

Mechanism of Thought

Socialists Must Study Science—Research Takes the Place of Tradition.

Dr L. E. Holmes, of Helena, has written a paper on the "Mental Mechanism," which was read before the Montana Medical Association, and which has recently appeared in the Medical Sentinel.

Briefly speaking, the paper is an analysis of the mechanism by which what is admirably spoken of as thought is produced. His first sentence gives the key to the treatment.

"Psychology must be based on mental physiology else it is a deduction from suppositions more or less false, or an induction from phenomena illy understood, generally misconstrued and often misleading."

The demonstration goes on to show that the brain functions through a division of labor among the cells forming it; that is certain cells are specialized for the purpose of receiving certain impressions, as surface appearance, flavor, language and so on. The intellect cells are set apart, and receive no direct impressions from the outside world—all comes to them second hand from the deposits of the sense cells through connection effected by nerves, or vibratory waves. Memory is an impulse wave from a sense cell to an intellect cell. This wave motion is an electrical impression of what the cell has received through the external sense.

No object as a whole has a brain cell or thought center by itself.

The thought or concept is formed by a synthesis of the impressions of parts, properties, and relations of material things. Never can we think of that by which one or more of the senses has not been impressed. Instinct is simply the impressions that, during the countless generations of evolution, through the ancestral brain, have built the present cellular structure. Genius is also an inherited cell form adapted to a certain line of work. The cells that contain the impressions for the solution of heavier problems must be of larger size and higher quality than those used in simple acts. The brighter off-spring bear these larger cell forms, and advance the race.

Thought is the wrought product of the impressions of external crude forms. Without experiencing sensation the intellect cells are unable to act. Contact with the external world is necessary in order to enable the mind to preserve its sanity. Without this contact the mind works only on its stored up impressions through automatism.

The line of argument is along that adopted by Prof. Loeb of the University of Chicago, in his epoch making work, "The Physiology of the Brain." The book placed Prof. Loeb at once as the greatest American scientist, standing with Haeckel

of Germany, in the van of modern scientific achievement. But for the laurels on his brow Prof. Loeb, received the grand bounce from the Rockefeller institution, and is now on the faculty of Science in the University of California. And why this ignominious dropping from the Baptist sanctuary? Because the analysis of the origin of thought has established forever in the minds of advanced humanity, the theory of non-vitalism, or the monistic theory of the universe, as opposed to the ancient theory of vitalism or dualism. In other words matter hears with its own causes for phenomena. This does away completely with the idea of authority, and substitutes simply investigation of material phenomena, and there is no other kind.

It is of the utmost importance that socialists familiarize themselves with the positions of modern science. As Prof. Virchow of the University of Jena said "the theory of evolution leads directly to socialism." No wonder that institutions which are the bulwark of capitalism, do not care to teach with too loud a mouth the latest deductions of science. When authority is gone, when the masses learn how they have been deceived by the ruling class through the ages, they can never more be enslaved, but will build a fair and just society on the ruins of the abortions and distortions of the past.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was the chief speaker at today's session of the annual meeting of the national child labor convention.

Mr. Gompers refuted the charge frequently made that the federation is not sincere in its opposition to child labor and acts through selfish motives. He declared the labor organizations were the first and have been the most successful advocates of laws against child labor.

Without any outside help, Mr. Gompers said, organized labor succeeded in having such laws enacted in Alabama, Tennessee, Texas and Oregon. Laws protecting women workers also have been championed by organized labor.

The labor union can have child labor legislation until it is black in the face, and as long as the capitalist class select the persons to enforce the laws, that is all the good it will do. Children are employed to do the work because the cheaper the labor, the more profits there are for the capitalist.

The destruction of the system is the only way to banish its results. This is what the socialists are voting for.

Some Things Montana Wants to Do

1. Raise a fund to help our comrades in the Russian revolution.
2. Take a number of shares in Sinclair's "Jungle."
3. Put at least twenty snares into the Kerr Co-operative Publishing Company.
4. Send in a hundred subscriptions right away for the International Socialist Review.
5. Put two organizers to work at once.
6. Get 3,000 subscribers for the Montana News.

These things all take money. It must come from somewhere, and we must furnish it. We must stand up altogether to the problem and solve it.

Senator Patterson was fined a thousand dollars by the Supreme Court of Colorado for his criticism of that prostituted body in his newspapers. Where is the "free speech" guaranteed by the American Constitution? Citizens of the United States, you are in danger if you dare oppose this government of the capitalist, by the capitalist, for the capitalist.

THE LAST WORDS OF VICTIM

Of Loveless Marriage--Barbarism in Punishment Still Reigns.

Windsor, Vt., Dec. 8.—"God help the rest of my sex who are tied to a man they do not love.

"I am a martyr to my passion to live after the dictates of my heart. If society will lay down such cruel laws as prevail, it must expect retaliation from those whom its rules grind down.

"I have no regrets. My act was the inevitable result of a being who had been made insane by suffering from which there was no relief without a desperate act. It was the act of a tortured mind. My last word is one of pity for the women who are suffering in the same way I have suffered."

If there was ever an incident of modern times that testified to the inherent barbarism of the present historic epoch, called civilization, it is the recent legal murder of Mary Rogers, and the above words in which she gave the causes of her crime.

In the first place there is not a criminalist in the world that favors capital punishment. That includes those of the greatest renown and authority, Cesare Lombroso, of the University of Milan, Enrico Ferri, Superintendent Brockway of the Elmira Reformatory, and others. The only scientific method of dealing with the criminal class is through reform measures where possible, treatment for diseased conditions where necessary, and segregation under the most cheerful and favorable conditions, where the case is hopelessly degenerate. Crime argues a diseased condition, and that the state chooses to commit murder simply shows that it is in a benighted condition of primitive savagery.

But it is the cause of the crime that appeals most intimately to every socialist—the despairing cry of a woman living in unholy union with a man whom she loathed. Any union of man and woman that is not based upon affection is a violation of physical and moral law, and should be odious and condemned in the institutions of society, for the protection of the future race if nothing else.

Thousands of men and women are today living under the conditions in which Mary Rogers lived. They exist in that living hell because of economic causes. Women marry for homes, are helpless to provide for themselves; men exert the age-long right of mastership, or a sense of responsibility holds them, while hatred sits between the two at board and fireside.

This is not to condone the woman's act. The divorce court was before her, or she might have gone away, or she may have had the criminal mind. The socialist looks on the homes that capitalism is shattering and shudders, looks to the time when no economic or conventional cause will bring its compulsion upon those who move into the sunlight of love as love points the way, and sanctifies the recognition of the state:

"When no slave of gold abideth
Twixt the breadth of sea to sea!"

"Thou shalt not kill." Except by locked exits, subway explosions, adulterated food, slums, fire-damp, fast trains, sweatshops. In short, in the regular course of trade.—Life.

A Propaganda of Mutiny

A sensation has been made among official and police circles in Europe, by a vigorous anti-military propaganda that is being carried aggressively forward by Mr. Gustave Herve and his associates. They have a weekly organ, the *Avantgarde*, and by speech, papers, and posters are urging the people in the principal garrison towns of France, and Italy to repudiate military service, and refuse to do the bidding of the gold-laced officers. Here is Herve's ringing call to the conscripts. "Refuse the rifles offered you, or take and smash them; insult you gold-laced commanders. Let us all cry out: Down with the army! Away with country! Long live internationalism!"

There is an International Military Association in full operation, and the literature is being disseminated in the inns and cafes frequented by soldiers. A contempt for military courage is proclaimed, on the ground that the state is teaching the art of murder. The

A VIOLATION OF 8-HOUR LAW

Mayor of Helena Arrested-Officers in Livingston Refuse to Prosecute.

Comrade Rees Davis has put the city of Helena on its defense through his complaint of the violation of the eight-hour law by the city authorities in connection with labor employed. The case in instance is upon the police force. Mayor Purcell is summoned to appear Dec. 20 to represent the city on a charge of misdemeanor. It is stated that if the law is held to be constitutional it will affect nearly every city and town in the state. If all unionmen had the courage of their convictions, and would undertake to see that the capitalist state kept its own laws there would be some stirring among the dry bones.

