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SOCIAL-DEMOCRATS AND MUNICIPAL CORRUPTION AND THE NEED OF THE NEW SOCIALIST CONSCIENCE.--Victor L. Berger's Address. Berger, candidate of the archy. As I say, all social thinkers And right here let me say a few private business applied to our class does not have, because with lest virtue demanded, with us it is tion when the opposition did not words about "business" and business PUBLIC AFFAIRS. them the motto is: Each man for the first and the least requisite of as claim, and rightly claim, that the

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Milwaukee, Wis., U. S. A., March 19, 1904.

Hall, Milwaukee, Tuesto 15, midst great enthusito address was, in part, as

Socialism can never take deep root in a commonwealth that is absolutely corrupt. A Social-Democracy can never be established in a nation that is thoroughly rotten. More than any other class of citizens, more than any other political party, the Social-Democrats are interested in fighting corruption, weeding out in ignting corruption, weeding out grafters and fighting boodlers to the death. Although the boodlers are the natural product of the capital-istic system, of the terrific competiwill carry cities tive struggle and of modern business principles,-the boodlers more than eyery thing else that is of the people, make ideals in politics a myth, and the collective conscience an impossibility for many.

We must therefore fight the boodlers and grafters in order to make Socialism possible.

I do not wish to be misunderstood. We are not simply attacking Rose Democrats and Republicans panacea for social ills that used to be offered, namely, the elevation of so-called "good men" to office. Plenty of "good men" have been corrupted by the system which they have tried to patch up and regulate, honestly enough, no doubt Men are have tried to patch up and regulate, every one of them. No less a man honestly enough, no doubt. Men are

words about "business" and business men.

If there is a fetich in this country today, it is the word "business.

Everything is a matter of business, nowadays—pretty much the same as in the middle ages every-thing was a matter of theology. When a certain man is a "good, solid business man," that is, a man who has been successful in "making money"—no matter how he made it -then he is all that is required to make aim a "great man." When a certain measure or a certain law is desirable from "a business point of view"-that is, from the point of view of the men who are successful in "making money" — nobody

dreams of disputing its desirability. It is this superstition which has prompted the clamor that the affairs of congress and state and municipal governments must be administered exactly as if they were "private busi--that is, they must be "conducted on business principles."

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Now with the working class the motto has been turned the other ernment is not a personal contri-vance like a business. It should that the devil gets them all. We regardless of profit, as long as there separately. Once more in the world is a way to make ends meet. The business world has degener-ted. It is not formed by our particular goodness, but it is formed by iron What Milwaukee and other large necessity. Any workingman or cities need most just now is work- union man or Social-Democrat who does not possess this new social con-Only the workingman is being science is worthless to our cause taught by all agencies to be honest. He is a soldien who is not sworn in. be And what is worse, he cannot be We are well aware that we shall have dis- sworn in. He is a dangerous foe to carry this election and a good worse, he cannot be charged. His foreman teaches him and we must regard him as such. many others in this city and even to be honest. If he is not, he loses But I may say that it is fortunate in this state before we can carry out his job. His union teaches him to for the future of humanity and for be honest. If he is not, and becomes the coming civilization that the with a higher aim than simply put-a scab, he is liable to get into number of men possessing or acquirting men in office we can stand vicing this new social conscience is getnothing to gain and everything to citizens, I will tell you that I would will come and must come. That body's vote on the ground of perlose by being dishonest. And outlose by being dishonest. And out- trust a man possessing this new conwalking delegates here and there, or my life a thousand times sooner, especially in the Building Trades, than a man who has sworn a thousand oaths but who does not possess

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it is bound to get worse in the he is considered a good Social-Dom-ocrat. Honesty is the very first and middle class crumoles and become least demand, before we even permit rotten. him to join our ranks.

Nor do we make any special pro mises other than what the platform Socialism will some day entirely reontains, and which are on our way to the introduction of Socialism. And the demands of this platform we shall try to carry out as far as the capitalistic laws will permit us.

We are very well aware that we cannot have Socialism by carrying a municipal election in Milwaukee our program. Yet being in politics tories or reverses with the same entire laboring class in the end. equanimity. We know that our time will be here two years from now or

consternation also are growing from ing me a favor, and is doing year to year. If any capitalist nothing for the cause. ference of political affiliation, political should be victorious, no But if you want to add one stone ical or religious creed, have to turn doubt things will be just as bad or to the building up of a new system, worse two years or four years from where graft and grafters chall be un-

that capitalism corrodes and the

The Social - Democratic party alone goes to the root of the evil. move the causes, and they will only disappear in the same degree trat ntroduce Socialism. And the Social-Democrats, having this goal in view, are above temptation. the many Social-Democrats elected in Germany, France, England and Austria, hardly any have ever fallen by the wayside.

The Social-Democrats have the new conscience, the Social cience, which teaches them that no proletarian can help himself at the cost of the collectivity without hurting himself and his family and the

I will add to this that I ask noask for nobody's vote simply because four years from now, larger and I am honest. I only want such votes stronger than ever before. Mean- as stand for municipal Socialism while in the camp of the enemy Anybody who votes for me and does corruption, scandals and not vote a straight ticket is not do-

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Think of the incalculably large numbers of people who run their careers on earth and reach the end with the word failure pronounced upon them by the world. number increases with heaps and bounds under the capitalist system. Even if it is too late for you to hope for much personally from Socialism there is enough human altruism in you to want your posterity to have better world to live in.

Secy. Cortelyou says his department means to make capital and labor subservient to the law. Let's see about that. Who made the laws? Capital. Who were the laws to govern? Labor. So! But this is a country in which the people are supposed to have self-government. And if labor doesn't make the laws it must be governed by,—it is plain from Cortelyou's own talk that he means to run his department in the interests of capitalism.

It is a mighty bad state of things when the class that does the work in the world has a beggarly living and the class that does not do the work lives in luxury. The capital-ist parties stand for the capitalist system which produces this state of affairs. And that is what you vote for every time you cast an old party ticket.

COUNSELS FAIR PLAY.

Rev. Dr. Joseph Selinger of St. Francis' seminary, has, in the last issue of The St. Louis Review (Feb. 25), a very excellent article, which, considering the class of readers to which it is addressed, cannot help but prove most moderating and salutary in its influence. Dr. Selinger very sagaciously says that "the temper of our people must be appreciated" in the methods we take in meetn the methods we take in meet

in the methods we take in meeting Socialism.

Emphatically, this temper is not appreciated by certain teachers, who are too much guided by the anti-Socialistic battle as it is waged in Germany. We have had occasion to touch upon this matter before. Nor are these teachers and writers the only ones who need to appreciate the temper of our people. Even as to some disquisitions on the topic from younger members of the eminent and learned Society of Jesus, we have heard the criticism made (whether justiy or not we decline to say), that the teachers herein were somewhat lacking in genuine sympathy for the struggling masses.—Catholic Citin genuine sympathy for the struggling masses.—Catholic Cit-izen.

Catholics are free to join Catholics are free to Join any political party, says Archbishop Messmer, of Milwaukee, and he hopes that "every Catholic citizen will east his vote according to the dictates of his conscience," but takes pains to announce that the pope has condemned Socialism. Labor-Crusher Mark Hanna shortly before his death said that the time would come when the capitalists would have to look for protection from the revolt of the working class to the supreme court and the Catholic church. But if the church takes the side of the rich against the working class the church will suffer for it in the end. The working class is already com-plaining that the sympathies of the church are with the rich, and the best statistics of Catholic church membership in this country shows that it is losing its hold on many working men. It will drive many more out of the church if it meddles in politics to help the rich skinners of labor.

SOME TIMELY TOPICS

BY EUGENE V. DEBS. =

CAN still see Joe Buchanan as I saw him in the dingy office of the Labor Enquirer at Chicago

in March, 1888, his sleeves rolled up and his apron on, making up the forms for the press as I entered his office with a mutual friend to consult with him about the C., B. and Q. strike, then at its height, and incidently to ask him to waive his personal feeling against the engineers and give the strike the benefit of his and the Enquirer's support.

Buchanan was at that time the recognized leader of the labor forces of Chicago. sought, his support solicited and his opposition dreaded. He was known as a fearless fighter and a hard hitter, and the columns of the Enquirer fully bore out his reputation.

Buchanan. For a moment after greetings were exchanged Buchanan glared at me. He had just locked up an elegant roast of P. M. Arthur and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. The fact was that he was still smarting under the cold-blooded turning down administered to him by Arthur and the brotherhood when, at the head of the Knights of Labor, he led the strike on the Denver and Rio Grande, one of the fiercest and most stubbornly contested labor battles ever fought in this country. Buchan-an narrowly escaped lynching by the hirelings of the omnipotent corporation, one of the leading dailies giving the cue as follows: "As the sun rises some of these fine mornings its glinting rays will fall upon the stiffened corpse of Joe Buchanan hanging to one of the cottonwoods in the Platte bottom."

"But, Joe," said I, "strong as your case is, you still can't afford to stand by and see these workers crushed by the corporation without doing your best to help them. They need you, and surely you would not have said that Joe Buchanan deserted labor on the field of battle."

The whole demeanor and expression of the agitator changed in an instant. "That," pointing at the form, "is my last kick. I am with you." And he was to the end. He was in all our councils, early and late, he wrote and spoke and planned, he cheered this boys when their spirits drooped, and, although the strike was lost, he won their gratitude and respect.

"The Story of a Labor Agitator," by Joseph R. Buchanan, is the title of a new book, and the Outlook company of New York is its publisher. The book is precisely what its title indicates, and the story, which covers some of the most stirring scenes in modern labor history, is told in such wealth of vivid detail and charming candor that one is carried from the first page to the last without the intrusion of a single dull

It required genuine moral and physical heroism to fight for labor in the Rock mountains twenty Joe Buchanan had both, and his labor record bears the royal seal of honor. From first to last he stood for labor. He was threatened, but never cowed; tempted, but never cor-

rupted; deserted and starved, but he never surrendered. In the winter of 1897-98 I dropped into Wallace, Ida. Jim Callahan, a former associate of Bu-

chanan, was editing the Labor Tribune.

