LET'S MAKE THIS NEW YEAR A "DO" YEAR

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WANTED--$1,000 Right Away

Comrades, shall we drift this year or shall we steer straight for
the Socialist Republic? Shall we fit out our Socialist Party craft,
which is to take us there, with the best of equipment so that we may
make the trip with speed, or shall we attempt the trip with a short
crew, a leaking hull, and without compass?

It's for you to say, Locals of our party. Shall 1917 be a "work
year" for all of us? Shall it be a year of "I don't care" or a year of
do and dare?"

The state office must have $1,000. If the state office is to be of any
good to the state party, $1,000 is needed quick to begin the extreme-

tely necessary work of organization.

There are at least 30,000 Social-

ists in this state who are not dues
paying members of our party. That's just 30,000 too many out-
side the fold. We want to plan a

campaign that will land some thou-
sands of these squarely into our
dues paying ranks. And locals al-
ready organized must receive en-
couragement and help, so that they
stay organized.

To do these things we must place state organizers in the field. To
place state organizers in the field
money is needed. Give the state
office $1,000 and we'll work won-
ders.

Local Cleveland says: "Here's $50."

Local Cleveland no more than
heard of the plan of the State Ex-
egutive Committee to call for a
$1,000 Organization Fund, than it
right up and says: "Here's a little
start." Read this—

Dear Comrade State Secretary:

Here's a check for $50.00, donat-
ed by the Central Committee of Lo-
cal Cleveland, to head the state or-
ganization fund.

The members of Local Cleveland
know that the movement in the
state has gone downward,—not be-
cause of adverse condition, nor be-
cause it was impossible to keep it
growing after the splendid start we
had made,—but because no effort
has been done. The members of
Local Cleveland know this because
the membership of Local Cleveland
has never decreased during the past
ten years. We have kept on work-
ing no matter what the conditions
we faced, and we have, as a result,
kept on growing.

Our donation is made because we
want to help build up in the state
a big, militant, fighting organiza-
tion, which will keep on growing
until it sweeps capitalism out of
existence. We hope that those lo-
cals which are able,—and every live
local should be able to spare some-
thing for this work,—will make lib-
eral donations, and that the $1,000
fund will reach double that sum
when it is all in.

Fraternally yours,

C. E. RUTHENBERG,
Secretary Local Cleveland.

A little start, did we say? No,
it's a big start. It's one-twentieth
of the whole amount asked for.
And now how about your local.
ALL THAT WE ASK IS THAT
YOU TAKE UP A HAT COLLEC-
TION AT YOUR NEXT MEETING.
Will you do it? And will some
member of your local arise just be-
fore the collection is to be taken
and say: "Comrades, let's be very
generous this once. Let's not stick
so close to a dollar that we lose
sight of Socialism."

All right then. The state office
is waiting to hear from you. All
remittances will be acknowledged
in next month's "Ohio Socialist."
See to it that your local comes in
under the wire with its share before
February 10th. Send remittances
to A. Wagenknecht, State Secre-
tary, Socialist Party, 1291 Cook
avenue, Lakewood, Ohio.

The state secretary wishes to

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take this means of thanking Com-
rude O. G. Van Suyck for his
valuable assistance in giving informa-
tion about the state work and in
helping to move state office equip-
ment to Cleveland.

We are workers in a mighty big
cause. Let's act big. Let's do big
things. Let's be magnanimous.
Let's be generous. Come forward
with the $1,000! And another
thousand after that!

A WHOLE YEAR--10c!

The last state convention and the
membership, by referendum vote
decided that this paper secure sec-
ond-class mailing privileges so that
it may be mailed direct to the
homes of the party members.

Second class mailing privileges
have been applied for and will un-
doubtedly be secured, but even then
we cannot mail it direct to the
homes of the party members unless
these party members subscribe for
it.

Has your local made an attempt
to secure the subscriptions of its
members? Have you, who are read-

ing this, subscribed?

At only 10c a year every mem-
ber who attends your next local
meeting can certainly afford to take
it. Yes, and at only ten cents a
year your local can vote out of its
treasury a sufficient sum to sub-
scribe for every inactive member
of your local, every member in
arrears with dues.

