

SOCIALIST NEWS OF THE DAY

All matter intended for publication in this department must be in this office by noon of the day preceding that on which it is to appear.

MEETINGS TODAY

- Business Meetings. The Central Committee of Local No. 1 will meet tonight at Room 202 of the Labor Temple.

man Laborers' Union. \$5. Total, \$121.15. Previously acknowledged, \$279.95. Grand total, \$401.10.

To the East Side Socialists. An important meeting of all Socialists of the East Side and others willing to help us will be held tomorrow at Terrace Lyceum Hall, 266 East Broadway.

East Side Ratification Meeting. All arrangements have been completed by the 8th Assembly District for the big ratification meeting to be held on Monday evening, at Clinton Hall, 151 Clinton street.

Harlem's Big Russell Meeting. Under the auspices of Branches 5 and 10, a huge meeting will be held at the Manhattan Casino, 155th street and Eighth avenue, Monday, October 14, at 8:30 o'clock.

The Campaign Funds. Only six weeks to election and our campaign fund amounts to less than \$100.

LOCAL AND STATE FUNDS ON LIST. List 5123, Miss Helen Marot, \$7; 5124, J. Peter, \$3; 5125, B. Silborghel, \$1.05.

Branch 5 Library. All comrades having books from the Branch 5 library are particularly requested to return them to the undersigned.

Yorkville Socialist School. The Yorkville Socialist School will resume its sessions tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the Labor Temple.

DONATIONS TO LOCAL FUND. Mrs. Sarah Volovich, \$2; Estonian Socialist Club, \$10; M. S. Kuhar, 50 cents.

BROOKLYN. Executive Committee meets tonight at 957 Wiloughby avenue, 7th A. D., Branch 2—724 Fifth avenue.

NEW JERSEY. Hudson County Committee. Report of Hudson County Committee meeting held in Socialist Educational Club, 228-23 Central avenue, Jersey City, on Sunday, September 5.

NOON HOUR MEETINGS. Court and Remsen streets. Alex. Scott and Harry Kantor.

Minutes Central Committee. The Central Committee of Local No. 1

Kings met at the party office, Saturday, September 15. J. A. Weil was elected chairman. The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

H. Pepper's explanation regarding the One Day Wage Fund cards sent to his branch was accepted. An appeal for financial assistance from the Milwaukee Leader was referred to the attention of the branches.

A motion that we request the 23d A. D. to withdraw its literature lists was carried. An amendment that we ask the 23d A. D. to turn over to the county organization all the money collected on such lists was lost.

The Executive Committee's recommendation that the 23d A. D. be reprimanded for the manner in which it had arranged the reception to A. Cahan was taken up.

South Brooklyn Entertainment. Socialists of South Brooklyn are asked to forget the entertainment and dance tonight at the Bay Ridge Forum, 215 47th street.

QUEENS. Open Air Meetings. Branch Ridgewood No. 2—St. Nicholas avenue and Grove street.

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the party's labor festival will net a surplus of approximately \$200. Branches must turn in outstanding tickets as soon as possible.

Comrades Carlson, Krause and Petzold were elected a committee to arrange for the organization of a class on public speaking along lines similar to the class conducted by George R. Kirkpatrick last winter.

Report of Treasurer Meyer. Receipts, \$52.55; disbursements, \$201.42; deficit, \$158.87; deficit previous meeting, \$4.41. Total deficit, \$252.28.

Jersey City. Henderson and Morgan streets. John J. McCarthy.

Hoboken. 2d and Washington streets, speakers, Charles Ufert and James M. Reilly.

Hackensack. W. Lincoln Phillips will be the speaker at the street meeting tonight at Main and Warren streets.

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REGISTER NOW! ERON PREP. SCHOOL. 125-127 EAST BROADWAY, N. Y. A Broadwinner's Agency, with an attendance of twelve students every evening.

Herman Anders and Esther Gerber. 7th and Moore streets, J. M. Levy and O. B. Moss.

Northtown. Front and Dauphin streets, Albert Hirsch and George Cornelius.

Darby. Open air meeting, Harry Goldbergs.

