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OUR "PROGRESS" EDITION

Next week the Progress Edition! The edition that is to mark a big advance in our progress toward a society converted to Social-Democracy—a social state democratically administered.

A partial list of the articles in the edition may be mentioned at this time. One will be the address on education for working children delivered last week before the convention of the Wisconsin State Teachers' Association at the Davidson Theater, Milwaukee, by Comrade Thomas J. Morgan—the Socialists call him "Tommy" Morgan—of Chicago.

The unions of Argentine Republic held a national convention, adopted a Socialistic declaration, decided to unite all factions, declared against alcoholism in every form and advised against the general strike unless three-fifths of the members voted favorably.

Private interest dies hard. Just now the people of Newark, N. J., want to install an electric lighting system in their new city hall, and straightway, up jump the ghosts of the corporation scare crowd experts with the old, old stuff about public service not paying, being over-ridden with place hunters, etc., etc.—anything to keep the people from taking care of their own affairs and doing work that private capitalists could otherwise make fat profits out of.

Is there anything baser than the tradition of militarism that the soldier is to blot out all humanity and be ready on the instant to do any foul deed his superior officer commands? But the trade of the soldier is the trade of the potential murderer and the blackest deeds off make him a hero in the public eye.

The elections to the local Diets of the various German states are concluded, and the result shows a considerable increase in the number of the Social-Democratic party, and this despite the unfavorable electoral law practically disfranchising the working classes.

The capitalist papers of the country had a good opportunity last week to play on the old string again. The news from Russia comes over capitalistic wires, and when the lying item was cabled that Socialists of Germany were instructing and abetting the Russian revolutionists in the making of bombs, the capitalist papers, already scenting an uprising of the people at the ballot box in this country, clutched at the mischievous item with ill-concealed glee.

The Czar has given orders to his troops to kill as many revolutionaries as they possibly can, to show no mercy or quarter, which they will doubtless obey to the letter. As in France the downfall of the uprising will doubtless be followed by a systematic hunting down of the participants in the great struggle and their wholesale extermination.

The Milwaukee representative of the Fairy Citizens' Industrial Alliance, one Thomas Neacy, is also a member of the school board and has been making strenuous efforts to keep the union label off of the school printing. It has been on the printing ever since the Social-Democratic member of the board, Comrade Wm. A. Arnold, got through a resolution having that end in view.

Every day comrades drop in to view the plant and the new press. A stenographic report of the things they say in admiration and gratification would make reading such as would warm the cockles of the heart of the stoniest Socialist that ever breathed.

The pace is set, let there be no flagging.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries like Otto Fiedler 1.00, West Side Women's Club 15.00, J. H. Jenson 10.00, etc.

Two Great Lessons from the Russian Uprising.

By VICTOR L. BERGER.

THE Russian revolution, according to the latest reports, has been quenched in blood. This was to be foreseen. No revolution has ever been successful when neither the troops went over to the cause of the people, nor the people themselves were armed.

We all know that the great French Revolution of 1789 had its actual beginning from the hour when the French Guards went over to the people. Besides, with the help of the French Guards, during the night of July 13, the people took 27,000 muskets and the necessary ammunition from the cellars of the Hotel des Invalides.

But in Russia, all contrary rumors notwithstanding, the troops have remained loyal. The soldiers are mainly the sons of the muzhiks. To the muzhiks, or to the overwhelming majority of them, the Czar is not only the absolute monarch and patriarch of the nation—the little Father—but he is also the spiritual head of the church.

Moreover there are other semi-barbaric tribes, like the Cossacks, who have been trained for many generations to act as the bloodhounds of the despot. The institution of the Cossacks is an anomaly for the twentieth century, and has no parallel in any European country.

Yet this is the least part. Russia, from the point of economic development and general education, is where the western European nations were at the end of the 18th century.

In truth, nature makes no sudden jumps. Each human being, in its growth before birth, goes through every period of development. From the cell it goes through the stage of the fish to the mammal, and to the human baby.

But their blood was shed uselessly. It would have been far better for the cause of the people if the revolutionists had economized their forces. It was more the communistic spirit of the 16th century, than the Socialist idea of the 20th century, that was manifest in the Russian revolution.

