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#### THE GERMAN EMPEROR AND THE SOCIALISTS

The following is quoted from "The World's Work" for March. It is from an article on Eog ror William written by Wolf von Schierbrand, for many years chief correspondent of the Associated Press at Berlin. It will be an eye-opener to some of our capitalist

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It must be remembered that in Germany the Socialists are the great bulk of the mechanics, skilled labor, and the bes' of the whole laboring population, and that they are cuited, law-abiding, peaceable file. \* \* \* These Socialists polled at the last general election about 2.7,0000 votes, which is about twice the voting strength of any other political party in the empire. Yet so unrea-oning and unreasonable is the antipathy of the kaiser to this large fraction of the nation that he referred to them in a throne speech as a "horde of men unworthy to bear the name of Germans." He has, on many other occasions, insulted these men and their families in the grossest and most unjust manner, and he has frequently provoked them in a most despicable way. He has harangued "regiments, telling them that it would be their duty if there ever was another popular uprising to, shoot down the rioters, even if their own mothers, fathers, brothers and sisters were among them. And his courts sentence some of these same Socialists, when they have said something not quite to the kaiser's liking, to terms in prison during which many have died. This hatred is constantly, whetted and heightened by some of his irresponsible advisers and cronies, and it forms one of the chief hindranees in Germany to a more liberal political era. For the kaiser needs or's to be told that some projected measure is likely to strengthen the Socialist party to condemn that measure. At the root of the paramount influence of that old fossil of mediaeval times, the so-called Condemn that measure. At the root of the paramount influence of that old fossil of mediaeval times, the so-called condemn that measure. At the root of the paramount influence of that old fossil of mediaeval times, the so-called Condemn that measure. At the root of the paramount influence of that old fossil of mediaeval times, the so-called Condemn that measure. At the root of the paramount influence of that old foss

as most depiorane, since it minders air political progress, and has weakened liberal political aspiration; and movements enormously.

Intimately allied with his mecssant fear of the Socialists party is the kaiser's blind confidence in his army. Yet at least thirty per cent. of the army is composed of the sons of Socialists, themselves usually alread; confirmed in that faith. Of the petty officers, too, many are Socialists, or sympathizers with them. There is little doubt that if another political or social revolution should occur in Germany—the chance of such a thing is very small—the army would not play the part of a blind instrument in drowning such an uprising in a deluge of blood.

The emperor has a strong dislike of the press. It is mainly owing to his own influence that that very modest measure of comparative liberty which the German press enjoyed under his grandfather and his faile. has been curtailed, until even the semillance of it has almost disappeared. This, it may be well to say, is really contrary to the constitution both of the empire and of Prussia, but unfortunately the current of political thought in Germany during the past decade has favored and facilitated this systematic suppression of the press. The courts all over Germany have assumed more and more an attitude of downright hostility, and the practice of the high-next judiciary, the imperial court in ored and facilitated this systematic suppression of the press. The courts all over Germany have assumed more and more an attitude of downright hostility, and the practice of the highest judiciary, the imperial court in Leipzig, has for years been unfair, even almost revolutionary, Judges and lawyers themselves have strenufully and persistently protested against the rising tide of reactionism.

Poor Blethen of "The Times!" He has the D. T. and sees twin snakes wherever he looks They are called Anarchy and Socialism. Can't somebody administer the Keely Cure?

The Tacoma Socialists will cast their full vote next Tuesday for municipal officers.

## The Mad Hen and the Duckling

Dedicated to The Hon. E. C. Madden, Third Assistant Postmas ter General of the United States of America, The Land of the Free



#### An Old Fable Adapted to Present Conditions

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There was one a Hen who found a Duckling, "Can you lay eggs?" "No," but time went on, and the Duckling amon her chicks. "You are said the Duckling. "Then you'll have grew and grew till at last he developed too big," she sail, "and too ugly. You the goodness to hold your tongue, "out of the too be what he really was, not a are not my kin." And she got very said the Madhen. "Tell me, I say, swam, with arched neck and powerful and flew at the poor Duckling can you lay golden eggs, you agily swams, swimming over the waters like Duckling bept a growing. But the thing?" "No." "Then," said Madden, a monarch. Duckling bept a growing and attract. "you cannot have any opinion of your Then the poor old Mad Hen fled ing more attenion than the chickens, own when sensible people are speak- away, ashamed and frightened, and then the Mad Hen demanded of the ing."

