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National Secretary's Financial Report for Month of June, 1911

Chicago, Ill., June 30, 1911.

| RECEIPTS. | |
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| NATIONAL DUES FROM STATE COMMITTEES. | |
| Alabama | 10.00 |
| Arizona | 20.00 |
| Arkansas | 10.00 |
| California | 105.00 |
| Colorado | 110.00 |
| Connecticut | 101.70 |
| Florida | 36.55 |
| Idaho | 50.00 |
| Illinois | 348.65 |
| Indiana | 65.50 |
| Iowa | 70.00 |
| Kansas | 75.00 |
| Kentucky | 10.00 |
| Louisiana | 12.00 |
| Maine | 2.50 |
| Maryland | 10.00 |
| Massachusetts | 199.50 |
| Michigan | 98.10 |
| Minnesota | 159.95 |
| Missouri | 65.00 |
| Montana | 9.90 |
| Nebraska | 40.00 |
| New Hampshire | 9.60 |
| New Jersey | 106.00 |
| New York | 303.30 |
| North Dakota | 58.65 |
| Ohio | 314.30 |
| Oklahoma | 40.00 |
| Oregon | 50.00 |
| Pennsylvania | 516.20 |
| Rhode Island | 21.10 |
| South Dakota | 10.00 |
| Tennessee | 10.00 |
| Texas | 85.00 |
| Utah | 38.00 |
| Vermont | 11.50 |
| Virginia | 10.00 |
| Washington | 184.55 |
| West Virginia | 22.00 |
| Wisconsin | 91.45 |
| Wyoming | 35.80 |
| Total | \$3,526.80 |
| UNORGANIZED STATES. | |
| Alaska | 25.50 |
| Delaware | 10.00 |
| Mississippi | 20.00 |
| North Carolina | 10.00 |
| South Carolina | 3.60 |
| Members at large | 11.30 |
| Polish Alliance Section | 50.00 |
| South Slavic Section | 50.00 |
| Total dues | \$3,707.20 |
| Supplies | 225.94 |
| Literature | 516.75 |
| Buttons | 177.65 |
| Campaign Fund | .50 |
| Miscellaneous | 3.96 |
| Total receipts | \$4,632.00 |
| EXPENDITURES. | |
| Exchange | 6.85 |
| General expenses | 4.49 |
| Express and freight | 120.91 |
| Postage | 279.77 |
| Telegrams and phone | 28.50 |
| Printing and literature | 1,204.67 |

Action by National Committee

National Headquarters
Socialist Party.
Chicago, Ill., June 24, 1911.

To the National Committee:
Comrades—Herewith is submitted report of National Committee Referendum No. 2, Motion No. 2, by May Wood-Simons, National Committee member of Illinois:

MOTION NO. 2—"That the Woman's National Committee shall meet once each year at the National Headquarters of the party at such time as such committee shall decide on, the traveling and hotel expenses of the members of the committee to be met from the national treasury."

VOTING YES—Arkansas, Hogan; California, Richardson, Harriman; Colorado, Troxel; Florida, Allen; Georgia, Mulcahy; Illinois, Simons; Indiana, Kelley; Iowa, McCrillis; Kansas, Berry, Blase; Louisiana, Bassett; Massachusetts, Fenner; Michigan, McMaster, Aaltonen; Missouri, McAllister; Nebraska, Oyler; Nevada, Burton; New Hampshire, Wilkins; New Jersey, Hartmeyer; New York, Lee, Paulitsch, Wright; North Dakota, LeSueur; Ohio, Clifford, Cook; Oklahoma, Owen, Wills; Pennsylvania, Maurer, Slayton, Cohen, Kennedy; Rhode Island, Grimshaw; South Dakota, Ballinger; Tennessee, Terlisner; Utah, Mallett; Ver-

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|---|-------------------|
| Printing Bulletin (May) | 134.00 |
| Light | 6.97 |
| A. B. Dick & Co., mimeograph supplies | 45.55 |
| Holder's, stationery | 30.62 |
| M. Fry & Co., supplies | 25.40 |
| Saul Bros. (dues stamps) | 41.25 |
| L. Kopelin, News Bureau | 102.26 |
| F. E. Wolfe, News Bureau | 140.00 |
| Dr. Julius Halpern, Press Bureau | 50.00 |
| Victor L. Berger, office help | 60.00 |
| C. H. Congdon, publicity | 50.00 |
| Refund, P. H. Rieman | 2.60 |
| Reserve mileage | 370.70 |
| Caroline A. Lowe, Woman's Correspondent | 72.00 |
| V. Licci, Italian translator | 40.00 |
| J. W. Sariund, Finnish translator | 84.00 |
| F. Petrich, South Slavic translator | 50.00 |
| H. Gluski, Polish translator | 53.00 |
| WAGES. | |
| J. Mahlon Barnes | \$125.00 |
| Dan A. White | 100.00 |
| Chas. Drees | 84.00 |
| John M. Work | 80.00 |
| M. H. Hudson | 72.00 |
| E. N. Taylor | 68.00 |
| E. G. Boyer | 56.00 |
| E. M. Koop | 48.00 |
| G. Ludwig | 42.00 |
| A. B. Campbell | 40.00 |
| G. Ritterskamp | 29.20 |
| A. Culla | 28.00 |
| M. Schupp | 20.00 |
| Extra help | 24.00 |
| Total | \$816.20 |
| APPROPRIATIONS. | |
| State of Nebraska | \$75.00 |
| State of Tennessee | 25.00 |
| Total | 100.00 |
| SPEAKERS. | |
| L. G. De Lara | \$100.00 |
| Geo. H. Goebel | 500.00 |
| Walter J. Millard | 95.24 |
| Lena Morrow Lewis | 100.00 |
| O. F. Branstetter | 109.10 |
| Anna A. Maley | 104.00 |
| John M. Collins | 45.00 |
| J. E. Snyder | 59.45 |
| J. F. Maurer | 35.00 |
| A. Olszewski, Polish | 60.00 |
| Total | 1,207.79 |
| Total expenditures | \$5,124.53 |
| SUMMARY. | |
| Balance on hand June 1 | \$1,992.63 |
| Receipts for month | 4,632.00 |
| Total | \$6,624.63 |
| Expenditures for month | 5,124.53 |
| Balance on hand July 1 | \$1,500.10 |

mont, Ordway; Virginia, Chappell; Washington, Barth, Price. Total, 40.

VOTING NO—Connecticut, Inderst; Indiana, Reynolds; Maryland, Rosett; Minnesota, Morgan, Keyes; Oregon, Lewis, Richards; Texas, Noble; Wyoming, Powell. Total, 9.

NOT VOTING—Alabama, Abbott; Arizona, Morrison; California, Wilson; Idaho, Rigg; Illinois, Brower, Germer; Kentucky, Streine; Maine, Wight; Massachusetts, Putney; Missouri, Berry; Montana, Kruse; New Jersey, Reilly; New Mexico, Cameron; New York, Strelbi; Ohio, Ries; Oklahoma, Block, Ameringer; Texas, Zimmerman; West Virginia, Boone; Wisconsin, Berger, Thompson. Total, 21.

COMMENT.
Richards, Oregon: "We had a congress last year that was a frost and cost the party thousands of dollars. Let's get more democratic, and then still more."
Noble, Texas: "It seems to me that the money spent in so many committee meetings could be used in a way more valuable to the party. I see no reason why this committee could not carry on their business by mail."
The motion is therefore adopted.
Fraternally submitted,
J. MAHLON BARNES,
National Secretary.

