

Bishop Potter On the Classes

We have before us a copy of the Chicago Interior, one of the most widely circulated of church papers, in which a writer, discussing the "Domestic Service Problem," says: "What has brought about the present attitude of women towards domestic service? Are not women of the upper classes chiefly to blame? . . . The lower classes have followed this leading as far as possible." Here is an admission of the division of society into two distinct classes, which this writer calls "upper" and "lower." (And this in a "Christian" journal.) Much of what follows is highly amusing to the Socialist who must not be expected to sympathize too keenly with the "afflicted ladies" who cannot understand why their "help" will not remain with them "even though they are willing to pay good wages—far more than the same girl could earn in a factory, etc." Of course the trouble is largely due to the fact that the "hired girl" belongs to a lower class than the "lady of the house," who makes the class lines painfully apparent to her. She may be very kind and generous, but never forgets that she does not belong to the same "station" in life which the "servant" occupies. So we may talk about the "dignity" of labor and boast of our democratic spirit, but class consciousness, of which this is but an instance, stands out prominently in our every day life.

Again, to those who are given to repeating the assertion that "the interests of the laborer and the capitalist are identical"—a commonplace that is heard in republican and democratic campaign speeches, we commend the following from Bishop Potter: "I have stood by the open excavation of the underground railway in New York city, looking at the men digging. They have told me that they got \$2 a day for fair days when the work could go on. Living is expensive in New York. These men are not the submerged; they are the men of brawn and health. They are the 'labor.' I have gone through the corridors of the fashionable hotels at midnight hours and looked on the diners and winners, with liveried waiters obsequiously serving viands of all kinds. These are the 'employers.' Are the interests of the two classes mutual? Can easy going optimism conjure up any relation between the two? Can any bridge span the chasm between them? When I go through our factories and see fine, able-bodied men, dexterous, earnest men working nine hours a day every day and every year a life through, fashioning the uncouth raw material of wood and metal into house material, I ask myself, 'Will the laborer have any of these polished and luxurious appliances in the home of his family, or will they only go to the well-to-do, into the mansions of the rich—the employer class? Are the interests of the laborer and capitalist mutual?' Is there any mutuality where one makes and the other enjoys?"

Yet it is a common remark of the apologists for the present industrial system that in this country "we must recognize no class divisions." President Roosevelt and Secretary Cortelyou have both made a strong point of this in their recent addresses though in the same breath they admit the existence of classes by reference to "rich and poor." And Socialists have been severely criticised because they have insisted upon a frank recognition of the class struggle, not to intensify class hatred, but to put an end to it. But our observation has been that nowhere does the class feeling manifest itself in such a pronounced form as among the very persons who deprecate any reference to a class struggle. It would seem that the motive for this hypocritical attitude is none other than the fear that the workers may come to see where their class interest lies and unite to assert their rights and abolish the injustice from which they suffer. This fear is the Socialists' hope. They do not create the class struggle, but they do seek to awaken the class consciousness of the workers that they may act together and demand that the special privileges which have produced these artificial distinctions among men shall cease to be.

What could more clearly demonstrate the character of the class struggle than the attitude of the packers in the present Chicago strike? Men are asked (and it appears that large numbers are so hungry and naked, so near want that they are willing) to put themselves under the yoke of these money lords for the pittance of \$6.50 a week, a wage upon which a man cannot live as an American citizen should, much less support a family. Many a man spends more than this per day on luxuries while the laborer is expected to meet all his household expenses with the same amount. The daily papers tell us that Nelson Morris has left on an extended tour of Europe and that one of the Armours is hobnobbing with princes and entertaining royalty on one of the most magnificent yachts ever built. The money which these millionaires are using, of course, rightfully belongs to their employes who are now demanding a slight increase in wages. What can these two classes have in common?

To the Socialists, therefore, the growing tension between employers and employed, between capitalist and laborer, emphasizes the famous saying of Karl Marx that "the history of all society thus far is the history of class strife," and that it will continue to grow in virulence until "in place of the old capitalist society, with its classes and class antagonisms, we shall have an association in which the free development of each is the condition for the free development of all." When, by means of the peaceful revolution of the ballot box, as Marx says, "the working class will have become the ruling class and have swept away the old conditions of production, then it will, along with these conditions, have swept away the conditions for the existence of class antagonisms, and of classes generally, and will thereby have abolished its own supremacy as a class."