Spring City. Open air meeting, Charles W. Ervin.

Pottsville. Local Pottsville has arranged a reception and parade today on the return of Con F. Foley.

ROCHESTER, N. H. A fair sized audience of French people listened to a discourse on Socialism on Tuesday at the G. A. R. Hall by Sigurd Russell.

NATIONAL NOTES. Following are the speaking dates of the Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates and the National Socialist campaign speakers.

Debs—September 27, Cleveland, Ohio; September 28, Philadelphia; September 29, New York City; September 30, Bridgeport, Conn.

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CONSERVATION MEET MECCA OF WOMEN

Many Prominent Female Orators Listed to Take Part in Work of Coming Congress.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 20.—The women of the United States will have an inning at the Conservation Congress, which opens its fourth session in this city, Tuesday, October 1. It has long been known that the officers of the congress have been making special preparation to make the meeting one of interest to women.

The unusual number of women speakers is expected to bring together a vast number of club women.

In addition, the list of delegates already appointed shows that women are taking an increased interest in conservation.

MISS WHITE MAY YET BE JUDICIAL NOMINEE. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 20.—Lucy Goodie-White, Socialist, and the only woman who ever was a candidate for the California bench, will be given another chance to pass the examination for admission to the bar.

CO-OPERATIVE COLONY. CO-OPERATIVE COLONY located near Rock Hill, N. C.

ANNOUNCEMENTS. The Tourist Club Naturtrende will have an excursion to Tarzentyon tomorrow. Participants will meet at the end station of the Broadway line.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. A. P. Brooklyn—Information regarding the Rang School of Social Science may be obtained by addressing Secretary Algernon Lee, 45 East 22d street, New York City.

HUNGER STRIKER VERY ILL. DUBLIN, Sept. 20.—Mrs. Mary Leigh, the suffragette hunger striker, was transferred from her cell to the prison hospital today, dangerously ill as a result of forcible feeding.

UNION LABELS. Bread bearing this label is Union Made. Ask for the Label when buying bread.

Workingmen, Do Your Duty. This is the Label of the United Hatters of North America.

ASK FOR THE LABEL OF THE CAPMAKERS' UNION. When Buying Caps for Yourself and Children.

THE NUMBER ACROSS THE LABEL IS PRINTED IN RED.

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CARRIAGE, WAGON AND AUTOMOBILE WORKERS' UNION.

UNDERTAKERS. W. E. ENGEL.

CO-OPERATIVE COLONY.

BOOKS FOR SALE.

CO-OPERATIVE NOTES.

MICHIGAN UNIONS BAP LENNON.

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This Label stands for fair conditions. The Merchant Tailor using it recognizes the right of workmen fixing the price of their own labor.

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ARE WE ALL CRIMINALS?

Police Lieut. John F. Stanton, who was in charge of the Investigating Bureau of the Police Department until the advent of Waldo, testified yesterday before the Aldermanic Committee that he found that 12 per cent of those who tried to get on the force had been criminals.

But, in the light of the news as it comes from day to day, the question arises: Are we not a bad lot? Are not most of us criminals? Or, at least, is not crime an essential qualification to get into the news columns?

In going over last night's papers, not only from New York but from other cities, there was an astonishing amount of crime displayed. There were the usual accounts of thieves, swindlers, civic officials, police investigations and things of that sort. Then there were other matters which are not usually brought into the courts. The two leaders in this respect were strikes and accidents.

There is a good old saw to the effect that the "receiver is as bad as the thief." The modern variant is that the victim is as bad as the thief, if the victim does not resist robbery. If a man or a woman meekly bows to the thief and passes over to him what is demanded, then the victim is deprived of something that is necessary to his or her own life, or the life of the children. That is certainly crime.

Industrial accidents are on the increase, and most of these are avoidable. Anyone who places himself in a position where he is in danger, and that danger is avoidable, is guilty of criminal rashness.

But from first to last, as shown by investigating committees, welfare organizations, relief societies, news reports, industrial accidents and other things, the conclusion seems unavoidable that we, for the most part, are criminals, and that we are stolid and indifferent to the effects of our crime.