National Socialist Lyceum Bureau

To State Secretaries

Chicago, Ill., June 1, 1911.

Dear Comrade—As you well know, the Appeal to Reason a few years ago devised a most valuable plan for securing subscriptions, and coupled with it was the most effective kind of agitation. It became known as the Subscription Lecture Plan. The combination was unique. First a lecture, and then for forty weeks a paper followed each attendant to his home.

Shortly after a number of papers adopted the plan and began touring speakers. The work of these agencies has been beneficial. But the routing of the speakers from a number of offices, without regard to each other and independently of state and national organizations, caused some confusion in our party work and wasted much well-meant energy.

These bad features can be eliminated and the good results multiplied if this work is done through one bureau, working with the active cooperation of all the state organizations and the united support of the entire Socialist press.

With this point in view the National Executive Committee decided to establish a National Socialist Lyceum Bureau, and, with the consent of the papers, incorporate the subscription plan. The same will be in charge of Comrade L. E. Katterfeld, who successfully managed a bureau during the past winter, covering 48 cities in the Middle West.

A tentative agreement has been reached with the Appeal to Reason, the New York Call, the Chicago Daily Socialist, the Social-Democratic Herald, the International Socialist Review, the New Yorker Volks Zeitung, and a number of other papers, and this assures success from the start. Through the National Socialist Lyceum Bureau we shall bring together the different factors of our movement and weld them into a powerful engine for building a larger, more intelligent and more efficient party organization.

A carefully worked out and consecutive course of Socialist lectures by the ablest and best known speakers in our movement will be supplied. Locals may secure these lecture courses either on a flat cash basis or on the subscription plan. Under the subscription plan we pay for the lecture course with the special commissions that we can secure for the party from the publishers of Socialist papers and books. All Socialist papers will be handled.

Combination subscription card tickets will be issued. These cards will be good for the amount of their face value for ANY Socialist paper OR BOOK. A season ticket for the lecture course will be given with every \$1 subscription card, and a ticket for one lecture with every 25c card.

The lecture course will consist of five numbers. Locals that pay for \$300 worth of subscriptions will receive the entire course without further charge, including the help of a special organizer to start the work, and all the advertising matter necessary to make the proposition a success.

Locals will receive forty per cent commission on all subscriptions sold above the required number. It is the aim of the National Office to simply render service upon a self-sustaining basis, and not to make any profit whatsoever. At the end of the season any balance that is over will be returned to the locals.

The Lyceum Bureau will be conducted along the most liberal lines possible within the following limitations: All speakers must be party members in good standing. Only Socialist publications controlled by good-standing party members will be allowed the advantages of the bureau. Arrangements will be made only with locals in good standing, and ONLY IN STATES WHERE THE STATE OFFICE GIVES CONSENT.

In some states the lectures will begin in October, in others not until late in the winter, as may best suit the state offices. We can adapt the plan and make it fit in with any state organization plan that may already be started. The lecture course means weekly lectures for five weeks in each city that takes it up.

This plan makes use of our whole party machinery to support the Socialist press. On the other hand, it uses the combined power of ALL the Socialist publications to build up the party organization. In this plan the spoken word and the printed page reinforce each other. It solves in a large measure the problem of circulation for our papers and books. It finances our speakers. It develops a more efficient organization for the locals THROUGH THE VERY DOING OF THE WORK.

Kindly reply at an early date, with approval of plan or suggestions for improvement.

Fraternally yours,
J. MAHLON BARNES,
National Secretary.

ticket for the five numbers of the lecture course will be given with every \$1.00 subscription card and a ticket for one lecture with every 25c subscription card.

These subscription cards will be issued by the National Office. The subscriber will indicate on the back of the subscription card the papers or books that he wants and will mail the card to National Headquarters. From here the subscriptions will be forwarded each day to the respective publishers.

Under this arrangement each worker can hustle for the paper that he likes best, and every subscriber can have the paper of his choice. This will therefore not result in building up an unnatural circulation for any one paper in a territory where it can not be held permanently. It will give to each paper (as compared with other Socialist papers) just about the same proportion of support from the membership that it would have if there was no Lyceum Course at all. But on account of the special efforts put forth by the whole locals, it will mean a very much larger total circulation for all our papers in those localities.

It is to the interest of each local to reach as many non-Socialists as possible with the lectures. These subscriptions will therefore not be mere renewals, but very largely new subscriptions. These new readers will then be further interested in Socialism through the lectures, so that it is probable that when their subscriptions expire they will not only renew but will in turn become workers for the papers that they have started to take.

The undertaking promises much for the party. We cannot build up the party without at the same time building up our press. To put the Socialist press on a solid foundation is an immediate need.

Present indications are that 600 locals will be on the list. That will mean more than \$200,000 worth of subscriptions for Socialist publications from these locals alone. And that will be only the beginning.

But to realize the full possibilities of the plan will require the co-operation of the entire Socialist press of the United States. All Socialist papers controlled by good-standing party members may have the advantages of this Lyceum Bureau. A number have already made special rates to us for this undertaking, some giving us fifty per cent and others as much as sixty per cent commission from their regular rates.

Kindly consider this at your earliest convenience. Keep in mind the special purpose to which the percentage will be put and the ultimate benefit to the Socialist press when our locals learn to work as organizations, systematically, for the support of that press. Make us the best rate that you possibly can.

Fraternally yours,
J. MAHLON BARNES,
National Secretary.

To the Socialist Press

Chicago, Ill., June 28, 1911.

Comrade Editor—Here is a plan that will increase wonderfully the circulation of the Socialist papers. On June 1, I addressed a letter to the respective State Secretaries, announcing the establishment of the National Socialist Lyceum Bureau upon the subscription lecture plan. At the time I sent you a copy of that letter, and I herewith enclose another copy.

Extracts from the replies of the State Secretaries, noted on a separate sheet, show that the plan has met with a hearty response by the state organizations—unanimous approval, in fact, with but one exception.

A number of the papers have already taken favorable action, among them the New York Call, the International Socialist Review, the Appeal to Reason, the Coming Nation, the Progressive Woman, and others have made a special rate and will be back of the undertaking.

To the Appeal to Reason belongs the credit for first realizing the possibilities in getting the Socialists to hustle subscriptions as locals instead

of merely as individuals. The success of the Appeal-Debs lectures in building up circulation is known to all. This plan applies the same principle, but in a much wider field.

The plan is to use the whole party machine, from the National Office through the state offices down to the locals, as one great subscription agency for the Socialist press. On the other hand, it uses ALL the Socialist papers, and the commissions on subscriptions that we can secure from the publishers of Socialist papers and books, to build up the Socialist Party organization.

The offer that will be made to locals is to supply a carefully worked out and consecutive course of lectures by five of the ablest and best known speakers in our movement to every local that will secure \$300 worth of subscriptions to Socialist papers or books. We pay the speakers and advertising, the locals pay the hall rent. (Note change of rate.)

We shall issue combination subscription card tickets good for the amount of their face value for ANY Socialist paper or book. A season

A SAMPLE OF CAPITALIST NEWS.
(Chicago Tribune, June 21.)

SOCIALISTS LOSE IN AUSTRIA.
Second Ballots for Reichsrath Cost Them Fifteen Seats.
Vienna, June 20.—The second ballots in the elections for the reichsrath, which were decided today, completed the discomfiture of the Christian-Socialists in Vienna, where they lost fifteen more seats.

