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Capitalism Decides the Fate of the Man Over Forty.

UNPROFITABLE AND USELESS.

Will the Latter Submit, or Decide to Stay on the Earth by Working for Socialism?

one that adds anything to the general stock of human knowledge, to ob- of an old age pension-for that leaves serve that there is one thing which the "problem" still there. every individual human being without exception is doing at the same time, tically in considering your fate in the viz. growing old. The only reason future, the "problem" is after all for of self-preservation, that some imports bidding of your masters is not very ant questions respecting both these probable. You wfil have to see as they subjects, and directly connected with do that "business is Business," and that to the working class.

for making profit for the other fellow, nihe, or would you like to stay and eee the Chronicle interrogates its readers the show a little longer? as to what shall be done with the man who has passed two score, and true to its capitalist nature, assuming that the present economic system is permanent, sarcastically inquires whether we shall

fair to conclude that the 'we' in this party and are using it to hide their at-case implies the capitainst the employ-tempts at disrupting the ranks of la-ing class, the same fellows to whom the man past forty vainly applies for work, and who, knowing that his profit-making power is impaired by age, and that if he lives he still must be fed, thus reducing their profits, propose that he

much concession to old and faithful servants.

But other corporations and firms are not so considerate. Instances are numerous and well known of wholesale discharges of old men. The employer is usually frank about it. He declares that he can get more and better work out of young men than from old men. He is in business to make money and not from philanthropic motives. Hence are provided with tickets. Mention it

He is in business to make money and not from philanthropic motives. Rence he purposes to get the most work for the least money whenever he can. That is the business view of it. He does not desire to mix charity with business.

A Chiagap phileappher of some reputation, once declared, after profound reflection, that every man who reaches the age of 40 should be taken out and killed, but he kased his conclusion mot upon the usclessness of such men. But upon the theory that at the age of two more "men become satisfied with the status quo and are consequently closs upon the chirict wheels of progress."

But whether the philosopher was right or wrong there is some reason to aluticipate that we may eventually have to adopt this programme. It would be crise to allow the veterans of 49 and over to starve to death and it is likely to be a heavy charge to feed them. The obvious expedient is put them out of the way as dogs are dispatched by the pound-keeper.

For business is business. The survival of the fittest means the fiftest up to

This sarcastically proposed remedy is, strange as it may seem to a superficial observer, thoroughly logical from the ount of view of such organs of captsign of the in-vitable bankruptey of that accurred system. dtie desires to maintain capitalism and capitalism robs the workingman of then at forty turns him adrift. The Republican robbers recognize this dif-ficulty, and make a pretended attempt to meet it by some vague talk of an old age pension, but that simply means, (if It has any meaning, taking into account expense of the expitation class, and "hoxiness is business," as the Chronicle remarks. The problem is not solved and the proposition for exphysication

GET OFF THE EARTH the initiative in averting their own destruction by overthrowing the system which presents this puzzle to their mas ers, is never even blated at. But the Socialist will see to it that this "prob-lem" is removed from the consideration of the capitalist by continually urging the removal of the causes which bring it into existence. They will relieve the Republicans and Democrats of trouble of solving it, by asphyxiation

paper is printed we would say: like all other men, grow old. past forty, you will be a "problem" for your masters, a candidate for possible sphyxiation or probable starvation It may not be a very original remark, both of which are perhaps more likely than that you will become the recipient

Although your mosters speak sarcas that this observation finds space in our yourselves to solve. When you undercolumns, is that as all are equally lia-ble to this law of nature, and all equal-means a struggle for existence. That bound by the same inexerable law you will quietly get off the earth at the the, economic system of the present, your particular business is to stay on are now receiving much attention, and the earth as long as you can even if may perhaps be of particular interest you have to kick the self-appointed arbiters of your destiny off it, in order to In the Chicago Chronicle of July 5th, remain on it yourselves. You can editorial entitled, "Shall We Aschyxiate Them?" appears. It deals sideration, only by joining with your physiate Theme" appears. It deals differation, oply by joining with your of forty, and for whom it states that system which throws your worn-out the commercial world has no possible body on the streets to starve, when of that body from July 4th 1899, the form. the commercial world has no possible body on the streets to starve, when use, while younger and more vigorous your masters can no longer extract the date of my election as secretary, up to consisting of the work the work of the world. As the man over thus upon how to dispose of you, they facty has practically the same physical in reality give you your choice between necessities of food, clothing and shelter, asphysiation or starvation on the one as his fellow men who have not yet at- hand and socialism on the other. Which tained that undesirable age, and as his will you have? As your masters say, forty years are coming to be regarded "it is the survival of the fittest." Are as a positive drawback to his capacity you fit? Are you going out at thirty-

We hope that every-reader of this pa per in the city of Chicago will take all possible means to let everyone know that the socialist movement in America has nothing in common with those wor peacefully submit to this process, and shippers of DeLeonism, bossism, disorwho the "we" are that are proposed as ganization, and confusion, who for the his executioners, the Chronicle does not last few days have been attempting to inform us. But as the owner of that talk to the workers of Chicago under paper is a banker (who by the bye en- the name of Socialist Labor party, They dorsed the Building Contractors in their have stolen this name after they had fight against the trades unions), it is been expelled from the ranks of the

Comes High, But We Must Have Him.

Arrangements are being made to a once send an organizer through the shall be deprived of his (to them) use- state of litinois and to keep him at work until after election. Subscription But let the Chronicle speak for itself: lists are being circulated for this pur-"Another great railway corporation has pronounced against old men—not such very old men, either, for the inhibition extends to men over 40. The man who has reached that aga may not be newly smployed in any canacity. The company will not, however, discharise to this effice, and the amount and name company will not, however, discharise him if he is already in its employ. Thus much concession to old and faithful mervants.

many cases to be driven by American college graduates, who applied for the industry. Perhaps the males will learn their drivers the art of kicking, kicking against a system which makes mute driver's tob an enviable object for cated at the expense of society.

The private morgue, said to be possessed by the editor of the celebrated by the similar institution owned by the Illinois Steel company. Chicago always

The trusts have seen to it that the Bryan bandwagon is liberally supplied with "drummera."

it may be justly remarked that Teddy was nominated for the

ft off is the way it will read this fail. In

THE JOINT CONVENTION.

S. L. P. and S. D. P. Unite to Nominate a Complete State and County Ticket.

To the workingmen for whom this OVER ONE HUNDRED SOCIALIST DELEGATES ARE SEATED.

Harmony Prevails and United Action of Socialist Forces Is Unanimously Determined Upon.

The following is an official report of | Arnold, John Buell, H. Sprado, J. F. the Joint Convention of the S. D. P. Smith. and S. L. P. which was held at 70 N. Alternates—H. C. Johnson, H. Schwin-

Slark street, on July 4th, 1990;

Committee of the S. L. P.

A. Klenke was elected temporary secretary.

The motion that a committee of six secretary; on credentials be elected carried. The Motion on credentials be elected carried.

Motion Dassed.

Comrades Paft, Schmidt and HallComrades Paft, Schmidt and Halldolinson, Peterson, Benson, Figolah,

It is needless to again go over the Smith was elected. It is needless to again a An auditing commission period of strife and turmoil within the Phillips, Sindelar and Pitchener were

party as it is already well-known.
Following this came the usual routine of state committee business, of which the most important part was the horse a news item for the press. rade Klenke, to three or four sections throughout the state. In every place journed till 2:30 p. m. he was cordially received, and conducted splendid meetings and was 2:45 p. m. asked to make another visit at an early date. As a result of his tour he brought for the Workers' Call.

