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A CHALLENGE TO DAVID M. PARRY

Will He Dare to Meet a Socialist in Public Debate?

Courtenay Lemon, in Behalf of the State Committee of the Social Democratic Party of New York, Challenges the President of the National Association of Manufacturers, Which is Carrying on a Systematic Fight Against Socialism and Trade Unionism.

(From advance sheets of the New York Worker.)

The following challenge has been sent by registered letter to David M. Parry, whose bitter attacks on the trade unions and the Socialist movement have recently attracted so much attention:

Mr. David M. Parry, President of the National Association of Manufacturers.

Sir—As President of the National Association of Manufacturers and of the kindred Citizen's Industrial Association of America, in the periodical and pamphlet literature distributed by these organizations, and at meetings in various cities, you have repeatedly and emphatically denounced the labor movement, both in its economic and its political manifestations.

You have pointed to Socialism as a menace to American institutions and an utterly evil movement, dangerous to humanity and threatening the progress of the race; and you have contended that the interests of capital and labor, rightly understood, are identical.

Therefore, the State Committee of the Social Democratic Party of New York, which is the State organization of the Socialist party of America, at its regular meeting on Feb. 9, decided to challenge you to a public debate on Socialism; and I was chosen as its representative and your opponent in such debate, and was instructed to issue this challenge in behalf of the State Committee. I would suggest some simple and direct statement of the question, such as "Resolved, That the Socialist movement stands for the interests of the working class and the progress of humanity," or "Resolved, That the interests of capital and labor are identical," you to take the affirmative on the latter proposition. However, we are perfectly willing that you should draft the resolution yourself, and frame it in such a way as to give yourself the affirmative or the negative as you choose. We offer to pay the rent for Cooper Union or any other large hall in New York City, and let you choose any date which is convenient to you, or when your business will bring you to this city.

Should you accept this challenge you will be shown the utmost courtesy, and any fair conditions agreed to; conclusion of the public will be that you cannot maintain your position against Socialist argument.

WHAT PARRY DEFENDS.
Socialists believe that the industrial system which you are so busily engaged in defending is founded upon monstrous injustice and that it is the fundamental cause of everything evil in human affairs; that conditions which drive little children into the factories, conditions which drive poor women into houses of prostitution, conditions which drive strong men to suicide, conditions which necessitate impudent charity and governmental tyranny to maintain them, have become intolerable; and that they can be eradicated only by the abolition of private property in the means of producing wealth, and the transformation of the capitalist system of private ownership of the means of production into the Socialist system of the collective ownership of the means of production.

WHAT SOCIALISM MENACES.
You may well be alarmed, Mr. Parry, at the growth of the Socialist movement. It is indeed a menace to those "American institutions" which allow the gentlemen of your capitalist class to grow rich on the unpaid labor of the toilers. It is dangerous to vested interests. It threatens what you would call your "legitimate profits"—what Socialists call your feelings from labor. It is based on the proposition that the interests of capital and labor are absolutely and unalterably opposed, and that the capitalist must go—that private ownership of the means of production must give way to national, social ownership.

You, Mr. Parry, as a capitalist, may well be alarmed at the steady and increasingly rapid growth of this movement. The Socialist vote has grown to at least a quarter of a million in this country alone, as shown at the last congressional elections; many powerful trade unions have endorsed the principles of Socialism; labor papers all over the country are becoming its advocates; and, as you yourself have pointed out to your fellow capitalists, the trade unions are becoming saturated with its doctrines.

AT LEAST AN OPEN FOE.
It is but to be expected that as a

member of the class which grows wealthy on rent, interest and profit, you should view this movement with indignant alarm. And although absolutely antagonistic to your whole class, Socialists cannot help according some measure of admiration to the outspokenness with which you denounce this attack upon the interests of capital. The larger capitalists, such as Mr. Hanna and his trusty fellows of the Civic Federation, pursue quite a different policy; they seek to disarm labor by the appearance of concession, to avoid the social revolution by hypocritical pretense of conciliation and good-will toward those whom they are robbing. You, on the other hand, denounce the trade unions and the Socialists with unrestrained warmth and with no more hypocrisy than is absolutely necessary and inevitable to one in your position. For this, you deserve whatever measure of respect is due a good fighter. An avowed enemy who openly declares war is certainly better than a treacherous foe who pursues the same ends in the guise of benevolence and good will.