Under Socialism there will be no masters, no slaves. The competitive class struggle will give way to mutualism and goodwill. Justice will be possible. All men shall have the full product of their toil. That this is the only solution of the social problem is daily becoming clearer to thinking men. The present strikes and lockouts are, as President Donnelly says, convincing thousands of people that our economic salvation lies in the co-operative commonwealth. And they will vote the Socialist ticket.—Vanguard.

Human and Dog Burial

The following, recently sent out by the Associated Press, and reproduced by the Referendum of Faribault, Minn., are emphatic contrasts, and illustrates fully the abominable workings of the present wage system:
Mount Holly, N. J., Aug. 31.—The burial of "Prince," a pet dog

belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Davis of Pemberton, was attended by fifty society people of that town. Impressive services were said at the grave.
The dog was lowered into a grave in an oak casket with silver handles and white satin trimming. The mound formed after the grave

had been filled up was literally covered with flowers. Later a marble slab will mark the location of the grave.

New York, Sept. 11.—The records of this city regarding the burial of the poor, is somewhat alarming.

During seven months nearly 5,000 poor women, children and men, living in the slums, and low joints, have died, according to the undertakers' reports, all of whom had no funerals, but were dumped into rough boxes with no coffins and buried in the potter's field, unheard of, and unseen only by the officers in charge, many of these from starvation, and disease caused from the crowded condition of the living rooms in the districts.

This condition has increased 10 per cent in two years, and during the next year the deaths and suffering in these districts will be something awful, and the outlook is staggering the authorities.

HASTEN THE DAY

Swiftly spread the knowledge, comrades,
For the hour is drawing nigh,
When the darkening clouds of conflict
Will o'ercrest the peaceful sky.
Oh, toilers! Listen to their teaching:
Be not deaf, and be not blind;
Grasp their meaning, act upon it,
Ere more firm your fetters bind.
Turn and look to Colorado,
If you think there's lots of time—
See the riot of the owners
There, committing crime on crime.
See the poor wage slaves deported;
Told to never more return;
Told, it's not so much your unions,
But your politics we spurn.
We will stamp out Socialism,
And we'll crush the unions, too;
Kill the thinking proletarians,
Or no telling what they'll do.
But a murmur from the masses
Caused these rogues to halt, and pause;
Might the herd not follow swiftly
If they broke down all the laws?

There is not much freedom left you;
I long your hours and small your pay;
Read the Socialistic teachings;
Use your ballot while you may,
All you make shall be your portion,
Nor divide, as you do now,
With a lawless highway robber,
With a coal and oil crowned brow.

For the rich, is there no blessing?
Will it rob them of the earth?
Chain them, as they chained their brothers?
Rob them of their joy and mirth?
No! Oh, no! 'Twill do far better;
It will teach a nobler life;
Help them to a higher level,
Far from bitterness and strife.
See! The old Earth smiles with gladness;
Bounteously her feast is spread;
But the bakers take the leavings,
The bourgeois gets the bread.
Little children in our factories,
Just because their labor's cheap;
Crushed for profit—Will you stand it?
Does it ne'er disturb your sleep?

Who's to blame for all this trouble,
Robbing, killing, riot, theft?
The present system is to blame;
It would grow worse till nothing's left.
The supporters of this system
Are upholding it, my friend;
There is naught but Socialism
That can bring it to an end.

We are calling to the heroes,
To the noble of our land,
To give our cause a hearing,
And to come and join our band.
For the time is ripe, my comrades;
We must show our foes our strength;
Let us beckon to the workers,
From our country's breadth and length.
Do not wait and be a laggard,
Or some time you'll feel the shame,
That on this transition period
You have failed to write your name:
Rested, waited, while another
Brought to you the joys so bright,
Of equality and freedom,
And you have not earned your right.
We are calling, calling, calling,
Do you hear your comrades cry?
And an answer echoes, Coming!
Hear our footsteps drawing nigh,
From the farms, and from the mountains,
From the city, and the plain,
We are gathering to your forces,
And your call is not in vain.

Faster, faster, come, move swiftly,
While your tarry comrades fall;
Come like whirlwinds, come like torrents;
Come as floods sweep over all;
Come with knowledge of our teachings;
Come with hearts both brave and true;
We are waiting to receive you;
You will find there's much to do.
RUTH A. SCURLOCK.

