

The Socialist Special

The Last Call!

Time so short. Opportunity so great. The capitalist parties are without an issue. The center of the stage and the spot light belong to the Socialists in this campaign.

THE SOCIALIST SPECIAL. No longer a question of starting. It started with the first announcement. The question is, shall it stop and stand still?

The National Executive Committee in session Saturday, August 15, MUST bank the fire, return the contributions and write FAILURE, or give the order, full steam ahead for the White House and the Co-operative Commonwealth.

The Red Special has everywhere been greeted with hearty approval, unanimous indorsement and unbounded enthusiasm.

BUT indorsement does not mean success. Capitalism demands CASH, READY CASH—even for the making of its own down-fall.

Comrade, YOU ARE FIRST IN COMMAND. SHALL IT GO? Send in every available penny TO-DAY. Then circulate a list for contributions and pledges. See every comrade, sympathizer and friend of the workers cause.

At the end of three days send in the result of your canvass with the accompanying pledge slip, and the first real battle should be gloriously won.

After the long dark, the night is passing, and THE DAWN IS NEAR.

Fraternally your Comrades,

A. M. SIMONS,
J. MAHLON BARNES,
Committee.

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St. Louis Socialists will contribute their share toward paying the \$20,000 for the "Red Special" which is to enable our presidential candidate Eugene V. Debs to address 500 meetings in 500 different cities and towns within the last 60 days of the campaign. The following St. Louis contributions for the Red Special have been reported:

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THE MODERN ROBBER CHIEF.

Gone from the grove has the bandit bold,
The pirate from the foam;
The baron fierce from his feudal hold;
Our thieves are nearer home.

No lance or broadsword in their hand,
No blunderbuss they bear;
They seize the water and the land;
They are reaching for the air.

With bribes and bonds and penned deceipts,
With charters and with codes
They grab the crowded city streets;
They grab the country roads.

In factory hive or field of wheat,
In mart or thoroughfare,
Their tolls and profits wear and eat
Through all we eat and wear.

The toilers' pay they shave and clip;
The price to all they quote;
They have the merchant on the hip,
The wage slave by the throat.

When nations feel their human worth
And lose their craven awe,
These lawmade robbers of the earth
Will perish by the law.—Anon.

LIVE WIRE POLITICS IN MILWAUKEE

Mayor Dave Rose Getting Very Much Irritated About Socialist Activity--Organized Labor Speaks Out.

Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 8.—Socialist politics are beginning to sizzle in Milwaukee. At its last meeting the Federated Trades Council passed the following spirited resolutions:

"Whereas, Dave Rose, the Mayor of Milwaukee, referred to the working people of the city in his proclamation of last Monday, as 'an irresponsible element in our citizenship—an element which we are obliged to endure even while we do not respect it,' and,

"Whereas, The said Dave Rose, Tuesday evening, in welcoming to the city the Philadelphia aldermen, referred to the working people of Milwaukee who compose the Social-Democratic party, as 'lousy, snarling curs,' and,

"Whereas, His remarks were occasioned by the fact that the Social-Democratic party and its aldermen had refused to participate in a baseball game with the said aldermen from the most corrupt city in the United States; and,

"Whereas, This said Dave Rose has been abetted in his spewing at the Social-Democratic aldermen by a notorious labor fakir, who was elected alderman-at-large in the spring by the most traitorous work possible toward the labor movement; therefore,

"Resolved, That in behalf of organized labor of Milwaukee, the Federated Trades Council herewith hurls back the insults upon our class into the teeth of the originators of them, namely, into the teeth of the grafters and boodlers in the city hall, who are now well fed and sleek tools of the corporations and of the capitalist class. Furthermore, be it

"Resolved, That the behaviour of Dave Rose and of the grafters in this affair proves that the Central Committee of the Social-Democratic party was right in recommending to the representatives of our class in the common council not to associate with the grafters any more than is absolutely unavoidable. Furthermore, be it

"Resolved, That these resolutions be sent to every union affiliated with this body and also to the daily press, and a copy forwarded to the Mayor and Common Council of this city."

These resolutions were called forth by a violent attack of Mayor Rose against the Social-Democratic aldermen for refusing to play baseball with the aldermen from Philadelphia. The Milwaukee Socialists, like all Socialists the world over, are strongly in favor of all healthful sports. But they held that our men could not meet as comrades these aldermen representing one of the most rotten city governments in America, and moreover, the city government which last winter clubbed to death workingmen in the demonstration of the unemployed. The Central Committee therefore requested our aldermen to take no part in the game or the festivities connected with it. This, it was held, was the most class-conscious and dignified attitude for our aldermen.

Wanted: The dynamiters who attempted to dynamite the Eighteenth Street bridge at the very time when the scab Missouri Bridge and Iron Co. was badly in need of public sympathy. It is said that President Barrett of the Missouri Bridge and Iron Co. for some time thought that somebody might use dynamite on the bridge. St. Louis Labor offers \$25.00 reward for the arrest and conviction of the dynamiter, provided the culprit is not a member of some local private detectives and strikebreakers agency, or some poor, ignorant dupe who acted under some capitalist agent's management. The entire Eighteenth Street dynamite explosion of last Sunday morning smells of Orchardism.

There Ain't Goin' to Be No Servant Girls

By Ben Hanford.

Few and far between are the crumbs of comfort seen as one looks over the world of capitalism. But there are two recurrent news items that cause me to chortle with glee and warm the cockles of my heart. One is the wail raised by the gentlemen of commerce because it is so difficult to get American-born boys to be sailors. The other is the whining belch of our fine ladies because of the scarcity of servant girls. Generally speaking, a common sailor is treated a little better than a dog. Most servant girls are treated worse than dogs. "Domestics," they are called by their "mistresses," but few of them meet the kindness and consideration accorded domestic animals.

They cook the best food, and eat the leavings. They set the table in the dining room, and eat in the kitchen. They sweep and dust the parlor, but they must not sit there. They empty the slops and make the beds in fine chambers, but they sleep in attic or cellar, or in a cubby-hole under the stairs.

Every male member of the household has a right to insult her. No matter who or what he is—raw and driveling youth, burly master, or drooling and senile grandpa. Driven to bay by these fine gentlemen, she may call for help. But there is no help. Only mistress can hear her cry. She knows "her boy" wouldn't do such a thing. "You are the brazen baggage." "Leave my house—hussy!" No reference. No "character." When attacked by foreman or employer, the factory girl may save her soul at the price of her place and bread, but oftentimes the "domestic" must give up all on the altar of slavery.

One afternoon and one evening out every once a week. Last one to bed, first to get up. Fires, dishes, meals, slops, beds, sweeping, dusting, children, washing, mending, windows, scouring, scrubbing—all to be done for others, all to be done in the way that others say.

No, dear madam, my fine, fat old female with the double chin, there ain't goin' to be no servant girls in the world that is to be. It's a terrible thought. But take heart of hope. It may not be as bad as you fear. True, there shall be no servants, but it does not follow that there shall be no service. First of all, tools and machines, organization of labor, division and subdivision of labor, shall do many things now done by the domestic slave. And about machines and their labor there shall be no smell of servitude or slavery, no taint of the "menial."

True, brass and iron, cogs and levers and springs and steel can not do everything. There are left tasks that must be done, tasks that only human hands can do. That service shall be performed, dear lady. But not by servants, not by slaves. It will be the service one equal performs for another. The obligation will be on the side of the one who receives the service.

Dear, dainty madam, in the day that is to be, if you want someone to take care of your dirty linen, you're goin' to be awful good to them. Yes, you really are; indeed, you are. You can't believe it, but it's true. And you're not going to pay for their service with \$3 a week, and meanness, and asperity, and airs of superiority. In the day that is to be—not far off, dear, gentle lady—you will find that if you want service you will have to render service. You will find there are things that may not be bought with a bank check, however large.

Dear, pretty lady, do you know what you owe your servant girl? Do you know that your fine raiment is woven out of her rags? That your riches are coined out of her poverty? That your freshness and bloom are the health that was hers? That every minute of your leisure has been coined out of her life?

Beautiful mistress, in the world that is to be things will be very different. There ain't goin' to be no servant girls. In that world you, pretty creature, will have to be useful as well as ornamental. But, cheer up. It may not be as bad as you fear. You are going to lose your servant—that is sure.

Maybe you'll find a sister where once you had a slave. THAT would make it worth while, wouldn't it?

GRATITUDE FOR SOCIALIST AND LABOR PRESS.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the recent Denver convention of the Western Federation of Miners:

"Whereas, During the past two years the combined forces of organized plutocracy in the West has used every effort to strangle the Western Federation of Miners, and destroy the organization which for the last fifteen years courageously battled to better the conditions of the men employed in the mines, mills and smelters. As a part of this infamous plot, these forces of capitalism have attempted to legally murder men, who as the leaders of our organization have remained true to their trust, when this foul attempt was made. Organized labor of America rallied loyally to our financial support, and the labor and Socialist press exposed the infamous plot and in placing before the world the truth saved innocent men from the gallows, and vindicated the Western Federation of Miners of the charge of being a criminal organization.

"Whereas, During the numerous labor conflicts, the Western Federation of Miners has been engaged in during the past years, organized labor has also been generous in giving us moral and financial support in our struggles to better our conditions and defend our rights; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the Western Federation of Miners ever grateful for the assistance it has received in the hour of need, desires to express to organized labor and the Socialist and labor press our heartfelt appreciation for their noble defense of the Western Federation of Miners."

How do the St. Louis Union men like this editorial kick by the St. Louis Star-Chronicle: "Utter impotency of Union Labor as a political factor in the presidential election is perhaps the most important straw to be gleaned from the primary harvest. Vociferous protestations of loyalty to candidates indorsed by Union Labor organizations have been heard at all Union Labor meetings in St. Louis during the last two months, yet the tabulation of the primary vote shows that Union Labor candidates received practically no vote aside from that accorded them independent of party affiliations. Districts in which Union Labor predominates gave Union Labor candidates but a small per cent of the vote represented by the organization. Unionism was utterly disregarded when the ballots were cast and voters lined up with old party managers and along old party lines."

THE HORRORS IN BRYAN'S SOLID DEMOCRATIC SOUTH

National Committee Member Fairley Tells the Story of the Crimes in Alabama Under Gov. Comer's Administration -- Mine Owners Inciting to Riot--Horrible Conditions

Birmingham, Aug. 19.—Following are the head lines of the first page of the "Free Lance," an organ of the mine owners of Alabama:

"Declare Martial Law.
Deport El Hassassin and His Henchmen
Death to the Guerrillas and Dynamiters Who Defy the State and Assassinate Citizens, Officers and Soldiers.

The Bull Pen; No Bonds for Criminal Aliens, Negro or Native Desperadoes; Alabama Must Be White at Any Cost.

NO SOCIAL EQUALITY.
The text of the article points out that by "El Hassassin" is meant W. R. Fairley, member of the national board of the United Mine Workers. The "guerrillas," "dynamiters," and "criminal aliens," who are "his henchmen," are the members of that organization.

Uses Violent Language.
The whole article seeks in the foulest and most violent language to arouse race prejudice and pit the negroes against the white workers. It shrieks for the introduction of the methods that made Colorado synonymous with Russia for its treatment of union men.