Vienna was represented by twenty Christian-Socialists, three German Liberals and ten Social Democrats. The relative position is now: Christian-Socialists, four; German Liberals, ten; Social Democrats, nineteen.

The joker in the above is the fact that the Christian-Socialists are a capitalist party, and they lose sixteen seats, while the Social Democrats are part of the International Socialist movement and gain nine seats. Now you can read the headline again.

To the Locals

IF YOU WANT

- To increase your membership—
- To educate your members—
- To make them more efficient—
- To avoid "hair-splitting" meetings—
- To eliminate waste in propaganda—
- To get results for ALL your work—
- To capture your community for Socialism—

SIGN THIS BLANK:

J. MAHLON BARNES, National Secretary.
205 West Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Comrade—Our local is favorably impressed with the plans for the National Socialist Lyceum Bureau and would like to have detailed information.

Number of members

(Signed), Secy.

Street and Number

City, State

IF YOU WANT THE FACTS—Subscribe for a Copy of the Stenographic Record of the Investigation Conducted by the Sub-committee of the National Committee

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NEW ADDRESS—The address of the National Office is now 205 W. WASHINGTON ST., CHICAGO, ILL.

Woman's National Committee Correspondence

Chicago, June 30, 1911. To the State Secretaries and Woman's State Correspondents: Dear Comrades: The Woman's National Committee will hold a meeting in Chicago on the 11th of August, and there is certain information that should be at their disposal at this time. Will you give me your immediate co-operation to the end that this information be at hand? I am submitting to you all the data in my possession regarding the Woman's Movement in your state. Will you correct any mistakes and add to it all additional information you may have? Then return to me one of the copies as corrected. Place the other on file in your office.

Please send him the answers to the following questions: 1. How many women members of your local? 2. Have you elected them into a committee? 3. If so, what is the name and address of the Local Correspondent? 4. If not, then give the name and address of your most active woman. 5. What work has been done during the past year by the women members of your local? We shall be pleased to have you write to our committee and place before us any suggestions or criticisms that may be beneficial to us in planning the work for the year 1912. I am printing a list of all State Correspondents that have been reported to me. If you have a State Correspondent, send this information to her, also. Hoping that we have your co-operation, and that you will send your answers at once, I am

MOTIONS SUBMITTED DURING JUNE

By Strickland: That General Correspondent submit propositions as recommendations. By Strickland: That all motions be made by members of committee. By Floaten: That all motions be initiated by members of committee, and General Correspondent submit suggestions as recommendations. By Branstetter: That General Correspondent submit in form of motion, question, or suggestion, according to her judgment. By Branstetter: That all matter from members of committee or outsider be submitted to committee. By Lowe: Suggestion that consideration of above be deferred till next meeting. By Lowe: Call for motion upon arrangements for meeting. By Strickland: That Comrade Wattles be engaged as district organizer. By Simons: That Comrade Zeh be engaged as organizer. By Simons: That reading notice be sent to General Correspondent to papers for Progressive Woman. By Branstetter: That concluding chapters on Howe article be sent. By Allen: That speakers for Woman's National Committee urge women to enter local work.

Wellington, Kans., June 11, 1911. At a regular meeting of Wellington Local the following motion for national referendum was proposed and carried: "Moved by Wellington Local, of the State of Kansas, as a national referendum, that each member in the party be assessed the sum of \$5 cents in order to sustain and fund on a solid basis the 'Chicago Daily Socialist.' Seconds from the necessary locals are solicited. Comment: The Daily Socialist of Chicago has from its very inception been in hard straits, but still has done the greatest service to the party, and it would be a real calamity to the party if this paper should go down. Chicago being nearly at the center of the nation and a large industrial city, should be the ideal place for our most important national paper. For this reason we believe it a duty of party members to do what they can to sustain this paper and take it out of its financial straits. (Signed) 'J. H. FRANKLIN, 'Local Secretary.'"

Stockert, Mont. Add to Article IX of the National Constitution: GENERAL NEWSPAPER ASSISTANCE FUND.

(New) Section 4. Five per cent of the monthly receipts from dues to the National Office shall be placed into a fund known as the General Newspaper Assistance Fund.

(New) Section 5. Each month the National Executive Committee may use the money so gathered for buying bonds or shares from loans without interest to such publishing companies that publish weekly or daily papers which the National Executive Committee considers to be promoting the knowledge of Socialism among the working people and advancing the cause of International Socialism.

"For loans the National Executive Committee must receive mortgages from the boards of directors of such publishing companies. The period of such loans shall be limited to two years at a time. The National Secretary and the National Executive Committee shall keep and report an exact account of this fund monthly.

Comment: The Socialist movement in the United States has already attracted the attention of all classes of people, and has begun to reach practical results in the political field. The result secured must be defended by our most effective weapons, the weekly and daily Socialist papers. But a few members so far have been depended upon for the necessary support, and it is the purpose of this amendment to have the entire membership line up for this worthy and necessary purpose, which is an undeniable fact that the Socialist papers are beneficial to our propaganda work, as well as to the organization work which has already brought forth such good results.

"We hope that all party members will duly consider this proposition and decide favorably upon it, so that five per cent of the monthly receipts for dues will be available for our publications. (Signed) 'A. TAIMI, 'Secretary.'"

Call for National Referendum "B," 1911.

The following proposed amendment to the National Constitution was first published in the Weekly Bulletin of May 27, 1911:

SUBMITTED BY LOCAL NEW YORK, N. Y.

"Strike out, in Section 3 of Article III, everything after the word 'annually.'"

Notices of the endorsement of the amendment have been received from Locals Negaunee (Finnish), Mich., June 1; Rock Springs, Wyo., June 6; Milwaukee (Twelfth Ward Branch), Wis., June 12; Appleton, Wis., June 13; Milwaukee (Branch 2), Wis., June 13; Waukesha (No. 1), Wis., June 14; Milwaukee (No. 19), Wis., June 14; Plymouth (No. 1), Wis., June 14; Milwaukee (Jewish), Wis., June 15; Oklahoma City, Okla., June 15; Medford, Wis., June 15; Boston, Mass., June 15; Milwaukee (Twentieth Ward Branch), Wis., June 16; Wau-paca, Wis., June 16; Wagner, Wis., June 17; Two Rivers, Wis., June 17. Total number of members represented, 4,777.

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution relating to referendums, namely, that the same shall be submitted to the membership upon the request of locals representing five per cent of the entire membership located in five different states, based upon the dues paid in the preceding year (the number required is 2,900), membership ballots for vote on the above proposal were sent to all divisions of the party about June 21.