Following this came the propositions for unity of the two parties. (the S. L. P. and S. D. P.), the discussion of the question of unity, the conventions, the and the results, the vote on the qu tion of unity to be closed on July 10th; 1900), and the call of the Illinois State mittee for a joint convention, which has been heartily responded to.

for the recruiting of the ranks of socialism was never so ripe as at present. The industrial conditions have made ssible a field into which we should be prepared to send an organizer. Funds are needed for this purpose, and our best efforts, financially and otherwise, should be put forth to bring the principles of socialism before the working class of this state.

A party paper is the next and perhaps the most important weapon which we tions on the subject of trades unions, must use, and funds are also needed and pledge our hearty support to all for its support, as it reaches where efforts on the part of organized labor to even the organizer cannot.

These two things then, a traveling organizer and the party press, at present claim our attention most particularly. Let us support them strongly and the harvest of socialism will be great, their undivided efforts to the propa-Fraternally,

R. A. Morris, Recording Secretary Illinois State Com. ment in this state. Chicago, July 4th, 1996.

Awaiting report of committee on creomrade Simons, Morgan and Collins. The committee on credentials report ed 195 delegates. All were seated, the recommendations of the committee to that effect being concurred in

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Mrs. Kerr, Bauer, R. Morris, Kerr, Stokes, F. Knocke, J. Lyberg, Mrs. F. Rnocke, . A. Lindgren, John Sundblom, F. Lahr, F. Boersma, P. Cassidy, A. Sturm, G. Denne, A. M. Simons, N. Olson, S. Kleindeinst, Mrs. A. M. Simons, K. Kosturski, P. Plachinicki, J. Borkowski, F. Andrzeiszak M. Gorecki, T. Jurezyk, H. Phillips, W. Figolah, Ch. Fritz, R. Petersen, Rassmussen, C. Ackerholm, A. Ackerholm, J. Saunders, J. Wanhope, J. Hunt, J. Gibson, J. Dobelman, C. Stilhoff, C. Peterson, L. Peterson, H. Smith, M. Tatt. S. Hakenson, C. Magner, J. all, we therefore declare it to be our Hanson, F. Morton, A. Overborg, G. Balaim to abolish private ownership in lard, Soi. Segal, A. Dabelstein, Otto Becker, A. Mork, H. Pieper, John Voigt, Eckenberg, Kroniaf, P. Petterson, John Linder, E. Stangiand, P. Sissman, H. product of their labor, E. Hunsen, A. L. Ogus, B. Berg, L. As measures of h Smidt, C. Nielsen, A. Nielsen, P. Chrisn. A. Valentine, J. Smith, W. O'Brien, S. P. Levenberg, I. Levinson, S. Levinson, A. Kracht, B. Qison, J. A. Johnson, G. J. Sindelar, D. Duly, Jan.
Brennan, John Collins/Chas Delgren, ing and food to be furnished by the
John Gilberts, Aug. Klenke. Charlie
Anderson, N. G. Nelson, John Glambeck, E. Loewenthal, L. Debiggard, W?

Employed: the state and municipality Pigoiah, Jr. H. Driesvogt, Jos Trentz, P. W. Peiffer, C. T. Lowris, Mrs. Acuisa Johnston, Wm. Wali, J. W. Johnson, Roswell Johnson, Nels Benson, John S.

ger, H. Lindgren, Allee Lindgren, The convention was called to order at Lindgren, V. Lindgren, W. Collins, M. egase from each congressional district. It a. m. by R. A. Morris, Secretary State Whalen, Mrs. L. Tatt. M. Fensholt, C. Section 3. The delegates from the Snediker, Paul Schubert.

A. Klenke elected permanent chairchairman and J. Wanhope temporary man; R. H. Johnson elected permanent secretary; W. Figolah elected assistant

Motion to add a committee on consti-

constitution.
Comrades Simons, Buell, Benson,

consisting of Mrs. Taft, Lowenthal and

tour of our traveling organizer, com-pare a news item for the press.

The convention was declared ad-

The convention was called to order at

The report of the committee on rules was accepted.

The auditing committee reported that the report of the financial secretary was correct. The report was adopted and

emmittee discharged. . The committee on platform and resolutions brought in a platform. It was adopted seriatim, although last three passes led to much discussion.

The Socialist Labor party and the Social Democratic party of the State of Illinois, represented in Joint Convention, send fraternal greetings to all socialists in the ranks of both parties.

The Socialist Party of the State of Illinois hereby endorses the actions and resolutions of the national conventions of both parties held at Rochester and Indianapolis, respectively, and the nomination of Eugene V. Debs for president and Job Harriman for vice-president of the United States.

We most heartily approve of the stand taken by our national convenimprove their condition.

and contentions with other socialist organda of socialism and the organizing from the financial secretary all moneys good material of which to make social-

AIM OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY.

Since labor produces all wealth, since numan life can be maintained only by the corresponding recording secretary tuman labor, the right of every man He shall also keep account of all mor to life involves the right to work and eye received and expended, and make a to receive the full product of his labor. quarterly report of the condition of society man must have access to the an auditing committee whenever re-resources of nature and to the complex quired by the committee. expensive modern machinery which the genius of the people has in vented, and which the labor of the peo-

But these means of production-land. railroads, machinery, etc -are now the property of private capitalists. These capitalists are able to deny us the right to work. They grant us the privilegetof working only on condition that they shall make a profit from our laof production they become the masters in order to establish real freedom for

the means of production and to substitute collective ownership and operation by the people, thus securing to all the right to work and to receive the full

As measures of immediate relief, pending the realization of our complete program, we pledge ourselves to the

ing and food to be furnished by the school authorities of each community. 2. Work to be provided for the un-employed; the stais and municipality to undertake whatever industry shall be mecessary for that purpose. 3. The resources of the public treas-ury to be available for the assistance of striking or locked-out workingmen

struggling for a larger share of the

4. Old age pensions.

More stringent factory legislation. 6. Abolition of child labor. The constitution reported was adopted

of the Socialist party of Illinois ARTICLE I

Name

Section 1. This organization shall be known as the state organization of the Socialist Party of Illinois.

ARTICLE II. Composition.

Section 1. This state organization shall be composed of the various Locals now in existence or that may hereafter be organized in the various political subdivisions of the State of Illinois. Section 2. The business of this or-ganization shall be conducted by a state committee composed of one delfirst seven districts shall constitute an executive committee

ARTICLE III.

Election of State Committee.

Section 1. In the month of January of each alternate year the State Com mittee shall issue a call to the Locals requesting them to nominate one delegate to the State Committee.

Section 2. The nominations shall close

four -(4) weeks from the date of the will.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the State Committee to submit the nominees within two (2) weeks from the thin date of the closing of nominations to him the Locals of the various congressional districts for election.

Section 4. The elections shall close within six (6) weeks from the date of the closing of the nominations, and the result announced to the Locals.

Section 5. The nominee from each district receiving the highest number of votes cast by the respective district. shall be declared elected.

Section 6. Should a delegate s elected decline to serve, or absent himself from meetings for any cause what noever his seat shall be declared vacant, and the nomines receiving next highest number of votes shall take

ARTICLE IV. Officers.

Section 1. The officers of tals organ ization shall be a corresponding-record ing secretary, financial secretary and a

ARTICLE VI.

Duties of Officers. Section 1. The duties of the corre sponding-recording secretary shall be to carry on the correspondence with the various Locals of the state and national organizations. He shall also keep the minutes of the meetings and proceed-ings of the State Committee, and within one week after the meeting transmit s copy of the minutes to each, Local of

the party in the state. shall receive all moneys in the name of the state organization, and pay the same to the treasurer, taking his receipt We call upon the comrades in the state of Illinois to discard all disputes and contentions with other socialist or all expenditures and receive the party stamps and sell them to the Lower wage. cals represented in the state organiza-

Section 3. The treasurer shall receive and strengthening of the socialist move-beinging to the state organization and ment in this state.