"The state of insurrection calls for martial law," screams the Free Lance. "The guerilla warfare demands it, and the governor should do as was done in Colorado—declare martial law in the mining districts.

"Fairley should be dealt with and deported, if need be.
"The state of Alabama will cut this festering sore from the mining district.
"Fairley and the imported assassins of the Western Federation of Miners (sic) must leave Alabama, and that at once.
"Now is the time to do it.
"Fairley must go!
"Alabama will see to it."

Confident of Democrats.
The Free Lance boasts of the facts that the state administration is in the hands of a political party that can be depended upon to carry out these murderous designs.

"Alabama is Democratic, thank God, from stem to stern, from constable to governor," is its exultant shout.
Although the Free Lance containing this incitement to murder and violence has been out for several days no action has been taken by the postoffice authorities to prevent its transmission through the mails.

The Chicago Daily Socialist has addressed a letter to Postmaster General George von L. Meyer, calling his attention to the article in question and asking whether he intends to enforce the same ruling upon this actual incitement to violence that he has enforced upon Labor and Socialist publication upon supposed incitement to violence.

IS THIS WHAT LABOR WANTS?

By Robert Hunter.

The New York World the other day took a poll of the delegates of the Central Federated Union of New York City.

One was brave enough to say he would vote for Taft. Eleven had sense enough to say they would vote for Debs. Fifty-one were foolish enough to say they would vote for Bryan.

The record of the Republican party is sufficiently obnoxious to make it impossible for a sincere labor leader to support that party. To many workers the Democratic party has NO record. They have forgotten Cleveland, and as Bryan runs and never wins they live on the hope that he might do something when he comes into power.

But if these Bryanites were wise men they would look into the record of the Democratic party where it has been in power. They would examine the labor record of Tammany Hall, of Jim Guffey, of Tom Taggart and of Roger Sullivan.

If after they had examined that record they chose to vote the Democratic ticket it would be time for their unions to call in an alienist.

But perhaps they would consider these particular machines as Democracy at its worst.

Well, then, let us take the South. There Democracy has ruled for nearly a century. The record of the Democrats there is long and clear and terrible.

To keep its workers in slavery it came very near destroying this republic.

To have the right to beat, club, and own other human beings; to have the right to take babies from their mothers and sell them at the block; to have the privilege of owning men as they owned cattle, this DEMOCRACY of the South brought on one of the most terrible civil wars the world has known.

But this is an old story. Go into the South today and look into their rule.

You will find peonage, convict labor, thousands of men and boys working with chain and ball under the eye AND MUSKET of prison guards.

Go into the factories. Where will you find wages so low? Where hours so long? Where children so tiny?

Go into the homes. And where will you find misery so hopeless?

Yet the Democrats rule. Had they wished it there might have been factory legislation in the South. There might have been living wages. There might have been an eight-hour day and sanitary homes.

They have ruled ABSOLUTELY AND ALONE. No rival party has had a chance to interfere with their rule. They have denied votes to "Niggers," and there are not enough Republicans in the South to make their opposition of any importance.

Yet after the rule of nearly a hundred years THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN THE SOUTH HAS PRODUCED CONDITIONS RIVALING THE WORST IN THE WORLD.

I have been in Russia, and I have been in the South, and in my opinion the condition of labor in the Southern states is no better than that of the Russian peasant.

Yet for a party with this kind of labor record FIFTY-ONE trade union leaders have decided to vote.

The workingmen of the North intend to make common cause with these aristocrats of the South.

The rule of Tammany Hall and the other criminal Democratic organizations of the North is not enough for these labor leaders. They apparently want to go to the very depths.

Well, Labor is strong enough to get what it wants; and IF THAT IS WHAT LABOR WANTS—well, that is what Labor wants.

STAY AWAY FROM ALABAMA—STRIKE IS ON.

Official Circular.

To the Members of Organized Labor.

Greeting:—The mine workers of Alabama have been compelled to engage in a strike in order to secure living wages and the right to belong to a labor union.

Every means known to those opposed to the laboring men organizing has been resorted to in order to prevent the mine workers of Alabama from winning in the present contest.

An effort is being made to secure men in all the industrial centers to go to Alabama for the purpose of defeating the striking mine workers.

You are requested to bring this matter to the attention of your Central Bodies and Local Unions for the purpose of having them use their influence to explain the situation in Alabama and to persuade men to stay away from that state until the present industrial struggle is over. You are also urged to have labor papers and those friendly to the labor movement circulate the information that laboring men should keep away from the State of Alabama until further notified.

Yours very truly,

T. L. LEWIS,
President U. M. W. of A.

SOME MORE PLAIN FACTS.

National Organizer Rosewall Reports Conditions in Alabama.
Editor Mine Workers' Journal:

After canvassing Jefferson and Walker counties I thought it advisable to write you the conditions of coal miners in Alabama, so that the fact may come before the coal miners of the Northern states.

I find able-bodied, experienced miners working in Alabama for \$1.25 per day, and you will understand that a miner's day's work in Alabama means from ten to twelve hours per day.

Organizer's Troubles.

I find that National Organizer Sam Pascoe was the first one to invade Walker county. When Organizer Pascoe visited Dora, which is called the HorseCreek district, his reception was not very pleasant, as he was not allowed to go more than three blocks from the railroad depot and with from fifty to seventy-five mine guards watching his every move, at times threatening him with a double-barreled shotgun in his face. These guards are working under the instructions of Walter Moore, coal operator at Dora. This man Moore is judge, jury and police magistrate at Dora. These same Horse Creek district coal operators are responsible for the blackest page in the coal-mining industry of Alabama.

Failed to Enter District by Railroad.

After trying for a quite a number of times to enter the Horse Creek district by railroad, and being unsuccessful on account of mine guards meeting us at the railroad depots, we finally went to a point about eighteen or twenty miles from Dora and drove across the country and getting in the Horse Creek district without Walter Moore and his police knowing it until after we had met a majority of the miners and organized them. Last Sunday we had a large mass meeting in Dora, which was addressed by Sam Pascoe. We were successful this time in shutting down Pratt consolidated mines, Nos. 8 and 11, which had been producing from 1,000 to 1,200 tons of coal per day. I may say that many of the large operators that operated their mines in the last strike are now suspended. Will say that there is much credit due Brother Pascoe for the able manner in which he has organized the miners of Alabama.

Cost of Living in Mine District is High.

I have often heard him say in his public addresses that his aim in life is to know that the American mother and the coming American mother will have better conditions through life and that the luxuries of today will be the necessity of tomorrow. At this writing over three-fourths of the miners in Walker county have suspended work and, in my opinion, inside of another week every mine operator in Walker county that has not signed a scale will see his mines closed down. The cost of living in Alabama is about 15 or 20 per cent. higher than the Northern states. When you take into consideration the high cost of living and the low wages paid to miners it is a mystery to me that the miners of this district have not rebelled against the treatment they have been receiving long ago.

I find the miners of District 20 have lost confidence in themselves since they met defeat in 1904, and in my opinion it will require the true principles of manhood to once again establish the high ideals of the U. M. W. of A. in Alabama, which means a better and nobler plane of civilization and a higher standard of living for all American citizens.

I find that the rank and file throughout this state is well pleased with National President T. L. Lewis's system of conducting this strike, and the miners of Alabama are willing to follow T. L. Lewis till the end, knowing that if they follow his instructions success will surely crown their efforts. The miners of Alabama have long been waiting for a leader such as National President T. L. Lewis.

Look out for me again on the conditions of the coal miners of Alabama.

TOM ROSEWALL,
National Organizer.

Southern Hotel, Birmingham, Ala.

AN ALABAMA EDITORIAL.

From the Journal of the United Mine Workers, Alabama.

Conditions in Alabama are the most unfair, cruel and outrageous the malignity of the human mind can conceive. Men are being shot down in numbers, hundreds are being arrested and sent to jail, families are being evicted and driven into the bull pen. Churches are closed because the worshippers are on strike and the church is on the company's property. Deputy sheriffs are being appointed and paid four dollars per diem by the coal companies, the sheriff of the county gets two dollars of this for each deputy per day, and we understand one of them is drawing about \$500 per day from this source alone. Then he gets a fee of 50 cents for every arrest and 50 cents more for every release. This in itself accounts for the large number of arrests. No arrests and no releases would mean no fees to Mr. Sheriff. See?

The Governor and his henchmen are now talking "martial law" and are going to try and overawe the striking miners by force of arms and compel them to go back to work.

"This is a white man's country, and there will be no nigger domination here," the sheriff of one of the counties is reported to have said while talking to a meeting of miners. And thus insatiate capital uses the poor negro to make slaves of the whites. And then when both rebel. He uses that dirty, despicable weapon to arouse the prejudices of the white citizens and further hold down and throttle the hopes and aspirations of the miners for living wages of both.

The conditions in Alabama are a blighting, black disgrace to civilization, and were not exceeded in the darkest days of Russia, when those people made such a glorious stand for the establishment of a representative government.

Conditions are bad enough in all the States, but it has remained for Alabama and its government to grab the flag of anarchy and oppression and overriding law, that can not be equalled in the darkest pages of the world's history and puts to shame the "French Commune," the "Fall of the Bastille," "The fires of Smithfield," the inquisition of Spain or the horrors of Siberia.—United Mine Worker's Journal.

AN ELOQUENT SPEECH

By Organizer Fairley Delivered at the Bijou Theater in Birmingham.

Birmingham, Ala.—Vehement denunciation of the governor, the sheriff, the national guard, the press and the corporations were the features of a monster mass meeting at the Bijou theater Sunday afternoon, at which a crowd of four thousand people packed the house to hear the miners' side of the present strike.

The big audience completely filled the house, the gallery being given over to the negroes. A number of ladies were scattered through the audience, and while the enthusiasm at times ran high and the speakers waxed warm, the meeting was thoroughly orderly and peaceful.

The audience represented largely the labor people, and was in hearty accord with the expressions and declarations of the speakers. Frequent cheers interrupted the speakers, and occasional remarks were shouted from the audience in indorsement of the sentiment expressed on the platform.

L. E. Dulion, the newly elected president of the Trades Council,

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THOMAS McGRADY'S LAST WILL.

This Is What His Pamphlet On "The Catholic Church and Socialism" May Justly Be Called.



One of the best (if not THE best!) pamphlets written by Rev. Thomas McGrady is "The Catholic Church and Socialism." It is an eye-opener. It is his last will, if we may call it so, for it was written in July 1907, only a few months before his death. It is a presentation of facts, free of any tendency of ill feeling or abuse. Hundreds of thousands of copies of this valuable little pamphlet should be circulated. It is equally instructive to Socialists and non-Socialists. The pamphlet contains an introductory comment by Comrade Eugene V. Debs, and introductory notes by the editor of The Arena, who first published the article in July, 1907. It was when Comrade Debs had just handed the copy of his

comment to the printer, to be set up for this edition of the pamphlet, that he received the sad news of the sudden death of the brave comrade and friend Thomas McGrady. This makes the little pamphlet only more valuable.

The retail price of the pamphlet "The Catholic Church and Socialism" is advertised as 10 cents; but we have made special arrangements whereby we are in a position to sell it for 5 cents a copy, and mail it to any address, postage prepaid. Read it! It is good! Labor Book Department, 212 S. Fourth St., St. Louis, Mo.