The Livingston Trades and Labor council have commenced legal protest on the same grounds, in connection with a contract to lay the cement paving of the city. This contract was let to a man by the name of Ben Hagar for the last two seasons. He has worked his men nine hours a day and some of them longer. For the past three months the trades unions of the city have been trying to have him arrested. Frank Bender, justice of the peace, refused to issue a warrant on the ground that Hagar was only working the men eight hours, the ninth has been simply overtime. Justice of the Peace Allen, after much evidence being produced, issued a warrant and County Attorney Stark on being asked to prosecute the case refused, saying that the warrant was not properly drawn up, and on his being entreated to draw one up in the proper manner refused to have anything to do with it.

The Trades and Labor Council have taken the matter up to the attorney general, and it remains to be seen whether a capitalistic government, composed of slaves cringing for a job, will make a move to see that the state laws are obeyed when it is the working class who are benefited, in opposition to the employing class. A workman is foolish to think when he votes to put men in office selected by the capitalist class that they will do anything for him.

Bender was elected on the democratic ticket, and Stark on the republican, on a platform with a labor clause, declaring for an eight hour day, but they are both agreed in opposing the unions that are trying to enforce the law.

John Kennedy of Bozeman has been sentenced to a year at Deer Lodge for breaking into a Northern Pacific freight car at Belgrade, and taking a 15 cent box of crackers—and this in the face of the gigantic railway steals that confront us of every turn. But then he and his class do not make or enforce the law, and the railways do.

soldiers are urged not to march against those who will engage in socialist demonstrations on the first of May.

In one speech Mr. Herve said, "Comrades, you are called to the military school in order to be degraded, in order to learn how you may kill your brethren!"

Enrico Ferri, the famous scientist and socialist of Italy, writes, that the people should "in no wise take part in those slaughters of the proletariat, which are shamefully common, and are passed over with impunity in our country." The papers of Europe say that "propaganda is beginning to fill the public mind with alarm."

Liebnecht, the son of the much-loved German socialist introduced a resolution into the Socialist Congress at Brennen for the issuing of a degree, to carry the propaganda even to the heart of the barracks. "In undermining the army," he said, "we shall destroy the main bulwark of capitalism."

Graft of Drink--Adulterations

Public Health Ruined for Huge Profits--Ghent Gives Public the Story.

The adulteration of milk, with its awful consequences to infants and invalids, had grown to enormous proportions all over the country before organized society began to intervene. By the beginning of 1902, twenty-six states and territories, including the District of Columbia and Porto Rico, had decided that trading-class morality under the competitive system failed to produce "the best and most rapidly improving supplies" of milk, and had enacted laws for its inspection. Yet despite these laws the adulteration still proceeds. In New York City, during 1902, of 3970 samples of milk taken from dealers for analysis 2995, or 75.44 per cent., were found to be adulterated. The arrests in the city under the inspection acts were 193 in 1899, 460 in 1900, 464 in 1901, and 722 in 1902. The different methods of the Tammany and of the Reform administration will explain some of the disparity between the figures, but even with this allowance, the general readiness to make profits by illicit sales is strikingly shown.

Well-nigh as instructive is the testimony from Ohio. The dairy and food department of that state was created in 1886. After seventeen years of inspections, arrests and prosecutions, adulterations of milk still continue. "Out of 1190 samples tested by the chemists," says the report for the year ending November 15, 1903, "about one-fourth were found to be either below the required standard in solids and butter fats, or adulterated with that base adulterant known as 'formalin' or 'formaldehyde.'"

Other food beverages are also sophisticated. A modern Madam Roland might appropriately exclaim as she sips her breakfast cup, "O, Coffee, what crimes are committed in thy name!" Even when the coffee is pure, it is in another respect rarely what it pretends to be. Our Mocha is for the most part the Brazilian peaberry, our Java a product of Bogata. In the whole bean, coffee is difficult of substitution. "All the samples of whole coffee were found to be pure," naively records the latest official food report from Connecticut, an indication that the day of too patent and vulgar frauds—of wooden nutmegs and paste coffee beans—is passing. But when the bean is ground or pulverized, adulteration is easy, and the natural consequence follows. "I renew my recommendation," writes Commissioner Blackburn of Ohio, "for all people to beware of ground coffee and to always buy from a responsible dealer. Ground coffees very frequently contain adulterants, the most common being roasted wheat hulls, bran, roasted peas, or

other similar substances." "Chicory was present in all the adulterated samples contained imitation coffee, consisting of broken lumps of a brown color made of wheat flour or middlings, and another contained pellets made of pea hulls and other ingredients." Chicory, it should be noted, was for a long time the main if not the only adulterant of coffee. It is expensive, however, and the need has arisen of mixing it with a cheaper substance. Competition, in its lauded process of furnishing the "best and most rapidly improving supplies," has thus brought about in this instance the adulteration of an adulterant.

It is in the mixture known as "coffee compounds" that the adulteration graft mounts to a crime which might well, in Mr. Kruger's phrase, "stagger humanity." Of eleven samples of these mixtures analyzed by the Pennsylvania department in 1897-98, six contained no coffee whatever, and none contained more than 25 per cent. The contents ranged from pea hulls (64 per cent in one instance) to bran and the husks of cocoa beans. The Ohio reports contain similar testimony. One interesting sample, analyzed in 1900, showed ingredients in the following percentages: Sand, 7.59; sticks, wood and husks, 2.59; whole coffee beans, 5.93; beans resembling coffee, 12.10; pods, 1.56; cracked coffee grains and foreign matter, 70.21.

Tea is more difficult of adulteration—at least by domestic handlers. Of course the thrifty and ingenious Mongolian often tries his hand at sophistication before the tea is shipped. Leaves of the wild tea plant, leaves of the cultivated plant that have withered before being picked, as well as leaves that have been used and then re-fired, have confessedly been brought here. But it is doubtful if great quantities of these have recently reached the market. The inspection at the ports is severe, and the cargoes, if declared unfit for consumption, are turned back. The investigations of the United States agricultural department some years ago revealed the presence of a good deal of inferior tea in the market, along with much that had been "touched up" with graphite to give it a proper gloss. But of adulterations in the proper sense the findings were few. Cocoa and chocolate, however, are very generally adulterated. The Connecticut report for 1902 records twelve out of thirty-eight brands as "variously adulterated," seven others being mixtures marked "compound"; while in 1903 eleven out of twenty-nine brands were found adulterated, seven others being "compounds."

—W. J. Ghent, in "Mass and Class"

Getting Ready to Shoot Strikers

Washington, Dec. 9.—Gen. A. C. Ainsworth, in his report on the militia of the United States, says that it is estimated that about 4,000,000 men would respond to repel invasion of the United States or suppress insurrection, the percentage being the same as that estimated for the preceding year.

Protected by the Dick Militia bill the government is using every means to provide against the protest of the maddened army of the unemployed and the desperate resistance against wage reduction. The mayor of Kansas City recently stated that they could force a hundred thousand men in the city to

bear arms. Workingmen, you had better get control of the army yourselves; and you can't do it by voting the tickets and programs that the capitalist class fix up for you.

Put a premium on crime and you have the big criminal. The whole system of keeping the producing class poor is a crime. The big criminal gets rich. The man who builds society's beauty and power is poor, ignorant, helpless.

Mitchell of Oregon was no worse than the system which produced him. He was the product of that system.

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THE PRESENT NEED.

The development of the Socialist movement in Montana has reached a stage where it must push forward and take a place as a political factor to be reckoned with, or drop back into an insignificant representation of the working class movement.

The point has been reached where we must proceed to grapple with the political intellects of the capitalist class or go back to a three thousand vote party.

The work that has been done in Montana during the past eight months by invading the unorganized territory as well as strengthening the organized districts has produced results very gratifying to the movement. The active work that has been done has started forces into operation that are clamoring for and demanding greater activity; and those demands for greater activity must be satisfied if we are to hold the advantages we have gained; and in satisfying these demands we start forces to work that will demand still greater activity.

The question arises, are we in a position to push ahead without incurring a risk that may result in a set-back to the movement, that it will take years to overcome?

The answer to this question is, We will be always incurring risks and questions will arise at all times that must be solved before we can advance any further.

In order to overcome all difficulties that may arise, it behooves the rank and file to prepare themselves for the fray. Let all party members ground themselves thoroughly in the fundamentals of our philosophy, and become familiar with the socialist classics.

Let all members bend their energies to perfecting the organization in order that we be prepared to grapple with all problems that have to be met by organization.

