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RESULTS OF LAST TUESDAY'S ELECTIONS.

Socialist Mayor in Anaconda, Montana-Four Socialist Aldermen in Battle Creek, Mich.-One Socialist Alderman in Butte, Mont.-Sheboygan, Wis., in Control of the Socialists.

In St. Louis the Socialist Party Gains Official Standing-Total of 3,046 Straight Votes in the World's Fair Boodle Metropolis.

Municipal elections were held Tues- Shamelessness of St. Louis," so ably day. April 7th, in many towns described by Lincoln Steffens in Mcthroughout Missouri, Illionis, Wisconsin, Michigan, Montana and other states.

The Socialist Party made splendid progress wherever it took part in the political contests.

From Comrade Wm. Mailly, our national secretary, we have received the following telegraphic news from the battle field.

SOCIALIST MAYOR ELECTED IN MONTANA.

Socialists elect mayor, police magistrate and three out of six aldermen at Anaconda, Mont.

NEARLY CAPTURED BUTTE, MONT.

In Butte, Mont., the total vote for all political parties at last Tuesday's election was 9,500. The Socialist candidate for mayor lost in the contest by polling but 400 votes less than his Republican and Democratic opponents. One Socialist alderman was elected.

FOUR SOCIALIST ALDERMEN IN BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

In Battle Creek, Mich., the Socialists elected two aldermen giving them four in present city council.

In Cincinnati, O., the Socialist candidate for mayor polled 3,774 votes.

CHICAGO IS ALL RIGHT.

In Chicago Comrade Breckon, Socialist candidate for mayor, polled 11,212 votes. Cruise, the candidate of the so-called Labor Party, polled about 10,000 votes.

Clure's Magazine, has been once more illustrated by Tuesday's elections.

St. Louis will have a "World's fair administration," and the convicted and indicted boodlers, Butler, Chas. Kelly, Kratz, Lehmann, etc., may feel satisfied that the Jefferson City penitentiary was not built for St. Louis bribe givers and statesmen."

The Socialist Party vote for the head of the ticket is 2,451, while the S. L. P. polled 565 votes, making a total of 3,056 Socialist votes for St. Louis.

Considering the limited time we had for our campaign work, our empty treasury, and many other obstacles we had to contend with during the last few weeks, the St. Louis comrades have done well, and our 2,-500 Socialist Party votes are the rock on which the solid class-conscious political movement will be built. Our last campaign was one of hard, quiet, systematic work. Especially in South St. Louis, in the Eighth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh wards, our comrades deserve credit for their untiring, self-sacrificing work of propaganda.

In several wards in North St. Louis the comrades have also done their duty; but in a number of northern wards that were considered our banner wards the propaganda was grossly neglected. The comrades, we hope, will realize that it requires something more than "talking about the movement" to make a movement. Let us stop that AMATEUR Socialist work. Talk is cheap. Phrases are cheap. From this time on the Socialists will be judged by their deeds, not by their words.

THE SOCIALIST VOTE IN ST. LOUIS.

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SHEBOYGAN IN CONTROL OF THE SOCIALISTS.

Comrade Victor L. Berger telegraphs us that in Sheboygan, Wis., the Socialists swept the city at last Tuesday's elections. Great gains were made throughout the state.

Socialism in Moniteau County.

California, Mo., April 6, 1903. Comrade-Moniteau county is coming to the front. Comrades J. L. Fitts and T. J. Thompson made strong speeches at public meeting Thursday evening, and three voters joined our local, which has business meetings every Monday evening. This county keeps an organizer constantly at work, and the farmers are rapidly waking up. We will easily get official standing next election-could get it if election took place next month-Fraternally yours,

J. L. FITTS, Organizer.

In St. Louis the Butler-Wells-Hawes-Lemp-Snake Kinney Democrats elected all six candidates for city council, 22 out of the 28 members of house of delegates, and the inspector Nolde, the Republican candidate, 55, of weights and measures. "The and Stoops, the Democratic candi-

A splendid lesson to our St. Louis comrades: In the Eighth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh wards the hardest work was done in this campaign, hence there we have the best results.

These four wards-Eighth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh-give the Socialist Party a total of 1,296 votes. This is more than half of the entire S. P. vote in the city, i. e., these four wards have more Socialist votes than all the remaining 24 wards.

Comrades, this fact teaches us a lesson.

In the Ninth and Tenth wards we had the liveliest Socialist campaign in the history of our local movement, and the old party politicians were badly scared and shaken up. In the Ninth ward Comrade Gabelmann received 491 votes; 250 more votes would have elected him. The next time another battle like this, and the old parties in the Ninth ward will be buried in St. Kratz cemetery, or in the cemetery of Butler's Holy Ghost.

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TACTICS AND STRATEGY, ECO-NOMIC AND POLITICAL, for individuals and for organizations, is the title of a new work by Thomas Bersford, of San Francisco. Mr. Bersford has written several good works, his useful principles of Logic, Scientific Socialism, a philosophy of Happiness, and the derringer pocketbook or Statistics are highly appreciated by studious readers. The new book treats of strategy and generalship for individuals, and for military bodies, the writer claiming that good generalship is as necessary in political and economic struggles as in military warfare The subjects dealt with include: Struggles and preparations for them, the handling of forces, men. etc., tactics for trade unions and for political organizations, tactics for leaders and factions, requisites of leadership, the individual versus the organization, etc. We believe that this is the only work of the kind yet published. Mr. Bersford has conferred a general favor in showing the need of such a work and in supplying

it. The price is 15 cents. Address. 609 Stevenson street, San Francisco, Cal.