PERSECUTION NOT PROSECU-

Seattle Police in a Conspiracy to Sup-press Free Speech—P. J. Cowley Arrested Five Times—No Other

Arrested Five Times—No Other
Street Speaken Molested—Cannot
Convict Him.

Chief Sullivan and Patrolman Flanmigan, of the Seade police force, are
engaged in an attempt to forbid P. J.
Cowley from exertising the right of
rice speech on the public highway.
In this they are backed up by their
master, Gamblera-Chief Clancy.

The charge is, 'bbstructing the sidewalk.' The Salvaion Army and every
street fakir may book the walks from
ourb to building and not a word said.
But Cowley is not teaching the people
to turn the other cheek to their oppressors, like the Salvationists, mor
reducing tax rate by paying a license
to sell patent posions. He is telling
too much truth. He is making his
hearers discontened with their conditions. He is laping bare the social
sores. He has no respect for persons.

He attacks capitalism and all its
defenders, the church, Catholic and
Protestant, the Army, the Police, the
Courts, the dens of vice and profit.
He talks very pointedly, and Clancy,
Sullivan and Flamigan don't like this
talk delivered right in the center of
Clancytown. The charge that he is
obstructing the sreets is only a pretense. The real effense is, as Chief
Sullivan said, "He's a damned nuisance with his talk." That means the
Chief of Police proposes to decide
what men shall say or shall not say
on the streets of Scattle.

Cowley is not a member of the Socialist Party, so far as we are aware.

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At his trial no case was made out and he was discharged.

This ought to have satisfied the police. But no. They arrested him again last Sunday, the 2d. They put him in "The Black Hole of Seattle," without any charges, and refused ball because there was "no charge."

From 3:30 to 7:30 he was held, though no charge was on the books against him. This petty tactics and outrageous condition of affairs only ceased when the Chief found a big howl was being raised on account of this false imprisonment. The telephone wires were kept hot by some of his friends on his behalf, and then he was released on \$10 cash bail, and before any charge was recorded against fore any charge was recorded against

him.

Last Tuesday he was again tried on
the same old charge and again acquitted. The police got together three
officers, a saloon keeper and a waiter
in a Clancytown restaurant, to testify
against him, and they were a surprised
lot of "cops" when the judge discharged the prisoner.

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lot of "cops" when the judge discharged the prisoner.

Judge George made some very telling remarks on the subject of free speech which Chief Sullivan ought to suppress error was to allow it full opportunity for expression. If it was wrong it would die. And the best way to spread error was to crush it by coercion. The latter, he said, was the way. Whilism and Anarchism had grown in Russia, and such a method was un-American. We fear the judge is a little old-fashioned in his notions, but he's right, all the same, and Maden and Sullivan will have to take lessons of him soon or late.

Chief Sullivan has now arrested Cowley again, this time on the charge of circulating obscene literature, and his trial is ser for Wednesday, April 2, at 30:30 a. in.

his trial is set for Wednesday, April 2, at 9;30 a. m.

Here is the passage they quote from a leaflet which Cowley has had printed: "In American some of the women buy poodles and study how not to become mothers, while other women in the day time work in-stores and factories for glory and at night on the streets for a living."

It is evidently very dan, "ous to allow such a tongue to keen on wag-

It is evidently very dan, ous to allow such a tongue to keep on wagging, but it will take more than a Sullivan and a Flannigan to stop it and others like it.

In another column we take occasion to let Comrade Cowley throw a little light into "The Black Hole of Seattle," one of the ulcers of capitalism which stinks to high heaven. While they are suppressing Socialist Free Speech we will incidentally try to suppress a lit-

If the Police Administration in Seattle would really like to be investi-gated, why, there's nobody who can do the job better than the Socialists

The Liberal Party in England is disintegrating. Campbell - Bannerman and Rosebery lead the two wings. "Party solidarity has gone to ruin". Permarks a Seattle daily, and the sane editor then proceeds to call for "winning issues" and a "capable commander," something and somebody to appeal to the popular heart and reconstruct the party. To the Socialist, who has studied history and who knows how parties are formed, such comment sounds as simple and out of date as Pastor Jasper's contention that the sun revolves around the earth. The reason the Liberal Party is going to picces is the same as that which is destroying the Democratic Party in this country, namely, they both stand for the dying class of small capitalists. The varying interests of their sub-divisions cause various small parties to soring up, as the Populists represent The varying interests of their sub-divisions cause various small parties to spring up, as the Populists represent the farmers, but there is no common interest, no great economic class to make them cohere into a united political party. The working class is the only possible antagonist of the capitalist class, and that's why the Socialist Party, built on the working class, is certain to grow and remain.