Already we have advanced further than our organization. Demands are being made, and emergencies are arising that we cannot take advantage of, owing to the incomplete form of the organization. The state of things is such that no one person can attend to the party affairs.

There should be an addition made to the state office force. Four lecturers and organizers can be easily kept in the field all the time. The office of the Montana News needs an addition to the clerical force. At the present time sixteen hours a day is required to keep the party business in shape. The state secretary has been handicapped by an old debt that has been hanging over the party for the past thirty months that has been retarding the work of organizing.

New and improved machinery has got to be added to the mechanical department of the News in order to meet present demands and those of the coming campaign.

The campaign of 1906 in Montana will be as important and stubbornly contested as the campaign of 1904 and if we are to hold the vote of 1904, if we are to hold our

place in percentage of votes cast in the nation, we must be up and doing.

Every city and county must be organized thoroughly. There is not a city or county in the state that has an organization able to deal with the situation as it should be dealt with. We have no thorough city or county organization in the state. The time for greater action has arrived. The hour has come to prepare for the crisis. Let every Local and every member consider the question thoroughly and take steps to strengthen the organization at once. Start a fund to help organize the state. More donations to the organization fund are needed more special stamps should be sold, more dues stamps sold, more members added to the organization.

The season for entertainments is here. Let every Local get up some kind of an entertainment to raise funds for the state organization. Finance is the need of the hour if we are to forge ahead.

Shall we advance or retire? The question is up to the membership of the party.

We have been receiving so many manuscripts for publication signed only by the initials of the writers that in order to protect the attitude of the paper we find that we shall have to adopt a uniform policy in regard to these. Above all things else in socialist propaganda the message that goes forth from the socialist press should be the most irrefragable and enduring. The socialist position is the apex of the pile of scientific investigation. It is the wish of the present managers that The News should voice only a correct presentation of the socialist philosophy as held by those who are recognized as knowing the most about it. Consequently, if any correspondents have ideas that are at variance with that attitude, the editor wishes it understood that the paper is not officially responsible for the same.

It is a temptation to hide responsibility behind non-committal looking initials. To this end we have adopted the following policy, that hereafter, no contributions will be published without the name of the author.

We suggest that when manuscripts are prepared for publication, the writer select a subject upon which he is well posted in regard to data, prepare the matter so it will be instructive, and then sign the article with his full name, so that all may know who is responsible for the opinions advanced.

We know, comrades, that you look to this paper, the official organ and spokesman of the party, to give forth a teaching that is reliable in regard to the historic program of the working class. The western movement must be built upon a firm foundation. We have had such shameless betrayal of the true interests of the working class in the nauseating dope that was ladled out by the western unions under the name of socialism, only to be followed by an ignominious flunk in the name of some temporary savior, whenever a crisis was at hand, that it is time western workingmen had the class struggle defined theoretically, practically and politically. The Montana News cannot hope to accomplish all this, but it can see that its utterance, at least, is not guarded from fear, and blurred from ignorance.

Socialism is not a thing to be made, it is a thing to be known.

Moreover, the party has had such an avalanche of personal rancor, and tiresome airing of tiresome and pusillanimous details through privately owned papers, wandering at their own sweet will through the labyrinth of brand new Marxes, labled to order while you wait, that already this paper has been the recipient of many expressions of relief that there was to be responsibility to the party membership for what was thrown out under the name of socialism. We wish the assistance of all socialists to aid us in accomplishing our ideal.

The old party papers are keeping quiet on the violation of the eight-hour law on public works.

OLD PARTY MACHINES AND HOW THEY OPERATE

BY ONE WHO HELPED TO OPERATE

(Continued from last week)

III. (Another Field)

More said I played my part well, Spinney said I was all right. Rose said she was ahead \$50 on the old man, as he gave her \$50 to deposit in the bank on which the check could be drawn. But I knew I was a grafter. Of course I could soothe my conscience by saying it was a "tip", such as all messengers and waiters receive.

The Machine represented a great National Party. When the slate was made not a single voter was consulted, no workingman's advice was asked, nor even an honest business man's. The Boss and his Lieutenants in a gorgeous ante-room of some hotel or saloon outlined every detail of the program. The program was submitted to the ward healers and ratified. Next day it was issued as a great party manifesto, purporting to represent the sovereign sentiment of the great rank and file of the party adherents. Has any Republican or Democratic workingman or businessman ever been consulted in the manufacture of their party platforms? Never.

The machine fixes the Chairman of the Convention. He has a list of the Committees in his pocket. The Committees have their instructions beforehand. The platform is given to the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee. The Convention runs like clock-work. The machine triumphs. The machine Press next day in large head lines proclaims that The People has Spoken.

The American Political Machine proves that the American voter is the most humbugged voter in the world. Not a Republican or Democratic voter has a voice in his party politics. What a travesty upon free Government! What a glorious political system is ours, where a few cut-throats and plotters own and operate parties, and then say The People Rule!

I was young and ambitious. I left Central City and emigrated to Golden City—one of the world's most famous cities, and the pride of the Golden West.

It was a beautiful day in Summer when I wandered up the Main street of Golden City. Again I was looking for a job. A great panic was on. Panics are "machines" used by money-mongers to "bear" the market in prices. When prices are very low, the money Kings buy up everything in sight, and when the panic is over, up goes everything except wages. The money Kings grow richer and the people grow poorer.

For three days I prowled the streets On the evening of the third day, I met Spinney of Central City.

About this time a great agitation was stirring the people of Golden City. There was a split in the Democratic machine. The minority section of the machine was threatening to reform itself and everything else. One of the great eye-sores of Golden City was its tenderloin district, and another was its famous "Barbary Coast"—a location in the "bad lands" notorious for its low dives and midnight brawls. It was a nightly occurrence to hear of a murder, a rape, a highway robbery, a doped victim, or a crime of some serious nature in the "Barbary Coast."

Owing to the panic the price of property and real estate was down to zero. Spinney, cool and calculating, and with a Shylock's eye to business, invested \$100,000 in "lodginghouse blocks" in Spanish-town—another section of the "bad lands." The minority section of the Democratic machine was ready to join hands with the Republican machine and wipe out the "eribs" and the Barbary Coast. To accomplish this meant a big fight. The ward healers of two parties saw, and dreamed of gold and office. Spinney had seven large "blocks". He did not live in Golden City. It would take a man of far greater ability than Spinney to be ward boss of the "bad lands" in Golden City. He was wise enough to know that it was more "honorable" to be boss of the Fifth in Central than to be a mere spoke in the wheel of the machine in Golden. His property was put in the hands of an agent.

I borrowed \$20 of Spinney, and proceeded to keep on hunting for a job. I struck it. I went to work on one of the Golden City dailies. The paper was endearingly spoken of as the "Ox." The Editor was an iconoclast, and generally wrote his editorials in a cellar with two drawn revolvers on his desk. Golden City was an "open town" in those days. The only profession worthy of anything was that of being a machine politician. The editor of the "Ox" was a machine man. He detailed me to do the hotel work, and when news was scarce to "make news", and the office would stand good for it, provided the copy was O. K'ed by the staff censor. In less than a month I met a machine-man of my own party. He knew Mr. More of Central City. Mr. More told him that I was "there with the goods."

Two days afterwards I was intro-

duced to Boss Burns—the ablest and most unscrupulous machine politician and wire-puller ever known to the Golden West. Personally the Boss is the most affable of men. To know him is to like him. Boss Burns has never been known to go back on a friend; but, like Shylock in the Merchant of Venice, he must have his pound of flesh.

Burns without any ceremony said "where do you live?" "I am rooming at the St. George?" "I am replied. "How many rooms are there in the St. George?" "About 300." "Do you know any other blocks down in the Third?" "Yes, I know a few "blocks" in and around Spanishtown."

"Can they be used?" said the Boss. "I think they can." "Well, good afternoon," said Burns, "Call to morrow."

The Boss handed me a card with the name of Costello on. I brought the card to Costello and Costello handed me "a hundred." Next day I saw the Boss. He had phoned to Central and found out that I could be depended on. His only answer was "Fill every 'block' in Spanishtown with Portuguese, Spanish and such tramps as are not Irish; see Costello and go to work."

I went down to the "Ox" and got fired—a man could not quit or resign in those days, because it meant a discount in drawing one's pay.