"Do you know Joe Buchanan?".

"Do you?"

We sat up all night talking about the author of "The Story of a Labor Agitator," his paper, the Labor Enquirer, the strikes of the eighties, the threatened mob violence, the poverty, the suffering, the pawning of personal effects, even to the last articles of clothing, and we agreed that Joe Buchanan was a hero in the struggle for freedom and deserved to have his name written high on labor's roll of honor.

John Turner has been in a cage at Ellis Island. He will probably be deported. He is not fit for admission to "the land of the free" because he believes in freedom. His crime must be punished. He is a cultivated, high-minded, noble-natured man. He is opposed to the tyranny of capitalist government and wants workingmen and women to be free and happy. This has always been high treason to the state and never more than in the capitalist state. Turner.

All, hail, John Turner, you are being honored in the only way our government can honor any man. You are the friend of the oppressed and therefore the enemy of our capitalist despotism. For the moment only you are the victim of their brutal power.

In reality you soar triumphant far above your ignorant captors. They can not fetter your brain, nor can they lock up your soul. They are but developing your latent powers. In your name we thank them. You will live and be honored long after they have rotted from the earth.

Father Sherman makes up in blasphemy what he lacks in brains. The language he uses would disgrace a bar-room loafer. He ought to be arrested for lewdness or obscenity—or else tried by a lunacy commission. The wonder is that any decent man would allow his wife or daughter Sherman, to sit through such a nauseating performance

The Socialist women this clerical blackguard attempts to besmirch with his foul breath are as immesurably far above him in the purity of their thoughts and motives and actions as the sun is above the festering dung-heap. Eyme to orla

Terre Haute, Ind.

The Labor Leader of Glasgow (Socialist) quotes Socialist George Bernard Shaw as saying that "the craze for respectability is almost as ruinous as the craze for drink."

Socialism is a bread and butter question. It has no more to do with eligion than the multiplication Even in Germany where the Catholic church makes a poli-tical fight on Socialism, the Socialist platforms declare that religion is a private matter and that the state rights of conscience. When anyone tells you that Socialism attacks the family and the church, make him prove it from Socialist books and platforms, not from books written platforms, not from books written by malicious persons anxious to insure the name of Socialism in the fact that the delights of nature interests of capitalism and its privileges

The birds sing and the flowers to the decision of Chief Justice By A. L. Benson, begins next week. Do not forget the special offer: The and Holmes it was all right! But Herald 5 copies a week for 15 weeks, while the article runs, for only 50 darkly" by the great bulk of hurry-amounts to nothing. Laws are as

NO CLASS WAR IN AMERICA-

Editor Social-Democratic Herald: Enclosed find five subscriptions to your valuable paper. I am very sorry that I could not get any more at present, but I can do better after a while. We are at present out on a strike in this place, and the Coal Company has driven us from our homes, and now we are LIVING OUT IN THE WOODS IN TENTS FURNISHED BY THE UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA.

Sam Combs. Member of Laccl

Sam Combs, Member of Lacel Union 2630 U. M. W. of A. Sunnyside, Utah, March 4.

O CLASS WAR IN AMERICA—
OH, NO!

Editor Social-Democratic Her. attle on between that system and Socialism and Socialism will tri-umph. Then mankind will begin to live again!

> Did you take a good look at that supreme court decision in the merger case? Did you notice that it was decided against the Northern Securities company by a bare ma-jority of one of the justices? Pretty close shave, that. According to the decision of Justices Harlan, Brown, Day, McKenna and Brewer the merger had to go. But according to the decision of Chief Justice Fuller and Justices White, Peckham

THE WISCONSIN CAMPAIGN.

Milwaukee people are getting a ers, knowing full well that the story control of their reading and the by the Western Federation of Min- matter.

taste of what they would have to put is without foundation and appeared ap with if capitalism had complete one morning in the Denver Post, a paper which was silent about the control of their reading and the alleged occurrence afterward, while news dished up to them daily. The the Denver Times next morning an-Sentinel rushes unblushingly from nounced that a police investigation one piece of journalistic duplicity showed that the story was manuto another. The editor's latest is to assure his readers that as a result miners' union. The Sentinel, in its of the attack on Mother Jones of the capitalistic hatred of organized is-mondescript paper, Polly Pry, the editor's home in Denver was setafire give its readers the truth about the

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THE "TYRANNY" OF WORK-ING FOR A PUBLIC IN-STEAD OF A CAPITAL-IST EMPLOYER!

The following is taken from an article entitled, "Vacations for the workers" by Franklin Mathews in the 1903 June number of "The Worlds Work" magazine:

"There are no employes in the world who have more leisure time, and under pay, than those who work in the U. S. Federal service. In the Cur'oms service, for example, it is a matter over which they make merry.

pay each year.

In addition there is allowed to each one quarterly, thirty days with pay for sick leave. Many employes who, fortunately, are not sick, combine these leaves into a sixty days vacation during which time many men and even typewriter girls go to Europe.

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In addition to the above, of course, they get eight holidays a year. This, with Sundays, makes 120 'days out of the 365 which these government employes have to themselves. In other words, they work only two thirds of the time. But that is not all. They have fifty-two holidays on Saturday afternoons, thus making twenty-six more days, leaving 219 working days in the year to work only from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M."

Under the inevitable Co-oper-

Under the inevitable Co-operative Commonwealth every worker will enjoy these privileges which make life worth living simply because, by their ballots, they decided to have it so.

Springville, N. Y. G. D. Jones.

cobwebs when the interests of high finance are at stake. The Securities company will now go out of busi-ness as an United States concern ness as an United States concern and will reorganize under a charter secured in Canada. Capitalism is bigger than the law any day, and don't you forget it!

Capitalism degrades the family relation, causes divorce trials, fills the streets with prostitutes and young men who cannot afford to get married and maintain a home. But don't vote Socialistic, for capitalism makes money out of all these bad conditions and if you vote against them you will be set down as an enemy of society-capitalist society!

SOCIALISM MADE PLAIN,

Socialism is the child of capitalism, just as capitalism was the child of feudalism, one develops into the other through the social evolution. When capitalism came upon stage it was an improvement feudalism and for a time served the needs of the people, but that was before it had concentrated the wealth and opportunities into the hands of the few. Capitalism was good for the people so long as the great ma-jority could live well under it. Today the great majority of the people are failures under the capitalist system. The people live in anxiety and uncertainty and often in absolute want, while the lucky few riot in This shows that the capitalist system is nearing its end, under the laws of social evolution, and that a new system is impending. It has been capitalism's historic mission to prepare the ground for the new system, that is, it has been concentrating and developing industry to the point where the people col-lectively can take over the owner-ship. The capitalist has already become superfluous in the actual management of industry, the man-agement is vested in the hands of foremen and superintendents, who could work just as faithfully and satisfactorily if the people owned the industries instead of a few overrich capitalists. While those capitalists have possession, the many will have to live in a mean way, or even be crowded out altogether. This will be the average fate of man so long as the capitalist system lasts, no matter whether he be white or black, Catholic, Jew, or Infidel, Methodist or Christian Scientist. Capitalism is no respecter of persons. It would just as soon crowd one to the wall as another. these facts in mind, Mr. Voter, the next time you vote, and make up your mind that the capitalist system will never get the sanction of your vote again, for you call for a con-tinuance of capitalism every time you cast a Republican or a Demo-cratic or a "Citizen's" ticket.

The pope's encyclical on Social-ism, that certain lay and clerical politicians are making so much about, was written many years ago to about, was written many years ago to help the political prospects of the Catholic Center party in Germany, where the spread of Socialism in Catholic districts was becoming quite marked. Catholic workingmen should take this fact into consideration when warned by their spiritual leaders against joining the fight for political relief from the man-eating capitalist system.

SOCIALISM AND CHRISTIANITY. -- From the Standpoint of a Church Member. The trouble now is that men think nothing can give them private ownership of land, which now enables a few capitates of the grayers.

HE AIM and object of Socialism are, and ought to be, to make Christianity in its true sense possible, which (it may as well be said without further parleying) is not the case today.

Most off those for whom this article is intended claim to know, or at least think they know, what Christianity means. As to Socialism they either have no opinions, not having investigated its merits, or have read a little here and there, and have become prejudiced, confounding it with anarchy, law-lessness, or, according to some, an ideal system, desirable but impracticable.

For the benefit of all the writer addressed a letter containing this question to several political economists, some of na-tional reputation, others students of the subject: "Please state fully, yet in as few words as possible, five or more of the most important principles of Socialism." Here are some of the re-: 2. The public ownership of all the means of production plies: 2. The public ownership of all the means of production and distribution; 2. The making of things for use rather than profit; 3. The abolition of private property; 4. The progressive reduction of the hours of labor, thus enabling all to have some time for intellectual and spiritual improvement; 5. Universal education; 6. Equal civil and political rights for men and

The far-resching influence and effect of these principles for good can hardly be imagined. In fact, if studied by an honest mind they make marvelous revelations. They are coneistent with the Gospel of Christ, and the church is confronted with the greatest opportunity that has ever presented itself, in that it may be the leader in the movement that has begun. Let the church reject this opportunity, and it puts itself on record for inconsistency and selfishness.

Space will not allow a discussion of the principles above but I cannot refresin from referring to them briefly. Take the first: During the recent coal strike there were opinions by the score, some favorable to the miners, others to the operators. I read many of these, but all who were not blinded by prejudice or selfishness reached this fair, sensible conclusion, that if the miners' minon should actually control labor so as to paralyze the industry, it would have the same kind and extent paralyze the industry, it would have the same kind and extent of power over the operators that they have over the miners, so that in either case the public suffering would be the same. To several highly respected and intellectual editors (by no means Socialists) who reached this conclusion I addressed this question: "Would not the Socialist plan, the public ownership of all the means of production and distribution, solve the difficulty?"
All courteously replied that it would, some adding: "If it could be worked;" others, that it would give rise to other and deeper

Study the second principle. There is a word of meaning in that. The making of things for use rather than profit. Government reports show that practically all of our food products are adulterated, some to the injury of health, others so that they are valueless as food. Other articles are put together to sell and the people are deprived of their money, only to find later they have worthless and unsightly trash on their hands; but these are small considerations when compared with another matter of immense concern. I refer to the liquor, tobacco, opium and other drug habits. Nothing but profit keeps them fastened upon us. The prayers and tears and agony of the church will be alike wasted in vain as long as there is gain in such traffic. Today a vessel sails for a heathen port carrying a few missionaries to Christianize, and a full cargo of rum to debase, the heathen.

debase, the heathen.