Missouri Socialist Party

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Bevier	J. L. Pico	McCracken (Route 1, Sparta)	
Bernie	W. Nightingale		M. B. Davidson
Bleda	F. J. Amrhein	Macedonia (Commerce)	H. D. Miller
Bloomfield	L. L. Smith	Middletown (Marling)	J. B. Elton
Blodgett	J. T. Mars	Miller	T. J. Hood, Jr.
Bonneterre	Wm. Winston	Monett	U. S. Barnesley
Bois D'Arc	A. G. Myrberg	Mt. Vernon	G. A. Cammack
Brownwood	Jos. James	Milan	R. D. Morrison
Brentwood (Webster Groves)		Myrtle (Jeff)	J. U. Lionberger
	G. W. Boswell	Nevada (S. Spring St.)	Ed. Chue
Burlington Junction	E. D. Wilcox	Neosho	L. B. Jones
Cape Fair	C. B. Kitchen	New Harmony (Sikeston)	L. Love
Cassville	J. W. Wilson	Novinger	Alex Niumo
Cedar Hill	J. L. Hunt	Oakland (R. 3, Dexter)	M. A. Broach
Congo (Cobalt)	W. L. Triplett	Ozark	P. J. Harper
Crane	L. L. Russell	Oak Grove (Blodgett)	J. T. Schneider
Cream Ridge (Dawn)	F. Midgett	Olivette (Route 2, Clayton)	
Carey (Route 1, Benton)	B. Wyatt		J. E. Lehner
Cardwell	W. Francis	Oran	Z. L. Glenn
Chesterfield	G. Lewis	Pascola	P. A. Virgin
Chillicothe	W. L. Garver	Piedmont	G. S. Manning
Commerce	H. G. Anderson	Pleasant Hill	Frank Armstrong
Connellsville	J. E. Whitehouse	Poplin (Bernie)	J. S. Higginbotham
Crowder	Amos Acord	Pineville	Frank Gardner
Cross Plains (Benton)	F. Scherer	Phelps (Route 2, Miller)	F. A. Bryant
Delhi (Leasburg)	J. J. Benzick	Pleasant Valley (Blodgett)	C. Forrest
De Soto	Wm. Laser	Poplar Bluff	C. Kuecht
Doe Run	Guy Arnold	Puxico	B. S. Montgomery
Dexter	J. W. Sprinkle	Richmond	L. C. Wilson
Desloge	Edw. Randolph	Rich Hill	W. J. Hall
Diamond	J. G. Mustain	Romance	O. P. Morton
Edna (Formfelt)	R. E. Sibley	Raley Creek (Galena)	Dick Myers
Eldon	J. R. Jackson	Reeds Spring	L. McCullah
Eldorado Springs	C. C. Williams	Rockview	C. H. Jones
Fairhaven	Frank Gray	Rushville (Route 1, Poplar Bluff)	
Flat River (Box 277)	G. W. O'Dam		A. F. Ruser
Ferguson	A. Tschirner	St. Albans (Centaur)	J. W. Brown
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	D. Z. R. Smith	Senath	B. F. Young
Fry School (Eminence)	C. A. Powell	Stanley Creek (Wappapello)	
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	W. P. McCampbell	Vanduser	W. R. Vowels
Luebbering (Lonedell)	F. B. Pursley	Valley Park	P. Hoh
Lamar	H. A. Thomas	Verdella (Route 1, Iantia)	
Leadwood	R. C. McCrory		F. Eddleman
Lemons (Blodgett)	J. Chewning, Jr.	Warrensburg (Route 7)	W. F. Sutton
Liberal	Martha Mellor	West Plains	J. F. Williams
Longwood (410 Olive Av., St. Louis)		Willow Springs	N. B. Wilkinson
	L. Meyer	Winnipeg	S. P. Gustin
		Willmathsville	J. R. Wilson

presided. Members of the Trades Council occupied seats on the stage, and the audience represented all the various trades unions of the city and district.

The speakers were W. R. Fairley, members of the national board of United Mine Workers; J. R. Kennamer, president of District No. 20, and Sam Pasco, national organizer.

Mr. Fairley's Address.

Mr. Fairley, in his address, said: "The operators issued a statement last Monday telling the public, and telling the coal miners in particular, that they proposed to adhere to the open shop. I answered that statement a day or two afterward, saying that we proposed to adhere to the union shop.

Dared Not Ask For Increase of Wages.

"The reason is because whenever any man had the temerity to ask to have a grievance remedied, or asked for an advance of wages, he was discharged immediately and told to go and get his time. (Applause.) The reason they desired to have the open shop is so that they can continue to rob the miner of his work.

3000 Pounds a Mine Owner's Ton.

"The statute says that 2,000 pounds constitutes a ton; they are taking anywhere from 2,500 to 3,000 pounds for a ton. (Applause.) I want to say that I challenge any operator who is running the open shop to deny or disprove that statement. (Applause.) They have lengthened the hours of labor in this part of the twentieth century, when the tendency of the times is for shorter hours, so that men can educate their minds as well as their bodies. (Applause.) There are a thousand and one other complaints that the men working in the open shops have been compelled to submit to or leave their work. They say that here are a few agitators from the north who have come down and stirred up a spirit of unrest.

Knows What He is Talking About.

"I want to say that I have been twenty-five years in Alabama myself, and I have been here, not having taken any vacation, because I have been trying to arouse that spirit of resistance and that sense of justice that belong to labor. (Applause.) They say they want peace and contentment. Is there any man foolish enough—I hope if there is, he is not in this audience—to believe that since the 6th day of this month, if peace and contentment reigned, that more than 11,000 miners would lay down their tools until justice is meted out to them? (Applause.) The United Mine Workers of America were four thousand strong on the 1st of July. There are more than fifteen thousand now, thank God! (Applause.) And the good work still goes on. (Applause.) And before this battle is ended every honest workman, every true American citizen who mines coal will have sworn allegiance to fight under the banners of the United Mine Workers of America until victory is won from one end of Alabama to the other. (Applause.)

The Peace Presaging Death.

"They say there was peace and contentment; if there was peace and contentment; if there was, it was the peace that either presages death or presages the coming storm of men who have been outraged and robbed by their employers. (Applause.)

A voice: "Tell them the truth, Fairley!"

Mr. Fairley: "I am trying. (Applause.) They say that the state is overridden with hordes of negroes carrying guns with murder in their hearts.

Who Brought Them Here?

"I would like to ask, if we have got those hordes in the coal mines of Alabama, who brought them here? Not the miners, but the operators, who now dare to make the charge. (Applause.) I would like to ask why they brought them here; they brought them here during the last strike to do—what? To reduce the wages of the decent miners who were earning a living. But the hordes, as they are called, remind me of the old proverb that the worm will turn if you step too hard upon him. They didn't find that Alabama was a paradise; they didn't find that they were being brought to the promised milk and honey flowing in abundance. (Applause.) But they did find that they would fall, like another proverb I have heard, into the hands of fate. (Applause.)

Opposed to Unionism.

"They tell us who dig coal and who risk our lives every day we enter a coal mine from the fall of slate, from explosions, from gas or coal dust, that we must not and shall not join a labor union; if we do, we will have to find greener fields and pastures new. (Applause.) And that reminds me of what Shakespeare said, "O, consistency, thou art a jewel!" The operator claims the right, and exercises that right when he is entitled to, but he denies the man the right who makes his wage. The coal miner says in answer, we are going to organize; we are going to have some share of the good time that is coming if we only wait a little longer. (Applause.) And we are going to organize if it takes all this summer to do it. (Applause.) And when it is done, peace and contentment will reign in Alabama, because the coal miner will have emancipated himself from industrial slavery. (Applause.)

Who is Stopping Return of Prosperity?

"They charge us in the Birmingham press that we are stopping the return of prosperity. If I judge the signs of the times correctly, then I want to say that the miner is not retarding the return of prosperity, but the operators are retarding the return of prosperity, because they will not pay fair wages like their neighbors and competitors in other states.

Alabama Worse Than Colorado.

"The sheriff, you know, has been called on, and, of course, he is a great law and order man. I desire to say that I had the misfortune five years ago to be in Colorado, where they say they are all law and order, and I remember that I met four thugs with pistols as long as guns, and I remember the introduction I got to those thugs. When those scenes were perpetrated the Birmingham papers spoke and lamented the outrage that had been perpetrated on me, and I thank God that I have such friends so powerful as the Birmingham press was to sympathize with me in my hour of need.

Not a Single Birmingham Newspaper for Mine Workers.

"But I have discovered that since the strike began in Alabama there is not a single newspaper in the city—except, it may be, the Labor Advocate and the Register—(laughter and applause) who offer a single line of sympathy for the men that the deputies and the guards have murdered (applause), because the lawlessness always is committed by the striking miners. Every attack that has been made, without exception, has been made by the deputies and the guards. (Applause.) In proof of that statement men who attack and are shot down are not shot in the back, and no man of ours yet has been shot in the face. (Applause.)

Union Men Assassinated.

"And you know how brave a man has to be to shoot another fellow when his back is to him. (Applause.) Sheriff Higdon was elected sheriff of this county by the workingmen's vote. I regret to say I voted for him myself (applause), and if the good Lord will forgive me I will never do it any more. (Loud applause.) Governor Comer was elected by the good people of Alabama. I did not vote for him because I am a Republican. (Applause.) He was elected governor of the State of Alabama, and I want to say that while I was willing that the state troops should take charge of the situation, knowing and seeing that the sheriff could not control his own men, I find out that Governor Comer's action is just in keeping with that of Sheriff Higdon. (Applause.)

A voice: "We have not got any governor!" (Applause.)

Governor Comer Denounced as Tool of Mine Owners.

Mr. Fairley: "I want to differ with my friend; I think we have got too much governor. (Applause.) I understood that when the troops were brought on the scene that they were going to protect property instead of acting as guards for non-union men, some of them

even driving men into stockades at the point of the bayonet. Many years ago—I remember I was but a young man—and the oppression and cruelty of the unspeakable Turk on the Bulgarians became so notorious that the hearts and the pulse of civilization the world over was stirred to its depths, until the great and good British statesman, William Gladstone, visited that country in Bulgaria and a new nation was formed.

Bulgarians Pinned Up in Stockades.

At the present moment, while I stand here, sixty-five Bulgarians who left their native country after listening to the siren song to come to the land of the free and the home of the brave, are pinned up at Wylam, and they have met in Alabama their second unspeakable Turk, and the atrocities of Bulgaria are being repeated again. (Applause.) That was done by the powerful Tennessee company.

Law and Order a Farce.

"And up until last night four women and some children were pinned up in the stockades—free men's wives and free women, whose husbands were driven there at the point of the bayonet in the hands of the national guard of Alabama, and yet those men will have the impudence—in fact, some people call it gall—to talk about law and order! (Applause.) Every line and every principle underlying the constitution of the United States is being violated by the corporations in Alabama (applause), and if Governor Comer knows these things are going on—"

A voice: "He knows it, but he don't want to see it!" (Applause.)

A voice: "That is law and order."

