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## HOW WE STAND

### THE MONTHLY REPORT.

For the benefit of those who may not understand the report printed on another page, we give the following explanation.

The receipts for dues during August were \$4,346.35, against \$4,174.20 for the month of July, and \$4,048.05 for the month of June. Thus we can see a steady increase in the membership, or an increase of 5,965 members over the number paying in June.

The total receipts of the National Office for August were \$7,658.37 from all sources, against \$6,878.99 for the month of July, and \$6,348.91 for the month of June. July and August are usually duller months than June, but this year the record is reversed.

The Party Builder has made the most astonishing record of any of the activities of the office. It started with 3,600 subscribers in May, when it was taken over from the Lyceum Department by the National Office. The last report of the circulation showed a total of more than 15,000, and this was done in three months, in the period of the year that is the nightmare of all publications. Of course, the receipts for the Party Builder reflect this condition also. The paper took in \$946.21 during August, against \$722.47 in July and \$222.06 in June. This is a breezy change from the old Bulletin which cost about \$5,000 per year, without any income.

It will be noticed from the item "Expenditures," that we paid \$1,125.78 to the creditors of the National Office, including organizers' and National Committeemen's expenses; we paid \$1,217.77 of the old Lyceum debts in addition to advancing \$400 to the Lyceum, and paid \$287.16 on various appropriations ordered by the present and former Executive Committees.

The literature sales for this month were \$1,368.20, against \$532.14 for July, and \$371.68 for June.

The sales of supplies were \$158.38, against \$130.38 for July, and \$108.55 for June.

The month of September will undoubtedly show further increases in these various activities of the office, because the farmers' crops will have been harvested and the city worker will be more willing to go to Socialist meetings when the nights are cooler.

Is it any wonder the spirit in the National Office is one of confidence and hopefulness? Every employee is working wholeheartedly and with the zeal of true Socialists to make the National Office everything that the membership wants it to be.

A number of requests have come to this office asking for an explanation of the present debt of the party. Many of the foreign comrades do not understand the situation, as the foreign papers have not given space to this matter.

For the benefit of those who have not kept track of things during the past year, we will say that the debt arose from two sources: First, the increase in the membership in the fall of 1911 and in 1912 was such as to indicate that the campaign of 1912 would be a tremendous one and plans were laid accordingly. The Red Special in 1904 brought such a generous response that it was expected an equally generous response would be made in 1912. A tremendous literature campaign was undertaken, literature was sold below cost in order that the land might be flooded with Socialist literature. But when the election was over there was a deficit, not because of mismanagement, but because receipts did not come up to expectations. No one was to blame, unless enthusiasm is blameworthy. The deficit of the campaign was about \$12,000, a comparatively small amount for a national campaign.

Following this came the debt caused by the Lyceum Department amounting to over \$18,000. This, too, was caused by the fact that the Lyceum prepared for a greater number of courses than were taken by the Locals. If 300 more Locals had taken the Lyceum course it would have been a financial success.

Following upon the heels of the two foregoing events, came the National Committee meeting in May, which cost over \$4,000. Any one of these would not have troubled the finances, but the three combined created a condition that caused alarm in the minds of many. These underestimated the power of the Socialist party to overcome obstacles, as present events show. The party is ready and willing to meet the situation and is meeting it nobly. Pressing creditors have been satisfied as quickly as possible and the situation has eased.

The comrades seem to think that the National Office has been run in past years without any debt on hand. This is a mistake. The report for month of December, 1912, showed a debt on hand of \$4,525.33. The first published report of liabilities

was in October, 1911, when the unpaid amounted to \$5,958.91. We were not excited these sums. Our assets covered our liabilities that is all any Socialist business cares for the times mentioned, the membership was it is today.

The small sum of twenty-five cents, asked National Committee from each member will pay off all debts, if only half the members respond. And they will!

We can look forward to a period of great activity from now on. The future is bright with promise.

### LEAD BELT STRIKE SETTLED.

The strike in the southeast Missouri lead belt, which was conducted by the Western Federation of Miners and participated in by 6,000 miners, has been settled and the miners have received an advance of 25 cents a day in wages and all have gone back to work.

The increased wage means an additional wage outlay to the operators of \$500,000 per year. This settlement is significant, in as much as it is one of the first, if not the first, successful strike ever conducted in the interests of lead miners. The Federation has spent several years and considerable money in effecting an organization among the lead miners, whose economic condition has been deplorable.

Mining camps, sometimes comprising villages of several thousand population, have always been located on company grounds, so that it was impossible to incorporate towns and thus secure sewerage, side walks and other conveniences. The successful organization of the miners in the industrial field will quickly lead to political action, and it will be possible for the Socialists at no distant day to carry the counties in which the mines are located and thus secure through the action of a board of commissioners the necessary sanitation and other conveniences which are now impossible.

### TO INVESTIGATE THE PATERSON STRIKE.

Senator Jones of Washington has introduced a resolution in the Senate, asking the Senate committee on education and labor to hold an official inquiry and to secure all the facts that are obtainable in connection with the Paterson silk strike; also to inquire into the facts surrounding the arrest and conviction of Alexander Scott, editor of the Socialist paper, "The Weekly Issue." Senator Jones, in a statement, says:

"If the facts that I have in my possession are true, there is evidence that the authorities of Passaic County have come very close to a violation of constitutional rights, and for that reason I am urging an inquiry."

### TACKLING THE HIGH COST OF LIVING.

The spectre that haunts every working class home is the high cost of living. Around the family board its ghastly presence is felt. It accompanies the housewife on every trip to market and on every shopping day; it lurks in the dinner pail of the father on his way to the factory; it haunts the children at their play. One of the first things that the Socialist administrations everywhere in this country have tackled has been the problem of reducing the cost of living. Our officials have gone after this matter conscientiously and determinedly, but in every city they have met defeat. The reason is easy to understand. The high cost of living is due to the profit which the capitalist class takes from the farm and shop in the process of manufacturing, storing, shipping and distributing the necessities of life, and a large part of the laws of this country have been enacted for the safe-guarding of these profits. When a Socialist administration undertakes to establish a municipal fuel yard in order to sell coal at cost the business interests have but to invoke the law and the law says: "Hands off." Schenectady, N. Y., has had repeated experiences along this line. A municipal fuel yard was closed by the courts.

The attempt to make ice and sell to the people at cost met with the same fate, as did the municipal grocery.

Every attempt to reduce the cost of living has been met with the stern mandate of the capitalist courts, "You must not interfere with private business."

Such attempts at municipalization, however, are not without their value even though they fail. They show in whose interest laws have been made, and the people who are struggling for a living are made angry and hostile to the capitalist class. Bad conditions will prevail in the world so long as the people consent and no longer.

### CAMPAIGN IN SCHENECTADY.

A campaign of Schenectady, judging from received at this office and newspaper reports to be one of the most fiercely contested places where Socialists have carried elections. The Socialist administration has now effected. The lines are drawn so tight that Schenectady it is now Socialists and non-Socialists. What the result will be we cannot of course predict, but our comrades are sanguine and they have organized a splendid campaign.

In addition to buying liberally of the literature at the National Office, every ward branch in Schenectady is hustling for P. B. subscriptions. A new list was reported last week, followed this week by 127 sent in by Comrades H. W. Closson, J. Haney and Joseph Pitts. The Schenectady list has now passed the 500 mark. We are hoping that the comrades will keep up the good work for we would like to contribute our mite to help carry Schenectady. Why not make it 1,000?

The latest report of W. S. Bradford, state secretary of Arizona, is very optimistic. He informs us of the organization of several new locals and the reorganization of several that were delinquent.

### THE WAGES OF WOMEN IN KANSAS CITY.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics, in its report for the month of August, shows that 25,119 women are employed in Kansas City, Mo. The report is as follows:

Manufacturing and mechanical pursuits	4,500
Mercantile establishments	3,900
Telephone exchange	1,182
Agricultural pursuits	55
Professional service	2,007
Domestic and personal service (including laundries)	13,475
Total	25,119

The report states that many occupations in which women are engaged are detrimental to their health and that, while a wage of \$8.50 a week is necessary for a girl to live comfortably in boarding and lodging houses and \$6 a week is needed for a bare existence, yet twenty-five per cent, or 6,279 women, receive less than \$6. Out of 5,090 factory, laundry and store girls investigated, 1,277 receive less than \$6, and of these 255 are living away from home.

The report discloses the fact that twenty-six per cent have dependents to support besides themselves.

### FROM WEST VIRGINIA.

Anna A. Maley.

I have organized nine locals in the state, nearly all in the vicinity of Clarksburg and Fairmont. Usually I visit the town, make a speech and secure signers for charter application. On a later date I return with all supplies, elect and instruct officers, open record books, issue cards, and devote a couple of hours to the straight work of organization. We are selecting officers with care, emphasizing the importance of dues collection and the distribution of leaflets, and we hope that these locals will stick and do good service.

Appended is a notice which was served by a deputy sheriff of Marion County upon other comrades and myself while we were holding a meeting in the public road at Kingmont:

"To Anna A. Maley, Joseph H. Snider, Jacob Roland and J. B. Ford:

"You and each of you are hereby notified by the undersigned not to trespass upon or enter into the enclosed lands of the Virginia and Pittsburg Coal and Coke Company, a corporation, chartered and organized under the laws of the state of West Virginia, or on any of the property belonging to said corporation, and said corporation hereby forbids and requests you not to trespass or enter upon any of its property situate in Union and Grant districts, in said Marion county, West Virginia, on the waters of the Tygart Valley River; and, further, that if you do trespass upon the same, you will be prosecuted in the manner and form prescribed by law.

"Dated this the 29th day of August, 1913.  
"THE VIRGINIA & PITTSBURG COAL & COKE COMPANY (A Corporation),  
"By R. M. Hite, President."