You claim that the campaign of the National Association of Manufacturers against Socialism is a campaign of education, and that by information and discussion the working people of America can be brought to see that the revolutionary principles of Socialism are wrong. Therefore, as you think the Socialist movement of sufficient importance to devote your time to trying to check its growth, we suppose you will not be unwilling to set the people right on this question by exposing Socialist fallacies in public debate.

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This challenge will be issued to the labor press, as well as to the newspapers; which latter may garble or suppress it; and it will be read by hundreds of thousands of working people. Should you fail to debate with me they will have to believe that you cannot substantiate your sweeping charges against the Socialist movement; and those who are sympathetic with Socialism will again have their belief in its principles confirmed and deepened by the refusal of its opponents to meet its representative in the test of argument and reason.

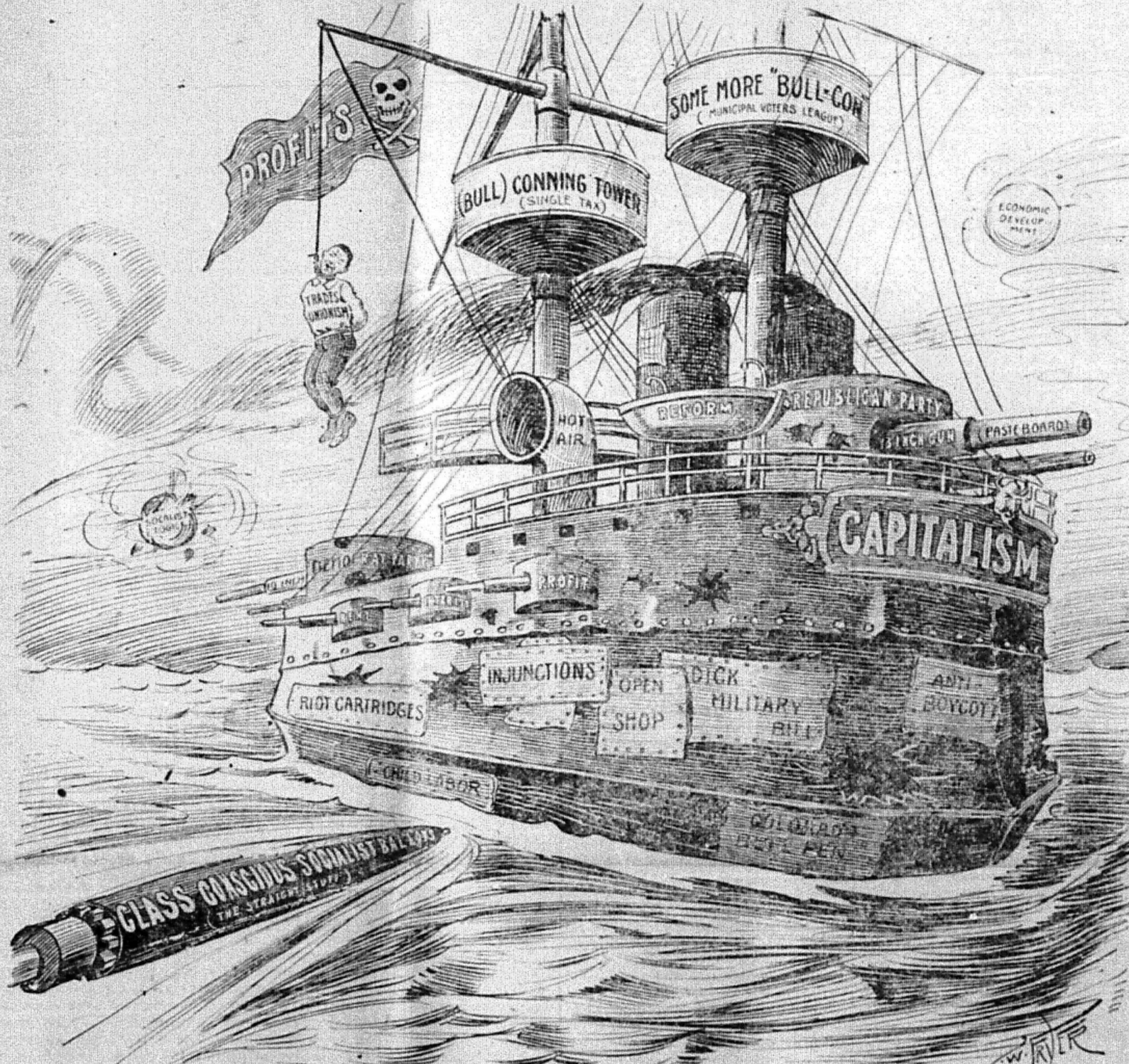
For the State Committee of the Social Democratic Party of New York.
COURTENAY LEMON,
Recording Secretary.