#### MADDEN TO DATE

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Not a word from our dear enemy yet.

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#### WOULDN'T IT MADDEN YOU?

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Comrade Madden of the postofice department has now taken a job as chief subscription hustler for the Scattle Socialist. He has sent our esteemed contemporary a notice that "they'll have to show him" why they are entitled to second-class rates. Wilhier and Wayland don't seem to be the shire and Wayland don't seem to be the comments on this latest move of rade, with much interest. For our own part, we confess that our business department needs a visit from the third ass in the postmaster general's burdeau. A hundred or a thousand more subs would just about suit a thousand more subs would just about suit a thousand more subs would just about suit oned wait for Madden to madden burn not need wait for Madden to madden burn and consulting for us. Payment of subs is always in order. It wouldn't jar us.—Advance.

Some of you are forgetting our advertisers! Remember, if you forget they will remember (to take out their ad.) and we can't live on faith.

#### A LESSON INPOLITICS

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The Scattle Building Trades Council furnishes a capital lesson in labor politics. It ought to be laid to heart by every labor union man.

This council as a trades union body has been a great success. It fights the employers by fighting. It will not compromise. Just at present it refuses to arbitrate. Editor Blethen, of The Times, a capitalist pure and simple, pays the Building Trades Council. the compliment of hating it bitterly. He is now trying to destroy it by every means available. He and the Employers' Association work hand in glove to break the Building Trades to the constituent unions and deal with them separately. It is said the plumbers have yielded to their statal temptation. In union and in opposition alone is strength. The Building Trades Council knows this and knows its wisdom. No separation and hows its wisdom. No separation and how success against capital.

But in politics this same Building Trades Council has made a frightful mistake which may even ruin it as a labor organization also. The one possible way it can save itself is to denounce and disown the actions of its representatives.

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Last week the council expelled its President, Baker, for keeping a sum of money paid to him in advance by the Republican City Central Committee on condition that the Republican candidates be indorsed by a labor mass meeting called for the night before election.

Our readers know how that en

meeting called for the night before election.

Our readers know how that endorsement was prevented by the Socialists in that mass meeting. Our readers laso know that two members of the Socialist party, Oldham and Baker, who advocated the endorsement of the Republicans, were promptly expelled from our party for political treason.

But Baker was not the only guilty man. It is true he did not return the money when they failed to "deliver the goods." But the point is this, all the members of that committee agreed to receive the money from the Republican committee in return for delivering the labor vote to the Republican candidates. By that bargain and sale of itself the present management of the Building Trades Council not only committed a stupendous blunder, but abandoned its own principles and became guilty of a crime against organized labor.

This is the lesson to be learned—apart from the obvious lesson of common morality. No compromise with capital. Just as you always refused to arbitrate on the economic field, why did you not refuse to have anything to do with your enemy on the political field? Carry the same fight into politics that you wage in the unions and your will be equally successful.

That is the Socialist program. Your capitalist enemies can never be your friends, in industry or in politics. Your own and your employer's interests can never be your friends, in industry or in politics. Your own and your employer's interests can never be your friends, in industry or in politics. Your own and your employer's interests can never be your friends, in industry or in politics. Your own and your employer's interests can never be your friends, in industry or in politics. Your own and your employer's interests can never be your friends, in industry or in politics. Your own and your employer's class. No identity of interests between you. Nothing but contest and opposition.

stand for your employers. The same class is in these political organizations as in your employer's class. No identity of interests between you. Nothing but contest and opposition, are conceivable.

The Building Trades Council had a grand opportunity in Seattle but has lost it It might have endorsed the Socialist ticket composed as it was of its own fellow workingmen, and thus have fairly terrified the capitalist parties. If it had carried the same tactics of defant fighting into the political field that it has prosecuted in the economic field, what a splendid situation of vantage it would now occupy. Instead of a by-word and disgrace to labor, such as it now is, divided and defeated, it might have held the most commanding position ever occupied in this city.