Tom the financial secretary all moneys

from the financial e help place a socialist paper 'a the hands signed by the chairman and attested by In order to work and live in civilized the treasury and submit his books to

ARTICLE VII Duties of the State Committee.

Section 1. (a) The duties of the State Committee shall be to supervise the agitation throughout the state.

To refer any proposition to a referendum vote when properly presented; as hereafter provided. (c). Tp-maintain proper connections

with the national organization ing of state conventions.

ARTICLE VIII. Miscellaneous Regulations.

Section 1. The State Committee shall later than thirty days after its election Section 2. Any proposition to be sub mitted to referendum must first receive the endorsement of two Locals. Any

nitted by the State Committee.
A resolution regarding the building rades lockout was reported from comnittee and accepted.

The way to hasten the good time that is coming, is to vote for it.

Everyone knows what Roosevelt would do in case of a strike.

It is all right to take a step at a time if the step is just big enough.

The workingman will starve while he

valus for free silver to benefit him.

Rich men who can get no relief from the doctors should try socialism for

Germans of Milwaukee "who amount to anything" favor expansion. Does not beer follow the flag?

John R. McLean gives \$25,090 to the Democratic campaign fund simply benuse he loves the common people Perhaps capitalists figure that the

poorer they can keep the workingmen the easier it is to buy them on election

A million votes for Debs and Harriman will scare the plutocrats a great deal more than the election of Bryan

McKinley claims that he has already ione for the workingman all of the things that Bryan promises to do for

A little hard work by those interested

in socialism would put the party papers on a good business basis and boom the cause. The man in the ditch who can figure

what interest he has in imperialism is so good on figures that he ought not to be in the ditch. 'Mr. Hearst tells you what a good thing socialism is, but he does not ex-

plain how you are going to get it by

voting for Bryan.

Political bosses are again preparing taffy for the workingman. Experience teaches them that they cannot feed him too much of it.

The Demograts were so busy agonising over the wrongs of the Boers and the Filipinos that they forgot to mention the bull pen.

Steel mills have been shut down sothat the workers will have time to con-sider that they should be thankful to work for any kind of wages.

The Democrats accidentally left civil

service out of their platform, so there is one thing they will not have to vote for that they do not believe in. The trusts have cut down the salaries of drummers and managers, on the the-

ory that only those who do not work are entitled to more than a living. The Kansas farmer would faint if he had to pay 35 a day for harvest help,

yet some papers would have you think Workers in the Chicago building trades have demonstrated that they are

of each one? CAPITALIST EDUCATION.

Colleges and Universities Supply the De-mand for Highly Trained Wage Workers.

in these columns to the fact that the University of Wisconsin was puting in a "Commercial Course" to fit aborers to be more effective slaves. We pointed out how this was made nesary by the fact that modern industry demanded a higher grade of skill on the part of its slaves than any provious mode of production and also that this need was growing greater every Now it is announced that the Northwestern University at Evanston and the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor similar courses are under con he Chicago Public Schools, published last week, advocates the establishment of a similar course in the Chicago

he article referred to was published in the Workers' Call. shows the rapidity with which the movement is going on. It is snother syidence of the fact that the whole evidence of the fact that the whole manner of life of the laboring class is determined for them by the railing cap-italist class. Now it is being decided that they shall have that form of edu-cation that will make them the most-valuable slaves, without the sightlest

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merted. eill be made known upon application. EDITORIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ecure the return of unused manuscripts should be enclosed, munications must reach the office by Mon-ming preceding the issue in which they are that a signed article is 'published does to The Workers' Call to all opinious ex

ions and items of news concerning the ment are requested from our readers. thottes must be accompanied by the writer, not necessarily for publication, idence of good faith.



"MIND" AND "MATTER.

The "followers" of a newly arisen intellectual luminary named Prentice Mulford, who seems to be one of those mystical cranks whose frequent appearance is a sure sign of the decadence of old society, are about to start a socalled "Auto" club in this city. Their leader, whose teachings are said to be a compound of Christian Science, Theosophy. Spiritualism and other erratio bourgeois ideas too numerous to mention, has succeeded in getting around him a neucleus of apparently, dissatisfied individuals whose indefinite longings have led them to accept the mystical teachings of this abstract philosopher, whose central doctrine appears to be the supremacy of mind over matter. This stale philosophy, which has for decades attracted the attention of every metaphysical rainbowchaser who, to use a well-known phrase, delighted in soaring into the indefinite and diving into the unfathomable," carries in this instance its own contradiction. Its disciples are to have a clubhouse The clubhouse which these disciples

headquarters, is not to be a mere "castle in the air." On the contrary, it is to be composed of solid material, hande in appearance, and replete with every material comfort that can be procured; or to quote the newspaper report, "the best and freshest materials that can be found in the market." Ho it ems that these intellectuals to whom mind" is everything, resort to "ma terlals" and the "market" as a basis for their propagation of the doctrine of the Immaterial. Matter, dead matter, meré matter, low, vulgar, brutal matter, always seems to get full recognition from those who employ themselves in belittling its importance. "Twas ever

THEORY AND PRACTICE. "

For consistency the Democratic party will have to be awarded the cake. The Tammany Ice trust and Millionaire Clark of Montana join to fight the trusts and plutocracy. The negroes are disfranchised in the South, that the Fillpino may be given a free government While standing on an anti-injunction platform they support Judge Hook of judge in Augusta declares it to be a of the referendum. The whole platform crime for the union printers of that city to boycott a "rat" sheet. While shedding tears over the woes of the poor blacks in the islands of the seas they endorse the Democracy of Mississippl that sells the unfortunates in its penal institutions to the railroad and mining companies to be owned as slaves. And at the head of their great anti-military movement rides "Col." Bryan, the organizer and leader of a military regiment. But the crown of the whole business is when the party of Gov. Steunenberg and the Idaho bull pen poses as the friend of union labor. Are union men suckers enough to bite at such a political hash that fails to even bide the book benes h tre

CAN MEET ALL QUESTIONS.

The socialist is really the only one today that is able to say a constructive word regarding the so-called "questio of the day." On the trust question, for example, while the Republicans are willing enough to see the trust go on for the present, they shiver when they for the present, they shiver when they against whom the accusation of bribe-think of the dilemma it is going to lead giving brought by his enemies, is dis-them into. The Democrats are thanking their stars that they are outside, where all they have to do is to "depelled to actually 100 anything. The penses of the craterical fireworks which pies' Mars' are among the classics of will do much better than that. Not five mearest approach they can make to a will be exhibited during the next four socialism, and the Call now places them or six, but whatever number is neces-

muzzle on him, and then build a high fence around each separate state with good Demogratic office-holders at all ago, Ill., as mail the gates to examine all persons atcond class.

Call is published for and under section Chicago of the Socialist f Illinois, a corporation without he whole revenue of which must be seen to be a second or the control of the contro The socialist, on the contrary, sees in the trust the logical result of competition, a tremendous instrument for the creation of human necessities, and he does not wish to muzzle it but simply to harness it and change the direction of its benefits, by increasing the number of its owners from a few members of a privileged class to the whole body of producers.

SNAP SHOTS BY THE WAYSIDE.