Depend upon it, this paper is
going to be a monthly whistle
which will be heard all over the
state, calling the slaves of capi-
talism to give a little of their time
to the quest for Socialism.

DANGER

No member admitted to the party
in this state is constitutionally a
party member unless he has affix-
ed to his dues book for the month
in which he joined an INITIATION

These initiation stamps should
be in the possession of every finan-
cial secretary. They cost 25c each
and must be bought from the state

Locals and officers who disobey
the state constitution in this regard
are placing in jeopardy the entire
party career of new members.

Some day these new members will
be nominated to fill some state of-
office or will be elected to attend a
state convention, and will be dis-
qualified from serving because no
initiation stamps appear in their
dues books.

Do not endanger a new mem-
ber's party standing or his future

Supply every new member with an
initiation stamp when he or she

Joins the party.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON THE JOB

Unusual Amount of Work Accomplished at its Recent Meeting

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The Pace Set for Intensified Activity

The start has been made. The State Executive Committee at its recent meeting decided, in discussion and action, to have the State Socialist "in operation." A doubling of the organizing activity of all Locals will reduce the time to reach the recruitment goal by three years. The State Executive Committee calls upon the party membership to get into harness and strike two blows where one was left back. The letterheads give their full attention to communications sent them by the State Office which pertain to the call for action launched by your State officers.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

State Executive Committee, December 30, 31

The meeting was called to order about 2:30 p.m. by the state secretary and Comrade Charles R. Bost. A motion was made and carried for an adjournment.

The committee present were Comrades George Bundy T. H. Hitchins, Jan. W. White, Tom Clifton, Charles H. Geyer, and Charles S. Paterson. A letter was read from the only member absent, Scott, asking the committee that he could not attend the meeting, but informing the committee that the first State Secretary was instructed to acknowledge this communication and report back to the committee.

Report of State Secretary

COMRADES:

In making this report permit me to place special emphasis upon the fact that the intensified activity on the part of the state office through the executive committee. Work must be planned that will renew interest. In perfecting our state organization which we must survey the field of organization to get rid of the defects and remedy the latter where possible and encourage and commend the former. We must litigate plans which will strengthen our party and give it increased power.

The state locals and their members will increase our state organization to a considerable degree. We have already elected to take charge of the State Office and have plans for the building of the party—plans in which all who desire to take part will find a definite object in view and which terminate the growth of the party.

Keeping busy counts for a good deal. Activity is contagious. A live state office and live state officers can dispel much of the apathy prevalent in so many state locals.

The reports of the general membership show that the movement is not confined to the city and that the movement can be found where locals are called upon to constantly lend their assistance to better the state organization.

As a beginning toward this building up movement, permit me to place before you the following outline of a campaign that is to be carried on in the masses, and to report the massive number of party members in arrears with their dues in our state locals.

Outline of Campaign to "Make the State Office Do.""%

The object of this campaign is to get the large number of delinquent members, reported to this office every month by the state locals.

The report of the average local members who pay their arrears shows nearly as many members in bad standing as are in good standing. The reports of quite a number of locals show many more members on the rolls who are in arrears with dues as there are paid up. The last report for the state total $240 paid up and $501 on the books.

How to get these delinquent members to pay their arrears has been a problem which has been much thought and written about. Generally we must do the following:

1. Try to get those members now in bad standing to the necessity for regular cooperation. This will show them that they are reaping the benefits of the Revolution by their negligence in this matter.

2. It will also prove to the locals that our organization is well planned and concerted will bring expected results. And just as important is this, that it will show the state office is anxious to serve them in all ways that they shall approve.

The plan is this: to call at all state locals inviting them to enter this campaign and requesting that they call the attention of all bad standing members to the necessity of paying.

2. To write and have printed a series of communications, the first to be mailed delinquents by local officers; the second, delinquents by the state office; the third to be a card mailed delinquents by local officers; the fourth to be letter mailed delinquents by the local meeting. Have logs should take place a week apart.

To have all locals taking part in this campaign at a special meeting upon a date immediately following the last mailing, the purpose of this meeting to be the division of the bad standing members and to reduce the number of delinquent members, giving every comrade an opportunity to do his duty and take his full share in building the organization.

The report of the average local members who pay their arrears shows nearly as many members in bad standing as are in good standing.