We can learn a lesson from the beaver. With the aid of his fellows he builds a dam and makes for himself a home. He knows he can do nothing singly, and does not try to. He co-operates. He joins with his mates. Join the party.



# Labor's World-Wide Battle Line

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE FOREIGN-SPEAKING ORGANIZATIONS.

The following comparative statement is submitted in order that the membership may know how the foreign-speaking organizations are progressing. The amounts indicated are for dues, these amounts being included in the general tables for dues printed elsewhere. The Translator Secretaries report to the State Secretaries, and make remittances to them where there are such organizations in a state.

Federation—	Dues Paid In		
	August	July	June
Slovak .....	\$ 25.60	\$ 19.90	\$ 19.55
Italian .....	25.80	19.05	15.95
Scandinavian .....	28.25	35.15	25.95
Hungarian .....	37.70	30.60	27.70
Bohemian .....	51.20	42.30	32.55
South Slavic .....	81.55	97.05	75.40
Polish .....	106.80	90.90	137.85
Jewish .....	110.00	68.50	108.75
German .....	210.90	202.55	155.95
Finnish .....	572.85	593.45	561.90
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,250.65</b>	<b>\$1,199.45</b>	<b>\$1,161.55</b>

## THINGS BOOMING IN WEST VIRGINIA.

About all that seems to be necessary to organize Socialist locals in the land of the coal barons is that a Socialist organizer appear in the community. Comrade Anna Maley is still touring the state and doing very effective work. John W. Brown began a tour of the state this month, which will be continued indefinitely. New locals have been organized recently at Valley Head, Randolph County, and at Mossy, Fayette County.

## GROWTH OF THE U. M. W. OF A.

John P. White, president of the United Mine Workers of America, has written a very glowing report of his organization for the September number of the American Federationist. He says:

"The growth of our union has been phenomenal within the last year, its membership having been increased by more than 100,000 members, the total being 412,959. The victory won by the West Virginia miners is most gratifying, inasmuch as it leaves the organization to exert all its strength on Colorado, the unorganized section of Pennsylvania and the territory lying south of the Ohio river.

"Slowly but surely the mine workers' organization has been closing in on the unorganized territory and it will be matter of only a very few years when the last nonunion mine in the United States will disappear. It has become almost an adage that 'Where goes the organizer of the United Mine Workers, Socialism follows close in his wake.'"

## WHAT THE TYPOS ARE DOING.

The Typographical Union, which now numbers more than 60,000 members, is giving us some splendid illustrations in the way of co-operation among workers.

From the dues of the organization a pension system is maintained, and there are now on the rolls of membership 1,108 pensioners, and the union has paid out of the pension fund since 1908 almost a million dollars.

All members 60 years of age, who have been in good standing 20 years and who can not obtain employment at their trade receive a pension of \$5 a week. This same pension is given the member 70 years old, whose membership dates back 10 years.

The union maintains a hospital at Colorado Springs which cost more than \$100,000. This is owned free of debt. It stands on 80 acres of ground donated by residents of Colorado Springs and the entire property is now valued at a million dollars.

In addition to sanatorium privileges and a pension fund, the union also pays a burial benefit ranging from \$75 to \$400, according to whether the membership has been one or five or more years.

## FUSION AT ST. MARYS.

A few weeks ago, the Party Builder published a resume of the work of the Socialist administration at St. Marys, Ohio, showing among other things that they have restored the credit of the city, raised the wages of the working class and improved public service. You would suppose that sensible people would want an administration in power that had done these things. Not so, however,—all political parties in St. Marys, including the Democrats, Republicans and Progressives, have united on a fusion ticket, the slogan of which is, "Anything to beat the Socialists."

## WEST VIRGINIA ORGANIZATION FUND.

Total to end of 23rd .....	\$ 780.74
Chas. J. Hanson, Eveleth, Minn. ....	12.65
Chas. Emmrich, Oshkosh, Wis. ....	2.00
O. Sternberg, Chicago, Ill. ....	2.30
15th Ward, Polish Br., Chicago, Ill. ....	3.15
Fred Strickland .....	5.00
S. S. Osasto, Milford, N. H. ....	19.95
German Br., New York, N. Y. ....	4.40
Local, Jennings, Mo. ....	2.00
C. A. Lindholm, Haines, Alaska .....	7.00
Local, Philadelphia, Pa. ....	12.75
Finnish organization (by J. W. Sarlund) ..	63.43

Total to September 1st .....

## SPECIAL VOLUNTARY ASSESSMENT AND DEFICIT.

B. J. Frey, Wanatah, Ind. ....	.25
Bertha Hale Brown, National Office .....	.25
Dan A. White, Mass. ....	.25
O. F. Chevillot, Detroit, Mich. ....	.25
Col. by J. S. Tatman, Chickasha, Okla. ....	3.00
Local, Manhattan, Nevada .....	8.00
Local, Beaumont, Cal. ....	1.50
Julius Raetz, Chicago, Ill. ....	.50
J. N. Woods, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho .....	.25
Jay Rand Sanburn, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho ..	.25
F. E. Jewell, Clinton, Ky. ....	.25
Geo. Fessant, Springview, Nebr. ....	1.00
W. H. Schoök, Richfield, Utah .....	.75
Local, Burlington, Vt. ....	1.25
Douglas Smith, Cedar Falls, Iowa .....	.75
Scandinavian, Carl Marx Club, Chicago .....	2.50
Ernest Moore, Petoskey, Mich. ....	2.00
J. B. Brynjolfson, Canyon City, Ore. ....	.25
Ethel Shield, Lacoma, Iowa .....	.25
Jas. W. Booker, Church Hill, Tenn. ....	.25
Edw. L. Elliott, Buffalo, N. Y. ....	.25
Polish Br., Homestead, Pa. ....	2.50
Local, Felton, Ga. ....	1.00
John Volle, Bonanza, Ark. ....	5.00
Chas. Marshall, Somers, Ia. ....	.50
August Nelson, Dayton, Iowa .....	.75
E. B. Rohlwing, Greene, Iowa .....	.25
Red Oak Local, Marksville, La. ....	1.25
J. L. Swan .....	.50
Branch No. 1, Rockaway, N. J. ....	4.00
E. A. Odlund, Cedar Key, Fla. ....	.25
T. F. Willis, Clarinda, Iowa .....	.25
F. L. Cole, Palatine Bridge, N. Y. ....	.25
D. C. Dillabaugh, Lyle, Wash. ....	.50
A. L. West, Lincoln, Ark. ....	.25
E. N. Barber, Kent, Ohio .....	.25
W. Maida, Meriden, Conn. ....	2.50
German Federation (by A. Dreifuss) .....	12.50
W. Cieslak, St. Louis, Mo. ....	1.25
Gerhardt Kollaster, Bennet, Nebr. ....	.25
D. L. Garver, Grinnell, Iowa .....	2.50
Cassino D. Borden, Caledonia, N. Y. ....	.25
Peter Ohlson, Warren, Pa. ....	1.00
Scandinavian Fed., by N. J. Christensen ..	1.25
Polish Branch, Sharpsburg, Pa. ....	3.00
German Federation (by A. Dreifuss) .....	17.50
E. A. Evans, Lansford, Pa., ....	1.50
E. W. Cantrell, Pittsburg, Kan. ....	.50
Carl Maxwell, Newark, Ohio .....	5.00
J. Morrison, 8th Ward, Chicago, Ill. ....	.50
Polish Branch, Pullman, Ill. ....	1.75
Harold H. Coryell, Woodforks, Me. ....	.25
Local Delray, Fla. ....	1.25
O. E. Bannister, Rosalia, Wash. ....	2.00
Local, Live Oak, Fla. ....	1.25
B. Benson, Chicago, Ill. ....	1.00
Frank J. Kononen, Pittsfield, Mass. ....	2.50
German Local, Seattle, Wash. ....	8.00

## BUTTON! BUTTON!

### WHO'S GOT THE BUTTON?

Well, we've got a new button that you'll want.

There was a demand for a smaller gold party button, and we had a special order made, with the same design as before, but only one-half inch in diameter. You ought to see it! It is a little beauty. The colors are even prettier than in the old one.

Of course we have the old three-quarter inch size, too, both in the plated and solid gold. The new ones have been made up plated only.

The old prices prevail for both kinds, 25 cents each, \$2.00 per doz.

Solid gold, 3/4 inch only, \$1.25 ea.

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E. B. Castle, Marion, Iowa .....	26
Finnish organization (by J. W. Sarlund) ...	28.80
W. P. Metcalf, Albuquerque, New Mexico...	.50
J. F. Clark, Minneapolis, N. C. ....	1.00
Lewis J. Duncan, Butte, Mont. ....	10.30
F. Wm. Wagner, Tofty, Alaska .....	7.60
Mrs. Fred Kiel, Fairbanks, Alaska .....	1.00
Geo. R. Kirkpatrick, New York .....	1.00
Otto S. Jessen, Aurora, Ill. ....	2.00
Nicholas Schmitt, Seattle, Wash. ....	1.00
Mary Hicks, Bainbridge, Ga. ....	1.00
Geo. Welby Van Pelt (Montgomery, Ala.) ..	1.00
Will Eitmeier, Traverse City, Mich. ....	2.00
Branch San Diego, Cal. ....	5.00
J. E. Stocker, Detroit, Mich. ....	.50
Local, Fort Bragg, Cal. ....	5.00
A. Lowe, Huntsville, Ark. ....	1.00
Local, Havana, Ill. ....	1.50
W. F. Nasepohl, Hammond, Ind. ....	2.00
Albert Abbiati, Buffalo, N. Y. ....	3.00
J. J. Brown, Sioux City, Iowa .....	2.00
Jos. Thomas, Aberdeen, Wash. ....	2.75
German Brotherhood, Yorkville, N. Y. ....	3.00
E. H. Titters, Princeton, Ill. ....	1.00
E. L. Beede, Drewsey, Ore. ....	5.25
M. F. Wiltse, Marshalltown, Iowa .....	1.75
German Federation, per A. Dreifuss, Chicago	5.50
Local, Iola, Kan. ....	1.75
Wm. J. Pile, Gooding, Idaho .....	.25
Ira B. Foster, Dorcas, Ohio .....	.50
W. G. Barber .....	2.00
Chas. L. Kaufman, Woodforks, Me. ....	1.00
German Local, Seattle, Wash. ....	1.00

August .....