NINTH WARD SOCIALIST CLUB.

Regular meeting of the Ninth 6 Ward Socialist club will be held at Concordia Turner hall, Tuesday, April 14, at 8 p. m. Reports of the election 13 will be given in full.

P. H. FROMM.

TAILORS' STRIKE.

The Custom Tailors' union has declared a strike against the shop of Wm: Assmann, 413. Walnut street. Recognition of the union is denied by this employer and led up to the trike. All custom tailors are requested to remain away from this shop, also from the following outside cities: Chicago, where 500 men are on strike; Buffalo, N. Y., and Champaign, Ill.



Woman's Forum.

Edited by KATE EMMET.

commonwealth, because this was the IF A TRAMP CAME TO CHICAGO. official recognition of my faithful

By G. A. Hoebn in "New America."

THE RIDE TO NEW CHICAGO PLACE.

Day of the month, July the 4th. Three o'clock in the morning. What a pleasant summer morning! The first rays of daylight are visible on the eastern horizon. The moon is slowly and stubbornly disappearing behind the dark cloudlets in the faroff west, hiding from the grandeur of the sun, whose early appearance is heralded by the purple aurora. Lake Michigan presents a magnificent view -a wonderful panorama-the reflex of the eternal struggle between darkness and light, night and day. All along the shores the dark-green border of the fine parks, and groves, and orchards; and in the center, as far as the human eye can reach, the immense silver-colored sheet of water, reflecting the magnificently-illuminated eastern horizon, the merrily glittering stars-like precious pearls in a fine blue silk dress-above, and the departing, pale-faced moon behind the trees in the west-a glorious pieture in the album of nature.

In New America July the 4th was the beginning of a series of festivities that lasted to July the 9th. Universal fraternization week was the name for these fastivities. The affair was mostly of an education and social character, the main object being to impress upon the minds of the younger generation the true conception of the rights and duties of citizenship. There was no cannon-eracker and skyrocket patriotism as they used to be proud of in Old America. The speeches held and the lectures delivered at these occasions were of a truly scientific nature, historical, economic and social subjects, treating of the relations of mankind to society and nature always being preferred. The fact that, I was selected as one of the lecturers for July the 4th by our board of public oratory was generally considered an exceptional honor bestowed upon me by the



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Having been very busy during the last few days, and having spent most of my spare time at the Central public library in search of authentic material for my "Fraternization Week" lectures, I failed to see the decoration work which was carried out under the instruction and supervision of the students of our Public Institute of Fine Arts. Therefore I decided to take an early morning excursion through the principal thoroughfares of the city. While passing through the ante-room of my little family villa I took a handsomelybound volume from a bookshelf and hastened out into the garden, where I sat down on a chair under a young oak tree. A solemn holiday morning! "Peace on earth and good will to men," I murmured as my eyes fell on the long stretch of beautifully and artistically-built villas all along the street. And this street is not an exception. In every street of the city the same fine villas and quiet little homes! And every home surrounded by splendid flower gardens, lawns and orchards! Merrily playing, whispering, murmuring fountains in front of every villa, in every garden, pouring their fine streams of slivery water into little lakes. Like a strip of shining white silk, an open canal, or rather an artificially-constructed brook, runs from one garden to the other, from one little lake to the other, thereby connecting all the little villa lakes and supplying them with a steady flow of fresh water from the municipal water works.

And who are the inhabitants of these nice little villas in the midst of these wonderfully pleasant surroundings? Why, the workers, the



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olent association is making arrangements for a grand excursion to Millstadt, III., Sunday, May 17. A special train has been chartered and the prospects are that this will be one of the most successful labor excursions of the season. Further particulars later on.

LABOR UNIONS, ATTENTION!

Will you give an excursion duing the coming season? If so, select the excursion town of the future-Millstadt, Ill. The Millstadt Brewery Co. is the only brewery in the vicinity of St. Louis using the Brewery Workers' union label. Millstadt has the Liederkranz park, which excursionists will find a splendid place of enjoyment. Make your arrangements now. All further information concerning railroad rates, conditions, etc., will be gladly given by Mr. GEO. DISTLER, Manager Millstadt Brewery Co., Millstadt, Ill. MR. DISTLER is an old member of St. Louis Brew-ers and Maltsters' Union No. 6. and will do all in his power to advance the cause of organized labor. Millstadt is situated on the M. & O.

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wealth-producers of this community. the very men whose hands and brains have brought forth these decorations flex of the polluted capitalist society; in nature's domains. Indeed, these handsome little castles are the homes of a free people. There is nothing luxurious about these villas and the surrounding gardens, lawns, lakes and brooks; there is nothing that might indicate that the inhabitants were living in lukury or excessive wealth. No. The terms luxury or poverty, in the Old American sense. are unknown by the happy people that inhabit these plain, yet truly artistic and elegant little homes. Here man has learned to read the great book of nature; man has recognized the true relations between the individual and society; man has solved the problem of poverty; man has created economic and social conditions that can not longer come into conflict with the eternal truth, with the motto of our New American administration of public affairs: "An injury to one is the concern of all."