A party should not be allowed to be in arrears with dues more than one month. Just as soon as he owes a month he should be written to. Right after he has written to him he should be visited by the member with whom he is connected.

As a result of this committee to visit every month, the state office should never be asked to make a report to the local committees on the necessity for state office support. This will be the state office to make a report to the committee to visit every month.

Organization and Propaganda

A state organizer should be placed in the city. It will be a paper job, but the local committee should be able to do their duty in this respect. An adequate amount of money from the state office will show them that they are reaping the benefits of the Revolution by their negligence in this matter.

It will also prove to the locals that our organization is well planned and concerted will bring expected results. And just as important is this, that it will show the state office is anxious to serve them in all ways that they shall approve.

The plan is this: to call at all state locals inviting them to enter this campaign and requesting that they call the attention of all bad standing members to the necessity of paying.

The plan then has nothing sensational about it. It is only a plan. Work. It will, if thought out and executed by those now in bad standing to the necessity for regular cooperation. This will show them that they are reaping the benefits of the Revolution by their negligence in this matter.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

State Executive Committee, December 30, 51

The meeting was called to order about 8 p.m. by the state secretary and Comrade Chan. Bailey was elected chairman for the session.

The commiteemen present were Comrades George Bundy, E. T. Hitchco, J. A. White, Tom Clifford, Charles Sanders, and Comrade Paterson. A letter was read from the only member absent, Scott F. Lane. Informing the committee that he could not attend the meeting an explanation was given. The first State secretary was instructed to acknowledge this communication and that all additional letters be answered.

Report of State Secretary

COMPLAINTS

In making this report permit me to place special emphasis upon the condition of the party reported on by the executive committee. Work must be planned that will renew interest. In perfecting our state organization it is necessary to survey the field of organization and find out what are the faults and defects and remedy the latter where possible and encourage and commend the former. We must have new plans which will strengthen our party and gain for it increased power.

The state locals and their memberships will increase their interest in the state organization to a considerable degree. The local committees have elected to take charge of the state organization and to make plans for the upbuilding of the party—plans in which all who desire to take part will have a definite object in view and which will result in definite progress.

Keeping busy counts for a good deal. Activity is contagious. A live state office and live state officers can dispel much of the apathy prevalent in so many state locals.

The object of this campaign is to find out where local members are constantly busy doing something and that movement can be found where local members are called upon to constantly lend their assistance to better the state organization.

As a beginning toward this building up movement, permit me to place before you the following outline of a campaign to reduce the immense number of party members in arrears with their dues in our state locals.

Outline of Campaign to "Make the Peace Set Work"?

The object of this campaign is to notify the large number of delinquent members, reported to this office every month by the state local.

The report of the average local members to pay their arrearages has been a problem which has been much thought and written about. How to do this and not let it be going on our Socialist working clothes and getting to work.

The plan then has nothing sensational about it. It is only a plan of work. It will, I believe, work. It will work if the state local committee ratifies those members in good standing. Of the necessity of such an organization, the local committee, and the dues collecting members of the state committee to do their duty in this respect, there is no question. An organization will show an efficiency in the small benefits that are ever won against capitalism.

This plan is but a plan for work. We must not let it be going on our Socialist working clothes and getting to work.

The little that comes with the regular payment of dues.

State Organization Finances

At the beginning of this campaign, when I took office, the bank balance amounted to $100. At present, owing the state office at that time about $40, 600 by several state locals, and $15.45 to Comrade Clifford, the deficit was more than $200. This deficit was due to our fashionable tour as candidate for governor.

To write and have printed a series of four communications, the first being a list of delinquents by local officers; the second an appeal by the delinquents by the state office; the third to be a mailed delinquents by local officers; the fourth to be mailed delinquents by the local committee. Have logs should take a piece of wood.

To have all locals taking part in this campaign at a special meeting upon a date immediately following the last mailing, the main purpose of this meeting to be the division of the bad standing members, the reduction of arrears, and the production of the immense number of party members in arrears with their dues in our state locals.

Organization and Propaganda

A state organizer should be placed in the field just as soon as the state executive committee thinks the amount of work there is to do in the organization field is impossible to do without an agent, except an agent at the state secretary, and he does not have his immediate work the Revolution by their negligence in this matter.