But if workingmen learn by these events that oil and water will not mix, that whoever touches pitch will be defiled, that the only way, in politics as well as in unions, to fight capital is to fight it; the occasion will not be without some gain.

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# THOUGHTS, By Your Uncle.

STILL IN UTAH.

Had a good meeting in Silver City. Like all mining gamps I've seen, it is on the down grade, gamps I've seen, it is on the miners are to down grade and as a result is on the miners are to be beginning to this about Socialism. The manadience was audience was social procliving collation. It is audience was very family like and impromptive collation. It is a social procliving to Social procliving so Social procliving so Social procliving or social procliving or social procliving as well as a social proclivin

rades at Silver City are wide awake and made me promise to return as soon as possible and hold meetings in Silver City. Eureka and Mammoth, as there are many-Socialists in the last two camps who de-sire organization.

From here I went to Sandy, a typical wage-class town, a few saloons, one or two half dead stores and ill-arranged and un-sightly rows of cheap tenements and shacks, dingy and out of repair. Nearly everybody here works in the smelters, and the shifts are so arranged that it is impossible to so arranged that it is impossible to all of the Comrades, as many go to when the others leave off so my risit here was unprofitable.

visit here was unprofitable.

From here took a team to Murray and caught a street car to Salt Lake, to get a good night's sleep, for T needed it. And, besides, I knew I had a hard night's work in front of me with the Salt Lake local Marketine. evening.

It will probably be a wonder to the be-wildered Salt Lakers, who waded through a wildered Salt Lakers, who waded through a two-column report in Tuesday's Tribune, how it was I escaped with my life, and it might be a wonder to the Comrades were it not that they knew the report was a lie, inspired by an individual who at last was defeated in efforts to turn the Socialist party into a middle-class reform movement. The first thing I found was that, claiming a membership of over 100, they had paid dues for March for but 29, and for February for 14. There were several other things still more important, such, for instance, as have important, such, for instance, as hav ing a chairman of the Mills meeting who

more important, such, for instance, as having a chairman of the Mills meeting who was not a member of the party, but who had been a defeated office seeker in every other party. Then they had taken in members holding office under capitaliat parties, and had even voted in as members persons who when admitted were employed collecting Democratic campaign pledges.

So you can see a part of the mess Salt Lake local had got into by allowing itself to be dominated by middle-class interests. Luckly, however, there was a good minority who were class-conscious owrkingmen and women and who had objected strenuously, but without avail, to the wishy-washy proceedure. However, I did not refer to any of these things, but devoted myself to giving as solid and clean cut public talk as I could, and from the interest and enthusiasm manifested I know they recognized at least the truth, if not the political secessity, of the principles I laid down. Then the public meeting was adjourned, and the decks cleared for action for a business meeting. Here I outlined the position the Socialist the principles I laid down. Then the public meeting was adjourned, and the decks cleared for action for a business meeting. Here I outlined the position the Socialist party must take—of unwavering fidelity to the material interests of the plundered, the exploited, the propertiess, and showed them how, by adding the interests of property owners, they must of necessity injure the class for whom the Socialist movement stands, and hence aid in delaying the cause itself. At the Mills meeting the local had allowed to be distributed, without protest, and distributed by one of its own members, a platform of principles, that was wholly middle class in its demands and its sentiment. It had a money plank, wanted oldage pensions, and declared for the public ownership, first, of those utilities and industries controlled by monopolies, trusts and combines. Besides, it had a long, sentimental appeal for "all people" to join this callenge of the public ownership, first, of those millites and combines. Besides, it had a long, sentimental appeal for "all people" to join this wastrusted. The propose of half a dozen words the whole thing could just as conscigntiously have been distributed by the Democratic party. So, not wishing to bring up the other points which might have caused discussions on personalities instead of principles, and knowing, if it was true that the local was governed by middle class interests, the middle class interests, the middle class interests, the middle class hat one of the publication, which had asked them all to sign over, to take platform would be defended, I asked them, before I could accept an application, which I had asked them all to sign over, to take a vote on the repudiation of the distribution of this platform at the Mills meeting. And then it happened. It was the warmest thing I've seen since the Orangemen paraded on