Slowly but surely the pure daylight broke through the dawn. Motionless I was sitting under the bounteous foliage of the young oak tree, whose healthy growth seemed to be the mere reflex of the healthy development of my beloved new American people. I was dreaming, yet I had not closed my eyes. No, I was electrified by my quiet, solemn, majestic surroundings, by the wonders of nature, by the results of the intelligence, industry and co-operation of our people, the commonwealth.

Like a fiery ball the sun rose from behind Lake Michigan, increasing the beauty and magnificence of the wide landscape and reminding me that it was high time to start on my excursion through the city. My eyes fell on the richly-bound book which I held in my hands; I read the title of the work: "If Christ Came to Chicago!" by Wm. T. Stead. The work also contained an "Appendix", illustrated with fine maps, giving full particulars about the economic, political, industrial and social conditions in old Chicago, i. e., the Chicago of the nineteenth century. Having read and studied the book before I was well acquainted with the details of its contents, in glancing over the pages I was strikingly reminded of the contrast between the city of those days and our new Chicago.

Where the friendly family homes, the pleasant villas, are spread to-day like the flowers on the vast, green table of the fertile meadow, there were in former days the luxurious. expensive palaces of industrial kings, coal-barons, pork-lords, lardocrats, railway magnates, and other monopolists; there were the factories and workshops where the very sinews and bones were worked out of men, women and children. To erect a factory on a fine green spot in nature's domains was to convert the entire vi cinity into a desert, a wilderness. Old Chicago! I ponder for a moment. How in the world was it possible that such horrible conditions could exist for any length of time? The next moment I saw the picture of the old city-a panorama of social war scenes-as 1 had never imagined before. The social contrast between now and then had never before impressed itself upon my mind in such an overwhelming. striking manner. All the beauties of nature and the magnificence of labor's results surrounding me seemed to have disappeared .. The rising sun that had thrown the golden rays of refreshing hope, and noble aspiration, and enthusiasm into my heart but a few moments ago now appeared to me like a bloody ball, a signal of destruction and ruin. All my throughts were concentrated on the everyday life of old Chicago. I was not dreaming-the pictures that were passing before my mind were the result of my historical studies. And these pictures-horrible pictures! Taken right out of the album of life of our ancestors. I saw a city full of noise, and smoke; and mud; a city poisoned with the morphium of

industrialism and commercialism; a polluted Chicago river, the true rea "Lake Front Park," without trees, without flowers, without grass, but strewn with thousands of deformed, demoralized human beings-starving tramps; police stations where poor men and women were kept in strong iron-barred cages like tigers, wolves and hyenas; 1 saw little pale-faced children, boys and girls, six years of age, standing at the corners selling newspapers-side by side with the old crippled grandfather and grandmother; the 16-story factory and business houses where women and children were condemned to lifelong slavery; the tenement-houses and hovels where tens of thousands of families were buried alive in graves of misery and demoralization; the districts where unfortunate women were forced to lead a life of shame; then I saw the thieves and robbers and murderers in the dark streets; the "civilized" robbers in the board of trade, the headquarters of the wholesale robbers; the middle-class business man, bankrupt, helpless, hopeless, consuming his life in the competitive struggle. I see the thousands of men, women and children crippled and killed in factories, on railway crossings, everywhere-was human life so cheap and bread so dear? The Old Chicagoans-who were they? Were they men or beasts? Not even among the beasts in the wilderness could you witness such horrible conditions.

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It is not charity that Socialism asks for the working people. It is justice. No man has a right to take from labor any part of its earnings. The valgar "charity" of financial hogs does in no sense cover their "multitude of sins."-Idaho Socialist.

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WHAT NEXT?

The elections are over. Two thousand five hundred Socialist Party votes for St. Louis under the prevailing situation is encouraging. We increased our vote by about 250 over last fall legislative elections. Compared with the municipal elections of 1901 our this year's vote means a wonderful growth. In 1901 Greenbaum, as the head of the ticket, polled 827 votes while our present vote is three times as high.

Our local Socialist movement is today in better condition than ever before. The old system of wind-jamming has been wiped out and quiet, determined hard work-has taken its place.

In another column of this paper we express our opinion on the local election results and the task before us in the near future.

The labor movement is the backbone of the Socialist movement. Our comrades realize this. The Socialist Party candidates for last Tuesday's elections were union men, most of them belonging to the pioneers of trades unionism. Our party's attitude towards the trades union movement is well known. Read the resolutions published in another column of this paper. Our comrades will continue to work in the trades union movement as they have worked in the past. They will do their duty as trades unionists and will never for- ritory, thence into Oklahoma. Reget their duty as Socialists and ad- turn dates are being asked for him vance guard of the general labor in Arkansas.

SOCIALIST PARTY

All Over the Country the Comrades Pre-

pare for the National Campaign.