Mr. Fairley: "Our friend says it is law and order.

Capitalist Anarchy Pure and Simple.

"I want to say that such system as that and the outrages that are being perpetrated on our men reads anarchy (applause), and I do not hesitate to say that the men who are responsible for those outrages are the worst anarchists that we know in this country. (Applause.) The old Book says, 'The laborer is worthy of his hire.' Corporations in Alabama don't think he is worthy of pay; they want to hire them, but they don't want to pay.

You are told, and I was only reading this morning how they were increasing their output and how the men were going into the mines day in and day out; that all the old men were going back, and therefore the mines would be running at their normal capacity in a very short time. Now, let me ask you this, and I want you to answer it for yourselves, because I am going to propound the question: If all the old men were returning to work, if they were getting men from other sections of the United States in large numbers, will you tell me why they ran into the stockade at the point of the bayonet twelve or fourteen men yesterday at Pratt mines? Where they brought from Chattanooga to come and take the places of the strikers, or were they told the truth as usual—that is, there was not any strike at all? (Applause.)

65 Bulgarians Retained by Force of Bayonets.

Will you tell me why they are retaining by force sixty-five Bulgarians in the stockade now at Wylam if they have plenty of men to mine their coal? The only answer I can give to that, Mr. Chairman and my friends, is that they are in mighty bad shape when they have to resort to that kind of method. (Applause.) I want to say one other thing, gentlemen, and then I am done. I know there are other speakers, and I am somewhat like an automaton, when I get started I don't know when to stop. Whatever I say I want to say to you, that looking at this magnificent audience it indicates to me that the hearts and the pulse of the citizens of the Birmingham district are thinking. They, I hope, have learned sufficient of the miners' side to at least do them justice. I have an abiding faith in the fairness of the American people when they know the truth. I have tried as best I could to present those facts to you without charging anything that was untrue."

The Reaction of Czarism reigns supreme in Russia. The Russian paper, "Rech," publishes statistics of the number of persons who have been condemned to death between January 1 and July 1 of the Russian calendar. The statistics are compiled from newspaper reports. The total of condemnations is 876, an average of five a day. In January there were 116, February 122, March 184, April 106, May 217, and June 131. Yet this bloody work shows plainly the bankruptcy and weakness of the Czar's government. The Russian Revolution of the last three years has done its great work. It cannot be undone. Forever the power of the Czar's reign "by the grace of God" and brute force" is broken. The present campaign of murder of the forces of reaction is simply the work of the dying hyena. In its struggle of death the hyena of Czarism may cause the death of many more of Russia's best sons and daughters, but the hyena is dying just the same.

OFFICIAL WARNING.

St. Louis, Mo., August 13, 1908.

Dear Sir:—It has been reported to me that a number of solicitors are attempting to secure advertisements from the business men of the city for an alleged Labor Journal, claiming it is endorsed as the official journal by the Central Trades and Labor Union of St. Louis.

These parties spring up regularly every year previous to Labor Day and election, and they are a source of considerable annoyance to the business people, and place the Central Trades and Labor Union in an altogether false light. The Central Trades and Labor Union has no official journal, and has endorsed no labor paper. There are four legitimate labor papers in the city, three English and one German. They do not need any endorsement, and are so well known, that they can stand on their own bottom without any mention of them.

Hoping you will give this space in your valuable columns for the protection of the public, I have the honor to remain,

Very truly yours,

OWEN MILLER,

Pres't C. T. & L. U.

Stationary Firemen in Convention.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 18.—Eighty-five delegates from twenty-two states and Canada and representing 22,000 men are attending the biennial convention of the International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen in this city, with headquarters at the Griswold House. Routine matters will take up the week, during which the election will be held and a place selected from the ten cities that wish to entertain the delegates in 1910.

Wilkerson for A. F. of L. Delegate.

Charles Wilkerson, of the Iron Molders' Union, is a candidate for delegate to the American Federation of Labor convention, from the Missouri State Federation of Labor. He is at present the first vice-president of the State Federation and has done splendid service as an organizer for that body. Through his efforts several local unions became affiliated and in recognition of his faithful work it would be only just and fair to send him to Denver as a representative of the federation. He is a trades unionist of the progressive school and by conferring the honor upon him which he seeks, the State Federation would bring honor upon itself, as he is qualified in every way to take part in the deliberations with the master minds of the labor movement of this country.—The Labor Journal.

Labor Must Fight For Life.

Albany, Aug. 12.—Secretary-Treasurer E. A. Bates, of the Workingmen's Federation of the state of New York, to-night made public an announcement by President Daniel Harris, who in calling the twelfth annual convention of the Federation, to be held at Rochester on September 15, says among other things, that "the aggressive campaign waged by the Manufacturers' Association has placed the federation in a position where it is compelled to fight for the very existence of its organized life."

No Labor Day Parade in Kansas City.

The Kansas City Labor Herald reports: By a referendum vote of the unions, it has been decided that there will be no parade in this city on Labor Day. The vote was overwhelmingly against it, as the rank and file were not in a position to go to any extra expense, in this year of unparalleled, full dinner pail prosperity. But the Labor Day committee, who have been actively at work for the past two months, have made arrangements whereby the day will be observed in another manner without the pomp and embellishment which goes with a parade. Realizing that there are hundreds of members of organized labor who have never seen the Labor Temple, at the corner of 14th and Woodland avenue, they decided to hold appropriate exercises there on the morning of Labor Day and extended an invitation to every union man in the city to be present on that occasion.

Spanish Labor Leaders Condemned.

Bologna, Italy, August 18.—Charged with having defamed the character of an official named Lino Carrara, De Ambris, ex-secretary of the labor council of Parma, has been condemned to a year and a month's imprisonment. De Ambris has taken refuge in Switzerland. The editor of the labor union newspaper, L'Internazionale, was also tried on the same charge and condemned to over a year's imprisonment and a fine of \$240.

Pittsburg, Kan., Aug. 13.—When the Democratic members of the convention of the State Federation of Labor, now in session here, yesterday attempted to stampede the convention for Bryan by the reading of Gompers's recent circular, they were neatly checkmated by the Socialists, who promptly telegraphed to Girard asking Eugene V. Debs to come over and address the delegates. Debs responded at once, and late in the afternoon he delivered a speech upon the genuine interests of the working class that awakened great enthusiasm and put a quietus upon the question of Bryan's being endorsed by the convention.

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SOCIALIST VOTE OF THE UNITED STATES.

1888	2,000
1896	36,000
1900	122,000
1904	408,000

SOCIALIST VOTE OF THE WORLD.

1867	30,000
1877	494,000
1887	931,000
1893	2,585,000
1898	4,515,000
1903	6,825,000
1906	over 7,000,000

Lynch Murder Morality

Three days of Mob rule! Three days of riot and lynch murder! Three days of rowdy sport! It was a great old time!

Five people killed, a dozen or more mortally wounded, and perhaps a hundred less seriously wounded or injured.

A number of houses burned down, stores wrecked, automobiles burned up, hundreds of poor men driven from their homes, forced to leave the city.

What a great work for the cause of law and order, for morality, for Christianity!

And this happened in the home city of the Martyr President Abraham Lincoln, in Springfield, the capitol of the great Christian state of Illinois!

A race riot! That's all! Caused by a nigger who attacked a white woman! In order to save the honor of woman the reign of mob rule and lynch murder was proclaimed.

The Springfield lynch mobs failed to complete their work. To crown their reign of cowardly murder and hideous crime they should have demolished the Abraham Lincoln monument. They should have dug up the mouldering bones of the Martyr President and burned them together with the body of the eighty years old negro who was cowardly shot while standing in the doorway of his little store on West Edward street, and then hanged to a tree on Edwards and Spring streets.

It is reported that this old negro, Wm. Donnigan, had always been proud of the fact that "Old Abe Lincoln" used to have his shoes repaired at his (Donnigan's) little shop.

In commenting on the lynch mob rule in Springfield, Ill., the capitalist press utterly fails to grasp the fundamental causes of these disgraceful scenes. The average capitalist moralizer or "moralizer" fails to conceive the idea that the average lynch mob is of the same moral makeup as the average mob who is ready to do any and all mercenary work the ruling classes may ask for. We have that mob in every community, and its constituent parts are by no means confined to the slum proletariat. The mob spirit can be found in the minds of the ignorant mechanic and in the "heart" of the small shopkeeper. Intense ignorance is at the bottom of all mob spirit. The anti-negro mobs of Springfield, Ill., are not essentially different from the anti-Semitic or "Black Hand" mobs of Kishineff or Warsaw; neither is the spirit of these lynch murder mobs essentially different from the spirit of the mobs who do the criminal political work at every political election throughout the land.

Mob rule is lawlessness—anarchy of the worst kind.

Our great American Republic is the land of law and order. No other land under the Sun has such an abundance of laws. No other nation boasts so much of law and order as we do. No other nation has such an army of judges, justices and lawyers as we have. No other country erects as many temples of justice as we do, and the number of our police, sheriffs and other "executors" of law is second to that of Russia.

Yet there is more lawlessness in this great North American Republic today than in any country on the face of the earth!

The more laws we get, the more lawless we grow. Lawlessness reigns supreme in every walk of life. Lawlessness is the secret of success of the "Big Rich." Lawlessness is the secret of success of the successful statesman. Lawlessness is the secret of success of the successful politician.

The modern capitalist maxim is: "To steal is permissible, unless you get caught in the act! An act, no matter how heinous it may be, is no crime unless it can be proven by the dead letter of the law."

Consequently, the worst criminals will never get behind prison walls, because their wealth and social influence will assure them of the absolute control over the dead letter of the law.

Our powerful railroad corporations reign supreme by the almighty power of lawlessness and lynch mob spirit, as can best be demonstrated by the fact that within less than two decades about 100,000 were killed and about 1,000,000 maimed and crippled on the American railroads.

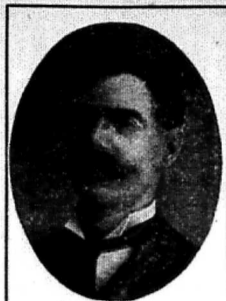
Absolutely no regard for human life!

Tens of thousands of workmen are killed or crippled every year in American mines and factories. These human lives sacrificed on the altar of the capitalist spirit of lynch mob rule.



DEBS and HANFORD

Labor's Presidential Ticket



Lawlessness in every branch of industry and commerce, from the powerful trust and corporation down to the corporation agent!

The man who succeeds in violating any law without getting caught, is considered a smart man, able and competent, armed with superhuman powers and virtues. No doubt, there are thousands of "law-abiding" people of the "better class" who today admire the mob leaders and lynch murderers of Springfield for their "nerve" and "bravery."

Modern Capitalist society leads the American people more and more into the cesspool of lawlessness and general anarchy.

The anarchy from above can produce nothing but anarchy from below. And the anarchy of the slums will always be an ally and support of the anarchy of wealth.

ANOTHER LESSON

In this week's St. Louis Labor our readers will find the copy of a letter addressed to the St. Louis Election Commissioners and to the Grand Jury by the Socialist watcher in the polling place of Precinct 18 of Ward 10.

We learn by experience. This one case teaches us the lesson that no Socialist watcher will have fulfilled his duty unless he remains in the polling place until every detail of the legally required work of the judges and clerks is properly attended to.

