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# **Union Traitors Receive Money**

the United Mine Workers' Na- miners held in Louisville in Noliance, the Victor Fuel company legislature, he was given the nomcompany, had induced the lead- Northern Coal company and electers of the United Mine Workers | ed by its corruption fund. to betray the Colorado strikers that within six weeks the unques- board member of the United Mine miners of the west. tionable documentary evidence would be produced to substan- money here receipted for was tiate, in part, my statement.

In the Adams-Peabody contest ette union in April, 1903, when an for governorship of Colorado R. W. Morgan, state senator from the Lafayette union changing its Boulder county, alleged that the vote. Adams faction attempted to bribe him. In the investigation that followed these receipts for money conference committee of the mine given to R. W. Morgan by J. W. Best, general manager of the Northern Coal company, were produced.

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April 18, 1903.

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Two Hundred and Fifty Dol-ars. R. W. MORGAN. lars. May 12, 1903.

cigars.

ary for summer months as per special agreement. R. W. MORGAN.

**BEST & FERGUSON**, Consulting Engineers, Ferguson Building, Denver Colo.

Dollars (\$50.00), being salary for Morgan variety. In the Superior the society here) offering to pay

# HELENA, MONTANA, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 1905.

THE INAUGURATION BALL OF Colorado practically won? If the records of the Denver Citizens' Alliance could be dragged before the public the reasons why President Craig and The feast of feasts is on tonight, its former attorney, James H. The grandest feast of all; Blood, in a moment of convivial Here diamonds sparkle in the light jollity over their wine glasses boasted of the manner in which they hoodwinked the Colorado coal miners and padded the itch-When I made the statement in the fact that at a mass meeting of ing palm of their leaders with the "long green" would appear. tional convention that the North- vember, 1903, Thomas F. Hurley, If the records of the Colorado ern Coal & Coke company, and of Superior, forced him to admit Fuel & Iron company, the Victor its allies, the Denver Citizens' Al- that he had accepted bribes in the Fuel company, and the Northern Coal company's records in the and the Colorado Fuel & Iron ination for state senator by the Iron Building could be dragged before the public, as they have been in the "Morgan case," it would expose the most infamous it was not with the expectations votes of being elected national plot ever perpetrated upon the

### ROBERT RANDELL.

New York, March 13, 1905. J. H. Walsh, Helena, Montana. Dear Comrade: It may, perhaps, be of interest to some of the readers of the News to know of the very encouraging progress Morgan was secretary of the joint that is being made by the Progressive State Society. Yester operators, the strike committee day I attended a lecture by Miss The jewels you wear upon your hair and John F. Reams. He dined Grace Isabel Colbron on "The with John Mitchell'at the Citizens' Modern German Drama." It Alliance banquet in Denver, at- was an intellectual treat and the Received of J. W. Best \$150 for tended Mitchell's box party at the report of the president of the expenses on account of campaign Orpheum theater and called with progress of the last two weeks Mitchell upon Governor Peabody, was enough to satisfy the most The Northern Coal & Coke enthusiastic supporters of the socompany has for years been held ciety. This organization is al-May 4, 1903. Received of J. W. Best \$100 One Hundred Dollars, for ex-officials, a suave and foxey bunch and progressive thinkers all over of labor skinners, have openly ex- the country. A letter of enpressed their love and admiration couragement from Geo. D. Herfor that "safe and conservative ron was read and also a cheery leader, Mr. Mitchell." They have and characteristic one from Jack always been more than willing to London. Julius Hopp, president Received of J. W. Best this day meet with committees from the of the society, heard that London union and adjust grievances. has lately written a play and Even to the extent of inviting the whote to him regarding its charsituation in Northern Colorado sub-district board to conferences acter and its production by the in Denver and paying their rail- Progressive State Society. Lonway fare, \$4.50 per day and free don replied that the play was not such as the society wanted, that For such as you has blood been shed The Northern Coal company it did not deal with any social came to the conclusion years ago problems, that owing to the fact June 10, 1903. came to the conclusion years ago problems, that owing to the fact Received of J. W. Best Two that the best way to control its that he had no one to pay his ev-Hundred Dollars as advance sal- men was not by fighting them penses he had not attempted anyopenly, but by seeing to it that thing radical this time, but that No such display was ever seen the local unions were controlled some day he intended to "tackle At the crowning of a queen; by "safe, conservative men." The the real thing." The Twentiten Nor ever will be seen again Northern coal field has been for Century Club, of Boston, has sent Upon this world of sin and pain, years controlled by these "safe, a request for them to come to conservative men," and I believe Boston and give two perform-Have been offered up for sale that in every local union there ances of "An Enemy to the Peo-August 7, 1903. that in every local union there ances of "An Enemy to the Peo-Received of J. W. Best Fifty has been one or more spies of the ple" (the first play presented by

And music fills the hall.

KING ROOSEVELT THE FIRST

"Tis here champagne falls down like rain.

'Tis free to one and all;

And tho it's there they cannot see The writing on the wall. 'Tis here the useless parasite In jeweled splendor shine And gorge themselves on choicest food

And drink till drunk on wine While those whose labor did produc Both wine and jewels and hall, Oft times have scarce enough to eat, And have no wine at all.

Tis here you'll find the weakest mind 'Tis here you'll see decay, Tis here you'll find corruption In its vilest forms today; Some under stress of too much dres Some scarcely dressed at all;

And tho it's there they cannot see The writing on the wall.

law.

ing opened.

Sheridan Coal company first came

slope or tunnel driven into the

by a mule. A few little shacks

and a commissary composed the

"camp." But year by year the

mine was developed, the entries

were pushed farther and farther

into the hillsidefi a larger tipple

Were stole from those who toil By dividends on watered stocks And profits on coal oil; The lace your worthless forms disgra-You stole, yes, stole it all; But shining bright before your face The writings on the wall.

Like hungry vultures in a nest You're always wanting more, Like filthy buzzards of the west You feed upon the poor. But hark ye, worthless parasites, The time is drawing nigh When by labor you shall live Or from hunger you shall die.

The ground on which you stand, You are a wart upon the face Of this, our native land; While hungry children cry for brea And virtue trampled in the dust To satisfy your beastly lust.

Nor ever will be seen again Have been offered up for sale. That you in luxury might roll. You worthless things that have no soul A | 'iners Life 1 Wyoming

Ages ago, in what geologists | forcing you to deal at their comcall the Carboniferous era, nature missary. If the company has the formed immense coal beds in right to give or deny you the Sheridan county, Wyoming. It is privilege of applying your labor the generally accepted theory that to the natural resources of the the oil deposits of America, the earth, why has it not the right iron beds of Michigan and the to give or deny you the privilege copper veins of Montana were of spending where you want the formed when the world was wages they allow you to earn. created, kept and hid during all Then don't say it is a pity and a the ages to be discovered in these shame because little children are years of grace for the private and taken into the mines as soon as exclusive benefit of John D. they are big enough to carry a

Rockefeller. The people-prob- dinner pail to help the father pay ably also created for his benefit- the bills at the company store. allow him to appropriate such na- The greatness of this country is tural resources, the law confirms not calculated upon the intellihis title, and the people not be- gence, the happiness or well-being lieving that nature formed these of the people, but upon the wealth storehouses of wealth for the accumulated in the form of capbenefit of her children, uphold the ital.