Much indignation has been expressed over the conduct of some tugboat cap-tains and crews at the Hoboken disaser. The refusal of some of these to escue drowning people who could no pay for their services is denounced as brutal, cruel, barbarous, etc. The de nouncers forget that this is a profitmaking world, where men will not do 'business' unless they can make it pay. Is there such a vast difference between the captains of the New York tugboats. who are relatively poor men, and th capitalists who by virtue of the private wnership of the means of production shut down their factories and plants thus dooming those who depend upon access to them to sustain life, to possi ble death by starvation? Not so very much. The tugboat men realized that they lived in a capitalist society, and their actions simply harmonized with their surroundings.

The cable dispatches inform us that in spite of the war in South Africa, the terrible menace in China, and the dark and gloomy outlook for England that existing conditions present, British "so clety" takes great interest in athletic sports and games which are being conducted there. That in spite of the rors said to prevail in Pekin the said 'sticlety" has leisure enough to make the doings of our ex-American citizen W. W. Astor, an object of their distinguished consideration. All this may look strange to the unthinking. British "society," however, is but the expression of capitalism, and exists only through the exploitation and extension of the markets of the world, an operation which constantly gives them mor means and leisure to enjoy themselves as some others are astonished at the of the immaterial have chosen as their fact that a man is hungry when he has nothing to est.

> The Democrats in their "anti-expansion" plank invoke the "time-honored principles of democracy" as a reason against expansion. "time-honored" principles during the early fiftles, when the Democracy winked at the raids of Filibuste Walker against the Central American republics?

> In like manner the Republicans in ceke the same "time-honored princi ples" of their party, in approval of the expansion policy, notwithstanding the fact that the party in its earlier days opposed any extension, of American territory. But after all, the materia interests of the dominant element in each party gave expression to its policy then, just as it does now.

So far as the "trust", planks in the platforms of both parties are concerned. in themselves they are equally reac-tionary. They both threaten to abolish imit, or regulate, the trusts, but they don't mean one word of it. That this is true is distinctly shown by the fact that both of them favor the competi tive system of which the trusts are a necessary and logical result.

Kansas City in enjoining the street car be morrate lits quasi endorsement of the principle workers while another Democratic lits quasi endorsement of the principle lits quasi endorsement was read by that modern excrescence of outhern chivalry, Een Tillman, whose services in disfranchising the colored workmen of the South, didn't prevent him from endorsing the principle of th referendum, without perceiving the abplute hostility of the two ideas.

> Another humorous and significant in Edent in this Kansas City hodge-podge was the admission of the Clark delegation from Montana. Clark was right there with the price-well, you can't keep a good man down. It is reported that he pledged two million dollars to the campaign fund. At first, as the press account says, this aspiring politician offered one million, which the Daly faction met with a bid of one million and a half. The undaunted Clark promptly raised them half a million better, and the "common peo ple," the "plain people" at once took the unseated senator to their bosom,

The conditions under which Clark broke into the convention should do much to convince the aforesaid "common people" that the senator from Montana is a much-abused man, a vic im of political hostility, a martyr who stands spotless before the world, and trance into the convent

ere all they have to do is to "de- That two millions of dollars will go Prederick Engel's "Socialism. Utopian ing sent to the coast of China, he unce" and "deplore" and not be com- a long way toward defraying the ex- and Scientific." and Devilles "The Peo- may rest assured that "our leaders"

tion that the "comp mon" idiots, and perhaps they are not far wrong either.

Hearst's Chicago American is not course the "workingman's" paper, and its appearance has created a rivalry amongst the established organs regarding the publication of labor news and nent. The Record and Daily News vie with each other morning and evenstinacy of the contractors in not co ing to a settlement with their lockedout workmen. For this "change of heart" the appearance of the Chicago American is largely responsible. leader who will take the trouble to look over files of both of the above papers dated two or three months back can easily note the change that has taken place in the nature of the editorial matter on the lockout. The proprietors are not going to be left by Hearst when taffy is to dealt out.

But the Chicago American, like every other mouth-piece of capitalist interests, is careful not to say too much Like all of its stripe it will "deplore" and "denounce" ad libitum. In one edi-150 contractors possess the power of bringing misery and want to 0,000 workingmen and their families, and strives to point out the path of duty to the 250 by telling them that hey "ought," they really "ought" to ome to some amicable arrangement with their men. But it is careful not to oint out to the 39,900 workmen that they have 30,000 votes, which if cast for ocialism, for the Co-operative Comnonwealth, in unison with those of other wageworkers, would forever renove from the 150 contractors power of inflicting distress upon them

The nomination of Bryan and Steven son, is however, a source of utmost gratification to the Chicago American, which in connection therewith furnishes the 30,000 workmen aforesaid with the leasant announcement that Perry Belnont has also expressed his delight and satisfaction over the Kansas City nominations and feels certain that the tick et will win. Belmont met his family at the Auditorium Hotel, says the Chicago American, and expressed his intention of spending the "season" at Newport.

Amongst the 20,000 locked out work nen in Chicago there are no doubt cany thousands who are also "satisfied with the ticket," but they will not spend the "season" at Newport or any other resort. They will spend it in vondering when the lockout against hem will be declared off, and hoping that it may pass away without destroy ing their organizations. And on elecion day they will vote for the perpetu ttion of the very system which parayzes the effectiveness of those organiations, which they consider their only tope. Verity, of all the wenderful projucts of American capitalism, the American fool workingman is most wonderful of all.

The 30,000 have still further cause for ejoicing in the selection of Sjevensor as vice-president. This fellow, of coal mines at Stevensonville, McLean ounty, Illinois, absolutely forbade his miners to form any labor organization whatever, and enforced his commands For this reason in accordance with the law of the eternal political folly of unon men, they should exuit over the sciection of Adlai Stevenson.

Stevenson has still further claims on heir "most noble voices" next Novemper, claims which are equally convinc ng as those of Roosevelt, patentee of he steel toothed policeman's club, who now, fresh from the rout of the Italan laborers at Croton dam, apostrophizes the "patriotic" element from the rear platform of a Pullman car on his political stumping tour. When Stevenson was running mate with Grover, he

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By order of Organization Committee.

The joint convention for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following offices were held Sunday, July at 4 p. m., and the following are the outbases.

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(6th district)—J.

State Representative (2d district)—E.

Jordy (machinist).

State Representative (23rd district)—
Jno. Vagt (cook).

Convention adjourned after piedging their candidates if elected to enforce the platform adopted at the state convention.

"Let sleeping dogs lie." So far, the a bishop preach so eloquently the doc-nwakening of China" has not been trine that "might makes right," as re-wholy satisfactory to those who dis-gards this matter, while the fundaturbed her slumbers.

Sombart's "Socialism and the Social by counter to this materialistic con-movement of the Nineteenth Century." ception." As to the "five or six men-of-lissagary's "History of the Commune." war" which the bishop advocates be-

The Message of Socialism

(WRITTEN FOR THE WORKERS CALL)

From the desperate need of the hosts of toll, Hath arisen a mighty call—
And its heraids have echoed the wondrous sound,
And its fones have encircled the wide world cound: Bringing hope to the tellers in serfdom bound;-The wage slave and the thrall.

And this call hath been sped over land and sea . And millions hearken the word-And in mine and workshop and factory hell; In the hovels and huts where the tollers dwell. In the market where slaves their labor sell;— Its mighty tones are heard.

And this is its message, "Ye workers all On whose toil your masters thrive-Know ye not that if freedom ye would gain, " With your fellows in bondage ye must strain; Together to break the accursed chain;-In union ye must strive.

Know ye not that your jabor of hand and brain, Your plunderers have and hold-That the fields ye have sown your masters reap. That the houses ye builded your masters keep; That the wares ye made are ne'er so cheap;-As the labor power ye sold?

As the leaves of the ferest your numbers be. And your spoilers few be they— Ye have fettered yourselves with iron bands. Ye have placed the scourge in your masters' hands; Ye have striven to grant their full demands; -· By toll of night and day.