I have been making a special effort to keep my own ideas and opinions from prevailing in the preparation of this article, and before examining the third proposition, the abolition of personal property, I wish to state that I have recently addressed these three questions to ministers of the gospel in the highest positions of the church, as well as to the humbler exhorters of the country churches, and to deaconesses and other workers, representing the different denominations. I have asked these questions by urging that the replies be made from actual perquestions by urging that the replies be made from actual personal experience:

Which five sins stand most in the way of inducing men to begin the Christian life?
 Which five sins peculiar to church members most destroy spirituality in the church?

What five conditions confronting man which may not be considered sins in themselves militate most against the religious life?

second questions, and all, with the exception of one or two, included both wealth and poverty as one of the answers to the third question. What food for reflection! Here is a system that militates against the religious life in both directions. enslaves and debases those who strive after wealth, and those who secure it. It enslaves and debases those who are unfortunate and make a failure.

All agree that criminals cannot be Christians, and yet statistics show that 90 per cent of all crime is against property or traceable to property. Was Gladstone right when he said government should be so administered as to make rightdoing

easy, and evildoing difficult?

Of course I am not going to invite adverse criticism by failing to admit that some crimes against property, such as theft, might not entirely cease under government ownership, but the cause and incentive for it would not exist when every citizen had an opportunity to learn a useful trade and an op-portunity to work at this trade at a living wage. Under such for the spread of righteousness. Neither will I fail to admit that Socialism of itself will not solve all of the great questions that confront the human family. I do not belong to that class who say it is a superior system to Christianity. There are those who claim to be supporters of Socialism whose life and inconsistencies are an injury to the cause. But if Christianity can have full sway it will bring perfect condition of life to all the world, and the sooner all people, rich and poor, great and small, everywhere, accept it and live in accord with its principles, the sooner will they enjoy the blessings they ought to enjoy, the blessings which they are blindly seeking, and which the Gospel of Christ promises them. My interest in Socialism is founded on the belief that it will make Christianity in its true meaning

Some unthinking persons using the slang expression of the day argue that Socialism demands, "Down with brains," "Down with the man who can manage great affairs." This charge is not true. Socialism, like Christianity, contemplates the exaltation of the intellect, the exaltation of the man of superior worth. It proposes to do this in two ways: First, by clearing the brain of the great minds of an element of insanity—selfishness—for no less authority than J. Bruce Wallace, M. A., says that love is the only sanity, and that selfishness is a condition of the abnormal mind. Second, by making conditions such that not a few, but all, may have full opportunity to cultivate their minds, and to acquire soul strength and power as well Socialism also contemplates the giving of an opportunity to all to work to a reasonable and healthful degree, so that sound podies may be the temples of sound minds as well as of the Holy Spirit, and so that there may not be so many weak, puny bodies with weak, driveling minds, brought about either by doing nothing or by working beyond human strength. If So-cialism is to accomplish the beneficent ends it proposes, it will require and it demands the greatest minds which the race is capable of producing.

But some will say, Does Socialism teach that all shall enjoy equally the products of the mind of the inventor, the man of brains, the man who knows how to bring things to pass? Let me answer this by asking, Does Christianity teach this? What does it teach? "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." "Thou shalt love they neighbor as thyself." "It is more blessed to give than to receive." God reveals himself to us by His action towards us. We believe He loves us because He gives the rains, the sunshine, the air, the beauty of earth, the joy of heaven to us all freely. The Christian goes to church, falls on his knees, and prays for the spirit of God, for the Christ-like life, and then denies that God requires him to give all he has and is, and the product of his mind, to all, for the good of all, as God does always, and as Christ did when on earth.

There is no need for our being surprised that few, very few even of God's professing children, will subscribe to such an advanced step; nor does the fact that they will not reveal anything new. It simply shows how worldly selfish the church That the man of the world should object to such generosity is at once concealed.

If space would allow, a careful analysis of the answers would be valuable. Even those who cautiously refused to answer joy and pleasure except money. They have not learned that belong to a class in a delicate position, which they must guard the friendship of thousands of intelligent, congenial human for reasons best known to themselves. But every one of those who did answer included excessive wealth, or a seeking after seeing of money or ary such base thing; they have no conception of a desire for wealth in their answer to the first and to be compared with the possession of the joy it will be to live when all have the opportunity second questions and all with the expension of one or two to become educated, and are properly fed and clothed; and when all will be willing to help to beautify the earth, and to make it a fit dwelling place for man.

Have you ever taken time to consider how many people are grieving their lives away because there are no congenial people living near them? They own a home in a certain neighbornood, or they rent a house where their business calls, yet on account of vast differences in conditions and opportuities their neighbors are not pleasing to them, and so they sit and lament and worry themselves sick. It has been said with truth that if one hundred children of different states and conditions in life were trained under the same conditions, each would be a fit companion for the other.

Then again the human family fails to enjoy life by reason of its fear of the future. It may be divided into three classes: The over-rich, the well-to-do, and the poverty-stricken. The first class may and do take the risk, and spend as much as they desire for their pleasure, but even they are continually haunted by the fear that they may lose what they have and be reduced to a state of dependence. To the second class this thought is ever before them, so they save, and save, and finally die leaving possibly a few thousands, but they have missed the joy of living by not feeling sure that they could have the pleasures of life and still never be reduced to want. The third class is rendered miserable by the fear that they may at any moment be in a state of starvation and nakedness. Why not make the future sure for all? How much it would add to the joy of life!

There is only one sin-selfishness; there is only one virtue or Christian grace—love. Remove the causes that foster the former, put into operation conditions that cherish the latter, and the world is won to Christ. His Gospel is vindicated, the millennium is upon us.

S. L. Hoover. Knoxville, Tenn.

THE CONFESSIONS OF CAPITALISM. A WORD IN CONCLUSION.

Having learned that it is good to produce in common, is there anything simpler than the fact that if we could SHARE in common what we PRODUCE in common, THE WORKERS WOULD GET ALL AND THE IDLERS NOTHING IN-STEAD OF BILLIONS AND MILLIONS?

How, then, can we share in common-how can each man get what he creates, without giving anything to a capitalist for the use of his tools?

Is there anything simpler than to provide that the class that uses the tools shall also own them?

And to bring about this result, is there anything simpler than to provide that the wealth-producers—the people, in short, since all except an insignificant fraction of capitalists produce wealth-shall take over the ownership of these tools of production through their government?

And if control of the government for this purpose be desired, is there any easier way than for the wealth-makers to ecure it through united political action-through concerted action at the polls? And if united political action be desired, is there any easier in fact, IS THERE ANY OTHER WAY—than for the

wealth-makers, all of whose interests are the same, to vote the same ticket ? A political party that stands for all that has been outlined in this chapter is in existence in this country today, and it is appealing for the vote of every honest, intelligent producer of

That party is the Socialist party, of which the Encyclopedia Brittanica says: "The ethics of Socialism are identical with the ethics of Christianity."

The Socialist party stand for the Golden Rule. It stands for honesty among men. It would make of the world only one great class—the working class—and it would give the working class the control of its own governments. It would transfer the ownership of all capital, that is, wealth used to acquire MORE wealth, to the people through their government, though

private ownership of land, which now enables a few capit in the great cities to collect enormous rents or to hold those in the great cities to collect enormous reins or to noid thousand of acres of vacant tracts while many of the poor are haddled together in the tenements. It would regard the earth—tiat is land—as the Creator undoubtedly regarded it, as the free fountain head of all human necessities, for the use of all peoples of all time, rather than as an instrument for the few to explait the many. Any man could obtain land to USE without more the many. Any man could obtain land to USE without mone and without price and keep it as long as he liked, but no many the country of the cou would be permitted to hold land that he did not use while of were crying for an opportunity to get at the earth.

Socialism would give justice to the wage-worker by giving im ALL of his product instead of one fifth of it.

Socialism would give justice to the farmer, who may no realize that he is using machinery, by giving him railway serve at cost, and giving him the products of all the mills and to tories whose products he is now buying at prices that afford profits for many middle-men and idlers, AT COST.

His land, he could till as he might choose—that is to say, as the majority of the farmers might choose. He could have as the majority of the farmers high until he dies, or wishes to and till his present farm by himself until he dies, or wishes to give it up; or if the majority of farmers believed it to be more economical and otherwise generally desirable to cultivate greate tracts in common and share their products, they could be

In fact, the wealth-producers could produce wealth exactly as they pleased, for there are now about 16,000,000 adult male wealth-producers to a few thousands of idling wealth-taken and the majority in favor of the wealth-makers will probable always remain about the same.

Socialism would abolish interest, rent and profit, give every man exactly what might be coming to him—no more and man exactly what might be coming to him—no more and many and convert a world of extreme poverty for the many and the few into a world of plenty for all the few into a world of plenty few into a worl colossal wealth for the few into a world of plenty for all, with fewer hours of labor and more leisure to enjoy the pleasure of a well ordered life.

Are you ready for such a world, so far as this country is

The Socialist party will give it to you the moment that a majority ask for it by voting the Socialist ticket.

How will the people buy all the machinery of production and distribution? Well, they will not buy it. It will not be

necessary. The wealth-producers made the machinery then selves in the first place, and the capitalist class obtained owner ship of it by retaining four-fifths of labor's products.

If a man should steal your coat, would you buy it back or would you take it away from him if you ever became strong enough? If someone were to compel you to give him your cost by pointing a gun at your head, would you take any different measures to recover your own, if you ever were in a position to do so? Does the fact that the capitalist holds to your head, not a rifled gun of steel, but a gun constituted by your access-ties—does the difference in the gun make any difference in the equities of the case?