National Headquarters, Socialist Party,

Omaha, Neb., April 4, 1903. Recepits for national dues during March were larger than any month since the party was organized at the Indianapolis convention in 1901. Illinois and Ohio led, the latter opening the month of April with an order for 1,500 dues stamps. March dues showed a total membership of 14,540. The average monthly membership for the quarter year, ending March 31, was 13,568, which means an increase of nearly 4,000 members since January 1 * * *

The national secretary has initiated a referendum of the Alabama locals for a state convention to form a state organization. The convention will probably be held in May. . .

Local charters were granted during the week to Rock Springs, Wyo.; Tucson, Ariz.; Patton, Ala., and Coats, Ark.

Comrade Robert B. Ringler, of Reading, Pa., writes: "Things are moving here. We have 180 members in the local. Polled 1,149 votes in the municipal election; 249 in spring of 1902." The Union Sentinel, official organ of the Federated Trades Council, is edited by Socialists.

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State Secretary Holman, of Minnesota, writes enthusiastically of Comrade Carl D. Thompson's agitation in that state. Halls in Minneapolis and St. Paul are too small to hold the crowds, and for three days Hammond was in the hands of the Socialists. Thompson has a total of 67 dates to fill in Minnesota, and Secretary Holman says: "Great good will result from this tour, and you may expect great things from Minnesota from now on."

The fair gotten up by the Socialists and trades unions of New York city to help swell the fund for a daily paper, to be known as the "The Daily Globe," opened on March 28th with a tremendous crowd. It is expected that nearly \$20,000 will be realized from the fair, which lasted eight days.

John C. Chase begins his tour of Texas on April 7th, and will spend nearly the entire month in that state, going from there to the Indian ter-

Notwithstanding the fact that a decoy "labor" ticket has been placed in the field, the Socialists have a good chance to carry Butte, Mont., at the coming municipal election. Walter Thomas Mills is campaigning there, and writes, "We are having the warmest kind of a time up here. No hall will hold the people. It really looks as if we had a fighting chance to win, but the comrades are making a campaign on a straight out fight for Socialism, regardless of immediate results. No one is asked to vote our ticket for any other reason than as a vote for the whole programme of the Socialists."

Territorial Secretary Sweat, of Oklahoma, is working hard to convince the membership of the value of the dues paying system, and while he says the work is harder than digging post holes, he is confident that he will succeed.

The Indiana state convention will be held on Saturday and Sunday, April 25-26 in Indianapolis. State Secretary Oneal writes: "We expect the largest state convention ever held and will perfect plans for continuous agitation for the coming summer." Oneal also makes the suggestion, "that party members who are also trade unionists, watch their trade journals for the names of isolated Socialists, and forward them to the national office." Many Socialists in isolated places may be "discovered" in this way as they usually give expression to their convictions through their trade journals. The suggestion is a good one, and comrades are requested to act upon it.

John Collins, who did valuable work for the Socialist Party in the anthracite region of Pennsylvania during the big strike of last year, is there again. Collins reports that the field is as fertile as ever, and that the work of last year shows permanent results.

Colorado state committee granted charters to six new locals on March 26th, and the state secretary organized another at Sterling on March 29th with 23 members: Mrs. Ida Crouch Hazlett, state organizer, is having an interesting time in Gunnison county.

GERMAN SOCIALISTS CROWDING THE KAISER. Truth Regarding Army Shown in "Jena, or Sedan," Written by a Socialist.

Berlin, April 4.-The Socialists are crowding the kaiser hard. The new kaiser party" designed to give the laboring element a substitute for the Socialist labor organization, has not been heard of for weeks. It seems to be either dead or hopelessly anaemic. The emperor has gone to Copenhagen, self-invited, and had to submit to being welcomed by a Socialist mayorand now comes the consciousness of day is enough for any workingman the crushing fact that the great truths in Herr Frank Adam Beyerleis' book, entitled "Jena, or Sedan," are from the brain and pen of a Socialist.

man army was indeed "marching to Jena," which means defeat if confronted with a well-prepared army. The book acquaints the reader with the petty intrigues and jealousies of the non-commissioned officer, as well as of his titled superiors and their women adherents. He exhibits the pushing officer who thinks of nothing but blood and strategy, and the pretty lieutenant achieving conquests on love's battlefields. He shows that the methods of drills and parades now in use are antiquated and must inevitably exterminate individual initiative, which is the most powerful factorion modern battlefields, leaving only human machines which refuse to work the moment they are removed from the control of officers' authority.

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The author is himself an ex-officer. and his dedication to "The German Army" enforces respect.-Globe-Democrat.

VICTORY IN CHICAGO.

Socialist Wm. Johnson Elected to the City Council.

CHICAGO, ILL., April 8 .-- The Socialist vote in Chicago is as follows: Socialist Party, 11,212; S. L. P., 1,-062, while Independent Labor Party has 9,999. In Ward 33 the Socialist Party candidate for city council, Wm. Johnson, has been elected by 228 plurality. In this ward the vote was as follows:

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SOCIALISTS HARD AT WORK. The Old Party Politicians Stirred Up by the Socialist Activity.