And what is your portion? A pittance bare, A pauper's shameful dole-The coarsest fare, the hardest bed; The meanest garb, the lowliest shed; The scorn of those ye have clothed and fed;-And a stunted mind and soul.

Yet the power ye have given your rulers proud, .Is yours to take again-And this is the task that ye cannot flee; The lesson of lessons that learned must be: For know ye that they who would be free, Themselves must break the chain?

Then how long will ye live the lives of slaves, And be mocked by the name of "free?"-Bearing the burden and heat of the day: Toiling in sorrow your lives away; The dupe of the cunning, the spoiler's prey-Whom they blind, that ye may not see.

How long will ye cringe and fawn and lie, For a beggar's paltry gains?-For your destined task ye have ample might, Ho! workingmen of all lands .Unite!-A world to win is the prize in sight-Ye have naught to lose but chains.'

And wherever this note rings loud and clear, The hearts of men are stirred-And they wake as with sound of a trumpet blast; Turning their eyes from the dull dead past: Straining the fetters which bind them fast-At the sound of that magic word.

And ever they struggle in Freedom's nar For the cause of Truth and Right-To stay the despotler's greedy hand; To gain for the toiler supreme command; Ever they send throughout the land-The Socialist call-Unite !

THE "OPEN DOOR" TREATY, leaders" occupy their present position

Bishop Thoburn Underestimates the Economic Knowledge of Our Capitalist Rulers.

A missionary bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church, named Thoburn, who talists quite as much as he does those traveled extensively through China, gives his opinion of the "open While the bishop, we will admit is perfeetly correct as to its value, he is simply fooling himself if he thinks that they the "leaders" mentioned are not quite capita as well informed as he is on the matter; serving

"At the present time," says Thoburn, "At the present time," says Thoburn, "our leaders are trusting altogether too much in Secretary Hay's much-vaunted agreement with European powers to maintain an open door in China. That agreement is worth nothing whatever.

But they also in addition to this agreement is worth nothing whatever. action of the latter in sending the regular treeps to Chicago in 1894 during the A. R. U. strike. Truly the workingmen should express their delight with the tickets of both old parties on the principle of ficking the boots of those that kick them.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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If the hishop really thinks that "our leaders" are selying merely upon the intrinsic value of the treaty to make its ffects binding, he might disillusionize imself by perusing the naval program which is at present under construction in this country, and the preparations that are being made for further armanents in the future. He might learn from them that "our leaders" are not quite so insocently trustful as he supses, and that they are well aware of the worth of the treaty unless power adequate to enforce it, is at their com

By the bye, is it not curious to be sental basis of the religion of which he is a professed exponent runs directgreen as to what they would do if they trust in countries to make the a months. It will also help to "bust the within the reach of everyone who make the material which their exploiters use to create by their labor their exploiters use to create by their labor their exploiters use to had the chance is to suggest that you, which the scratter houself is a chief. Be sure and take advantage of the slammed in the faces of the American maintain wage slavery and their even can'th the trust beast and put a license, beneficiary. The Democratic leaders "Book Offer."

of leadership.

The bishop also is a trifle off in his

facts when he declares that such action would "create a profound impres-sion in Europe." He underrates the class instincts of the European capiof "our leaders," by putting forwaard any such supposition. There is not a so ignorant as to be surprised at this action. Being capitalists themselves know the necessity under which capitalism labors, of finding and pre serving new markets. Knowink well the value of a treaty unsupported by force, they do not credit the American

They know that lying, duplicity, and hypocrisy is an essential part of the system of present society, and that the apparent trustfulness of "our leaders" is merely a sort of bluff, not to deceive their rivals in the world's markets, fo that they well know is impossible, but in order that the gulls and foels upor whose votes their power is based, be not needlessly alarmed by a too abrupt departure from ideas and tradition which while suitable in the past, are no longer needed, but are rather an obstacle at present.

Bishop Thoburn need have no anxthe door open, by a simple trust in th wording of a treaty and an implicit faith in the frankness of their Christian competitors. The "sword is mightier than the pen in this case" and armored ships with twalve-inch cannon and rapid firing guns will not fall to put in an appearance if there is the least sign that the markets may be closed against them by Russia or any other power.

For the basis upon which capitalist sciety stands today is the market. That taken away, it's destruction is imminent. The goods which the milmust find an outlet. If not stagnation poverty-and revolution as an ultimate op may assure himself that "our leaders" recognize this, and will leave noth-ing undone to prevent it, while all that is necessary to risk is the skin of the wage slaves who stand ready not only to fight their masters' battles, but also

A STRIKING PARALLEL.

Socialist Movement in England Meets a Similar Problem as in the United

The following description of one phase of the socialist movement in England, from the pen of Comrade Quelch, present editor of Justice, will prove interesting reading for American ocialists, who cannot fall to see in the present disposition of socialist forces in his country a most remakable parallel for the existing situation in England. "A combination of socialist organiza-

tions is an entirely different matter to this of a combination between such organizations and other bodies which are ; not essentially socialist, and there should be no difficulty about effecting such an amalgamation. Two or three years ago," says Com. Quelch, "there appeared every prospect of an amalgamation of the S. D. F. and the I. L. P. being brought about. You in, America appear to be passing through pretty much the same experience as we have already had. When the I. L. P. was started, there was really no need for any other socialist drganization than the S. D. F., and the formation of the new party has really only had the effect of weakening rather than strengthening the movement. But those who formed it thought that the S. D. F. was too narrow, too doctrinaire, and too secturian, all of which charges I seem to have seen made at some time or another against the S. L. P. of America. Anyhow, they thought that a more latitudinarian party would achieve a greater success. a time the.I. L. P. was not a definitely socialist organization, but gradually it was forced into the definite socialist position much as your S. D. P. appears to have been. From time to time we of the S. D. F. were treated to overtures for an amalgamation, but as the I. I. P. was not the first rival organization which had been started to do the work much better than we could, and as these others had all gone under we were in no hurry to ally auracives with an organization which might have no greater vitality than they. tually, however, as the position of the I. L. P. became pronouncedly socialist, and as there was no reason for the existence of two organizations who were identical in objects, principles, methods and everything but name, we agreed to amalgamate. A vote of the whole of the members of the two bodies was taken, and the great majority of those voting declared in favor of amalgamation. Immediately thereupon. however, the National Council of the I. L. P. declined to carry out the explicit mandate of its members, and at the annual conference of the body a makeshift resolution in Tavor of "federation," which was just an empty phrase, was adopted. The whole business seems to me, from what I have read, not very different from what has taken place with the S. L. P. and the S. D. P. in America. Had the proposed amalgamation taken place there is no doubt that it would have immensely strengthened the socialist movement in this country, and thereby given whole working-class movement an impetus, for although the socialist party cannot legitimately lay claim to be the working-class movement, there is practically no movement of the class outside the socialist party. That devoutedly to be wished amalgamation of all the sucialist forces in this country is, however, indefinitely postponed, and we have instead a hybrid combination of the different sections of what is euphemistically called the "labor movement," which is certainly not likely to loor" treaty in the following extract. diplomat or financier in Europe who is do any harm, but which will almost as certainly not do any good."

THE OLD "DITCH DIGGER."

An Object of Capitalist "Sympathy" Who Will Yet Dig His Own Way Towards Freedom.

Rev. Ian Maclaren the novelist, much concerned about the fate of his aged brother craftsmen in the ministry. and asks in despair, "Shall we shoot the old minister?" The new "friend of labor," Hearst's Chicago American points out that the same question applies to the old "ditch digger," the laborer, who is no longer useful to the There's more of him," says capitalist. Hearst's paper, "and infinitely worse off even than the minister."