"The ethics of Socialism are identical with the ethics of Christianity." Remember this from the Brittanica. It is true Because you have been robbed all your life is no reason why you should continue to be robbed until you die—unless you like to be robbed. Nor is it any reason why you should refrain from taking your own if you are strong enough.

The wealth-making class, who produce all the wealth of the country, are strong enough to do as they will with their own. Of the 16,000,000 voters in this country, all but a few thousands are wealth-makers. So, if the wealth-makers ever pool their forces at the ballot-box and decide that they want a congression of the strong stron and a constitution that will declare all of the machinery of production and distribution forfeited to the nation, on the ground that both justice and the public interest require the such a step be taken, the United States will become a Socialist nation, without causing a ripple in the pond of Peace. It wouldn't be worth while for the capitalist class to try to resist the will of the people, because there are so few capitalists, as compared with the millions of wealth-makers, that the capital ists would not stand a show to win.

Do you want to live in a happier world a little while before you die, and leave a happier world for your children to live in when you are gone?

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What We Social-Democrats Are After. (Adopted by the Socialist Party in National Convention at Indianapolis, Ind.

July 31, 1901.) The Socialist party, in national convention assembled, reaffirms its adherence to the principles of International Socialism, and declares its aim to be the organisation of the working class, and those in sympathy with it, into a political party, with the object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collective ownership by the entire

Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by the individual worker. Today the machine, which is but an improved and more developed tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. This ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers depend-

ent upon them.

Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever-increasing uncertainty of livelihood and the poverty and misery of the working class, and it divides society into two hostile classes—the capitalists and wage-workers. The once powerful middle class is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competition. The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives to the capitalist the control of the government, the press, the pulpit and the schools, and enables them to reduce the workingmen to a state of intellectual, physical and social interiority, political subservience and virtual slavery.

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The economic interests of the capitalist class deminate our entire social system; the lives of the working class are recklessly sacrificed for profit, wars are fomented between nations, indiscriminate slaughter is encouraged and the destruction of whole races is sanctioned in order that the capitalists may extend their commercial dominion abroad and enhance their supremacy at home.

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But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to Socialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wage-workers. And the active force in bringing about this new and higher order of society is the working class. All other classes, despite their apparent or actual conflicts, are alike interested in the upholding of the system of private ownership of the instruments of wealth production. The Democratic, Republican, the bourgeois public ownership parties, and all other parties which do not stand for the complete overthrow of the capitalist system of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist class.

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The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the collective powers of capitalism by constituting themselves into a political party, distinct from and opposed to all parties formed by the propertied classes.

While we declars that the development of economic conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist system, we recognise that the time and manner of the transition to Socialism also depends upon the stage of development reached by the preletariat. We, therefore, consider it of the utmost importance for the Socialist party to support all active efforts of the working class to better its condition and to elect Socialists to political offices, in order to facilitate the attainment of this end.

As such means we advocate:

1. The collective ownership of all means of transportation and communication and all other public utilities as well as of all industries controlled by monopolies, trusts and combines. No part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the reduction of taxes on property of the capitalist class, but to be applied wholly to the increase of wages and shortening of the hours of labor of the employes, to the improvement of the service and diminishing the rates to the consumers.

a. The progressive reduction of the hours of labor and the increase of wages in order to decrease the share of the capitalist and increase the share of the worker in the product of labor.

3. State or national insurance of working people in case of accidents, lack of employment, sickness and want in old age; the funds for this purpose to be furnished by the government and to be administered under the control of the working class.

4. The inauguration of a system of public industries, public credit to be used for that purpose in order that the workers be secured the full product of their

labor.

5. The education of all children up to the age of 18 years, and state and municipal sid for books, clothing and food.

6. Equal civil and political rights for men and women.

7. The initiative and referendum, proportional representation and the right of recall of representatives by their constituents.

But in advocating these measures as steps in the overthrew of capitalism and the establishment of the co-operative commonwealth, we warn the working class against the so-called public ownsetship movements as an attempt of the capitalist class to secure governmental central of public utilities for the purpose of obtaining greater security in the exploitation of other industries and not for the amelioration of the conditions of the working class.

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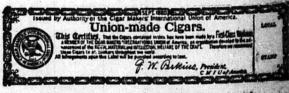


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And that has been the result. The founding and operation these mills in Massachusetts within on of the rail- fifty years dragged that state from try, and to thereby her proud position of being the one in which the percentage of illiteracy to the extent of was the lowest of all the states and put her third or fourth upon the list. At last, after the mischief had been ste capitalism, and done, public spirit there rose in partial revolt, and some action was taken by law to save the very young ted in the form of children at least from the mill-investments from owners. And now these latter have gone, like a great flight of man-eatthe Southern states, and are surpasrecords they and their kind had made in New England.

ates occupies the A writer who was some time resi-of being the pro- dent in the South before the war, declares that African slavery there ch an advantage, in the old days had in it nothing so our awful as the condition of these little white workers in these cotton mills. Out of the total an- Their numbers run into the thoution of thirteen and one sands; they were born citizens of the whole this so-called free Republic. It was their birthright,—the little women among them, to grow up strong and healthy to be fit mothers of the nation's citizens yet to be; and the a product, and its little men to wax lusty and active, a debt-payer in every and able in their manhood to do the meeting the enemy at her gates. these high destinies they are robbed. little women and little men alike, in order that the favorites whom the government of the United States permits to be masters of them,—may make big returns upon the money which they have invested in the mills,—to be squadered in the diversions of the idle rich. Will the men who do the work in

this country and who have an over-whelming majority of the votes stand by and do nothing in this matter? If they do not act, there will be nothing done. A few independent magazines have spoken bravely on this subject. But they can accomplish nothing. The religious publications and the "goodygoody" periodicals akin to them have all emitted the regular snivel, usual with Dives when his attention has been called to the sad case of Lazarus. The president of one of the great universities has proposed government mills, in social-ostr-acism against the class of monsters now under discussion. The president of the United States has suggested "publicity" — whatever that means—as a specific for the mischiefs of private capitalism. These recommendations are like an attack upon a lair of lions with an consisting of squirts armament charged with rose water.

The Social-Democrat has the cure, and the only cure. The gov-ernment is already committed to the policy that these mills must be maintained in this country, and to the policy of enforcing the patronage of these mills by our citizens by the compulsion of the law. It has been demonstrated that committing health. The veriest dolt the operation of these government been demonstrated that committing nan, then, could easi- mills to private citizens for private n that, engineered by profit has produced a state of affairs Mass., spoke at Faneuil hall, Bossuch mills would in them that can no longer be tolerton, recently on Capital and Labor, their reach to powder. mills, paying their reasonable value

and the people thereafter will operate them for the benefit of all the people, especially the people who work in them.

The doing of this is an easy matter. The entire capital invested in these mills is about \$460,000,000, including the capital not fixed, used in buying, carrying stocks, etc., so that \$300,000,000 is undoubtedly a fair figure for the fixed capital in the plants, which the government ought "in equity" to pay the owners for. There are employed in this manufacture 5,000 salaried persons, whose wages are \$7,000,000, and 297,000 operatives, whose wages are \$85,000,000 a year. Of these operatives 123,000 are women. 40,000 are children under 16, about equally divided between the two sexes. ing birds, and settled upon some of miscellaneous expenses of these industries are \$21,000,000; the cost of sing in these new fields all the awful their raw material is \$173,000,000; and the value of their manufactured products is \$332,000,000. The stories, by trustworthy writ-ers in reputable magazines, of this \$286,000,000, which deducted from and for cotton cloth, at who freights his years old are put into these mills and worked continuously year after sure of his market.

It would be a new John Brown. Children six years old are put into these mills and worked continuously year after \$300,000,000 needed to take over the of being the pro- dept in the way was some time resident. two per cent, or an annual interest charge of \$6,000,000. Deducting this from the \$46,-000,000 of profits above leaves \$40,000,000 a year as the profits to the whole people of this operation. It is not unlikely that there would be no lowering in prices. The wages being much too low, and there being 40,000 children under 16 working full time, as the mills now are, it might take the whole of this profit to furnish the operatives wholesome surroundings for their work, to renwork of men with their hands, with bodies well-trained and full grown and vigorous, that they might be a standard for their wages under present standards for their labor, and to emancipate the little and the standard for their labor, and to emancipate the little and the littl and ready on occasion to serve the mother nation which bore them by and our people pay not a farthing and our people pay not a farthing more for their clothing than they

are paying now. Probably no kind of production is a better illustration of the indusa better interration of the indus-trial feudalism of private capital against which Social-Democracy is contending than the making of cot-ton cloth. The art is of great anti-

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NOTES FROM YANKEE LAND.

Comrade John Collins, state or-

Comrade Ernest Holtz has been

The Kansas Socialists are after

The Pittsburg date for Prof. Her-

Comrades James F. Carev

of Wisconsin were the speakers at the Commune Celebration at St.

Pres. Eliot of Harvard college.

The national committee has pas-

tional headquarters for due stamps

vention. The vote was 69 to 43.

Local Brazil, Ind., passed resolu-

tions asking that the national con-

vention not meet on Sunday, and Local Elgin, Ills., passed other re-

solutions commending Sunday as

the opening day because the working

class is not a free class and cannot

well get away from work under Christian employers on other days.

Comrade John Spargo, editor of he Comrade, New York, has chal-

the Comrade, New York, has chal-lenged the Rev. Dr. Rainsford (known as Morgan's \$20,000 pas-

tor) to debate on Labor and Socialism and the existence of a class con-

flict, as a result of an address made

by Rainsford at the People's Forum at New Rochelle, N. Y., at which the reverend gentleman dodged the usual discussion at the close of the

each state must

Comrade Carl D. Thompson as a

nominated for mayor of Dubuque,

ganizer for Illinois, is filling some

lates in Iowa.

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Ia., by the Socialists.

deputy state organizer.

"BILLIONAIRES" AND YET BREADLESS! for a rainy day, and in nearly every instance they got the reply that left them speechless for want of further

"We have no longer figures in millions, but in billions. In spite of the strenuous competition of Europe, in spite of discrimination against American products and hardships enforced on American hardships enforced on American business men abroad, the United States stand at the head of the nations, as we have the figures and the money to prove it."

