BY I. D. ROFFO

PART I.

Let us first note what we mean by Socialism. We mean by it the social reconstruction of all forms of social organization. To this end we make the following propositions:

1. The creation of a new legal and social order, based on the principles of justice, equality, and cooperation.

2. The transformation of the existing economic system into one that is equitable and fair for all.

3. The elimination of all forms of discrimination and inequality, based on race, gender, or any other characteristic.

4. The establishment of a system of education that is accessible to all, regardless of their social or economic status.

5. The promotion of social justice and the protection of human rights for all.

These propositions form the foundation of Socialism, and it is our goal to work towards their realization. As we move forward in this endeavor, we must always remember that the ultimate goal of Socialism is the creation of a society in which all people have the opportunity to live in peace and prosperity, and that this goal can only be achieved through the collective efforts of all of us.
The Social Democratic Party of America declares that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are the inalienable rights of man and child and are conditioned upon the emancipation of the wageslave, the enforcement of the eight hour day, the recognition of the right of workers to form trades unions and to strike and the introduction of international arbitration instead.

The establishment of a system of universal education, including technical and vocational training, is prerequisite to the solution of the problem of unemployment. The Social Democratic Party of America believes that the protection of the rights of women and children, the abolition of child labor, the introduction of labor laws to protect the worker, and the establishment of a system of public health and sanitation services are necessary.

Social Democratic Party Platform

DEMANDS FOR FARMERS

The Social Democratic Party of America believes in the establishment of social order through the organization of the farmers into a powerful body to be united with the labor movement in the interests of the whole community.

1. No more public land to be sold, but to be utilized by the United States for the use of the people for the highest public good.

2. Construction of grain elevators, canneries, and tobacco buildings by the nation, to be used by the public for the higher development of agriculture.

3. The postal, railroad, telegraph and telephone systems to be united, that every post and rail road station shall also be a telegraph and telephone station, with service for farmers, as for residents.

P. P. AND MARX, I. I.

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THE FARMERS’ PROGRAM

By F. R. G. Gordon

A GREAT deal of criticism is levied against our “Farmers’ Program” by both friends and foes.

That a farmers’ program must be included in the platform of any party is, in my opinion, nearly unanimously held by every Social Democrat and the working-class portion of the great Social Democratic party of America.

Under the name of the “Farmers’ Program” was placed a large proportion of the world’s population and wealth produced. And this program must necessarily form an essential part of every farmer’s program absolutely necessary for the prosperity of the community.

The criticism generally made is that the program does not appeal to the farmers of the Middle West and South, that it is a middle-class political party, that it is simply something for the benefit of the urban farmer, that the formula is muddled, that it is a big campaign for the purpose of the election of the party, that it is a mere attempt to satisfy the farmers of the country with a platitudinous appeal that in no way appeals to the farmers of the different states.

But is this criticism a fair one?

The “Farmers’ Program” as framed is for all farmers, for the entire world. There is a popular notion that the “Farmers’ Program” is only a set of platitudes, only a mere attempt to gain the votes of the farmers, only a mere attempt to make a political party out of a group of men who are already in existence.

But the “Farmers’ Program” is a program for all farmers, for all men.

It is a program for the protection of the farmers, for the education of the farmers, for the improvement of the farmers, for the advancement of the farmers.

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Notice to Branches.

The quarterly dues for the quarter ending June 30 are due at the Headquar-
ters, 126 Washington st., Chicago, Ill., on or before Aug. 31. Payment of this
amount is of the highest importance to insure the interests of the
organization, and the members of the branches are urged to provid-
e for the collection, which should be begun at once.

New Branches Organized.

Branches have been organized at the fol-
lowing towns:

Burlington, Vermont
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Branches of the Socialist Party are
now conducted in or near these towns.

Branch Organized at St. Louis, Mo.,
by Isaac Steinmeyer.

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CONSTITUTION OF LOCAL BRANCHES.

Section 1. This organization, located at the County of 

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name of the State Democratic Party of America, shall hold a charter and by-law signed by the National Executive Secretary, and shall be connected with the National Executive Board of the Democratic Party of America.

Sec. 2. Any legitimate branch, or a branch not having a charter from the National Executive Board, shall be considered as a member of the State Democratic Party of America, with certain privileges, and shall be entitled to participate in the meetings and debates of the National Executive Board, provided it shall be held by the local branch.

Sec. 3. The local branch shall meet at least once a month, or as the officers may decide, and the whole membership of the branch shall be present at the meeting.

Sec. 4. At any meeting of the local branch, a quorum consists of five members, the presence of whom shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 5. Any member may be dropped from the local branch, as determined by the officers, after two meetings without the attendance of the member.

Sec. 6. The local branch shall have the same rights and privileges as the local branch of the State Democratic Party of America, and shall be entitled to participate in the meetings and debates of the National Executive Board.

Sec. 7. Any member of the local branch shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic Review," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic Journal," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic Advocate," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic Bulletin," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic News," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic Letter," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic Circular," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic Star," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic World," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic World," and shall be entitled to receive a copy of the "Democratic World."

TANK AND HEADQUARTERS. Section 1. The National Council shall be the Social Democratic Party of America, and its seat shall be at the place where the Executive Board shall be located.

NEW ORGANIZATION. Section 2. The Social Democratic Party of America, in its national convention, which shall hereafter be known as the National Council, shall be the only legal and ultimate representative of the Social Democratic Party of America, and its constitution and organization shall be the only legal and ultimate authority of the Social Democratic Party of America.

Section 3. A National Council composed of at least five members each shall be elected by the members of the Social Democratic Party of America, and its constitution and organization shall be the only legal and ultimate authority of the Social Democratic Party of America.

EXECUTIVE BOARD. Section 4. The Executive Board shall be elected by the National Council, and its constitution and organization shall be the only legal and ultimate authority of the Social Democratic Party of America.

Section 5. The members of the Executive Board shall hold their office for two years, and their salaries shall be fixed by the National Council. The President of the Executive Board shall be elected by the members of the National Council at the annual meeting, and his salary shall be fixed by the National Council. The other members of the Executive Board shall be elected by the members of the National Council at the annual meeting, and their salaries shall be fixed by the National Council.

SUCCESSION. Section 6. The succession shall be determined by the National Council, and the constitution and organization shall be the only legal and ultimate authority of the Social Democratic Party of America.

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that city was crowded with trade unionists, according to those same sources, who observed them as "Our Own Egos." What is true of Indianapolis is true of all other cities, for the same reason, which is that it unites a large and powerful labor movement.

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY.

A great number of Socialists were expelled from the Hungarian trade unions, and the ministers of interior have refused to accept the demand of the Socialists that the voting for the election of the new executive committee be secret. The Central Committee of the Socialists has decided to demand the right to challenge the result of the election and to evict from office any member of the executive committee who is not a Socialist. The Socialists are determined to fight for their rights, and they are not willing to accept any compromise.

TRAVELING FRANKLIN.

The Social Democratic Party of the United States has decided to send an agent to the Congress of Socialists in Germany. The agent will be responsible for the organization of the Social Democratic Party in the United States, and for the preparation of the program for the next Congress of Socialists.

Social Democratic Herald

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SOCIALIST LABOR DEMOCRACY.

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THE ROAST.

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