After some characteristic capitalist twaddle, the humane instincts of the Thicago American predominate, and it expresses a pious hope that "somebody will do something for the old clergyman who needs help.

Then the Maclarens and "others will vote some thought to the case of the old digger" Inst so.

Better hurry up that "somebody," Mr. Maclaren, and get the old clergyman's case attended to at once or y con't have time to do anything for the "old digger." It is an awful fact that the latter is even now "devoting some thought to his own case." . He is digging a ditch already and when he gets through he'll dig up capitalism by the roots and bury it in the ditch. That's the way he proposes to attend to his own case. If you want a reputation for philanthropy in this matter Mr. Maclaren, you'll have to get a hustle on

Recollect that whichever "Bill" you may send in next November, capitalism will do the collecting just the same Better repudiate them both by voting with the socialists.

The progress of the cities struggle means the disappearance of that cur-ious specimen who professes to be a "socialist to a certain extent."

The Chinese have evidently been trying to convert Fekin into a rival of

Hardly had the noise of the squibs,

cannon erackers and other explosives. by means of which the enlightened inhabitants of this city celebrate the day they called their independence," died away, when, with the smell of the powder still in the atmosphere, a most significant comment upon the nature of the said "independence" was being given in the gigantic steel, mills of South Chicago. In that industriaal Washington, in an interview recently closes as follows

vate hospital.

through the medium of all the avail- cheaper than it can be bought here. accept as their organ the dally paper of the police, and one hundred and fifty. However, it is sold there at prices high the latter organization as the official special guards, armed and employed enough to precipile the working class by the company, who warned the "sov- to get it to consume, ereign voters" that any attempt to re- So the workingment with builets.

of the imprisoned men to sue the company in the law courts for damages for

Leaving out of account the socialist workman who may live in the vicinity, it is probable that out of the crowd of ged and bestegers who partici pated in this incident, not one could perceive the glaring contradiction bethe following day.

or Roosevelt, Bryan or Stevenson. even any of the lesser lights of the old capitalist parities, were to present themselves in the locality for the purpose of booming their respective tickets, the idiots whose indignation against the 'outrages' of the company could only be prevented from be ings transformed into physical force by threats of shooting, would be found eagarly and enthusiastically listeniar to, and cheering for, the knaves whos only object is to perpetuate the sys-tem by which industrial slavery is made to appear the highest ideal of

Part the fact alone that socialists are even now to be found not only in the vicinity of the 'company's works, but actually in its employ, is itself a warrant that this condition of blindness and folly cannot remain permanent That an ever increasing number men will see at last the thorough absurdity of yearly voting that the same ditions shall continue. That the private ownership of those gigantic their class, by individuals is the source of the power by which they are enabled to outrage, humiliate, and even murder those whose applied labor how-er alone gives them their value, and that as the private ownership depends totally upon man-made laws, so hy totally upon man-made has, so by have also made by men, they can be repealed, and expolanted by a system of collective owneyship, under which the word "independence," at present a sham and a morkery, shall become a flying reality, by sughing man the master of the things he has created instead of being enslaved by them. The working men in the steel mills have morely received again one of the

ssons which capitalism continually thunders in their ears. Until they lis ten, understand and act, the lesson will be repeated again and again with-out intermission. There is but one method by which freedom can be obtained-socialism. There is but one slavery to be removed-vanitalism.

WHAT IT SIGNIFIES,

hell men were toiling and sweating be- gave it out as favorable to his country fore the huge furnaces wearing out that American goods could be bought must disappear. It is aiready couthelf life force in piling up dividends in a good many instances chapper than -profits for the owners who, by the in the United States, and if there had belongs to you to give it the finishing way, were no doubt enjoying the cool-been someone there who had investi-stroke. We count upon your energy est and most comfortable and fashion- gated this, matter be no doubt could and upon 'your steadfastness as you able resorts which the seaside and have told Mr.Wu with equally as much may count upon ours. From this time mountains can afford fo front of the truth, that Chinese goods can be pur- in every town of the country-let the able resorts which the seaside and have told Mr. Wu with equally as much mountains can afford for front of the mountains can afford for front of the hastic phraselogy lits one of the country let the clared that they were "socialists and Democrats merely declared that they were "socialists (od" having brains enough to cope with prescharge and the U. S. regular troops enforced against the master phraselogy. Its output against the miners of Cocur d'Alene's clared that they were "socialists, tod" having brains enough to cope with prescharge and the U. S. regular troops enforced against the master phraselogy. Its output against the miners of Cocur d'Alene's clared that they were "socialists, tod" having brains enough to cope with prescharge only of a sorillation of the unions, these batallions of the summer, added to that of gentleman to make this troops enforced against the miners of Cocur d'Alene's clared that they were "socialists, tod" having brains enough to cope with prescharge only of a sorillation of the first distinguished the voted against the resolutions. Senator Hawley is now credited with the runs into print to declare that he would do ft again if necessary. Isn't he only and them to the summer added to that they were "socialists, tod" having brains enough to cope with prescharge only of a sorillation of the first distinguished that they were "socialists, tod" having brains enough to cope with prescharge only of the miners of Cocur d'Alene's the proposed of the microscope o the country in this regard, but each and when the Parti Ouvrier shall give the ley is another one of those smooth gen-written has served the tarn of every laffair? And lan't he a good Democrat by the fearful temperature and the catalogue of the work, had all of these learned personages have dropped dead almost in their tracks, while others, prostrated from the same cause, were being carried into the company in this regard, but each and all of these learned personages have dropped dead almost in their tracks, while others, prostrated from the same cause, were being carried into the company in this regard, but each and all of these learned personages have dropped dead almost in their tracks, while others, prostrated from the same cause, were being carried into the company in this regard, but each and all of these learned personages have dispute the signat of assault, the day when your deputies shall engage in the final battle, we have the assurance that the formidable movement which last year succeeded in blocking the progress of reaction will reappear more resistless than ever to break the las, resistance of the suffer-charged the highest prices for the fearly of frand, and to open they are the support of the suffer-charged the highest prices of the party of frand, and to open wild the superior wisdom of the classes of all lands have the choicest company had determined to without all of these learned personages have signat of assault, the day when your deputies shall engage in the final battle, we have the assurance that the isgnat of assault, the day when your deputies shall engage in the final battle, we have the assurance that the formidable movement which last year succeeded in blocking the progress of reaction will reappear more resistless than ever to break the las, resistance of the perfect was the last of the section the final battle, we have the saurance that the formidable movement which last year succeeded in blocking the progress of reaction will reappear more resistless than ever to break the last, resistance of the kingly role of electing the sum of the sum from the local "public," from whose broad and toil their dividends were alone made possible.

To complicate matters, the company had that day also exercised its legal preregative by discharging a number of the "free and independent" ones, as well as the topocosist of the earth and factory for UNIVERSAL SUFFIAGE.

As always happens when the socialing is attempt to take a decisive step industry of the Chicago Stock Yards, the Liberais, who have been making the Liberais, who have been making the Liberais who have been making the Liberais and their friendship ments of the world in that line are for the workers and their desire for preregative by discharging a number centered and here come the choicest reform, are now found hand in hand of the "free and independent" ones, as well as the topocol, a pigular of the with the clericals, prepared to block.

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did not propose that their priseners did not propose that their prisoners one is passed by he selects cheaper should remain idle, white they post goods, for his customers can't afford callst party of Holland held at Amsessed labor power, which could be made to pay for the best. Finally the merterialized in profit: Accordingly they chant from the aweatshop district were kept at work, and food and "ac- comes along and buys the cheapest commodation" provided on the prem- staff he can get held of for his trade to ises of the company. During this supply. Experience has proved to the forced labor some of the "free and in- packers that the supply of the best dependent" died or were prostrated by the terrific heat.