The press gives out that there will be a convention of the bankers of the state of Montana held in Helena on October 5 and 6. The convention will be opened at 11 a. m. on the 5th with prayer by the Rev. J. F. McNamee, and on the following day the special privilege will be conferred upon Dr. W. N. Sloan, who will raise the roof of the Montana club building in singing doxologies to his imaginary twentieth century God, giving thanks and invoking divine aid for the continuance of a system that allows the banker to clip coupons, practice usury and foreclose mortgages, and drive poor people out of their homes, on account of not having sufficient work to enable them to meet the mortgage.

On Wednesday a \$2,000 horse race purse called the "Bankers' stake race" will be hung up, and gambling galore will be in order. Of course the Godlike pulpsters will be as dead as a Baltimore oyster anent this part of the program. Great system this, where Churchianity has displaced Christianity, and justice and true religion is placed on the "rip-track" as a threadbare issue, as against the power of a fat bank roll.

Open Letter to A "Socialist"

Mr. Fred Sanden, Candidate for the Legislature on the Fusion Ticket in Lewis and Clarke County.

Dear Sir: It has recently come to the knowledge of the writer and others, that among a certain element of the voters of this county, which element apparently intends to support you, there exists the belief that you are a Socialist. Whether this circumstance is advantageous to your candidacy or otherwise is immaterial to the purpose of this letter. The fact is that you are considered by a number of voters to be a Socialist; and in justice to the Socialists of the county and to yourself as a candidate for office, the matter should be cleared up with all possible dispatch.

If you are a Socialist, your Socialist comrades would like to be informed as to what particular Socialist move we may look for in case you are elected. In slang phrase, they would like to be "in" on the proposition. If you are not a Socialist, it is but fair to yourself that you be freed from any share of responsibility for the conduct of the body of Socialists.

This unofficial open letter is written, not from any special interest in your campaign, but for the purpose of calling your attention to the unsatisfactory state of affairs as set forth above, and the necessity of a frank confession of faith from you.

To assist you in giving the in-

formation desired, we take the liberty to propound for your answer three plain questions:

Question 1. If you are a Socialist, why are you not on the Socialist ticket, instead of a democrat-populist-labor party ticket?

Question 2. If you should be elected on this capitalist party ticket, could you devote your official activity to the advancement of Socialism without violating the trust imposed upon you by this capitalist party—a trust you accepted when you accepted the nomination?

Question 3. Do you believe that a Socialist whose heart and soul is in the world-wide movement for the emancipation of the workers and the overthrow of capitalism, can consistently and conscientiously accept the proffer of an office from a capitalist party?

We beg to add the two following requests:

If you are not a Socialist, that you will publicly announce the fact, in order that justice may be done to all concerned.

If you are a Socialist, that you will, through the columns of The News, or other publication, defend your right to be recognized as a Socialist, either by the Socialist organization, or by the public.

This letter is written in a straightforward spirit, unbiased by political exigencies. We trust that you will oblige us with a reply in kind. Respectfully,
T. P. HUGHES.

Goodwin On Socialism

Recently the Montana Daily Record, owned and controlled by the Amalgamated Copper company, was purchased by the State Publishing company of Helena. Judge C. C. Goodwin, formerly editor of the Salt Lake Tribune, one of the ablest writers in the west, and a republican politician, has been engaged by the national committee of the republican party to edit the organ in the interest of the republican party in Montana. Although Mr. Goodwin writes republican editorials as a business proposition, he has lately been taking a bird's eye view of the political and industrial situation throughout the United States and the world, and ranks among the few political writers who are prone to speak their convictions, and predicts Socialist triumph. We reproduce an article recently written by Mr. Goodwin in his Salt Lake organ:

"Unless present signs fail, we do not believe that either the republican or democratic party will elect more than one president.

"There are strong men in every state who have exhausted their thought on how to stop the domination of wealth and its mighty aggregation in a few hands, and have decided that the only way to rescue the country and prevent its further falling under the dictation of a few wealthy men or firms, and thus establish an aristocracy of wealth, is to so adjust matters that money will be a mere convenience and cease to be a controlling force.

"These men are moving in every state, and the increase in a single year in the Socialist vote is so significant that it points to a social and political revolution in the very near future.

"Suppose there should come a government which should decide that the railroads of the country should be owned by the government, should appraise and pay for them in government bonds, and then provide for a sinking fund which would in a few years take up the bonds; that then one and another of the public utilities of the country should likewise be absorbed, and finally decide that the land, like the water, should be free to all men, and proceed to levy taxes accordingly; is it not clear that in a very few years money would be valueless for any purpose of gain through its use? If a man had a million or ten or a hundred million of dollars, how could he invest it or use it in a way to give him an income from it?