This from The Million, an anti-Socialist paper which is maintained by the-capitalist politician class at Haverhill, Mass. After meditating Haverhill, Mass. After meditating for a moment on the greatness and of a county which "figures in billions," read the report of that city:

"Hundreds on the river front," winter, is no longer sounding out according to the Cincinnati Times-in its weird and distressing pathos Star of Feb. 5th, "driven by the pangs of hunger to steal bread and bread enough and some to spare on

men picking potato peelings out of osh barrels

"The old cry for 'bread' that has a Cincinnati paper on conditions in been heard in many places, but rare-

testimony heartrending to the last word was given by a veteran police officer in court in place. last word was given by a vereral police officer in court in pleading for the men he had been compelled to arrest, and the judge and prosecution elike were moved." Again it The applicants were confined to no the applicants were confined to no abroad much growth growth abroad much growth growth

in its weird and distressing pathos along the river fact. There was bread enough and some to spare on Wednesday after. a week), and any idea of 'saving up,

says:

"Nearly every morning at 1 or 2 women and children, strong men balance" was \$63,000,000 in favor o'clock policemen on their beats find and weak men, and the story they of the United States and that our of the United States and that our nearly all told was monotonous in its dire want."

of the Children were \$2.480,000,000.

Meanwhile the working class of the "Occasionally the police officers metropolis of one of the richest asked the applicants why they did states in the union are reduced to ly in Cincinnati, until the present not save up so as to have something absolute beggary, to soup house charity and ash heap groveling. Our women are confronted with starvation or dishonor. Our children are cast in a criminal mold because of parental necessities. They are reared in the filth and moral leprosy of |Radium? How then shall we com- allowing "expenses" and a fair (?) the slums, while the earnings of their fathers go to fill the teeth of the canine plaything of some fair trial brigand. At a nursery age they are forced into the market, only to be exploited as their fathers have been. And the pity working class of it all is that the working the Good, the True, the Beautiful, themselv's have the remedy in their for they verily behold now a new own hands, whenever they choose to earth wherein the old has given use it. Whenever the men who use it. Whenever the men who "strike together and starve to-gether" decide to vote together, the rest will be easy .-- A. L. U. Journal.

WISCONSIN.-The Socialist Woman's

WISCONSIN.—The Socialist Woman's Club of the South Side has donated \$4.75 to the state campaign fund. Wood County has perfected a county organization and is now getting down to work with a view to thoroughly organizing the county. Comrades of Eau Claire and vicinity are raising a special guarantee fund, to bring Carl Thompson to that part of the state for one month next summer, with a view to a thorough organization of the country. Others localities wanting a thorough organization of their county a thorough organization of their county or district, will do well to follow suit

a thorough organization of their county or district, will do well to follow suit. Ashland is preparing for organization. A hall has been engaged in which Comrade Thompson will speak next month, and a large attendance is expected. Rhinelander has taken in 15 new members. Marinette also reports 7 new members. Good work for two of our newest branches.

F. G. Strickland's dates are as follows: Madison, March 18; Janesville, April 1; Milwaukee, March 28, 29, 30 and 31, and April 2, 3 and 4.

Dates for Carl D. Thompson are as follows: March 18, 19 and 20, Neenah; March 21, 22 and 23, Two Rivers; March 28, Whitewater. Remaining dates of the month in Milwaukee.

Comrade Thompson writes: "We had two splendid meetings in Marshfield. The audience was good and very helpfully enthusiastic. After my first lecture the whole audience stayed to listent to questions and answers for a whole half-hour. I then gave an operation. cities is in most cases confined to the winter months, but in Hamburg, Cologne and Hanover it continues the year round. The bill of fare is variously made up of rolls; sandwiches, bread, coffee, soup, milk, etc.

Prof. Ferri, the scientist-Socialist of Italy, has been sentenced to four-teen months imprisonment for libeling the ministers of Marine of that country. The things he printed in his paper about the marine department were shown to be true.

THE SOUL'S RADIUM.

The Radium of Leadership.

"A substance giving out light and pute in endless figures the value of salary, and our Columbus seeing his heat with scarcely perceptible loss of bulk or power," is a phrase which partially defines Radium, the won-derful material recently discovered by the eternal pair, "the man and the woman," with the main honor of the discovery freely granted to

his wife by the French scientist. Hundreds of thousands of dollars they told an astounded world of scientists it would cost to produce one pound of it, and an absurdly small amount would contain force sufficient to destroy the earth and all

life upon it. When first I read the story my thought flew to the many so-called " "madmen" and "dreamers' who had spent weary years in pover- Move.' ty and hope, using every available penny apart from life's necessities in pursuit of their ideal—Perpetual

Not along any of their beaten tracks did the realization show its luminous head, crowned with the glory of success; but other "dreamhave today found in Radium the nearest approach to their unattained desire.

The grosser is never more than a type of the finer.

Gleanings from Busy Socialistic Fields!

NOTE: In some states the organization is known as the Socialist Party, in others as the Social Dem-

one grain of the spiritual Radium of dream come true, proving his exness, and unrelieved cold of ignorance? God bless the hard working one.

dreamers of beautiful dreams, past, present, and to come!!

Galileo, before his merciless inquisitors, the awful rack in sight, failing for a moment in physical place to the new. courage, denies the truth of his Blessed are al great discovery of the eternal swing of our planet around the sun, ONLY to be instantly reinforced by the think nobly and intelligently; for dreamer's spiritual Radium, and to not until then will they realize the cry with impressive gesture "It Does"

Columbus, on his weary from court to court, offering a hemis-phere in the open markets of the known world, to find no bidders for his dream, until that pitiful sordid contract is made which gives all the result of his labor back as principal and the controllers of the new conand interest for a handful of jewels.

Does not the average inventor (usually a poor man) pass today through a like experience? Possibly Columbus in 1904 might be "prospecifithe finer. moted" by a speculator in the spoo,000 for a pound of material "dreamer line," a syndicate formed

leadership; that of the heart, the soul, sending its wondrous light and God-dictated answer would not redaughter or mistress of some indussoul, sending its wondrous light and God-dictated answer would not rewarmth to those who sit in the dark-member even the existence of a contract in that blessed first glimpse of "Land ahead" and not the old Blessed then be all dreamers of

Blessed are all workers, for they shall inherit the new earth, after they have had time to rest, read and silent miraculous power of each individual Vote, Word, or Thought.

You then who are dowered four fold; you of the broad shoulders, the strong arm, the quick brain, and best and highest gift, the loving heart toward All, must and will be the Leaders of the new civilization ditions tending toward a peaceful change. You hold the uplifting widening influence of the Wedge, known of all mechanics, driven by the concentrated force of

THE SOUL'S RADIUM. Ethelun Bryant Chapman.

H. M. Hyndman, the veteran English Socialist, will be the speaker at the Glasgow Socialist demonstration in the city hall, Glasgow, March 18. Comrade Hyndman will deliver an address at Queen's Hall, London, April 14.

The practice of supplying food to school children in various European cities is in most cases confined to

MILWAUKEE SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM

The Social-Democratic party is the American expression of the international movement of modern wage workers for better food, better houses, sufficient sleep, more leisure, more education and more culture.

Under present conditions the wage worker is always dependent upon the man with means for an opportunity to work for a livelihood, and therefore is not free.

Political liberty alone has become inadequate; we must have both political and economic liberty. To secure this by the collective ownership of the means of production and distribution is the aim of the Social-Democratic party.

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In municipal affairs also the Social-Democratic party stands for every radical change that will bring the means of production or transportation into the hands of the people. It believes in self-government for the city, in a just and equitable taxation where the corporations bear their full share, in the consolidation of our city and county administrations, in the public control of our food supply in the interests of the public health, and in the highest development of a reasonable public service. At the proper time it will introduce and carry out these and other measures. Social-Democrats are well aware, however, that Milwaukee does not enjoy self-government, and that as a rule no steps can be taken in that direction without an appeal to the state legislature at Madison.

SOCIAL-DEMOCRATS: FOR MAYOR VICTOR L. BERGER, FOR COMPTROLLER WM. A. ARNOLD, FOR TREASURER JACOB HUNGER.

CITY CANDIDATES OF THE

The Rose administration in the city hall and the Republican administration in the courthouse have disgraced the fair name of Milwaukee. But corruption in our municipal affairs is not a new occurrence, and we call attention to the fact that it is to the corruptive power of capitalism, playing upon the venality, the uncertainty for the future and the business instinct of those who have made politics a business, that we owe the scandalous corruption of one and the outsiness instinct of those who have made politics a business, that we owe the scandalous corruption of our government. By the average capitalist and business man the bribing of a politician is considered absolutely legitimate, if business requires it.

We do not need to prove these points. They were proved by the grand jury. A municipal government cannot have the same end in view as a private business. A municipal government ought to be conducted from motives of personal gain. The trouble is that too many municipal governments have so conducted—and that is just the reason why we have investigations in St. Louis, Grand Rapids, Chicago, Milee, etc.—"business" administrations, every one of them.

Nor does any intelligent man longer believe in the panacea of electing so-called "good men" to office. Plenty of "good men" have been corrupted by the system which they have tried to patch up and regulate. All ligh-sounding clamor by capitalist parties about business principles, "good men," etc., is therefore simply a dishonest bid for votes. Business corrupts politics.

The Social-Democratic party goes to the over the two tried was all some day entirely remove the causes, and the Social-Democratic party to the extent that we introduce Socialism. And the Social Democratic party that the tried was some day entirely remove the causes,

and they will only disappear to the extent that we introduce Socialism. And the Social-Democrats, having this goal in view, are above temptation. Of the many Social-Democrats elected in Germany, England and Austria, hardly one has ever fallen by the wayside. The Social-Democratic party, while a class organization of the proletariat, is today also the only party of high moral ideas, because it is in accord with the trend of civilization and with the necessities

It is not claimed that by winning an isolated victory in a city like Milwaukee we can have Socialism. But such a victory would be a step forward, a mile-stone on the way of human progress. And first of all things, it would mean a tremendous cleaning up of the municipal affairs of Milwaukee

In the light of the above facts we make the following demands:

1. That no more franchises for public utilities shall be sold, leased or given away. The city shall take charge as soon as possible of all public utilities now in private hands. The city shall compel the public utility corporations to give good service. Especially the street car company shall be made to meet the public needs as to the number of cars running, seating capacity, heating, ventilation, etc. The city shall regulate the price of gas, and shall appoint a gas inspector to test the quality of gas furnished. The city shall abolish the contract system as far as possible in all public work. Only organized labor shall be employed by the city, and that at an eight-hour day. Whenever contract work is unavoidable the contractors shall be compelled to employ only organized labor.