Costello was of Irish descent; and as he had a Spanish flourish to his name he was the right man in the right place. He could talk "Mexican" and so could I. I learned what I know of it from the Spinneys. Costello and I agreed upon \$7 a day to start on. It would probably cost me five a day in expenses, but I would have that much of pleasure while the game was played. I telephoned to Spinney to come at once to Golden City on a business proposition.

Spinney's home town was 200 miles away, and while I waited for his appearance I did some "tall" thinking. For a quarter of a century this same Spinney was the bad man of the bad lands. He made all his money in victimizing the women of his race, and in conducting and owning the most desirable dives in the region of crime and shame. His eldest daughter Rose was a girl of splendid education, but a life of constant contact with the most abandoned "senoritas" of the Latin race made her one of the most accomplished courtesans of her father's admirers. She had ambition for which she would sacrifice anything and everything.

How to bring such a combination over to the "Reform" machine was the question. Golden City in the days before the introduction of the Australian ballot was a hard town to operate in. Like Constantinople of old every race had its own "town". In the bad lands there were located Spanish-towns, Dagotown, "little Portugal", "Young Italy," Germantown, Irish-town, Chinatown, Jewry, Mexicana, Bohemia Row, and a host of other such districts.

Irishtown was really a misnomer. There might have been a time when a low class of Hibernians lived there but in my time it was better known as "Hobotown"—the old stamping ground of the floater, the pauper, the hobo, the tramp, the "bad ones" and the lords of the tenderloin. Hobotown crossed Spanishtown at right angles, and it was in the vicinity of the crossroads that Spinney owned his "blocks."

In this "Cosmopolis" of the nation was located every kind of a "dive" that demoralizes the human race. Here were the sharpest and most daring of all ward healers. Many of Christopher Buckley's ablest wire-pullers were bosses in this "home of the lower world."

Here resided murderers, burglars, highwaymen and criminals of every degree who posed as "secretaries" for the "madams" of Dupont and St. Mary's.

In the past it was this kind of a motley crowd that made Spinney a power in politics. This crowd was still on the side of the old machine. To me the great question was how could I entice Spinney to "break" with such a crowd. Boss Costello and I frequently talked the thing over. Other ward healers and wire-pullers talked likewise. One day we were called into the office of Boss Burns. The Boss said "This city must go for my party. Nobody ever took me for a saint, but there is a reform wave on and we must ride into office on the top of that wave. In the past we have won many victories by forming alliances with the citizens of the 'foreign quarters'."

"There was a time, boys, when we had to cater to such beasts. We could not win without them. But old 'blind Christopher' has them now, and our only chance is to be 'good' and go over to the fellows who yell 'away with the bad lands.' Crimmins and Kelly are also hollering reform. I have it, boys, we will put up a Citizen's



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STILL THEY COMBINE.

And now the Morgan syndicate has formed a combination of the Pennsylvania, Erie and Vanderbilt, and Reading railway lines. The new shares are valued at ten million. And still the little business man can't see why he is crowded out, and thinks if you'll just work harder you'll succeed. But the socialists are crazy, of course, to say that combination is annihilating competition.

NEWS SPECIAL EDITION.

The News this week comes out with a special advertising edition for the purpose of sampling Helena and vicinity. Our circulation here has never been what it should be in the home town of the party paper. We found it an easy matter to get advertising for an issue that came out in time to catch the holiday sales that begin next Monday. We have guaranteed to put the paper in every house in Helena, sixth ward, East Helena, and Broadwater. The matter will not be thrown around like circulars by careless boys for the wind to blow away, but will be taken by socialist comrades to every home for the purpose of introducing the News. We wish we had longer time so that the Locals could have had sufficient notice to enable them to order bundles. We are, however, printing 4,000 copies. Local Livingston takes 500 copies, and we can fill bundle orders to a limited extent.

The Montana News.

CLUB LECTURES.

The following are the remaining December dates for the Sunday evening lecturers at the Workers' club:

December 3, W. G. Eggleston, "Thieves of Honor."

December 10, Rev. E. Stanton Hodgins.

December 17, Associate Justice, William L. Holloway, "Some wrongs and their Remedies."

December 24, Alex Fairgrievs, President State Federation of Labor, and J. H. Calderhead.

December 31, Hon. E. D. Weed.

The first Sunday evening in January, Mrs. Hazlett will speak on "Woman and Economics" using the title of Charlotte Perkins Gilman's book.

Dr. L. E. Holmes will occupy one Sunday evening in January. His subject will be "Some of the Energies of Matter."

The meetings are thrown open for discussion after the address. The public is invited.

Comrade Alex Fairgrieve, president of the State Federation of Labor, has gone to Red Lodge, in connection with matters that have come up concerning a dual organization among the coal miners.

Crafty Clark Wants All

As Senator W. A. Clark is commencing his campaign for reelection to the United States Senate, it is time for all working men to be on the alert, for he boasts that he stands for everything good for the workers and their interest in this great commonwealth of Montana.

Now workingmen, just review this article, printed in the trust edition of the Appeal to Reason, Dec. 10, and see whose interest he is working for.

"Senator W. A. Clark of Montana, who paid \$500,000 for his seat in the senate, now answers to the call of the Rockefeller interests. The companies whose interests he carefully looks after while in Washington, are as follows:

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President and Director, Sunset Mining Company.

Director, The Trust Company of America.

President and Director, United Verd & Pac. Ry. Company.

President and Director, United Verd Copper Company.

President and Director, W. A. Clark & Bro.

Director, W. A. Clark Realty Company.

President and Director, W. A. Clark Wire Company.

President and Director, Western Lumber Company.

President and Director, Western Montana Flouring Company."

Is it strange, after knowing these things, that the workers do not know where their interests are, and vote for their own class and elect men for the State Senate and the House who will vote for a United States Senator of their own class. Working men, by this I mean those who work with their brain as well as their muscles; you will soon realize that your interests are with the Socialist party—the party of your class, and as soon as you do, you will jump into your own band wagon and boost for Socialism and our party paper, the Montana News, the only paper published in Montana which tells the truth.

—W.

Finance for organizing work is the watchword for December.

Entertainments for raising campaign funds are now in order.

Look out for the farmer propaganda leaflet that is to be issued soon from the News office.

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- \$ 1.00 Pocket Knives.....\$.70
- \$ 1.50 Pocket Knives.....\$ 1.00
- \$ 2.25 Mirror.....\$ 1.65
- \$ 1.25 Mirror.....\$.85
- \$ 3.50 Hair Brush.....\$ 1.65
- \$ 1.50 Hair Brush.....\$ 1.00
- \$24.00 Cameras.....\$18.00
- \$14.50 Cameras.....\$11.00
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We want to call especial attention to the exquisite little poem furnished by May Beals this week. It was to head one of the chapters of her new book, but obligingly turned it over to the Montana News editor.

We are able to give the comrades this week one of her realistic stories of the southern cotton mills, and the way they eat up the young child life of the world. The author writes in regard to the story, "You know Comrade Simons says in the 'American Farmer' that the poor whites of the south have been stationary since the days of George the Third. People of that class don't join the Locals in the cities. So far as I can learn the comrades have made no effort to reach the cotton mill class. Once they tried to organize them in unions, and failed, and I suppose that discouraged them."

The socialist bond of solidarity is—the injury of one is the injury of all.

Secretary Bonaparte of the navy makes the recommendation in his report that the following additions to the navy be authorized:

"Two battle ships, \$15,000,000; two scout cruisers, \$3,000,000; four destroyers, \$3,000,000; two submarines or submersibles, \$500,000; one gunboat of the Helena type; \$600,000; two river gunboats, \$200,000; total, \$23,300,000.

Thirteen new instruments of murder for the benefit of American manufacturers to insure that they may be allowed to sell the surplus product, which they have stolen from American workingmen, and for which their families are suffering, in the foreign markets of the world. As soon as a market fails capitalist production of a surplus must fail, and the capitalist, his system, and his government be involved in irretrievable ruin. Twenty-three million dollars to keep the lords of our industries afloat, with a perpetual poverty class of ten

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The old party papers are not printed for the benefit of labor hence the silence on the violation of the eight hour law.

Has your Local discussed the winter campaign?

More Locals can be organized as soon as we are ready to organize them.

Christmas Is Coming!