July .....

Total to September 1st .....

## WEST VIRGINIA MINERS' STRIKE FUND.

Hilma Lander, New York, N. Y. ....

Mrs. H. F. Anders, Philadelphia, Pa. ....

Total .....

## CAMPAIGN FUND.

Nicholas Schmitt, Seattle.....

## SERVIAN AND BULGARIAN FUND.

Slovak Branch, Bridgeport, Conn.....

J. M. Carter, in sending a list from Omaha, Nebr., says: "I have been a subscriber to the Party Builder since the first issue and so started at the beginning of the paper. It is just what the party needed. Every Socialist ought to be on the sub list."

# Wasting Human Life

By A. M. Simons

The National Office now holds the copyright to this remarkable book—and an edition of 10,000 is just off the press. By close figuring, we have been able to get out this 25 cent book for a dime. Profits are cut both to the National Office and to the locals, but at 10 cents per copy you can sell ten where you could sell one at a quarter. This book is so good that it ought to have a million sale right off the bat.

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# Information Department

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## PURPOSE

To collect, classify and make available for the members of locals and officials of the Socialist Party all possible data and information on economic, political and social problems. To assist the Socialists elected to office with such information as may be required in their official capacities on Municipal, State and National Problems of Administration and Reconstruction.

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## MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP REDUCES RATES ON ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER.

"The rates charged by privately-owned electric light plants in many southern California towns are much lower than the rates charged at other points in the nation by privately-owned plants.

"It is easily accounted for by the fact that the light and power situation in all southern California, including Los Angeles, is controlled by the Southern California Edison Company, a private monopoly. It used to control the situation in Pasadena, too, but the municipal plant has about put them out of business in that city, and it is to forestall municipal plants in the other southern California cities that the Edison Company now give such favorable rates.

"So you see, one municipal plant, conducted without thought of profit, has benefited every community in this part of the state. It is a wonderful example of the advantage of municipal over private ownership of a public utility."

So writes Comrade Francis M. Elliott in explanation of the unusually low electric light rates obtained in the Southern California cities where private monopoly holds sway. Far from attesting to the efficiency of private monopoly, it but adds another argument to the already overwhelming array for municipal ownership.

### Success of the Pasadena Plant Briefly Told.

"One point I wish to emphasize in this matter is that it has been the settled policy of the Pasadena plant to produce light and power and to distribute same at as near cost as possible and that there has been no effort to use the plant to produce a profit—or as a tax collecting institution. Pasadena manufactures 'juice,' while the Edison Company produce their current with water power and yet the private company cannot successfully compete with the municipal plant. The municipal plant has never had a deficit—that besides providing an ample sinking fund to take care of interest and to ultimately pay off the bonds voted when the plant was established. It has set aside an amount which in twenty years will build and equip a new plant, that period of time being the estimated life of the present plant. This fund is created by charging off a certain amount year by year to 'depreciation.' In addition to all this there has been a comfortable surplus at the end of each year, even in the face of constantly decreasing rates.

"Much of the success of this enterprise has been due to the faithful and efficient services of Comrade C. W. Koiner, who has been in charge of the plant since its establishment, about seven years ago."

Comrade Koiner, it will be remembered, responded generously to our appeal for technical data on the construction and establishment of a municipal electric light plant for the city of Camden, New Jersey.

### Monopoly Cuts Rates.

Although the Southern Edison Company may have suffered monetary loss in its policy of lowering rates in the town adjoining Pasadena, it appears it made enough profit to allow it still further to cut its rates in Pasadena, for the purpose of embarrassing the Pasadena plant. But here again the Pasadena citizens have scored. Comrade Elliott takes keen delight in recounting this modern David and Goliath battle:

"The Pasadena people are now having fun with their beloved competitor in the light and power business. It has been one of the pleasant diversions of the Southern California Edison Company to cut the rate far below cost of production in Pasadena and then make up for it in other towns where they had no competition.

"The Pasadena people through their senator and representative in the state legislature this winter introduced and passed a law which provides that any corporation controlling a public utility and supplying a commodity in more than one community, city or town in California must do so at the lowest rate which it charges in any other community, cost of production and distribution considered. In other words, this law makes the minimum price charged by a corporation for service in one community the maximum price it can charge in any other community which it serves.

"The Edison Company has been charging 3c per k. w. h. for lights in Pasadena, and making up for losses by charging 6c in other towns immediately adjacent, and in towns more remote the old charge of 12c and 15c per k. w. h. prevailed. The law became effective on August 15 and the Edison Company promptly raised its rate to 6c in Pasadena. As the municipal rate is 5c with the certainty of an even lower date by the municipal plant in the near

future, you can easily see the finish of the Edison Company in Pasadena.

"Previous to this move by Pasadena the city had endeavored to protect its plant by municipal ordinance fixing rates for the Edison Company, but was defeated in the courts to which the private interests appealed; but the Pasadena people never give up and now they certainly have put the eternal 'kibosh' on their competitor. The law does not touch the municipal plant, as it supplies but one community."

## MORE ABOUT ICE.

### Government Manufactures Ice at a Profit in Panama.

The government is doing many remarkable things in Panama.

Among others it manufactures ice.

The "Panama Railroad Company," which is the agency through which the government is carrying on its activities there, reports as follows:

"Thirty-seven thousand two hundred and forty-eight tons of ice were produced during the year, as against 33,267 tons the previous year, an increase of 3,981 tons. The value of the product was \$229,535.98, as against \$206,188.80 the previous year, an increase in revenue of \$23,347.18." (From the Report of the Panama Railroad Company for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1912.—Special Report of the Commissary Department, p. 36.)

Colonel George W. Goethals, in reply to inquiries addressed to him by the Information Department, sends interesting details as to the operation of the ice manufacture. He says:

"The Panama Commission operates an ice plant of 106 tons daily output of ice, which it sells at a uniform price of 40 cents a hundred pounds delivered to the ice box of the consumer from one end of the Isthmus to the other.

"It would be impossible to give any comparison of figures between our ice plant and similar institutions in the States for two reasons: First, because an ice plant in the tropics operates at full capacity every day in the year; and, second, in our own ice plant our refrigerating machines cool down some 200,000 cubic feet of space in addition to making ice, and the apportionment of work done by these machines between the two could only be considered an approximate. Again, loss from meltage is much higher in the tropics than it is in the States.

"About the only detail of operation I could give that would be of any value for an ice plant operated under similar conditions is that we estimate we make between 7¼ and 8 tons of ice for every ton of Pocahontas coal consumed in the boilers with cooling water for ammonia condensers between 85 and 90 degrees Fahrenheit, and we have no difficulties in operating the plant successfully and economically. Conditions governing the ice trade are so varied, depending not only upon climate, but upon the character of population served, that the judgment of competent refrigerating engineers should be taken rather than examples of operation of plants like ours whose conditions of operation are unusual and which are worked up to their full capacity every day in the year." (Report of Sub-sistence Officer, as submitted by Col. Geo. W. Goethals, chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission, in letter of July 29, 1913, to the Information Department.)

## DUTIES OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS IN OHIO FROM A SOCIALIST VIEWPOINT.

In reply to a Socialist recently elected to a school board in Ohio, who inquired concerning his duties and opportunities, Comrade Ira C. Tilton of Valparaiso, Indiana, prepared the following:

The unit of school organization in Ohio is the township. This system is considered the most efficient and economical plan for the administration of school affairs. It requires a smaller number of school officials than in states where the unit is the district. The fewer officials in any case, the more influential the officials become. It is worth while, therefore, to elect Socialists on school boards in states like Ohio; also, it is very important that such elected members be placed in touch with the most helpful sources of information.

I recommend that our Socialist school board members in cities of Ohio read the book, "Our City Schools, Their Direction and Management." It is published by D. C. Heath & Co., and sells for \$1.25. I think their chief problems are along the lines of economy and administrative efficiency and this book will be especially helpful.

Ohio is one of a few states without a State Board of Education. The adoption of such a board should be advocated by Socialists in that state, as the state educational system is incomplete without it. There are numerous advantages to be derived from a state board of education, and I hope that our comrades in Ohio may become wide awake in their demands for progress along this line.

Under the Duvall law, Ohio has provided for a minimum teachers' salary of \$40 per month for eight months, with state aid under certain conditions. Our Socialist officials in the rural townships should give special attention to this law and see that they get the benefit of it.

The highest school official in Ohio is known as the State Commissioner of Common Schools. He is elected by the people; term, two years; salary, \$2,000. His powers and duties are: (1) To visit annually each judicial district. (2) To supervise school funds. (3) To prescribe rules and regulations for all reports. (4) To distribute school laws. (5) To report annually to either Governor or General Assembly. (6) To require reports from private schools.

For County Boards, their powers and duties, see Sec. 4069, Ohio School Laws.

School Examiners, powers and duties: (1) To hold examinations. (2) To grant and revoke certificates.

Township Board consists of five members, elected by the people, term four years. Powers and duties of township board are: (1) To make rules for government of schools. (2) To employ superintendent of district and teachers. (3) To centralize schools when authorized by vote.

It should be noted that in township districts a director is elected by the people, who acts under the direction of the township board. See Sec. 3921a, Ohio School Law.

Only those who are able to think for themselves, to reach intelligent conclusions through thorough investigation and explain the reasons for their conclusions, should be elected as members of school boards. The success of our cause depends largely upon the spirit and administrative capacity of the men and women in control of public education.