"Well, it requires a vote of only 51 per cent of the people to bring this about, and alert men in every state are working to this end.

"Again, the laborers of the country were never in such a state of unrest before, and thousands of them could easily be induced to vote with a party whose slogan would be, 'Down with the rich,' and which would insist that as all men are equal under the theory of our government, so the poor man's boy should not be handicapped in his cradle before he can walk, and made at least a partial subject of the child in the carved cradle next door, where wealth is building up the most offensive aristocracy in the world, that aristocracy which claims sovereignty because it has bought it for money. The title will not be disputed specially, but the effort will be to so adjust things that the power of money will be broken, and the children will emerge from their cradles on a perfect equality. Of course, no end of arguments against this can be framed, no end of dangers pointed out if such radical changes are tried, but suppose that 51 per cent will not listen to the argument, will not grow timid on the prospect of danger, and vote for the change.

"The signs now point to such a culmination before two more presidential elections can be held on the old lines and issues.

"This is so apparent that the belief that there will be a social and political and industrial revolution in the very near future has become a conviction in thousands and hundreds of thousands of minds in America."

The Jeffersonian democrats and Lincoln republicans are at their old tricks in Silver Bow county. Evidences of corruption in the county court house precipitated the appointment of a special grand jury, which exposed a well developed bunch of thieves. W. McC. White, foreman of the grand jury, filed charges with Judge Clancy, accusing W. D. Clark, chairman of the board of county commissioners, and Assessor Daniel Brown of appropriating \$44.00 of a dead man's money who worked on the county roads. He had \$49 coming and Clark and Brown were determined to "give him a decent funeral," which cost \$5.00 and pocketed the remaining \$44. Assessor Brown has drawn down in three years \$29,063.22. His salary is \$3,000 per year. Coroner Egan during the year 1903 and three months of this year pulled down from the county \$4,063.60. He was entitled to \$1,533. Clerk and Recorder Weston is charged with gross neglect in office. Dozens of other steals and misappropriations are unproved charged to these "spoils" politicians. Under Socialism there would be no incentive to graft in office.

The coal mines of Aldrich, employing three or four hundred men, was recently closed by Manager Merry of the Aldrich company. In an interview with the Livingston Post, Merry is quoted as saying that he anticipated a request by the Aldrich miners to a standard of pay prevailing in other parts of the state. To the Post Merry says, "that in anticipation of this demand on the part of the union I have taken the bull by the horns and closed the mines." This was done before the expira-

tion of the scale, that was signed 11 months before. Ninety miners with their families have built homes in Aldrich, which they will now have to desert. Under Socialism Merry or no other man would have the power to throw a class of people out of their homes and work.

In the luxurious Bitter Root valley, where everything has the appearance of plenty, the small farmer is being rapidly forced out, being unable to make a livelihood on his 40 acres. The big fish control all the water rights and thousands of dollars are being spent annually by the land sharks who corrupt the courts in order that they may grab up and burn out some little fellow who is dependent upon them for water. Recently one of the small land owners detected a hiring of the combine turning his water out of his land and shot him dead. The land grabbers over there succeeded in having him sent to Warm Springs, from where he was returned to his home as sane, and now they have placed him in jail. Strange antics under a strange system.

A goodly portion of the delegates from the Miners' union of Butte to the State Federation of Labor convention were also the Amalgamated delegates to the democratic state convention recently held in Helena. How comes this?

The collective ownership of the means of production and distribution. A theory of society that advocates a more precise, orderly and harmonious arrangement of the social relations of mankind than that which has hitherto prevailed.—Webster's Dictionary.

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Eugene V. Debs Ben Hanford

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- For President— Eugene V. Debs of Indiana. For Vice President— Ben Hanford of New York For Presidential Electors— W. N. Holden, of Silver Bow. J. F. Mabie, of Park. Joseph Hoar, of Silver Bow. For Governor— Malcomb G. O'Malley, Silver Bow. For Lieutenant Governor— John W. Frinke, of Deer Lodge. For Congressman— J. H. Walsh, of Fergus. For Chief Justice of Supreme Court— C. M. Parr, of Silver Bow. For Clerk of Supreme Court— John Peters, of Carbon. For Secretary of State— Henry Lynch, of Fergus. For State Treasurer— Erik Olson, of Cascade. For State Auditor— W. C. Phelps, of Lewis & Clarke. For Attorney General— E. O. Jackson, of Silver Bow. For State Superintendent of Public Instruction— Mrs. R. Anna German, of Silver Bow.



lous and cunning democracy will call upon the unsophisticated wage worker, as a remedy, to vote into power another Steunenberg or Cleveland to conversely change the personnel of the persecutors. Never in the history of events have the lines been drawn as prominently as in the political situation in Colorado today. In the meanwhile the wage workers of the world, and particularly the Socialists, will await results of the fall elections in that state with keen interest.

