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CHICAGO SOCIALIST.

"Workingmen of all countries unite! You have nothing to Lose but your chains. You have a world to gain."

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ECHOES OF THE CLASS STRUGGLE.

State Historical Soc X,

Railway Drops Old Employes --- Lake Shore and it is addressed to Moore's friend and Eastern Lays Off 650 Employes at South Chicago.

Capitalist Authorities Carrying Things with there and tell you anything to get you a High Hand in Colorado.

"The history of all hitherto exist-peured an injunction against the typeing society is the history of class strug- founders,

plebeian, lord and serf, guildmaster and journeyman, in a word, oppressor and oppressed, stood in constant oppointerrupted, now hidden, now open fight, a fight that each time ended, pert a large office building. either in a revolutionary re-constitution of society at large, or in the common ruin of the contending classes.

"In the earlier epochs of history, we find almost everywhere a complicated arrangement of society into various orders, a manifold gradation of social rank. In ancient Rome we have patricians, knights, plebelans, slaves; in the middle ages, feudal lords, vassals, gulld masters, journeymen, apprentices, serfs; in almost all of these classes, again, subordinate gradations.

"The modern bourgeois society that has sprouted from the ruins of feudal society, has not done away with class antagonisms. It has but established new classes, new conditions of oppression, new forms of struggle in place of the old ones."--Communist Manifesto.

RAILWAY DROPS OLD EMPLOYES

On account of the closing of the Illinois Steel Company mill at South Chieago, 500 employes of the Chicago. Lake Shore and Eastern Railway, Robert G. Clark has been appointed which is operated by the steel company, have been laid off, and 130 more discharged. Among the men discharged were thirty of the oldest emplayes of the company, mostly engineers. All have been employed by the ing 35 cents an hour and want 371/2. road from fifteen to twenty years.

Upon inquiry the men were told that the company must cut down expenses.

As a result of the shutting down of the Illinois Steel plants, many smaller | no bill" was voted by the last grand | capitalist. concerns in South Chicago have been jury, is a union and not, as stated at forced to run short handed, because the time, a nonunion man. Lang is a awakens to the truths that have been to live in. Socialists believe that the they cannot get material to fill their member of the Chicago Printing Press- persistently pointed out by the So- first cry of a child should be an order orders. Among those who have had to man's Union No. 3, and foreman of the cialist party, through their speakers lay off men are: The John Mohr Boil- pressroom of the R. R. Donnelley & and writers, it will not be a great life be guaranteed to it. Children could er Works, sixty employes; the Hibben Boiler Works, twenty; and the Kee- and killed Emil Reichow, a picket of pendent. man & Hill Boller Works, twenty.

The advances of the Amalgamated Association of Sheet and Iron Workers | dence given to the coroner's jury. to the employes of the steel works have met with rebuff. The ampleamated association, the national organworkers to come back into the union. The South Chicago men were formerly in the amalgamated, but left in the strike four years ago and formed a local union called the Lakeside Lodge of Ironworkers.

PRINTING SHOPS CUT PAY. Following up the blows administered recently by the courts to the Franklin Union of Pressfeeders, the printing toms who still employ members of the union yesterday de cided to reduce wages to the level

that obtained before the strike three months ago. Should the cut not be accepted, the plants will be closed to Franklin Union men. Their places will then be filled by the printing pressmen's union or by nonunion workmen. The employers resolved that they would not enter into any more contracts with

Franklin organization. The largest houses in the new movement follow: James Regan, American Three Color Co., P. F. Pettibone & Co., W. P. Dunn Co., Wagner & Hanson, Robert O. Law Co., C. O.

Owen Co., Pettibone, Sawtelle & Co., Hack & Anderson, M. A. Donobue & The decision of the printers was made known at a conference with Business Agents Woerner and Flannery. They were told that the concerns could not afford to pay \$15 a week while their competitors were

paying \$7 to \$13 and that the wages must be reduced to \$13. The leaders of the union replied that they would submit the proposition to their execu-

The Franklin Union yesterday call-d a strike on Barnhart Bros. &

"Freeman and slave, patrician and DISCUSS "LABOR TEMPLE" PLAN. The hopes of organized labor for a "labor temple" were told at yesterday's meeting of the federation comsition to one another, carried on an un- mittee. It was declared that the rents paid by the various unions would sup-

> "There are 500 locals in the city." said J. J. Keppler, of the machinists, "and each pays, on an average, \$288 a year for the use of halls for meetings. This makes the total for the city \$144. 000. Then take into consideration the large sums given for headquarters and offices and for halls for special meetings. Labor is paying enough now to keep a fine building going."

No plan for financing the project was evolved, although President Barney Cohen of the State Federation of Labor said he believed that could be accomplished.

"I have already, received a letter." he said, "from a responsible firm offering to erect the building according to our specifications."

TO ARBITRATE HOTEL DISPUTE.

In the differences between the hotel proprietors and the engineers and firemen, the owners have offered to accept arbitration. A committee consisting of John C. Roth, Abe Frank, and by the hotel men to conduct the nego tiations. The firemen replied that they were willing to arbitrate, and an answer will be given by the engineers on Jan. 5. The engineers are receiv-

"NO BILL" FOR UNION PRESS-MAN.

Charles F. Lang, in whose case a the Franklin Union, on Nov. 21, and was held to the grand jury on the evi-

NONUNION MINERS REPENT.

ization of the craft, wished the local Miners Are Harshly Treated by the Colorado Coal Operators, Forced to Sleep on Ground and Allowed to See No One.

> One hundred and forty men who left Chicago two weeks ago to work in the coal mines at Telluride, Colo., are now held prisoners there, under a guard armed with rifles, according to a letter which was smuggled out of their camp (Manhattan and the Bronx), 4.529 in and was received yesterday by a friend Kings County (Brooklyn), 970 fn of one of the men.

This was the first word the families of the miners have received since they left Chicago Dec. 12. This is explained, however, by the letter, which says the men are cut off from all com-

nunication with the outside world. is worse than Siberia!" writes Clar. of 7,796.

ence Moore. have to sleep in one room, upon the unions, after the experience with the floor, and it is so crowded that all of 17,327-a gain of 7,883. us lie at full length at one time. No

covering is provided for us, MEN SLEEP ON BARE GROUND. "All the rest sleep in small tents on the bare ground, except for brush Borough of the Bronx, received 1,518 and leaves which we pick up as we are marched back and forth from the

mines. The men in the tents have a

thin blanket apiece and in the morning

they are so cramped and stiff with the cold that they cannot hold their tools. "Many of us are sick, but there is no gain of 401. doctor here. Arthur White, died yesterday, and I don't think Tom Harding will last much longer. Let their folks

"Take this letter to 100 East Van Buren street every day, and show it to keep anybody else from coming ont The men are almost starving and what little food we do get is not

Her because the company had se- ! "There must be some way you can

help us. We have no money, and when we asked when we would be WOMEN SHOULD paid we were told there would be noth ing coming to us until we had paid back our fares out here. That was promised to'us, but they say now that

APPEAL FOR HELP. Accompanying this letter was one

from the president of the local union of United Mine Workers at Telluride reads as follows:

"Mr. Lee Sloan-You are a stranger to me, but if you are a union man You will help the cause. Thease take this to the Chicago Examiner and have it published. "There is a great coal strike on

ere, and the companies will come out here. When you get here you are guarded all around and not allowed out

"The coal miners are out of camp and living in tents, and they won't allow them to see us. We are in there and have to sleep on the floor of the poarding house as thick as we can to keep warm, for we have very little to cover ourselves with and very little to

"By publishing this you will oblige W. M'ALLISTER, President of Local Union 1709, United Mine Workers of America."

The one important thing for the workers to learn at present is the sig nificance of the present struggle going on between the working or producing class and the capitalist or exploiting

We print above just a fraction of the news of one day dealing with labor troubles.

Every day our great newspapers are filled with accounts of strikes, lockouts, boycotts and layoffs of the work ers. These news items show the blind struggle of the labor giant in his effort to free himself from the chains of economic slavery. No one doubts his ability to break the chains that bind him once he becomes conscious of his

consciousness of their economic and political power and show the working lass its historic mission of freeing it self and abolishing all classes is the work and missien of the Socialist par-

Those of our class who have had faith in the possibility of pure and simple trade unionism accomplishing anything permanent by fighting on the economic field must, in our opinion, soon see the hollowness of such hope.

With all the powers of government and all the products of labor in the hands of the capitalists labor is powerless and absolutely at the mercy of the

Sons Company's pressroom. He shot while until labor will be free and inde-

is in uniting and becoming the dominating power of the world-to this end we invite you to study Socialism.

NEW YORK CITY VOTE.

Final Official Figures for Social Democratic Candidates-Gain of 72 Per Cent Over 1901.

Charles L. Furman, Social Demo cratic candidate for Mayor of New York, received in the recent election, according to the final official canvass 11.318 votes in New York County Queens County, and 133 in Richmond County; in all, 16,956-a gain of 7,122 over our vote for the same office in the last city election in 1901.

Morris Brown, for Comptroller, re ceived 11.874 In New York County 4.716 in Kings, 1.005 in Queens, and "For God's sake, help us! This place 135 in Richmond; in all, 17,730-a gain

Peter J. Flanagan, for President of "Only a few of us have a roof to the Board of Aldermen, received 11,917 cover us at night. About forty of us in New York, 4,859 in Kings, 1,015 in Queens, and 136 in Richmond; in all,

> Richard Bock, for President of the Borough of Manhattan, received 10,000 -a gain of 4,337.

Gustav Dressler, for President of the -a gain of 705. Cortes W. Cavanaugh, for President

4.920-a gain of 2.013. Frank Bessen, for President of the Borough of Queens, received 987-a

of the Borough of Brooklyn, received

Christopher Ward, for President of the Borough of Richmond, received

131-a gain of 24. GRAND CLEARING OF CAPS AND ist movement, her interest as a citizen GLOVES.

Comrades should go to this store for their headwear, 97 Madison street, northwest corner Dearborn. All hats CURNEY BROS.

BE SOCIALISTS

Gertrude Breslan Hunt.