Those who are seeking the scientific rather than the sentimental conception of education should read "The Art of Education," by Ira W. Howerth of the University of California. It is published by McMillan Company, New York, and sells for \$1.25. This book will inspire interest and explain the nature and true purpose of education.

In connection with the general reading on education and school administration every school board member should familiarize himself with the school laws of his state. The appendix of forms and instructions in the last pages of the Ohio School Laws are for the convenience of those in charge of school affairs and no difficulty will be met by those who carefully follow them.

# The Call of the Carpenter

More than 50,000 copies of this book have been sold within the year, but the field for it has scarcely been touched.

The National Office is now in position to fill all orders at the retail price of \$1.20 per copy, postage paid; or we will give it with *two annual subscriptions* to the PARTY BUILDER for \$1.25.

Locals able to handle the book in quantities of 10 or more at a time, should communicate with the Literature Department—

NATIONAL OFFICE, 111 NORTH MARKET STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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HAVE  
IT!



# Lyceum Department

The Lyceum Department is a combined subscription agency and lecture bureau, run not for private profit, but for the special purpose of securing for the Socialist party in its propaganda and organization work the advantage of the fact that **THERE ARE A GREAT MANY OF US.** Full particulars furnished on application.

L. E. KATTERFELD, Manager

111 North Market Street

Chicago, Illinois

### IT WAS A DRAW.

Jim put up a splendid fight on the first of September, but try as he would he couldn't land the knock-out blow on Plute Rox's solar plexus, or wherever knock-out blows are supposed to be landed. He fought gamely for twenty fast and furious rounds, at the end of which the referee called it a draw.

The fine showing he made was, however, a revelation to all except Jimmie Higgins' closest friends. Most of the sporting fraternity thought him to be just another young enthusiast, who would go the way of many another "white hope." They now see in him a real contender for the world's championship.

Although all the details have not yet been arranged by the committees that have the matter in charge, Jim is already in training for the great finish fight that is scheduled for October 1. He feels sure that his friends all over the nation will remember him with enough regulation Lyceum agreements during the month of September to enable him to score a clean knock-out over old Plute Rox at that time.

### THE NEW RECRUITS.

New recruits came in rather haltingly this week. All seem to be waiting to see whether war will really break out or not, before enlisting. We welcome the following:

- ARKANSAS—Huntington.
- COLORADO—Greeley.
- ILLINOIS—Twenty-fourth ward Chicago, Thirty-fifth Ward Chicago.
- INDIANA—South Bend.
- IOWA—Mason City, Council Bluffs.
- NEW JERSEY—Fort Lee.
- NEW YORK—Newburgh, Branch 1, Buffalo.
- OHIO—Newark.
- WASHINGTON—Wilbur.

Reported last week, 353; this week, 12; total September 8, 365.

If we could count all those that, according to letters have already voted to take the Lyceum, the list would be well past the 400 mark right now. Only regulation agreements have so far been counted. If YOUR Local has not yet been reported in this column, see to it personally that the Secretary signs and mails the regular Lyceum agreement blank at once.

### A LETTER TO YOU.

The following letter has been sent to the secretaries of one thousand Locals and Branches that, in the judgment of the Lyceum manager, should be able to handle the Lyceum Course successfully.

If your secretary has not received it, or if it is not brought before your organization for some other reason, please bring this letter before the membership yourself as an official communication and secure action.

Remember that the time is short. Whatever is done must be done quickly. The full 600 contracts must be received here by October 1. If your Local wants the Lyceum and you have no agreement blank, cut out, sign and mail the little blank in the corner of this page, immediately.

(LETTER).

To the Local Branch:

**Comrades:—YOUR OPPORTUNITY HAS NOT YET BEEN TAKEN FROM YOU.**

You will be glad to know that in spite of hot weather, in spite of droughts, of strikes and lock-outs and hard times, our comrades have responded so generously to the Lyceum call that they have saved the day; and you still have opportunity to secure the Lyceum for your own Local.

Why should not YOUR Local take part in the Lyceum? What is there about this entire proposition that is so difficult to decide?

Here's the offer in a sentence: Agree to dispose of a hundred dollars' worth of subscriptions for Socialist papers and books during the fall and winter months, and you get the Lyceum course as a free premium and every subscriber gets a free ticket to the lectures without extra cost. We send you the subscription tickets on credit. You pay for them monthly as sold.

Will it not be a good thing for your organization to secure some new readers for Socialist papers and books? Shouldn't you do that ANYWAY?

Will it not be easier to secure these new readers when you can give lecture tickets as premiums than it would be without them?

Will it not help you to have three REAL FIRST-CLASS Socialist lectures in your community?

Will not the combination of literature and lectures with house-to-house distribution of leaflets and publicity in your local capitalist papers, such as the Lyceum includes, get MORE of your members to become workers and build up your organization MORE than the usual haphazard methods?

Does not the experience of the Locals that had the Lyceum Course in the past, nearly all of whom have already signed contracts for next season, many of them taking TWO courses, PROVE that it will? Then WHY should you hesitate longer?

Decide RIGHT NOW, at THIS meeting, that you will co-operate in this great nation-wide propaganda and organization campaign.

Let some one make a motion at once, instructing your secretary to sign and mail your Lyceum agreement to reach us sure BEFORE October 1.

Fraternally yours,

L. E. KATTERFELD,  
Manager Lyceum Department.

### SIGNED AGREEMENT WITHIN FIVE MINUTES.

"Amen to what Comrade Shafer, of Omaha, had to say about the Lyceum. All the Locals should have it and if they knew how easy it is handed they all would have it.

"Fremont took the course a year ago last winter for 300 'subs' at \$1.00 each and last winter for \$185 worth of subscriptions.

"This year's agreement was signed within five minutes after it was read to the Local.

"It only requires about four live Socialists to handle it. I don't mean such as have no work, but workers who must hold their jobs for a living, they are the boys.

"I never hear those that do the work grumble, that is usually done by those who will not help. They are the ones who are afraid that we will bite off more than we can chew, and they are the ones who are always from three to thirty months in arrears with their dues. Why be influenced by them? I would advise any one to listen only to those that pay their dues.

"Cease to fear your shadows. Cheer up and we will win, even though we lose at the first few attempts. We must have education in organization until we feel the electric currents of solidarity rushing up our spine and to our fingertips, and that is what the Lyceum will do for your community."

CHAS. F. A. PFEIFFER,  
Sec'y Local Fremont.

### INTENSIVE CULTIVATION.

An experiment that will bear watching is being tried out in the first district of the Twenty-seventh Ward, Chicago, consisting of five precincts in and around Jefferson Park, where the Lyceum manager lives. Instead of spreading the Lyceum advertising over a wide area and consequently drawing hardly any but Socialists to the lectures from a distance, it is planned to concentrate practically all the advertising on the territory within walking distance of the hall, and a special effort will be made by every Socialist to get his Republican and Democratic or Bull Moose neighbors to walk to the lectures with him. The election returns from these precincts next spring should show whether or not that sort of intensive cultivation is effective.

### WAITING TO SEE.

We've just received the following from the Secretary of Local Richmond, California:

"Our Local at the eleventh hour voted to take the Lyceum lecture Course. The prospect in the last Party Builder looked so doubtful, I'm waiting to see the certainty."

What would you think of an outfielder on a ball team who, when he got the ball on a close play, instead of trying to throw out the runner, would hold the ball and wait to see what happened?

Don't you see that if very many Local secretaries did this that that one thing would swamp the Lyceum?

As quick as a Local votes to take the Course, FIRE IN THE SIGNED AGREEMENT.

The more doubtful the proposition looks, the more urgent is it to ACT PROMPTLY.

In estimating the possibilities, comrades should remember that the report in the Party Builder is always at least a week old when you read it. (2) There is a constant fringe of from 50 to 100 Locals that we know of, like the above, that have already voted to take the Course, but have for one reason or another not yet sent their agreement. These can all be expected to come in before the final showdown takes place October 1. (3) Scores of Locals have postponed action till September, and we shall hear from them during the next two weeks.

As a matter of fact we need to secure less than two hundred additional contracts. One good push, altogether, will put the Lyceum across the line.

Your share of this push is one Lyceum contract. If you haven't the regulation agreement blank, use the blank in the corner of this page and get one quick.

### IMPORTANT.

In spite of our having sent out thousands of agreement blanks to all the Secretaries on the National Office mailing list, we hear of Locals nearly every day that have not received any. Perhaps your Local is one of those that has been missed. If you want the Lyceum, sign and mail the blank below AT ONCE, so that you can send your signed contract before October 1.

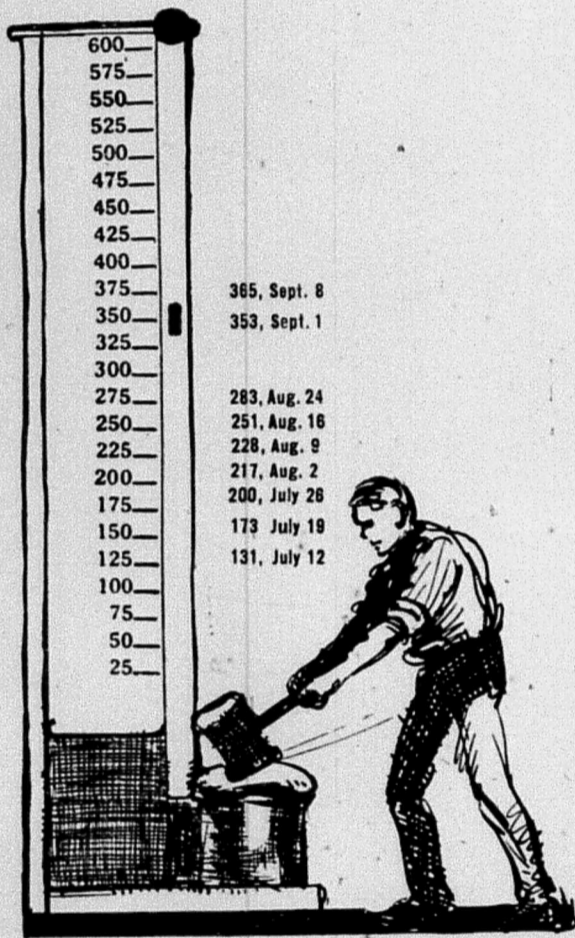
Socialist Party Lyceum Department,  
111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

We want the Lyceum Course. Send agreement blank by return mail. We'll sign it as quick as we get it.