AS TO ROUTING SOCIALIST SPEAKERS IN THE STATE

From all over the state comes complaint, anent the disposition made of the speakers sent into Montana by the national headquarters. Particular stress is laid upon the manner in which Mrs. Ida Crouch-Hazlett is being detained in Butte twenty-nine days in the month of September. Some of the correspondence points strongly to the suspicion that the comrades of Butte are acting somewhat selfishly in the matter to irretrievable disadvantage to the cause in the state. There is some small Socialistic sentiment contiguous to the boundary lines of Silver Bow county. We are not just clear on the point as to who is responsible, for the advent of Comrade Hazlett, but there is one thing which we feel very sure of, and that is that the handling of this lecturer in this state, on the whole, has been impolitic. In passing we might make it plain that if any of the comrades see in this declaration the all-fearing and proverbial "knock" let them make the most of it. The policy of this paper is one of principle and for the good of the party; be sure of that.

In the city of Havre, where there are over one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars paid monthly to the employes of the Great Northern railway, and twenty large business blocks are in the course of construction, employing the necessary building mechanics and laborers, there never has been a Socialist organizer or lecturer of any note. In the towns of Bonner, Lothrop, St. Regis, Frenchtown and elsewhere in the state where a goodly number of men are employed, the same conditions exist.

While we do not favor the star route, and realize that Comrade Hazlett is a splendid lecturer, yet she, nor any other evangelist in the cause of Socialism, can speak in one place for twenty-nine days consecutively, without signs of reaction and, if you please, retrogression. The Montana News fails to see material benefits emanating from the practice of the state authorities eternally routing lecturers over the same ground. The time is short. Let us get into new fields. And further let us have improvement in the handling of our speakers

THE DEMOCRATS IN THE "DENOUNCING" BUSINESS

"We denounce the action of the governor of Colorado, in attempting to legalize the crimes of a lawless mob under the pretext of military necessity. We denounce the unlawful deportation of citizens, and the destruction of private property, as the greatest crimes ever perpetrated against our American form of government," is part of the platform adopted by the state democratic convention.

The democrats should have denounced other labor skinning despots. They should have denounced democratic Grover Cleveland, who, during his incumbency as president of the United States, farmed out the national troops to the railroad managers in 1894 to crush the American Railway Union, over the head of the governor of Illinois. They should have denounced democratic ex-Governor Steunenberg of Idaho, for bull-penning innocent miners and their wives in the Coeur d'Alenes in 1898.

They should have denounced Henry G. Davis, their thirty-million dollar slave-driving vice presidential candidate, who in connection with democratic Judge Jackson of West Virginia had an injunction issued against Eugene V. Debs that practically forbade him to leave his boarding house in the interest of Davis' coal mining wage slaves when out on strike.

They should have denounced democratic Judge Alton B. Parker for voting the eight-hour law unconstitutional, while a judge of the state supreme court of New York.

They should have kept on denouncing the many principles and acts of the democratic party against labor, in common with their Siamese brother—the republican party. Verily, "Chickens come home to roost."

Well, the democrats in their state convention went the other wing of the capitalist party one better. The republicans declared for the initiative and referendum, state railroad commission, direct primary law, fellow servant bill, state board of equalization, eight-hour law, and a law to prevent children under 16 years of age working under ground. Now the democrats have said their congressmen and senators must vote for a strict Chinese exclusion act. Now that ought to make the wage slave real happy and rope him in to vote for the continuance of a system which robs him of 83 per cent of the wealth created by his labor. This soppy slush retailed by both wings of the capitalist party ought to inspire him, inasmuch as such laws as the gambling law, the mining cage law, the company store bill, the eight-hour law in and around smelters, the eight-hour law for mining engineers and other "labor" laws too numerous to mention, are being daily violated by the corporations who control the politics of both parties. Laws will be violated as long as things are produced for profit—the incentive for lawbreaking. But at any rate "the world do move" toward Socialism.

The labor man the populists have agreed to give a place on the ticket is Alex Fairgrievies, of Red Lodge. They are willing he should be the candidate for lieutenant governor.—Independent.

