speech, at the corner of Seventh and Main streets.

Tickets for Comrade Debs' lecture on Oct. 13 will be printed and ready for distribution among the comrades next Tuesday evening. Let every one get a bunch and help along in the sale of

The study of the Communist Manifesto was begun last Tuesday evening. As the time was taken up by the reading and consideration of the preface and introduction those comrades who were not present may vet begin with the study of the first section, by coming to the meeting next Tues-

Comrade D. S. Cameron, chairman of the half-day contribution committee, reports the following as the result of the circulation of the blanks: Blank 648, circulated by J. G. Enser, \$5.35; 649, C. Holmberg, \$13.25; 650, D. S. Cameron, \$12.25; 651, H. E. Cosgrove, \$25.50; 652, A. A. Triller, \$35.25; 3158, F. Stahlschmidt, \$2.00; 3160, E. Holtz, \$7.75. Total, \$101.35. Other comrades assisted in the circulation of these blanks and should be given credit for their labors. - One-third of this amount was retained by the local and the balance divided between the state and national organizations. While this is a good showing the local comrades should not be content to leave the matter of securing further contributions rest. More money is needed. Moreover the opportunity to use it is NOW. Blanks for the local and state campaign have been received from the state secretary and a committee is out with them. Treat them kindly and generously.

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Comrade Lee W. Lang, of Muscatine: 'I see it is necessary that we enlighten our young ladies as well as the men as they constitute a majority of the workers in this city." He sends a list of names of the fair sex for sample copies.

E. D. Hammond, of Waterloo, gives the tottering ruins of capitalism another welt by ordering a bundle of the I. S. He says Hanford's date in that city has been called off by the national secretary, but Walter Thomas Mills has been engaged for Sept. 8, and "a vigorous effort will be made to get out the masses on this occasion."

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