And we all know that there is no Christmas gift so acceptable as the one that has been made by our friends' own hands. We can give you ideas in useful and ornamental articles for both ladies and gentlemen. Laundry and Shoe Bags, Sofa Pillows and Pillow Cords, Fancy Pillow Ruffings. A full line of Stamped, Plain and Drawn Work, Linen Lunch Clothes and Centerpieces, Brown Stamped Linens, Embroidery Silks, Point Lace and Battenburg Braids and Patterns, Hardanger Cloth and Ada Canvas.

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Circulation Department

Local Chico sends down a special donation, and more subs of course.

Comrade Fabert of Stark, Mont., sends in an order for subs with promises of more.

Orders for the \$2.50 bunches of subscription cards are coming in nicely.

Five dollars worth of subs are in from Livingston, and another handful in from East Helena.

The Finn Local of Butte subscribes for a copy of the News for its reading room.

Comrade Miller of Stevensville lets us hear from him on the sub question again.

Comrade Clauson sends in a list from Helena. When Helena begins to boom you're going to see things.

No one has better things to sell than our advertisers. Go and see them first. Socialists help those that help you.

The Finn Local sends a list from Butte. The Finns in America want a change the same as they do across the rolling seas.

Comrade McDonald of Moore, Fergus county, sends in another list of six. Who said the Montana Socialist Party was asleep?

Comrade Coehn of Livingston keeps showing in subs. When Livingston gets started we can look for something to be doing.

The job work keeps the office climbing. If that press was here we wouldn't have to pay so much to our neighbor printers for help.

National committeeman ex-socialist police judge, McHugh, of Anaconda, sends in a list of six this week. Anaconda is always all right.

If any of our advertisers, or others for that matter, do not receive the paper regularly kindly notify this office at once. We are making every effort to keep our mailing list

straight, but the work with the new subs involves such constant attention that errors will creep in.

Comrade Case of Missoula sends in another list of ten. They keep right on there. They don't get a dozen or so and then quit.

C. H. Barrows of Garnett sends in his dollar, and says he is going to get to work rustling. "Dutch" is all there—the whole 280 pounds—when it comes to Socialism.

Comrade Schoenneker of Dean Local, Carbon county sends in a list of six. That western Carbon county is getting dangerous—as one capitalist said. "It's a regular hornet's nest of revolutionists."

Our old comrade S. D. Heep, dropped in from ten miles up the country to leave a subscription. He was one day ahead of the card party, but said next month he would try and strike it just right.

Bundles sent to those who want to distribute the "Max" expose of how the dear people run the party that runs the government. We have had a rare opportunity of having this glaring farce written up by one who knows about it at first hand. Just hand this to your old party worshipper friends, and see how they like the flavor.

Comrade Dr. Woolridge came down from his mountain nest this week, and left his subscription.

Dr. Woolridge is well known to older socialist readers as the author of the little book, "The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand." He was for many years one of the valiant band at Cleveland and whatever opinions individuals may have in regard to interpretations of the socialist idea, the sincere beliefs of every honest worker for freedom is entitled to respect, even in opposition. Dr. Woolridge came to Montana on a mining deal some four years ago. He is located on a property four miles out from Helena, and has a new book that he has been preparing.

Why have wrinkles? Mme. Gareau banishes them.

STATE NEWS

Have you sent your stamp to Graham Comrade yet for "The Comrade" containing Prof. Herron's address on "From Revolution to Revolution?"

Comrade Melinda Hudson writes from Dean that the Local held its meeting on December 3, with everybody in good spirits, and everybody going to help out the News. They are going to give oyster supper on New Year's to bring May Beals hear.

Comrade John Hudson, writes for two more books of stamps for Dean Local. He says they are already planning another Fishtail barbecue on June 22. That is the way to make a success of things—to get in on time. They want a good speaker, and will give a ball at night. The one they gave last year was an immense success, with a large crowd in attendance for miles around.

If any of our subscribers fail to get the paper regularly they should notify this office at once. We are making every effort to have our mailing list absolutely correct. This last week we have run across half a dozen of our advertisers who had not received the paper. If the trouble is at the postoffice, that will have to be taken up by itself.

Encouraging word comes from the Local at Norris. Comrade Comerford says the movement is in good shape, and they will increase their membership greatly in the near future. This membership is made up of miners that get down from the hills once a month, but they are a determined set, and they are lining Madison County up.

The Helena Local held a most interesting session Wednesday night December 6, in the office of the News. The final arrangements were completed for their card party, and the matter considered of taking positive measures to aid the News. A Christmas tree for the socialist little folks, in the parlors of the Workers' Club, is under discussion. The Helena Local has also planned regular Sunday afternoon study meetings, to begin in January.

These meetings will be in the nature of regular class work. Different leaders will be appointed for each session. A regular course of study will be taken up. Books

giving clear explanations of our historic industrial development, and the principles of political economy, as held by scientific thinkers today, will be used as text books, and simple and definite outlines prepared from which to work.

This is the only way in which the working class can overcome the inefficiency and ignorance into which the capitalist system has plunged them. They must overcome their environment, awake, and protest intelligently.

The local has been holding its meetings in the office of the News. The place is not at all fitted for attractive public meetings that will draw outsiders. The comrades are going to change to the Workers' Club. The rooms are free and the halls are excellent, and strangers will have an opportunity of knowing what is going on.

There are now three lady members of the Helena club. When we get time we'll organize into a woman's auxiliary.

Modern political or "scientific" socialism, has, as we have said, never set forth the complete abolition of private property as one of its aims or principles. Karl Marx, as we all know, levelled the whole of his attack upon capitalism, not on the ground that capitalism instituted or sanctioned private property, but on the ground that it deprived the workers of the property which they created, and that it yielded to the capitalist class a monopoly in the means of wealth, and so deprived the community generally of the right of wealth or property altogether.

Socialism as it is advocated politically today makes no affirmation that there shall be no private property. It declares that there shall be no robbery by one class (the capitalist class) from another class (the working class) of the wealth or property which the working class or society collectively produces: and that there shall be no monopoly by any one class of the means—land and capital—without which no wealth can be produced. —London Labor Leader.

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- Overcoats will be sold at Corresponding Cut Prices.
- Childrens Suits, age from 3 to 8, worth from \$4.50 to \$7.00, you can buy them during this special sale for..... **\$3.30**

The whole Children's and Boy's Department will be cut to force the goods out.

\$1.75 Underwear, Cooper spring needle, special sale price..... **\$1.40**

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National News

Stacy A. Cochran, Brookings, S. D., has been elected a member of the National Committee.

George E. Bigelow: December 10, Ferny, S. D.; 11-12, Doland; 13-14, Frankfort; 15-16, Clark.

A branch of Italian Social-Democrats is being organized in Kenosha, and a Finnish branch has been organized in Racine.

John Collins: December 10, Connersville, Ind; 11, Enroute; 12, Nabb; 13, Louisville, Ky; 14, Enroute; 15, Washington, Ind; 16, Raglesville.

Winfield S. Gaylord. December 10, Enroute; 11, Atlanta Ga; 12, Buchanan; 13, Rome, 14, Chattanooga, Tenn; 15, Knoxville; 16, Rockwood.

George H. Goebel, December, 10, Olean, N. Y.; 11, Enroute; 12, Port Allegany, Pa; 13, Austin; 14, Williamsport; 15, Shamokin; 16, Reading; 17, Allentown.

M. W. Wilkins: Under the direction of the State Committee: December 10, enroute; 11, Union, Me; 12, South Hope; 13, Camden; 14, Augusta; 15, Gardiner; 16, Livermore Falls.

Suring Local, one of the new locals just organized by State Organizer Thompson, in the agricultural districts of Wisconsin, has accepted a number of new members, and is still in a growing condition.

Comrade Alexander Halonen, assisted by Comrade Boman of Milwaukee, has been holding meetings among the Finns of Superior. His meetings have been very successful and well attended, and the result will be many new members in the Superior Finnish branch.

Comrade Benrens and Hoehn, National Committeemen for Missouri, recommend that an appeal for contributions be issued to all socialist locals and ward clubs for the "Russian Revolutionary Fund." The same has been referred for consideration to the National Executive Committee. Vote to close December 8.

Teofilo Petriello, (Italian Organizer) of Cleveland, Ohio, and editor of "Avanti," will begin a lecture tour about the first week in January. Applications for dates for Comrade Petriella are now on file, from Ash-tabula, Ohio; Dalzell, Staunton, Joliet, Glen Carbon and Chicago, Ill.; St. Louis, Mo.; Laurium and Calumet, Mich; Applications are solicited from Locals in the above territory.