St. Patrick's Day, and if the accusations, insinuations and unparliamestary language thrown at my devoted head had been brick-bats the services of your humble committeeman would have come to an untimely committee to the committee of the committee was pressed to a vote, and by a vote matter was pressed to a vote, and by a vote the fill the committee was pressed to a vote, and by a vote the fill to be middle-class principles were repudiated. A Mr. Crane, who presided at the Mills meeting, and who joined the local afterwards, and who was advertised as "Hon." by a supposed working class party, and who received the "Hon." for no other reason than his aiding one wing or the other of the capitalist vulture to rob the working-class, got the floor and sailed into the time as a trades unionist I ventured into the time as a trades unionist I ventured into the time as a bemoeratic to war meeting to ask the boya Democratic ward meeting to ask the boy cott of a Democratic paper, He was ably seconded by a Mr. Stewart, who afterward He was ably

cott of a Democratic paper. He was ably seconded by a Mr. Stewart, who afterwards owned that he had put in three months? hard work to get Mr. Crane into the local. However, 29 applications were handed in, and since the meeting over a dozen have signified their intention to accept the historic conception of the working-class movement. Besides, a bunch of over 40 railroad boys have sent word to me that they desire to organize into a party that thus showed its intention to stand by the workers. A branch in the 15th Ward has organized, and another branch is asking admission.

"As far as the National party is concerned there were only 29 members in Salt Lake local. By the end of next week there will local. By the end of next week there will local of the over 30 in Branch No. 1, with three other strong and healthy branches. So I guess, after all, it will turn out a mighty suces, after all, it will turn out a mighty suces, after all.

guess, after all, it will turn out a mighty good thing that Salt Lake local has at last sood thing that Salt Lake local has at last announced to the working-class that it in tends to remain true to the interests of the working-class, and to no one else. And, as I say in my talks, if anyone else wishes any benefit from the Socialist movement they must become members of the working class and cease to be parasites. I speak in Salt Lake again Monday night, the 24th Tuesday I went to Sandy again and suc-ceeded in making arrangements, for a must

Tuesday I went to Sandy again and succeeded in making arrangements for a meeting in the City Hull Saturday evening with Comrade Faurschon, who is an energetic Danish Socialist of the old school. The Comrade drove me over to West Jordan, where I found the local of 8 members had practically gone to pieces, some moving away, and others, being sentimental, not interested enough to attend meetings or even pay, heir dues. Comrade Pedersen is practically the only one here keeping the fire of Socialism alive. the fire of Socialism alive

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The next day I went to Murray, but as it was necessary to go to Odgen I got my proposed meeting adjourned to Sunday, as it was believed I could meet some of the boys on that day. In the afternoon I took the train to Odgen, and I was more than agreeably surprised. They gave me the floor of the evening, and they enthusiastically stood for every principle I laid down, not shying at the most stern drawing of the class line. Miss Lucie Hoving, and it is to the energetic and clear work, as well as to the efforts of Comrade Kate Hilliard, that much of the desired, result is due. They have promised to get up a big meeting for me oh April 9th, we last day in the state. If I make as exciting an exit as I have an entry my ambition will be realized. Thursday I went to Logan, in Cache Val

have an entry my ambition will be realized. Thursday I went to Logan, in Cache Valley. Here I found a local of fifteen members, but as usual widely separated, as they generally are in farming communities. This condition, together with four inches of wet snow and about sixteen inches of mud, shut out the chance of a meeting, but if Comrade Goodwin's views are those of the misjority of the local, then Logan local is all right, and can be depended upon to refuse all tempting bait that will inevitably be thrust under the nose of the workers by be thrust under the nose of the workers by

refuse all tempting bait that will inevitably the thrust under the noise of the workers by the dying middle class, who must either eat the labor of someone else or die.

This is Saturday, and I have yet to visit. Sandy, Murray, Cottonwood and Cedar City, besides a dozen places want to organize, and then there is the state convention. Truly, I have got my hands full for the next few weeks, and if the comrades at Sea attle don't let me rest them I get home I will put up a hot Salt Lake argument.