Then don't shed hypocritical The Sheridan Coal company tears because men almost too old has appropriated the coal deposits and feeble to drag themselves in at Dietz, Wyoming, for the benefit and out the dismal caverns are of its stockholders. This com- forced through necessity to work pany owns three mines at Dietz, in these mines. It is your own two well developed and equipped fault, the fault of your criminal with modern and expensive ma- ignorance and stupidity in supchinery and a new mine just be- porting a system that compels men who have created thousands These mines, with the plants of of dollars' worth of wealth, that machinery, the 200 company has been stolen from them to houses and the coal deposits, are create capital and capitalists, to valued at hundreds of thousands labor when they are old and weak of dollars. To whom does this by the capitalists' slave drivers property of right belong? And lash-necessity.

you answer to the Sheridan Coal Here is the way the monthly company. Let us see. Come, let earnings of the miners at Dietz us reason together. When the are confiscated :

\$8.50 to \$13 per month for into existence it owned a little three or four-room shacks.

50 cents per room for electric. coal vein in the hillside, out of lights. which the mine cars were pulled

\$1.50 for doctor.

\$1.50 for coal.

50 cents for water. \$1.00 for blacksmith.

90 cents for miners' lard oil.

\$2.75 for powder.

Company store charging exerected and a company store and orbitant prices.

company houses built. This re-The company store uses a form quired capital, and who furnished of money fearfully and wonderthe capital.? The company, you fully made. Little elliptical pieces answer. Let us see. The miners of celluloid with the coat of arms were underpaid, cheated on the of the Sheridan Coal company weight of their coal, over-charged and the fictitious value stamped at the company store, and taxed thereupon is the "coin of the an exorbitant rent for their realm" in Dietz.

August, 1903, as per pecial agree R. MORGAN. ment. CREDIT:

September 10, 1903. Received of J. W. Best (\$100) One Hundred Dollars, as salary for month of September, '03 and present labor agitation for 8-hr day, etc., etc., as per agreement heretofore. R. MORGAN. Operators of America have, to a clusion that the cheapest way to burn. They have a full cast, Feast on, ye bloated barnacles. \$100.

Received of J. W. Best \$100 for expenses on account campaign on eight-hour day.

R. MORGAN. (Signed.) April 18, 1903.

May 4, 1903. Received of J. W. Best \$100 (Signed.) R. W. MORGAN.

May 4, 1903.

May 12, 1903. as salary for personal services force the Northern miners to rerendered in connection with labor situation in Northern coal field.

00-100 Dollars.

(Signed.) R. W. MORGAN. May 12, 1903.

June 19, 1903. Two Hundred 00-100 Dollars as not answered, are very pertinent advance salary for summer months as per special agreement. time.

R. MORGAN. (Signed.)

August 7, 1903. Received of J. W. Best Fifty and 00-100 Dollars (\$50.00), being salary for August, 1903, as per trict officers. Then who was it? special agreement.

R. MORGAN. (Signed.) September 10, 1903.

Reveived of J. W. Best One Hundred and oo-100 Dollars as ing to induce the local unions salary for month of Sept. '03, and one at a time to go on record as for expenses in connection with favoring a settlement, a thing they present labor agitation for 8-hr had refused to do in a body? day and etc., as per agreement heretofore.

(Signed.) R. MORGAN. \$100.

R. W. Morgan, former president of the Lafayette Miners' miners to return to work. Union and a consistent "No poli-

local union F. J. L. MacCormac, a contemptible, cringing, crawling believe the name is), editor of Haggard women thin and old lick-spittle has been a spy of the "Club Life," of San Francisco. Toll day by day to furnish gold Northern Coal company, and at has written President Hopp for To purchase remnants you display times dominated the union. for guards, cost of importing non- not know just how they were go- You think of nothing but yourself, for expenses in connection with union labor, and the coal mine ing to put on their next produc- so blind you cannot see at all

R. W. Morgan came within 182

Workers in 1902. Part of the

paid for his work in the Lafay-

impending strike was stopped by

In the strike of 1903 R. W.

One Hundred and 00-100 Dol-lars for expenses in the eight-hour agitation and strike. (Capitalism, All of which is a same R. W. Morgan being a union of that glad time when (Capitalism, All of that glad time when (Capitalism, Capitalism, Capitali leader in the Northern Colorado coal field, secretary of the joint conference committee and a co-Received of J. W. Best this day laborer with John F. Reams, to turn to work; and the very same R. W. Morgan having dined with Two Hundred and Fifty and John Mitchell at the Citizen's Al-

liance banquet in Denver, attended the theater and called upon Governor Peabody with him, these questions which I asked at Formation of a 'Workingmen's Received of J. W. Best \$200 the National convention and were -very, very pertinent at this

> Who induced John Mitchell to order the Northern Colorado min-

ers to return to work? It was not the miners or dis-

Why was the Northern miners forced to take the four (4) referendum votes.

Why was John F. Reams try-Why was John F. Reams

stopped on his way to Trinidad by Northern Coal company officials and sent back into Northern Colorado to try to influence the

Why was the Northern miners tics in unions" labor skate, was forced by John Mitchell to return elected to the state legislature on to work at a time when there was the Republican ticket by the a coal famine in Colorado, and the

Miss Maddern ( ll expenses. a descriptive article about the Upon your filthy forms today, A strike means idle mines, pay society .. Two weeks ago they did While blinded by your stolen wealth

control their employees is to buy all professional actors, whose who neece the working mule, their leaders with smiles, flattery, services are volunteered, and the with your broncho-busting president. good jobs and hard cash. Hence rehearsals are well under way. The corporation tool: interstate conferences and trade The only trouble is to select- while you feast like filthy swine agreements-hence the check off they all want to get in, which On choicest food and richest wine -hence "diamond mementoes" -- shows that the actors are eager to I sit and write these lines tonight hence Civic Federation banquets. express themselves on a stage But don't expect you'll read them right R. W. Morgan being convicted that is not dwarfed and hampered triumphant working class shall And how we should prepare for war, capitalism is no more, when a guarantee the fullest and freest expression of the individual, and He swipes the earth with his big stick science, literature, art and all life And cracks the plaster in the hall will burst into an efflorescence Beside the writing on the wall that will exceed our fondest dreams.

Fraternally yours, J. F. MABIE.

Educational Club.

Last Sunday evening the leading spirits in the labor movement In conclusion let me say in Helena organized a Working- I see some things myself today; men's club for educational purposes along the lines of political. industrial and economic science. Frank Andrews, of the Teamsters', was elected permanent president, and Carl J. Mackey, of Federal, secretary.