TO OUR CARD AGENTS.

To all who have cards and have not yet settled for them, we make this special offer: Send \$1.50 to pay on cards and by return mail we will send one of our beautiful gift buttons or pins enamelled in three colors. This offer is good whether you have sent in cards already or not—simply remit \$1.50 in settlement of cards and button will be mailed. This offer holds good until April 1st, and will also apply on all cards settled for cash in advance.

When capitalism speaks, slaves come to time, but those who would be free have time coming to them.

THE WAR SITUATION.



THE "JAPS" ARE NOT THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO KNOW HOW TO USE TORPEDOES.

THE VOICE OF THE SOCIALIST PRESS.

BY SAMUEL N. RUBIN.

- Your voice is calling to action; Is waking the slumbering woman and man; Your voice is guiding, is giving direction And planning a great and a marvelous plan.
- Your voice is mustering, calling to arms The greedy and needy, the master and slave; Your voice caresses and soothes and alarms The hero and coward, the righteous and knave.
- Your voice interprets the meaning to science And opens the eye to all art that is true; Creates of all nations a single alliance, Including the pagan, the Christian, the Jew.
- Your voice denounces the men that are lying From platform, pulpit, cathedral and press; It also exposes the men that are trying To lead and mislead the toiling class.
- Your voice shouts plainly the cause of the struggle, Marking the class-line distinct as the sun; Your voice permits none to trade or to smuggle; Class-conscious the battle must fought be and won.
- Your voice is tearing to shreds all tradition And custom and precedent, sanctioned by age; Your voice is clearing up myth, superstition, Interpreting properly history's page.
- Your voice grows louder and clearer and stronger And plainer with every issuing sound; Your voice makes the aged active and younger And stimulates growth in the seed-planted ground.
- Your voice when heard once sows dissatisfaction And adds the rebellious spirit to swell, Bearing that gospel in every direction, Rousing the flooded to rise from that hell.
- Your voice gives hope to the heart that is aching And comforts the homeless, the suffering soul; Your voice points out to the dawn that is breaking, Fraternity's dawn and humanity's goal.
- Your voice is sweet as the catbird's falling, As soft as the nightingale's natural lay, As idealistic as evening bells tolling, And hopeful as that of a morning in May.

Minneapolis, Minn.

ATTENTION.

W. H. Whitley will speak at Party Headquarters, 181 Washington street, Saturday, Feb. 20. Come and bring your friends.

Robert Saltiel, National German Organizer, at the Opera House at Mt. Olive, Ill., on Saturday, Feb. 27th. On Sunday, Feb. 28th, he will speak at Staunton.

THE FARMER TO MR. WAGE-WORKER.

BY C. J. LAMB.

Neighbor—There is someone riding on your back. Did you know it? No; you do not know it. A dog has fleas. Does he know it? No; he does not know it, but he does feel uncomfortable. Fleas, however, are beyond his comprehension. I can't show a dog he has fleas—he would not understand it. But you are not a dog. I did not say you were, I do not mean to compare you to a dog. What I meant was to compare the fleas on the dog to the fellow who is on your back. Are you uncomfortable? Maybe that fellow who is on your back makes you so. I wouldn't for a minute hint that you do not know when you are uncomfortable. I can see the fellow who is on your back. Why can I see him? Because I am a Socialist. That enables me to discern him. He is on my back, too, and he makes me uncomfortable. So I want to get him off. You can't see him? Well, that is because you are not a Socialist. I want to get that fellow off my back. He bothers me. But I cannot get him off without your help and you can't help me till you can see the fellow. That is why we Socialists are trying to show you. When you see him you will know what it is that is making you uncomfortable. Then you will pitch into the fellow who is on my back and I will pitch into the fellow who is on your back. We will dispose of him and then we will both be more comfortable.

VERY SPECIAL.