Of course the Social-Democracy is revolutionary. But it is revolutionary not in the vulgar use of the word, which is entirely wrong, but in the legitimate historical sense, which alone is right.

For let us suppose that the revolutionists of Moscow had been victorious. Not one-tenth of one per cent of Socialists in Russia high. Could that one Socialist inhabitant compel the other nine hundred and ninety-nine in Russia to accept his views? And would that be democratic? It is absurd to think so even for one moment.

So as modern men and true Social-Democrats, we must have a somewhat less romantic and boyish idea of the development of human conditions and of the coming Co-operative Commonwealth.

Therefore the Social-Democrats concentrate their whole force on agitation, education and organization. Therefore the Social-Democratic leaders all over the world, as a rule, have been matter-of-fact, cool-headed men, who understand that Socialism is the outcome of the economic development of capitalism.

Besides, might serves only the class that has the might. And as long as 99 per cent of the Americans are disarmed, it is ridiculous to talk about revolutions and expropriations.

So take it all in all, there are two great lessons which we Americans have to learn from the Russian uprising.

First, that our nation must in some way get to be an armed nation. A disarmed nation is always a slave nation. An armed nation is always a free nation.

Second, do not expect anything from riots and bloodshed before the minds of the people are revolutionized. You must have a majority of the people with you, even after a bloody victory, in order to make the results of the revolution last.

But to the capitalist class I would give this warning: A revolution is certain to come sooner or later. Let it be an evolutionary revolution. Let it be a Social-Democratic revolution, which means organization and order.

As for Russia, if this revolution means the beginning of a constitutional era in Russia, it means a great achievement indeed. And that was not achieved by the uprising. Yet while it is most unfortunate that the revolutionists let themselves be pushed into this carnage, all of this may have a tendency to make the Russian constitution more stable.

The year 1905 presents one of the worst blood-daubed pages of any in the recent history of civilization.

The Socialists won six seats in the recent city election at Dresden, their first victories in that city.

Milwaukee Social-Democrats are making preparations for a fitting observance of "Bloody Sunday," the day on which Father Gapon and his people marched to petition the Czar and were brutally massacred in front of the royal palace in St. Petersburg.

A surprising thing happened in Chicago the other day—an inventor died who was a millionaire. As a rule inventors die in poverty, sharing the fate of the other workers who enrich society under the capitalist system.

There is woe and wailing—it is claimed—in the camp of the "statesmen" at Washington. The big roads, by issuing official notices that the passes will cease, have thus confessed to having been bribing these representatives of ours in the past!

The fight of the job printers of the country for the eight-hour work-day is now on in earnest. More than 75 per cent of the organized printers already have the eight-hour day, and the fact that a proposition to levy a ten per cent assessment on the employed printers was carried by an overwhelming majority, is an indication that those who have so far been fortunate enough to secure an eight-hour day realize how important it is to secure it for all.

The terrible, the awful slaughter of human beings in Moscow incident to the struggle of the people of that city to wrest control from the soldiers and officials of the multimurderous Czar—who was responsible for it?

A general strike had been proclaimed by the workers and was fast proving effective and complete. It was up to the governor-general to do something.

This man, Doubassoff, was like the usual run of servants of the autocracy. The factories were closed, stores boarded up, railroad service at a standstill, street car traffic stopped, and the city in darkness.

On the morning of December 23, General Doubassoff, on the pretext that he had secret advice of an insurrection, marched his soldiers at midnight against a procession of strikers carrying the red flag of labor and singing songs of freedom, and mowed them down in cold blood with cannon loaded with grape-shot.

It was a black deed, beyond the power of words to paint, but it served its purpose. The people at once threw up barricades in the streets, and the local war began, a war that, fought wondrously as the people did, could scarcely result in anything short of final victory for the side with the best guns and discipline and the wiping out of existence of thousands of human beings whose lives were a menace to the autocracy.

The Czar could well spare them. The working class in Russia is an insignificant proportion of the total population, and, there is the ignorant peasantry to fall back on.

Good may come of the great Moscow insurrection against the government, but it has been at awful cost in lives to the ranks of the world's democracy.

