







WAGES REDUCED. Census Bureau Gives Instructive Figures on Tobacco Industry.

New Workers and Capitalists Divided Product in 1900 and 1890—Average Full-Time Yearly Wages Fall from \$362 to \$350—Average Product Per Employee Increased.

The United States Census Bureau has just issued a bulletin giving comparative statistics for the tobacco industry of the countries in 1890 and 1900. The figures show that the average net product per employee was considerably increased in the period of ten years; that in the division of the product between the employees and the capitalists, the proportion going to profits was increased and the proportion going to wages correspondingly reduced; and, finally, that the workers received, not only a smaller share of the value of their product, but actually lower average money wages in 1900 than in 1890.

Table with columns: Item, 1890, 1900. Rows include: Number of establishments, Total capital, Number of employees, Total wages, Cost of materials, Miscellaneous expenses, Gross product, Net product, Total profits.

Analysis of the Figures. The average net product per employee in 1890, ascertained by dividing the total net product by the number of employees, was \$362.55. In 1900 the average net product per employee was \$350.40.

THE MAY CONCERT. Greatest Affair of the Sort in the Party's History.

The artistic side is assured, and financial success depends on efforts of comrades—for the English Socialist Daily. Preparations are nearly completed for the great Damrosch concert to be held in the Grand Central Palace on Sunday afternoon, May 4, for the benefit of the Socialist Daily Fund. This will undoubtedly be the finest affair of the sort ever held by the party in this country.

GOOD YEAR FOR TOBACCO TRUST.

The statement of the American Tobacco Company, of Tobacco Trust, for the year 1901, indicates that its affairs are in a highly satisfactory condition, satisfactory to the few big stockholders, at least.

The statement shows the following list of assets for the capitalists concerned, in various forms: Dividends, pref. stock, etc. \$1,129,000; Dividends, common, 3,270,000; Interest on bonds, 180,800.

Amounts Pledged. Following is a statement of amounts pledged for the Socialist Daily Fund up to April 7: Previously acknowledged \$33,117.50; Cash Contributions, 20,900.

Table listing names and pledged amounts: P. Frank, Portsmouth, O., 100.00; A. Senous, 3.00; Dr. I. M. Rubinow, 25.00; etc.

PROGRESS IN THE UNIONS.

The American Plaintiff Workers' Union is taking a referendum vote and will undoubtedly adopt a political platform. In the capitalist class, the general attitude is one of indifference.

FACTS UNDERSTATED.

First: We have accepted the item of miscellaneous expenses, in each case, as being bona fide, a part of the expenses of production. This item, however, in all such statistics, covers a multitude of sins.

BREWERS' BILL.

Als and Porter Breweries' Bill. It holds their seventeenth annual ball Saturday evening, April 12, at Wendell's Assembly Rooms, 241 W. 41st St.

CONFUSION IN UTAH.

Organizer Boomer Comes in Conflict with the Middle Class Middle-heads. Organizer George E. Boomer is having anything but an easy time in organizing the Socialist Party in Utah.

MAY DAY CONFERENCE.

The second meeting of the May Day Parade Conference was held on Saturday, April 4, at the Labor Lyceum and was well attended.

Credentials of the following organizations were handed in and the delegates seated: Social Democratic Party, 8th, 18th, 20th, 19th, 23rd, and 34th-35th, Str. 2; Central Federated Union; Socialist Liedertafel; and New Delegates.

STATE COMMITTEE.

At last week's meeting of the New York State Committee there were present Abbott, Assel, Jablonsky, Reich, and Slobodin.

Local Kings County. Borough meeting of Local Kings County, S. D. P., was held on April 5 at the Brooklyn Labor Lyceum.

In Rochester. At the last meeting of the May Day Conference Committee it was decided to have Comrade Father T. McGrady of Kentucky deliver the address at Germania Hall on May 1.

IN CALIFORNIA.

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CONTRADICTORY.

Remember, comrades, that for speaking the world's attention to our principles, no voice speaks louder than the ballot for abating the indifference and conservatism of politicians.

PARTY ACTIVITY.

The splendid showing of the Erie Socialists in the recent municipal election seems to have fired the comrades everywhere throughout the state with new vigor and enthusiasm.

Organizer A. Klenke, who rendered such valuable service to Erie, looked in on the Allegheny comrades and left them preparing for an hour of good work.

SOCIALIST DODGERS.

Rhodes dead is a statesman and a great man. We would not object to have the rest of the crew canonized as statesmen.

Where to Lunch and Dine.

Comrades, patronize those who advertise in your paper. ABBOTT BROS. Bakery, Coffee and Lunch Room. 110 Bleecker Street, New York.

National Platform of the Socialist Party.

The Socialist Party of America in national convention assembled, reaffirms its adherence to the principles of international Socialism, and declares its aim to be the organization of the working class, and those in sympathy with it, into a political party, with the object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collective ownership by the entire people.

Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by the individual worker. To-day the machine, which is but an improved and more developed tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers.

Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever increasing uncertainty of livelihood and the poverty and misery of the working class and it divides society into two hostile classes—the capitalists and wage-workers.

The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social system; the lives of the working class are recklessly sacrificed for profit.

But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to Socialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wage workers.

The workers can most effectively act by forming a political party, which will be able to secure the full product of their labor.

Equal civil and political rights for men and women. The initiative and referendum, proportional representation and the right of recall of representatives by their constituents.

Grand Symphony Concert.

By the full Damrosch Orchestra of sixty pieces, under the direction of FELIX DAMROSCH, assisted by a Chorus of Six Hundred Voices from the People's Choral Union.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 4. Grand Central Palace.

Three beautiful Living Pictures: 'THE FIRST OF MAY,' 'STRUGGLE,' 'VICTORY.'

FOR THE SOCIALIST DAILY FUND. TICKETS, 25 CENTS. ADMISSION AT THE DOOR, 35 CENTS.

Strike in Mr. Nixon's shipyards against reduction of wages. Daily paper.

St. Louis increased from \$223,157,343 in 1890 to \$233,629,733 in 1900.

Parish's epigram of the police reforming the reformers instead of being reformed by them expresses aptly, though not intentionally, the hollowness of the reform farce.

Every Socialist in New York and vicinity should brace himself for an interview with the Socialist Daily Committee. He will be 'seen.'

'The most important impression fixed in the Chinese mind as a result of the campaign in the North in 1900 is a new conception of Christianity and its results—an impression conveyed by the troops of Christian nations.

'The correspondent says it is reasonably to be expected that the cause of Christianity will suffer further in the near future.'

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