W. A. Clark's obedient Do(or)bell, who draws his salary for writing slush, must have changed the decoction in his pipe. Mr. Fairgrievies is a candidate for state senator from Carbon county on the Socialist ticket and belongs to the Socialist club in Red Lodge, and is not of the sentimental kind. Any one who knows Alex knows that he is imbued with principle and not a desire for office. On the morning of the holding of the pop-labor convention in Helena Mr. Fairgrievies was approached and offered the candidacy of lieutenant governor, the mongrels promising to pull off their regular candidate in case he would consent to lend his name. Mr. Fairgrievies replied that he would rather run for an office on the Socialist ticket than be elected lieutenant governor on an old party ticket.

The Dayton, Ohio, local has submitted a set of resolutions to the coming convention of the International Union of Brewery Workers, outlining a plan by which a properly capitalized Socialist press may be secured in this country. In part they "Resolve, That the International Union of Brewery Workers take the initiatory steps to establish a co-operation of the modern economic and revolutionary political organizations, through the establishment of a daily labor press, which will be under the supervision and the management of the Socialist party. That every member of the Brewery Workers shall pay an assessment of one dollar at the beginning of the coming year into the hands of the Socialist party." The amount to be raised is \$50,000.

Well, now that wasn't such a strenuous fight in the state democratic convention by Heinze. All he asked for in his fusion deal was for the offices of attorney general, auditorship and superintendent of public instruction. He owed these plums to his "labor" politicians. Didn't even land them. His "labor" friends seem to have overdone their usefulness. Obviously there is not so much bad blood between Heinze and the Amalgamated after all.

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L. WEIGEL, Pres.

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THE MONTANA NEWS PASSES ANOTHER MILE STONE

With this issue the Montana News starts off on Volume III, No. 1, which signifies that the paper has passed its second year's growth, and which also assures its readers that it has lived too long in the newspaper field of Montana to ever go out of existence. All newspapers that enter the field of the common people with a sincerity of purpose at heart, are not backed by capital, and consequently must pass a certain place in the field before they are considered established. We believe that The Montana News has passed this point and from now on will become a permanent fixture in the newspaper field of the northwest.

Business at this office has accumulated from over the state and with the assistance of the many comrades who are helping the paper it is practically assured of a support that will keep it in the field grinding out the Socialistic doctrine and working to usher in the co-operative commonwealth.

With this number let us all renew our vigor and assist by sending in more new "subs" since the price is so low, and also by securing more of the comrades to take a share on the press.

The movement is gaining recruits by leaps and bounds at the present and the Socialist party practically stands now as the second party in the state.

The certificate of nominations of the state ticket of the Socialist party of Montana was duly filed with the secretary of state on Saturday, September 17. It's a winner.

The ministers and prohibitionists in Ravalli county brought about local option in that county and shut up the saloons. That is, they thought they did. After closing the saloons one a Mr. Mizner, a druggist of Stevensville, who was one of the leaders in the

crusade against the saloonmen and acting with the ministers was the first man arrested for selling liquor at his drug store. The net result of the local option in Ravalli county is that the beer has been increased from five cents to a bit and everything wide open. You see the question of profit confronts the ministers and they are going at it the wrong way as usual. Then the politicians want the vote that the saloonman controls to put them back into office, and it is a question of profit again.

Have You Taken a Share on the Press?

Will You Be My Partner?

My magazine is now on a paying basis. That is, I am taking in as much money as I am paying out, a condition that has not existed since I established Wilshire's Magazine. It took \$100,000 in cold cash to put it there, but it's there.

The comrades who know me know I have no desire to make money, but that I only wish to make Socialist Propaganda.

What is the best way to do this? I have given it a great deal of thought and have decided that the best way is to take into partnership with me 5,000 Socialists who are as earnest as I am. With their active assistance I can do many times more than I can now.

But, few Socialists have any money to invest! Very well, if I can get the men I want I'll give them the stock free—but on one condition.

If you want to know what the condition is, write me now and I'll tell you how you can get a \$10 share of my stock, with voting privilege, on which I will guarantee a 5 per cent annual dividend. Don't delay, this offer is limited.

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Correspondence

Comrade M. J. Kennedy has had large meetings during the past week at Red Lodge (2), Bridger, Billings, Big Timber (2), Livingston, Chico, and on the 19th he lectured to the locked out miners of Aldridge on "Unionism and Socialism."