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8-Norwegian 16-Greek

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Instructions to National Organizers and Lecturers

- 1. Explain in your speeches the great necessity of a strong party organization.
2. Explain fully the plan on which the Socialist Party is organized and conducted.
3. When in an unorganized place, organize a Local if at all practicable. If you cannot organize a Local, get members at large. If you cannot do either, get names of Socialists and sympathizers, and send them to the State and National Secretaries.
4. When you organize a Local, or secure members at large in an unorganized place, send the application for charter or membership to the National Secretary.
5. When you organize a Local or secure members at large in an organized state, send the application for charter or membership to the State Secretary, and also send the addresses of the local secretaries or members at large to the National office.
6. In all places visited make inquiries for names of Socialists and sympathizers in surrounding places, and report such names and addresses to the State and National Secretaries.
7. Explain to new Locals and Branches the duties of the officials, how to conduct meetings and how to keep their records and accounts.
8. Secure subscriptions for party papers.
9. Always have a supply of literature for use in all places where the Locals have none on sale. Do not announce the literature in a general way, but limit it each time to one or two specific books or pamphlets, the subject matter of which should be plainly stated.
10. Show the necessity for avoiding compromise or fusion, direct or indirect, with any other political organization.
11. Avoid taking part in any differences in party affairs, labor union tactics or religious opinions. Always observe the rules of the state and local organizations.
12. Keep the National Secretary posted upon dates ahead if they are not made by him.
13. Call at the postoffice for your mail at each place, whether you expect any or not. Answer all communications from national and state headquarters promptly.
14. Never get out of organizing material. Give notice in advance when you will need it.
15. Always write ahead to assure the comrades that you will be on hand, and state from what place you will come.
16. Be prompt in reporting all applications for charters, applications for membership at large and other party matters to the State and National Secretaries. This applies also to your regular monthly financial reports. These must be sent in at the end of each month.
17. Advise new Locals to secure Roberts Rules of Order and conduct their meetings accordingly, except where such rules are changed by vote of the Local, or where they conflict with the party constitutions and rules.
18. Urge upon all Locals the necessity of promptly responding to all communications from National and State headquarters.
19. Urge all Locals to make clear and complete monthly reports to the State Secretary.
20. See that new Locals are supplied with state and national constitutions, and copies of the form of local constitution suggested by the national office.
21. Visit newspaper offices on arrival in a city or town, and furnish the editor with a synopsis of your speech.
22. Use the best language you can command. Avoid the use of repulsive and profane expressions, both on and off the platform. Be patient. Be courteous. Be clean. Obey the spirit of the temperance resolution adopted by our National Convention. A field worker is looked upon by the local comrades as an example, and it is his duty to be a good one. Try to never leave a place without having the comrades feel more earnest and enthusiastic on account of your visit. More is expected of a Socialist than of anyone else, and rightly, because we have higher ideals. Remember that the general public will judge Socialism largely by your conduct. Always conduct yourself so that you will be a standing recommendation for the cause.

Propose National Party Referendums

Since last report the proposed national party referendums have been seconded as follows:

That proposed by Branch Monessen, Westmoreland, Pa., first published in the Weekly Bulletin April 1st, by Locals Collinsville, Okla.; Frankfort, N. H.; Denver (1st Ward Br.), Colo.; Crescent, Ohio; Hartford (Polish Br.), Conn.; Detroit (Polish Br.), Mich.; Wyandotte, Mich.; Tivoli, Tex.; West Plains, Mo.; Baltimore (Polish Br.), Md.; Wauson, Ohio; Chicago (16th Ward Polish), Ill.; East Chicago, Ind.; Schenectady (Polish Br.), N. Y.; Pine Lawn, Mo.; Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

That proposed by Local Kingman, Kans., first published in the Weekly Bulletin April 15th, by Locals Collinsville, Okla.; Frankfort, N. H.; Denver (1st Ward Br.), Colo.; Rockville, Conn.; Rowena, Texas; New Haven, Conn.

That proposed by Local Rosedale, Wash., first published in the Weekly Bulletin April 19th, by Locals Malo, Wash.; Columbia, Pa.; Scranton, Pa.; Crescent, Ohio; Oakland, Kans.; St. Helena, Cal.; Weiser, Ida.; Tivoli, Tex.; Rockville, Conn.; Texarkana, Tex.; Rowena, Tex.; Huntington Beach, Cal.; Alama, Fla.; Hoosick Falls, N. Y.; Vineland, Minn.

That proposed by Local Washington county, Pa. (relating to reduction of national dues), first published in the Weekly Bulletin May 6, by Locals Hartford (Polish Br.), Conn.; Detroit (Polish Br.), Mich.; Salt Lake City, Utah; Baltimore (Polish Br.), Md.; Chicago (16th Ward, Polish), Ill.; East Chicago (Polish Br.), Ind.; Tyler, Tex.; Schenectady (Polish Br.), N. Y.; Hoosick Falls, N. Y.; Bozeman, Mont.; Fort Smith, Ark.

That proposed by Local Collinsville, Okla. (Motions Nos. 1 and 2), first published in the Weekly Bulletin May 6th, by Locals Mineral Wells, Tex.; Deerwood, Minn.; Rankin, Okla.; Lowell, Mass.; Nickerson, Kans.; Garrison, N. D.; Lynch, N. D.; Muskogee, Okla. Motion No. 1 was also seconded by Local Miltonvale, Kans.; Comanche, Tex.; Newright, Okla.; Sawtelle, Cal.; St. Helena, Cal.

That proposed by Local Charleston, S. C., first published in the Weekly Bulletin May 20th, by Locals Rock Springs, Wyo.; Richmond, Va.; Locals Hoosick Falls, N. Y.; Vineland, Minn.; Scranton, Pa.

That proposed by Local Ashtabula, Ohio, first published in the Weekly Bulletin May 20th, by Local Rock Springs, Wyo.; Pine Lawn, Mo.; Sayre, Pa.; Scranton, Pa.

That proposed by Local Coffeyville, Kans., first published in the Weekly Bulletin May 27th, by Local Tyler, Tex.; Hoosick Falls, N. Y.; Sioux City, Iowa.

That proposed by Local Jacksonville, Fla., first published in the Weekly Bulletin May 27th, by Local Tyler, Tex.; Franklin, N. H.; Coffeyville, Kans.; Warren, Me.; Sioux City, Iowa; Tampa, Fla.

That proposed by Local Boston, Mass., first published in the Weekly Bulletin May 27th, by Local South Omaha, Neb.; Figueroa, Los Angeles County, Cal.; Rio Vista, Cal.; Hoosick Falls, N. Y.; Scranton, Pa.; Keene, N. H.

That proposed by Local Kings county, N. Y., first published in the Weekly Bulletin June 3rd by Local Albany (No. 2), Ore.

That proposed by Local District of Columbia, first published in the Weekly Bulletin June 3rd by Local Portsmouth, N. H.

That proposed by Local Meridian, Wash., first published in the Weekly Bulletin June 3rd by Local Bristol, Conn. That proposed by Local Philadelphia, Pa., first published in the Weekly Bulletin June 10th by Locals Chicago (21st Ward Br.), Ill.; Granite, Okla.; Warren, Me.; Grand Rapids, Mich.

LIST OF WOMAN STATE CORRESPONDENTS.

These are the names and addresses of State Correspondents that have been reported to me: INA M. SALTER, Everett, Washington, R. R. No. 2. CHARLOTTE KIMBALL KRUESI, 28 Shepard St., Cambridge, Mass. M. OCTAVIA FLOATEN, 1430 Monroe St., Denver, Colorado. MATILDA RABINOWITZ, 66 Clinton St., Bridgeport, Conn. ROSA LEHNERT, 2134 East Michigan St., Indianapolis, Ind. MARTHA B. BROWN, 54 E. 11th St., Chicago, Ill. MARY E. GARBUTT, 2110 Ocean View Ave., Los Angeles, Cal. ORA BARNARD, 526 East Fifth St., Oklahoma City, Okla. LAURA I. MOTLEY, Twin Falls, Idaho. HAZEL PUTNAM, Wilburton, Louisiana. VERA STEVENS, Gravette, Arkansas, R. F. D. No. 4. MYRON T. WILTSE, 610 Frederick St., Marshalltown, Iowa. CAROLINE A. LOWE, General Correspondent Woman's National Committee.