Name .....

Address .....

City .....



### THE LYCEUM SITUATION.

On September 1 there were on file in the National Office signed contracts for 353 Lyceum courses. There were also promises and applications for enough additional courses to bring the total over the 400 mark that had been set for this date, but none but regularly signed contracts could be counted.

In accordance with action of the National Committee at its meeting in May, the question of continuing the Lyceum was therefore re-submitted to the National Committee. The National Committee is now voting on this question.

The Executive Committee having failed to take contrary action, the work of the Lyceum Department continues without interruption, with the full purpose of securing the required 600 contracts, while the National Committee is voting.

Although the full 400 regulation contracts were not received up to the first of September, the Lyceum came close enough to the mark to show that with one united push on the part of its friends it can secure the full 600 contracts necessary to its continuation within the final time limit, October 1.

The securing of 353 contracts by mail during the hot months of July and August speaks well for the vitality of the Socialist movement. A continuation throughout September of the splendid activity that secured these agreements, with the cooler September evenings and the more frequent and more largely attended local meetings, should assure that the Socialist Lyceum WILL WIN and the SOCIALIST PARTY WILL MAKE GOOD in this, its first great national co-operative undertaking.



# Woman's Department

This department has charge of all propaganda and organization work among women. Its purpose is to make Socialists, unionists, suffragists, and intelligent voters of women, and to secure their active membership in the Socialist party. Address all communications to

WINNIE E. BRANSTETTER, General Correspondent

111 North Market Street

Chicago, Illinois

## RESULT OF THE NEW ORGANIZATION PLAN.

The Woman's Committee of Philadelphia has just completed a nine weeks' organization campaign under a most efficient organizer, Anna A. Maley. As a result of this work, if the membership is not doubled in a year it will be the fault of the party in not following the plans formulated by Comrade Maley. Three things are insisted upon.

1. Delinquent Dues Committees.
2. One hour a week leagues.
3. One minute reports.

Most important is the collection of delinquent dues. In Philadelphia, with a membership of 2,057, 561 are delinquent, which does not include the members in arrears. Judging from the reports of the State and National Office, this would be paralleled all over the country.

We are begging for money; no money to begin our campaign, when the dues alone would amount to nearly seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars a month, if we had business ability to collect what justly belongs to us.

### 1.—Put Delinquent Dues on the Order of Business.

Elect a Delinquent Dues Committee. The Financial Secretary will give to the chairman of the committee a list of those in arrears. A postal card is sent to each delinquent, notifying him that a comrade will call. A few days later the call is made, and in most cases the dues are paid. With a committee of six this need not be a burden to any one. No one should be allowed to become more than two months in arrears. That the Financial Secretary may not be at any loss, the committee pays for stamps it may need, and in the event the stamps are not sold, the Financial Secretary will redeem them. In one Branch of eighty-one members, where this plan has been tried out, only three are in arrears.

### 2.—One Hour a Week.

As we, of the working class, have little money, so we have little leisure. The time for "war horses" has passed; each one must do his share. All can give one hour a week for distribution of literature.

The Organizer of the Branch apportions the work, no one distributor being allowed to work more than one hour a week, always distributing to the same houses. In this way he becomes acquainted with the people to whom he distributes. Two leaflets, one for general propaganda, and one for the woman should be given each time.

### 3.—Put Roll Call on the Order of Business.

Let each member, as his name is called, take the floor and state briefly what he has done for Socialism since the last meeting. A time limit, not exceeding one minute, should be set for these reports, so this order will not be absorbed by the "talkers." This plan has two good effects.

1. It brings every member at the meeting to his feet, at least once, thus making him feel that he is a vital part of the body.

2. It encourages the members to do their work so they will have something to report. The work reported may be of the simplest kind; the distribution of literature, securing of a new member, or the sale of a subscription card.

Thousands of leaflets were distributed during the campaign. During Comrade Maley's stay we held eighty-seven meetings—thirty-five Branch meetings in the interest of organization, 30 street meetings and twenty-two house meetings.

The house meetings were particularly successful, having an average attendance of ten. Where the "Women would not come to Socialism, Socialism went to them." A Socialist woman or sympathizer would invite friends and neighbors to her home. A half-hour or more would be devoted to lecture. Questions were asked and answered. Subscriptions for The Progressive Woman were taken and leaflets distributed.

In the course of our work almost 400 subscriptions to The Progressive Woman were sold, and about 200 single copies.

One mass meeting called by City Central Committee, devoted the entire evening to organization problems. Two large and particularly successful meetings were held on City Hall Plaza. Suffrage from the Socialist standpoint being the subject of one lecture. Collections and sale of books amounted to \$20. Comrade Maley addressed the striking egg candler twice and the cloak makers four times.

A very amusing incident occurred in connection with the house meetings. A Socialist woman asked

an enthusiastic suffrage friend if she would hold a suffrage meeting at her house. She promised, but it must be a suffrage speech, "for you know I do not believe in Socialism." Comrade Maley gave a fine Socialist speech, never mentioning the word of course. The guests of the afternoon were most enthusiastic. The hostess told Comrade Maley that that was the best suffrage speech she ever heard. "Why you have given me so many ideas and told us so many things I never heard before."

The total outlay for this campaign has been \$275.00 and the Woman's Committee is happy to report that there is still enough money in their treasury to begin another campaign—and further, they have the courage to do it. What would all this amount to if there were no plans for the future?

The Woman's Committee working in conjunction with the Executive Committee of Local Philadelphia expects to do considerable educational work. A number of the Branches will take up the Rand School correspondence course. Comrade Anna Maley will have charge of the organization work in the Rand School. She will come to Philadelphia twice a month to meet with the leaders of the classes.

The plan for conducting correspondence classes can be secured by applying to Bertha H. Mailly, 140 East Nineteenth street, New York City.

### Combination Study and Sewing Clubs.

Women organizers state that difficulty has been experienced in holding women's study clubs together. The Philadelphia women, therefore, mean to try out the plan of combining the "sewing bee" with the educational club. The Woman's Committee will furnish to the Branches conducting these "bees" all cretons, muslins, etc., to make serviceable articles to be sold at our winter bazaar. A class leader sent by the Woman's Committee will conduct the quizzes and discussions on Socialism. A set of questions and answers for use in these gatherings is in course of preparation by Comrade Maley. It is planned to hold these classes in the afternoon for the benefit of the house mothers who may not be able to attend the correspondence classes.

Through the Philadelphia Housing Commission, which has made a comprehensive investigation of housing conditions in this city, our committee has secured about forty slides exhibiting the widespread degradation and misery which exists in this city of "homes." It is their plan to show these slides in the various Branches and give short educational talks on "The Homes Socialism will Destroy." Can we accomplish all this? If only half is done, much good will have accrued from our expenditure. Surely if we had the courage in a hot Philadelphia summer to plan, we will do the work when the winter comes.

ELIZABETH M. BAER,  
Chairman Meetings Committee.

### WOMEN CHAIN MAKERS.

A Great Britain paper, relating to the working of the Trade Boards Act, 1909, gives the following table as showing in summary form the miserable minimum time-rates of wages which have been fixed for workers other than learners in the trades to which the Act at present applies:

Trade—	Women. d. per Hour.	Men. d. per Hour.
Chain-making .....	2½	5-7
Lace-finishing .....	2¾	—
Box-making—		
Great Britain .....	3	6
Ireland .....	2¾	6
Tailoring—		
Great Britain .....	3¾	6
Ireland .....	Not yet fixed.	

The Trade Board has also fixed special minimum piece-rates to apply as respects matchbox-makers employed by certain firms in the east end of London. The report states further: "It is difficult to give a reliable estimate of the number of work people engaged in the trades at present within the scope of the Act, but it is believed that roughly about 200,000 persons are covered, of whom about 70 per cent are women and girls."

The Provisional Order Bill introduced on May 1, 1913, proposes to extend the application of the Act to the following five trades: Sugar confectionery and food preserving, shirt-making, hollow-ware making (including the making of tin boxes and

canisters), linen and cotton embroidery, calendering and machine ironing in steam laundries.

It is estimated that roughly between 150,000 and 200,000 additional persons would be brought under the Act by the proposed extension, of whom the vast majority would be women and girls.—From The Vote.

### ORGANIZE YOUNG WORKERS.

The realization is being forced upon us that we are more, vastly more, than a political party. We are a great movement of the working class, representative of every factor in that class. No longer do we confine our activities to soap-boxing and to the circulation of a few weekly publications.

The network of our organization reaches out to every man, woman and child. No person is so insignificant but that we have a word of hope for him, no industrial group so small but that a special message has been written and carried to it. Each day we face new opportunities and new duties.

Today we face the problem of reaching and interesting the 3,000,000 young men and women whose parents are Socialists. These young people, as well as their fellow-workers and associates, logically belong to the Socialist movement.

Our comrades in France, in Austria, Germany, Sweden, in fact, nearly all the European countries, are solving this problem. We must follow their example. We must make the American Socialist movement attractive to the young people of the working class. We must organize Young People's Socialist Leagues in every town and city, similar in character to young people's fraternal and religious movements.

We must establish headquarters for these leagues and surround the youth of the working class with every opportunity for congenial association and for physical and mental development. We must give them access to facilities for athletics, healthy amusement.