Women suffer even more acutely than men from all the evils of the pres ent system, hunger and cold in a land of plenty, war, crime, strikes, enforced idleness of strong men auxious to work but shut away from the means of life by our monopolistic system, the waste and folly of the idle rich, child labor, ignorance, dirt. homelessness, anxiety and intemperance; the conditions of mastery and servitude, the sacrifice of companionship and brotherhood, the sacrifice of beauty and quality to cheapness and the degradation of mardage owing to the economic uncertain ty and inequality. This system is the greatest enemy of the home and hence

Women are greater sufferers because poorly equipped to live in a period of struggle. They lack the franchise, the most powerful weapon of defense which the workers possess: women, though crowded into the struggle, lack the equipment men receive the special education and training they receive lower wages and meet much opposition from men, who see in their labor only an added element of competition. Woman's long economicodependence and legal subjection and abuses resulting from these condi-

ions have weakened and crippled her. Her endurance has been lessened by her over specialization to sex, her vo ration of motherhood also handicaps her in a system of ceaseless struggle and exploitation.

The Socialist party is the only party that stands for the re-instating of the disinherited workers, equal opportunity for men and women to the means of life and its blessings.

Under the co-operative common wealth women as well as men would be economically independent; they would have ample time for study rest, travel, no harmssing anxiety about old age and periods of helplessness. Under improved public service the

lighting and cleaning, baking, sewing and many other things would be better and more easily accomplished. All would be insured beautiful, comfortable, permanent dwellings.

Marriage would be rescued from it taint of prostitution. Under Socialism women would have their full share in making the laws and conditions under | terest." which they and the race they bring into the world must live.

Women's interests as mothers would alone be sufficient to bring her into the Socialist movement. If she expects no gain for herself she will be glad to On the other hand, if labor ever help make this a fit place for her child upon the state that a full, complete not be exploited and their little lives ground out into profit for some cotton mill king to throw to his dogs.

They would not be sent into wars which capitalists get up to extend their markets or get another set of people to exploit. The interests of the workers are one the round world over Capitalists would just as soon exploit an Englishman as a Chinaman, a German as an Italian, a Protestant as a Catholic, or a woman or child as a man. As long as the workers allow prejudices of race, creed or sex to divide them they are playing into the hands of their exploiters who hold their powers by reason of ignorance and divisions in the ranks of the toil-

Our robbed and burdened childbood should stir the most sluggish heart to action or there is no manhood and womanhood in us.

Socialist men stand up for woman's freedom, but it depends upon the intelligence of woman what use she will make of her opportunity. Women should study and think for themselves. We are developed by what we do, not by what is done for us. "Who would be free himself must strike the blow."

There is much evidence that women are naturally superior to men. She is the steward of racial progression as appointed by nature, using the route of natural selection. Our vast modern industries are a monument to and a development of mother love.

Their beginnings were made by woman in her effort to provide for her

Women have a right to life and they have a right to sustain their life by their own efforts and not to be forced to depend upon anyone, either father, husband or capitalist. And to sum up, every interest of

woman would lead her into the Socialas an individual, as a worker, as a mother, as one possessed of a divine and unquenchal c enthusiasm for thing "-Chicago Record Herald. ighteousness or right relations. When woman is free to express her-

self in art, science and manufacture, to care for her children wisely, our race! New Era.

wift improve in beauty, intellect and soul quality, most crime and disease will be eliminated; the lust of greed and war will be past, misery and poverty abolished, and men and women grong, full of health, beauty and intellect will enter into their heritage. for which ages of pain have been required to teach them how to have and

WATCHING THE OUTCOME FEAR-

The Toronto Globe, speaking of the from 10 to 15 per cent. recent election in Australia, thus true! to capitalist instincts and behests, says as follows: "The first election after the one held to complete the organization of the Australian Commonwealth has just taken place and the result has been a surprise to the outside world-perhaps to the Australian people also. There has been a turn over as complete as it was unexpected. In the last Parliament the Labor members numbered less than one-fourth of the Senate and very little more than one fifth of the House of Representatives. In the new Senate they are the strongest and make nearly one-half of the bese coolies have been brought into and ears, they might themselves be Chamber, while in the new House Cuba, and it is just a starter. It is more valuable than their bridles. In they are also the strongest party and safe to say that number will swell to fact, it may be discovered that the make up more than one-third of its 8,000." Coolies are cheap workers, members. Possibly the employes of contented, peaceful and obedient. the farms sympathized and allied When the American workman is. themselves with the Labor party of forced to compete with coolies, he may the cities. It is quite certain that the then realize that the abolition of comwomen voters did so. To the question petition is necessary for his self-preserof what that party will do with its vation, and that the union label alone victory it is impossible to give an an. will not prevent the sale of cheap cooswer. That the coming regime will be lie made cigars. 'democratic and collectivist' goes without saying. The outcome will be The wages of 30,000 coke workers mixed with anxiety."

Australia, while not a revolutionary their wages cut? toilers. It remains to be seen whether as well as security of employment. the Australian radical Laborites can prove their opportunistic theories real or fallacious. Revolutionary Socialist, Opportunistic Socialist, as well as which will add ten thousand more idle Capitalists will watch with "deep in-

men to own what they make.-The of a little brains and a big ballot.

for it. - Socialist.

The clairveyant was fined \$150 yesterday for telling fortunes. Yet President Roosevelt and Secretary Hay are still at large, notwithstanding the display of second sight that led them to have a naval force all ready for a Panama revolution before it happened. -New York World.

There is one thought that comes to light in a dungeon. When they shall have outvoted their oppressors, as they and with head erect, faced the world. surely will, they will be in the majority, and will be ready for any emergency.-Los Angeles Socialist.

Don't kick when the boss reduces your wages. That is only his way of showing you that you must do away with the wage system. He can't help showing you, and you can't help learning what he is trying to show you, eventually .- New Time.

Mr. Parry, the modern union-fighter, is going to raise all sorts of Cain with the labor unions and Socialists. All right, Mr. Parry, go ahead. If you don't succeed in driving the unions and Socialists into a closer affiliation with each other we will miss our guess .--Obio Socialist.

"Senator, what was the nearest you ever came to being bribed?" asked the girl who always blurts everything right out

"It was the time I voted for the postal box bill and 'received 7,000 shares of stock in the concern that was to make the boxes when the bill gave it a monopoly on the business." "I should think that was a clear case against you."

"No. The measure didn't go through and the stock never amounted to any-

The saddest sight you can see is workman voting for wage slavery .-

JUST A JOT OR TWO.

BY STEDY.

Public graft is born of private graft. The cause and cure you will find by reading the "Chicago Socialist."

On Dec. 23, the Illinois Steel Company closed its plant and threw 6,500 men out c'employment. No notice is given when the plant will reopen, and it is reported that when the mills are that the nobler and the more in numreopened there will be a wage cut of ber the persons are over whom it has

The Missouri Supreme Court, on a technicality, Iras released a gang of thieving and grafting officeholders. The Atlanta Constitution asks, "Is Missouri rotten at the top as well as at the bottom?" The Washington Post observes that the St. Louis municipal government is rotten to the core. The Socialist knew this long ago, and that it will continue as long as Capitalism.

watched with deep interest, not un- were reduced 17 per cent by the H.S.C. Frick Company. As the coke workers This clever capitalist sheet does not can produce just as much wealth now dare to say that the Labor party in as before the wage reduction, why are

Socialist party, yet has adopted the So- Because under Capitalism there is a cialist party platform with several profit, and the producers of wealth opportunistic palliative proposed meas- have not the purchasing power to buy ures, but it would try to lead one to and consume the wealth they produce, believe it was like the so-called Labor bence over-production, industrial departies of America, which every think- pressions, unemployed and low wages, ing worker knows is but a capitalist. This seems a difficult problem, but if wolf in sheep's clothing. Still, the every workingman and woman in this words "democratic and collectivist" country would devote five Sundays to and the "deep interest, not unmixed the study of Socialism, they would with anxiety, have a meaning for a solve the ridde and would immediate class to take warning therefrom, and by proceed to secure industrial freethat class is not of the workers and dom and the full return of their labor

The International Harvesters Company, it is reported, expects to close, men, and the grand jury has just indicted three labor leaders who "threatened a strike unless the Kellogg JOLTS FROM OUTSIDE switchboard Company unionized their

Socialism is fighting for the right of All this can be wiped out by the use

Slaves with votes might at least try ned elephant, good natured, simple and ter hurry up or you will be voting for their freedom. If they can-ignorant. A monse put a coliar on for these sentimental waves are not not vote themselves into possession of him, and big chain tugs. The elephant, long lived. the wealth which they produce they with bowed head, worked hard and will then know the worst and provide toiled day and night for the mouse. In the winter, the elephant shivered with man allow him to get under obligations the cold, in the summer sweltered in to you. Socialism will make friends the heat, and most of the time he was of all men because it will remove the hungry. The mouse would often prod opportunity for men to get under obhim with sharp instruments and adul- ligations to each other. terate his food. If the elephant complained, the mouse lashed him with an injunction and starved the big brute into submissiveness. One day the elephant chanced to lift his eyes to the blue sky above and beheld the star- with such principle, but as long as the written word, Socialism. He paused a the despairing workers, like a ray of moment, then trembling with rage at his former stupidity, burst his chains, so long will it continue. Remove the

free and independent. Query: Who are the mice? Who are the elephants, and when will they look up?

From the unreceived earnings of the working class Mr. Rockefeller has given the Chicago University to date \$14 .-398,374. It is so nice that some one will take the burden and trouble of denating a part of labor's product, to educational institutions. The wealth of this university is drawn from the infant breaker boys, coal miners, men and women, the wrecked rivals of the Standard Oil Company, and the military victims of Telluride County, Colorado, and it rests upon the sacred pillars of capitalism, feecing, perjury, is spending money?" Well, look who have or capitalism, feecing, perjury, is spending money?" Well, look who lars of capitalism, and he is! He don't have to give any acbelbery, profits and corruption, and this in turn rests upon the ballots (in count of his actions to anybody, but the main) of the working class. That's why your votes mean something.

The capitalists own all the jobs. They loan them to the workers on shares, the example of France, is about to and the workers have mighty little to enter into an important treaty with say about what the share shall be. Great Britain, whereby the two coun-There is but one remedy-let all the tries shall be at liberty not to go to workers own all the jobs .- A. L. U. war with one another should they both Journal.

reportant part in society, yet what is plie up a great fortune. Democratic Herald.

THE ESSENCE OF WEALTH

Since the essence of wealth consists

In power ever men, will it not follow power, the greater the wealth? Per haps it may even appear, after some consideration, that the persons themselves are the wealth; that these pieces of gold with which we are in the habit of guiding them are, in fact, nothing more than a kind of Byzantine harness, or trappings, very glittering and beautiful in barbaric sight, wherewith we bridle the creatures; but that if The New York Evening Journal guided without the fretting and finsays: "Within the past year 800 Chi- gling of the Byzants in their mouths true veins of wealth are purple, and not in rock, but in flesh; perhaps even that the final outcome and consummation of all wealth is in the producing as many as possible full-breathed, bright-eyed, and happy-hearted human creatures. Our modern wealth, I think, has rather a tendency the other way-most political economists appearing to consider multitudes of human creatures not conducive to wealth. or at best conducive to it by remaining in a dim-eyed and narrow-chested state of being. Nevertheless, it is open, I expect, to serious question, which I leave to the reader's pondering, whether, among national manufactures, that of souls of a good quality may not at last turn out a quite leadingly lucra-

OBJECT LESSONS.