2 That the common council shall take steps necessary to make the big corporations pay their rightful share of municipal taxes, so that the money necessary to carry out the following reforms can be raised.

3. That an earnest effort shall be made by the city to provide work for its unemployed citizens. Besides the improvement of the streets the city shall maintain a public coal and wood yard and a public ice house; the coal, wood and ice to be sold to the citizens at cost.

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4. That the city shall employ a number of attorneys to conduct just cases for the poor. That the city shall reorganize the system of administering justice in the police courts, so that the poor man may be guaranteed the same chance before the law as is enjoyed by the rich.

5. That free medical services shall be extended so as to provide two salaried physicians in each ward, who shall treat those applying free of charge. The city also to arrange with druggists who shall compound the prescriptions coming from said city physicians for a certain average compensation which shall be fixed by the board of health and paid for by the city. The city to provide adequate hospital service, free from every taint of charity. Also a public crematory which shall be free to those applying.

6. That the city shall erect a public bath in every ward for the benefit of the residents. Also provide a system of street closets, such as are found in modern European cities. Plumbing and sewerage to be done in all dwellings by the city at cost, the same to be paid for in yearly installments.

7. That the city shall condemn all slum habitations dangerous to the health of the occupants, and cause their removal in the interests of public morality and health. The city to maintain public playgrounds, open air gymnasiums and parks wherever possible, and furnish and plant and care for trees for all the streets of the city.

8. That free school books and adequate school facilities shall be provided. Principals shall be required to devote one-half of their time to instruction. The salaries of the assistant teachers to be raised first, before those of the highly paid principals. The large hall in each school building shall be available to residents of the district for public meetings of whatever nature.

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meetings of whatever nature.

9. That the city shall build a labor temple, to be dedicated to the business and amusements of the working people. Also that the city shall arrange at least one free concert each month during the winter, and in summer concerts to be given in every city park at least one a week.

10. That the city shall declare a public heliday on all election days, which shall be compulsory, and that a penalty shall be exacted from all empisyees of wars labor who shall ignore the order.

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The referendum proposed by Lo-cal Butie, butdrafted by some crafty hand at some other point probably, which ostensibly aimed to prevent which ostensibly aimed to prevent proxy or plural woting in the national convention, but which really had for its object the setting aside of a former referendum giving the

states proportional representation on the national committee, has been passed by a vote of 4,299 to 2, 034. This result is a sad commentary on the intelligence of our membership throughout the country and shows that in the Socialist movement as well as outside of it a referendum is too often carried by thoughtlessness and the massing of the collective ignorance. Moreover, it shows that there are crafty politicians inside our fold who will bear watching. ron has been cancelled owing to his necessity for returning home direct after his lecture in Terre Haute The referendum was worded so as to catch affirmative votes by a trick and we confess that we are not an admirer of trickery, either capitalist Haverhill, Mass., and Robert Saltiel trickery or Socialist trickery. There were 140 comrades in Wisconsin, we are ashamed to say, that voted with the majority, but they were probably readers of the Appeal to Reason

Parker Memorial church, Boston, on NATIONAL QUORUM MEETING.—
Quorum called to order Chicago, Mar.
6th, 5:30 P. M. Berlyn, Berger and Reynolds present. Reynolds elected chairman. National Secretary Mailly acted as Secretary.
Correspondence from a number of locals making inquiry as to the attitude of the national organization towards the "Appeal to Reason" and requesting action upon same, was submitted by Bertion upon same, was submitted by Bertion upon same, was submitted by Bertin programmer. successive Wednesday evenings on the "Prophets of the Twentieth Dr. H. A. Gibbs, of Worcester,

in answer to the attack on unionism made previously in the same hall by

tion upon same, was summered by Derlyn and adopted by the Quorum:
"Article 3, Section 4 of the national constitution, viz.: The National Committee shall neither publish nor designate any official organ, explicitly prohibits the national organization from Comrades Morris Hilquit, R. R. Hunt and Wm. Butscher are the nominees for successor to Comrade Hillquit as national committeemen, Revolution and Counter-Revolution and Counter recting interest in any Socialist paper and cannot have under the party con-

The action of national secretary in arranging dates for Dr. Herron in Ohio was approved, as the facts showed he had, first asked the state secretary to act. On motion the application for a charter for Salt Lake City was granted to J. H. Zenzer, on the ground of priority. The selection of Charles Ufer: as national committeeman of New Jersey was disapproved, as such selection must be by referendum. Comrade B. Feigenbaum was empowered to print some Jewish pamphlets, Committeeman Hill-quit to cooperate. A leaflet on Socialism for general distribution was presented by national secretary. square up its accounts with the naby May 1, in order to be entitled to

vention assemble at 10:00 A. M., May 1st, at Brandt's Hall, corner N. Clark and Erie streets, Chicago.

OREGON.-There were 74 delegate OREGON.

present at the state convention Marca at at Portland. The sessions were held at 309 Davis st. Comrades B. F. Ramp Landal chairat 300 Davis st. Comrades B. F. Ramp and W. S. Richards were elected chairman and Secretary, respectively. A strong plaform was adopted; state head-quarters were realoved from Albany to Portland; it was decided to employ a state organizer to assist the state secretary in building up the party organization; and the following ticket nominated: C. C. Michaelson, of Prineville, for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court; N. Rasmussen, of Portland, for State Food and Dairy Commissioner; B. F. Ramp, of Salem, for Congress in the First, and George R. Cook, of Portland, in the Second District.

in North Wales for the Independent Labor party. Genuine sorrow is expressed throughout the European movement

over the death of Prof. Antonio Labriola at Rome. Emil Rosenow, 34 years of age, the youngest Socialist member

disease recently. He was an eloquent orator, novelist and a success-

ACROSS THE HERRING POND.

Comrade John Penny is agitating

the German reichstag, died of heart

"local" is used it does not refer to trade union locals, but to the local body

Comrade George Willis Cooke readers of the Appeal will give a series of lectures in the and were misled by it.

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The action of national secretary in

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What International Socialism Demands:

- Collective ownership of public utilities and all industries in the hands of Trusts and Combines.
- 2. Democratic management of such collective Industry.
- Reduction of the hours of labor and progressively increased Remu-
- State and National Insurance for the workers and honorable rest for
- The Inauguration of public Industries to safeguard the workers against lack of employment.
- Education of ALL children up to the age of 18 years. No child labor.
- Equal political and civil rights for men and women.

If you believe in the above vote with the Social-Democrats eeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee

Capitalism the Modern Black Death!

Beginning with the year 1347 there swept over the countries of Europe a great plague known as the Black Death. So extensive and so intensive was this great human cal-

amfity that a large part of the civilization of Europe was paralyzed and destroyed. It was supposed to have been of Asiatic origin, if we are still to hold to the time-honored idea that diseases are communications. able, yet the accounts, some of them none too free from fable, claim that just preceding the plague there were a series of peculiar atmospheric and terrestrial commotions and that the foundations of the earth were shaken, that there were earthquakes and droughts, and, finally, a pestiferous wind that blighted all it came in contact with. For three years the great source of bubonic disease continued to decimate the population of continental Europe, and even in London there were some 100,000 deaths. It is said that a conservative estimate of the mortality places the deaths at fully one-fourth of the inhabitants.

A most peculiar phase of the "great mortality," as it has been called, was the widespread effort of the people to save themselves by avoiding a mental shock. Fear and loss of confidence before the awording a mental snock. Fear and loss of connected before the steady encroachment of the great fatality siezed on the stoutest of hearts. In their panic, even the religious ideas of the people lost their force, and the notion became prevalent that the only possible escape from the plague lay in revelry and merrymaking and that indifference to fear was the only safeguard. Consequently feelings of humanity fled from them, the sick were left without nurses or doctors, the roystering multitude closed their ears to all knowledge of the sick and rotated the stream of the control of the sick and rotated the stream of from tavern to tavern, gorging and swilling on the over-stock of the public places and shops, from which all cash or credit transaction had disappeared. When they went through the streets they carried aromatic spices in their hands, which they snifted as they walked to keep the doors of the air infecting sick and the decaying corpses that had been pushed out from the houses of death.

Midst the cries of the sick rose the coarse, heartless laughter of

The hearts of all were closed to the commonest feelings of humanity, and all was abandon, excess and riotous mirth and hubbub.

History has as yet not gotten the proper perspective, which will come with the receding years, to write of a more modern Black Plague, a plague that has had longer life than that in the Fourteenth century which we have been referring to. It is still upon us this plague of capitalism. Let us see if you cannot see the likeness between the one and the other:

In place of the atmospheric and terrestrial commotion that pre-ceded the Black Death, the later plague of capitalism was preceded by the series of mechanical inventions and discoveries that revolutionized the mode of production and gave feudalism its death warrant. The whole process of manufacture was disturbed and disrupted, and then came the first taste of capitalist exploitation of the toilers by means of came the first taste of capitalist exploitation of the toilers by means of the factory system. The means of production were taken possession of by the newly evolved capitalists and with the greatest ferocity the workers were robbed of their product. In England the factory system spread a pestilence of slow starvation throughout the industrial working class population. The smallest children were devoted by this hideous cannibalism, and were worked in relays in factories that were virtually prisons, one relay of children returning to the beds just vacated by the other relay, so that Engels tells us "the beds never got cold." Then the partially awakened people began to take preventive measures Then the partially awakened people began to take preventive measures against the new plague, and for a time fought it with a glimmer of sucagainst the new plague, and for a time fought it with a glinimer of success here and there. But the plague was too powerful and gradually overspread the civilized world. Nothing was sacred before its onward march—all things were forced to square with it, state, political economy, the church and the public morality. Year by year it has grown in extent and force until today, nearly two centuries since it began its spread, we find society still being devastated by it, the mortality being stupendous. Let us make a few comparisons between the two plagues:

The Black Death struck down the many to hours of agony and final extinction. The Capitalist plague has striken the many with the blight of poverty. Today ninety-nine per cent of the people all told do not own even half of the wealth of the land. There a million paupers in state and charitable institutions in the United States today, 500,000 women have to resort to prostitution to live, there are 2,500,000 professional tramps, and three millions of our

pauperized fellow citizens apply for relief yearly! The Black Death permitted the few to riot and feast upon the common store, which the many were incapaciated from touching. Today the few feast upon the common store of wealth and luxury produced by the many. Six per cent of the people are now in possession of over 82 per cent of the national wealth. The capitalists take possession and riot in 77 per cent of all the wealth produced by the workers. Of the individual capitalists, Rockefeller takes possession of fully four million of dollars of such wealth each month, Pierpont Morgan one million and Carnegie nearly as much.