Heretofore the Socialist watchers, in most cases, left the polling places as soon as they had learned the number of Socialist ballots cast in the respective precincts. Whether the number of Socialist votes were properly entered on the tally sheet and on the Election Commissioner's official report blanks, was altogether a question of secondary consideration for our comrades.

The editor of St. Louis Labor, who happened to be the Socialist watcher in Precinct 18, Ward 10, remained in the polling place until after 11 o'clock, when the work of the judges and clerks was almost completed. So thoroughly convinced was our watcher of their "honesty and competency" that he would not for one moment have entertained the probability of any gross neglect of duty on the part of the 18th precinct election officials.

We hereby serve notice on the judges and clerks in every one of the 405 precincts of St. Louis that the patience of the Socialists is exhausted. Every case of neglect of duty or fraud brought to our attention, will be taken up, and we promise the Democratic and Republican "election fixers" some lively times in the near future. Whenever some of the old party "ward workers" find their way to the penitentiary they will have no one else to blame but themselves.

Editorial Observations

Next week we'll publish some clippings from the Switchmen's Journal. We want the Union men to read them.

The Red Special must leave Chicago August 31. How much of the required \$20,000 will the St. Louis Socialists contribute?

Every Cent for the Democratic or Republican campaign fund means another policeman's club landing on striking workmen.

By the way, that Eighteenth street dynamite plot of two weeks ago was a lamentable failure, from the Pinkerton's point of view.

The most despicable human creatures are Democratic and Republican prosperity howlers; they are the grave diggers of human progress.

It is either Debs and Hanford or Taft and Bryan, in this campaign! And this is not as much of a joke as it may at first seem, says the Social Dem. Herald.

The Switchmen's Journal is stuffed full of good Socialist reading matter. Eugene V. Debs seems to be the unanimous presidential choice of the Union Switchmen at the November elections.

Don't forget the boycott against the St. Louis Bakery Trust. Insist that your corner grocer remove those scab bread boxes, if he wishes to keep you as a customer. Business is business! Talk business to him!

Saturday, Sept. 12, and Sunday, Sept. 13 will see thousands of St. Louis Socialists and sympathizers with our cause at Lemp's Park. Admission tickets, 10c a person, now ready. Get a supply from headquarters, 212 South Fourth street.

Read this week's news from Bryan's Democratic South. Will William Jennings Bryan and Sam Gompers go down to Alabama and take up the fight for the twenty thousand striking miners against the mine owners and Governor Comer's Democratic state machine? "Colorado was bad, but Alabama is worse!" says a United Mine Worker's organizer.

A Bryan Resolution withdrawn. A resolution that the International Typographical Union Convention in Boston endorse the National Democratic platform and candidates, presented at the convention of the union in this city, developed a keen and spirited debate. The resolution was finally withdrawn by request of the president, who suggested that its withdrawal would be preferable to having it defeated.

Here are some subjects for Bryan's campaign speeches: "Gov. Comer's Democratic Militia Rule in the Alabama Coal Fields"; "Our Democratic Convict Labor Administration in Georgia"; "Woman and Child Slavery in the Southern Cotton Mills"; "The Disfranchisement of the Wage Workers in the Democratic Solid South"; "The Blessings of Democratic Tammany Hall Rule in New York"; "The Blessings of the Big Cinch Democracy in St. Louis," etc. If these subject will not suffice for his campaign tour, we can propose a few more.

Rev. Father Phelan, the militant St. Louis priest, writing from

Berlin, expresses surprise that the common people of Europe are doing their work smiling and singing while in America everybody seems to be embittered and soured. Why, Father Phelan should know that those European smiles and songs are the smiles and songs of Socialism, the expressions of pleasure, cheerful hope and confidence in the ultimate victory of an enlightened humanity over the demons of ignorance, superstition and darkness. Rev. Phelan may yet follow the red flag of Socialist smiles and songs, and some day in the near future he himself may smile and sing with the rest of us.

Marlow's Saturday Arbitrator and Union Record, which appears regularly every sixth Saturday of every second month before Labor Day, publishes the following paid "ad.": "In 1909 Fay for Mayor. Herman W. Fay is the People's candidate for Mayor. Talk this, preach it, tell it to your friends. Talk it everywhere you go. Everybody is talking it. You can't beat it. Fay for Mayor in 1909. Watch for announcements of the Fay-for-Mayor Clubs." By the way, Bro. Marlow, isn't this the same Mr. Fay who lined up with Rolla Wells machine in the House of Delegates, in defence of the Big Cinch Mayor Wells against the Free Bridge movement? Of course, this is the same Mr. Fay! He seems to be already cinched by the Big Cinch. Who will pay for the "Pay-for-Mayor Club" announcements? Mr. Fay? Never!

A LETTER FROM THE TENTH WARD.

Charges of Neglect of Duty Made Against Judges and Clerks of Precinct 18 Polling Place.

Copies of the following letter were mailed to the St. Louis Board of Election Commissioners and to the Grand Jury:

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 17, 1908.

To the Board of Election Commissioners, St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen—The undersigned begs leave to call your attention to the gross neglect of duty of the judges and clerks of election in the polling place of precinct 18, Ward 10, at the last primary elections. There were six voters cast for the Socialist Party candidates, which votes were counted by the judges and clerks in the presence of the Socialist watchers.

In looking over the returns reported to the Election Commissioners' office in the City Hall I find that not one Socialist vote was reported to your office from precinct 18 of Ward 10.

Whether this was done purposely or not I am unable to say, but I do hold that the men responsible for this neglect of duty should be declared incompetent to act as judges and clerks. The judges and clerks in the polling place of Precinct 18 of Ward 10 were:

Henry P. Sommers, John Gutjahr, J. C. Bachmann, W. H. Overbeck, A. Escherich and Oscar Damm.

Kindly give this matter your attention and oblige.

G. A. HOEHN,

3430 Tennessee Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

P. S.—I served as challenger and watcher in the above named precinct of Ward 10, with properly acknowledged credentials.

G. A. HOEHN.



SOCIALIST NEWS REVIEW

Socialists Defend Right to Parade.

The Socialists of Quincy, Mass., passed resolutions condemning the local authorities for their recent interference with a parade of Finnish workmen.

Finnish Comrades in Wyoming.

Hanna, Wyo., has a lively Finnish local of the Socialist Party. These "foreigners" are pushing the circulation of "The Watchman," the new weekly of the Wyoming Socialists. When will their American fellow slaves follow their example? Comrade Mike H. Nystrom is the secretary of Local Hanna.

Jewish Mass Meeting.

The mass meeting of the Jewish-speaking branch of the Socialist Party on Thursday, Aug. 13, at Progressive Library Hall, 1311 Bidde street, was addressed by Comrade Perkins of New York. The address was received by an attentive audience, which, despite the heat and crowded hall, stayed with the speaker to the close.

Justice Mayo Lectures Police.

When arraigned in the New York city children's court before Justice Mayo, Samuel Goldstein, the 11-year-old boy who was arrested while addressing a Socialist meeting at 116th street and Lexington avenue, was discharged and, in releasing the boy, Judge Mayo took occasion to characterize his arrest as entirely uncalled for. He further said that the police had no right whatever to make arrests of Socialists for speaking on the streets, as they had a perfect right to do so. Goldstein's arrest was one of the most highhanded outrages that has recently been perpetrated by the police.

From the Shores of Lake Michigan.

The comrades of Waukesha and Milwaukee counties are planning for a joint picnic at Waukesha Aug. 23. Alderman Melms and Emil Seidel will address the gathering. Games and races of all kinds will be attractive features. The object of the picnic is to collect funds for and to open the congressional campaign in the Fifth district. This district comprises Waukesha county and a part of Milwaukee. There is a good show of electing a Social-Democrat in this district next November. Comrade A. J. Welch is our candidate. If elected, he will be capable of making things lively all by himself in the next congress.

Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes Encourages Strikers.

New York, Aug. 18.—Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes, wife of Millionaire J. H. Phelps-Stokes, in an address to the 500 striking girls of the Lewis cigar factory in Newark, N. J., urged them to stand pat. "Are you going to stay out, girls?" asked Mrs. Stokes. "We are," cried the girls, and their answer could be heard a block away. Mrs. Stokes encouraged the strikers, and told them to demand that their employer take them back as an organization. "If I were here and in this strike," she said, "I would stay out if I deprived myself and family of bread

and butter." Mrs. Stokes then bade the strikers good-bye and all rose and gave her three hearty cheers and renewed their pledge to stand together.

Haywood's Rousing Meeting in Dallas, Tex.

Dallas, Tex.—Comrade William D. Haywood spoke here at the city hall on Aug. 4 to an audience, the sight of which would convince all skeptics of the vitality of the Socialist movement, and that the time is at hand when capitalism must prepare itself for its final death struggle in the near future. In spite of the admission charge of 25 cents, the hall was crowded to its full capacity, and no speaker ever faced a more intelligent and appreciative audience. When the speaker stepped upon the platform he was greeted with prolonged cheers. L. B. Holloway of the Farmers' Union made the introduction, which was also greeted with hearty cheering.

For Governor: Ernest Unterman.

Ernest Unterman, the well-known Socialist writer and translator, was nominated as candidate for governor by the Socialists of Idaho. In a letter Unterman says: "I am going to campaign for about six weeks this fall and hope to make this campaign a foundation for a thorough Socialist organization in this state. Our state secretary, Comrade Conrod, is very efficient. Our small farmers are waking up at almost the same rate that they are in Oklahoma. A greater lesson than a trip among the revolutionary farmers of this section can not be given to the city Socialist, who still clings to the European view of the Socialist agitation among farmers."

Comrade Wilkins in Illinois.

Comrade M. W. Wilkins, the well-known national organizer, did some good propaganda work in St. Clair county, Ill., during the last week, which the comrades will very much appreciate. Comrade Wilkins paid a flying visit to our St. Louis party headquarters. Unfortunately the comrade arrived at our office at an hour when some important primary election business required our immediate and prompt attention, and Comrade Wilkins left before the editor had any chance to discuss the general movement with him. He reached the office during the editor's absence and in his modesty Comrade Wilkins had not even disclosed his identity to the other comrades in the office. It was not until after his departure that they learned who the visitor really was.

Associated Press Dispatch on Red Special.

Chicago, Aug. 17.—The National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party today made plans for the campaign. It was decided to send from this city, on Aug. 31, a special train to the Pacific coast carrying Eugene V. Debs, the Socialist Party candidate for president, and several other speakers, among them A. M. Simons. It is planned to visit 300 cities between here and the Pacific coast, after which the special will return to this city, thence to the Atlantic coast. Addresses will be made by the orators of the party at a large number of cities en route. A carload of Socialist Party literature will be taken along and distributed. The cost of sending out the special, it was said, would be \$20,000, made up from contributions from Socialists from 10 cents to \$1.

The Texas Socialist State Convention.