A dime, ten cents, gets the Herald for ten weeks.

Goodbye 1905! Goodbye year of Peace Congresses and unbridled blood-letting! Goodbye year of unparalleled capitalistic peace hypocrisy!

Forty-one Socialist and Labor gains in the 116 municipalities participating in the recent elections in England was not so bad, don't you know!

In Cleveland a clerk of election in one of the voting precincts and a judge of elections in the same booth have been indicted by the grand jury for voting illegally forty-three times.

Clearly, from the capitalist political standpoint, these men overdid it. A little vote stealing in each precinct generally totals enough in a large city to make the election sure to the corporation interests, and the danger of being caught is small.

The Public of Chicago, takes up the cudgels against the foxy gentry who insist that public ownership would raise up a class of public servants who would be manipulated by politicians in power to perpetrate their power, in the following manner: "It is not true that the free use of spoils would make municipal ownership a worse factor in politics than corporation ownership is now in every city where it exists.

Consider the traction system of New York, for instance, with its scores of thousands of employes at the mercy of August Belmont. He is a business man, true enough, and will use these employes for business success. But business success with corporations performing a public service under city franchises necessitates a large use of political power.

With this amount of patronage at his disposal, Mr. Belmont can mold political bosses, legislators, aldermen and executives to suit his business needs. He can make appointments and removals at will to accommodate politicians who hunger for patronage; he can coerce newspapers, he can break political slates, he can hold the balance of power in conventions and at the polls, he can gratify lust for loot and can blast ambitions. Public service corporations wield patronage with more blighting effect on public interests, and less possibility of being checked, than the worst conceivable gang of spoliemen free from all civil service rules but answerable at the ballot box to public opinion, could wield it with an equal number of jobs."

Every big city in the land gives woeful object lessons of the truth of this. There always exists a ring composed of the capitalist politicians in power and the public service corporations, and the mischief of the combination is almost incalculable.

The other day ex-Gov. Frank Steunenberg of Idaho was blown to shreds by a bomb placed inside the gate in front of his residence in such manner that when he opened the gate the deadly sphere would be exploded. Any other member of his family, or, indeed, any chance caller at the Steunenberg residence might have encountered the awful fate that fell to the much hated ex-governor. A man has been arrested, a man who was one of the victims of the famous, or infamous bull-pen at the great Coeur d'Alene mine strike of 1899, and it is claimed will be found guilty. The very name of Steunenberg was a stench in the nostrils of the working class all over the West for years after the horrors of his Coeur d'Alene bull-pen became generally known, and the ex-governor's name was later coupled with that of the infamous Gov. Peabody of Colorado as showing how capitalist governors and mine owners act the same no matter which of the capitalist parties elevates them to office—Steunenberg being a Democrat and Peabody a Republican.

Naturally in looking for the perpetrators of the recent crime the strongest motive that could be thought of was labor hatred for terrible injuries received, and so the miner already alluded to has been taken into custody. No one will attempt to justify the private killing of men, however they may regard murder-in-gross which is called war, and murder by the state which is called administering justice, but hate and cruelty begets hate and cruelty and the fate of Steunenberg was very clearly the effect of a plainly seen cause. For the crtit of the working class, however, it must be pointed out that such crimes of retaliation as that in Idaho the other day are so extremely rare as to form the exception that proves the rule. The working class as a whole is possessed of immense patience, which is an arguay that when the labor question is finally settled it will have been settled right.

Victor L. Berger.

Notes of the Milwaukee Social-Democratic Fair.

If you want to learn the truth, the whole truth, and a little more than the truth about your future husband or wife, you will consult the great Egyptian seer at the Social-Democratic Fair.

The very first time you attend the Social-Democratic Fair, ask one of the gentlemanly floor-walkers to show you to the fish pond—that is, of course if you are not obliged to shout for help before you see the floor-walker.

Many of the unions that have secured space for exhibits at the Social-Democratic Fair are making extensive preparations for the occasion.

New features will be introduced every afternoon and evening at the Social-Democratic Fair, so don't get the impression that you have seen the whole show after attending but once.