Hilquit's History of Socialism in the United States is becoming a famous book. It costs \$1.50. If by mail add 17 cents postage. To those of our comrades who would like to get a copy, but cannot afford it, we will make the following very special offer: Send us twenty-five subscribers at one time, with money for same enclosed adding 17 cents for postage, and we will mail you a copy of the book. This offer closes March 14. Cards that have been sent on account will not apply on this offer. Who will be the first?

SPECIAL EDITION.

Our issue of Feb. 27 will be a special Hearst edition. In it we will show the relation of the Hearst boom to the labor movement. It will be illustrated by one of Artist Fryer's famous cartoons, and will be in every way a paper that can be used to overcome the tendency to form Hearst clubs in opposition to our own. In the cities of this State and other States where Hearst clubs are being organized it will pay our comrades and sympathizers to circulate this edition far and wide. Send in all orders at once. The price will be 50 cents per 100, and money must accompany all orders. Orders without money accompanying them will not be entertained. All orders must be in not later than Thursday, Feb. 25. The comrades and sympathizers everywhere should send in big orders and distribute the paper from house to house. The presidential campaign is on now in spite of the fact that candidates have not yet been nominated, and everywhere the working class are being confused and divided so that they will be easy to be lined up once the candidates are nominated. It is our duty to clear the atmosphere. Therefore, up and at them, comrades.

SAMMY GOMPERS.

Sammy Gompers in an interview lately published, stated that the Trade Unionists' Crowned on Socialism, and at a meeting of the Metal Trades' Council for South Chicago, where Comrade Berlin was one of the speakers, and where he called the attention of the workers present to the necessity of possessing themselves of the public powers for the purpose of abolishing capitalism, with a view of making themselves masters of the products of their labor, a "frown" was heard so loud that it nearly raised the roof when C. O. Sherman later in the evening called their attention to the necessity of casting their ballots for their class interests, they "frowned" again. Oh, Sammy! You should have heard these "frowns."

Many a man votes for nothing but hot air, to put on the airs of a hot dog and be with the bunch.

OUR STRIKE.

The Ballot is the Weapon—Class-Consciousness the Force.

Capitalism is at the bat. Play ball and strike 'em out.

So long as labor is willing to take the wrongs, capital will take the rights.

Stand and strike till you have struck the stand that capital takes.

Capitalism rattles your bones and keeps you rattled, to make you "divvy up."

If self-preservation is the first law of nature, why not cooperate to preserve yourselves?

Socialism is the boy to hand capitalism one where the chicken got the axe.

Rent, interest and profit is rag-time music to those who have to dig it up.

If you are troubled with long hours and short pay, call at 181 Washington street. Prescription free.

Get a copy of Prisoners, Paupers and Parasites and figure out who is responsible for the Troquois fire.

Labor goes through all kinds of trouble to create capital, while capital goes through all kinds of labor and creates trouble.

The man who is afraid that under Socialism there will be no incentive to work must be working some one.

When a man says Socialism is a good thing, but we ain't ready for it, he doesn't know what a good thing he is for capitalism, which is always ready for him.

Bishop Potter's statement that labor is the elephant and capital must ride on its neck to direct it, is evidence enough that he is preaching to save the elephant—for the director.

From the way Hearst appealed to the labor vote to save the streets, it is quite evident he is preparing to give them the middle of the road.

Speaking of the Colorado miners, wonder if any one has telegraphed to Bull Pen, Colorado, that Socialism will destroy the home?

Our freedom is such that a man may open his eyes, ears and mouth to find a job, but must close them all to hold it.

From the way capitalism dishes up the voters on election day, there can be no doubt there are lots of them in the soup.

Another campaign is drawing near, and capitalism is preparing to ride into power, through either party, by those great business principles—bottle, booze and boss.

Socialism may have its enemies, but it stands on fundamental principles that will make comrades of us all.

For proof that seeing is believing, but that believing is not seeing, look at the wage workers, who believe they are running the government.

Are you sure you are not getting your ideas of Socialism from capitalist cohorts; who see nothing but red flags from the bull standpoint?

If a man without a job is on the hog, the man who has a job must have the hog on him.

While the preferred dollar goes to Wall street, the workers remain at home, possibly to get some common sense.

It is quite evident, Mr. Capitalist, that the Colorado militia has been pushed by you, to Tell-u-ride.

The indifference of the wage-workers makes the difference between capital and labor.