In many of our larger cities the young people in the Socialist party, working alone and under discouraging circumstances, have laid the foundation for a National Socialist Young People's League.

### PREPARING FOR WORK.

The National Committee of the Socialist party authorized the establishment of a Y. P. S. L. Department in the National Office, October 1. At that time the Executive Committee will appoint a manager of this new department, who will devote his time to stimulating the organization of young people into the Socialist party through Young People's Socialist Leagues.

In order that the manager of this new department may take up the work immediately upon his appointment, I urge you to make a report to this office of the possibility for a Y. P. S. L. organization in your community. Or in case you have such a league, you should make a complete report as to membership, general activities and length of time organized. Also send us copies of constitution and by-laws and such other information as will be of value to this department. Until October 1 the Woman's Department will have charge of the work.

HALF A MILLION SOCIALIST WOMEN VOTES IN 1916, and a 50 PER CENT WOMAN MEMBERSHIP IN THE SOCIALIST PARTY! That's the slogan of The Progressive Woman! Why not make it your slogan? Write THE PROGRESSIVE WOMAN today 5445 Drexel Avenue, Chicago.

FREE

A Beautiful Photo Card of Our Late  
COMRADE AUGUST BEBEL

If you will return this coupon and six cents postage, we will forward you a photo card of August Bebel, and our EDUCATIONAL SET OF LEAFLETS.

This set consists of 20 SPECIAL WOMAN'S LEAFLETS, 5 ORGANIZATION LEAFLETS, the NATIONAL CONSTITUTION and PLATFORM and PLAN OF WORK FOR WOMEN in SOCIALIST LOCALS. This is a splendid opportunity to land that new convert. Send us his or her name, and the above set of leaflets will do the rest.

Name.....  
Address.....  
City.....  
State.....

Cut off and sent to Socialist Party, 111 North Market Street, Chicago.  
SEND NATIONAL SET OF LEAFLETS and AUGUST BEBEL PHOTO-CARD to



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## NATIONAL COMMITTEE

### VOTE ON MOTION No. 5

National Committee Motion No. 5, by Hutchinson.

"That no daily, weekly or monthly paper, magazine or periodical of any kind shall be listed in The Party Builder unless the publishers and editors are members in good standing in the party."

**Voting Yes**—Maurer, Opsahl, Solomon, Latimer, J. Foster Nichols, Carlson, Reynolds, Fuller, Motley, Nesbit, Wilson, Brown, Doyle, Duncan, Wagenknecht, Clifford, Taylor, Hutchinson, Bostrom, Dietz, Sadler, Richardson, Garver, Callery, LeSueur, Sinclair, Ringler, Stallard, Kaplan, Britton, Hayes, Hoogerhyde, Nagle, Reilly, Ramp, Ball. Total 36.

**Voting No**—Kennedy, Roewer, Houston, Irish, Raphaelson, Goebel, Noble, Cohen, Chase (Neb.), Germer, White. Total 11.

**Not Voting**—Bradford (Ariz.), Beardsley, Houck, Allen, Schwartz, McDonald, Wiltse, Develin, Aaltonen, Lipscomb, Goddard, Strelbel, Hillquit, Bradford (N. C.), Beery, Slayton, Hurst, Weatherall, Hickey, Gease, Spargo, Hauser, Berger, Gaylord. Total 24.

The motion is therefore carried.

#### Comments:

**GOEBEL:** I vote No because: First, I do not believe in "authoritative" lists of what is and is not Socialist. Second, because I am satisfied that back of this is an attempt to use the National Committee to advantage one faction in a party quarrel. Third, because I think the N. E. C. have already handled the matter better and fairly by ruling that listing any book or paper does not thereby necessarily imply endorsement of same by the party.

**NAGLE:** The "publishers" of many Socialist papers are incorporated companies. A corporation cannot be a member of the Socialist party.

Under this section all such papers must be stricken from the list.

A voluntary unincorporated association like the Western Federation of Miners, cannot as such, be a party member. The W. F. M. publish a Socialist paper. Under this motion the miners' magazine must go.

The non-Socialist executor of minor Socialist children cannot have deceased father's paper listed although he employs party member as editor. The motion is ill considered. I vote No.

### COMMENT ON QUESTION SUBMITTED BY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

Submitted as Motion No. 6.

"Shall the Lyceum continue until October 1?"

**WHITE:** "I vote Yes on Motion 6, because I feel that the period of Comrade Katterfeld's endeavor to secure the 400 acceptances of the Lyceum has not permitted a fair estimate of Locals' desire in the matter. The weather, the general apathy in the party during these months, I believe, alone has prevented the full 600. It would be wrong not to extend time to October. I regard the Lyceum as the one real constructive work the party has undertaken."

**MAURER:** "I can't understand why this vote is submitted. The action of the N. C. in May was definite and clear. Had it not been for the presence of many of the Lyceum lecturers it would have been squelched at that time. The Lyceum Department is a sinker and a brake. Ever since this department has been in operation our National Office has simply acted as receiver for the Lyceum debts; why continue the agony? I am not a direct actionist, but I feel at times that the whole outfit should be dumped into the lake so that we might forget it."

**KAPLAN:** "I vote Yes on the motion to allow an additional month to try and get more datings for the Lyceum course. I am guided in this, however, only because the C. C. C. of Duluth had previously voted at the suggestion of the Finnish comrades who agreed to stand half the expense of the course—if held here—upon a course for this city. In thus voting it is more because of my belief that Duluth would have me vote that way than because of any personal opinion that I may hold."

**BEERY:** "As to the Lyceum I certainly am heartily in favor of giving it until October to secure

the required number of contracts. I am heartily in favor of the Lyceum and have done what I could for its advancement while lecturing through Ohio this summer. I think it is a burning shame that the comrades in the Locals throughout the country failed to see the great amount of good that could be accomplished by using their Lyceum. We ought right now to have, at the least calculation, a thousand contracts, and I would be in favor of extending the time indefinitely, or until we do get sufficient contracts to make the Lyceum a success."

**CLIFFORD:** "I am voting Yes because I want Comrade Katterfeld to have the opportunity to make good on the prospective Lyceum course. He deserves to succeed, and I do not believe the National Committee should, at this time, interfere with his plans, especially when such interference would nullify all the hard work he has already done."

**DUNCAN:** With 353 contracts secured by September 1, during the most difficult period for such efforts, I feel that we should continue the effort for another month. Earnest effort on the part of state and local secretaries, backed by the devoted labors of the Lyceum Department, will surely bring the contracts up to the 600 mark. The Lyceum is too important a feature of our party's propaganda to be abandoned without the utmost effort.

**WILTSE:** I vote to continue if the money that was appropriated for the purpose is not all used up.

**GERMER:** "Record me voting No on Motion No. 6. If the Lyceum Department could secure only 353 contracts since the National Committee meeting in May, there is no use wasting further funds of the party until the first of October, and the sooner we call it off, the better for the party, financially. I would like to have seen the Lyceum a success, but it seems that the conditions of the party will not, at this time, warrant the lecture course, either through lack of funds or other reasons, and why continue to conduct expensive experiments when the circumstances at hand indicate that it will mean failure in the end."

## NATIONAL OFFICE

### FINANCIAL REPORT FOR AUGUST, 1913.

#### RECEIPTS.

##### NATIONAL DUES.

Alabama	\$ 15.00
Arizona	35.00
Arkansas	26.15
California	444.15
Colorado	55.00
Connecticut	99.15
Delaware	
District of Columbia	18.00
Florida	
Georgia	
Idaho	31.40
Illinois	316.75
Indiana	100.75
Iowa	52.00
Kansas	79.00
Kentucky	15.00
Louisiana	15.00
Maine	22.50
Maryland	20.10
Massachusetts	204.45
Michigan	121.25
Minnesota	284.15
Mississippi	5.00
Missouri	66.50
Montana	50.95
Nebraska	11.00
Nevada	6.60
New Hampshire	22.50
New Jersey	213.15
New Mexico	9.00
New York	431.85
North Carolina	1.00
North Dakota	60.00
Ohio	318.50
Oklahoma	100.50
Oregon	70.50
Pennsylvania	378.60
Rhode Island	20.05
South Carolina	10.00
South Dakota	
Tennessee	10.00
Texas	100.00
Utah	32.00
Vermont	1.50
Virginia	12.30
Washington	196.25
West Virginia	
Wisconsin	191.00
Wyoming	23.50

#### Unorganized.

Alaska	48.90
Members at large	.40
Total for dues	\$4,346.35
Supplies for locals	66.64
Literature	725.87
Buttons	102.45
Outstanding Accounts Paid	181.29
West Virginia Org. Fund	306.81

Special Voluntary Ass't	138.06
Party Builder	946.21
West Virginia Miners' Strike Fund	16.05
Deficit Fund	74.15
Miscellaneous	15.37

Total Receipts	\$6,919.25
Bank Balance, Aug. 1	1,087.02

Total ..... \$8,006.27

#### EXPENDITURES.

General Postage	\$ 320.31
General Expense	19.02
Creditors and Organizers	1,125.78
Washington on Dues Stamp Account	150.00
West Virginia State Office Appropriation	30.00
Socialist and Labor Star	100.00
State of Mississippi Appropriation	5.00
State of New Jersey Appropriation	25.00
Lyceum Department Accounts Paid	1,213.77
Loaned to Lyceum Department	400.00
West Virginia Mining Strike Fund	16.05
National Educational Committee	127.16
Miscellaneous	679.18

Total Miscellaneous ..... \$4,211.27

#### WAGES (5 WEEKS).

##### Executive Department.

Walter Lanfersiek	\$ 144.20
Gail McDermut (3 weeks), stenographer	63.00
Bertha H. Brown (2 weeks)	36.00
Daisy F. Carr, bookkeeper	105.00
Edna Koop, due stamp clerk and typist	60.00
Jennie Kewitz, filing clerk	70.00
Mary Horn	3.00
Julius Raetz, night watchman	50.00