In keeping with the action of the National Executive Committee at its meetings held October 26-27, and in conformity with the constitution, a call has been issued for nominations for the election of a National Executive Committee composed of seven members and a National Secretary. Nominations will close December 22. Declinations will close January 1. The election will take place January 1, to January 22, closing the latter date.

The present special session of the Wisconsin legislature, although confined to a consideration of the primary and election laws, will at any rate give our Social-Democratic assemblymen and senator a chance to put up a fight against the usurpation of power by Mayor Rose in regard to the election inspectors. We have before reported the mayor's high-handed procedure in refusing to appoint Social-Democratic inspectors and election clerks in those wards and precincts where we were entitled to them. Our Social-Democratic members of the legislature will fight for such amendments of the election laws as will leave the

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Leave 12:26 p. m.	Summit	Arrive 12:25 p. m.	
Leave 12:55 p. m.	Lennepe	Arrive 11:40 a. m.	
Leave 1:25 p. m.	Martinsdale	Arrive 11:10 a. m.	
Leave 2:00 p. m.	Twodot	Arrive 10:35 a. m.	
Leave 2:40 p. m.	Harlowtown	Arrive 9:57 a. m.	
Leave 4:00 p. m.	Garneil	Arrive 8:35 a. m.	
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mayor no loophole of escape from doing his duty to us.

Henry L. Slabodin, of New York, one of the ablest and most experienced of the American comrades, has issued a most suggestive letter on the amendments to the national constitution on being voted on, referring to the election of the National Executive Committee and the National Secretary by the referendum instead of by the National Committee, as is done at present. He states very truly that what our party wants is pure democratic control combined with the greatest efficiency. He thinks this can be better attained by leaving the choice to the National Committees who have better opportunities to be posted on the abilities of different persons than the membership at large, and that moreover the referendum over the National Committee is always in the hands of the total membership.

Trouble is in store for the aldermen and other city officials in Racine. The Chicago & Milwaukee Electric Railway company recently opened a spur between Waukegan and Kenosha, and invited the city officials to attend the opening. With the invitation was given a ticket entitling each official to free transportation. The acceptance of these tickets, it appears, was a violation of the anti-pass law in Wisconsin, and the penalty for the offense is from one to five years in prison or a fine of two hundred dollars to one thousand dollars. "But mark the reason for which I take this lamentable tale I tell." The Social-Democratic aldermen of Racine refused the tickets which their colleagues accepted. A little thing in itself, but it is just these

little acts of honesty and independence towards the corporations, which are giving the people trust and confidence in the Social-Democrats.

The garbage plant in Milwaukee is municipally owned, but under the rule of the Democratic machine is run at heavy expense to the city. Alderman Heath (Social-Democrat) therefore proposed a resolution in the city council for investigation of the modern methods of garbage disposal. A committee of aldermen including one Social-Democrat, was accordingly sent to Chicago to examine various plans for extracting grease and using the residue for fertilizers. Numerous systems were brought to the committee's notice, some entirely new, and the wisdom of the inquiry was made evident. Whether these waste saving methods will be adopted, is however doubtful—until the Social-Democrats get control of the city government.

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Lake Como Local of Socialist Party has obtained a Charter from the State Committee and is now ready to receive applications for membership from any farmer or wage worker in Ravalli county. For further information writhe to the address—Lake Como Local, Como, Montana.

The Competitive System

The millions in the social mass Religious freedom grant. Before the law there is no class—The rest is merely cast. For lad and lass do surely die: There is no social stay: None listen to the lonely cry, And both must make their way.

The men fight for the bread to eat. The woman for the man. Unaided they must hold their feet. Or else be also-ran. The also-rans sink into earth: In legions they are slain: The human family keeps its mirth. And smother's back its pain.

The social compact sets men's hands Against their brother's throats And competitions grim demands Are shrilled in tragic notes. The social unit strives for breath Against the racial field With hand and brain he faces death: These are his sword and shield.

And when he enters on the scene He finds the odds are vast. Great wealth have some on which to lean. The holdings of the past. And he may be son to kings, Or but a scullions' brat. The fight is fought with what he brings. And that's a Fiat flat.

Be weakling or be man of power. Be woman or be child. The world down to your final hour Is on your shoulders piled. Misfortune wins but scanty ruth—Exemptions none at all: And you must meet the blow, in truth. Alone or lonely fall.

And those who by ancestral sin Are suckled in the mire Are free a higher plane to win Or in the muck expire. Submerged by want or ignorance The lower myriad groan The middle work, the upper dance. And yield them but a stone.

A cruel law blinds every man, of high or low degree. To wrest the bread from all he can, although they starving be, Might make the winners in the game; the weak are trodden on: Man fights with man for gold and fame, and comes not yet the dawn. —J. W. S.

Consumer and small business man are pinning their hopes of economic solution to the rate convention. They expect the big bosses of Montana politics to make laws against themselves. Exploitation of the public is here because the capitalist system is here. Business is run for profits, and the profits will win out. The only way to change it is to change the system, but that would be a revolution.

Irish to the Front

To one who has seen the light that Socialism throws on the system under which the human race live at present, it seems strange that men cannot see the road to freedom. I have worked with men from every clime, men who because of the oppressions in their native land, had come to what they thought was a land of freedom.

Those men are fearless and willing to bear their breasts to the sword for a sentiment. Yet I have seen them cringe like whipped curs, when the tool of the corporation, the slave driver of the system appeared; yes, even the men who came from that land that for hundreds of years resisted the most powerful nation in Europe; men who will answer an insult with a blow; men of whom the poet writes: He seeks no safety from his post, Where'er it be in danger's van, And if the field of fame he lost, It won't be an Irishman.

I hope the time will come when the men of the land of my forefathers, will with their comrade workers of the world join hands, in the grand march of humanity to freedom.

My hope is, those men will see that this cursed system can be changed by their votes to one that will make them stand up as men. So that they will not have to cringe

to any superintendent, foreman, or shift-boss, or any other Legree of the system of white slavery. This system debases men and destroys self respect, and they become good material to make slaves of. We ask ourselves the same question our loved Bobbie Burns asked.

If I'm designed yon lordling's slave By nature's law designed, Why was an independent wish E'er planted in my mind?

If not, why am I subject to His cruelty and scorn? Or why has man the will and power To make his fellow mourn?

J. J. C.

Upton Sinclair is preparing his great socialist novel, "The Jungle" which first appeared in the Appeal to Reason. Every socialist should try and get as many copies into the hands of the non-socialists as possible. This novel shows as nothing else written in America has ever done the barbarous conditions under which the toilers produce the things we have to have. It is an expose of Packingtown, the South Chicago hell.

Sinclair has achieved by his wonderful genius a commanding place in American literature, even among bourgeois critics. Although a dozen copies of each of his books are carried in the large city libraries such is the demand for them that special requests must be made in order to get them. Notwithstanding this immense popularity not a capitalist firm would put out the "Jungle," because it is ringing with the class struggle and socialism. Sinclair has been obliged to make arrangements to publish it himself. He is a socialist vibrating from head to foot with the revolutionary protest. The reading of his book will make the indifferent and the ignorant see the justice of our cause. Send the struggle along, Comrades.

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Mont.

Workers Educational Club.

The Workers Educational Club is an organization of workmen and women that has its home on the second floor of the Electric Building, cor. Sixth and Park Avenues. The club rooms are handsomely fitted up, and are composed of parlors, reading room, lodge halls, kitchen, with all modern conveniences. It is the purpose of the members to have a place for rest and recreation where leisure hours may be passed with profit. There is a great library and additions of the best economic and historical works are being added to it constantly. The reading table is supplied with all the latest and best periodicals.

Sunday night lectures are given by the ablest speakers in the city, and arrangements are being made to bring in outside talent. Classes in Economic study are being formed for Sunday afternoons. Once a month, or oftener, some social occasion is prepared, as a dance, card party, oyster supper.

The public is invited to all these. Membership is 50 cents a month which gives one the entrance to all the privileges. The remainder of the morning lectures for December are as follows: Dec. 17, Associate Justice Wm. L. Holloway, "Some Wrongs and Their Remedies." Dec. 24, Alex. Fairgrievs and J. H. Calderhead; Dec. 31, Hon. E. D. Weed.

All workers are urged to take advantage of this opportunity for social diversion and instruction.