Fifty-six delegates attended the Texas state convention of the Socialist Party in Waco. The following ticket was nominated: Governor, J. C. Rhodes, Grand Saline; lieutenant governor, N. B. Hunt, Tyler; attorney general, M. A. Smith, Commerce; comptroller, E. B. Latham, Gainesville; treasurer, W. J. Bell, Tyler; superintendent of public instruction, Mrs. Alice McFadden, Circleville; land commissioner, J. L. Swan, Lueders; railroad commissioner, E. R. Meitzen, Hallettsville; chief justice of supreme court, N. C. Martin, Amarillo; judge court of criminal appeals, E. Ballinger, San Antonio. The following presidential electors were chosen: At large, J. M. Crier, W. Pittilo; Third district, W. B. Kessinger; Fourth district, A. E. Pellerin; Tenth district, J. S. Billingsley.

The Socialist Primary Vote in St. Louis.

Governor, William L. Garver, 843; lieutenant governor, U. F. Sargent, 841; secretary of state, Frank Baker, 843; state auditor, Frank Foster, 844; state treasurer, Guy F. Etherton, 843; attorney general, John F. Williams, 844; railroad and warehouse commissioner, U. S. Barsley, 844; supreme judge, L. G. Pope, 828; court of appeals judge, Otto Vierling, 828; circuit judges, Frank Heuer 821, Otto Pauls 770, William H. Worman 772; circuit attorneys, L. E. Hildebrand 817; sheriff, Thomas C. Stephens, 819; public administrator, Delos H. Haskin, 819; coroner, Emil Simon, 814; congress, Tenth district, G. A. Hoehn, 570; Eleventh district, Phil M. Mueller, 172; Twelfth district, William F. Crouch, 88; state senate, Twenty-ninth district, William M. Brandt, 365; Thirty-first district, William Kreckler, 26; Thirty-third district, William E. Kindor, 111; state representative, First district, William Klages, 363; William Ruesche, 338; H. Siroky, 338. Second district, Charles Goodman, 178; William Reznick, 174; Chris Rucker, 173; Third district, Daniel Burkhardt, 40; Fred W. Schultz, 36; Jacob Wensch, 34; Fourth district, A. Kean, 120; L. F. Rosenkranz, 107; Henry Schwarz, 104; Fifth district, Walter F. Ablng, 85; Edwin B. Story, 79; Sixth district, Joseph Barratt, 27; F. L. Robinson, 26.

Investigation has developed the fact that while in many of the 405 precincts of St. Louis the Socialist ballots were counted, the clerks failed to enter our vote on the official report blanks from which the Election Commissioners in the city hall make up their official report. It is estimated that on account of this neglect of duty on the part of the election judges and clerks in the precincts from 600 to 700 votes were not reported to the Election Commissioner's office. Another lesson for the St. Louis Socialists! Don't leave the polling place until our vote is counted, entered on the tally sheet and entered on the official report blank from which the Election Commissioners tabulate their official reports.

Missouri Socialist Party

News From All Parts of the State, Reported by Otto Pauls, State Secretary, 212 South Fourth Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Garver's Dates.

August 22, Unionville; 23, Mendota; 24, Trenton; 25, Novinger; 26, Connellsville; 27, Glenwood; 28, 29, 30 and 31, Adair County; Sept. 1, Gifford; 2, 3, 4, Bevier.

Clyde A. Berry's Dates.

August 21, Rich Hill; 22, Harrisonville; 23, Pleasant Hill; 24, Independence; 25, Kansas City; 26, Warrensburg; 27, Sedalia; 28, Windsor; 29, Calhoun. Berry will be routed into Jefferson City for the state convention on Sept. 8 and then to St. Louis, from where he will speak at points down the Frisco to Springfield.

Gaylord's Dates.

Gaylord will speak at Holland, Caruthersville, Poplar Bluff, Piedmont, Mine La Motte and St. Francois County. The exact dates will be announced later.

Mrs. Mila Tupper Maynard's Dates.

In crossing the state to take up her work in Kansas, Mrs. Maynard will speak on August 29 at Hannibal; 30, Edina; 31, Milan; and then possibly Chillicothe and St. Joseph.

N. B. Wilkinson Stirs Up Trouble.

Congo.—There was a Farmers' Union picnic at this place on Aug. 8 and we had Comrade Wilkinson to speak for us on socialism.

The Democrats got a pin-head lawyer to speak against him, but he had to acknowledge that he knew nothing of socialism. Most of the people were surprised to hear a socialist speech, as it was their first. I tell you there was lots of interest shown.—W. L. Triplett.

The K. of P. picnic at Willow Springs was used by Comrade Wilkinson for agitation. A local Democratic paper comments as follows: "Quite a number of political speeches were made at the grounds during the three days * * * but is generally conceded by most all the people that the greatest interest and the most enthusiasm was created by the speech of N. B. Wilkinson, the socialist candidate for congress from this district."

On Aug. 22 there will be a joint debate at Eminence, between Wilkinson and a local lawyer. During September and October, Comrade Wilkinson will canvass his district pretty thoroughly. He is trying to get his opponents for congress to agree to a debate but has been unsuccessful up to date.

R. A. Maynard's Meeting Turning Out Well.

At Willow Springs an audience of 200 turned out to hear Maynard speak. Thayer comrades had the opera house and 400 in it, and very enthusiastic. One old G. A. R. man came up front and declared that he was through with Taft and would vote for Gene Debs. Some in the audience had driven 20 miles to the meeting, one of them a Methodist preacher. Owing to unusual delays in traveling from Kentucky, the Winona date could not be made, much to the disappointment of the local comrades.

No Checks Wanted.

Secretaries of locals and comrades are requested not to send personal checks when remitting money to the state office, unless the checks are payable in St. Louis. A money order costs little to buy but checks cost 10c or 15c to cash. Amounts up to 50c can be sent in 2c stamps.

New Locals.

County Organizer W. W. McAllister, of Greene County sends in an application for charter from Flint Hill, near Willard, 7 members. G. T. Yost gets Shelbyville socialists together and organizes a local of 6. Garver's work in the county is having good results. The first local in Washington County has been formed at Richwoods by T. C. Doyen, 6 charter members.

Stone County Activity.

Galena.—We have had W. W. McAllister of Springfield with us for one week and we think he is the best man we have ever had at this place. He spoke in country school houses entirely, except the last night, when he had a debate at Galena with a Republican lawyer named Hays. The subject was Socialism vs. Individualism. We left the Republican house judge and McAllister won by a vote of 28 to 6, many not voting. I think McAllister doubled Raley Creek's membership and we will organize new locals as soon as we can get to it. All meetings have been crowded. Galena Republicans are not satisfied with the debate and are after Hays to try it again. We will show them a hot time if he accepts.

Moving in Adair County.

Kirkville.—Yesterday I sent you an application for charter for Gardengrove. Please send me some more blanks. I think that with Van Osdol, M. L. Gerguson and Bob Wilson we have a whole team. Comrade Ferguson will probably make a school house campaign of the county. Inclosed find \$3 on series C of the campaign lists. I am also sending the national office \$3 for the red special. We will make it hot for the plutes in this neighborhood.—T. C. Haller.

Do You Want a Speaker?

The usual cost of a speaker is \$5; locals that desire speakers are requested to keep the state office informed so that a great deal of time and money that is spent in correspondence can be saved. Socialists at unorganized points should write the state secretary, stating how much money they can raise to pay a speaker's expenses and the time preferred. It is not always possible to send a speaker but the

Not to Be Forgotten.

In the hurry and rush of getting the money together for the red special it must not be forgotten that we must have \$100 this month for convention expenses. The lists are out in the hands of the locals and returns should be made promptly. The lists expire on August 25 and by that time the locals should all have their quota in. Everyone do their share and it will be easy for all.

A Socialist Veteran.

H. N. Karr of Bowers Hills is probably the oldest socialist that carries a red card in Missouri. Comrade Karr must be near 80 but he remits his dues regularly and shows a great interest in the movement. He sets a splendid example that is worthy of emulation.

Berry's Report.

The following is the report of my work for two weeks, July 27 to Aug. 8. Mrs. Berry accompanied me and helped with the meetings, except Diamond and Carthage. Our joint expenses are as follows:

Fare to Carthage.....	\$ 25	Receipts.	
Fare to Stotts City.....	42	Collection, Diamond.....	\$ 3 50
Fare to Stotts City.....	67	Carthage	50
Billings	90	Stotts City	3 45
Mt. Vernon	1 00	Billings and Clever.....	6 00
Lamar	1 16	Mt. Vernon	3 00
Harwood	1 54	Greenfield	3 00
Hotel and meals, Lamar..	1 75	Lamar	3 50
Meals, Nevada	50	Fairhaven	5 50
Fare to Greenfield.....	98	Total receipts	\$28 45
Total	\$923	Less expenses	9 23
		Leaves balance	\$19 22

All the above towns, except Diamond and Stotts City, have been considered hard places to arouse for socialism, but on this tour every meeting has been very encouraging. At all places except one we were entertained in the homes of comrades.—C. A. Berry. state office will do its best to fill all demands.

The Jan Pouren Case

The case of Jan Pouren, a native of the Baltic Provinces of Russia, charged with being concerned in the revolutionary movement in Russia, and threatened with deportation under the extradition treaty, at demand of the Czar's government, was brought to the notice of Local St. Louis Aug. 10. The executive board elected a committee to prepare resolutions on the case and forward same to President Roosevelt. The following are the resolutions forwarded in accordance with said instructions:

Whereas, It is well known that the Russian government is in effect a military despotism, the promises contained in the manifesto of October, 1895, announcing the establishment of a constitutional regime having been shamelessly violated; that the Russian judiciary is absolutely subservient to the executive authorities; that barbarous massacres have been sanctioned by the government; and that torture has been used in the prisons to extort evidence against political prisoners; and

Whereas, The United States has heretofore shared with Great Britain and Switzerland the honor of being a safe asylum for the oppressed of all nations, giving refuge to men who in their native lands have struggled for the establishment of such political liberties as our revolutionary forefathers fought for in 1776;

Resolved, That it would be a disgrace to the American people

and a foul blot upon the flag of this republic if the government of the United States should return to the Russian government any refugee claimed by the latter under the extradition treaties until the Russian government has been remodeled in such a way as to indicate that it has taken its place among the civilized nations of the world, with representative institutions actually in force and with a system of fair jury trial for persons accused of crime.

WILLIAM M. BRANDT,
G. A. HOEHN,
L. G. POPE,
DAVID ALLEN.

Committee.

The World of Labor

"In Union There Is Strength! United We Stand; Divided We Fall!"

The Brunswick-Balke Company Surrenders to Union.

New York.—After a conflict that has lasted for many years the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Company has finally run up the white flag and a contract has been closed with the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners whereby in the future all carpenters employed by the company are to be union men, and at the same time the recently instituted suit for \$50,000 damages and an injunction brought against Carpenters' Union No. 309 is to be withdrawn. This welcome news was announced at an enthusiastic meeting of No. 309 at the Labor Temple, and those old members who remembered when the original battle for the unionizing of the Brunswick-Balke Company was started by old No. 7 about twenty-five years ago, were particularly happy at being able to witness the victorious end of so long a struggle. Secretary Fried, of No. 309, read a lengthy report in which the efforts of the union carpenters to bring the company to time were fully described, and then he told how Mr. Schenk, of Chicago, General Superintendent of the Brunswick-Balke Company, had come to this city and how, after a long discussion in which David Featherstone, secretary of the Carpenters' District Council, had taken an active part, the treaty of peace was finally signed, and the contract unionizing the company effected. Some of the more important points of the contract are: The outside carpenters are to be paid \$5 for an eight-hour day's work (formerly \$3.50); inside men, \$4 (formerly \$2.50); all overtime to be paid for at double rates; and only members of the Carpenters' Union to be hired; all of the men now in the shops to be unionized or leave. This contract shall be in force immediately upon the withdrawal of the Brunswick-Balke Company from the Manufacturers Woodworkers' Association, which has already been arranged for.