It will also prove to the locals that the effort that is being well planned and concerted will bring expected results. And just as important is this, that it will add to the state office's understanding that the state office is anxious to serve them in all ways they may desire.

The plan is this: To call all state local inviting them to enter this campaign and requesting that they in the meantime pay all arrearages of all bad standing members to the state office.

Up to now the executive committee has been publishing the new paper with an amount of zeal and enthusiasm which is admirably of keeping separate all the parties of the organization. They should be uniformed and have a regular paper which will give out a regular announcement that there should be an organization.

As to propaganda. As soon as weather permits there should be issued in the state no less than three good flyers. We will all outdoor or hall meetings, as occasion, warrants. These should be printed with the purpose of securing subscriptions for The Ohio Socialist Bulletin. As soon as enough subscriptions are in, second class mailing rates will be applied for. Wom do you wish to act as editor of the next number of the paper. I think it should be called "Ohio Socialist Bulletin," or "THE OHIO SOCIALIST."
COMRADE GOLL SPEAKS RIGHT UP

We here print a few pertinent remarks by Comrade F. W. Goll of Lenin pertaining to the United Appeal for the Pension Fund of the New York State Executive Committee. Comrade State Secretary: New York, now a little exchange, although I think you can do it. The appeal to the people in the party for which they are often not at all necessary. But in the case of very great knowledge, in which we have been particularly asked to support the work of the present State Executive Committee. As a whole, it is a committee that will execute. Each member of it will bring to the state work a fund of knowledge and information which will register 1917 as a year in which things were done.

There's Tom Clifford, the veteran Socialist, with his fund of experience gained thru yearto-year party activity. There's E. L. Hutchins, now serving as chairman of the Ohio State Federation of Labor, and who has worked in the party for 15-20 years. There's Chas. Baker, the former city editor of the World, in his experience as to how Socialistic municipal administrations should be conducted. And there's WM. Patterson, who is a member and who has been mostly elected upon the grievance committee of the Toledo Central Labor Union, and with his knowledge to working class interests. And we need in Toledo labor circles, there for the class war is intense.

George Bundy brings with him much knowledge of the English movement, for in that country he was a member of the I. W. W. And also, his connection with the defense of the Youngstown waterfront has gained for him an understanding of the defense of the workers. Jan. 25, White is president of the Toronto City Workers Council and has had many years of experience, of the workers, a social question. Comrade Edward B. Smith, Comrade F. W. Goll sent to the state office a copy of a card for newspaper workers which will be placed the workers. The workers' payments of membership were made in 1917. The state office expects to copy after this plan as soon as the time to devise a system for local accounting.

A COMMITTEE THAT WILL "DO"

It is agreed by almost every Socialist that party members know too little about the qualifications necessary for being an officer for party offices. Because of this it does not happen that comrade very well qualified as propagandist or as chairman of the work of organization, are elected to executive positions in the party for which they are often not at all necessary.

Yet in the absence of this knowledge, we have been particularly asked to support the work of the present State Executive Committee. As a whole, it is a committee that will execute. Each member of it will bring to the state work a fund of knowledge and information which will register 1917 as a year in which things were done.

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Motion by Comrades Patterson and White that hereafter the con-
version of Ohio funds be used to support the Ohio Organiza-
tion fund, this money to be used to place organizers in the state.
Carried unanimously.

Motion by Comrades Hitchens and Patterson that the state sec-
retary be authorized to procure a new duplicator, a filing cabinet, and the purchase of deskchairs. Other office equipment be left to the discretion of the Executive.

Carried.

Motion by Comrades Clifford and White that the state secretary act as editor of the "Ohio Socialist Bulletin" for the coming six months.

Motion by Comrades White and Hitchens that the "Ohio Socialist" be known hereafter as "THE OHIO SOCIALIST," and that second class postage be obtained for under that name. Carried.

Motion by Comrades Hitchens and Budd that "The Ohio Socialist" be about 7.5 by 10.5 inches in size and in the future to be printed on paper.

Carried.

Motion by Comrades Bundy and Patterson that list of speakers usually published in the state paper be dropped because of the necessity for economizing on space, and the necessary details of arrangements for speakers to write to the state office for same.

Carried.