JOHN RUSKIN.

BY W. L. PRINCE. Cook County jail and hospital are full. People will have to stop breaking the laws of the government and of health now.

Alderman Powers, after 25 years* experience in politics, says: "Politics is the vainest of vanities." Wonder if that's why so many pursue it?

Rockefeller discharged his valet because he bought ten shares of stock and incidentally gave him a strong lecture on the evil of gambling. . . . Ye gods! What next?

The latest wave of public sentiment in Chicago is the anti-crime movement. Once there was a large, thick-skin- Have you joined it? If not, you bet-

If you would make an enemy of a

for the prevention of cruelty to animals is a grand one and no kind-hearted person could help but sympathize incentive remains for a man to overwork and beat his horse for profit just cause and the problem is solved.

Solomon discovered that God gives wisdom, knowledge and joy to those who are good before him; but to the sinner, lots of hard work, gathering together and heaping up goods to give to the man who is good in his sight.

Socialism says to the worker: "Forsake your sins, assume your rightful place in society, and all things will work together for your good,"

Dowie claims he is not taking \$7,-000,000 out of the country with him. but only spending money. However, he didn't answer the voice from the gallery that pealed forth, "How much

his followers have to account to him

for 10 per cent of every dollar they get.

. . . It is reported that Italy, following be unwilling .- Punch.

The workers as a class bring all Young man, do not be afraid to burn wealth into being. They play the most the midnight oil. If you do you will wealth into being. They play the most the midnight oil. If you do you will wealth into being. John D. their reward? Simply crusts and hov- Rockefeller receives his fourth quarels and the contempt of the parasites terry dividend of \$4,800,000 Dec. 15. who fatten on their labor.—Social Never mind whose fortune.—The St. I cuis Globe-Democrat.

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The earth is ours, who are we? That's the question, you and me. We are workers, can't you see? Working to make workers free.

About two or three months ago the

A REAL LIVE JOKER.

In Justice Bradwell's Court a case involving \$12 shood on the calcular for

Constable Small sallied forth. The first place that attracted his attention words in regard to that question. was the Monadnock building, which be who is now at the head of the 25 Party at all. "good citizens" who have been chosen I have no personal grudge against Handlow, 305, Fred Stenernagel, 9. stamp out crime in Chicago.

ment of existing laws is all that is cialist Party. fields of exploitation.

But mark the awful horror of one! Because it is not enough to vote for lunch at his club, but which might and take real action in it. stand between the wage working liti- By so doing you will show the othgant and cold and starvation.

tioned "good citizens."

Murray Nelson, chairman Citizens' Crime Committee

Voters' League, also member of Crime | help their compatriots who are strug-Committee.

Business over Det.

Pield

Hop Clothing Company.

And Martin Unck Burk.

to go, but when informed by Small same basis with others. that he would send a waron for them . In closing I would say this: Who if they didn't they tried to turn it off ever divides the working class is willtheir eyes, he wouldn't be bluffed talism. Then these "good citizens" showed why our "existing laws" are not en. HISTORY OF SOCIALISM IN THE forced by telephoning to Justice Bradwell to call off his small dog, who was barking at their beels.

opener to the working circs. It shows cumstances of its origin, the manner of the hopelessness of looking to those its growth, and the tendencies of its who profit most by the present crime, future development, with chapters on; breeding conditions to abolish them. Sectarian Communities, The Owenite Capitalism is the fruitful mother of all Period, The Fourierest Period, the the disgusting crimes that the "good leariam Communities, Ante-Bellum citizens" pretend to attempt to crush Period, Period of Organization, Period

AFTER CHRISTMAS.

Christmas has come and gone. We have so much to be thankful for. If nothing else, we should be thankful for the way the atmosphere is clearing, which shows that in spite of the cry of "PEACE" a nerce and bitter struggle is being waged on the industrial field between the wage slaves, who possess nothing but their labor power which must be sold, and the capitalist class, owning all the means of life. This struggle will never cease until the Fund since hist report: workers themselves collectively own and overate the muchinery, land and transportation lines. That would be A. L. New York City...... Socialism.

A Chicago dally has evidently forgotten its "straw" man, the save-a-dollara-day fellow, which was used in an Previously reported 2.281 30 effort to combat Prof. Small's truthful statement that "To labor belongs all wealth which it creates." The paper objects to the Union Traction pro- Massachusetts the Socialists made a gram and wants Union Traction "wip- decided gain in Chicopee, where John ed out." Yerkes plan of building \$5,000,000 pa- year as Socialist Alderman from Ward latial residences in New York with it. This year Kelly ran for Aldermanmoney gotten by questionable methods at large and was elected by 200 main Chicago. Isn't the position an amus- jority over his Republican opponent. ing one? That paper seriously objects Kelly distinguished himself while ward to the so-called municipalization of the Alderman for his exposure of corrupstreet car lines, and wants the streets inon in the city government, his order to remain practically owned by pri-introduced into the City County rate individuals. What difference de it make to the weary, freezing and Mayor and other officials resulting in badly shaken up passenger whether a scandal which is not yet er-led, the palaces are built in either New York or corrupt officials being under charges in Chicago, or whether the money is the courts. Kelly fought his order spent for hal poudre halls, or to send through in spite of great opposition, the families of the stockholders to Eu- lighting alone against the Republican rope for their vacations? Yes, there and Democratic members. is a way to "wipe om" Union Traction. Grafes was elected to fill Kelly's placand that is by the election of Scriplists. who will see that the ear lines are op there are now two Socialist members erated for USE and not for profit. The of the City Council. Chicopee has eighthour day would be enforced, 18,000 inhabitants and is a manufac there would be a seat for every pass turing center. senger and tie-ups and break-downs would be greatly reduced.

cut sent to Colorado, the climate here to the State secretaries of a number being too harsh in winter for the brone of States for transmission to the lochial apparatus of pussy. And then cals. Locals desiring the services of the matter was of such vast important of these organizers during the tance that a report of its improved coming year should see that one of the condition had to be telegraphed and circulars reaches them so that they employees of a certain industry were published in the papers. How many can be properly informed. seeking an increase in salary, bu, some I wage slaves are there in this city now one suggested that they had better who contributed their mite in paying | Lecture dates for James F. Carey wait till after Christmas, or their the expenses of that cut, and how and Franklin and Marion Wentworth usual "Sonus" of \$50 might be shut many of them need such a trip them- are now being rapidly made, and locals off. So in antichation of the \$50 they selves? As long as they vote for such should act promptly if they desire eith let a raise of \$10 a month slip out of conditions they should not complain er of these splendid attractions. their reach, and they didn't get the Socialism would give them the full bonns either. Moral: Two birds in the social value of their labor and they hand is better than one in the bush; could then get some of the favors that upon the labor of others.

HENRY J. WIEGEL.

THE POLISH SOCIALIST ALLI-ANCE OF AMERICA.

As the next national convention of Constable Small was given sum the Socialist Party is approaching tween the Kansas State office and the monses to serve on six good and true there is no doubt that the question of national office, and that the great work citizens of the vicinity to act as jurors Polish Socialist Alliance will be brought in which we are enlisted may be push up before said convention. So I think it ed with vigor and success." will be very beneficial to say a few

cutered. The first good man be laid united with the Sacialist Party and is Ohio. The election of National Comhis eyes on was one Murray Nelson, not taking any action in the Socialist mitteeman just held resulted as fol-

by a larger bunch of "good citizens" to any one of the Polish Socialist Alliance, but I can't agree with their tac-New, these "good and gooder citi ities. They claim they are Socialists claimst Party of Okiahoma will be held zens' claim that the proper enforce and that they sympathize with the So- at Enid, Dec. 29, 1903, at 10 a.m., Ter-

crime which many of these same 'good not only sympathize with the party, aggressive work during the approachcitizens" fatten on in their various but be members of same and work for ing campaign. It is expected that a its good.

Murray, Nelson, their chosen chief, the Socialist Party, but every one that when a lewly constable handed him a lunderstands something about Socialism summons to appear as a jurer in a and admits that the Social tenets are in point of service, died in that city case involving only \$12, a sum be right, he ought to not only sympathize would think nothing of spending for a but to lolu the Socialist organization

ers that the only way is to fight for at the funeral were National Commit-One by one Constable Small called their rights, to be united in one strong upon five others of these afore-men party which stands for the interest of Heath, A. Roebelanz, John Doerfler, the working class.

The Socialist Party recornize every nation on an equality, therefore would George Cole, chairman Municipal not prevent people of any nation to gling for their rights in the old coun-William P. Rend, a millionaire coal try, but would encourage and help in every possible way. The Polish Social-Henry G. Schridge, partner Marshall 1st Alliance has appointed a committee to beste pamphlets in the English lan-Henry C. Lytion, President of the guare to show how much they sympathize with the Socialist Party.

But as I mention above that the So-Each of these "good citizens" know | cialist Party don't want any Socialist ing how small even a large constalle of the same country to sympathize is in the eyes of that great creature, with, but wants every Socialist to be the Modern Capitalist, at first refused a member of the same party and on the

as a joke, but small as Small was in ingly or unwillingly working for capi-J. TOBIASZ.

UNITED STATES.

A complete exposition of Socialism This incident should be an eye in the United States treating the circhromastances and others apply for a and pay for them all at one time and consin. The tour is under the direc-

FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

NATIONAL ORGANIZING FUND.

National Headquarters, Socialist Party, Omaha, Neb., Dec. 24, 1903. The following contributions have been made to the National Organizing

George D. Herron, New York City \$200 00 25 Uriah Heep, Macon, Ga. Joe A. Thomas, Medford, Ore. 23

Total to noon, Dec. 24..... \$200 75

Total\$2,482 11 At the recent municipal elections in Neither does it like the Kelly has been serving for the past es an investigation into the actions of the as Abberman from Ward 6, so the

The National Secretary is sending circular letters about the German, Bo A Chicago woman recently had a pet hemian, Italian and French organizers

The recent election of State official in Kansas resulted in Thomas E. Will, especially when the bush belongs to per cuts and per dogs now get from Wichita, being chosen State Secretary the bees, and a bonus is a bird in the those who live not by their labor, but Treasurer, and Mrs. Luclia R. Kray bill, State Organizer. "An additiona referendum will be taken on Nationa Committeemen, no election having resulted from the last election." Con rade Will writes to the National Sec retary that he trusts "the closest and most cordini relations may exist be

> Edward Gardiner, 26 Pruden build-The Polish Socialist Alliance is not ling, Dayton, is now acting secretary of lows: H. H. Caldwell, 406; Robert

> The annual convention of the So If they are Secialists they ought to be elected and preparations made for targe gathering will be present.