FOR SALE OR TO LET

There are three highly profitable political occupations, especially during campaign times. One is to "fight" Tammany Hall. The second is to "fight" the corrupt Republican bosses. The third is to start a "labor" party or to nominate professional labor men for office.

The Empire State Democracy is at present in the field with a full anti-Murphy ticket. It is going to "fight" Murphy and oppose him, until it is convinced that it would be more profitable to do otherwise.

We have had many years of experience with the insurgent parties. They have sprung up, apparently waxed strong, and then they disappeared. Usually they disappeared into the interior of the parties they set out to fight.

The game is apparent. It has been worked and reworked, and the only result that has come of it is known to the bosses and to the proprietors of the reform parties. They will not open the books, nor do they need to. In such a game as they conduct there is no need of keeping books.

Worse than the ordinary game and more pernicious in every way is the labor business that some leaders pull off annually. There is a sincere desire on the part of some labor men to get "labor" representation. They do not know how to get it. They do not work within and for their own class.

OPPORTUNITY

By "LARIAT"

An ancient subject, and as big as it is ancient. Every phase of life contends with it. Every day, every hour, every moment it is given thought, it seeks and finds expression in verbal profusion, in multitudinous acts, in myriad colors.

What is this great factor in the life of men and women today which, if they take advantage of it, will bring to them that which they most desire—happiness? The ages and fools, the saint and the sinner, all races, all creeds—the whole universe—have searched to find, to take, to make, to possess that thing which the people thereof, eager to have some one, some one, some one—all possess it who have the ability to recognize its presence and the knowledge to take advantage of it.

Let us see a big mill. There are several thousands of men, women and children at work there. They receive just enough in wages to enable them to subsist from week to week. They work under the ordinary industrial conditions of today. We are looking for the man who has the ability to recognize an opportunity when he sees it, and the knowledge to take advantage of it.

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SOCIALISM AND ETERNAL YOUTH

That fountain of perpetual youth which Ponce De Leon sought upon those shores, proved mythical to be sure, but none the less, the search for something of the kind has never been abandoned.

And in this matter, the claims of Socialism as a preserver of the mental faculties cannot be lightly set aside, unless experience and actual demonstration be ignored.

On that occasion, this man, though far the oldest in years, was second to none present in everything that goes to demonstrate the possession of a well preserved, well balanced, acute and virile mind.

The very evening that this event took place, the news was flashed from England that Joseph Chamberlain, at one time considered the shrewdest and most brilliant of England's statesmen, was to die.

The General

By GEORGE H. SPASH.

The General is dead, being dead we must speak of him with charity, but charity must not deter us from speaking the truth. The General is dead. An evil has departed hence, not a deliberate, conscious and malicious evil, but an honest, well intentioned evil, and because of this a doubly dangerous evil.

The General proved a successful upholder of the capitalist system, "albeit an unconscious one," in the fact that he helped disguise the fact from the workers that in the general sense, as an understood was nothing more than the expression in acts of the result of evil economic conditions.

Thousands have looked upon the individuals the army has benefited and believed a lie, an honored lie, believed as the General taught, that a man's sin was the deliberate choice of his own free and untrammelled will.

For this let us be truly thankful, thankful for the fact that although men will still continue looking heavenward, they are not going to allow the Booths and Bates-Torrey revivals, "revivals that failed to revive," the Men and Religion Forward Movement, a movement that failed to move forward men when backed by the wealth of the Morgans and Rockefeller's, indicate that the days of the Booths have passed, gone never to return.

THE BOLD PLAN

By F. R. HAFLEY.

Does the tide come in with traps and bounds. All in its path devouring? Or does it come with noiseless tread, And merely by its presence spread. The knowledge that its strength is overpowering?

Does water dripping on a stone. At once make an impression? Or is it countless millions tons. Falling in drops just one by one. That finally creates a great depression?

Does the fire that's lit by careless hand. Only worthless things destroy? Or does it with its scorching heat. Go roaring on from street to street. Till saddest reigns where once per hap was joy.