Washington, D. C., May 30, 1911.

At the last meeting of the District Committee, held May 23rd, the following National Referendums were proposed:

Moved that Article XIII (Headquarters), Section 1, be amended to read as follows: "The Headquarters of the Party shall be in the City of Washington, District of Columbia." "Moved that a Board of Trustees, consisting of five members of the Party, be elected by the membership, said Board, under the direction of the National Committee, to receive subscriptions to a Fund to be known as the National Headquarters Building Fund. This Fund, when sufficiently large, to be expended in the purchase or erection of a National Headquarters Building in the City of Washington, District of Columbia. "The membership of the Local in good standing is 200. "Fraternally, (Signed) "ROSCOE JENKINS, 'Secretary.'"

Meridian, Wash., May 29, 1911. Local Meridian proposes motion to amend Article II, Section 1, by adding the following: "Proprietors and Employees of saloons and houses of ill-fame shall be excluded from Party membership." "Comment: The saloon element has for many years been notorious for its evil effect on politics; all connections therefore of the same, with the Socialist Party is to have a corrupting influence. Above all, where we have the woman's vote to deal with, and women members in our party we should keep our official character as clean and as far above suspicion as possible. We cannot obtain any good from evil, therefore, comrades, let us keep them out. "Yours for a Clean Party, (Signed) "ERNEST H. LUHR, 'Secretary.'"

Brooklyn, N. Y., May 31, 1911. The following resolution was adopted by the Central Committee at a meeting held on May 27, 1911: "Resolved, That Local Kings county submit to a National Referendum that Article XII, Section 6, of the National Constitution of the Socialist Party be amended to read: "The state secretaries shall pay to the National Committee every month a sum equal to 2 cents per each member in good standing within their respective territories. "Local Kings county has a membership in good standing, based upon the monthly average sale of dues stamps for the first five months of this year, of 1,182 good-standing members. "Yours for the Cause, (Signed) "E. LINDGREN, 'Organiser.'"

Philadelphia, Pa., June 6, 1911. Local Philadelphia moves to amend the National Constitution as follows: "That Article XII, Section 6, be amended so as to read: "The State Committee shall pay to the National Committee every month a sum equal to two cents for each member in good standing within their respective territories. "Also that Article X, Section 6, providing for a percentage of dues to be set aside for railroad fare of delegates to conventions and congresses) be amended by striking out Ten and inserting Twenty-five (25) per cent. "Good-standing members, 350. "Fraternally, (Signed) "J. L. CONNOR, 'Secretary.'"

Pittsburg, Pa., June 4, 1911. The delegates of Local Allegheny county, in regular meeting assembled, this day passed an amendment to proposed referendum initiated by Local Washington county, of Pennsylvania, and Cook county, Illinois, to-wit: "That the National Office of the American Socialist Party shall sell party dues stamps to state secretaries of such organized states at the rate of three cents, instead of five cents. "Respectfully submitted, (Signed) "MARIE M. WERTENBACH, 'Recording Secretary.'"

Correspondence of the National Executive Committee During June

National Headquarters
Socialist Party.
Chicago, Ill.,
June 1, 1911.
To the National Executive Committee:

Dear Comrades—I transmit herewith two communications for your consideration and action:

Letter from Comrade James Oneal, State Secretary of Indiana.

"I am directed by the State Executive Committee to request of the National Executive Committee some assistance in Indiana in a section of the state which we have found it difficult to reach.

"There is quite a territory in the southern section of Indiana that has a large number of readers of the Appeal to Reason, and the Socialist vote in this section has increased slowly from year to year. We have tried to reach this territory from time to time, but have never been able to do the work required to awaken it owing to lack of funds. The committee feels that if the National Executive Committee will guarantee the usual rate made to national speakers we can place a man in this territory for about three months and do an immense amount of good. It will also make it possible for us to send speakers into the same territory after the ground is broken. What our committee asks is that the National Executive Committee guarantee \$3 a day and expenses to a man we will send to this section for three months.

"We also intend to carry on a vigorous propaganda this summer as an answer to the McNamara kidnaping, and we want to reach every section if we can. California is to be helped because of this affair, and we would like assistance also."

Letter from Bernard Schulberg, Manager Polish People's Publishing Co.

"The Executive Board of the Polish Section, which is also the Board of Directors of the Polish People's Daily, 'Dziennik Ludowy,' respectfully submits the following statement and request:

"This paper has now been in existence for over four years. It was started with a capital of \$125, and is now in possession of a plant, together with a stock of literature, valued at least at \$10,000.

"That the paper has been an effective weapon for Socialism is proved by the growth in the members and locals of the Polish Socialist Section.

"Up to the present time no assistance has been granted to the paper either by the state or the national organization, and the Polish comrades alone have been called upon to make the great sacrifices necessary to maintain this organ.

"At the present time we find ourselves in that position that, unless some measure of aid is secured, and that immediately, the paper will cease to exist, and all the value that has been built up so carefully during these years will have to be sacrificed.

"In this extremity we request the National Executive Committee to donate the sum of \$500 for the support of 'Dziennik Ludowy,' or at least we ask for a loan of such an amount for a period of six months.

"Besides the publication of the People's Daily, the Polish People's

Publishing Company also publishes a weekly paper and a monthly magazine. We are sure that the assistance asked for, if granted, will be more than repaid in agitation work and in the increased members and locals of the Socialist Party."

The questions submitted are:

1. Shall \$3 a day and expenses be granted for a period of three months to an organizer selected by the State Committee of Indiana?
2. Shall \$500 be appropriated for the support of "Dziennik Ludowy"?
3. Shall a loan of \$500 for a period of six months be granted to "Dziennik Ludowy"?

Chicago, Ill.,
June 10, 1911.

National Executive Committee:
Dear Comrades—I herewith submit two motions:

By Comrade Lena Morrow Lewis:
MOTION—"To defer action on the Indiana request until the August meeting."

COMMENT—"I make this motion in order that we may discuss the question fully. I believe the request is a worthy one, but that we should consider the matter more fully than can be done by correspondence."

By Victor L. Berger:

MOTION—"That the sum of \$3.00 per day for three months be given to the State Committee of Indiana for propaganda work in Southern Indiana, the expenses to be borne by the state or local organizations."

Chicago, Ill.,
June 27, 1911.

To the National Executive Committee:

Dear Comrades—I herewith report the consideration given by your committee to the several subjects hereinafter mentioned:

1st. The request of the Indiana State Committee for \$3.00 per day and expenses for a period of three months to an organizer selected by the State Committee.

Upon this subject two motions arose, one by Comrade Lewis to postpone action until the next meeting of the committee, the other by Comrade Berger to grant the State Committee of Indiana \$3.00 per day for a period of three months for an organizer.

Upon the original question Comrade Goebel voted in the affirmative.

Upon Comrade Lewis' motion Comrade Lewis voted in the affirmative, Comrade Carey in the negative.

Upon Comrade Berger's motion Comrades Berger, Carey and Hillquit voted in the affirmative.

Other members of the committee not being heard from, and lacking a quorum vote, no action was taken.

2nd. This subject contained two questions, as follows: (1) To appropriate \$500 for the support of the Polish People's Daily. (2) To loan to that institution \$500 for a period of six months.

Comrade Goebel voted in the negative on the first question. Comrades Goebel and Lewis voted in the affirmative on the second question.