At Big Timber some Smart Aleck tried to disturb the meeting by throwing a giant fire cracker into the crowd; the coward was not identified, as he made himself scarce, being afraid of the crowd, who were in sympathy with Kennedy.

Comrade Kennedy speaks at Bozeman on the 20th and 21st; Chesnut 22d, Bozeman 23d. A route through Fergus county is now being planned for him.

Ida Crouch-Hazlett will speak at Big Timber Sept. 23, Livingston 24, Fishtail 25, Red Lodge 26 and 27, Bridger 28, Gebo 29.

Spargo speaks at Butte 23, 24, 25, Anaconda 26, Hamilton 28, 29, Mills at Anaconda 24, Butte 25 and 26.

A local of 12 charter members has been organized at St. Regis.

Locals are earnestly requested to gather subscriptions to the state campaign fund, as money is needed to carry on an aggressive campaign.

JAS. D. GRAHAM.

The Socialist party of Jefferson county, Montana, in convention assembled, at Clancy Sept. 17, 1904. Geo. Steib of Clancy was elected permanent chairman, and M. McKenzie of Clancy secretary. A resolution was passed endorsing the Socialist state and national platforms. The following county ticket was nominated:

For members of the state legislature, Patrick Harmon, locomotive fireman, Clancy; Lewelyn Roberts, rancher, Clancy; Geo. W. Strieb, carpenter, Clancy; for

sheriff, Jno. Brack, miner, Clancy; for treasurer, I. V. Baker, hotel-keeper, Clancy; for clerk of district court, Jake Fredericks, miner, Clancy; for assessor, Martin McKenzie, miner, Lump; for public administrator, Michael Welter, moulder, Boulder; for county commissioners, G. Henry, rancher, Traverse Creek; J. R. Frasier, barber, Clancy; Fred Howard, section man, Boulder; for justice Clancy township, J. B. Brekstead, rancher, Traverse Creek; for constable Clancy township, Gus Linstrom, miner, Lump.

G. W. STRIEB, Chairman, M. McKENZIE, Secretary.

Boulder, Mont., Sept. 20. J. H. Walsh, Helena.

Comrade Walsh: Herewith find \$11.50; \$10 of same to apply on the fund being raised to purchase The News a press, and \$1.50 for the following subscriptions until Jan. 1, 1905:

Fred Havard, Geo. Thompson, Hugh Dixon, Boulder; Charles Oehrle, Wickes; J. E. Teague, O. A. Foster, Clancy.

Glad to see you have cut out the knocking. Yours fraternally, N. E. BLACK.

The actions of Mrs. Ida Crouch-Hazlett in exposing the low wages paid to the lady milliners and clerks in the big stores in Butte seems to have precipitated ill-feeling among some of the union clerks, who apparently are running their union in the interest of the employers, rather than for the welfare of the clerks. There appeared a set of resolutions in the Miner a few days ago unfavorable to Mrs. Hazlett, signed by the president and secretary of the Clerks' union in Butte, which evinced much more of a spirit of childishness and petty hatred than common sense. In answer to a letter of inquiry from The News

regarding the matter, Mrs. Hazlett writes:

We are having great times here in Butte. I have been exposing how the different unions are run in the interest of the employers and not of the employed. I have been sure of every point, and made every statement from inside knowledge. I exposed the price that girls in the Connell store were getting. A committee came to see me, and decently adjusted the wages. Then when I made statements about the Symons store the president of the Clerks' union came to see me, and tried to get me to quit talking, and all that, and when I told him it didn't go, he blustered around and was going to do all sorts of things, and I told him he could take the newspapers and I would take the streets. So we're going it in good shape now. They intimidated the girl clerks to vote for the resolutions on pain of losing their jobs. I have immense crowds every night, and now the police are beginning to trouble me about the street corner.

IDA CROUCH-HAZLETT.

Under date of Sept. 16 State Secretary Graham of Livingston writes: "About Comrade Hazlett, I do not know what arrangements have been made with her, or anything else about speakers. I see that she goes under the jurisdiction of the national office after Oct. 1. I am going to Butte Sunday to get the stuff that belongs to the state headquarters. I will see Comrade Hazlett and see if we cannot make some arrangements to have her remain in the state until after election. I do know that M. J. Kennedy is lecturing in eastern Montana and that he was in Big Timber yesterday and today during the county fair. Will speak in Livingston tomorrow, Chico Sunday, Horr Monday afternoon, Aldridge Monday night, and expect Clyde Park Tuesday. Horr and Aldridge miners are locked out. I am routing Kennedy right along now, and he is not going to get much rest from now on. I have written comrade Harvey of Lewistown to date him through Fergus county, expect he will reach Lewistown about Sept. 26. It will not be my fault if things are not kept lively from now on until after election, and hope that I will have the active co-operation of all the comrades of the state as well as their good will."