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LABOR NEWS

New York, Dec. 8.—Ten thousand structural iron workers in this city this afternoon were informed by the Employers' association that the open shop had been introduced officially. Their pay envelopes contained a circular announcing that henceforth all applicants for employment must go to the employer's bureau in East Fourteenth street and register.

Members of the Iron league said today that they were justified in taking this action, as the employes had violated the arbitration agreement by striking on all Post and McCord contracts. President Ryan of the International Bridge and Structural Iron Workers gave as his reason for the strike that Post and McCord are associated in a business way with the American Bridge company, which is accused of employing 25 non-union men at McKeesport, Pa. This was denied by William McCord, senior member of the firm in question.

Union power fails before the vast army of the unemployed. Vote to own the works and destroy the boss system.

Cigar Makers Union No. 77 of Minneapolis, Minnesota, sends the following communication:

To all Trades and Labor Unions—Cigar Makers Union No. 77, of Minneapolis, on April 8th, 1903, went on strike against the open shop of the Hooker Mfg. Co., and after 60 days we were successful in bringing the Hooker Co. together in a conference which was of little consequence. In 30 days thereafter we again met and after making a contract which was carefully drawn, and of which we were unable, as men of honor, to violate. But such was not the case with the Hooker firm. Practically every portion of which they violated as we were following a conservative course owing in a large measure to trade conditions throughout this territory, and believing that in a short time the general conditions would improve, that we may again appeal to our sister unions for their moral support.

We are forced to at this time to appeal to your organization to refrain purchasing any of the products of the Hooker Cigar Co., and to appoint a committee of your organization to act as a committee of the whole, to visit the dealers of your city and prevail on them to discontinue purchasing of the La Vianda, H. B. (Hoosier Bard) and The Smile, as they are made under the open shop system and cheap female labor. The firm are also active members of the Citizen's Alliance, which organization is at this time opposing in this city the Typographical Union, as well as all organizations of labor for just conditions. Again appealing to you for your moral support and trusting that our request will be acted upon with a true spirit of Unionism, which we are struggling to maintain, we are

Respectfully and Fraternaly yours,
Executive Committee of Union 77

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To meet this want the Co-operative Broom Manufacturing company was organized a few months ago. It is backed by the labor organizations of the state; it is officered by men well known in labor circles; and the factory is operated by men who stand at the head of the list when it comes to the manufacture of the sweeping article.

The company's plant is in steady operation at Helena, and it is turning out A1 brooms that satisfy the people who are using them. In variety the factory is making every grade from the coarsest utility broom to the most delicate broom—delicate enough to sweep the cobwebs out of your throat, if need be. The plant's output is not as large as that of the great factories of the east—yet. But the business will grow; it is growing, week by week; and the time ought to come when all Montana will be using this Montana product. It is a good thing to patronize a home industry.

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SOCIALIST MEETINGS

A series of Helena meetings, similar to those that were held in Great Falls is contemplated for the holiday season. It is proposed to rent and seat a store building on Main street. This would enable us to catch the crowd that always throngs this thoroughfare at night. Five or six evenings would be engaged, and, if possible, several speakers be on hand. Books would be on sale, good music furnished, applications for membership taken, and the Montana News boomed. In other words we should defy the Amalgamated Tiger in his lair.

The December number of "The Square Deal," the organ of the Citizen's Industrial Association of America, is at hand. It is the mouthpiece of organized employers against organized labor. Its editor is no doubt ashamed of his job for his name does not appear. Its prattle of the loving harmony between employer and laborer at the St. Louis convention is disgusting. It boasts of the array of intellectual talent that is at the service of the capitalist class position. Workers by such hypnotising of public opinion are your chains riveted.

Elbert Hubbard's paper is reproduced. Yet this fellow pretends to love freedom.

SOCIALIST SOCIAL

A SUCCESS

The card party given by the Helena Local last Thursday evening was one of the most enjoyable occasions in the history of the Socialist Party in this city. The pleasant rooms of the Workers' Club were filled with a happy throng of over 90 people. Twelve card tables were in use, and a deeply interesting whist game was in progress till eleven o'clock. Other guests were engaged in entertaining chat, and music from the piano and Dr. Willit's handsome phonograph enlivened the occasion. The three great socialist phonographic speeches of Mills, Wilshire, and Wanhope were also on hand, and were much admired. At the close of the game a sumptuous lunch was served by the ladies of the socialist and Workers' clubs. The spread consisted of coffee, sandwiches, cheese, pickles, cake and other good things. The report is not in yet but a goodly sum was netted for the socialist movement. Especial thanks are due to the ladies of the Educational Club, and the Club as a whole for their whole-hearted assistance and co-operation. It is intended to hold such occasion once a month.

The Vanguard, the bright little socialist monthly, published at Milwaukee bears this bugle call on its cover:

Women's Clubs

Woman has had a name throughout the ages of being inferior. I once heard a university professor say that the difference between her mind and man's was simply a matter of ozone. Woman's restricted dress, her well-nigh perpetual life hemmed in by four walls has deprived her of the freedom of outdoor life that has been the lot of her brother. More air means more ozone, and more ozone means richer blood, a better supply of nourishment to the brain, and a finer organism as the result.

Every living tissue grows by use and exercise. In order that a brain may work well and bring forth good results, it must also have exercise. Women who busy themselves merely with a monotonous round of duties, and never put any time into using the powers of the mind, never develop any intellectual strength.

The cells of the brain do not develop, and it should not be a matter of wonder that such women do not develop judgement, that they cannot grapple with problems of life that come before them, that they are lacking in power of decision. The same may be said of the working man. It is the curse capitalism places upon the weary round of limited experiences.

If for no other reason the socialist club should be a boon to every woman that realizes something of what she has missed in life. It is an opportunity that no other club, lodge, or social organization presents—and this for the simple reason that the study from the first is on a firm scientific basis that enables one to see clearly the reasons of things. One's eyes are opened at once. She stands on the firm basis of facts, and not silly shadows. She no longer follows conventional interpretations without knowing why. She sees into things. She gains confidence. She becomes a woman with a purpose in life. Such is the power of socialism. It awakens, regenerates, inspires. Comrade sisters, we have something to live for. There is no duty on earth that is greater than this.

The socialist women of Livingston are arranging for a fair, for the benefit of the Montana Socialist party. They are already at work making articles that are to be sold. I. C. H.

DEATH OF MRS. REESE DAVIS.

We are sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Reese Davis. Mrs. Davis expired suddenly during the afternoon of Saturday' December 9, while her husband was absent. Comrade and Mrs. Davis had been married for upward of 35 years and our sympathy goes out to our comrade in his sorrow. The funeral was attended by many friends and the Helena Local was represented by many comrades. The floral display was indicative of the esteem in which our comrade is held.

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THE DINNER for your family or guests on Christmas day should be worthy of so great a festival. If you purchase all your **GROCERIES** at this

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Candies, Nuts, Dates, Figs, Layer Raisins and Fancy Fruits Galore.

We make a specialty of selling Candies and nuts for church Xmas trees.
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 In ten lb lots per lb.....12c
 Honey Comb Candy, this is Candy that will please you, per lb.....20c
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 Raspberry Drops, delicious, per lb..25c
 Chocolate Foam, a whole lot in a lb, per lb.....25c
 Stick Candy, put up in boxes, each 10c
 Molasses Nugget, melts in your mouth, per lb.....25c
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Dates, put up in boxes, the finest in the world, per box.....30c
 Mt. Whitney Brand Cal. Figs, 2 pkg. 25c
 Imported Figs, put up in baskets, @ 25c
 Smyrna Figs, the finest imported Figs, per lb.....25c
 1 lb boxes finest Spanish Malaga Raisins, for the table, per box.....30c
 London Layer Raisins, per lb.....20c
 London Layer Raisins, 5 lb. box.....75c
 Finest seeded Raisins, 2 pkg.....25c
 English Cleaned Currants, 2 pkg.....25c
 3 lb White Cooking Figs.....25c

NUTS

Mix Nuts and lots of them, 3lb for 50c
 English Walnuts or Almonds, straight, per lb.....20c
 Peanuts, fresh roasted, 2 lb for...25c
 Brazil, Hazil or Pecan Nuts, 2 lb..35c

We have a large supply of the finest apples the market affords, Jonathan, Red McIntosh, Spitzenberg, Yellow Newton, Pipin, Alexander and several other varieties

Don't fail to make your Xmas bread with White Foam Flour. It is easy to ask for White Star Coffee.