Other members of the committee not being heard from, and lacking a quorum vote, no action was taken.

Fraternally submitted,
J. MAHLON BARNES,
National Secretary.

Rules of National Executive and National Committees

RULES OF ORDER FOR THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

1. A majority of the members of the National Executive Committee shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.
2. The time of the adjournment and the time of opening of the next session shall be determined at each session.
3. Each session shall be called to order by the National Secretary.
4. A chairman shall be elected at each session.
5. The Executive Committee may elect the secretary at each meeting.
6. Order of business:
 - a. Election of chairman.
 - b. Election of secretary.
 - c. Reading of minutes.

The National Secretary shall report upon the following subjects, including under the head of "Miscellaneous" such matters as may not come under the other specified heads. After the National Secretary has reported, the Executive Committee shall act upon the subjects seriatim.

- a. National Secretary's report.
 - b. On state organization.
 - c. On unorganized states.
 - d. On finances.
 - e. Organization and agitation.
 - f. Literature Department.
 - g. Miscellaneous.
7. Meetings may be called by the National Secretary whenever he may deem necessary, or by decision of the Executive Committee.

8 (National Constitution, Art. VI, Sec. 4). The National Executive Committee shall transmit copies of the minutes of its meetings to all members of the National Committee; such minutes shall also be published in the Monthly Bulletin. Any act of the National Executive Committee, unless affected by motion by any members of the National Committee within fifteen days after notice of such act has been mailed by the National Office to the members of the National Committee, shall be in force.

BUSINESS BY CORRESPONDENCE.

1. Between meetings all business shall be transacted by correspondence.
2. All motions or other matters submitted for the National Executive Committee, for action by correspondence, shall be reported upon by the National Secretary immediately after all the members have been heard from, and not later than twelve days after the submission of such matters, even if all the members are not heard from.
3. All business to be transacted by the National Executive Committee by correspondence shall be submitted by the National Secretary in the form of a motion or question. The busi-

ness shall be considered acted upon when at least four members have participated.

RULES FOR NATIONAL COMMITTEE REFERENDUMS.

1 (National Constitution, Art. IV, Sec. 5). No motion shall be submitted to a referendum of the National Committee by correspondence unless supported within thirty days by not less than five members of the National Committee from three different states.

2. When a National Committeeman makes a motion by correspondence it shall be published in the next weekly Bulletin. Before the ballots for the said motion are sent out any National Committeeman may send in his comment on said motion. If the comment exceeds one hundred words it shall be filed for reference, but not published. Otherwise, it shall be sent out along with the ballots.

3. The National Secretary may declare a motion out of order if the same is in conflict with the Constitution of the party or the rules of the National Committee.

4. A motion to lay a motion on the table shall be out of order.

5. Motions to amend, defer, postpone or declare a motion out of order shall be, with the exception of the comments by the originators of such motions, not commentable, must reach the National Office before ballots of original motion are sent out, and the ballots for such motion, with comments, shall be sent out with the ballots of original motion. Should more than one amendment be submitted, which, if adopted, would be conflicting, the one receiving the most votes shall be declared adopted.

6. In order that all states securing additional National Committeemen may have an equal opportunity to acquire their additional representation at the same time, the call for nominations for the election of National Committeemen in each state shall be issued after the apportionment of National Committeemen has been made by the National Secretary.

7. No motion declaratory of the principles or the policy of the party shall be submitted unless seconded by one-sixth of the members of the National Committee.

8. A National Committeeman may withdraw a motion made by himself before it is submitted, provided it is not seconded.

9. A motion ordering an inquiry into the state of the organization in any state or territory shall also set a date for the termination of such inquiry. If such motion is adopted, no other motion relating to such inquiry shall be in order before the determination of such inquiry unless seconded by one-sixth of the members of the National Committee.

10. All elections of officers, delegates, committees, etc., shall be by

preferential ballot. Each National Committeeman may nominate as many candidates as there are positions to be filled. The names of candidates shall be placed on the ballot in alphabetical order. Each National Committeeman voting shall write the figure "1" opposite the name of his first choice, the figure "2" opposite the name of his second choice, the figure "3" opposite the name of his third choice, and so on, indicating his relative preference for each and every candidate on the ballot. If he fails to vote on all candidates, his ballot shall not be counted. The candidates receiving the lowest sum total of numbers opposite their names shall be elected. In case of a tie, the same shall be decided by lot between the candidates, under direction of the National Secretary.

11. Whenever a protest is lodged with the National Secretary against any comrade holding any position under the jurisdiction of the National Committee or against any comrade nominated for any such position, the National Secretary shall, before submitting a protest to the members of the committee for their consideration, give the comrade against whom the protest is directed opportunity to submit a statement in his or her behalf should he or she desire to do so. In case of protests against nominees for any position, this right shall belong to the nominator, whether such nominator be a party member, National Committeeman, or a division of the party duly recognized as having the right to nominate candidates.

12. Whenever any motion is submitted to the National Committee which affects the standing of an organization or member of the Socialist Party, reasonable opportunity to make a statement shall be granted to such organization or member before the ballots are sent out to the members of the committee, and such statement shall be sent out together with the ballots. All evidence must be sent through the National Office.

13. If, when the ballots for any motion are sent out, any state shall be three months or more in arrears in its reports or dues, the committeemen from that state shall not be entitled to vote on such motion.

14. No motion to suspend or expel an organized state or territory shall be submitted unless seconded by one-sixth of the members of the committee.

National Constitution, Art. IV, Sec. 3. The National Committee meet whenever it shall deem it necessary to do so.

National Constitution, Art. IV, Sec. 4. Expenses of the National Committeemen in attending meetings shall be paid from the national treasury.

National Constitution, Art. IV, Sec. 6. The National Committee shall adopt its own rules of procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of this constitution.

National Notes

By a recent referendum in California, Comrade F. B. Meriam, 424 Henne Building, Los Angeles, was re-elected State Secretary-Treasurer; Comrade Job Harriman, 921 Higgins Building, was elected as the additional member of the National Committee, and Comrades N. A. Richardson, San Bernardino, and J. Stitt Wilson, head of Ridge road, Berkeley, were re-elected to the same position.

Camille Huysmans, International Secretary, reports that the English comrades have requested the International Socialist Bureau to transmit the following information to all affiliated parties:

"The Singer Company, whose principal product is the Singer sewing machine, has discharged all its employees who were believed to be Socialists. We ask the Socialist and workers' press to print the above notice."

Upon the complaint of the Scandinavian Socialist Agitation Committee, the Cook County Delegate Committee requests that the endorsement of the Scandinavian paper entitled "Reyven" as a Socialist paper be withdrawn.

More than 19,000 copies of "War—What For?" by Comrade George R. Kirkpatrick, have already been sold. Orders should be filed with the National Office. Price, single copy, \$1.20, or five copies for \$4.50.

Polish branches have been organized during the month of May as follows: Norwich, Conn., sixteen members; Jamaica, L. I., N. Y., eight members; St. Charles, Mich., fourteen members; Springfield, Ill., twelve members; Reading, Pa., five members; Butler, Pa., eight members.

The first edition of 10,000 of the booklet by Oscar Ameringer entitled "Socialism, What It Is and How to Get It," has been sold out and a second edition of equal number is being printed by "Political Action," Brisbane Hall, Milwaukee, Wis.