> > . . . Joseph H. Roesch, reported to have been the oldest Socialist in Milwankee Dec. 12. He was 80 years old and had been converted to Socialism in Germany forty years ago. He was a patternmaker by trade. The pail-bearers teeman Victor L. Berger, Frederick Jr., H. W. Bistorius and A. Newman.

* * * State Secretary Oneal of Indiana suggests to the National Secretary that the following regarding Calvin C. Ross

be reported in the weekly builetin: "Ross turned up at Evansville and borrowed' a sum of money from a comrade in that city, which amount is still unpaid. Comrades, should be cureful of Ross and not allow him to collect loans from them."



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A REVIEW OF ESSENTIALS.

Rome was not built in a day," and abracadabra, ing their discovery of what they con- accomplished in a certain way. sidered a panacea for the ills of socie-

money, in pushing the movements tinctions and class struggles."

ing if, must utter his terest assault.

As eternal vigilance is the price of be an "American mathematics." Amerliberty, so is a clear comprehension of lcan human nature is just like Eurothe essentials of Socialist philosophy pean human nature and the law of the Socialist philosophy pean human nature and the law of the County Central Committee to find a vote of 50,000 in the State in 1964. e governing power in the Socialist United States just as surely as it rules party-the unjurity of the member, in the countries of the old world. So

and unscrupulous enemy. With a rap- ternationalism. idly swelling party membership it be | One sometimes hears the sneer that

and heart.

The zeal of the new convert is proc'thic people the world is not yet ready verbial-his energy, his interest in to cut loose from logical, scientific novel surroundings, his impatience for methods and substitute for law, ascer results, his final realization and phil- tained by painful investigation, a supsophica, acceptance of the fact that pernaturalism whose sacred word is

then if he is made of the right stuff. The type of mind which these credu his grim determination to settle down lous supernaturalists exemplify is resfor a long, hard fight. There are few tive under the restraint of cautious of the tried workers in the Socialist science, but its impatience cannot movement who have not passed along make us forget that according to our this road. In the enthusiasm follow scientific Socialism social changes are We believe that the "history of manty they have plunged into propaganda kind has been a history of class strug-

and proclaimed in a mighty voice the gles" and that men as a rule have glad new tidings. They have expected fought on one side or the other to all those who love their kind to pause serve their immediate material interentranced at the sweetness of the new ests. Any other than the economic insong. They have expected the oppress terpretation of history is as archaic sors of the poor to stand at first appared useless as the theory of special palled when their infamy was pro- creation and it must necessarily be the claimed in the market place and then key to our interpretation of contempoflee in confusion and dismay into the rary events and the basis of our party darkness of oblivion. Then, slowly, organization. Never before were the the light begins to oreals in upon the great classes in conflict so clearly denew convert. He learns the bitter less inned and never before was the ne on that the world has no particular cessity so urgent for a strict adherence interest in abstract justice, that the to the class struggle plan of campaign dectorate doesn't generally vote "yes" It is not mere dogmatism to assert and or "no" on the simple right or wrong insist upon this. It is only a recogni I a given policy. This lesson learned, tion of scientifically ascertained facts the convert, if he is persistent, begins |-facts which cannot be safely ignored to re-examine his ground-his Socialist or declaimed away by advocates of an philosophy—and discovers some of the invertebrate philosophy of universal neaning of "economic determinism," brotherhood. Of course we all concede realizes that it is a mighty hard prop- the essential unity of the human race sition to harry evolution. Once these, and the desirability of harnony in sothings are realized the Socialist move- chil relations, but as "fine words but- the Henry George Association; and nent has a valuable worker, a veteran ter no parsnips, so do platitudes about who, while not despising the advant- fraternity fail to advance the day of age of the movement, knows it is more peace on earth. Humankind is arrayimportant to energe victorious from ed in hostile camps, and if we want hereby prohibited from inserting any the war than to win an isolated battle, pence we've got to fight for it-the There is another type of Socialist class struggle must be waged to its recruit alwas, equally familiar. This logical conclusion before the final s the "refirm" politician who has ex- emancipation of "society at large from pended time and energy, voice and all exploitation, oppression, class dis-

whose bleaching bones strew the po As hard and as cold as these facts litical battlefield. He has been able may be-and science is never alluring to arouse great enthusiasm; he has to the sentimental temperament—they swept certain sections like a prairie are not inconsistent with a liberal and absolutely incomprehens, to any one fire; he has won victories and captured enlightened propaganda. They have outlife power, only to see his fond never and need not in the future keep ing of the County Committee. I do not sope for humanity go glimmering. Undfrom us individuals, who, though their dismayed and with beautiful courage immediate material interests are with tion could have been passed by any he has sought the reason for his fail, the capitalist class, are yet able to ire, determined, when it was found, judge the trend of events and desire to push on again. He has decide f his to fight for the cause which means a weakness was in a mistaken apprehen- larger liberty, comfort and happiness sion of the exact cause of economic, for the race. History is irradiated by solitical and social crits. He has said the example of men who have battled, it was this, that or the other, only to and suffered if necessary, for the abfall, and now he has embraced with street ideal of justice. The Socialist enthusiasm the Socialist position-or movement to-day owes much to these at least that part of it which indicts men of education and ideals, but their the wages system as the basic cause of usefulness is jargely due to the poverty in the midst of plenty, serf promptness with which they apprehend lone in a "sweet land of liberty." Ap- the fact of the class struggle and the prehending so much the reformer faithfulness with which they adhere puckles on his harness again and sal- to their perception of scientific truth.

ies forth, determined to "whoop 'em |. It would be idle to deny that there up" and "set the woods afire" with his are differences in the Socialist moveew battle cry. He is an experienced ment to-day as to the wisdom of cerpolitician, familiar with the most ap tain features of organization and methproved methods of generating enthu- ods of propaganda. It is unfortunate, clasm, he expects to work up "the peo- of course, that these differences should ple," go flekety split to Washington bring from the adherent of this or that and usher in the Co-operative Com- idea vigorous statement and heated remonwealth with a "hip, hip, hurrah." Fort, but most of us philosophically rec-The reform politician-(no reproach ognize that we can't have perfection, in the word "politician," for he is a even in debates between Socialists, in good fellow)-hasn't had opportunity this sadly imperfect world of ours. yet to fall on his new tack, but the old However, we can insist that every Socialist-the believer in evolution and proposition advanced for the good of conomic determinism-knows that the movement be judged according to failure is as sure as death. And the its barmony with our fundamental forial officers for the ensuing year will jold Socialist, even if he makes himself principles and demand of all more time a more in recognition of the or warning cry and proclaim the neces. sentially profetarian character of our sity for adherence to the classical So | movement. The cry for "American chalist position - a position taken after methods for an American movement" a critical study of all history by mas, is all right in so far as it takes into acter minds, a position which has proved count our peculiar political conditions, impregnable through fifty years of hit but there can no mere be a distinctive "American Socialism" than there can ship. It is only by a knowledge of the conclusion is irresistible that when what it is fighting for, a knowledge of the cry for "American methods for representative of the sentiments of the now to make intelligent Socialists and the historic means by which social an American movement" is not merely charges are effected, that the party can an expression of the restiveness of the achieve its great mission, avoiding the impatient recruit it is either disingenpitfalls of an alloring opportunism and nons or the evidence of a chanvinism the traps set by a crafty, resourceful absurd in the light of our boasted in

comes a matter of vital importance some Socialists are "afraid the move that the recruits understand the con-| ment will get too big," and there are ditions of the aght they are to wage proposals that the so-called "military A same conservatism must see to it character" of the movement be abanthat neither the new convert, impatient idened. Of course no one febra hiefor results, nor the reform politician, nees when bigness means solidity, but with an unassimilated knowledge of we may well fear and fight against Socialist essentials, is allowed to dom- the biguess which represents mere hot mate party councils or direct party all which will vanish at the prick of a favorable to Socialism, whereas it is activities. This must be done from pin. The so-called "inliftary charact unfavorable to Socialism, motives of common prudence and with ter" of the movement, in so far as that absolutely no redection upon the hon-means a pledged and dues-paying memesty or capacity of the friends who bership, is our tower of strength, and some bringing to us rich gifts of mind proposals that the party "simply pledge to everybody, and to everybody All our civil ration has not been able alike, the collective ownership and e eradicate that human creduity democratic management of industry" which is niways looking for the mira- is the crass Utopianism of a sanguine ie, that imparence which chafes un camp necting exhorter who imagines were not carried out and if any one ler the slow operation of natural laws, the movement can be adequately sup-We see the trait in the faith curist, ported by inviting the brothren to step prehension, that if the book is mailed who, disabiling the accumulated up to the contribution bex. We must to me, I will pay the party ten cents. knowledge of the centuries tegarding have organization, and a well disci. The cost of the book is five cents, rethe treatment of disease, jumps with plined organization at that. We can't turn postage two or three cents, and reidity at a theory according to which schieve or eat the fruit of victory with I will allow the balance for the tron it is only necessary to say Prestol and a mob. The Socialist party organizathat which was is not. There are other tion, in giving to every member a voice of the Socialist Labor Party. The So- Franklin H. Wentworth will make amiable "new thought" people to in the discussion and settlement of Henry George Association, 206 Cham-They do not, they dark not, nor will claimst Labor Party in Politics, and an extensive tour of the Middle and whom the process of ratiocination is questions of policy, cultivates individthey kill the goose which lays the Present Day Socialism, by Morris Hill | Eastern States, beginning Sunday, too slow and who spend long hours link initiative and that capacity for selfquit. Price, \$1,50, net. If by mail add Jan. 3, on which date he will make his prayerfully contemplating the ends of government which is showing many 15 cents for postage, or buy thirty of initial address in Milwankee under the their noses in order that they may cul- signs of atrophy under the so-called give name and address, so that I will Some women adapt themselves to our yearly sub cards at 25 cents each auspices of the Socialist party of Wis-tivate a power higher than mind and representative, but rather machine, know to whom to mail the remittance. reach conclusions independent of the system. A membership thus actively Yours very truly, sytlogism. But in spite of these amia- participating in party affairs is the

strongest bulwark against the ever WORK IN THE STATE tricks'ers, bosses and grafters-seek ing a new and vigorous body whose blood they may suck. It has proved its efficiency by standing fast in many a storm that threatened to destroy the party and there is no evidence of its in capacity to settle right present and future problems. There have always been well intentioned men who have thought they could do better for the people than the people could do for themselves, but that is the theory of benevolent despotism-of theocracy. not democracy and we want none of it. We shall have-we already havehonest, astute and masterful men whose influence will intensify the effectiveness of our efforts, but it is a delusion to think that we are sheep without a shepherd, a helpless mess waiting for some Moses to lend us out of the wilderness. The working class must emancipate itself, and while it welcomes the assistance of all those "in sympathy with it," the Socialists at least entertain no-delusions and must prepare for the work ahead as prudent, practical men.