Comrade Wheeler, secretary of the local at Hamilton, writes that I made a mistake in my state letter in stating that the local labor committee wished to use the opera house the evenings of the sessions of the State Federation of Labor, but that it was engaged and held by the Socialists. Comrade Wheeler states that it was through the courtesy of the labor committee that the Socialists had the use of the opera house, as the committee had engaged it for the entire week.

On this statement of the comrade's I cheerfully hasten to correct my error. When the committee met me at the train as I came into Hamilton the statement was made to me as I wrote it, or at least I understood it that way—probably a misconception in the minds of all of us. I should certainly regret anything that might throw a shadow over the uniform hospitality and delightful memories that are connected with the Hamilton meetings, and hasten to reaffirm my appreciation of the kindness and courtesy of all concerned.

IDA CROUCH-HAZLETT.

Following letter received from comrades in Butte, who request publication:

Minidoka, Idaho, Sept. 4. Mr. Elmer Eiper, Butte, Mont.

Comrade: As I have given up the mining business and have located a ranch, I will not need to use your name as I suggested. But will write to inform you or any of the comrades that you may wish to tell that there is a fine chance to locate land. The general government is taking out a large canal and putting in a dam on Snake river that will be a big undertaking and irrigate 180,000 acres of land that will make fine homes. One person can only locate 80 acres, and it will cost him about \$25 per acre, payable in ten yearly payments, the first payment to be one year after the water is on the land, which will be about 18 months from now. The contractors on the dam will start work in about one month. There will be plenty of work after that. But a person desiring a location had better come quickly as the choice pieces are going fast. One will have to use the homestead right to locate. It will be a good fruit country and land will be worth \$100.00 per acre as soon as the water is on it. It might be well to have this read in the local, as some might want to take advantage of it. Now there is not much use of writing for further information, but those that want to come, come quickly so as to get the best locations that are left. The immediate expense will be the filing fee, which is \$11.50, and the price of a team to look at the land, about \$3 to \$6 per day. The best land left is about 25 miles from here. The contracts for the canal and lateral ditches (about 1,000 miles in all) will be let direct to the locators of the land if they want them; at least I am told that here. The ditch will not start before next spring. There has been no frost here yet. There will be a railroad built by the Short Line. The government will sell the lots in three towns to the highest bidders. There will be chances for good business locations. I would like to see you here. If any comrades come look for me before going out and I may be able to save them something. I am at present in a tent in front of the Snake River Lumber and Building Co.'s lumber yard, right in the center of what will be the street. Yours truly, HOWARD F. TRENHOLM.

Writing from Canyon Ferry recently Comrade Scurlock says: "You run across Socialists every old place. The other day I was up on top of the Belt range, clear out of civilization, I thought. Had thrown the saddle from my horse and prepared for the night when one M. C. Conway appeared on the scene, took me to his cabin, entertained me right royally for the night, and presented me with \$14 worth of books and pamphlets for the Canyon Ferry local to distribute during the campaign. Mike is a good one and a hustler. We have got most all of the stragglers out this way. Now for the centers of population."

Word comes to this office that an effort will be made to secure the services of Comrade Arthur T. Harvey of Lewistown to stump the state. This is gratifying information to The News, as Mr. Harvey is considered to be one of the best informed Socialists in the state, scientifically or otherwise, energetic, and has his whole heart and soul in the cause. We need his work throughout the state.

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The national secretary has prepared an illustrated catalogue of all campaign literature and material being handled and sold by the national office and a copy will be sent to any address upon application. Address William Mailly, National Secretary, 269 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

Recently John Lynch, proprietor of a small sawmill located near Iron Mountain, was arrested by a hiring of the Amalgamated Copper company charged with cutting timber on government land. Mr. Lynch will prove an alibi, he says, on the ground that the timber which he is charged with appropriating was scooped in by the Amalgamated and W. A. Clark; that the timber for miles around was stolen by these plutocrats. You see, Mr. Lynch is comparatively a poor man and has not the wherewithal and political influence to use timber land like Clark and the Amalgamated, who are protected in their plunderings by the despicable scoundrel Tom Carter and his ilk.

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