During the Black Death the few who were not stricken closed their hearts "to feelings of humanity." They gave themselves up to enjoy-ment and debauchery and would not admit the plague's existence. How is it today? Call to mind the "Charity" balls, where the sated, vulgarized few dance and make merry in the face of the pinching poverty and degrading misery of the many. Witness the immoralities and shameful extravagances, monkey-dinners, gambling parties and drunken orgies, at Newport and in the "smart sets" of our big cities. Witness the grand parties and social functions carried on but a stone's throw from the habitations of those in distress, where starvation stalks and existence is one long drawn out groan of misery! Witness the lap dogs of the rich wearing collars encrusted with gems and given afternoon drives in the parks with attendant coachmen and footmen in livery, the children of the many sent to day-long drudgery in child la bor pens owned by "leading citizens" all over the land!

bor pens owned by "leading citizens" all over the land!

During the Black Death there were those who preyed upon the sick, propriety and decorum fled, and one citizen fled from another. To-day the economically sick are preyed upon by a multifarious breed of vultures, from chattel mortgage sharks down to politicians. Modesty and propriety has fled before a pervading social and political immorality. And one citizen fears all others, for each man's hand is against his fellow; he is forced to look out for his own interests, lest those craftier than himself fleece him to the hone. than himself fleece him to the bone.

And so we might continue. The present high price of living for the workers is like unto the scarcity of succor that the victims of the Black Death encountered. We could liken the capitalistic newspapers to the "odoriferous" flowers with which those who were still well held to their faces in order not to detect the stench of the dead and dying in those awful days. During the Black plague the dead victims were thrust out of doors and left there. Under the capitalist plague the most reduced victims are also thrown out of doors. There were 60 493 perreduced victims are also thrown out of doors. There were 60,493 persons evicted from their homes in New York City alone last year.

But the Black Death was not a thing that just merely happened.

It had its cause, just as the wrongs of the present have their cause.

DOWNWARD GO WAGES, AND THE WEALTH OF THE COUNTRY IS IN THE HANDS OF A FEW PEOPLE!



Distribution of Wealth in the United States.

From Chas. H. Spahr's Tables.

I percent owns 50. percent of the wealth. Rich Class Middle Class " 36.5 II Poor Class ** " 12. Very Poor Class 44 " " 1.5

"BUSINESS ADMINISTRATIONS" and BOODLE.

being out of jail on election day.

than appears at first sight. In order to understand this we must recall that in our present society, city, state and national governments are really but committees to do the work of the capitalist class in these that capitalist class lives only through exploitation of the workers, the principle husiness of such government unsured than the capitalist class lives only through exploitation of the workers, and no "boodle" exists. It is recognized by the "respectable" thieving element in society that these are the legitimes of a government unsured than taking the workers, so in the architecture is no complaint of immorality, no charges of dissense that in our present society, city, state and national governments are the workers, which is the capitalist class lives only the capitalist class lives only the principle husiness of such government unsured that in our present society, city, state and national governments are the workers, and no immorality, no charges of dissense that in our present society, city, state and national governments are the workers, and no immorality, no charges of dissense that in our present society, city, state and national governments are the workers, and no immorality, no charges of dissense that in our present society, city, state and national governments are the workers.

I find on coming to Milwaukee personal advantage. So long as the that the grand jury is kindly supplying literature for the Social-Democratic party. It would seem from an examination of the capitalist class as a whole, from an examination of the Republican and protection of business interests as a protection of business interests as a busy and pays for it. So it is that the difference between their that the difference between taking protection of business interests as a busy and pays for it. So it is that the difference between taking ist press that the Republican and protection of business interests as a buys and pays for it. So it is that a man's life and taking that where Democratic conventions had been whole, there is no complaint. It the class (not "public") officials be-by he lives, is in fact no difference. delayed to the very last moment in order to ascertain whether there would be sufficient politicians from those organizations left free from indictment to fill out the ticket, sale exploitation of the entire work.

Then it is that those individuals who were overbid in the sale of these employes raise a hue and cry about indictment to fill out the ticket, sale exploitation of the entire work. whole system of legislation may be formed. This whole cry of boodle is some-thing which has a deeper meaning of the earth in taking the worker's

ist class are seeking to use the goy-elected to power bearing either the ernment for their own individual Democratic or the Republican tag,

"The whole thing is a "business transaction."

The Socialists approach the "boodle" question from a wholly different point of view.

Here, as everywhere, they look at matters only from the point of view of the working class. Now, workers are not directly interested in the through exploitation of the workers, the principle business of such governments is to further that exploitation. These governments are established to protect private property rights in things which yield rent, interest and profit. So it is that so long as the robbery is confined to the workers, the government is wholly satisfactory to the capitalist class. But they foolishly insist that it is possible to have a government which shall be honest in details while its labor market and so the capitalist class. question of the small boodle of the possible to have a government which stock market, men and women shall be honest in details while its the labor market and so the capitalshall be honest from top to bottom. Whole fundamental purpose is to ist sees no reason why there should the detail th further exploitation.

'Boodle' simply means that certain individuals within the capitalthat after a government has been that after a government has been the whole dirty mass. the whole dirty mass.

WORDS OF CHEER FOR THE MILWAUKEE FIGHT.

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comrades all over the country come will some of the weight of the sum does not look small of which we cannot resist the temptation of quoting. First comes one cialist organization we must have And—well, there is a big heap of some money so we can pay our rent,

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tration which is responsible for this seandalous state of affairs; and "Whereas, The adherents and supporters of the present rotten and decrepid social system, together with the capitalistic press, are unable to defend or excuse the malodorous acts that have been committed, they have to resort to misrepresentations. slander and abuse of the representatives of the labor movement, with the evident intention to cajole the workingman into voting the tickets of the capitalist parties; and in this connection we point especially to an editorial article which appeared in the Milwaukee Sentinel on Thursday, March 10, under the caption "The Colorado Situation," in which is made a brutal, unwarranted and shameful attack on Mother Jones, who has for many years devoted her life to the advancement and uplifting of labor, suffering privation, hunger and hardships in the meantime. We maintain that in this article the Sentinel has displayed a flendish cruelty and a disregard for honor characteristic of a hyena and typical of a defender of a system that develops the basest elements of human nature. In the same paper there have also been published other editorial notes of a scurribous and insulting character, aimed at prominent and honorable reof a scurrilous and insulting character, aimed at prominent and honorable re-presentatives of the working class. In view of these facts, therefore be it

riew of these facts, therefore be it "Resolved, That we, the delegates to the Federated Trades council, denounce the Sentinel as a malicious assassin of personal character, unworthy of the support of honest workingmen and all other people who have any regard for decency. All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted." The executive board also sent a

and Steamfitters, growing out of the employment of a non-union plum-ber. On report that the affairs of the Tobacco workers were in a bad muddle the board decided to request the International union to reorganize the local in the interests of the union label. Circular from Shirt-waist and Laundry Workers that "Labor Brand" collars and cuffs and "Angelus Brand" white laundered soft shirts were union made. Bus, Agt. Weber to give as many of Sunday afternoon meetings laid his unemployed evenings to making over until the first meeting in April. Financial secretary, instructed campaign as he could. To require keep a separate account for office all officers and committees doing or rent. Contract for Freie Gemeinde hall closed. Motion to comply with request of A. F. of L. relative to the educated at rees received from the side sources. That delegates be seated apart from visitors and members bills now before congress was carrefered at the new hall. That finanticled. Metal Polishers No. 10 recial secretary draft a new form ot ported in favor of Labor Secretary notice to unions in arrears for dues, plan and the paying of 35 cents notice to unions in arrears for dues, plan and the paying of 35 cents and notify all unions three months yearly per member. The board also in arrears. That a committee be presented a resolution warning la-



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labor, has again, of late, been operating in Madison and La Crosse, which led to an investigation as to his connection with the Women's

Peoria, Ill., March 10, 1904. r. Fred. Brockhausen, Secy-Treasurer, Wisconsin State Federation of Labor, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir: -Dear Sir:—
I received a communication this moruing from Mrs. Mamie Brettell, Int. Pres, in which she authorized me to recall Mr. R. A. Pratt's commission which I have done, requesting him to return his commission immediately. She states: "Recall Mr. Pratt's commission. Tell him that we can no longer allow him to work in our service." She also states

that I should inform you that he served for former officers, as he said, and, as he did good work, we felt he was a La-bor Leader. And I hereby notify you that his commission has been revoked and that he is no longer in our service. I am pleased to be

Yours fraternally. Sue M. Sumpson,

Peoria, Ill., March 12, 1904. Mr. Fred. Brockhausen. Sec'y-Treasurer, Wisconsin State Federation of Labor, Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Sir :-Yours of the 11th inst. to hand and stoted. You may print my letter of the tenth inst. to you if you think it advisable. We want things straight and resons. We want things straight and fair looking and nothing that is under-hand, and we want no one to work in our cause who is not loyal to it at heart. I am pleased to be

Yours fraternally, Sue M. Simpson,

Int. Secretary. Woman's International Label League The Wis. State Fed. of Labor has

arned the business people against this and similar schemes time and again. We now wish it understood that if they are taken in again they have themselves to blame. This or-R. A. Pratt, the much denounced ganization is absolutely opposed man for his fleecing advertising advertising schemes of any sort, for schemes in the name of organized it is evident that labor representatives who does the soliciting places himself and the organization he represents under certain obligations The executive board also sent a nis connection with the result that we can now print the tween employer and employes point to the employing class, who with the result that we can now print the tween employer and employes point following letters which are self-exbor on account of a paltry sum contributed to advertise his business as a donation. From a viewpoint of organized labor this is going begging, as for Pratt and his ilk it is fleecing for private interest. Neither can be of lasting benefit to organized labor; they should be self-reliant in financial affairs as well as all others concerning the maintenance and future success of the labor move-

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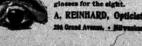
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Regular Meeting Federated Trades Council, Milwaukee, March 16. Delegate Arnold in the chair, Delegate Neuman vice chairman.