Motion by Comrades Hitchens and Patterson that the state secre-
tary supply all newly organized locals with Military Leaflets necessary to be

EVENING SESSION

Comrade Tom Clifford elected state chairman by acclamation.

Comrade Tom Clifford elected state secretary by acclamation.

Comrade Tom Clifford elected state treasurer by acclamation.

Comrade Tom Clifford elected state auditor by acclamation.

Comrade Tom Clifford elected state chief financial officer.

Comrade Tom Clifford elected state chief public officer.

Comrade Tom Clifford elected state chief political officer.

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COMRADE GOLL SPEAKS

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Letter and resolution from Loc-
al Council of Cleveland, T. M. Ham-
mond, secretary, regarding organ-
ization in the state of Ohio, to be
considered. For the adoption of a
state committee for the work of the
party in the state of Ohio.

COMRADE GOLL SPEAKS

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A. WAGENKNECHT
State Secretary
2220 Oio Ave., Lakewood, Ohio.

Do not include masters intended for the State office in answering communications to this paper.

 được sprzętem: who come to Cleveland, and who wish to visit the State office, can take a seaweed street car and ride to Lake Ave.

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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CHAS. BEECHER, 109 Fruit Ave., Johnstown, Ohio.
EARL H. RUSSELL, 350 Republic Ave., Norwood, Ohio.

REPORT OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE
Following is my report as National Committee for the months of October and November:

Voted for L. E. Katterfeld, of Washington, and James Coedal, of Massachusetts, for members of the Unity Committee.

Voted for no motion and amend- ment to hold meeting of National Committee on Dec. 10 or Dec. 17.

Did not vote on motion by Katterfeld to have all Socialist Party men known as the Board of Party, to be mailed to all party members.

FRANCIS X. B eros, Chairman.

C. J. KRENODER,
State Secretary.

Local New York has initiated a referendum looking toward a national convention this fall. It is intended that the convention, if carried, be a very careful discussion of the aims and program of the party.

The following is a letter of thanks written by the Socialist Party in New York:

Dear Comrade,

We are very near sending out a letter of greeting upon assuming office, but remembered with a start that we were elected with a term, not to soft soap. We are at work. Are you?

I have been reliably informed that the eight hour law moves no faster than what may be accomplished in a day for the Socialist Revolution, so excuse me—I'm busy.

THE STATE SECRETARY SAYS "HELLO!"

It's just a bit of space we want in which to say hello to all the comrades and to thank the messenger who brought it to us, as their best wishes for a successful administration.

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THE OHIO SOCIALIST

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FRANCIS X. BEROS,
Chairman.

C. J. KRENODER,
State Secretary.

Local New York has initiated a referendum looking toward a national convention this fall. It is intended that the convention, if carried, be a very careful discussion of the aims and program of the party.

The following is a letter of thanks written by the Socialist Party in New York:

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FINANCIAL REPORT

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If you think that the money that we have used in buying stamps and printing is justified, we will be very glad to hear from you.

WHY NOT BUY A COPY?

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Luther was a loving husband and father to his family, and a faithful Comrade of the Socialist Party, and it is the wish of all the officers of our local to have the Socialist movement go on with as much vigor and efficiency as Luther himself contributed to it.

Do you pay dues? Then you are participating in the work of the Socialist Party, and it is the wish of all the officers of our local to have the Socialist movement go on with as much vigor and efficiency as Luther himself contributed to it.

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Published Monthly by the State Executive Committee, Socialist Party of Ohio, for the year 1912.

A. WAGENKNECHT
State Secretary
321 Ooolo Ave., Lakewood, Ohio.

Do not include matters intended for the office of the State Secretary. This is the page to which all such communications should be addressed.

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Elmer B. Barrett, 303 N. Schiller St., Hamilton, Ohio; Elmer H. Deacon, 109 E. Fifth Ave., Johnstown, Ohio; Chas. C. E. Hedins, 3307 E. Sixth Ave., Cleveland, Ohio; Reginald W. Scott, 934 E. Market St., Lima, Ohio; James J. White, Box 88, Toledo.

Report of National Committee

Following is my report as National Committeeman for the months of October and November:

Voted for L. E. Katzerfeld, of Washington, and Jules C. Goelz, of Massachusetts, for members of the Unity Committee.