The object of the club is to get workingmen to study politics, economics and industrial problems from a non-partisan standpoint. The club adopted a declaration of principles, and a comnew organization. The next meet- change is due to non-support. A dividends. ing of the club will be held at the Hibernian hall, Sunday night, April 2. All workingmen are invited to attend.

"union vote" in 1902. Despite strike in Northern and Southern be elected on April 3, hands down the near future.

And straightway with a mighty lick

There's thousands in this great parad The grandest that was ever made; It almost makes one stand amazed And think of beastly Nero's days, When slaves were wrapped in sheets by night

And burnt to give that buzzard light

I see beside you and your host A grinning skull, Belshazar's ghost, I see your ruin, I see your fall, I see the writing on the wall.

JOHN BRACK

Clancy, Mont., March 5, 1905.

The New Time, of Spokane, of nature. Wash., has quit the weekly field Then don't whine when com-and hereafter will be published as pelled to breathe smoke and foul fortunate "scooper" is in debt for mittee was appointed to draft a monthly. The first monthly is- air all day. Your health is noth- his board, he again comes to his constitution and by-laws for the sue will appear in April. The ing compared to the company s

few comrades have been keeping. Then don't growl when the it going, but they finally reached company robs you; the robbings the limit. Even the Socialists ap- from your labor creates capital. pear to be a poor lot to support What, oh what would we do if and refer to them as the "dirty, publications. The "poor mouth" there were no capitalists to invest ignorant coal diggers." That reis not altogether the cause. A their capital and give us a job and minds us of something! Just be-The city Socialist ticket should change in this line must come in a boss? Then don't protest against the company practically

trial slavery.

The accumulated robshacks. The miner receives 45 cents for bings from the miners was the digging and loading a ton of coal capital used to develop the mine not mined by machinery; for and build the company store and machine mined coal the loader rehouses. ceives the magnificent sum of 19

When the company had occu- cents. This coal sells for \$7 per mulated sufficient robbings-cap- ton a few hundred miles down in ital-from its first mine, it de- Nebraska. A miner digs and loads veloped another. Now, with the on the mine cars seven tons of robbings-capital -- accumulated coal for \$3.15. The same seven from the two mines it is going 10 tons-minus thirty-three and onedevelop a third mine third per cent. off for slack-is

And to whom do these mines sold to the Nebraska farmers for belong of a right? Do they be- \$32.67. The miner receives as long to the men who developed his reward for producing this them, whose stolen earnings were \$32.67 worth of wealth, after the the capital that bought the ma- expense for his tools, powder and chinery, or the eastern stockhol.1- oil are deducted, the tail end of ers who never produced one dol- the sum-\$2.67. The Sheridan lar's worth of wealth in all their Coal company, the B. & M. raillives, and pay the mine a visit way and the coal dealers confisonce or twice a year? cate \$30. The \$30 goes to buy

You will say the Sheridan Coal palaces, automobiles, yachts, forcompany, of course. Do you eign titles and blue-blooded peliknow why you say so? It is be- greed pug-dogs; the \$2.67 pays cause you have been taught so by the rent for the miner's shack, the priests and preachers, who buys the rags his wife and chi'grow fat through your ignorance. dren wear and fills his dinner pail You have been taught so by fake full of cold grub and river water.

labor leaders, who sell you for a The mining districts of the smile from the capitalist class, for United States can be searched a petty larceny political office. over and in no states except West You have been taught so by the Virginia and Alabama are the master class whose class would loaders so poorly paid. They do be destroyed should you think, not, on an average, make their be men and revolt against indus- board and expenses. The men with families living in the con-

has been stolen from them to pany houses can not make a doyou to make dividends for your cent living. This is cold, calm masters, then don't kick when you truth! Now and then an unforare idle half the time, and do not tunate sheep herder an! cow earn enough to buy food for your puncher fills up on bad booze in children. You who believe that Sheridan, and after losing his nature formed these coal beds too stake on the roulette wheel the benefit of the Sheridan Coal wanders down to Dietz; and becompany should not complain fore he comes into full possession when denied the privilege of dig- of his mental faculties gets a job ging wealth from the storehouse "scooping" coal for 19 cents per ton in the mines. After a fev:

senses and escapes to the alfalfa field and sage brush.

It has become a habit for certain classes of people to look with scorn upon the coal miners,

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The Socialists should capture the school boards.

The committee delegated plenary power of the Helena Socialist city convention will place another school trustee in the field.

The Industrial Independent Parry's Citizens' Alliance publication, is letting a great amount of wind out of the sails of the "borers from within."

The Republicans of Butte are making a great bluff at this time they will conduct them if only the workers will vote to put them in office.

With the approach of spring the Socialists apear to be awaking all over the state, and the future year promises to be an eyeopener for the pushing of propaganda and organization.

The school elections which will be held on April 1, are of vital importance and the Socialiste should make as great an effort to get up nominees and elect them as in the city election, which fol-

# gar maker. Second ward-John Wandelt, are pledged to their interests, as optailor. Third ward-Charles Nelson.

Fourth ward-Fifth ward-D. A. Thetge. Sixth ward-Herman Luehmann, arpenter.

Seventh Ward-T. P. Hughes. For school trustee-J. H. Walsh.

We, the Socialist voters of Helena in mass convention assembled, renew our allegiance to the principles of international Socialism, and present the voters of Helena these same principles worked out in detail, to be applied to municipal rather than

to national issues, as our platform in this campaign. We believe that a working man

should get the equivolent of all that free laundries. he produces, and we demand that he should get it. As the only means of

realizing this demand, we declare the ballot box, take possession of the connection for unemployed. government and convert this land of trusts, capitalists, oppression, tyr- and employment bureau. anny, "bull-pens," child-murder,

travagant luxury for the rich, into a co-operative commonwealth. In the campaign recently closed about the city affairs, and how the two old parties stood for the same principles; there was practically city work. no difference in their platforms;

italist class.

OF THE OLD

Nothing searches more keenly lows on Monday, 3d. Workers, into the heart of a nation's civilremember your wives can vote on ization than the question of how oes together with the treatment

First ward-August Johnson, ci- the capitalist class in this city (the necessary to the education of our manufacturers, merchants, etc.) and children as text books.

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posed to the working class.

Socialist City Ticket, Plat-

form and Resolutions!

As a majorty party we would put men and women. our principles as a whole into opera- The Socialist when in office, shall tion; but as a minority party we always and everywhere, until the favor all measures of benefit to the present system of wage slavery is working class as a whole, and such utterly abolished, make the answer as will lead to the establishment of to this question his guiding rule of the co-operative commonwealth.

We therefore favor the following vance the interests of the working measures:

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP. Municipal ownership of street rail- if it does not, the Socialist party is ways, lighting plants, water works, absolutely opposed to it. ice houses, coal and wood yards, and such other industries as are necessary to the life of our citizens.

The establishment of a free city hospital.

The establishment of free bath and

The establishment of public play grounds.