No holder plan can be devised. With the coming tide descends. Canute with all his kingly pride. And with great armies at his side. Could nothing do to check its sure advance.

Who Wrote the Platform?

By A. W. RICKER.

Some one—I think it was Wheeler of Pennsylvania—said at the conclusion of the reading of the national platform before the convention, "It is the greatest document of the party since the Communist Manifesto."

Much discussion has arisen as to who wrote the platform, having been honored with a place on the platform committee, and present at all of the committee's sessions, I may be able to give some interesting inside history.

At our first session Charles Edward Russell was elected chairman—an admirable selection, by the way. He was at all times fair and systematic, and one of his first acts was to get an individual expression from the committee as to what the platform ought to be.

It developed at once that four of the nine members desired an expression favoring industrial unionism. Not one of us was in any way in sympathy with the I. W. W.'s or the so-called direct actionists. Each and all of us believed in a constructive industrialism and at least three of us carry cards in the A. F. of L.

Another slight but not serious difference arose over the question of immediate demands. Wilson of California wanted the program of the party to be the forefront—in other words, he stood for what might be termed opportunism. His idea was that we should launch out in our first declaration with an arraignment of the high cost of living, child labor, etc., and an immediate presentation of such a legislative program as would touch those specific questions.

Personally, I am still of the opinion that the plank on industrial unionism ought to have gone in. I have little use for or sympathy with the I. W. W. propaganda. It seems to me that that organization, if it has any excuse for existence at all, does exist because we have failed to give industrial unionism the prominence that it deserved, and I am of the opinion that a plank declaring for the principle of industrial unionism in the platform would have been of great future value to us.

That Wilson Union Square Meeting

By HARRY D. SMITH.

Mr. Wilson was speechifying on the tariff at his Union Square noonday meeting. All of a sudden there was a lull in the proceedings. Woodrow stopped to get an inspiration, looked around on all sides and blurted forth: "The workmen of this country have always been able to take care of themselves and will continue to do so."

Whereupon a lone Socialist in the audience shouted the question: "Well, how about a workman who is out of a job and cannot find one?" On the spur of the moment and with intelligence well becoming to a capitalist college president, the former Tom, but now Woodrow, Wilson replied: "Yes, that is an important question. You just elect the Democratic party into power and the tariff will be reduced, business will become larger, opportunities will open for the workman, and every workman out of a job will then be given a chance to get one."

SOCIALIST CANDIDATES

- NATIONAL: FOR PRESIDENT EUGENE V. DEBS, of Indiana; FOR VICE PRESIDENT EMIL SEIDEL, of Wisconsin. STATE: NEW YORK: FOR GOVERNOR CHARLES EDWARD RUSSELL; FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR GUSTAVE STREBEL. NEW HAMPSHIRE: FOR GOVERNOR WILLIAM H. WILKINS. MASSACHUSETTS: FOR GOVERNOR ROLAND D. SAWYER. RHODE ISLAND: FOR GOVERNOR SAMUEL H. FASSEL. CONNECTICUT: FOR GOVERNOR S. E. BEARDSLEY.

A "Busted" Trust

By HORACE S. REIS.

Among the achievements that the Taft administration claims credit for is the dissolution of the Oil Trust and of the Tobacco Trust. No more are these corporations to act in "unreasonable" restraint of trade nor monopolize the business in their respective fields.

Now, we are in receipt of a circular letter from a curb broker advising us to buy the stock of the British-American Tobacco Company. The letter informs us that "when the United States Supreme Court dissolved the American Tobacco Company, the thing the people in the tobacco world looked for was a company to take the place formerly held by the American Tobacco Company in perpetuating and extending a practical world-wide monopoly of the tobacco business."

The new company will be what the American Tobacco Company was before the Supreme Court declared it illegal. It will dominate the tobacco trade of the world, operating under British laws; it will own subsidiaries in the United States, it will grow stronger yearly until, in the words of our broker, "it will be the greatest industrial corporation there is anywhere on earth."

Lady—You say you had a permanent home for ten years and lost it. How did it happen? Slippery—My sentence expired. Labor Leader.