Voted for motion and amendment to hold meeting of National Committee on Dec. 10 or Dec. 17.

Did not vote on motion by Katter- field to call the meeting. Am sure the name will be known as the Board of all party members, to be mailed to all party members.

Frank C. E. REUTHERESK, Columbus, Ohio.

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Attention is directed to the incorporation of the Ohio Socialist League, due for the next six months, and to the state office the name and addresses of all of them. If the present local officers are to remain in office for the next six months, then send us their name and address.

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WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THIS?

What do you think about supplying one or two of the state organiza- tions with the amount of literature you have used this month? We are thinking of buying a little Ford! A lengthy discussion was held for the coming of the state Executive Committee at the recent meeting of the state Executive Committee. It was finally de- cided to buy a little Ford, but not until the money was there. The state committee decided that they thought of the plan.

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November 1912

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TAKING A LITTLE LOOK

Take just a little look at the financial report for the month of November and December, 1912, printed in this issue. And take another little look at your local.

Keep yourself posted on everything that’s going on in the state. Know the condition of your state organization. Gradate into the class of well informed organization Socialists.

We need more of that kind of Socialists. The kind that not only keep up on their work and read the literature, but have an equal interest in what our party is doing. Both at home, nationally, yes—internationally.

Do you pay dues? Then you are privileged of the honor of looking at this report of the Local Committee for the month of your State Executive Committee.

HERE'S SOMETHING ELSE OTHER LOCALS MIGHT EMULATE

Socialist League has a New year’s resolution which lines its tactics, organization and procedure on the correct lines. It is most commendable. Can your local measure up to plans such as theirs?


A. WAGENKNECHT, State Secretary.
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Comrade:

Local Cuyahoga is about out of the turmoil of the past and is making arrangements for active, aggressive work for Socialism.

1. We believe it essential for our Socialists to make an effo- rtsive usefulness in carrying on Propaganda Work that—(a) The membership be thoroughly educat- ed in the principles of revolution- ary Socialism; (b) The meeting be conducted in an orderly way, as becomes thoughtful, earnest men.

In addition to the routine work of the Local steps are being taken to make the meetings interesting and instructive—(a) Short speeches on problems of definite interest to men engaged in the class struggle; (b) Systematic reading from the works of the leading revolutionaries, especially from the revolutionary poets, singing the revolution songs whenever the tal- ent and time can be secured; (c) A scientific and systematic distribution of sound literature as well as literature as financially able to do so; (d) The cultivation of a broader and more intense spirit and interest in the Socialists.

With the above activities now fairly under way, Local Committee hopes to be able in the near future to give a good account of its stewardship.

CHAS. TOLBERT

THE LATE LUTHER MCKINLEY

The Socialist Movement has suf- fered a great loss in the tragic death of Comrade Luther McKinley, mem- ber of Local Union, who is one of the four unfortunate persons recently killed by an express train at Coalburg, O. Comrade McKinley was known to us all, an active worker, and was not in his efforts to convert his friends and shapemakers on the cause of Socialism, always on the job, either passing out literature or getting sales for the Socialist press.

Luther was a loving husband and father to his family, and a faithful Comrade of the Socialist Party, and his memory will ever be held in the hearts of all his friends.

We shall make the bad ones good.

As we write this only one local in the entire state has obeyed the Dec- rees of the State Executive Com- mittee. And that’s Local San- cuary. The main reason given for this sad commentary is on this state of our organization. How far we are from the ideal is most easily measured by the membership as expressed in our reports.

Turn to your state constitution. Read the section referred to Here’s to the State Constitution. Make a list of the good standing mem- bers, a list of members in arrears for three months, and a list of members stricken from the roles due to the necessity of the moment.

January first is long past. Your local has not sent to the state office these lists as yet. Will you attend to this immediately, please? It has been decided to initiate a campaign to "MAKE THE BAD ONES GOOD." Make sure to send the state office a full list of all your members who are three months or more in arrears by January 15th. As soon as we get these lists we will be able to begin a campaign of correspond- ing with the local to see what can be done to bring many of these sleepers back into the movement and to greater participation in your local work.

Every local financial secretary who sends in these lists, calls them in to the state secretary without delay. Every local member who reads this should make sure that this matter receives immediate attention at the next meeting.


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