Since last report contributions to the McNamara Defense Fund have been received at the National Office and forwarded to the office of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers as follows: Local Aberdeen, No. 1, Wash.,

\$10.00; Local Santa Maria, Cal., \$3.00; Local Wadsworth, O., \$5.10; Local Lucas County, O., \$10.00; Local Cleveland, O., \$13.22; Branch No. 232, Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund, Chicago, Ill., \$5.00.

The pamphlet entitled "Capitalism's Conspiracy in California," by Frank E. Wolfe of Los Angeles, is now on sale. It contains forty pages and twelve cuts. It gives a startling parallel between the Colorado and California kidnaping cases. Price, 10 cents a copy; 100 for \$5.00. Orders should be filed with the National Office.

By a recent referendum in the State of Nevada, Comrade W. H. Burton of Buckskin was re-elected a member of the National Committee.

Just published: Report of the Socialist Party Delegation and Proceedings of the International Socialist Congress at Copenhagen, 1910. The report was written by Comrade May Wood-Simons, secretary of the Socialist Party delegation. Every local should have a copy on file for reference. This booklet contains all the resolutions passed by the last International Congress, among which are resolutions on the following subjects: Unemployment, The Death Penalty, Unity, Arbitration and Disarmament, Trade Unions, International Solidarity, Labor Legislation, Right of Asylum. It also contains the program of the second International Conference of Socialist Women held at Copenhagen. Price, 5 cents a copy, or 2½ cents each in lots of 10 or more. Orders should be filed with the National Office.

The June issue of "The Young Socialists Magazine," address 15 Spruce street, New York City (until recently known as "The Little Socialist Magazine"), is mainly devoted to the anti-military agitation among the younger generation. It shows the horrors of war and the folly and danger of the Boy Scout movement. Jack London, Dr. Antoinette Konikow, Frances M. Gill, Herman Schletter, Roda Roda, Ralph Korngold and many others contributed articles to this well illustrated June number. Subscription price, 50 cents a year. Bundle prices—Three cents a copy in lots of 25, 2½ cents in lots of 50, 2 cents each in bundles of 100 or more. Orders should be filed with the publication office.

The comrades of Local South Haven, Mich., express their deep sense of loss in the death of Comrade Thomas Brennan, which occurred at Mattawan, Mich., on May 25. Comrade Brennan was 74 years of age. He helped to organize the first Socialist Club in South Haven, was known as a radical, and was active in the interest of the labor movement from the time of the close of the Civil War.

In the municipal election recently held in Wheeling, W. Va., the Socialist candidate for member of the Board of Control received 1,557 votes. The Debs vote in the entire county in 1908 was 441.

The state convention of the Socialist Party of Virginia was held in Richmond, Va., July 2 and 3, at Dabney's Hall, corner Third and Broad streets.

The Bohemian National Socialist organization, with headquarters in Chicago, representing a membership of about 800, through its secretary, Comrade Tom Pesek, has made application for affiliation with the Socialist Party upon the same lines and conditions as prevail with the Finnish and Polish organizations.

The Lithuanian Socialist Federation of America will hold a convention in New York City, beginning July 1, and have requested representatives of the national organization to be present for the reason that they are considering the advisability of direct affiliation with the party. Comrades Hillquit and Solomon have been requested to attend. The Lithuanian Federation reports 157 branches, with about 3,000 members.

The comrades of Local Milwaukee have accepted the mission to arrange the program, procedure, etc., for the conference of Socialist municipal officials which is to be held in conjunction with the National Executive Committee in that city August 12.

Individual membership ballots for National Referendum "B," 1911, were forwarded to all divisions of the party June 21. Officials not receiving them within a reasonable time should notify this office. The vote on Referendum "B" will close at National Headquarters on August 10.

Comrade John Keller, organizer of Local San Francisco, suggests that locals of each state interchange with each other local leaflets, publications and propaganda matter as a valuable aid to the movement within the state.

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DR. W. H. JACKSON, Member of S. E. C. of Tennessee.

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FRANK BOSTROM, State Secretary of Washington.

"It is a great plan with unlimited possibilities for good. It is the only logical way to settle the subscription lecture problem. I feel sure that it will be a success."
E. R. MEITZEN, State Secretary of Texas.

"I heartily approve of the plan as outlined. The Local Quorum also endorse it. We feel that something like this should have been started long ago."
CHAS. H. OTTEN, State Secretary of Oregon.

"I approve of the orderly way of initiating the National Lecture Bureau, co-operating with the periodicals on the sub-ticket plan. I consider it good propaganda to operate as the 'Appeal' has been doing, leaving behind the lecturer a constantly coming advocate that the reader can't talk back to."
A. H. FLOATEN, State Secretary of Colorado.

"You may state to our locals that the State Committee urges upon them that they accept the Course."
WALTER LANFERSIEK, State Secretary of Kentucky.

"The Lyceum Course is great. At last we are learning how to co-operate. Let the good work go on."
H. G. TERLISNER, Member National Committee, Tennessee.

Favorable action also has been taken by the State Executive Committees of Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio and others.

Advance orders to the number of 1,492 have been received for "The Substance of Socialism." This is the special paper bound edition. The edition numbered 2,000, therefore there are but 508 copies remaining. First come, first served. The price is 25 cents a copy, or 20 cents each in lots of five or more.

THE PROGRESSIVE WOMAN.

The Progressive Woman is getting out a special anniversary edition for July, in which the history of the Socialist Party in the United States is written by the men and women who have helped to make that history. It is fully illustrated with historical pictures, such as a group of the delegates to the Unity Convention at Indianapolis in 1901. The growth of the party within the decade and the story thereof will be an inspiration to every comrade, but more especially to the older comrades who participated in the making of the history.

This is a number that should be secured and filed for future reference. The price is 2 cents per copy in bundles of ten; 5 cents single copies; subscription price, 50 cents per year; in clubs of four, 25 cents. Orders should be filed with The Progressive Woman, 5445 Drexel avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Leon Olsommer of Verdigr, Neb., has produced a play entitled "Justice at Last." Locals employing amateur theatricals for propaganda purposes are requested to address the author.

To the Local Secretary:

Did your State Secretary receive a report card from you last month?

The National Executive Committee at the last session provided that, in conjunction with the next meeting of the committee, to be held in Milwaukee on August 12, there should be held a conference of all Socialist municipal officials. Invitations to this conference have been sent to such officials to the number of 350, representing the number so far reported. A communication has also been addressed to the locals of which these officials are members, requesting them to assist in raising funds for the necessary expenses of their representatives.

Local secretaries who have not yet sent in the names and addresses of comrades who have been elected to public official positions should do so at once.

Rev. Edward Ellis Carr Expelled From the Socialist Party

Comrade J. O. Bentall State Secretary of Illinois, reports action taken by local Cook County as follows:

To the Members and Locals of the Socialist Party:
Comrades—The Socialist Party of Cook County, Illinois, represented by its delegate committee at a meeting held June 25, 1911, expelled from its membership the Rev. Edward Ellis Carr by a vote of 51 for expulsion and 21 against.

This action was taken in response to charges made by the Seventh Ward Branch in the City of Chicago, Comrades Mabel Hudson and Lena Morrow Lewis. The charges of the Seventh Ward are as follows:

"Chicago, Ill.,
"April 25, 1911.
"To the Delegate Committee of the Socialist Party of Local Cook County:
"Comrades—The Seventh Ward Branch of the Socialist Party of Cook County hereby prefers charges against Rev. Edward Ellis Carr for conduct unbecoming a Socialist.