Pinkertons' Plot to Have Another Moyer-Haywood Case.

Los Angeles, Aug. 17.—The arrest by private detectives in this city yesterday of Fred Yockey, vice-president of Union No. 44 of the Western Federation of Miners at Randsburg, Cal., on the charge of conspiring to blow up the Yellow Astor gold mine with dynamite, has developed a complicated situation. Yockey was arrested, it is said, upon complaint of Mrs. Alice G. Clark, a detective retained by the Yellow Astor Mining Company. According to published stories, Mrs. Clark now charges that all of the accusations against Yockey are false, and says that she was compelled to swear to them by another detective, who forced her to sign the statements at the point of a pistol. The whole plot, she avers, was an effort to break up the miners' union at Randsburg. "The evidence trumped up against me is just like the evidence that was made to order for the prosecution of Moyer and Haywood and Pettibone," said Yockey. "It is a parallel case exactly. There was nothing doing up in the Randsburg country and some detectives simply worked out a plan to make business good."

Canadian Railroad Strike Still On.

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 17.—A quarter of a million dollars was yesterday paid to the Canadian Pacific Railway strikers by Paymaster McPherson. With the amounts paid out at other points in the West, the sum distributed is nearly \$1,000,000. The total number of strike-breakers at work in the city is 200. At Medicine Hat sixteen strike-breakers from the Santa Fe Railway were brought in, but the Chinese restaurant proprietors have refused to serve them with meals and all are boarded in the yard. A meeting has taken place between the committee representing the shop employees on the Canadian Northern system and the management of the line in regard to an alleged violation of the schedule which was entered into on May 1 last. Unless some amicable arrangement is reached during the next few days there may be serious trouble. About 800 mechanics are involved.

Ten Thousand Miners in Indiana On Strike.

Terre Haute, Ind., Aug. 18.—Following the issuing of a circular by the operators' association, instructing the mine owners to discontinue the check-off the executive board of the United Mine Workers of District No. 11, decided to call a suspension of the work in the Indiana bituminous coal field, and as a result 10,000 men quit work to-day. The men were ordered to quit work at once at all mines where the owners refused to collect the dues and assessments of the men out of their wages. If the order of the operators is carried out by all of the members of the association, this will mean that every mine in that organization will be idle. The trouble originated at the Rood mine in Sullivan County, where work was suspended after the discharge of a driver.

Gompers' Letter on Capitalist Party Politics.

New York, Aug. 17.—In a circular letter addressed to the labor organizations throughout the country, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, not only comes out openly and unequivocally for Bryan, but also calls upon the representatives of labor organizations to contribute to a campaign fund for the success of the Democratic ticket. Gompers has said all along that while he personally was for Bryan, the members of the Federation were, of course, at liberty to do as they saw fit. But the appeal signed by Gompers and by the members of the executive committee throws all of their concealment to the winds. It calls upon organized labor to support the Democratic ticket, and to contribute funds with which to pay speakers and for literature to bring about the election of the Democratic ticket. The appeal is filled with denunciation of the Republican party and praise for the Democrats, and urged labor throughout the country to support its friends and defeat its enemies.

"Union Politics" Causes Trouble in Denver.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 17.—Politics threw the convention of the Colorado Federation of Labor into turmoil yesterday, and it took some of the best efforts of the peacemakers to pacify those who objected to the federation's action in endorsing the Democratic party so that other business could be taken up. After a long communication was read from President Gompers, in which he said many things he has said before, telling how he was "insulted" in Chicago by the Republicans, and after a discussion, a vote showed that the recommendation of Gompers had carried. The storm broke out soon after, but it was impossible to get a reconsideration of the action. Some of the delegates charged that the federation had pledged the support of organized labor in Colorado to the Democrats contrary to the wishes of many union members.

Filipinos Elect Labor Leaders to Legislature.

Manila, Aug. 17.—Simon Villa and M. Dickno, two recognized Filipino agitators, have been elected to membership in the Manila Municipal Council. Both are trouble makers, Dickno especially being obnoxious on account of his advocacy of labor strikes. The Americans strongly opposed the law passed by the last Assembly, making the Council an elective body.

Women Join Socialists

From The Socialist Woman.

The above is the interesting heading to an editorial in the Kansas City Journal, regarding the "soap-boxing" of Socialist women in Chicago. This bit of intelligence, dished up for the ignorant and unwary, is a sample of what the capitalist press all over the country has found fit to say in regard to the open air work of the Chicago Socialist women. As a prelude it says:

"The ringleaders of the English crusade are violent Amazons of the curb, led by that fiery agitator, Mary Leigh, who declared after her last arrest that 'the next time we come out you can expect bombs.' Such a person, man or woman, deserves only that necessary restraint reserved for anarchists and dangerous, confirmed criminals. It was a fatal error of judgment that prompted the Leigh woman to threaten the use of bombs, for such a statement detracts seriously from that air of patient martyrdom which the suffragettes have cultivated since their first crusade. These misguided women have made many unpleasant spectacles of themselves in their street tirades. Mounted upon barrels and in the midst of a leering, jeering throng they have been the targets of ridicule from the mob."

And we are given this solemn conclusion:

It is now announced that the suffragists of Chicago have joined the Socialists and are working under the auspices of that organization. The reason for this remarkable departure is that 'Socialists stand for woman suffrage.' Therefore these women are willing to advocate the breaking down of all social and political institutions in order that they may achieve the ballot. Such shortsighted policy is characteristic of visionary fanatics who so exaggerate their own cause that they are blinded to the blunders into which their zeal leads them.

"Whatever men may think of Socialism as a panacea for social ills, it is a fact that women have more cause to dread this propaganda than any other form of delusion. Socialism means the degradation of women to that plane they occupied when they were the mere chattels of the strong and society placed no protecting laws about them. Women owe more to law than many of them appear to realize. Their steady advancement has been founded upon broad and liberal laws and today woman is protected in her person and her property as never before in the history of the race. And she has not achieved this advancement by the militant coarsening means of the British suffragettes or the Chicago Socialists, but by those more potent wiles of which she is triumphantly mistress."

If the capitalist papers were not such notorious falsifiers, the average reader might be led to view with alarm this "uprising" of women in England and America. But even the most unsophisticated have long since learned to pass lightly over the wild mutterings of the average editorial writer of the great city daily.

The public is acquainted today with the greatness of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, and others, who, with them, faced the ugly and vicious flings of the reporters and editorial writers of their day, in their fight for woman's advancement. And if woman is today "protected in her person and her property as never before in the history of the race," a very great deal of this protection was brought about by the persistent and heroic women of our early days, and NOT by "those more potent wiles of which woman is triumphantly mistress." And NOT by any encouragement or help from the high salaried newspaper editor.

Those "potent wiles" have existed from the beginning of time. Yet, in the harems of the East where they are almost exclusively resorted to, do we find women most terribly enslaved. Mankind never has, and it never will, free woman because of her "potent wiles." Nothing short of hard sense and an unquenchable persistency will give womankind that place in society to which she, as the race mother and the producer of life's necessities along with man, is entitled.

And this is what we would say to the Chicago Socialist women—to all Socialist women who have dared to face the criticism of the crowd with your new and splendid truths: DON'T GIVE UP. You have broken the ice, the hardest part is over; now for a long, or a short run, as it may be, to VICTORY.

The English suffragettes deserve praise for this point—that they have STUCK. Through criticism, through denunciation, through rain and shine and long, tedious hours, weeks and months, they have never faltered. It looks as if they intended to KEEP IT UP. If they do, they will wear the enemy out.

That shows their EARNESTNESS. It is evidently not a fad with them.

Socialist women have very much more at stake than have the suffragettes of England. Let them STICK also. Let them look down the years and see themselves fighting. As long as the siege lasts, let them last. As long as capitalism holds even at one port, let them hold their open air meetings, their educational meetings, their local meetings.

Let them make the world used to their ideas, to their intentions. LET THE SOCIALIST WOMEN WIN THROUGH PERSISTENCY.

CZAR'S INFLUENCE IN SWITZERLAND

The Little Alpine Republic's Highest Court Subservient to Czar's Wishes By Delivering Russian Revolutionist.

Brussels, Aug. 9.—The proposal to deliver Vassalief, the Russian refugee, over to the officers of the Czar to be killed, is arousing all Europe. The International Socialist Bureau has issued the following protest against this violation of the traditional right of a system which Switzerland has so long preserved:

"Even at the present time civilized countries make it a rule never to extradite those accused or even convicted of political crimes.

"In recent years, for example, France refused to give up Hartman, who had taken part in an attack upon Alexander II; Italy refused to extradite Michel Gotz, accused of being a member of the fighting wing of the Revolutionary Socialist party which killed Sipigaine and Pleve; Sweden refused to give up Toherniak, accused of having participated in the attack upon Stolypin.

Violates All Precedents.

"In spite of all these precedents, the Swiss government is about to consent to the extradition of Vassalief, who, in the position of member of the Socialist Revolutionary party, in January, 1906, killed Kandaourow, the chief of police of Pensa.

"Kandaourow had organized the massacre of women and children who were taking part in peaceful and legal manifestations. He had also organized massacres of the intellectuals and had introduced torture into the prisons as a political policy.

"Under these conditions there is no doubt that the act of Vassalief, like that of Hartman or of Tcherniak, was a purely political act. It has been formally so declared by eminent jurists having no revolutionary or Socialist sympathies, such as Fernand Thiry, professor of criminal law in the University of Liege, and Nys, professor of criminal law in the University of Brussels and attorney in the court of appeals.

Act Purely Political.

"The occasion, the scene, the official position of the victim and the object all demonstrated that no sentiment of personal hate inspired the act. Russia, and especially the government of Pensa, was in a state of insurrection and rebellion. The victim occupied a posi-

tion which made him the principal agent of the government in the repressive activity. The author of the incriminating act had acted in the interest of his political party with the purpose of striking the Russian government.

"In view of these facts it was thought that the Swiss government would refuse to deliver up Vassalief to the executioners and torturers of the Czar. These expectations are about to be disappointed. By the deciding vote of the president, with five members in favor, the federal tribunal has declared for extradition. This dooms Vassalief to death either by shooting or by mistreatment. Within a few days he will be turned over to the hands of the Russian government unless collective and individual protestations are able to rescue the victim.

Socialists Make Appeal.

"It is to those who would intervene, it is to all people with hearts that we make our appeal, asking them to denounce the miserable attack of a government which seems anxious to show that in the struggle against the revolution the bourgeois democracies are no better than the autocracies.

"The federal council has delivered up Vassalief. We deliver up the federal council to the judgment of the universal conscience."

This protest is signed by the representatives of twenty-one countries.