CHARLES DOBBS. In Infernational Socialist Review.

Editor Chicago Socialist: Dear Comrade-I have received the

following letter:

"The County Central Committee, in regular continued session, assembled 27th inst., passed the following mo tions. 1. That the sanction of the Cook County Central Committee he and is, hereby withdrawn from the debates arranged between the business manager of The Chicago Socialist and Social Democratic, Herold, that the business manager be notified of the action of the committee, 2. That the said business manager be, and is, notices in The Chicago Socialist for debates between the Socialist party and other parties. Yours for Social-"Central Committee of Local Cook

County of the Socialist Party, "Per THEO, MAYER, Secretary."

Permit me to say that this flavors very much of machine work, and l who has not been present at the meetfor a moment believe that such a me representative meeting of the Cool County Central Committee, and I challenge the validity of those motions, on till I am acquainted with the number and personalities of the members of the committee who passed them. Let me state right here that I do this, not because I feel that the motion is unjust toward any of the comrades who take the Socialist side in these debutes. but because they make the whole So cialist party ridiculous. If anything gives countenance to the off repeated charge that the Socialist party is opposed to free speech and is ruled by bosses, it is such proceedings. I am convinced that the majority of the members of the Socialist party regard these debates not only as good propaganda among the unconverted, but also as a good education for the memattendance at those meetings strengthens my conviction that the rank and file of the party wish to see these debates continued. We have everything to gain by openly meeting all comers and everything to lose by refusing to accept challenges from capitalist parties. To suppress notices of these debates in our party organ means to deprive the party members of any oppor polls next fall.-Worker. tunity to learn what is going on. To suppress such notices now is so much for these debates were made long before any one in the County Committee thought of objecting to them. For agreements regarding these debates, whether our party organ takes notice of them or not. And I ask all those out how many members of the committee voted to have those motions passed, and, if the meeting was not majority, to instruct their delegates to that committee to repeal those motions months hence.-Worker, at once. Yours fraternally,

ERNEST UNTERMANN.

Editor Chicago Socialist, 181 Washington street, Chicago, Ill.;

My Dear Sir-In your issue of Dec. 26, under the column headed "Rank and File," there is a paragraph in which the Single Taxers are accused of trying to sell a book, entitled "Socialism," under the pretense that it was

I wish to say that I noted that there might be purchases made under some misunderstanding and that I requested the men that were selling the book to state that it was "Socialism from the Single Tax Standpoint," I desire to say, nowever, that if these instructions has purchased the book under a misap-

Address to F. H. Momoe, President ber of Commerce Building, 134 Washington street, Chicago, Ill.

In sending in the book be sure to

F. H. MONROE; President.

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Editor - Chicago Socialist: Please give space to the following:

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State Secretary.

JAMES S. SMITH.

"Dr. S. Knopfnagel, the man who while formerly on S. L. P. Jn Milwaykee circulated the malicious story that Debs had been robbed of railway passes in a Milwaukee botel (a story that De Leon is still repeating), continnes to make soap-box speeches for the party in Pennsylvania, It was Knopfnagel also who induced the Philadelphia comrades to make war on so-called thigh-priced speakers, "-Milwaukee

I want to state that this piece of news is, to say the least, untrue from beginning to end.

While an S. L. P. I have never circulated any such stories. The only thing I have done was that I challenged Debs to a public debate to prove that the "colonization scheme" will lead to Sucialism.

While in Philadelphia I have taken ro part in the "war on so-called highpriced speakers."

The Philadelphia comrades are independent thinkers and thorough Socialists, and need no one's help to tell them. what is right or wrong. 1. therefore, emphatically declare

that I have not "Induced" them to make war on so-called high-priced speakers. I also empiratically deny that I have circulated the story about Debs being robbed of railway passes. Trusting you will not refuse me a

little space in our valuable paper, I am as ever for the cause. S. A. KNOPPNAGEL.

Several of the Massachusetts papers, it may be noted, are frankly recognizing the fact that the falling off of the Socialist vote in that State from 33,629 in 1902 to 25,251 this year, was not a "ernshing defeat" for Socialism nor a very brilliant result of the vigorous and unscrupulous campaign waged against our cause. They note that the vote of 1963 is considerable more than double that of 1901, and is more than 150 per cent above that of 1900, and bers of the party themselves. The good that there is every probability of its going next year far above the high record of 1902. Their recognition of this fact means that the campaign against Socialism will not be dropped; and that means that the Massachusetts comrades must spare no efforts in the line of thorough economic and political education and solid party organization in preparation for the contest at the

The Syracuse Herald is one of the more unfair, as all the arrangements few capitalist papers in the State of New York that has the courage and honesty to inform its readers of the strength and the increasing strength my part. I shall fulfill my part of the of the Socialist vote in the State as . shown in the last election. The Herald thinks it likely, in view of the 33,390 votes east in this 'off year," that Comfades, now is the time to begin work to fulfill that prediction or even, as is possible, to surpass it. Work we shall be sure of the vote eleven

"A state in which classes exist is not one but two; one consists of the poor, the other of the rich, who, living in close proximity, are constantly on the watch against each other. The wling class is at length unable to arry on war, because, to do so, it roust take the multitude into its sercice, and it fears the people in arms more than the foe."-Plate,

. The Congress of the United States recently passed a military bill making a soldier of every able-bodied citizen between certain years of age, and subject to the call of the President, .It would no doubt be quite interesting to watch the proceedings should "strennous Teddy the Terror" call them all out one of these fine days .- Western Clarion.

The resources of the world are divided up among the members of the propertied caste, and the remainder of men depend upon the members of this caste for permission to get a share of Nature by labor in improving Nature. -The Craftsman.

If our government can feed, clothe and pay men to shoot Filipinos, can it not also feed, clothe and pay them to provide our own people with the necessities of life? Why not have armies of construction instead of armies of destruction? It costs to more to save life than it does to destroy it, and do you not think it far better?-Labor Advocate.

SOCIAL EVOLUTION

The Class-Struggle Is the Means of the unit producer could supply the needs of Progress of Society.

EVOLUTION AND REVOLUTION ARE NOT OPPOSITES.

Revolution is One of the Steps of Evolution - It is the Culmination of a Period of Social Evolution-The Feudal System of Society Taken as an Illustration of the Theory of the Class-Struggle.

BY A. M. SIMONS.

evolution and revolution as if they the position of ruling class. Of this were opposite modes of social growth. fact at least I think there is no dispute Dilletante thinkers frequently say of However much class rule to-day may ists, not revolutionists," and as is often seldom disputed. In this respect the the case the epigrammatic form of the popular sies of Socialist philosophy is statement covers the lack of meaning, no exception to the remark sometimes Every student of the natural sciences is aware that revolution, so-called, is ly the last step in a period of slow object when we are asked to apply it growth and preparation. Earthquakes now and to ourseives. and floods are no less a part of geologic evolution than erosion and sedimentation. In the usual order, forces neath some restraint and then suddenly burst through.

The existence of this law of development as applied to society has often maintained the right of private warbeen noticed. Bagehot's "Physics and fare, Like every ruling class, they Politics" is based wholly upon this exalted their own members and en principle and many writers have at deavored to prevent members of all tempted to reduce its operations to a other social classes from obtaining any system and give it laws, by pointing social recognition. They were espeout that the greater the advance at any cially barsh in their treatment of tradtime of accelerated evolution, or revo-Intion, the longer the time clapsing be- every ruling class creates for itself. fore another similar step. Others at they made it little sin to rob and plan tempt to account for such steps through | der those engaged in commerce or man the appearance of great mea, who by afacture. All forms of work were left force of their personality have ad- to menials and were consequently thervanced society far faster than "natural | oughly despised. growth" would have done. This was the old heroic interpretation of history. that saw in a Moses, a Solon, a Lycurgus, a King Alfred, a Napoleon or a Gladstone the creator of social crises To-day this interpretation of history of land ownership to which the labor has been relegated to the same class as those traditions existing among almost all peoples of the interposition of gods at various stages in their growth. We may now safely say that all historians but I believe that the Socialist alone The result would have been the same way stand the test of experience.

The Socialist points out that in evcomes a time when the ruling class no no longer carried any claim to social longer fills a vital place in social or-ganization, when their interests are at The tools social theories, pushed into promi- period. hatched by similar means.

and that the final contradictions bringeconomic conditions. The position here lation of capitalist and laborer, taken can be settled only by an appeal to history. As it is from historical data up until our own era tended to make that Socialism draws its strength and the trading class a minor factor in soto history. As it is from historical data bases its position, it is well to dwell cial organization, the following are upon this point at some length. Going back to the time of the Middle Ages

the pionests of the Sachilist movement be middle west. "The Toosh" went in the midst of the Internal conflict wing the overthrow of De Leonism in id S. L. P. and very few of the prosent on of "The Chicago Socialist" have seen the paper, much less these arti-which are here reproduced.—A. M. S.