And outside the gates a clamorous mob of the "sovereign people" assembled demanding the release of the of it at home at grade two price, which the old socialist organization, baving the of it, at home at grade two price which the old socialist organization, having prisoners, the reinstatement of those would enable a poorer class to buy it, who had been discharged, and the re- they ship it to England and the rest of and followers of Domeia Neuwenhuis. lease of the prostrated ones from the Europe at less than first grade price. tender mercies of the company's "pri- This keeps up the price on all grades at home and enables the consumers of demands were answered other countries to buy the best product

lease their fellow workers from en-product and get the scraps; enough of forced labor would be promptly met the best product is distributed here to this r solution by the 43 delegates at the with builds.

This answer was final. The crowd goes to supply the "upper" class of gave up the attempt after some vague other lands. And the strangest part threats by the relatives and friends of it all is that the workingman" who doesn't think for himself, thinks it the project thing for the to produce the best for his masser and to himself feed on what is left on his hands in the making

Although the Chinese "Boxers" un doubtedly possess a distinct tween what the neisy ceremonies of streak" it does not appear to affect July the Fourth were supposed to rep-resent, and the actual occurrences of of "civilized" bruisers. Anyhow China was always a land of contradictions. It is almost certain that if McKinley and this discovery is only and or firmation of the general rule.

> Some men seem to be proud of the fact that they are able to keep the forces of the workers scattered. they are not all in the capitalist parties either.

Under the constitution a man has a right' to quit work when he pleases out then it is well to remember that the constitution is unconstitution this sense when applied to the Illinois Steel Co.'s plant. .

The DeLeonite speakers in Chicago are in hard luck, if they tack social-ism, we get the votes. If they talk S. T. & L. A. we get the crowd. Catch em goin' both ways.

Do You Think?

Do you think that there is - wealth nough in this country to supply every woman and child with all the saries and most of the luxuries of life? Do you think that it all the able-moded men, only able-bodied men, were to work in the very best possible way with the most improved machinery to cated in the places where it could be used to the best advantage, that they outd feed and clothe and house every body in comfort and even luxury? Bu they cannot do anything of this kind so long as the things they would, al have to work with are in the hands of s small class who only allow them to to be used while there is a profit to be nade for the owners. The socialist sould let all producers have a shar hip and then they coul and would be used for the good of all.

Keep your eye on your subscription

FOREIGN NEWS.

Glimpses of the World-wide Struggle Notes From Trades Union Journals and of the Prolefarian Army for Its Liberty. BELGIUM.

As was announced in these columns last week, the Belgian comrades are about to make a supreme effort for Why the Product of American Labor Is
Often Sold Cheaper Abroad a ringing proclamation, pointing out
Than at Home. the abuses of the present system of the abuses of the present system of Mr. Wu, the Chinese ambassador to proportional representation, which

"Comrades! This reign of falsehood

At the cecent conference of the Sosterdam, resolutions were passed declaring the necessity of the action of the militant proletarist on both the economic and political ground, and declaring that the organizations for these purposes constituted the two indispen-

and followers of Domela Neuwenhuis. and which has for its organ the weekly paper "Recht voor Allen." should dissolve itself and merge itself in the Social-Demokritische Arbeiderparty, and party organ. The common organization now has three deputies in the legisla-So the workingmen make the best tive chamber, Troeistra, Van Koi and convention is complete confirmation of the union now existing in the socialist movement of the Netherlands, which will mean increased strength against

Socialist Meetings.

Wednesday: North and Orchard. Oakiey and 24th. Oak and Sedgwick-Thursday

Clark and Walton. Noble and Milwaukee,

Priday: Taylor and Blue Island

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11th and Michigan.
Paulina and Milwaukee.
Carpenter and Milwaukee.
State and Quincy.
Sand and Commercial.
All above meetings begin at

8 p. m.

Sunday (15th), 3 p. m. North and California. Archor and Western. Belmont and Sheffield. Cottage Green and 60th. Sunday, 8 p. m.: Sist and 5th avenue. Peoria and Madison. 17th and Laffin.

Ten six months' postals will be sent for \$2.90, where no premium is asked for. There is not a subscriber to the. Call that cannot get rid of that many in the next ten days.

At neither the DeLeon nor the "Manifesto" lilinois convention was there more than thirty persons present, but at the convention of the united socialists on July 4th there were over hundred delegates present. This is a straw that shows which way the wind blows in Illinois.

You may have to secure the permis sion of some capitalist in order to live but you don't have to ask permi to vote for the abolition of this state of

What have you done for socialism turing the past week? What are you going to do next week? Be sure that you send in at least one subscriber to the Workers' Call.

By selecting a free silver and a gold tandard Democrat as running mates standard Democrat as running notes for the presidential offices, the Demo-cratic party evidently shows its balled in the saying, that "consistency is the bugbear of small plinds."

LABOR ITEMS.

Exchanges, Throughout the United States.

On a recent Sunday 700,000 leaders, a stack 40 feet high, were distributed by Berlin socialists. That shows what a well-disciplined army of proletarians

Ex-Stage Senator R. A. Dague, of California, heretofore an active Repub-lican, has disposed of his newspaper ditions under which the working class plants and embraced the cause of socialism.

By a vote of 24215 to 8215 the North
American Turner Bund, in its national
Convention in Philadelphia, refused to
go on record in favor of socialism. The
socialists made all the speeches and the

ing so-callest literature in their posses. So this platform, true to old tradi-sion. But the cpar will fail in his object, as he has before. The secret move— a mass of meaningless gibberish about the rigor of a military rule such as a ment is reported in London as growing the "immortal" declaration of inde- Czar of Russia never dreamed of—this

state of Georgia there is a law making they wished to secure, would carry it a crime for workingmen to boycott a them safely over this sing. capitalistic establishment, no matter But the Socialist wants to know how

LOCAL NEWS AND NOTES.

Enthusiastic meetings are held by the 19th ward branch at the corner of 14th street and Oakley avenue, on Wednes-day evenings.

Comrade Stangland addressed a good audience last Sunday at North and Cal-Hortha avenues. Comrade Kienke speaks at the same place next Sunday.

All socialists fiving in Brighton Park and vicinity should attend the meet-ings held on Sundays at 3 o'clock at Archer and Western avenues. Comrade Loewenthal' is speaker for the next meeting.

streets, Sunday evenings, continues to that you have the effrontery to appeal grow in interest. A large crowd is always present. Questions are usually asked by the listeners and discussions of the different aspects of socialism fol-

A meeting will be held on Saturday, Jaiy 4th at 8 p. m., at Lexington Hall, 258 South Western avenue, for the pur-pose of organizing a socialist branch in the 12th ward. Good speakers will address the meeting and all working-men in the ward are invited to be pres-

Enthusastic out-coor meetings are reported from all directions. The party now holds eighteen street corner meetings each week, and the number is being increased. The cause is greatly in need of more speakers. Our speakers are mainly men who work at long hours are mainly men who work at long hours.

ili may have a chance. No monopoly on ruth and fresh air!

The comrades of the 33rd ward have renewed their open-air agitation in South Chicago. Last summer this branch held public socialist meetings at the corner of Commercial avenue and 23rd street every Saturday evenings, from the close of May till the middle of September. The same place and time have been chosen this year, and open air useelings will be continued till the cold evenings of the fall drive the listonial evenings of the fall drive the listonial special address at this corner, and last Saturday night Comrade Loewenthed gave an earnest address on the difference between the objects of the Socialist particularly and those of the Capitalist parties. At the close of the address, the audience and lor more than an hour asked questions performed Saunders will give the principal address, the audience and lor more than an hour asked questions performed Saunders will give the principal address, and all comrades are in vited to be present.