The erection of a Labor Temple that the people who get only a samll as headquarters and meeting place share of what they produce (the and educational center for workers working class) should peaceably, at with lodging and boarding house in

The establishment of all useful graft, starvation for the poor and ex- works and extension of public func- against the practice of city officials tions so as to give work to the un- violating the laws of the state with employed.

LABOR.

they were both pledged to the mon- factory inspection laws, and laws for inal than those who contribute this ied interests, or as we say, the cap- the protection of women and minors. monthly fine money.

PUBLIC SCHOOL. In this campaign the two old par- The city now furnishes textbooks ent bluff of closing gambling in the ties will stand on the same platform; free to school children. It should face of a city election by men who the last alleged difference that ex- also furnish free clothing and free are holding office at the hands of isted between them has been removed meals. Proper nourishment and this gang who have repeatedly vio-

the past year; they both stand for protection from the weather are as lated their oath of office. 

animals and seasons, and his wither away!

Surely, then, the hope of Sowisdom was of more importance than the young man's ardour or cialism for old age is one of its strength. So it was in all the brightest and most humane crafts. The old blacksmith or promises. With the means of inthis matter, and it is one cf vour fares the aged workers in its builder might not be able to do so dustry within the reach of all; duties to see that all for alist midst. The treatment of children much heavy or hasty work as the with the test of mere strength

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CORNER MAIN AND 6TH 



But in advocating these measures we warn the working class against the so-called public ownership parties and of such planks in old party platforms, as an attempt of the capitalist class to get a stronger hold upon the reins of government, and thereby to increase their power to draw profits out of labor in other in-

CITIZENSHIP.

CONDEMN CITY OFFICIALS.

dustry.

We condemn the criminal prac-The establishment of a free labor tice of the present mayor and city administration in licensing the tinhorns and prostitutes and protest impunity. All of which is done through the guise of an official act Abolition of contract labor on in collecting this blood money from unfortunates, by the police, which Rigid enforcement of all labor and court becomes a more vicious crim-

And we further condemn the pres-

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SOCIALISM AND THE PLIGHT experienced in the crops and pose they should be cast aside to

votes are recorded.

unionism.

Rockefeller's Christmas preshas cut their wages 25 cents a ward. day. It is a great thing to own Here in Western civilization the press and teach lies-for a we speak eagerly of old-age pen-Sunday school teacher, too. Think sions for the workers; and no one Louis Labor.

of the old, but it is a less certain test. The preservation of children ent! The International Musician, appeals to the economic self-inat St. Louis, investigated the terest of a community as well as Associated Press report that Mr. to the self-affection of its mem-Rockefeller had given his wage bers, but the care of the old peoslaves on his New York planta- ple when done with as wealth tion a Christmas present, and earners is a burden for which found that instead of a present he there is no apparent economic re-

line.

of a man who has hundreds of who realizes the plight of poor millions cutting the wages of his old men and women to-day can house servants! But this is logical but feel that any decent pension to the capitalist system, and these would be a great social boon. But poor slaves evidently think it is do we realize that even at best a all right, and they would spurn pension is a poor make-shift for Socialism, under which each the means of comfort and happiworker would draw an income of ness, and the personal human at least \$2,000 per year .- St. service, that should be possible

Why stop now to organize the in this respect, at least, the old because they cannot keep up the boodle, like the other twelve milfarmers into unions? Why not people of our time, whatever pen- raw speed with younger men, lion voting machines we have at get him into the Socialist move- sion may be given them, will be their life is well-nigh done. There present? Will it vote the Socialist ment to start with? Preceding less well provided for than were is little more for them to do or ticket or will it vote for the presthe flourishing days of populism the old people of the working to live for. Their skill and ex- ent prosperity prostitution, big was the Farmers' Grange, but class in byegone days?

with the failure of populism the For, merely to have the means to employers, and can be put to failure of the Grange followed. So of sustenance is not to have much. with Socialism and unionism. The Merely to survive is not to live; can a mason, or blacksmith, or success of Socialism means the it is but to die slowly, however success of union principles, but humanely relieved from want of why stop to form unscientific food or shelter the period of dying unions as a basic backing for may be. It is not a human fate at scientific Socialism? The educa- all for old people just to be pro- of sustenance until such time as placing this commonwealth in the tion in the Grange showed vided for as animals as long as he will need it no longer. For front rank of those endowed by through the failure of the populist breath lingers in them. Old peoparty, that they were not scien- ple-if we are to regard them as sudden cessation of activity is wealth imposes a duty upon this and that is all Socialism does, tifically grounded. Then their human beings-need more than failure to enact laws, or imme- mere sustenance of food, clothing, diate, enthusiastic, legislative and shelter.

elections, because of the capital-In former days the bulk of the ists counts over them, turned the population dwelt in the country tables and it was necessary to do or in small towns, with the memthe educational work all over bers of their family either around looking, inane beings at 70, who, to the state and to its people and clined to waive my objections to again. The result-a hard job to them or not far away. Their old under right conditions, would be secure them its greatest basefits is the Socialistic phase of this subteach an old dog new tricks. All age brought no sudden or p.r- full of intelligence and capacity a serious problem. of this being unscientific, during ceptible change in their relation for work for ten or twenty years "I am a firm be a wonderful economic advance- with their surroundings or every- more.

ment, it passed out of existence. day duties. Old age, indeed, in-The same is true of unscientific stead of being a marked disad- not one of the most shameful tending to the centralization of of our people." Unionism cannot be vantage, was in many instances wastes of human body and soul governmental power over comscientific under the present sys- no disadvantage at all, except that modern life has familiarized mercial enterprises which should, millions more of thirty-cent capitem unless it follows Parry-Roose- from its natural deprivation of us with? To think that just at as far as possible, be left to in- talists, can see everything good in Get Our prices velt's open shop policy. Union- energy and excitement. The old the period when men have gained dividual ownership and control. 1 the competitive system and none ism, a trust, is founded the same farmer, if less vigorous and lithe most wisdom and most expertness have been a student of these sub- of its evils, while he can see all as capitalism, upon force.

younger man, but he could do and haste abolished; with the

saddler and cabinet maker were similarly of high account in their

There are still to be found in some districts old men of seventyfive and eighty years and more who are not only strong in body, but able in their occupation to do innumerable skilful and important things that none of the younger generation can do.

But in our large towns it is perience are reckoned of no value navy and big stick?

no account for themselves. What saddler, or wheelwright do in a town if he cease to find a master? Nothing at all, and for him an velopment of the gas and oil reold-age pension is simply a means sources of the state (Kansas), nothing is more certain than that the Creator with this kind of

more skilled and more difficult homes of the people spread out work. The old tailor always got into the county; and with gardthe more important garments to ens, workshops, and provision for make, and the old shoemaker the individual occupation always at special pairs of shoes. The old hand-what an opening up of new gardener was invaluable from his life to the old and the young there experience in the habits of plants will be, and what a great increase and in making cuttings and graft- of real wealth for the community. ings, and the old tanner and -London Labor Leader.