It is a common practice to contrast the landed nebility are seen to occupy themserves that they a: 'evolution be desied. Its existance in the past is made of philosophy in general, that "we are willing to accept it for the past form of evolution, and is general- and future and some other fellow, but

In the Middle Ages, then, we are agreed that in all its essential features pelety was ruled by the landed arisgather and form for a long time be- tocracy. They determined the form and character of all social institutions. established fendalism with knighthood, chivalry and serfdom, and ers, and in their code of morals (which

Some reasons for this attitude toward

productive labor are seen at even a

cursory examination. Owing to the crude tools and limited market the rewards of labor were very small. The and the founder of social institutions, whole social system rested upon a form mant feature in the productive system of the time, and its ownership, as the ownership of the necessary means of production must always do, carried note the fact of this pulsating growth, with it ownership of the producers. presents an explanation that can in any if the laws of feudalism had not forcibly united the laborer to the soil. He would have been just as effectually enery social stage there is a dominant slaved under "free contract" so long as ruling class which models all the in- land remained the private property of struments of social control in its inter- the ruling class, and agriculture and est. The phenomenon of the changing home manufacture were the dominant "zeitgeists" (spirit of the age) of dif- industries. Incidentally it, might be ferent periods is thus explained as sim- mentioned to our Single Tax friends ply the spirit of the roling class in any that this was the time they should given epoch of social development. For have put in a claim for their system, longer or shorter period the interests as it was the only period in which it of this class are with the advance of was applicable to historical developsociety. Institutions are perfected and ment. Before long the other Instrusociety as a whole moves rapidly for ments of production so thoroughly ward. Sooner or later, however, there dominated the land that its ownership

The tools transformed into great variance with social development, when complex machines were to become the the internal economic organization has dominant productive force, and in the produced a class with interests contrary hands of the manufacturers constitute to those of the ruling class and in ac- the means of overthrow of the landcord with further growth, A contest fol holders. Thus the nobility, by their jet class was the political. This was lows, whose length and violence des contempt for productive labor and their essential because the legal restriction pends upon modifying circumstances, willingness to hand it over to another on connerce and trade were the mail such as the degree of usefulness relicious, were making themselves para hardranees to the free growth of capi maining in the old ruling class, the sitic and creating the class that was talist society. They protected the la strength and organization of the newly later to overthrow them. In their or horse against complete exploitation and arising one, the fixedness of the old pression and ill treatment of the mer-institutions and the probable superior centile class they were sowing the of competitive methods of business its of the pext order of society. The seeds of class hatred and revolt that such as advertising adulteration and final step that interchanges ruling and made sure their own destruction and shoddy work. Hence the rule of free subject classes constitutes a revolutionared social progress. We shall see made, labses faire, competition and tion. It is the new wine bursting the these same features duplicated with free contract was necessary, and the old bottles. Any persons, classes, or wonderful fidelity to detail in a later powers of the state were seized and

nence at this time are no more the Under the feudal system the populacauses of the revolution than the final tion was almost entirely rural. Almost blow that breaks the shell is the cause the first positive sign of its devadall war of fendalism. The bourgeoist of the chicken's hatching. Whether was the appearance of powerful cities. this last step is taken in peace or war in these cities the new trading class divisions and introduced the modern is immaterial as to whether it is a rev- was organized and prepared for the state, and, more important still, modolution or not. It only behooves those coming revolt and its future social em patriotism. To understand this members of the revolting class who are duties and functions. The Crusades action we must remember that two conscions of the direction of social de aided in this development by further velopment to use their energies to weakening the economic supremacy of bring about the final movement with as the nobles. In the use made of the and aggressive abroad. The military few convulsions as possible. These re- enormous gains secured from loans marks may be well considered by made to the nobility at that time by mercial interests in every portion of the those who object to certain lines of art the traders, we see the first appearance gument as "inciring to revolution." A of capital as a means to obtain the revolution can no more be incited by fruits of the productive labor of other duction of the capitalist system. For talking or writing than an egg can be people. In this consists the essential nature of capital-not in the "round but a small portion of what he pro-The Socialist holds that since the in- about means of production," of Boehm duces, his overwhelming numbers in stitution of private property, social Rawerk; not in the "something used to ciasses have been economic classes, produce something clse' of Henry George; not in the "stored-up labor" of throwir the entire product with an achi to 1. ing forth revolution are created by other writers, but in the historical re- ed profit demanded for the capitalist.

> Among the features of society that seen to be the principal ones: The limited market, impassable roads, forcible attachment of the laborer to the land. and, most important of all, the crude ools that made it impossible for each worker to produce much more than gh to maintain his own existence and hence left little margin for capl-

The story of the economic transfor laws they he mation that took place in this condition ery.—Labor.

is familiar to all students. America was discovered and opened to settlement, new routes to India and the Orient were explored and brought late use, and finally the tools were transformed through invention until production was multiplied many fold and each individsmall army of consumers.

Production being for sale and not for use under the resulting conditions, the tool that could produce the cheapest inhibited the use of all others in that line of production and gave a monopoly to its owner. All efficient tools becoming the property of a class gave to that class a monopoly of all the powers of production. The laborer being thus prohibited from producing individually for consumption, was transformed into a mere productive force, purchasable the same as steam or water power. There was this difference between the seller of labor power and of other commodities: That its owner could not separate it from himself when he went to market with it; and, further, that his life depended upon his finding a fairly ready market. He must sell it immediately upon a market that was always overstocked with his commodity. Under these conditions the most mean members to each this of labor

ers fixed the price at which all must sett, and the result was that there was a constant approximation to the subsistence wage. That this point is often reached and may sometimes he even passed for great bedies of men is seen from the statement of Canon Barnett twho is no Socialist) that the wages of a great majority of English laborers are below the point where a healthy physical existence can be maintained.

Yet all this time the laborer is producing more than ever before in the history of the world-many fold more than enough to supply all the wants of himself and family; but all save this mere subsistence he is compelled to surrender to the owners of the newly transformed tools for the privilege of using them. Is it any wonder that these owners became imme wealthy-that they accumulated for tunes beyond the wildest dreams of the old nobility, who had taken tribute it the much more clumsy fashion of high way robbery? The capitalists, now controlling the comodule's funtion, held the key to the entire social organiza-They were not long in exercising their new found power. Yrom the middle of the last centery until the middle of the present history is occu pled with the specesive steps, some times peaceably, sometimes bloody sometimes sudden, and again slow and regular, by which the capitalists were wresting the governing powers from the old landed nobility.

Its economic domination enabled the apitalist class to seize one by one al the powers of social control. It uses these powers to impress its interests upon other social classes with a thor oughness and relentlessness never at empted by any previous ruling class These actions were justified by its philosophers in a system of individu theory of society united only by 'eash nexus." To be sure, no bour gools philosopher probably ever con sclously set to work to justify the in terests of his class, blit, as will be fre quently pointed out from now on, class sufficiently coherent and self-cooughly developed for one function, performs that function unconsciously with far greater accuracy and efficiency work in an earlier stage of develop-

One of the first of the powers of s cial control to be seized by the capitalused to create the conditions required. Capitalism demands stable demostic made short work of the old political conditions are required of a capitalist government. It must be stable at home power must be used to further comworld, to open new markets and create outlets for the always chronic everpro while the laborer receives us wages every society makes his class the foundation of the market upon which is there is a chronic surplus which must be disposed of outside the circuit of its

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The ruling classes in the days before machinery made laws giving them con trol and power of life and death over the slaves and serfs, and they used the machinery of Government for that purpose. By studying belong we find that this was true of the Patricians of Ancient Greece and of Rome, Egypt and Carthage and of the tendal Barons of the Middle Ages and was true of the slave owning aristocracy in this country until January, 1861. At one time there were ever Dises (80) white chattel slaves in Italy alone. Chattel I slavery was not abelished because it was wrong or immoral. That this was not the cause is shown by the fact that it existed for hundreds of years after every country had declared itself to be a Christian of religious country The only reason chattel davery des not exist to-day is that it no longer pays. Machinery has rendered it unnecessary, and it can be proved arithmetically that chattel slaves are not so propitable to the capitalls as wage

History shows that though the differnt rolling classes of the world had ifferent notions of morality, the Patriians of Greece, Hone, Egypt and farthage had different notions from he fendal Barons, and the fendal Barons differed from the capitalists of to day, all these classes were a unit on the principle of exploiting the toilers: all alike made laws and established institutions in otheir own class inter ests, and you will note that the present ruling class has far more luxury than though not quite so much power a ormer ruling classes.

Now the ruling class controls not lass interest.

nderstand the laws and the interpretation of the laws. It explains the acts of Congress and the decisions of the Supreme Court.

while boycotting is (legal, why in when it is noted, first that lakes with junctions against unions pre constitus modern machinery produces so unich tional, while injunctions against the that comparatively few men are next acts of the capitalists are meconstitus ed to do the work; that the industries lonal; why the use of Pinkertons is legal while ordering a strike is illegal, lewasts; second, that it would be su An English judge has recently fined a joidal to destroy the machinery. Bu anion \$140,000 for ordering a strike, to use machinery necessitates dein The law on which he hased his decis- business on a big scale, therefore an is also on the Statutes in the Uni- would be impossible to use machine

erpret a law one way at one time, and i. e., large masses of men now wor nterpret the same law another way at together, and our need is to social mother time, but always to soit the lown the tools and machinery wi capitalists. The capitalist control of which we produce; fourth, to leave the the judiciary is to the laborers what present postern nuchanged is to have a check-rein is to a horse, is reserves the workers competing with each other and hampers them at every mave.

or minor matters, but when it games, to abolish exploitation without abolish to the rights of property, and the privile ling the system of capitalism. eges of capital, they are a unit; they A careful consideration of these fact are agreed upon all that concerns their leads to the conclusion that to say ommon (class) interest. And this is themselves from suffering the work what Karl Mark meant by his bril- ers must change the present system liant epigram; "The modern executive and in its stead establish a system of (Government) is but a committee for social ownership of the means of its managing the common affairs of the fag. capitalist class."

ical power is therefore the key to the tablish social ewnership or Socialism

acy, vagrancy, etc. Or, being in con-

During the terrible coal familie, the co-operation. Supreme Court of Massachusetts decided that the ownership of coal and in power it would have been quite con- and more evident that the trustificastitutional-all depends upon who in terprets and enforces the laws.

The control of the political power is then the strategic point, the key to the political weapon against them. situation. Moreover the manner in which the

colitical power is secured is the weak But that could only be possible if it point of the capitalists-for there the were insisted upon that all members workers ontnumber the capitalists 20

Now when uplon men have grasped Consequently in all capitalist countries that point, they have still two things 1st. That union men are only a part of the working class, therefore the unions cannot alone capture the politcal power. 2d. That after they capare the government they would have sides could be heard impartially. o change the system to suit the

changes caused by industrial evolution. The first fact is very evident when it is remembered that organized labor annot number more than two million cussion is therefore to keep them eter nen, whereas there are fifteen million naily in political ignorance.

Who then shall union men look to for

Certainly not to the capitalists. It s folly to expect aid from the class that prospers by the oppression of the The capitalist class is intersted in upholding what is oppressive e labor, for, the more servile labor is, the greater is the power and profit of the capitalists. It is actually to the interest of the capitalists that there should be a large body of unemployed in the labor market because, 1st, if depresses wages, and, second, furnishes a reserve army upon which to draw when the workers go on strike, etc.

Nor from the middle class-because for the most part, middle class people inuigine themselves capitalists.