##### Woman's Department.

Winnie E. Branstetter	105.00
Bertha H. Brown, stenographer	45.00
M. H. Reilly, stenographer	10.00
Extra help	5.00
Mary Horn	5.00

##### Information Department.

Carl D. Thompson, manager	140.00
Florence M. Swan, stenographer	90.00
Ethelwyn Mills	76.00
Eleanor Spaeth, typist	55.00

##### Party Builder.

A. W. Ricker, circulation manager	40.00
Calla Madden, stenographer	60.00
Anna Campbell, mailing list	68.62
Extra help	4.00
Mary Horn	21.75
Virginia Purcell	12.50

##### Literature Department.

A. W. Ricker, manager	100.00
Ida Soller, shipping clerk	50.00
Joseph Weber	50.00
Mary Horn	8.75
Extra help	1.25

##### Foreign Translators' Department.

J. W. Sarlund, Finnish	125.00
Jos. Corti, Italian	95.00
Jos. Novak, Bohemian	95.00
H. Gluski, Polish	105.00
N. J. Christensen, Scandinavian	95.00
Alex Susnar, So. Slavic	95.00
A. Loewy, Hungarian	95.00
J. B. Salutsky, Jewish	95.00
A. Dreifuss, German	95.00
Paul Bruchtel, Slovak	75.00

Total Wages ..... \$2,458.07

Total Expenditures ..... \$6,669.34

Bank balance, September 1 ..... 1,336.93

Total ..... \$8,006.27

The following amounts opposite the respective account headings represent the actual operating expense of the National Office for the month of August, 1913. They represent the actual expense incurred, not necessarily paid. That which is paid and not specified in the above report of cash expenditures for the month is embodied in the amount of \$679.18, opposite the account heading Miscellaneous. That which is not yet paid is embodied in the amounts due our creditors, under the heading of Liabilities.

### OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 1913.

Rent	\$ 176.67
Wages	2,458.07
West Virginia organization expenses	195.00
Information Department	29.20
Literature Department	192.91
Woman's Department	102.24
Executive Department	101.11
National Educational Committee	127.16
Furniture and Fixtures	412.50
Party Builder Department	643.58
Supplies for Locals (purchases)	157.80
Literature (purchases)	633.83
Buttons (purchases)	67.60
Office stationery and supplies	67.29



General postage .....	60.35
Telephone and telegraph .....	44.12
General expense .....	40.12
Auditing .....	135.00
Exchange on checks .....	11.95
On appropriations .....	160.00
Express and freight .....	79.13
Charged off accounts .....	.20
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$5,895.83</b>

REVENUE ACCOUNTS.

Campaign fund .....	\$ 1.00
Special voluntary assessment .....	138.06
Deficit fund .....	74.15
West Virginia organization fund .....	306.81
Party Builder subscriptions .....	946.21
National dues .....	4,346.35
Supplies for locals (sales) .....	158.38
Literature (sales) .....	1,368.20
Buttons (sales) .....	157.77
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$7,496.93</b>

ASSETS.

Bank balance, September 1, 1913.....	\$1,336.93
Petty cash fund .....	25.00
Lyceum department account .....	11,541.57
Outstanding accounts, locals, states, etc....	627.29
Library (Information Department) .....	106.83
Postage on hand .....	20.00
Furniture and fixtures .....	3,992.77
South Slavic Section loan .....	50.00
Arizona State organization .....	21.00
Stereopticon .....	61.00
Unexpired insurance .....	100.00
Chicago Daily World .....	47.78
Local Cook County, Ill. ....	15.18
State Com. District of Columbia .....	20.00
The Rand School, N. Y. ....	152.14
Supplies and account books (inventory)...	3,125.66
Literature (inventory) .....	6,528.96
Buttons (inventory) .....	218.23
Office stationery and supplies (inventory)...	802.75
Socialist and Labor Star .....	100.00
<b>Total assets .....</b>	<b>\$28,893.09</b>

LIABILITIES.

<b>Speakers, Organizers and Field Assistants.</b>	
Prudence Stokes Brown .....	\$ 36.00
H. F. Kendall .....	33.90
Emil Seidel .....	25.00
J. J. Engdahl .....	224.10
T. J. Lewis .....	25.00
W. J. Millard .....	77.47
Geo. H. Goebel .....	136.10
Geo. R. Kirkpatrick .....	62.09
Eugene V. Debs .....	91.30
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 710.96</b>

APPROPRIATIONS.

Alaska territorial secretary .....	\$ 75.00
Lettish organization .....	100.00
Slovak section .....	25.00
California, 6th Congressional District.....	300.00
Wisconsin, 4th and 5th Congressional Dist.	731.30
Pennsylvania, 28th Congressional District..	145.02
Pennsylvania, 22nd Congressional District	100.00
North Dakota, 3rd Congressional District..	150.00
New Jersey State Committee .....	100.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,726.32</b>

Due National Committeemen and Executive Committeemen.

Frank Aaltonen .....	\$ 17.70
W. R. Gaylord .....	7.90
C. J. Ball .....	20.00
S. E. Beardsley .....	42.50
A. Carlson .....	52.00
Jacob E. Gease .....	46.00
Lewis J. Duncan .....	50.00
Frank A. Houck .....	24.00
Chas. Reese Fenimore .....	2.50
Fred Hurst .....	26.20
C. C. Allen .....	33.50
S. B. Hutchinson .....	45.50
Chas. F. Goodard .....	50.10
Kate Richards O'Hare .....	15.60
Louis Kopelin .....	2.56
W. S. Bradford .....	8.90
N. A. Richardson .....	78.00
U. Solomon .....	32.50
C. G. Hutchisson .....	34.20
T. E. Latimer .....	25.30
Arthur LeSueur .....	44.70
J. Foster Nichols .....	37.50
Gustave A. Strebel .....	27.00
M. F. Wiltse .....	29.40
State Committee of Pennsylvania .....	100.00
Floyd Ramp .....	76.00
Morris Hillquit .....	75.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,004.56</b>

SUNDRY CREDITORS.

Chas. H. Kerr & Co. ....	\$ 35.63
National Rip Saw .....	24.53
H. G. Adair .....	862.81
A. B. Dick & Co. ....	87.01
The MacMillan Co .....	11.70

B. W. Huebsch .....	135.82
Jas. H. O'Neil Co. ....	504.30
Outstanding credit mems. ....	188.70
Frank J. Kain & Son .....	61.90
Partridge & Anderson .....	.80
John F. Jordan .....	9.75
Sullivan, Blakely Ptg. Co. ....	2.25
Horders Stationery Stores .....	6.80
Social Democrat Publishing Co. ....	61.56
Equity Series .....	2.63
Library Bureau .....	21.60
United States Express Co. ....	239.02
Pilcher Hamilton Co. ....	9.40
J. W. Butler Paper Co. ....	67.80
Rapid Addressing Machine Co. ....	448.15
The Christian Socialist .....	12.00
H. H. Hoffman Co. ....	52.25
P. Mitchell .....	152.80
A. C. McClurg & Co. ....	4.75
Western Printing & Lithograph Co. ....	102.00
Empire Novelty Co. ....	20.00
Schlicks Storage & Express .....	20.77
Ernest Reckitt & Co. ....	185.00
R. G. Badger .....	.83
G. P. Putnam's Sons .....	2.09
Hale, Crosley Ptg. Co. ....	65.42
John Lane Co. ....	.99
H. L. Klein .....	22.00
William Smith .....	5.75
W. E. McDermut .....	43.20
Co-Operation .....	4.46
Seare Chemical Works .....	9.25
Doubleday, Page & Co. ....	40.26
M. L. Clawson .....	38.20
Foreman Bros. Banking Co. ....	1,000.00
Hudson Co., Local, N. J. ....	60.00
States Printing Co. ....	263.02
Williams & Wilkins Co. ....	3.30
K. I. Herman Co. ....	86.37
Washington State Comm. for dues .....	650.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$5,626.87</b>
<b>Total Liabilities .....</b>	<b>\$9,068.71</b>

LYCEUM DEPARTMENT

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR AUGUST, 1913.

RECEIPTS.

Bank balance, August 1st .....	\$ 33.34
From Locals on 1912-13 course .....	222.83
Miscellaneous subscriptions .....	26.95
Party Builder .....	6.00
National Office loans .....	400.00
On 1914-15 course .....	50.00
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>\$ 739.12</b>

EXPENDITURES.

Creditors on account .....	102.75
Lecturers on account .....	121.22
Postage .....	28.80
Subscriptions .....	91.97
Exchange on checks .....	2.20
Party Builder .....	23.25
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$264.50</b>
<b>Total expenditure .....</b>	<b>\$ 634.69</b>
Bank balance, August 31st .....	104.43
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 739.12</b>

WAGES.

L. E. Katterfeld .....	\$140.00
A. M. Guy, stenographer .....	30.00
Viola Rindler .....	45.00
Virginia Purcell .....	22.50
M. J. Ball .....	12.00
Ruth Jahn .....	15.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$264.50</b>

OPERATING EXPENSES FOR MONTH OF AUGUST, 1913.

Rent .....	\$ 15.00
Cost of subscriptions .....	569.89
General expense .....	143.58
Freight and express .....	.85
Postage .....	28.80
Wages .....	264.50
Office Stationery and supplies .....	1.75
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,024.37</b>

ASSETS.

Cash in bank, September 1st.....	\$ 104.43
Advertising supplies .....	527.30
Office fixtures .....	1,508.79
Office stationery and supplies .....	125.00
Literature .....	180.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$2,445.52</b>

LIABILITIES.

Creditors.