## THE VOTING MACHINE.

Clancey, March 11, 1905. To the Montana News:

Will some reader of the News kindly answer the following ques tions: Of what use would it be to have the manufactured voting machine which the late legislature was advocating? Did they pass a

law to have the machine brought into use; if so, will it have a head for the men and women of the different; and the bulk of old on it and will there be anything mental absorption of business en- ism and Karl Marx Socialism, or working class in their older men are now imprisoned there. in it? Will it be operated by years? Nay, do we consider that Once discarded from the factory steam, electricity or by booze and

> Yours for Socialism, JOHN BRACK.

sage, says: "The marvelous deslaughtered in the house of its under the name of competition.

lature has had to meet. Monopoly standpoint. ject and recommend the establish-

Governor Hoch, of Kansas, like than his son, was at least more and tenderness and care of pur- jects for years and am grounded that he thinks is bad in Socialism

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in the philosophy of the competi-hand none of the good. The walltive system in contradistinction eyed governor can see no differto the Socialistic idea of govern- ence between Rockefeller Socialterprises. The competitive sys- the co-operative commonwealth tem is essential in my judgment brand. But bleeding Kansas is to healthy industrial growth, up against the real thing and will while Socialism is a sporific which have to take a dose of Socialism would put the industrial world to whether it wants to or not. Sosleep. But while profundly im- cialism by any other name would bued with this conviction I re- be just as sweet, so that we get fuse to be blinded by a theory, the genuine article, but state Sohowever sound, or confused by cialism or capitalistic Socialism misleading terms. If an arrogant is just as abhorent and as vicious and almost omnipotent monopoly as Rockefellerism or competition. is to control in any business What the people want is colleccircle, the competitive system is tive Socialism or ownership.

JOHN B. McNAIR.

friends, for monopoly is but one P. S. While in Russia the form of Socialism masquerading autocracy and all that autocracy P. S. While in Russia the implies is based upon the ignor-"Monopoly desrtoys competition ance of the masses of downtrodden people our American au. sentence of death. An active man legislature which no former legis- considered from an industrial based upon political bigotry' and Rather, therefore, falls into dotage and second child- threatens to rob our people of the than permit the great monopolies prejudice. We deplore and pour hood. His body and his brain chief benefits of this great endow- to rob us of the vast reservoirs of out our sympathies for poor Rushood. His body and his brain chief benefits of this great endow-creep in. Many a hundred thou-ment and appropriate the profits oil which have been stored by the have more pitiful conditions at to itself. How to save this wealth Creator beneath our soil, I am inconditions are inflictedy by the "I am a firm believer in the competitive system, and entertain in our state for the preservation wrongs are united States our Is not this a pitiful fate? Is it with caution any proposition of our wealth and the protection the machinery of politics or the wrongs are self-inflicted through two old parties. J. B. M.

------A on Job Work

J. W. Hoch, in his recent mes-

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# CORRESPONDENCE

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Stevensville, Feb. 26, 1905. Dear Comrade: I wish to register a protest against what seems to me is strife between party papers and also different factions of what should be one single social party. There also seems to be an antagonism against the so-called middle class movement by the proletarians. To an oldtime Socialist this all seems like wasted energy (or hot air). have been a believer in Socialism now for more than 20 years, but it has been about two years back that it has come to my notice that there was more than one brand of Socialism. The first education I had on Socialism was in 1885 by a German Socialist. His lessons were not along the line of scientific Socialism; not the proletarian movement, nor class conscious Socialism, but it was just common, every-day Socialism that the one who runs could read. The explanation he gave me seemed to be so just that I at once became a victim of his persuasion and have been a true believer from that day. I was a young man at that time and had all the hopes of becoming a capitalist and I have had all kinds of ups and donws since that time but through thick and thin I have always been a Socialist and here is the point I wish to make-it is not the position in society which one fills so to become a believer in Socialism, case in mind is one in high standand so we will find Socialists in all walks of life and will continue to find them. So in the future of the movement when you find a man that is willing to ride and tie theft, boodle and any means far you may be sure he will do no

individual case, and to illustrate the truth I will mention several individual cases. The first was ism. There is only kind of a who will always on the truth of a who will always on the truth of a who will always on the truth of the truth Ed. Pagle, my nearest neighbor Socialist and that is a Socialist; it from both the employers and Summer Frocks to Be Fluffy on the Judith. As a man and a only one kind of a anti-Socialist the men whom he is trying to lead neighbor he was simply all right, and that is the one that wants to out of industrial slavery. He was an old-time German So- ride all the time. Now to you I enclose an article on one of cialist, but I never knew it unti! Socialists I say, lay aside your the Northern coal companies pet SURPLICED EFFECTS AHEAD. after I had been a Socialist for several years. Then the next one gether, because as yet there is not the Louisville, Lafayette, Superior I met was Charley Sanford, who many of us-only about 25,000 and Marshall local unions in the served as secretary of Miners' dues-paying members in the Northern coal field and was a Union, Neihart, for a number of United States-and I think this member of the sub-district board years, and also represented them is a true measure of our real So- for nearly a year, and am pretty in the legislature one term. cialist strength. We have all the well acquainted with Morgan Charley is certainly a prince among men and is now living down in the Bad Lands on lower on the line fence, but when those cealed in the Northern Coal com-Musselshell; and these are only that are looking for a good place pany's office. to light see several different Enclosed is 50 cents for six fair samples of men that most of Socialists are made of and as I camps labeled something like this, months' subscription to the News. said before, when us old timers "Proletarian Camp," "Middel While my finances are down to did meet, which was not very Class Camp," "S. P. Camp," "S. the bankruptcy point it is the often, we merely talked pure and L. P. Camp," they are likely to duty of every Socialist to support simple Socialism. It wasu't class jump back on the other side, for all Socialist papers he can. conscious of anything else; it was there is only one camp there and just common, every-day Social- they know just where they are

ism. Now to show the class of going to light. men that is opposed to Socialism and are the ones that want to ride at the time, I will give several cases that my memory goes back to, but I will not mention their names. First is B, a day laborer, or would have been if he had been sober long enough. He objected to Socialism solely on the grounds that he did not want to be placed in a position to be compelled to work, although he had no scruples about using the earnings for drink of Mrs. B., who made it bending her back over the wash Then there was a selftub. styled Judge S., descended from one of the blue bloods, all-round rake, loafer and dead beat; was maintained principally by the labor of a middle-aged maiden sister at the wash tub. His obmanuscript. jection to Socialism was on grounds of his deceut that it would be a disgrace for a true blue-blood to work. Of course this objection did not hold good as far as the sister was concerned. She was a woman. Another case comes in mind of one who depended entirely on the labor and management of his wife, who was a union. particularly energetic woman and at times made lots of money. But no matter how much she made the husband always managed to blow most of it in for Irink cr gambling. He objected to Socialism on the no incentative ing for \$2.75 when our men got tinue this kind of business? grounds, but the only incentative for the same work from \$3.13 to he ever developed under this sys- \$3.60 in the same state. I said tem was to ride all the time, with they practically 'scabbed' on our much as it is in the guild of his mind that makes him a fit subject of a woman. And still another men in Montana. I did say that."