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close to the sink is a close to the sink is a contrivance which answers for closet and urinal, not inclosed by any thing in the shape of a screen, but perfectly open. The celling is about ten feet high and the only natural light comes from two grated apertures up near the celling. Those apertures are about 12:18 inches and are located on the north end of the room. In two scores of this scent, etc. the room. In one corner of the south end of the apartment is another grated aperture about the same size and about as high from about the same size and about as high from the floor as an ordinary sized man's head. In the center of the door is a small peep-hole. Pending from the ceiling in the center of the room is a gas jet which is kept burn-ing night and day. When I entered this room I found upon actual: count that in-cluding myself there were forty-eight men to eat and sleep in that room of about 18x20 feet, and the stench arising from the corner where nature's calls were answered added to the vomiting of drunken men, the sick-



THE GRATED WINDOWS

(Opening on Back Court, City H. Water Closets directly underneath.

whater thosets (irrectly influencement, ening heat of the steam pipes and flaring gas jet would have lent a new inspiration to a Dante. About 4 o'clock a.m. my attention was called to one of that unfortunate com-pany, who seemed to be suffering great agony, and I asked one of the men who pany. Who seemed to be suffering great agony, and I asked one of the men who seemed to be no stranger to the place to call the jailor to get something for the poop fellow that might give him relief. He went to the grating in the east end and called to the jailor, but was rewarded by having something squirted into his eyes that sent him howling around, seemingly in great pain, and the sick man was getting worse and howling piteously and after repeated solleiting the jailor handed in something in a tin cup to give to the sufferer. The jailor did not come in to see the man-but told one of the others to give what the cup contained, I saw him drink what was in the cup and the man that gave it to him said it was whisky. Anyway, about 15 minutes after he drank it he was dead. Then the M. LEITES

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P. J. COWLEY. IN COME OF THE POST OF THE PARTY OF THE PART Everett, Wash., March 15, 1902.

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for it; now I send for a renewal of the same, as it expired with the last number.

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RUSSIAN TROOPS MUTINY.
ST. PETERSBURG, March 20—Russian troops at Tula mutinied when ordered to fire on the strikers. They fired blank cartered to fire ball cartridge, but when codered to fire ball cartridge, but when codered to fire ball cartridge for the strength of t

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LOCAL NOTES

friend Cowley was arrested eading the Declaration of In-nee. He has twice been ac-of blocking the streets, and arrested for "distributing ob-literature," below the "dead-Ye Gods!

The second house meeting will be id at the home of Comrade Moore, the Ninth ward.

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The meeting in North Side Turner Hall, Chicago, on February 19th, ar-ranged for Father T. McGrady of Rel-levue, Ky. was largely, attended, Franklin H. Wentworth presided and Father McGrady spoke for nearly two hours, arousing great enthusiasm, hours, arousing great enthusiasm, property is an able speaker; burly, rough the speaker; burly, rough the speaker of the speaker of the all, casy to understant,—and shove and for the work he is doing.

1. It is gratifying to note that the Vaillecture course, given last month in
Boston, is to be given this month at
Toledo. March 6, 7, 8, are the dates,
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one's reason and justice do not move.

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It does not answer the arguments presented by the Socialist press, but cries out, "Engly, Engy!" This will not do. We must be answered. We are not criticizing Wayland or his paper, but his doctrines. It is his platform "For Public Ownership of Monopolies," that we declare is not Socialism, Some of our critics say that is only a headline—not its real teaching, as found in its columns. We shall soon take occasion to show that headline and columns are quite consistent.

#### ASKS FOR INFORMATION.

itor Chicago Socialist

I am a farmer and an advocate of the al Socialist papers for the past ten years ral Socialist papers for the past ten years, nong them being the Appeal to Reason, ming Nation, Socialist Spirit, and the local Ruralist, of which last named paper have been a contributor for twelve or more are. I have also read several Socialist cooks, and am a firm bellever in the justice and ultimate triumph of Socialism. I have ubscribed for your paper in order that I day inform myself of the workings of say Inform myself of the workings of the Socialist party of your city. At present I am not a member of the Socialist party, of your city. At present I am not a member of the Socialist party, the socialist party, the socialist party, the socialist party that me county committee in this county. I am, and have been for some time, dissatisfied with the People's party because of its fusion with the Democratic party, but I have hesitated party, but I have hesitated party but on account of its apparent narrow and closes on account of its apparent narrow and close constant bickerings amongst its members over what seems to me to be non-essentials.