The only place to look for allies i among our companions in suffering among those who suffer from the same oppression, viz., the working class, the propertiless class generally, whether organized or unorganized, all mem bers of the class have a common in

n luxury and power upon the labor of pressive to that lower class, and that the lower class in order to gel better conditions and more freedom must op pose the reling class. There is there fore a more or less conscious strugg between them. The struggle is largely unconscious because the capitalists con trol the sources of education, the news papers, schools, politicians, etc., and the workers are taught that capitalism is the only possible system of society and, as they have been brought up amid capitalist institutions, the workers imagine that the institutions and customs are unchangeable. The fact that the origin of laws, institution nd customs was shaple the ecolor interest of the railing class is thus ob seared by their training and by habit

The struggle to-day is between th working class and the capitalist clasand when workers realize that the are doesned to be mere wage slaves a their lives and that the only way that they can better their condition is by beloing to raise the entire class it leads only the hw-making lest the law-in to a solidity that nothing else can give erpreting and lawenfor ing power d. And this is what is meant by class cona political power; and of course it has sciensness - the recognition of the fact aws made and interpreted to suit its that individual interest is best, subserved by furthering the interest of And to know this enables us to the entire class of which the individual is a member.

The second point, viz., that when they capture the political power th workers must change the industria It explains why blue listing is legal and social system becames eviden are now in the hands of a few trust and go back to small shops and store It also explains why the courts in third. We now have social production The capitalists may differ somewhat capital, and it is therefore impossible

From the foregoing we conclude The capitalists have control over the first, that it is necessary for the worknears of living, the laws, and the ing class to go into polities, as a class bree behind the laws, because they second, that upon the capture of the control the political power. The political power the workers must es-It is therefore evident that the political If the workers were in control of the action taken by the workers must be political power they could interpret the of the right kind and that the kind is laws to suit the working class tand it determined by the need of the workall depends mean the interpretation - ers, viz., they need social owner-hip or shooting unarmed men by Pinkertons Socialism, therefore the only party that as well as by police, and hopeisoning workingmen can consistently belong to innecent people have often been de is the Socialist party. The Socialist clared quite legals. They could make party is a revolutionary party, it stands it legal for employers to bineklist men for a complete change of system. It is or to interfere with union pickets not a reform party, L e., it does not They could imprison Pinkertons, and aim to merely tinker or patch up the could have scales attested for conspire present system. Revolution does not necessarily mean-use of arms or vietrol of the others, they could feed the lence; it signifies a complete change strikers and unemployed with public The Socialist party advocates a comnoncy, as French municipalities in plete change in the political and indusontrol of Socialists have done several (that system, it change from capitalism to Socialism, from wage slavery to There is still considerable objection

preed against the discussion of politics wood yards by a municipality was and in trade union meetings notwithstandsonstitutional. If Socialists had been ing the fact that it is becoming more tion of industry is making the capital ists so powerful that it is absolutely necessary for the workers to use the

The argument advanced is that it would cause dissension in the union must vote for a party irrespective of their opinions, and it would not be litical reasons, because it is necessary. more to take into consideration, viz : to get the workers together, if only on the contumic field.

But the mere discussion of politics decessarily be educational since all

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We can take up the application of this theory to but one of the sciences. that is the science of society or sodwelt to a great extent upon society as elety of men, but it does show that an organism. He early realized that a this struggle becomes less a brute complete account of universal environ- muscular one and more of an intellecment must explain the origin and struc ture of human societies no less than milder in its processes at each successtime of Goethe it was pointed out further that society moves in a spiral, that evolution, although the line of advance is urward, does not always at that governs society. Operating with any one time mean progress. There are times when society, so to speak. turns back upon liself. The term evoling beings. In the first stages of solution then comprises all the changes clery the first law no doubt takes undergone by an organism or society independently of the question as to and as the social organism is bound whether these changes are favorable

Conference aneously with the appear ance of the book that sets forth the theory of organic evolution the "Origin of the Species" there appeared another on society "Capital" that applied the principles of evolution to soor germ of the new, that the same laws for greater social solidarity. of heredity and adoption apply to so ciety as to the physical organism. The Darwinian theory is that the struggle-

as our opponents claim, points irreconcliable with our position? If Socialtion between science and Socialism, omic conditions. Further, if we find proof of the certainty of the principles of Socialism

while the law of Darwin shows the ority of the capabilities and bence of the want of individuals. It is here that, under socialism. This is inaccurate and misleading. has never denied the inequality of in-

work of investigation, some artistic work, others will prefer manual to in- stagnation or retrogression. teliectual labor. But these differences or not. What Socialism can do is simtunities when they begin life and pro-spring like themselves, vide that there shall not be some men away with, we should look for greater ment, uniformity in intelligence and ingenuity. To-day however, through inheritthough it may be feeble in body or strong and intelligent.

is no leveling of individuals, but it is Marx reduced social evolution down a guarantee to all men of human con to a struggle of classes. It is this ditions of existence and that all may have the same starting point and not a an explanation of human history. It few be made to carry weights in the points out that the economic conditions struggle for life. In short, it means an equality of social conditions in which tory shows a struggle between classes each may develop his personality.

The second point in which Socialism and Darwinism are said to be at variance is in the struggle for existence Evolution says that in the life of man, as in that of plants and animals the crease its powers. Hence, each subvast majority of those who are born are doomed to perish because only few can succeed in the struggle for life. Socialism, our opponent claims, asserts vidual against individual. Individual that all ought to triumph in this strug-

Let us turn to the field of biology. Here we find that the lower the form of life the greater the disproportion between the number of individuals born of reason. and those that survive. As we advance in the scale of life to more com-

but the paim tree, requiring years for conscious organization that they will maturity, may bear but a few seeds, no one of which may be wasted.

Exactly the same is true in society, field of investigation. Up to 1883 it degree of civilization few of the off-As we advance in the scale of civilization we find the number of those who survive more nearly approaching the number born. Now this in no way would give the idea that the struggle for existence does not apply to the so tual struggle and the whole grows ive phase of the biological and social evolution. But the law of the struggle for ex-

istence is by no means the only law it as society progresses is the law of solidarity or co-operation between livprecedence, but as advance is made more clearly together by division of labor and the food supply is more as sured the second law takes greater prominence and the struggle becomes through it bring into power a class slaves. milder in character.

Again, in this second point, Socialism and Darwinism are not at variance. Socialism would, in bringing in cial development. It pointed out that a higher form of society, remove from each stage of society is the logical child one on an economic basis for life and dishonest by heredity and their child very lives were dangling in the balof the proceding stage, that within death to a field where intellectual emueach stage of society lies the embryo lation would predominate and make The third point of contention in the

for existence assures "the survival of the best, the victory of the fittest," and hence there is an aristocratic gradation existing between science and so-tion of individuals, not the democratic cialism. Can we claim science as one leveling of Socialism. There is no of the hand-maidens of our interpreta- | doubt that the path that humanity has tion of social conditions, or are there followed has, as a whole, been one of progress and development, but on the other haml, this advance has not al ism is the next step in social evolu- ways been in a straight line. There have been periods of retrogression as both developing from the same econ | well as of progress, of evolution and of dissolution. Ferri has said of this: the two in accord, it is but one more | Every cycle of evolution in the individual life as in the collective life bearwithin it the germs of the correspond-The great contribution of the last ing cycle of dissolution and inversely century to science was the discovery the latter, by the decay of the form. of the Darwinian law of evolution, laiready worn out, prepares in the eter-There are three points in this theory had laboratory new evolutions and new that our opponents claim refute the forms of life." Now the Darwinian argument of Socialism. First, it is theory does not state that it is the who can best adapt themselves to conganic necessity of the natural inequal- ditions, whatever those conditions may

Now if, as it is to-day, the struggle many Socialists ignorantly speak and for existence favors those who are fitwrite of a supposed equality in every test for a world where men are valued way of all individuals that will exist for what they have and not for what they are, it is because the social con Scientific Socialism ditions of capitalism demand of this This can be best illustrated by an exdividuals, physical and intellectual. As ample taken again from biology. The Perri has said, "Socialism says Men individual is born, developes, reaches are unequal, but they are all Men." It maturity, produces offspring and deis in this element of being human be- cays and dies, having performed its of this one element every man has the a social stage develops, gives birth to a right to an existence belitting a human new social stage and passes away. Capitalism has performed its function No one can deny the fact that all It holds within it the new social stage men are not suited to do the same kind Socialism struggling into birth. If the

kept. The weaker ones being left ply to give to all an equality of opport at home to marry and reproduce off-

Again, while women who are degen in society who do no work, while oth, erate, deformed or sickly may, on ac ers do all the work and receive little count of large dowrles, readily obtain reward. Far from claiming that all fusbands the women, be they ever so individuals would be equal in the sense robust and intelligent of the working lion people in America, whose hunger of all alike, Socialism would aim to at people, remain unmarried because of has just as keen an edge as if it were low each to develop his individual in this economic hindrance. Riches thus under a despot. And the drift of the clinations. But inequalities due to assure the survival of not the best, but great social differences being done the fittest to our capitalist environ-

Let us leave these three points and touch for a moment on the relation ance, the child of wealthy parents, that exists between Socialism and Dar winism on another side the struggle well nigh an idiot, has a better opport between individuals of the same spe tunity than the child of the working cies and with species with each other class, though the latter may begin life In no other way can the appearance and disappearance of species be ex-Equality then in the Socialist sense plained. In exactly the same way theory alone that gives us the key for form the basis of life and that all histo obtain and keep control of the economic forces. Now the fact of the class struggle shows us also the meth od of freeing ourselves from our con ditions. Each ruling class seeks to in jest class to succeed must obtain these economic forces. The struggle there fore is one of classes not one of indiwarfare does not advance the cause of any class one step. Hence to rave gle and that no one is destined to fall. against individual employers or to presume that an individual killed off more or less can change matters is outside

The politician who simply protests against this or that person produces no plex and higher developed organisms effect. Says Ferri, "No individual conthis disproportion grows smaller. Fish, flicts, no personal violence, but a class many of them, produce a multitude of struggle. It is necessary to make the eggs, while few of them survive. The immense army of workers of all trades elephant produces but one or two off and of all professions conscious of spring and they usually come to matthese fundamental truths. It is necturity. In plant life the same law pre essary to show them that their class on a search for himself is no worse off

onquer this economic power."