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quibbling and let us work to- spies. I have been a member of work we can do to pull the ones and the other fakirs whose redown on our side that is climbing ceipts for their boodle is still con-

"Middel While my finances are down to

Yours for Revolution, ROBERT RANDELL. 4301 Bryan St.

At the office of Helena's mayor Mr. J. H. Walsh, Helena, Mon-last Wednesday night was a meeting of democrats for the purpose of arranging for holding the iam Dick, of Dietz, has sent me different primaries. The slate the issue of the "News" of went through all O. K., headed by March 1st, in which I notice you Mayor Purcell, his obedient counhave given quite a prominent cilmen and a few "blind" applace to my speech against John pointees. It was decided to hold Mitchell. ' As the News is the the primaries on the night of the sixth paper that has published it 27th, or less than one week before in full the United Mine Workers' election. That's good. That's National officers will find that it correct. That is old party polihas availed them but little to tics. The short time will be an sounces are to be a favorite summer garble and doctor the official re- excuse for no platform; don't port. What you have printed is need any. They can "point with word for word as spoken in the pride" to what they have done convention, as I practically read and condemn their opponents for my address from typewritten what has not been done. How-

ever, will Mayor Purcell, his al-There is one thing I wish to call dermen and "blind policemen your attention to, W. E. Jones, pass a resolution "pointing with of Dietz, National board member pride" to their criminal act in colin shorthand and a copy given to of Montana and come before the me, he said: "I asked Randall people of a supposed decent comwhy he did not go to Aldridge, munity asking the suffrage of the as that is where they were work- voters that they in power can con-

per day for a mere existence. He From what has been told me will receive the full product of his toil, which, according to the present day statistics, would be are two short ostrich feathers.



could be daintier than the model fitte trated. It is of all over guipure lace simply gathered from an oddly shaped yoke of fagoted ribbon. Little ruffle of ribbon edge the collar all around The sleeves are puffed and ruffled at the elbow.

#### DAINTY TRIFLES.

Byrian scarfs are very fashionable for opera hoods. Most of these scarfs are black, cream or white, with designs in gold or silver. They are handmade, and no two are alike. The simple scarf may be bought for \$12.

Now is an execlle ' time to buy handsome furs at reduc., prices. There is a month or so to wear them yet this season, and the furrier will store them through the summer months and see that they are in good condition for the first cold days of fall.

One of the novelties in jewelry is the miniature scarfpin containing the tiny portrait in oils upon porcelain of the wearer's favorite horse. For women favorite dogs and cats pose for these miniatures, which are set in a gold brooch or lace pin.

For the hair is a shell pin with jeweled chains attached which forms



#### GIRLISH WEDDING GOWN

Juliet cap. These caps are very much affected by smart women for theater Wear.

New white neck and sleeve ruching, which comes by the yard, is now polks dotted.

Very modish and stunning is the bridal gown illustrated. It is evolved from the softest kind of peau de sole, The skirt is laid in plaits at the waist and trimmed at the bottom with an exquisite piece of brussels lace. This lace is made into medallions, and in the center of each alternate one is set a bunch of orange blossoms. The bodice is shirred slightly a few inches from the shoulders and blouses in plaited

fullness over a lace girdle. A collar

and Swirly Affairs.

Buttons Are Universally Used

Pepular For Opera Hoods.

Frocks - Spring Hats Are to Be

Rather Small - Syrian Scarts Are

The summer frock will be a thing of

fuffiness and beauty with its ripples

and swirls of lace and ribbons.

Flounces are to be more used than

ever. Three tiered skirts with fitted

DEMISEASON HAT. model for gowns that do not visit the laundry

A very pretty and new belt is of dull soft gray suede leather stamped with peacock feathers in their natural col-

In the shops are found ready made founces of embroidery that come by the yard for skirt ruffles and berthas. Bodices are tight and pointed and of U. M. W. of A., said in the lecting monthly fine money from convention that "the miners at the "tin horns?" Will they in-Will they in- ture of the summer frocks. A dainty Aldridge are scabbing." This clude in that resolution that they little dimity dress is made with full he had cut out of the convention "point with pride" to their hold- skirt shirred about the waist ten inches report, although admitted in a up game of the prostitutes for a deep, with a wide hem at the feet. The letter written to the Dietz local monthly sum of blood money? bodice is shirred at the shoulders, and Will they dare to "point with about the surpliced fronts are bands of In a speech made in Dietz pride" to their criminal acts and wiss embroidery outlining a chemiwhich the local had taken down direct violation of the state law sette of tucked lawn. The sleeves are puffed to the elbow and finished with a shirred ruffle. A ribbon girdle completes the attractive little frock. Buttons are used in every conceiva-

ble place on a frock-up and down the skirt, down the back of the coat and in any becoming part of the jacket.

A demiseason hat is shown in the Under Socialism the farmer cut. It is something of a tricorne will not be working 16 to 18 hours shape, covered with heavy silk and bound with a wide piece of velvet. About the crown are massed rather large roses without foliage. Falling becomingly over the hair at the side

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tying until he has to. In looking Now, comrades of the press but few men who have impressed they put up backing Father Hagback over my acquaintances in and of the Socialist Party and of me more favorably than Comrade erty in a Socialist debate against the past twenty years I can realize the Socialist Labor Party, I have Dick. He is a genuine, pure, all comers.

with you you may be sure his mind is open to conviction on So-words, confiscated other people's

JAMES ETTIEN.

Denver, Colo., March 9, 1905.

Dear Comrade: Comrade Will-

tana:

words, confiscated other people's tempted to vent his contempt lionaire Clark, should have re- occasions the picture hat will have its shirrings. cialism. But wsen you find one labor. He objects to Socialism upon Comrade Dick at the last lieved the Mill & Smeltermen's district convention. I have met Union of that thousand dollars



GUIPUBE LACE WAIST. ccustomed place. The modified Gainsborough is the shape most approved of

Wings are to be a feature of the new

stance, a pair of wings with a rosette

Feathers are to adorn the large hats. and some of the smartest artists are mingling flowers with the feathered

Marabou is used bunched up in ai-

gret fashion. Indeed, any kind of an

upstanding arrangement of trimming is the mode, the flat effects having gone

A tulle toque made up with two silver

wings immediately in front of the little

creation and a good sized rosette of sil-

ver gauze ribbon in the center is a

Parisian fancy favors the marquise

hat, the brim turned up in a variety of

ways with the trimming massed at the

Lace is more worn than ever, espe-

Nothing in the way of a lace waist

cially the finer makes, such as alencon

smart piece of evening headgear.

fashion for this purpose.

holding them in position.

beauties.