William Mailly of Omaha, na-tional secretary of the Socialist party, addressed the council saying that the Milwaukee body had a name all over the country for its progressiveness. It was one of the first to recognize the necessity for labor organization on the political as well as on the economic field. Whenever labor made a brave stand for better conditions it met with the powers of government in the hands of the capitalist class and this showed the need of labor getting the political

ower in its own hands.

New delegates seated from Carage and Wagon Workers, Electrical Workers, Machinists No. 66, Brushmakers, Hod Carriers, Iron Molders No. 166, Upholsterers, Sheet Metal Workers, Metal Pol-ishers No. 10, Marble Workers (reinstated).

Report of executive board. The following recommendations were made by the board and afterward "An concurred in by council: To allow and iddresses for the Social-Democratic ganization work to turn over to the ouncil all fees received from out-

been apparently successful.

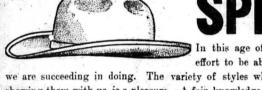
Bro. Weber reported for special ers. It informed the council that committee on Labor Day music stat-ing that an agreement had been en-Mother Jones had made a deal with and notify all unions three months in arrears. That a committee be appointed to secure a park for Labor against the capitalist politician, bor Day. Resolutions denouncing the Milwaukee Sentinel for its slanderous editorial attacks on leading workers in the trade union men to vote only for the principles of mayorment, particularly. Mother: Jones had made a deal with tered into with Franz Mayr. It was the Parry people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and bor against the capitalist politician, more of them.

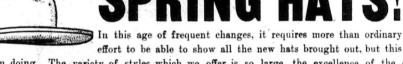
Delegate Welch read the corrected draft of the Labor Secretaryship circular, which was approved and resolution was passed calling attention to the presence in the city of mayorment, particularly. Mother Jones had made a deal with the Parry people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and had been discovered to draft of the Labor Secretaryship circular, which was approved and resolution was passed calling attention to the presence in the city of properly fumigate her character. A resolution was passed calling attention to the presence in the city of particularly and the domain that bear agreement had been encounted into with Franz Mayr. It was the Parry people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the party people to run an anti-planned to have smaller bands and the par movement, particularly Mother equality and the demand that labor curred in. A long letter was read certain discredited "labor leaders Jones, were passed as follows: get the full value of what it pro- from Editor O'Neill of the Miners' (Continued on Page 6.)









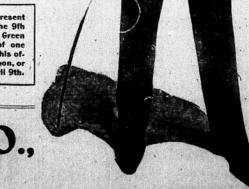






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cises in the playground, skating,

swimming, marching, wrestling, for

both sexes succeed each other by turns and form together an educa-

the training of a healthy, hardy race normally developed in mind and

body. Step by step the growing child is made acquainted with the differ-

the child, and vice versa, is

play days of childhood shall

ture and cannot be done violence to.

wisely directed. Probably Prof.

moralized. But foxy Monaghan was

these sentences which are almost the

next paragraph to the one he did read: "All the faults and extra-

generation, which increase from day to day, and are but the inevitable

dissolution of society wil have dis-

appeared (in the Socialist society)

discipline, the immorality, the lov

forth and fed by the disorder and restlessness of family life, by the poisonous influences of social life,

demoralizing books, shameless stim-ulants to lust, ambiguities of all

kinds in the press, the factory system, over-crowded dwellings, the

complete want of control as well as

of independence at an age at which

need of checks from without and of

training to self-discipline, all of

these and many other evils can be avoided with ease by the future com-

munity without the exercise of force

will make them impossible." Monag-

han was too much of a capitaliset

fox to quote that, you may be sure.

Monaghan told a student at Madi-

son that when a young man he fell on the ice and injured his skull and

that his head had troubled him ever

since. But that is no reason why he

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professor's wisdom.

It has leaked out that the appearance of Prof. Momaghan in the city at just this time, "under the auat just this time, "under the authing planned last Summer by Dave but Rose must be smiling on the other side of the mouth since Monaghan's collapse at the Fourth District school last week at the hands of the Socialists. The idea of the school board putting up such a man to instruct the public through lectures in the schools, was bad considering that the board was publicly warned as to what kind of a man he was, but his pitiful display of ignorance, malice and cowardice when he faced that Fourth ward school audience, was a just punishment on the board members for lending the use of the schools for political harangues. For if the rich cannot get a better man to warn the peopel against the working class than Monaghan they are assuredly in hard straits. And Monaghan's failure casts a suspicion over the intent back of the school course that will be hard to eradicate in a hurry from the minds of the working people of Milwaukee.

We were asked by some of those present to reprint in The Herald the two quotations he made from August Bebel's "Woman in the Past, Present and Future." In order Past, Present and Future. In order to be sure of getting the right quotations we got the numbers of the pages on which they appear from Monaghan himself. The first was read by him to prove that Socialists advocate martial infidelity. Here is the quotation: "Certainly, mar-riage is the basis of social development. But we must ascertain which form of marriage is the more moral (Bebel had just been writing of the money marriages under the present words, more likely to conduce to the advantage of humanity in all its phases, a marriage founded on the bourgeois idea of property, and Monaghan would rather the children therefore compulsory, with its many should run the streets, smoke cigarattendant evils and mostly imper-fect realization of its object, a social institution beyond the reach of millions, or a marriage founded on the free, untrammeled choice of love, such as is only possible in a Social-istic society." Terrible, isn't it? And it was amusing to note Monag-han's embarassment when his audiplainly showed that the quotation showed nothing that was taught

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the campaign. A resolution on the conduct of Pres. Fischer in the To-QUOTATIONS FROM BEREL'S BOOK. WHICH HE SHAMELESSLY MISREPRESENTED. —A PROFESSOR WITHOUT SHAME! were appointed to act at once in the but the simplest common sense. But matter of arbitrating the Tanners' trouble with the Pfister & Vogel he returned to his mud-throwing purpose and made the charge that Socialists wanted to take the chiltannery: The report of the business agent showed that there were now dren away from their parents and bring them up in large caravansar-ies. "And I am going to prove it out of Bebel's book," said the dis-honest professor. And this is what he read: "As soon as the child is old forty-eight labels in existence and the time was at hand when a universal label was needed. He gave various instances of crimes against labor by the capitalist class. Report ne read: "As soon as the child is old enough (when Socialism has been established), he joins the games of the children of his own age under the care of common guardians. Again, everything is provided that human knowledge and intelligence can supply for the development of wind such hely. It addition to the

(Continued from Page 5.)

The grievance committee asked for a committee of three from both the Carriage and Wagon Workers and the Upholsterers to act with them in straightening out a difference between the two unions. Granted. The Label section reported on various matters. A communication from the Barbers said that the Alhambra Theater barber shop was now on the unfair list and that the Kirby House shop had been taken off the list. Attention was called to the worst scab shop in the city, that of Franz & Kunz at Third and North avenue.

Receipts for evening \$21.52; disoursements \$97.85 ional whole. The object in view is

Frederic Heath, Rec. Secy.

THE THEATER.

ALHAMBRA THEATER

ent forms of practical activity, with manufacturing, horticulture, agri-culture, with all the technical ap-And now the Royal Lilliputians pliances of production. Meanwhi'e his mental training in the various are coming! They open a week's engagement Sunday afternoon at branches of knowledge will not be neglected." Where is it possible to show from this puotation that Bebel the Alhambra in a play called "Gulliver's Travels." There are fifty people in the company and many or the Socialists ever even dreamed specialties. of taking the children away from their parents? No Socialist would be such a fool as to advocate such a

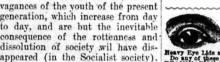
STAR THEATER.

At the Star, beginning Sunday afternoon, the Bohemian Extrathing, for the love of the parent for vaganza company will hold forth a imweek. The company is said to be a planted in the human breast by nafine one, and their show among the What Bebel advocates is that the CRYSTAL THEATED

At the Crystal Theater next week new bill of favorites will be given. The Crystal caters to family patronettes back of woodsheds, ring door-bells, and in other way become de-

The caucus of the Social-Democratic The caucus of the Social-Democratic party in the Town of Milwaukee, county of Milwaukee, county of Milwaukee, will be held on March 21st, Monday, at the first precinct voting booth on the Port Washington road, from 7 to 9 o'clock P. M. Nominations will be made for all officers to be elected at the next ensuing election.

F. Roser, Chairman. careful to only read such parts of Bebel's book as would suit his dis-honest purpose. Why didn't he read



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A POLITICAL DEAL!

Tenth ward capitalist politicians, rue to their instincts for deals and political sell-outs, have put up a job on the voters of the ward by which the Democrats will make only one clerk, and Democrat Frank Keogh, ward nomination for alderman, the man who has so terribly bled whom they hope to elect by a deal with the Republican leaders, giving ing bills. the Republicans one alderman and the supervisor. During the recent ton, egistration in the ward, there were Schunk, old party men in the booths figuring Bade, Republican, and Deputy Tax out the politics of those who came Commissioner to register. Some did not betray brother of themselves, but many others showed Democrat. how they intended to vote on elec-tion day, and when the reports from the several precincts came in, the showing was so overwhelmingly So-

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