er what seems to me to be non-essentials. I may not be correctly informed, but I derstand that no one can take any part nominating any candidate, or in forming s platform of the Socialist party unless member of some regularly chartered trion, and in good standing by payment of es. Now this plan may be all right and cessary in the cities, but from personal perience I know it would not work in a country among the farmers. When we country among the farmers. When we crganized the People's party we conducted our campaigns by voluntary contributions, and public collection. Men who would not join the Farmers' Alliance and pay dues would "chip in" to pay such campaign expresses.

understand it, maybell am in error, any voter who votes for a candidate of any other ticket is liable to expulsion from the other ticket is liable to expulsion from the Socialist party. I usually vote for all the candidates of the People's party, but it sometimes happens that there is a candidate on our ticket I do not consider worthy and whose defeat I consider to be to the best interests of the cause. Agent'a candidate, in the person of Judge Moore for congress was on the People's party ticket last election, and I publicly opposed him, and so liberal are the Populists in their party discipline that I have had no trouble on that account, and was in fact unanimously relected chairman of the county committee and tendered a nomination as a candidate for the legislature.

one rule of the Socialist party

for the legislature.

There is one rule of the Socialist party I am heartily in favor of, and that is that no one shall propose his own name as a candidate for a nomination, or do any personal wire pulling in some others, the Populists have discouraged the sole-seekers.

I hope you will print this letter that I may be informed by the Comrades of any error under which I may be laboring. I wish to say candidly that it does not appear to me that the Socialist party as at present constituted can gain much support in this state. But I do believe that a liberal, broad guaged Socialist party could in the near future secure a large following. You will remember that its farmers organized the People's party in [1890, and polled nearly 25,000 votes in our first campaign. Our members are men of wealth like ex-Gov. our members are men of wealth like ex-Gov Lee, and State Senators Crill and Crawford, ec-congressman Knowles, and others who believe in radical Socialism. Among the farmers, too, there are many Socialism. A good many copies of the Appeal to Reason are in circulation here. I feel certain that the Appeal does a great deal of good among the farmers, all party quarrels, and petty discussions of non-essentials are eliminated frees its neighbor. Lee, and State Senators Crill and Crawford discussions of non-essentials are eliminated from its columns, it does not oppose public schools, fecause all teachers cannot be Socialista, as I understand some Chicago Socialista do. It does not oppose municipal ownership because all city officials cannot be Socialists. It teaches as I believe to be the proper policy, that we must take all in our line offered us, and reach for more. As a member of our township board I have secured the multic handling of the school secured the public handling of the school books, and the construction of public fire books, and the construction of public fire guards as a protection against the destruc-tive prairie fires which formerly ravaged this thinly settled country. And yet, as I under-stand it, some of our Socialist Comrades would say to me, "Let the prairie fires rage unrestricted until such time as a majority of the voters favor the Co-operative Com-monwealth."

monwealth."

Again I will repeat. Perhaps I do not
undertsand you city Socialists. But if I
do not understand you it is because some
of you are in the habit of talking in such
big words. I wonder, some times, if the
workingmen understand your scientific man-

er of address. In our old Alliance days have known an old farmer to get up nore enthusiasm in an eloquent speech of five minutes than a college professor could an hour's scholarly effort SEVEN SOC

You Chicago Socialists may decide to abolish the public schools, but I shall do all I can in South Dakota to make them more useful. It is the ignorant people who are the greatest enemies to Socialism, or any other progressive progressive. any other progressive movement.

Fraternally WALTER PRICE.

#### A PERPLEXED PHILOSOPHER.

A PERPLEXED PHILOSOPHER.

The attention of party members, readers and subscribers generally, is called to the very remarakable letter which appears in our correspondence column this week above the signature of Watter Price. It is sometimes good to see ourselves as others see us and although the views of our correspondent regarding the Socialist movement in Chicago may appear curiously distorted to those familiar with the local situation, Mr. Price cannot justly be held responsible therefor. When his surroundings and environment, together with the nature of the medium through which his knowledge of Socialism was acquired, are taken into consideration, it is not so wonderful that his conclusions should take the strange course expressed in his letter.