Liberal, Mo., March 8, 1903. Our town election of April 7 resulted in the election of Geo. Mellor as councilman from the Second ward. This is the second term for Comrade Mellor. He was elected once before, but was defeated last spring. His re-election is significant. The secret of the thing is, that when Comrade Mellor was councilman before,he sat squarely down on all city contracts and did the improvements direct with day labor at an increased price per diem of fully 50 per cent.. The middle class, who are always clamoring for reduced taxes, made a big squeal, and defeated him for re-election, but when the new council granted a contractor a job at 25 per cent. more that the same work cost under the direction of Comrade Mellor, these same small fries squealed out loud and long, and flocked to Comrade Mellor and elected him by a big majority. Fraternally, CALEB LIPSCOMB.

movement.

In view of these facts we can only pity those that attempt to misrepresent the Socialist Party and try to appear as the "protectors" of the trades union movement. And when such misrepresentation comes through all the capitalist newspapers at the very time when the Socialist Party is engaged in a red hot battle against the capitalist boodle parties, and furthermore, when such misrepresentation comes from people that had just been relieved of their \$1,000 jobs, then, indeed, we have good reasons to feel proud that they disappear on the other side of the fence that divides the Socialist movement from the motley army of its opponents and enemies.

WHAT NEXT?

Very plain! Do all in your power to build up your Socialist Party organization. Get down to hard work. Build up your Socialist press by getting thousands of new subscribers. Assist the trades unions in their struggles against the powers of capitalism.

Prepare for the great Socialist campaign of 1904. Let the voice of Labor and Socialism be heard.

Eugene V. Debs addressed a big meeting in Cincinnati on March 28th on behalf of the Socialist municipal ticket. He scored the "reform" ticket, headed by M. E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four railroad, who is famous for his utterance that "\$1.12 a to live on." Debs pointed out that, the issue in the campaign was not a local one and that, "It is precisely the condition that such a paltry wage produces that generates the misery, the vice and crime that Mr. Ingalls so piously protests against and so patriotically proposes to stamp out is entrusted with political power. If the working class of Cincinnati will take this \$1.12 standard approved by Mr. Ingalls and compare it with the wage standard of the railroad president, and then take a photograph of the habitation of the \$1.12 serf and one of the railroad president's palace, they will see at a glance what is the real issue of this campaign, and they will conclude that they can not afford to forge the fetters more securely by casting their votes for Mr. on election day."

It is a long time since a piece of mere literature has so stirred up Germany as this book has done. It appears at a most inopportune time, from the standpoint of the government-a time when the population is aroused over the multiplying of cases of cruelty within military ranks.

Though opinion is divided as to the merits of the book, military authorities are unable to controvert its statements. An ex-general, who is considered an authority on military affairs, offers the first grain of comfort to those in power by pointing out the author's sins of omission, showing Ingalls, of the Big Four corporation, ist, as he picked out facts to support the struggle for labor's emancipethe foregone conclusion that the Ger- I tion from the system of wage slavery-



Patronize All the Union Labels.

Union men and women, and all friends of Organized Labor should not forget to look for the union label before purchasing goods. Organized Labor is beginning to realize the importance of putting its trade-mark on every article which it aids in making. It practically makes every union man a member of a great co-operative society whose members trade with one another. The labor man or friend of union labor who buys a labeled article makes a market for union labor to that extent. As soon as manufacturers and dealers find that there is a special demand for labeled goods they will hunt for union labor to make these goods, thereby improv-



By KARL MARX and FREDERICK ENGELS.

Now and then the workers are vic- | place themselves at that of the proletorious, but only for a time. The real fruit of their battles lies not in the immediate result, but in the ever improved means of communication that are created in modern industry and that place the workers of different localities in contact with one another. It was just this contact that was needed to centralize the numerous local struggles, all of the same character, into one national struggle between classes. But every class struggle is a political struggle. And that union, to attain which the burghers of the middle ages. with their miserable highways, required centuries, the modern proletarians, thanks to railways, achieve in a few years.

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This organization of the proletarians into a class, and consequently into a political party, is continually being upset again by the competition between the workers themselves. But it ever rises up again; stronger, firmer, mightier. It compels legislative rec-

ognition of particular interests of the workers by taking advantage of the divisions among the bourgeoisie itself. Thus the ten hours' bill in England was carried.

Altogether collisions between the classes of the old society further, in many ways, the course of development of the proletariat. The bourgeoisie finds itself involved in a constant battle. At first with the aristocracy; later on, with those portions of the bourgeoisie itself, whose interests have become antagonistic to the progress of industry; at all times with the bourgeoisie of foreign countries. In all these countries it sees itself compelled to appeal to the proletariat, to ask for its help, and thus to drag it into the political arena. The bourgeoisie itself, therefore, supplies the proletariat with weapons for fighting the bourgeoiste.

Further, as we have already seen, entire sections of the ruling classes are, by the advance of industry, precipitated into the proletariat, or at least threatened in their conditions of existence. These also supply the proletariat with fresh elements of enlightenment and progress.