"out."

back.

and brussels.

sleeves have a band of lace catching the

#### SLEEVE MODELS.

Sleeves are the crucial test of the up to date frock. If the sleeves are in style, much in the want of modishness is forgiven the rest of the dress. A very practical way of making over the eleeves of yesterday is to turn them upside down. The bagging fullness at the wrist is easily pushed up the arm and smartened with a deep cuff. These cuffs must be buttoned, and much of the grace and style of the lower sleeve is lost if it does not fit snugly to the arm.

Skirts are wide and many gored. twenty-one gores being not an unusual number for a skirt to possess. A new and swagger skirt is formed of alter-





nate box and side plaits. For instance, the front of the skirt will boast a box plait; then on each side will be laid three moderate sized side plaits, then a box plait, and so on around the skirt.

In wash fabrics Scotch plaids and checks are to be used. Linen lawn and dimities in the thin materials are favorites for summer frocks.

Taffeta with a soft finish and in pin stripe effects holds first place among spring silks.

The illustration shows a practical way of renovating an old sleeve to look like a new one. The upper portion of the sleeve was originally of lace, which in the new edition forms the cuff, while the fluffy wrist fullness is promoted to the top of the sleeve

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Socialist National Platform 🛸

We, the Socialist party, in convention assembled, make our appeal to the American people as the defender and preserver of the idea of liberty and self-government, in which the nation was born; as the program for intelligently and deliberately organizing the nation for only political movement standing for the program and principles by the common good of all its citizens. It is the first time that the mind which the liberty of the individual may become a fact; as the only of man has ever been directed toward the conscious organization of political organization that is democratic, and that has for its purpose the democratizing of the whole of society.

To this idea of liberty the republican and democratic parties are utterly false. They alike struggle for power to maintain and profit by an industrial system which can be preserved only by the complete overthrow of such liberties as we already have, and by the still further enslavement and degradation of labor.

Our American institutions came into the world in the name of freedom. They have been seized upon by the capitalist class as the means of rooting out the idea of freedom from among the people. Our state and national legislatures have become the mere agencies of great propertied interests. These interests control the appointments and decisions of the judges of our courts. They have come into what is practically a private ownership of all the functions and forces of government. They are using these to betray and conquer foreign and weaker peoples, in order to establish new markets for the surplus goods which the people make, but are too poor to buy. They are gradually so invading and restricting the right of suffrage as to take unawares the right of the worker to a vote or voice in public affairs. By enacting new and misinterpreting old laws, they are preparing to attack the liberty of the individual even to speak or think for himself or for the common good.

By controlling all the sources of social revenue, the possessing class is able to silence what might be the voice of protest against the passing of liberty and the coming of tyranny. It completely controls the university and public schools, the pulpit and the press, arts and literatures. By making these economically dependent upon itself, it has brought all the forms of public teaching into servile submission to its own interests.

Our political institutions are also being used as the destroyers of that individual property upon which all liberty and opportunity depend. The promise of economic independence to each man was one of the faiths in which our institutions were founded. But under the guise of defending private property, capitalism is using our political institutions to make it impossible for the vast majority of human beings to ever become possessors of private property in the means of life.

Capitalism is the enemy and destroyer of essential private property. Its development is through the legalized confiscation of all that the labor of the working class produces, above its subsistence wage. The private ownership of the means of employment grounds society in an economic slavery which renders intellectual and political tyranny inevitable.

Socialism comes so to organize industry and society that every upon which his liberty of being, thought and action depend. It comes to rescue the people from the fast increasing and successful assault of capitalism upon the liberty of the individual.

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#### As an American Socialist party, we pledge our fidelity to the principles of international Socialism, as embodied in the united thought and action of the Socialists of all nations. In the industrial development already accomplished, the interests of the world's workers are separated by no national boundaries. The condition of the most exploited and oppressed workers in the most remote places of the earth inevitably tends to drag down all the workers of the world to the same level. The tendency of the competitive wage system is to make labor's lowest condition the measure or rule of its universal

condition. Industry and finance are no longer national, but interna- forer election the embryo Cititional in both organization and results. The chief significance of zens' Alliance merchants, skim- vague thoughts of a prison pen, sume it will be in the next spenational boundaries, and of so-called patriotisms which the ruling milk lawyers and professional his heart full of despair and dead cial edition, so you may send me

of inhering forces that will soon destroy them.

Into the midst of the strain and crisis of civilization, the Socialist movement comes as the only saving or conservative force. If the world is to be saved from chaos, from universal disorder and misery, it must be by the union of the workers of all nations in the Socialist movement. The Socialist party comes with the only proposition or society.

Socialism means that all those things upon which the people in common depend shall by the people in common be owned and administered. It means that the tools of employment shall be long to their creators and users; that all production shall be for the direct use of the producers; that the making of goods for profit shall come to an end; that we shall all be workers together, and that opportunities shall be open and equal to all men.

To the end that the workers may seize every possible advantage that may strengthen them to gain complete control of the powers of government and thereby the sooner establish the co-operative commonwealth, the Socialist party pledges itself to watch and work in both the economic and the political struggle for each successive immediate interest of the working class; for shortened days of labor and increase of wages; for the insurance of the workers against accident, sickness and lack of employment; for pensions for aged and exhausted workers; for the public ownership of the means of transportation, communication and exchange; for the graduated taxation of incomes, inheritances, and of franchise and land values, the proceeds to be applied to public employment and bettering the condition

of the workers; for the equal suffrage of men and women; for the prevention of the use of the military against labor in the settlement of strikes; for the free administration of justice; for popular government, including initiative, referendum, proportional representation, and the recall of officers by their constituents; and for every gain or advantage for the workers that may be wrested from the capitalist system, and that may relieve the suffering and strengthen the hands of labor. We lay upon every man elected to any executive or legis-

lative office the first duty of striving to procure whatever is for the knew and cared nothing about workers' most immediate interest, and for whatever will lessen the the petty personal quarrel. Things economic and political powers of the capitalist and increase the like powers of the worker.

But, in so doing, we are using these remedial measures as means to the one great end of the co-operative commonwealth. Such measures of relief as we may be able to force from capitalism are but a preparation of the workers to seize the whole powers of government, in order that they may thereby lay hold of the whole system of industry, and thus come into their rightful inheritance.

To this end we pledge ourselves, as the party of the working class, to use all political power, as fast as it shall be intrusted to us by our fellow workers, both for their immediate interests and for their ultimate and complete emancipation. To this end we appeal to all the workers of America, and to all who will lend their lives to individual shall be secure in that private property in the means of life the service of the workers in their struggle to gain their own, and to all who will nobly and disinterestedly give their days and energies unto the workers' cause to cast their lot and faith with the Socialist party. Our appeal for the trust and suffrages of our fellow workers

is at once an appeal for their common good and freedom, and for the freedom and blossoming of our common humanity. In pledging ourselves, and those we represent, to be faithful to the appeal which we make, we believe that we are but preparing the soil of the economic freedom from which will spring the freedom of the whole man.