The Twentieth ward comrades promise some original and startling features for the Museum of Prehistoric Curios, the work of preparation for which has been assigned to them.

There is considerable rivalry between the unions that are to have exhibits at the Social-Democratic Fair.

This is the first time in the history of Milwaukee that anything in the nature of a union labor exhibit has been attempted, and the interest manifested is an assurance that it will prove an unqualified success.

If you are contemplating buying a birthday present or a wedding gift, or something that will be sure to please a friend or sweetheart, postpone your purchase long enough to make your selection from the magnificent display at the Social-Democratic Fair.

The Court of Reaction will be in session for the entire week of the Social-Democratic Fair. Rumor has it that the Eleventh ward comrades have been delving into the history of the middle ages for appropriate methods of torture with which to wring confessions from the culprits who will be brought before the court.

If you care to learn what the future has in store for you, you can obtain the desired information by consulting the great Egyptian fortune teller at the Social-Democratic Fair.

You can easily spare a dime—it means ten visits of the Social-Democratic Herald. Do it now!

As Seen From The Gallery!

T. J. Neacy has talked so much in the matter of saving money for the city that now some aldermen would give him an opportunity to make good. Ald. Meyer has therefore introduced a resolution the passage of which would mean to turn over the garbage plant to Mr. Neacy and let him run it for a certain length of time and show what he can do.

It has been repeatedly charged that when the Socialists wish to get into print that they introduce one of their scurrilous(?) resolutions or make charges. Recent developments have shown that when one of the Republicans or Democrats want their name in the papers they must start a fight.

Since the Socialists have had their fight on the indicted fire chief

and the president of the council they have fallen from grace with certain reporters and papers. The Socialists of the city need a paper of their own.

We suspect that some of the assessors have been pressed into the service of the Rose machine. The tax-bills would indicate this.

From all appearance the Socialists will get the short end of the deal when it comes to the budget for the year 1906. However we think that they will put up a lively fight for a fair and just distribution of the funds.

Right ever is might. Gallery God.

A Capitalistic Inferno.

DUBLIN, Dec. 16.—America has heard much of the misery and destitution among the unemployed in London, but it is no exaggeration to say that conditions are far worse here. Not for several years has there been such a dismal outlook as that which now confronts the workers of this city with a winter before them that promises to be long and severe.

Those who have the widest knowledge of the facts and are most competent to express an opinion declare that there are thousands on the brink of starvation, while hundreds are struggling in the coils of hunger.

The Working Girl.

[From a Minneapolis Daily.] Dear Editor—There is so much in your paper about so many things, but so little about the working girl. Not all working girls have a hard time, but as a rule we are to be pitied, for insults and snubs are heaped upon us.

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This was no sooner over than a man sauntered up to the counter to buy some candy. He also was a masher.

It was a busy day. At noon the girls went, with others, to the lunch room. The three managers came in. THE SECOND MANAGER GAVE EDITH AN EVIL SMILE.

Supper time passed. Evening came, and with it people flocked into the basement. Many of them were young men, and EACH HAD A SMILE AND A WORD for the two young women.

Edith and Nellie expected to go home alone, and refused several offers. But at the entrance they met two of their boy friends. They took the car, and reached home in safety.

A Working Girl.

Our Modern Pharisees.

The church has been getting some hard knocks of late, but nothing quite so jarring as John D. Rockefeller's article in the London Daily Mail on "How I Became the Richest Man in the World."

"If I were to give one reason among others for securing my first position in business," he says, "it would be that I had the good fortune to be associated in early boyhood in church and in school with good young men.

I beg every young man not to put off identifying himself with the Christian church. It was the greatest blessing that could have come to me." The "good young men" to which Baptist John refers could no doubt corroborate his statement and tell how it was their "good fortune" to be trained in the same "school" as he.

Even Rockefeller believes he is a Christian, and the Jekyls and Hydes of the business world are legion. But the farce cannot go on forever. The truth will out. The average man is beginning to see "things as they are."

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The following is taken from an editorial by Gaylord Wilshire in his magazine, and is interesting reading in the light of the attempt of certain sinister elements in the party to read the HERALD a lecture for daring to look the Hearst uprising full in the face:
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