Finally, in times when the class struggle nears the decisive hour, the such a violent, glaring character, that itself adrift and joins the revolutionary class, the class that holds the future in its hands. Just as,, therefore. at an earlier period, a section of the nobility went over to the bourgeoisie, so now a partion of the bourgeoisie goes over to the proletariat, and in particular a portion of the bourgeois ideologists, who have raised themtheoretically the historical movement as a whole. Of all the classes that stand face to face with the bourgeoisie to-day, the proletariat alone is a really revolutionary class. The other classes decay and finally disappear in the face of modern industry; the proletariat is its special and essential product. The lower middle class, the 'small manufacturer, the shopkeeper, the artisan, the peasant, all these tight against the bourgeoisie to save from extinction their existence as fractions of the middle class. They are therefore not revolutionary, but conservative. Nay, more, they are reactionary, for they try to roll back the wheel of history. If by chance they are revolutionary, they are so only in view of their impending transfer into the proletariat; they thus defend not their present, but their future interests; ence they desert their own standpoint to ciety.

tariat.

The "dangerous class," the social scum, that passively rotting class thrown off by the lowest layers of old society, may, here and there, be swept into the movement by a proletarian revolution; its conditions of life, however, prepare it far more for the part of a bribed tool of reactionary intrigue. In the conditions of the proletariat, those of old society at large are already virtually swamped. The proletarian is without property; his relation to his wife and children has no longer anything in common with the bourgeois family relations; modern industrual labor, modern subjection to capital, the same in England as in France, in America as in Germany, has stripped him of every trace of national character. Law, morality, religion, are to him so many bourgeois prejudices, behind which lurk in ambush just as many bourgeois interests.

All the preceding classes that got the upper hand sought to fortify their already acquired status by subjecting society at large to their conditions of appropriation. The proletarians cannot become masters of the productive forces of society except by abolishing their own previous mode of appropriation, and thereby also every other previous mode of appropriation. They have nothing of their own to secure and to fortify: their mission is to de-stroy all previous securities for and insurances of individual property.

All previous historical movements were movements of minorities, or in the interest of minorities. The proletarian movement is the self-conscious, independent movement of the immense majority, in the immense majority. The proletariat, the lowest stratum of our present society, cannot stir, cannot raise itself up, without the whole super-incumbent strata of official society being sprung into the air.

Though not in substance, yet in form, the struggle of the proletariat with the bour, eoisie is at first a national struggle. The proletariat of each country must, of course, first of all settle matters with its own bourgeoisie.

In depicting the most general phases of the development of the proletariat, we traced the more or less veiled civil process of dissolution going on within war, raging within existing society, up the ruling class, in fact within the to the point where that war breaks out whole range of old society, assumes into open revolution, and where the violent overthrow of the bourgeoisie a small section of the ruling class cuts | lays the foundation for the sway of the proletariat. Hitherto every form of society has been based, as we have already seen, on the antagonism of oppression and oppressed classes. But in order to oppress a class certain conditions must be assured to it under which it can, at least, continue its slavish existence. The serf, in the period of seridom, selves to the level of comprehending raised himself to membership in the commune, just as the petty bourgeois, under the yoke of feudal absolutism, managed to develop into a bourgeois. The modern laborer, on the contrary, instead of rising with the progress of industry, seeks deeper and deeper bclow the conditions of existence of his own class. He becomes a pauper, and pauperism develops more rapidly than population and wealth. And here it becomes evident that the bourgeoisle is unfit any longer to be the ruling class in society and to impose its conditions of existence upon society as an over-riding law. It is unfit to rule because it is incompetent to assure an existence to its slave within his slav-ery, because it cannot help letting him ery. sink into such a state that it has to feed him instead of being fed by him. Society can no longer live under this bourgeoisie; in other words, its existence is no longer compatible with so

The essential condition for the existence and for the sway of the bourgeois class is the formation and augmentation of capital; the condition for capital is wage-labor. Wage-labor rests exclusively on competition bctween the laborers. The advance of industry, whose involuntary promoter is the bourgeoisie, replaces the isolation of the laborers, due to competition, by their revolutionary combination, due to association. The development of modern industry, therefore, cuts from under its feet the very foundation on which the bourgeoisie produces and appropriates products. What the bourgeoisie therefore produces, above all, are its own gravediggers. Its fall and the victory of the proletariat are equally inevitable.

II.

Proletarians and Communists.

In what relation do the Communists stand to the proletarians as a whole? The Communists do not form a separate party opposed to other workingclass parties.

They have no interests separate and apart from those of the proletariat as a whole.

They do not set up any sectarian principles of their own by which to shape and mould the proletarian movement.

The Communists are distinguished from the other working class parties by this only: 1. In the national struggles of the proletarians of the different countries, they point out and bring to the front the common interests of the entire proletariat, independently of all nationality. 2. In the various stages of development which the struggle of the working class against the bourgeoisie has to pass through, they always and everywhere represent the interests of the movement as a whole.

The Communists, therefore, are on the one hand, practically, the most advanced and resolute section of the working class parties of every country, that section which pushes forward all others; on the other hand, theoretically, they have over the great mass of the proletariat the advantage of clearly understanding the line of march, the conditions, and the ultimate general results of the proletarian movement.

The immediate aim of the Communists is the same as that of all the other proletarian parties: formation of the proletariat as a class, overthrow of the bourgeois supremacy, conquest of political power by the proletariat.