H. G. Adair .....	\$ 406.05
A. B. Dick Co. ....	24.30
Horders Stationery Stores .....	40.00
Frank J. Kain & Son .....	124.63
Geo. R. Kirkpatrick .....	60.00
National Office .....	11,541.57
Partridge & Anderson .....	37.08
Rapid Addressing Co. ....	8.75

Ernest Reckitt & Co. ....	93.33
Schlicks' Storage & Express Co. ....	52.75
United States Express Co. ....	861.87
C. A. Armiston .....	65.00
Sundry Publishing Co.'s .....	3,075.38
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$16,390.71</b>

Lecturers.

Carrie W. Allen .....	\$ 50.00
Oscar Ameringer .....	23.65
Wm. F. Barnard .....	100.00
Ernest T. Behrens .....	121.81
John W. Bennett .....	100.00
Wm. Bessemer .....	50.00
Geo. W. Boswell .....	100.00
Jas. F. Carey .....	170.32
Paul H. Castle .....	50.00
Geo. Willis Cooke .....	50.00
Wm. E. Duffy .....	25.00
Amy G. Edmunds .....	62.67
L. F. Fuller .....	40.00
Wm. L. Garver .....	50.00
Mary L. Geffs .....	100.00
Geo. F. Hibner .....	143.29
C. B. Hoffman .....	164.65
Dan Hogan .....	122.35
Walter Huggins .....	178.41
Fred Hurst .....	235.79
Robt. Knight .....	200.00
Ralph Korngold .....	94.15
Lena Morrow Lewis .....	247.24
Guy H. Lockwood .....	38.12
Caroline A. Lowe .....	41.95
I. S. McCrillis .....	50.00
Anna A. Maley .....	141.10
Walter J. Millard .....	90.00
E. W. Perrin .....	66.19
N. A. Richardson .....	308.95
Emil Seidel .....	150.00
John W. Slayton .....	75.00
Luella Twining .....	269.70
Clyde J. Wright .....	30.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,740.34</b>

Total liabilities .....

A NEW LEAFLET FOR CITIES.

The particular attention of all locals having municipal elections is called to the fact that a new leaflet entitled "HAVE THE SOCIALISTS MADE GOOD?" is now in the hands of the printers. It deals with the records of our city administrations, compiled from facts gathered and verified by the Information Department of the National Office. It is bona fide and official. The Socialists in every city where an election is to be held this fall are face to face with the combined opposition of Progressives, Republicans and Democrats. In a sense, we are on trial. Our efficiency and ability to make good is challenged. In this leaflet are the facts about what we have done. Let us have your orders in quantities of 5,000 or more, if possible. The price in 5,000 lots is \$1.00 per thousand, you to pay freight charges; \$1.60 per 1,000 under 5,000. If you want them rushed, they will be sent express collect.

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## CIRCULATION REPORT

FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 30TH.

Last week .....	14,354
Expirations .....	None
New subscriptions .....	1,087
Total .....	15,441

The report this time is for four days, or up to Saturday, August 30th. September 1st being Labor Day no work was done in the National Office, hence the circulation report had to be closed three days earlier than usual.

We will make it up next week,—the big mail of Tuesday alone bringing us nearly one thousand subs. All doubt about the reception of the P. B. is now at an end.

The boys on the firing line want it. They have sent the circulation up with a whoop and that is more significant than bouquets, though the latter have been handed us also.

A Socialist paper is not different from other periodicals in respect to its absolute dependence on a discriminating public. If the Socialist Party members did not want The Party Builder, their disapproval would have been expressed by a failure to subscribe for it. The fact that they are subscribing by the thousands expresses their opinions more forcibly than mere words.

This is your paper in more than the mere fact that it is published by the National Office. Its cost of publication is not being met from the dues, but from your own subscription money. Its destiny is in your hands. You can make it as good and as big as you are willing to work for. This means soliciting subscription. Bear in mind that there are a million Socialist voters in these United States, while only a small part of them keep in real touch with party work. Our greatest need at this time is not so much more propaganda to make Socialists, but propaganda to make more efficient Socialists and more party members.

This is the thought we keep in mind as the copy for each issue of the P. B. is prepared. If this is what you think then your work outlines itself,—it is to get your Socialist converts, your near Socialists and half Socialists, on the sub list of the paper.

Local Crystal Springs, Fla., subscribes for a bundle of 4 for 40 weeks.

This is the way a new subscriber, Comrade Ed. Anderson of Philip, S. Dak., puts it: "A friend handed me a copy of the P. B. yesterday with the remark that it was from the National Office and we ought to support it. I thought so too, and I enclose a bunch of 4 with more to follow."

J. F. Pringle from Smithton, Pa., sends his first list of 20, all for a year.

Brunswick, Md., now has a place on our mailing list. Comrade H. C. Wright, secretary of the local, sends in a list of 11.

Comrade M. F. Wiltse, state secretary of Iowa, shows his appreciation of The Party Builder by sending a list of 24 from Marshalltown, Iowa.

Comrade J. A. McIntyre, secretary of the local at Tarentum, Pa., sends a list of 8, all for a year. He promises that this is just a beginning and will have more for us later.

Comrade A. P. Greenwall has swelled the list at Ridgway, Pa., by an addition of 29 new subs.

Bay City, Michigan, has a boost in its list this week by a total of 12 sent by Comrade Jas. Rousse. E. W. Treager sends a list of 10 from Latrobe, Pa.

The comrades at Paterson, N. J., continue to push for the P. B., the last being a list of 27 sent by Comrade C. J. Kitz.

G. A. Strehel of Syracuse, N. Y., who promises us a list of 1,000 subs from his city, is keeping on the job. His last is a list of 47. Syracuse is doing mighty well, but you will have to hustle boys if you want to keep up with Schenectady.

Geo. W. Snyder of Columbus, Kansas, sends a list of 12 yearlies gathered at the Labor Day celebration of that city.

Reading, Pa., also has a comrade, Geo. W. Snyder. This makes two Snyders whose names and initials are the same, the other being at Columbus, Kansas. Both are active P. B. hustlers. The Reading Snyder sends a list of 32 yearlies.

Comrade Adrian Albert of Wheeling, W. Va., in sending a list of 4 says: "The Party Builder was certainly a step in the right direction."

Comrade Thos. Fuller has swelled the Cincinnati, Ohio, list with a club of 20.

Sauk Rapids, Minn., is a new town on the P. B. list, the local having landed with a list of 10.

Geo. D. Jones of Springville, N. Y., sends a list of 13 ex-party members, who all became delinquent through carelessness. Jones put them on the list

with the remark, "They all need the Party Builder dope."

Comrade J. D. Johnston of Clarksburg, W. Va., in sending his second list, says: "I think the Party Builder is just the thing for Socialists and will send in all the subs I can secure."

Comrade E. R. Clanin has been doing some hard work in Canton, Ill., and the result is a list of 20. He says: "Allow me to send my best wishes for the P. B."

One hundred and thirty-six years ago, Colonel Stark, in command of the Green Mountain boys, achieved a great victory over the British army at Bennington, Vermont. This city is now on the Party Builder list as the result of a little sub hustling by Comrade J. T. Bradbury.

Jno. Danta continues his good work at Toledo, Ohio, his latest being a list of 17, all for a year.

Comrade Frail of Freedom, Pa., has sent a list of 69 subs, all for a year. He says: "Give these names careful attention and I will send you more in the near future. As a premium, you may send me 15 copies of 'The Truth About Socialism.'"

Wetumka, Okla., has scored with a list of 20. The sender is W. D. Hayman.

Jno. Longstreet, who signs himself Lyceum secretary, is in from Decorah, Iowa, with a list of 14.

The Sixth Ward Branch of Cincinnati has finally taken up the circulation of the P. B., and sends a list of 5 yearlies as its first installment.

The Party Builder is in receipt of a letter from Comrade J. L. Fitts, who is now a resident of Ruskin Colony, Fla., and he says: "The local has elected me a committee of one to get subs and I herewith hand you a list of 27 for one year each. Four people here are already subscribers and these included in my list make about one-half of the male residents of the town. The Party Builder is steadily improving and becoming a greater power for organization, unity and victory."

Comrade Emil Seidel of Ft. Wayne, Ind., who sent us a big list a few weeks ago and gave promise to come again is back with another list of 20. He says: "I am pleased to see the circulation figures of the P. B. going up. I think we should find the Party Builder in the home of every Socialist."

Clearfield, Pennsylvania, puts it in this way: "I am sending you a list of 4 quarterlies and 8 yearlies which is my first catch. Will send you another list soon."—C. A. Hornauer.

St. Johnsville, N. Y., joins the procession this week with a list of 10, through A. E. Allen.

Buffalo, N. Y., has scored again after a lapse of three weeks. The new list is from R. O. Metcalf and contains 50 names. It takes one of Uncle

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Sam's mail bags filled to overflowing to carry the P. B. subs to Buffalo.

Cresco, Ia., local joins with a list of 4. Comrade C. T. Hoeche of Attleboro, Mass., has scored again, this time with a list of 48, equally divided by yearlies and quarterlies. He says: "There are still more to follow."

Superior, Wis., has been added to the list by Comrade H. Parks, who sends a list of 6 yearlies.

Comrade F. F. Zepp sends another list from Vallejo, Calif., and promises that within a couple of weeks he will have more.

Beaverton, Oregon, comes this week with a list of 11 sent in by Mary Rasmussen.

## THE BEST SELLER?

Socialist best sellers are rather scarce, but we have one now since we have taken hold of Benson's book. It is a best seller and no mistake. It has been such a good seller that we have been unable to keep a stock on hand at all times, and consequently have received some pretty sharp letters from those who wanted them and wanted them bad! But then we are doing the best we can. A new lot of ten thousand will be here in a few days, and then all those who have been waiting will be pleased, even tickled, and we will ship out orders in jig time. That Literature Department is doing a busy business. Over \$1,300 worth sold in August. Such a business!

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