Turn now to another but related tists that all that has been acquired accumulated and transmitted to his offspring. August Welsman first attacked this theory in his essay on heredity. He denied that species have arisen by the accumulation of acquired characters fransmitted from one generation to another. The two schools then claim the first that species were produced by the transmission and accumulation of acquired characters, the of types possessing favorable variation. Now at the first glance it may not appear that this contention of the scientists is of any great importance istics are inherited may not know that on one of the rocks on which Socialism would be wrecked. For the critic of Socialism claims that we hope to made up of hereditary inefficients. How frequently has the Socialist been niet by the statement that the poor

prosilinte, but if they become such Plain and simple, isn't it? are forced to it by their surroundings, he might have met triumphantly his shops, granaries, storehouses, ware-

show at length the ways that science man life is so chean.

revolution than many stop to consider. tion of history. They fully recognized industrial change in ethics, education Wright, about one-sixth and literature,

But, says some one, what is the use oi it.

"Socialism is all right in Europe, where workingmen are oppressed," we No! But, there are about three milmass of tollers is that way. Must we walt until all get to their last crust? Let us workingmen take the lead in voting out of office the capitalist exploiters by voting for Socialism, Social Standard:

The working class is certainly a wealth they produce and bestow it on the "others." The enforced Idleness which the recipients of the workers' generosity bestow upon them, establishes that identity of interests between "capital and labor" which the infant has always been careful to teach. Those stocks and bonds and enforced "leisure" of the workers depends on acceptance of that belief. Stand pat and celebrate, The Toiler.

The ruling class in this country toay are the capitalist class. They hold the economic power (the job power), and, therefore, they control absolutely the political power, King Capital stabds before the "free" American

voter and virtually says to him: "I am your President, your Congress, your government, your legislatures. your courts, your everything. I am IT in this country. You elect me to all the offices. My will is law."-Labor Advocate.

Rent, interest and profit. Take the three first letters and we have RFPthat's exactly what they do to a fellow's wages. Wages cannot stand the legalized robber of to-day, the against this trinity. Vote out the wage system. lowa Socialist

The New York man who has started valls. The weed, ripe in a few weeks, interests are in opposition to the inmed for the most part to be wasted, economic power and that it is by class- selves face to face.—The Craftsman.

STARVING AMIDST PLENTY.

Starving amidst pienty! This may sound rather contradictory and incon-Among savages and people of a low was quite generally agreed by scien- celvable, yet to any reader who will stop for a few minutes to peruse these spring survive compared to those born, by an individual during his lifetime is lines, and verify the facts cited, he or she cannot help but agree in the statement.

In Chicago, within the past few weeks, thousands of workers at South Chlengo, the harvester works, and in fact all along the line of employment, have been "hald off," given holidays, whether they wanted the holidays or not. Some will be taken back to work other that they arose by the selection at reduced wages, possibly after they have become hungry, bumble and willing to contentedly work long hours. uncomplainingly, for bard task mas to us, but a closer examination will ters, while some will never go back, show that it lies at the very foundation particularly those who may have been of our philosophy. Those Socialists prominent in "trade unions" or stood who contend that acquired character for the interests of the working class in any way, for you can depend on it they are standing with our opponents that your masters have had spies among you (seeming workers), who know who have been the agitators, and bring in a co-operative state and who have been the contented, willing

These masses of workers have daily for weeks, months, aye, years, past been toiling long hours in shops, facand working class cannot be bettered; tories, mills, etc., in all sorts of conthat they are lazy, intemperate and ditions, and in many cases where their dren will have the same characteris- ance. They have added great quantities of wealth to the nation's assets. Perhaps the Socialist has been una- In fact, they have piled up the proble to meet this line of thought with duets so high and so fast that they an argument having behire it author- have got way ahead of the world's ity. If he had but known that Weis- consumption, for the products of Chiman, one of the keenest minds of our cago go all over the world. Now that time, has shown to the satisfaction of the markets are glutted, the store a large body of scientists that charac houses here, too, filled to overflowing, ters acquired by individuals are not there is an overproduction and the inherited by their offspring, that the next thing to do is to cease producing. child of a criminal is not born a criminand that means a "laying off" of the inal or the child of the prostitute a workers. That's why you are little. Now, the factories, mills, mines

houses, in fact nearly every building in Finally the fact remains that in all the world is filled to overflowing with departments of science to-day work is good warm clothing, good wholesome being done that might powerfully aid food, and we have many empty dwellour cause had we but knowledge of it, ings, and there will be more as soon but knowledge is the monopoly of the as you have no money to pay your rent. few, and this that could prove so great and you, the workers who produced it a weapon in our hards is by our oppo all, are hungry. You have no job, nents turned against us. We might consequently no money is coming in on pay day and your larder is empty. would take under different social con- Your wives, children and those depensaid that Socialism wishes to establish best that survive, but those fittest to ditions to improve health and prolong dent upon you are hungry or forced to an equality of persons and property, survive in a given environment, those life, of the studies made in food and do menial toll, or mayhap worse, for sanitation, none of which are regarded bread. You are literally starving of great importance to-day when hu anadst plenty. Whose fault is it that this is so? It is your own. Why don't Socialism means a far deeper, wider you, the workers, wake up to what is to your own interest, and stop this A half century ago Marx and others chaotic condition, this anarchistic way laid the scientific basis of it, the class of piling up great masses of wealth, struggle and the economic interpreta- taking for yourself only a small percentage of the product (according to the change that would accompany the Commissioner of Labor Carrell D. share, called wages, which, as you well know, try as you may, save as you of all this talk about science, educa- can, goes no farther than to give you ings that equality exists, and because service to the species. So in society tion, etc.? Socialism is coming any an existence for yourself and those deway, and all we need to know is the pendent on you, and now, when you fact of an industrial revolution. It is have overstocked the markets, amidst true that economic forces are bringing the plenty you can starve. Why don't Socialism, but few Socialists would you get some manhood or womanhood presume to deny the fact that its ad- in you? The slaves of ancient Greece of work, some can perform better dead husk of capitalism be prolonged vance can be shaped and few again and Rome, rebelled at every chance beyond its time it will mean social will deny that an intelligent, sound, they got, and when they became danthinking, up to date body of working gerous, the Caesars of Rome gave their Let us point out some of the ways men can far better meet the capitalist slaves free bread and circuses. Do of inclination, the result of birth, are in which capitalist selection goes on class than an ill trained, weakened you want to get soup kitchens and to-day increased by social differences to-day. Take, for instance, those coun-illogical, visionary prolefariat. If we vandeville performances in Chicago? that force some men to do all work of tries having a standing army in which claim that to us belongs the future we Be men and women. You are strong one kind whether it be to their liking the strongest young men of the nation must prepare ourselves for the shaping and ready to work. Why don't you get it? The way to get it you have been told from nearly every street corner in Chicago by Socialist speakers, often hear it said, "but the working- You are getting just what you voted for, the rule of the master class, the capitalists. Those of you who have anything left from the savings of your meager earnings will have it taken from you by the capitalists because they own the product that your labor has created. After the overproduction is used up you will go back like whipped curs to your toll and slavery, and not only be slaves yourselves, but continue a system that will enslave all who come after you. You have chilgenerous Santa Claus, when they will dren. Look into their innocent faces voluntarily deprive the useives of the and ask yourself whether you wish to bind them to a like career or experience such as you are now undergoing Not a man or woman does. Then protest against it, join a working class organization that has a well-defined proposition to place before you, viz., the Socialist party, the only class conscions organization that stands for the interest of the working class against the capitalist or robber class, and for the abolition of the competitive system. This robber class, after extorting five sixths of your product in the past, now stands for a system which enslaves you, while you walk the streets and gaze on the wealth that you have created, piled up before your very eyes. The Socialist party is composed of

not for the glorification of men, a par-

ty which wants to inaugurate a system

that would eliminate waste and use-

less toil, and manufacture and produce

only for use, and give to the workers

the full social value of their labor, so

that there would be no overproduction.

no lockouts, no want, no misery, no

crime and no bables crying for bread

in our midst, and, greatest of all, that

shirker, the exploiter of labor, would

no longer be allowed to thrive upon

your toil, and ride around in palace

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NOTICES.

HALL MEETINGS. Satestar, Jan. 2, 8 p. m., Party Hend-quarters, Speaker, Ernest Untermana, So-ries of lectures continued. Subject, "The Pamity and the Home Under Capitalism and Under Socialism."

Sunday, San. 3, 3 p. m., Party Hendquar-ters. Speaker, Philip Engle.

Labor Hall, 92d and Eric Av. Speaker, F

Sunday, Jan. A S p. m. Third Ward tranch Headquarters, SMS State St. Speak-r, Ches. Ehnborn.

Seventeenth Ward Branch Headquarters Set W. Chicago Av. Speaker, Merris Kap

. Hygela Hall, Ogden Av. and Robey St Speaker, Gertrude Breslan Hant.

North Town Headquarters, hin Sedgwick t. Speaker, John Collins. Sunday, Jan. 10, 9 p. m., Car Workers' Lecal 97, 48th and Halsted Sts. Speaker, George Koop.

Wednesday, Jan. 6, 7 p. m., Examiners and Bushelmen's Union, Cutters' Hall, 167 Fast Washington St. Speaker, John Col.

. . . Friday, Ian. 8, 8 p. m., La Selie Cinb, 215 West 12th St., near Desplaines St. Speaker, Gertrude Breslan Hunt.

Wednesday, Jan. 12, 8 p. m., Car Workers, Unity Lodge, No. 7, 5401 Wentworth Av. Speaker, Mat. Whale.

Friday, Jun. 15, 8 p. m., Int. Machinists, Lake View Lodge, Lincoln Turner Hall, Di-versoy Bonl., near Shoffield Av. Speaker, Ernest Untermann.

Scandinavian Sick Benefit Society, Flynn's Hall, Robey St. and North Av. Speaker, Thes. J. Morgan. THEO, MEYER, Local Secretary.

NOTICE

At Seventeenth Ward Branch meeting, Dec. 23d, it was decided to change Sunday school from 10 o'clock n.m., to 120 o'clock n.m. Panarades, piense take inches and help to make our Sunday school a great success.

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NORTH TOWN NOTES.

Don't fall to come to the North Town leidquarters, DGS Sedgwick St, Sanday vening S p. m., Jan. 3, 1904. John Collins vill give z general review of the important vents that have occurred in the pest 12 nonths. This will be a great treat. Bring our friends.

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Next Monday, Jan. 4th, there will be instellation of the new officers and other business of importance, among which about Tonew members are to be initiated.

Several plans of special action are being agitated, and renewed interest is being manifested by all hands. Don't fail to be present next Monday eve. fested by all name next Monday eve.

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LAKE VIEW. 000 Sheffield Av., cor. Barry Av.

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Sunday, Jan. 17, E. Unterman will deliver the first of a series of lectures which will be continued Jan. 24 and 31st.

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