Mr. Price is evidently sincere in his desire for information. He is sensible enough to admit the possibility of error in the views he holds regarding the movement in this city. He is entitled not only to the information he requests, but also to the most

formation he requests, but also to the most courteous and considerate treatment from any Comrade who will volunteer to enlighte

courteous and considerate treatment from any Comrade who will volunteer to enlighten him upon the matters referred to in his letter, and the columns of this paper are at their service for this purpose. Mr. Price having recently become a subscriber. While fully recognizing the fact that Mr. Price's ideas regarding Socialism could hardly be expected to be otherwise than as he expresses them, for reasons before mentioned, we cogless that another motive in replying to his questions induced us to publish his letter. It shows as nothing else could possibly do the effect produced upon an otherwise intelligent man when Socialism comes to him in the adulterated form in which it is usually served up by the papers he mentions. He is an illustration par excellence of the result of a long course of "Appeal to Reason" Socialism, and his letter appears partly to serve in the role of "horrible example" to any local party Comexample" to any local party Com rades who may have imbibed Socialism at the same fountain of knowledge.

the same fountain of knowledge.

Once his premises are admitted, however,
once his views of Socialism are accepted as
correct, every stricture upon and criticism
of the Socialist party of Chicago follows
logically. If Socialism is merely a "remedy"
for existing evils, if it is but a "plan" whose
"justice" appeals to those who hear it, if
it stands for reform instead of revolution,
if its notificat expression is to, he indeed by it stands for reform instead of revolution, if its political expression is to be judged by the standards applicable to capitalist political parties, them fir. Price's conclusions can all be logically deduced from his premises, and the tactics endorsed by the Socialist party of Chicago will of necessity seem as conquising and mystifying to him as his views do to:

Ten years reading of the "Socialist" papers mentioned by Mr. Price leaves him an arowed Socialist, but still chairman of a reactionary capitalist political party, a Socialist who thinks it "nairrow" that non-Socialists are not permitted to take a hand in forming the party platform, a Socialist who believes in voting for the "best man" without regard to principles, and who cannot understand why one should not be allowed to do so and still retain party membership. Could any better testimony to the efficacy of the "Socialism" preached by such papers be offered?

It will be no light undertaking to convince Mr. Price that the reasons why he cannot understand the tactics of the Socialist party in Chicago lies in the fact that he does not understand the fundamental principles of Socialism, what his arguments and con-

that his arguments and con clusions are drawn from false conceptions of the movement, which has never been of the movement, which has never been presented for his consideration save in the shape of "plan" or "remedy." It will be observed that all through his letter be considered that the same street because the entire philosophy of Socialism, and it will be both an ungrateful and difficult task to convince him to the contrary.

But this contusion for which Mr. Price is in no way expensable must be come.

But this confusion for which Mr. Price is in no way responsible, must be com-batted to be removed. Contradictory as his position may seem to us it is fully justified by his innocent acceptance of the strange mixture presented to him as Social-ism, the truth or falsity of which he had no

means of testing. And it would seem that the only method by which his mind can be disabused of the peculiar ideas he holds is to see that the fundament principles of Socialism are distinctly and definitely laid before him for consideration.—The Chicago

#### NATIONAL PLATFORM OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY.

Adopted at Indianapolis, July 31, 1901.

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The Socialist party, 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. Today the machine, which is an improved and more developed tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. This ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them.

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The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social

slavery.

The economic interests of the contains class dominate our entire social system; the lives of the working class are recklessly sacrificed for profit, wars are fomented between nations, indiscriminate slaughter is encouraged and the destruction of whole races is sanctioned in order that the capitalists may extend their commercial dominion abroad and enhance their supremacy at home.

But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to developed capitalism are leading to Socialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wageworkers. And the active force in bringing about this new and higher order of society is the working class. All other classes, deapite their apparent or actual conflicts, are affice interested in the upholding of the system of private ownership of the instruments of swealth production. The Democratic, Republican, the bourgenis Public Ownership parties, and all other partles which do not stand for the complete overthrow of the capitalist system of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist system of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist class.

The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the collective powers of capitalism, by constituting themselves into a political party, distinct from and opposed to all parties formed by the propertied classes.

While we declare that the development of economic conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist system, we recognize that the time and manner of the transition of Socialism also depend upon the stage of development reached by the proletariat. We, therefore, consider it of the utmost importance for the Socialist party to support affice for the socialist party to support affice the statistic controlled by monopolies, trusts, and combines. No part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the reduction of taxes on property of the capitalist controlled by monopolies, trusts, and combines. No part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the reduction of the sorties of the capitalist and increase the share of the working class.

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