"In support hereof we charge Rev. E. Carr with publishing, under dates of October 1 and October 15, 1910, and January 25, April 6, April 13 and April 20, 1911, in a privately owned paper called the 'Christian Socialist,' scandalous matter (which, upon investigation, has been shown to be unsubstantiated), calculated to defame the character of members and officers of the Socialist Party and to disrupt the party organization.

"We further charge that the publication of this matter in the 'Christian Socialist' has been used by enemies of the Socialist Party to discourage prospective members from joining the Socialist Party and to disrupt the party organization.

"In view of the seriousness of these charges we recommend that E. Carr be placed on trial by your body, and further recommend that the trial be conducted evenings and Sundays so that party members who wish to attend may have an opportunity to do so.
"Fraternally submitted,
"JOHN C. FLORA,
"Chairman.
"CARL KRAUS,
"Secretary.
"Seventh Ward Branch of the Socialist Party of Cook County."

These charges, together with the ones preferred by Comrades Hudson and Lewis, the substance of which is embraced in the charges of the Seventh Ward, and added thereto the charge of malicious slander, were referred to the Grievance Committee, which met in eight evening sessions and one afternoon session. During these sessions the entire matter of Mr. Carr's charges, and also the charges made against him, was taken up. It was found that Mr. Carr had made charges against members and officials of the Socialist Party in a privately owned paper called the "Christian Socialist." These charges were found to be entirely false and misleading, and the substance of the charges by Mr. Carr was that the National Secretary of the Socialist Party, and also organizers and employees of the party, advocated and practiced free love and were also drunkards. While using careful language and employing modifying words, such as "if these things are so" and "when conditions became such and such," and other similar expressions of escape, the entire impression made by his attacks left no other conclusion in the minds of the readers than that the whole party is corrupt; that its officials are moral degenerates, and that the movement as a whole stands for the worst forms of immorality.

When Mr. Carr was called upon to substantiate his charges he had no evidence whatever to present. Only in some instances did he have distant hear-say statements, which no right-minded individual or committee could accept as justification for his slanderous articles.
Mr. Carr had been given a chance before the investigation committee elected by the National Committee of the Socialist Party to make good his charges when that committee met in Chicago in February, 1911. Failing to substantiate his charges before that committee, he nevertheless continued his campaign of slander. It soon became evident that the motive of Mr. Carr was not the welfare of the party, but its disruption. As a result of the several issues of the "Christian Socialist" vilifying both committees and individuals who had not prostituted themselves to his will, many local organizations were misled and several motions for national referendums were made on the strength of his at-

tacks, showing the disruptive influence of his publication. Proof positive was presented showing that the enemies of the party were using the charges published by Mr. Carr.

Owing to the fact that the party press and Socialist publications in general refused to besmear their columns with even so much as an answer to his villainous onslaught, the membership as a whole began to believe that there was some actual truth in his statements. When the charges by the Seventh Ward had been handed in, Mr. Carr sent communications to members of the Delegate Committee, as well as other party members, presenting his side of the case and endeavoring to prejudice their minds by threats and otherwise. No communications were sent in any way by the prosecution, leaving the membership free to judge for themselves the evidence presented at the trial, which was held publicly evenings and Saturdays in order to give the membership an opportunity to attend.

The Grievance Committee reported in part as follows:
"Comrade Carr testified that he personally knew nothing of the truth or falsity of the various accusations made in his paper. The evidence introduced by Comrade Carr in defense of his publication was all indirect, known as hear-say evidence. The committee, being desirous of ascertaining all facts in the cases, permitted the widest latitude in the introduction of evidence . . . Comrade Carr, as a Socialist, should have respected the Constitution of the Socialist Party in the manner of handling grievances against members. Evidence was introduced showing that his attention had been called to the method of procedure if he had real or imaginary charges against members. In the case of the Seventh Ward vs. Comrade Carr we find that the charges made were fully substantiated.

"In the case of Comrade Hudson vs. Comrade Carr, we find from the evidence submitted in support of Carr's accusations published against Comrade Hudson that they were based on hear-say evidence and uncorroborated. And we also find that Comrade Hudson is innocent of any of the accusations made against her.
"In the case of Comrade Lewis vs.

Comrade Carr, we find that the evidence submitted in support of the accusations published by Carr against Comrade Lewis was entirely hear-say evidence and assumptions unsubstantiated. Letters introduced from different parts of the United States were conclusive to the committee of the innocence of Comrade Lewis of any and all the accusations made against her.

"Comrade Carr was guilty of conduct unbecoming a Socialist when he published the accusations against officials and members of the party in a privately owned paper without first ascertaining whether they were true or false.

"Comrade Carr was guilty of conduct unbecoming a Socialist when he, without first having made his charges known to the County Delegate Committee for a hearing as to their truth or falsity, published them broadcast to the world.

"Comrade Carr was guilty of the charge of conduct unbecoming a Socialist in the manner in which the accusations were made against party members in the 'Christian Socialist,' being so published as to convey to the readers the belief that they were facts which had been deliberately suppressed by the National Investigating Committee.

"We therefore recommend to your body that Comrade Carr be expelled from the party.
"JOS. L. NAYLOR,
"I. GOLDENSTEIN,
"M. J. MEYERS,
"JOHN C. FLORA."
MINORITY REPORT.

"June 25, 1911.
"P. S.—I agree in entirety with the findings of the committee with the exception of the penalty requested. I recommend that Comrade Carr be suspended for one year.
"T. J. COVENEY."

After this report the Cook County Delegate Committee, in session lasting eight hours, gave Mr. Carr unlimited time and opportunity to defend himself. After careful consideration a vote was taken, resulting in his expulsion from the Socialist Party.

On motion, his publication called the "Christian Socialist" was ordered removed from the list of Socialist publications published in the National Socialist Bulletin.
Both Mr. Carr and his attorney declared that the Grievance Committee had been absolutely fair and impartial in the hearing of the case of the Seventh Ward against him, and he was satisfied to rest his case with the committee and abide by its verdict.
But immediately upon the report of the Grievance Committee Mr. Carr pronounced that committee unduly influenced and prejudiced, in spite of the fact that both he and his attorney had previously stated that he had been given an absolutely free trial.
Mr. Carr was not expelled because he stood against free love, but because he slandered the party by declaring that it advocates and practices free love, which is untrue.
In expelling Mr. Carr the Socialist Party does not suppress the freedom of speech or of the press, but holds that party members making unfounded charges and persisting in deliberately spreading them before the world must not have the prestige and weight that party membership gives.
Mr. Carr argued that if he be expelled it was proof positive that the party therefore stands for free love and immorality. The Socialist Party of Cook County repudiated this insinuation and refers to Socialist literature as well as party platforms and the membership as a whole for its position on this subject. The Socialist Party never has and never will endorse free love and immorality, as Mr. Carr charged against it and which he may continue to charge.
It will, therefore, be seen that Cook County, in expelling Mr. Carr, acted only in defense of the Socialist Party and in defense of men and women whose characters he sought to wreck. It also appears that to keep Mr. Carr in the party would give support to his false charges and bring discredit upon the Socialist movement, and therefore the party was compelled to remove him from its membership.
By order of the Delegate Committee of the Socialist Party, Local Cook County, Illinois.
WM. E. RODRIGUEZ,
Chairman.
JAMES P. LARSEN,
Secretary.
June 29, 1911.