We will Pay Freight on all Groceries to the amount of \$20.00 or more to any Point within a Radius of Twenty Miles.

Our Bourgeois

BY MAY BEALS.

The slave in his gilded treadmill trod
 And fancied himself a lord,
 Because he had underlings, fifty score,
 Who waited upon his word.
 And I spoke to him of Art and Song,
 And of Freedom's heartsome pray,
 And he said, "that sounds all right enough.
 But tell me does it pay?"
 The colorless ladies sat in a row,
 They were gowned in the latest style,
 Each was comme il faut from her dainty toe
 To her ultra-exclusive smile.
 And I spoke to them of a wondrous gem,
 Called Truth, whose praise men sing;
 And they listened and said when I had done,
 "How charming! but is it the thing?"

State Headquarters

Local Chestnut orders one campaign coupon book.
 Local Maiden sends for one hundred Weeks leaflets, and Great Falls wants one thousand.
 Local Chico is giving a dance and oyster supper New Years night, proceeds to go to help to carry on the Farmers Campaign.
 Local Livingston is to give a social December 30, to help finance the winter campaign.
 Ballots for the election of National Committeeman have been sent all local secretaries. No members are entitled to vote unless their dues are paid for October, unless exempted from paying dues by the local.
 Demands for speakers are coming in from all parts of the state. We are unable to fill the dates as the funds in the treasury are not large enough to warrant us putting on a corp of speakers. However, we are in hopes of having three speakers in the field during January and if the donations to the special organizing fund continue to come in as they have been doing. We will be in shape to carry on an aggressive campaign. Every Local should discuss the question of raising funds for the winter campaign and take whatever steps are necessary to help swell the fund. One hundred dollars should be raised by New Year's in order to give the campaign of 1906 a good start.
 Six thousand Weeks leaflets are still on hand. Have your Local get a supply and put the literature committee to work. A few more of Mills "Struggle for Existence" to be disposed of at \$2, regular price \$2.50.

JAS. D. GRAHAM,
 State Secretary.

HOLIDAY REMEMBRANCES

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Community Silverware, with factory's 25 year guarantee.

Decorated Parlor Lamps, with round wicks, from.....\$3.50 up
 42-Piece Dinner Set, Decorated Semi-Porcelain..... \$2.85
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Boy's Seamless lace shoes, solid leather all through, now... **\$1.19**
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Men's Canvas leggings, now... **35c**

CHILD'S \$1.00 SHOE 75c

Childs and Misses Kid lace Shoe, sizes up to 2, always a bargain at \$1.00, special now... **75c**
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Ladies Fine Vici Kid lace shoes, light or Extension soles in lace Button or Blucher style, all sizes, now... **\$1.95**
LADIES' \$2.00 SHOES \$1.19
Ladies Dongola Kid Lace Shoes, Patent tip, \$2.00 value... **\$1.19**
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Ladies' Tailormade Dress Suits made from Herringbone cheviot and unfinished etamine; the coat is neatly made with tailored seams, and full skirt; skirt very wide made to match coat; very full sleeves; colors navy & black; \$27.50 value... **\$16.40**

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Suitable for all uses, made of Flannel, Sateen, Plaids and Novelties with good full sleeves, good fitting garments, 34 to 40, \$1.50 value... **68c**

\$4.50 Walking Skirts \$3.00

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Baby's Wool Sacques

In three styles of Columbia yarn; the garment is white trimmed in pink or blue; former price 40c, 60c, 80c; now at this special sale only 52c, 47c and... **23c**

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Sweeping Cut in Prices in Fancy China and Crockery.

Hand painted china chocolate and Berry sets, very pretty for Christmas Gifts, see them in our Main street Window.
BIG SAVINGS ON SMALL THINGS IN OUR BASEMENT SALESROOM.
15c large Oat, Meal bowls, now... 6c
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Men's Suit Go at Less than Cost

Children's Togs lower than ever. Furnishings at prices that are astonishing the Bargain Seekers all over the State—for instance—

Mens Working Gloves, made of good stout mule skin, 50c kind now... **25c**
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ENGLISH CORDUROY
Best quality English Corduroy in tan, white, mode, light blue, navy, cardinal, brown, black, olive green myrtle green, slate; your choice in this Dissolution Sale at... **69c**

Thousands of yards of Outing Flannels, the greatest bargain of the age; worthy Outing Flannels, fleeced on both sides, stripes, checks and plaids, in light and dark colors, 7 1/2c and 7 3/4c values the world over, now only... **3 1/2c**
Thousands of yards of best Fancy Dress Prints, in a hundred different designs, patterns and colorings 7 1/2c and 8 1/4c kind everywhere; now only... **3 1/2c**
5000 yards best Cotton Challies, 26 inches wide, in a large and varied assortment of designs and colorings; would be cheap at 8 1/2c; now... **3 1/2c**
500 Pillow tops at each... **5c**

\$1.25 BLACK SERGE 72c
Black Fine Twill Serge, 45 inches wide, a grand value at \$1.25 now only... **72c**
75c BLEACHED DAMASK 38c
1000 yards Bleached Table Damask, it's the best quality Belfast Bleached Satin Damask, 62 in. wide, 75c value, now... **38c**
GRAND BARGAINS IN STAMPED DOYLLES, TRAY CLOTHS & CENTER PIECES.
Size 7x7 inches for... 1 1/2c
Size 9x9 inches for... 2c
Size 12x12 inches for... 3c
Size 15x15 inches for... 4c
Size 21x21 inches for... 5c
Size 24x24 inches for... 7 1/2c

MILLINERY

\$2.00 to \$4.00 Hats at 98c

Ladies' Dress and Walking Hats, made from scratch felt, silk, velvet, with neat trimming effects of birds, feathers, aligrettes, velvet and ornaments, all popular shapes. Your choice... **98c**

\$1.00 to \$2.50 Hats at 48c

Ladies' Street Hats, in all the new shapes and colors, a splendid assortment to select from, come in all the nobby shapes in salons and ready-to-wear styles. Your choice now... **48c**

Untrimmed Felt Frames, Felt Walking Hats, Fur Felt frames of all styles, values up to \$2.00 for quick selling now... **10c**

IN THAT GREAT TOY SECTION OF OURS

You'll find all the Toys and Dolls others have and many more and we have them conveniently arranged so that you can get around and find just what you want in about one-quarter of the time it would take elsewhere and the prices in every instance are far lower than elsewhere. For we show in that Big Third Floor the ultimate results of 12 months of planning and of preparation to make "Santa Claus' Headquarters" more than ever a place all Montana's children and their parents will delight to visit at this time. We mention here a few of the New Creations, such as Automobiles, Stables, Grocery Stores, Butcher Shops, Complete Kitchens, Warehouses, Doll Houses, Theaters, Fortresses, then that new creation Die Camera Polyopticon, the new Magic Lantern that shows any kind of picture, Printing Presses of all kinds, several different kinds of Loop-the-Loop.

MECHANICAL TOYS OF EVERY CONCEIVABLE IDEA

Steam Engines and attachments to no end, Stoves with Cooking Utensils and Heaters that the Little Ones Can Cook on Like Mamma's Stoves, and Humpty-Dumpty Circuses in Seven Varieties, Celluloid Dolls and Doll Heads, Folding Go-Carts, Typewriters, Unbreakable Tea Sets, Complete Doll Outfits, All the New Games from anywhere are here, and what's more all the Old Favorites. Tool Chests, Dolls, Sleeping Dolls, Rubber Dolls, Stuffed Animals, Wagons, Sleighs, and thousands of others that you naturally would look for at the Busy Corner as nowhere else, and so much lower in price than elsewhere, so come and bring the little ones with you.

Drugs and Stationery

Kirk's Oatmeal, Bay Rum, Cold Cream, or Glycerine Soap, regular 10c quality... **5c**
Madame Ruperts' Face Bleach, per bottle... **\$1.50**
Compound Cathartic Pills 25 for... **5c**
Castoria, 35c bottle for... **25c**
Danderine, 50c bottle for... **36c**
Hoods Sarsaparilla, \$1 bottle for... **73c**
Davidson's Rubber Nipples, 2 for... **5c**
Swan Down Faces Powder, box... **15c**
Box Paper, 50c quality... **20c**
Pure Glycerine, 4 oz. bottle for... **10c**

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