The theoretical conclusions of the Communists are in no way based on ideas or principles that have been invented, or discovered, by this or that would-be universal reformer.

They merely express, in general terms, actual relations springing from an existing class struggle, from a historical movement going on under our very eyes. The abolition of existing property relations is not at all a distinctive feature of Communism,

All property relations in the past have continually been subject to historical change, consequent upon the change in historical conditions.

The French revolution, for example,

property for the laborer? Not a bit. It creates capital, i. e., that kind of property which exploits wage-labor, and which cannot increase except upon condition of begetting a new supply of wage-labor for fresh exploitation. Property, in its present form, is based on the antagonism of capital and wage-labor. Let us examine both sides of this antagonism.

To be a capitalist is to have not only a purely personal, but a social status in production. Capital is a collective product, and only by the united action of many members, nay, in the last resort, only by the united action of all members of society, can it be set in motion. Capital is therefore not a personal, it

is a social power.

When, therefore, capital is converted into common property, into the property of all members of society, personal property is not thereby transformed into social property. It is only the social character of the property . that is changed. It loses its class character.

Let us now take wage-labor. The average price of wage-labor is the minimum wage, i. e., that quantam of the means of subsistence which is absolutely requisite to keep the laborer in bare existence as a laborer. What, therefore, the wage-laborer appropri-

ates by means of his labor merely suftices to prolong and reproduce a bare existence. We by no means intend to abolish this personal appropriation of the products of labor, an appropriation that is made for the maintenance and reproduction of human life, and that leaves no surplus wherewith to command the labor of others. All that we want to do away with is the miserable character of this appropriation, under which the laborer lives merely to increase capital, and is allowed to live only in so far as the interest of the ruling class requires it.

In bourgeois society living labor is but a means to increase accumulated labor. In Communist society, the present dominates the past. In bourgeois society capital is independent and has individuality, while the living person is dependent and has no individuality.

And the abolition of these things is called by the bourgeois: abolition of individuality and freedom! Andrightly so. The abolition of bourgeois individuality, bourgeois independence and bourgeois freedom is undoubtedly aimed at.

By freedom is meant, under the present bourgeois conditions of production, free trade, free selling and buying.

But if selling and buying disappears, free selling and buying disappears also. This talk about free selling and buying and all the other "brave words" of our bourgeoise about freedom in general have a meaning, if any, only in contrast with restricted selling and buying, with the fettered traders of the middle ages, but have no meaning when opposed to the Communistic abolition of buying and selling, of the bourgeois conditions of production, and of the bourgeoise itself.

You are horrified at our intending to

abolished feudal property in favor of bourgeois property.

The distinguishing feature of Communism is not the abolition of property generally, but the abolition of bourgeois property. But modern bourgeois private property is the final and most complete expression of the system of producing and appropriating products, that is based on class antagonisms, on the exploitation of the many by the few.

In this sense the theory of the Communists may be summed up in the single sentence: Abolition of private property.

We Communists have been reproached with the desire of abolishing the right of personally acquiring property as the fruit of a man's own labor, which properly is alleged to be the groundwork of all personal freedom, activity and independence.

Hard-won, self-acquired, self-earned property! Do you mean the property of the petty artisan and of the small peasant, a form of property that pre-ceded the bourgeois form? There is no need to abolish that; the development of industry has to-a great extent already destroyed it, and is still destroying it daily.

Or do you mean modern bourgeois private property?

But does wage labor create any

do away with private property. But in your existing society private property is already done away with for ninetenths of the population; its existence for the few is solely due to its nonexistence in the hands of those ninetenths. You reproach us, therefore, with intending to do away with a form of property, the necessary condition for whose existence is the non-existence of any property for the immense majority of society.

In one word, you reproach us with intending to do away with your proper-ty. Precisely so; that is just what we intend.

From the moment when labor can no longer be converted into capital, money or rent, into a social power capable of being monopolized, i. e., from the moment when individual property can no longer be transformed into bourgeois property, into capital, from that moment, you say, individuality vanishes.

Driven to It.

"So Bilkins has joined the church at last?"

"Yep. He concluded that as long as the members of the church all patronized his store he might as well get something in exchange for the bazar and raffle tickets he had to buy."-Baltimore News.



Then ask yourself what it signifies.

An act to promote the efficiency of the militia, and for other purposes.

house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled. That the militia shall consist the respective states, territories and able bodied male of foreign birth who has declared his intention to become and shall be divided into two classes -the organized militia, to be known as the national guard of the state, territory or District of Columbia, or by such other designations as shall rope.) be given them by the laws of the reremainder to be known as the reserve militia.

(The above act makes us all memhers of the militia.)

Sec. 3. The organization, armament and discipline of the organized militia in the several states and territories. and in the District of Columbia, shall be the same as that which is now or may hereafter be prescribed for the regular or volunteer armies of the United States, within five years of the date of the approval of this act.

(This above section provides that whatever portion of our nation of soldiers shall belong to the organized militia they shall be armed and disciplined the same as the regular army.)