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Every laborer in the state of lilinois to a sum that the party the who cares for his own interests more than he does his his employer's will be in the socialist ranks this fail, and every socialist that cares more for socialism than he does for men or organization will vote for and work for the platform is also "significant." Of course. But partions will vote for and work for the property of injunction. Of course, but partions will vote for and work for the property of injunction. Of course, but partions will vote for and work for the property of injunction. Of course, but there been a law jump passed by locations will vote for and work for the party of the last the party it.

THE "WHAT IS IT."

form" Adopted by Alleged "Dem-crats" at Kansas City.

got out a-"platform."
What kind of a platform?

Does it sky anything of importance?

Does it say anything whatever worthy tarism?

pendence, (which by the way was used is what Steunenberg-good Democrat-

are in a towering rage. It is all due to intellect, we leave our readers to judge, words, double-faced dealing, clumsy the fact that a Democratic judge in the In the face of the fact that the same falsehoods and spoils politics. Democratic city of Augusta, in the farty who talk about the "consent of Democratic state of Georgia, injunctive governed" are those who have distioned that craft from boycotting a franchised the colored workmen of the daily "rat" paper, despite the fact that South, it would perhaps seem more

how labor-oppressive it may be. 'Rah about it, Mr. Democrat?' How does the tally with the "consent of the gov-

> chattel glavery was abolished in 180.2 How about the recent laws passed in beginning of the lockout, when things the state of Georgia by Democratic looked as favorable for the unions as law makers, giving the Democratic prison-officials power to SELL OR LUASE CONVICTS for one year at prices ranging between \$92 and \$1920 layers are already regretting the action When you appeal to the voters in the of their union, and none of the others name of the federal constitution, do show any sign of following them. Many you forget this?

What is it but slavery re-established in Democratic-Georgia? Is it not a clear violation of an article in the fed-The meetings at Peoria and Madison eral constitution, the very decument to? How about it? What are you if the whole matter is not soon settled.

And those "fundamental principles," "dagrant breach of faith," "taxation "taxation without representation," etc.,

is it not a "flagrant breach of faith" when Democratic officials are pretend to love and revere the constitution. and who, on every possible occasion call upon it as a witness to the guilty acts of other people, themselves violate its most "fundamental principles"

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the Democratic party with this corrup

law isn't it a fact that in the Demo-Being An Analysis of the Alleged "Plat- Georgia, the Typographical union has cratic city of Augusta in the state of been Tenjoined" against boycotting a rat" paper in that city? And didn't The Democratic convention has met the "injunction" come from a Demo-at Kansas City-nominated a ticket and cratic judge?"

Another question. Doesn't the plats What kind of a platform? . form declare against "militagiam?" is it a document to be taken serious. Well, why is that your candidate, the idolized Bryan, who hates militarism, volunteered for the late was (true he Does it touch the present conditions? didn't go to the front), and was ap-Does it may anything about the con-ations under which the working class Missouri? He holds that title yet. Does, he do this to show his hatred of mill-

R. A. M.

A Barren Victory. The defection of the bricklayers, the Democratic party pretends to be probable that the compilers of the platopposed to injunctions. It might be form calculate beforehand that the lack added that in the good old Bourben, of brains amongst those whose votes the compiler defeat of the men has turned out to amount to practically nothing. It was quickly found that the bricklayers and masons could not work without the other building trades, save about it, Mr. Democrat? How does a without the only actions of your party in this respect in a few exceptional cases, and where tally with the "consent of the goy- they did so work they only became another source of revenue to the locked ien't it a fact, Mr. Democrat, that our laborers in other trades. Indeed they do today. The men are standing together more firmly than at any time important contracts are pressing for completion, and some of the smaller contractors show signs of weakening. The contractor who has charge of the work on the Coliseum has already inti-

Now Is the Accepted Time. Never was there as enthusiastic a

mated that he may break the lockout

cialist convention held in the of Illinois as the one held in this city on the Fourth of July. Now the next thing to do is to arrange for the cam-paign. All through the state there are comrades who are subscribers to this paper, but who are connected with no socialist organization. In fact, there are fifty postoffices in the state of Illinois where the Workers' Call has but a single subscriber, besides a still largare mainly men who work at long hours and who find it difficult to reach meetings at a distance from their power, and who find it difficult to reach meeting and their powers of the Filipines, assumes an air of symptoms of the Filipines, assumes a reach a larger circle of friends. There Why are so few women, seen at the open-air meetings? Is fresh air bad for women? Or is sectalism not good for them? All true socialists must believe that men have no manopoly tight to the meetings, how would the "dividing-up principle do in staying at home with them occasionally? On agitation nights, let the bushands and brothers take their turn with the wives and sisters that all may have a chance. No monopoly on a greatest measure. Curious isn't it? most tavorable to converse to the respective the respective to the Workers' Call. You will get

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A majority and minority report were brought in. A substitute report, brought in by Comrade Morgan, was carried

Resolved. That this convention hereby adopts the declarations and indores the acts of the national convention of the Socialist Labor, party, held in Rochester, N. Y., January last, and of the national convention of the Socialist Labor, party, held in Rochester, N. Y., January last, and of the national convention of the Social Democratic party, held in Indianapolis, ind. March last, whereby Eugene V. Debs and Job Harriman were nominated as the presidential candidates of these two socialists parties, and whereby a joint committee was elected and suthorized to formulate a plan for the organic union of both socialist parties. Hesolved: That this convention beck by recognizes the authority of this Joint committee to continue in the exercise of its authority till a plan of union formulated by said committee is finally approved by a referendum vois of a majority of both of the aforesaid parties, and Resolved. That this convention forth-with elects a special committee hereby THE UNION OF SOCIALIST PARTIES

majority of both of the aforesaid parties, and Resolved. That this convention forthwith elects a special committee hereby authorized to represent this convention and to act with all its powers in all matters pertaining to filling all vacancies on the ticket nominated by this convention, to issue no inhaltion papers and file the same, and to have the nominees of this convention placed upon the official ballot, preferably under the name Socialist Party, or such combination of the names Social Democratic party and Socialist Labor Party as may best represent and embody both these party names and conform with all legal requirements, and said committee is further authorized to take such other action as may be required to carry out the purpose of the United Convention of the 5 D. P. and S. L. P.

A motion to reconsider that part of the report referring to the name, and declaring that the name in this state for the ticket be preferably "Socialist Party was carried.

The committee called for in Comrade Morgan's resolution was elected, consisting of Comrades Morgan, Simons, Hitch, Johnson and Kerr.

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The convention then adjourned sine

Roswell H. Johnson, Secretary

A. Klenke.

The County Convention.

The United Convention of the Social eratic and Socialist Labor Parties. of Cook County, Ill., was held at 70 N. Clark street, Wednesday evening, July Comrade Enex was elected chairman of the convention. Comrade W. Saunders was elected secretary. The first act of the convention was the unanimous indersement of the actionand nominations of the United State Convention. On motion it was decided to nominate the candidates for the unty ticket, and the following comrades were nominated;

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man, Robt. Wadell, C. G. Nelson, County Surveyor-J. W. Saunders. County Commissioners-

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What adds to the discomfigure of the operatives in the last few days is a ruling of Justice Rell of the superior court that defeats the efforts of the labor unions to compel the milis to employ women and children, only fifty-eight hours a week. He ruled that there is nothing in law to prevent milis from employing such women and children as many hours as desired.

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