FALSE TACTICS

Editorial in "International Musician."

The vicious attacks on Socialism that have developed lately, emanating from men prominent in all the walks of life, politicians, clergymen, journalists and even the President of the United States, show either a lamentable lack of knowledge of the tenets of the object of their attacks or a stooping to falsehood to injure a theory with which they do not agree.

President Roosevelt, who poses as a man well informed on all subjects, more especially political economy, made a speech at the unveiling of a monument to Captain John Underhill in which he is quoted as saying:

"There can be no grosser example of privilege than that set before us as an ideal by certain Socialistic writers—the ideal that every man shall put into the common fund what he can, which would mean what he chose; and should take out what he wanted. The theory is that a man who is vicious, foolish, a drag on the whole community, should take what is not his, what he has not earned; that he should rob his neighbor of what that neighbor has earned. This particular Socialistic ideal will be to enthrone privilege in one of its grossest crudities, most dishonest, most harmful and most unjust forms."

A man that would advocate such theories would be a fit subject for an insane asylum. No Socialist ever did, then why should men of the prominence of the President say they do without quoting his authority?

The theories of Socialism can be attacked without resorting to a willful and often malicious misrepresentation of their theories.

In his speech that same day, President Roosevelt said:

"When a private or corporate fortune jeopardizes the welfare of all the small men, then in the interests of everybody the collective and common power of the community must be exercised to control and regulate for the common good this business use of vast wealth."

This is Socialism pure and simple. Karl Marx could not have expressed it better, and if the President will take the trouble to read up on Socialism he can convince himself that the latter quotation of his speech comes much nearer to Socialism than the first quoted.

Many of the attacks on Socialism are prompted by the knowledge of the fact that applied Socialism would end the graft of many that are now living in luxury and idleness, as some of them would have to earn their living in the sweat of their own face, instead of their neighbors'.

GEORGE H. PETTIBONE.

Poor George Pettibone is dead. He died in a Denver hospital Monday, being unable to withstand the shock occasioned by an operation for cancer. His friends and medical experts declare that Pettibone was greatly weakened by his long confinement in Idaho prisons, one of the victims of the most dastardly conspiracy that has ever been perpetrated on this continent. All who knew Pettibone when he resided in this city and also in the West agree that he was one of the most big-hearted, good-natured fellows that ever lived—a man who had strong, uncompromising convictions regarding the rights of all the working class, the producers of all wealth.

Had Pettibone consented to desert and betray the toilers; had he agreed to play the dog for plutocratic masters, Pettibone would probably have been active today and might have lived for many years. But he scorned the dirty pieces of silver and now lies dead, a martyr to his convictions and to the noblest cause that was ever given to mankind.

If it were not for such heroes as George Pettibone this world would be a pig-sty, a jungle. As it is society unwittingly permits inhuman beasts to prowl in its midst to seize upon and tear and rend some of its most lovable and valued members. Let us never forget that the man who is worst hated by the plutocracy because of his agitation and battling for the rights of the working class is the man who is deserving of the highest praise and undying honor at the hands of the people. "Truth was ever on the scaffold," but there will come a time when right will prevail. The New Era is dawning, thanks to the sacrifices of such splendid characters as George H. Pettibone.

To the mine owners and their political satellites and Pinkerton hirelings we might say: There lies your victim cold in death; a great soul has gone to rest that will yet live and throbb to bless the world and inspire mankind when you miserable money-grubbers have rotted in oblivion. What have you gained?—Cleveland Citizen.

MAYOR ROSE'S MIND UNBALANCED?

Here are a few of the choice fishwomansisms emitted by the self-confessed "representative of the decent people," Dave Ros, during the recent swell banquet at the Pfister:

"To Hell with the Social-Democrats!"

"I hate to dignify them by referring to them as snarling curs!"

"The office of mayor is so far above these pirates under the black flag of treason that none of them will ever see it."

"Lousy, snarling curs."

"O, the lying, sneaking, cowardly, contemptible, damnable curs!"

"These ornry curs masquerading in the guise of men!"

"These unspeakable, despicable leeches on the body politic!"

"The most despicable gang God ever permitted to breathe the air!"

"I would like to have a few of those skunks here now!"

"A coterie of bloodsuckers!"

"Contemptible horde of pirates! Sue them for libel? Sue a beggar and catch a louse!"

Etc., etc., etc.—Social-Democrat Herald.

THE SIXTEENTH AND SEVENTEENTH WARD PICNIC.

The Sixteenth and Seventeenth Ward Clubs will hold their second annual picnic on Sunday, August 23, at Peters' Grove, Pine Lawn Station, on the Ferguson division, Suburban line. An enjoyable time is assured all who attend. The popularity of former affairs given jointly by these clubs has been due to the full measure of satisfaction enjoyed by those who attended. This furnishes an opportunity for the comrades and sympathizers to become better acquainted, thus insuring more effective co-operation. Family tickets are one dollar. Refreshments free.

Strike Ties Up Denmark Newspapers.

Copenhagen, Aug. 18.—Owing to the typographers and other employees in the various printing offices here, except a few men engaged on Socialistic papers, having started a strike, the employers have decided to declare a general lockout in all departments of labor to-day. If a reconciliation is not reached between the employers and the men it is expected that the newspapers here will suspend publication for at least a fortnight.

Next Typo's Convention in St. Joseph, Mo.

Boston, Aug. 17.—St. Joseph, Mo., was selected as the next place to have the honor of entertaining the International Typographical Union. When the votes were counted and the result announced, shortly before 1 o'clock, there was an outburst of enthusiasm, more interest having been shown in this contest than in any other feature of the convention so far. The printed ballots bearing the names of Seattle, St. Joseph and Minneapolis had been distributed at 11 o'clock, and the delegates all left their seats and filed to one side of Ford Hall to cast them. It took considerable time to get the voting finished, and then the debate on some of the suggestions made by the committee on laws was resumed until a few minutes before adjournment.

TO PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS.

St. Louis, Mo., August 10, 1908.

G. A. Hoehn, Editor St. Louis Labor:

Dear Comrade—The Thirteenth Ward Branch recommended the Executive Board to have a line or two inserted on each page of Labor requesting readers to patronize advertisers in our papers. The matter was referred to the Press Committee.

The Press Committee endorsed the suggestion, leaving the location of said notices to the judgment of the editor.

Fraternally yours,

DAVID ALLAN, Sec'y Press Committee.

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Tenth Congressional District.

Socialists held a mass meeting at 3101 South Seventh street, in the Tenth District, last Tuesday evening and elected delegates to the State Convention to be held at Jefferson City on September 8. The delegates elected are Comrades William M. Brandt, G. A. Hoehn and Otto Vierling. The meeting was organized by the election of G. A. Hoehn as chairman and Dr. Vierling as secretary. The Tenth Congressional Committee met and elected officers and named two delegates to a State Convention which will name the Socialist electoral ballot. Comrade F. F. Brinker and Mr. Cassen, the latter from St. Louis County, are the delegates. The officers of the committee are: F. J. Kloth, chairman; Roy Brown, secretary; F. Wedel, treasurer.

Eleventh Congressional District.

The Eleventh District Socialists, at Plumer's Hall, Thirteenth and Benton streets, last Tuesday evening selected Otto Kaemmerer as delegate to the State Socialist Convention, to be held at Jefferson City, September 8. The Eleventh District Socialist Committee also met and organized by electing William Kindorf chairman, L. E. Hildebrand, secretary and Otto Kammerer treasurer. Hildebrand and Kaemmerer were also named as state committeemen.

Twelfth Congressional District.

Pursuant to call the members of the Twelfth Congressional Committee of the Socialist Party met at 212 So. Fourth street Tuesday, Aug. 18 and organized. The officers elected were: H. Siroky, chairman; David Allan, secretary, and Jas. E. Wilson, treasurer. Otto Pauls and David Allan were elected state committeemen.

Twelfth Congressional District Mass Convention.

Following the meeting of Twelfth Congressional Committee a mass convention of the district was held, H. Siroky was elected chairman, and David Allan, secretary. Otto Pauls was elected delegate to state convention in Jefferson City, Sept. 8, 1908.

WALTER THOMAS MILLS' SPEAKING TOUR IN MIDDLE WEST.

Portland, Ore., August 12, 1908.

Walter Thomas Mills will begin on Aug. 16 a speaking tour for Debs and Hanford, speaking first at Winlock, Washington. After speaking for fifteen days in the State of Washington, he will go to Missouri for some dates, and to Wisconsin for twenty days.

Applications for other dates should be addressed to Mr. Mills direct. Write to him in care of L. E. Hildebrand, 212 So. 4th St., St. Louis, until Sept. 18. After that in care of E. H. Thomas, 344 6th St., Milwaukee, Wis.

Wanted: Presents for our Lemp's Park Autumn festival, Sept. 12 and Sept. 13.

Report all Presents and Donations to This Office Without Delay.

The following presents for our Socialist Fall Festival at Lemp's Park have been received at headquarters, 212 South Fourth Street:

Socialist Executive Board, \$5.00 cash.
Mrs. A. Nagel, 10 ice cream plates.
Mrs. Carl Sauer, cash 50 cents.
Otto Kaemmerer, cash \$5.00.
Mrs. Mary Hoehn one half dozen salt and pepper sellers, one half dozen fancy glasses.

Miss Minnie L. Hoehn, one half dozen fancy plates, one half dozen cups and saucers. All presents reported after Tuesday evening will be published in next week's St. Louis Labor.

THE FISH POND COMMITTEE.

Wind Pudding Diet for Working Men. Says the Miners' Magazine: "Until the 3d of next November the jobless workingmen will be fed on the diet that is contained in the Republican and Democratic platforms." A wind pudding diet, truly.

The Prohibitionist Party had 20, the Populist Party 2 votes in St. Louis at the recent primary elections.

SPECIAL REGISTRATION EDITION—ALL ORDERS MUST BE IN BY SATURDAY, AUGUST 29.

Our "Special Registration Edition" will go to press Monday, August 31, and will be generally distributed the following Sunday morning. All orders must be reported at headquarters, 212 South Fourth street, not later than Saturday evening, August 29, in order to insure the prompt delivery.

Comrades, remember that there are four days of general registration in September. This general registration takes place only once in every four years, and for this reason the ward clubs should order as many copies of the "Special Registration Edition" as there are voters residing in their respective districts. The following orders have been received:

6th Ward	3,000 copies
7th Ward	2,000 copies
9th Ward	5,000 copies
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Socialist Picnic Committee Meeting.

All members are requested to assemble Saturday, August 22, 1908 at headquarters and effect arrangements for the big annual September picnic which will be held within the city limits this year for the first time since 1904. Don't forget that all Comrades who served on the Debs-Strickland Picnic Committee are also members of this Committee and are expected to attend if possible.
L. E. HILDEBRAND, Secretary.

SOCIALIST PICNIC IN PETERS' GROVE.

The Sixteenth and Seventeenth Ward Clubs will give their annual picnic at Peters' Grove Sunday, August 23. Comrades and their families are invited. Family tickets \$1.00. Refreshments free. Take Suburban car and transfer to Ferguson car to the grove.

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Ten years ago you could buy more meat, bread, shoes, etc., for \$5 than you can buy today for \$8.

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