Sec. 4. That whenever the United States is invaded, or in danger of invasion from any foreign nation, or of rebellion against the authority of the government of the United States, or the president, is unable, with the force at his command, to execute the laws of the Union in any part thereof, it shall be lawful for the president to call forth, for a period not exceeding nine months, such number of the militia of the state, or of the states or territories, or of the District of Columbia, as he may deem necessary to repel such invasion, suppress such rebellion, or to enable him to execute such laws, and to issue his

at the disposal of the president, to use us in a military sense whenever he thinks proper.)

Sec. 5. That whenever the president calls for the militia of any state, or any state or territory, or of the District of Columbia, to be employed in the service of the United States, he many specify in his call the period for which such service is required, not exceeding nine months, and the militia so called shall continue to unless sooner discharged by order of the president.

(The above section specifies the length of terms we shall serve.)

Sec. 7. That every officer and enlisted man of the militia who shall be called forth in the manner hereinbefore prescribed and shall be found fit for military service, shall be mustered or accepted into the United States service by a duly authorized mustering officer of the United States; Provided, however, that any officer or enlisted man of the militia who shall refuse to or neglect to present himself to such mustering officer upon being called forth as herein prescribed shall be subject to trial by court-martial shall direct.

It means that our institutions have been quietly transferred from a civic to a military basis.

There has never been a law like this on our statute books before. In 1792 when the Indians were a constant menace congress made all ablebodied citizens subject to call, but the general government limited its powers by appropriating only \$200,-000 a year for equipment and maintenance and it left the control of the militia in the hands of the states. This new law places the control of which can be found at most stores in this city and which are made in the celebrated



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if we will be good. If we will down," if we will be content to e for the capitalist class, for a er pittance, if we will refrain organizing and striking, if we I sing the "harmony" of the Civic Federation Glee club, if we will "refuse to agitate our political and industrial rights; there need be no fear. The military despotism will never be actually enforced. In name and in appearance we will still be a republic. The machinery of civic law will operate as smoothly as ever. The "dignity of labor" will be lauded by those who are too dignified to work and the praise of the contented laborer, "who knows his place," will be beyond computation, and the same shout of freedom will thunder beneath the same flag that floated over Bunker Hill and Gettysburg.

Brothers, working men, do you read the significance of this? Do you comprehend what it portends?

It portends the last stand of capitalism. The world-wide uprise of labor shakes capitalism to the center of its coward and treacherous heart:

Organized labor which demands a larger product for the producer, and Socialism which demands the restitu-tion of all things to the creators of L. Barpeff wealth, have arisen in two short years with a power that threatens to sweep capitalism away within a deeade: under the guise of the lawmaker wrapped in the cloak of officialism, capitalism has crept into the temple of liberty, and in the folds of the Stars and Stripes, hidden, it has suspended this Sword of Damocles over the bending back of unsuspecting labor!

Oh, Brother of Toil, and common suffering, if there ever was a time that needed calm and diligent study of all those subjects that relate to labor's rights and labor's interests, if ever there was a time that needed the self-sacrifice and loyalty of labor that time has come .-- Industrial Labor Journal, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Our Movement in Ohio.

OHIO SOCIALIST NOTES.

Davton, O., April 6, 1903. A new local has been organized at Newark, Licking county, with an excellent roster to start with. The Socialist sentiment is very strong here, and vigorous efforts are going to be

they will proceed at once to line up all the forces for the fall campaign.

The municipal elections throughout the state have created the utmost enthusiasm among the comrades, and great results are hoped for. Over a million pieces of literature have been put out and hundreds of public meetings held, and it is by far the strongest campaign ever waged by the comrades of Ohio. During this time the party work for new members has been constantly pushed, and we now have over 1,600 dues-paying members. The comrades are now going to make an effort to keep at the head of the column of dues-paying states to the national organization. Watch us!

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THE VICTORY IN SHEBOYGAN.

Socialists Elect Mayor of the City by 1,723 Votes.

SOCIALIST VICTORY.

Sheboygan, Wis., April 8. The elected Socialists: Mayor, Born, Socialist., 1,723; Born's plurality, 191. Treasurer, Shoen, Socialist, 1,448; Schoen's plurality, 24. Attorney,

F. W. Becker, Socialist, 744; Becker's plurality, 92. Aldermen and Supervisors-Third Ward, Alderman, Wm. F. Schulz; Fifth ward, Alderman, Fred Haack; Sixth ward, Alderman, W. Brockmann; Seventh ward, Aldermen, Ed. Pfister, Fred. Kuster. Fifth

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unions of their respective trades, and assist in building up and unifying the trades and labor organizations. We recognize that trades unions are by historical necessity organized on neutral grounds, as far as political affiliation is concerned.

"We call the attention lo tradesunionists to the fact that the class struggle so nobly waged by the trades-union forces to-day, while it may result in lessening the exploitation of labor, can never abolish that exploitation. The exploitation of labor will only come to an end when so-

ciety takes possession of all th means of production for the benefit of all the people. It is the duty of every trades-unionist to realize the necessity of independent political ac tion on Socialist lines, to join the So. cialist Party and assist in building up a strong political movement of the wage-working class, whose ultimate aim and object must be the abolition of wage-slavery, and the establishment of a co-operative state of so. ciety, based on the collective swner. ship of all the means of production and distribution."