A Miners Life in Wyoming (Continued from page one)

feeling irresistibly comes over him that he is in some convict camp. Then, with his lungs full

Gardiner, March 13, 1905. Dear Comrade: There appear ed in the columns of the Livingston Post of last week's issue a statement purporting to come from one Richards, a man ostensibly employed by the Montana Coal & Coke company to settle their labor trouble.

Said statement being an account of a murderous attack made upon him Sunday night about 12 p. m. Which account was used as material mainly to cast slurs on the striking miners of Aldridge and Electric. Why any fairminded American newspaper supposedly published in the interests of the people could print such a statement is beyond the writers belief, the simple facts being that the man was shot with his own gun while the gun was wrested from him, he having drawn it on a butcher named Dor- Stop Your Cold sett during a drunken brawl starting over the killing of a dog belonging to a prominent firm of butchers.

One of the officials of the corporation being accused of the

Why a newspaper should take up and create material for sympathy for a corporation trying to run their plant by browbeating their employes into working for less than state wage scale, is answerable only by assuming they must have been paid by said corporation for so doing and trying to lay the blame upon men who are indeed coming to a rather alarming pass, when the state press will print such dirty accusations and flagrant lies in the interest of a corporation trying to starve their employes into submission for their gain.

That two for a cent sheet openly branded Dorsett as an assassin. It is my humble opinion were anybody to compare the editor of the Post and the man it brands a midnight assassin they must agree with the writer that the accused is a man, whereas

the editor of the Post is a cur of the lowest description, who has prostituted himself for a little corporation gold.

That one statement should prove to every wage-earner in Park county that the Post is controlled by corporations and they should withdraw their support from such a publication and support a paper that takes the laborers' side of the question, first, last, and all the time.

You failed to discuss the Iniof powder smoke, his stomach full tiative and Referendum in the of doctored food, his mind full of last issue of the News and I pre-



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give to capitalism to keep the workers of the world from uniting, and Sheridan, and are always hunger- down to the saloon to satisfy his to throw them against each other in the struggles of contending ing and thirsting for a pull at the natural craving for an alcholic capitalist interests for the control of the yet unexploited markets of the world, or the remaining sources of profit.

The Socialist movement, therefore, is a world movement. It humanity.

III.

The Socialist movement owes its birth and growth to that economic development or world-process which is rapidly separating a working or producing class from a possessing or capitalist class. The class that produces nothing possesses labor's fruits, and the opportunities and enjoyments these fruits afford, while the class that does the world's real work has increasing economic uncertainty, and physical and intellectual misery as its portion.

The fact that these two classes have not yet become fully conscious of their distinction from each other, the fact that the lines of the fact of the class conflict.

This class struggle is due to the private ownership of the means of employment, or the tools of production. Wherever and whenever man owned his own land and tools, and by them produced only the black, damp coal dust and powder our Carlisle-would say, "She is things which he used, economic independence was possible. But production, or the making of goods, has long ceased to be individual. The labors of scores or even thousands, enters into almost every article produced. Production is now social or collective. Practically home-not "home," but to his better break into some good, reeverything is made or done by many men-sometimes separated by shack-eats his supper-prepared spectable jail for the winter and seas or continents-working together for the same end. But this from foods doctored with all the stay there until the Johnnyco-operation in production is not for the direct use of the things made poisonous and villainous subby the workers who make them, but for the profit of the owners; and to this is due the present division of society into two distinct classes ; and from it has sprung all the miseries, inharmonies and contradictions of our civilization.

Between these two classes there can be no possible compromise or identity of interests, any more than there can be peace in the midst of war, or light in the midst of darkness. A society based upon this class division carries in itself the seeds of its own destruction. Such a society is founded in fundamental injustice. There can be no possible basis for social peace, for individual freedom, for mental and moral harmony, except in the conscious and complete triumph of the working class as the only class that has the right or power to be. IV.

The Socialist program is not a theory imposed upon society for its acceptance or rejection. It is but the interpretation of what is, sooner or later, inevitable. Capitalism is already struggling to its destruction. It is no longer competent to organize or administer the work of the world, or even to preserve itself. The captains of industry are appalled at their own inability to control or direct the rapidly socializing forces of industry. The so-called trust is but a sign and form of this developing socialization of the world's work. The universal increase of the uncertainty of employment, the universal capitalist determination to break down the unity of labor in the trades blankly at the outlines of the unions, the widespread apprehensions of impending change, reveal company houses-long rows of that the institutions of capitalist society are passing under the power shacks all built alike-until the

class of each nation is seeking to revive, is the power which these parasites who infest the town of hope he hurries with the crowd public teat, came with brass stimulant to forget his existence bands and free beer to Dietz; and be happy.

gave us the glad hand, beamed Give the coal miners shorter upon us and told us how delight- hours, well ventilated working gave us the glad hand, beamed knows of no conflicts between the workers of one nation and the ed they were for the privilege of places, pure food, good houses to workers of another. It stands for the freedom of the workers of all meeting the "intelligent coal min-live in, theaters and places of nations; and, in so standing, it makes for the full freedom of all ers of Dietz." Now, whenever we recreation and amusement where

go to Sheridan in the old clothes they can take their wives and we always wear, because we have children to pass away the evenno better, they speak to one an- ings, and drunkenness will disother as we walk along the streets appear.

Unhealthy and exhausting laand say, "Look at the dirty, ignorant coal digger; the police should bor, impure foods and evil enrid the town of such suspicious vironments cause drunkenness. It characters." It has also become a habit of drunkenness and allow the causes

well meaning people to deplore which produce drunkenness to 908, Helena, Mont. the drunkenness prevalent among remain, as it is to allow the coal miners. Causes produce re- water of a community to become ism," by Eugene V. Debs. 10 cts. division and interest may not yet be clearly drawn, does not change sults. Before we deplore results polluted and then denounce let us investigate causes. The typhoid fever by phamphlet, lecminer goes into these dark and ture and resolution. **THE EDISON** 

All miners should stay away gloomy caverns at daylight in the morning, breathes foul air full of from Dietz. As Harry Jardinesmoke, puts in ten hours of hard, on the bum; she is no good; she exacting labor, comes out at dusk is a relic of feudalism." If you weak and exhausted. He goes are unable to get work elsewhere. jump-ups come and the frost goes stances that the scheming brain off the bumpers.

of man can devise for the sake of profit; meat preserved with dan, gerous chemicals, teas and coffees poisoned to give flavor, fruit pre-

served in health-destroying acids, doctored bread, butter colored with villainous drugs. After filling up on these "food stuffs" that are slowly making a race of degenerates out of manhood, he gazes upon his ragged wife and children, sits down in his "parlor" -a luxurious room with four bare walls-listens a while to the wind whistling under the floor and up through the cracks, then loads his pipe and wanders down "town"-"town" consists of company store, company office The and "temperance hall". 'temperance hall" is an embryo saloon and gambling place where boys are taught to drink poisoned water and gamble. He gazes

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