So long as there are clumps who drift and float, there will be ships to sink.

If you are living in the midst of peace and plenty, it must be plenty for the capitalist and peace to his ashes.

A great many union men who have been out on strike are bawled in an election day by the capitalist's political team.

Capitalism can show you where class hatred begins; Socialism will show you where it ends.

THE DEBATE

between Western Starr and A. M. Simons, at Turner Hall next Sunday afternoon will be too valuable to miss. To reach the Hall take 12th St., Ogdon Ave. or Western Ave. street cars. The admission will be 10c.

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SPECIAL EDITION.

THE ORDERS FOR OUR HEARST EDITION, WHICH WILL APPEAR FEBRUARY 20TH, ARE COMING IN FAST. WE HAVE MADE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH OUR PRINTER TO HOLD THE FORMS, SO THAT WE ARE ABLE TO TAKE ORDERS FOR THIS EDITION THAT ARE AT OUR OFFICE, 181 WASHINGTON STREET, MONDAY, FEB. 20TH. ORDER AT ONCE. 50 CENTS PER 100. MONEY MUST ACCOMPANY ORDERS.

According to press reports the Manufacturers' Association is scoring one victory after another against labor unions. Experience is the only teacher. The harder the experience the better it will be for the working class.

By the use of a new device for stamping circulars, catalogue concerns may employ one operator and do away with the work of from six to ten.

A New York baker who claimed that "mystic influences were at work on him through the agency of his stomach bidding him to kill the President," has been committed to an insane asylum.

The civil service commission in its report to President Roosevelt recommends old age pensions for government employes, payment for same to be deducted from their salaries.

Company G, Colorado National Guard, evidently believes in confiscation, notwithstanding they are the protectors of the capitalists and their property.

The death of Mark Hanna puts our capitalists' cartoonists in a dilemma. The presidential campaign is nearly at hand and a figure of Mark Hanna was a good mumbo-jumbo to scare the ignorant among the working and middle classes.

A new figure must be found to represent the trust, and what is worse, right on the eve of a presidential campaign. The capitalist obituary notice will have to give a lie to all that is said of Hanna while he was alive; now he will be praised as having been a great and good man.

He was as immensely superior to Wm. R. Hearst as an elephant is to a mouse. We Socialists have still the same enemy to fight whether Hanna is alive or is dead.

THE COOK COUNTY CONFERENCE.

The Cook County conference called by the Central Committee convened at Ulich's Hall last Sunday. There were 175 delegates in attendance.

As is usual in Socialist conventions and conferences very little time was wasted in discussing the personality, history or claims of the different candidates, so as soon as the conference had organized the discussion of the wisest tactics to be pursued in the coming aldermanic campaign in April commenced.

One portion of the delegates desired to go into the campaign with a simple declaration that the Socialist party is the party of the working class, and that if any of our candidates were elected they would examine all legislation by one standard, i. e., is it in the interest of the working class?

Another portion of the delegates were just as earnest and enthusiastic in their advocacy of the conference, adopting a detailed program stating the attitude of the Socialist party on the "live questions of the day."

To say that the discussion on the merits and demerits of these different points of view was spirited, animated and earnest is putting it mildly. We print in another portion of this issue a full report of the proceedings of the conference, and the final result of the deliberations of the delegates who constituted it.

It is needless to state that the platform as adopted is very unsatisfactory to many members of the party, but we are all Socialists, and there is no difference of opinion as to our ultimate aim, viz.: the overthrow of the capitalist system of production and distribution of the products of the working class, and to give to workers the full product of their toil.

The plain duty of every Socialist at the present time is to bend every energy in his or her ward from now until the election in April, in endeavoring to educate the workers to understand their own and their class interest. A political campaign offers splendid opportunities to propagate Socialist thought and the necessity of working class action on the political field, to the end that the powers of government may be controlled in the interest of the wealth producers, as they are now used and controlled in the interest of the capitalist class who exploit the workers.

The Socialist party expects its members to do what they can to spread the message of Socialism during the coming spring and fall campaign. We are all one for the overthrow of capitalism and the abolition of wage slavery. We will take up the discussion of tactics again after election.

WILLIAM R. HEARST AND SOCIALISM.

Hearst's Chicago American, in its endeavor to be all things to all men, has at last attempted to deceive the Socialists and especially that portion of the working class who have only lately become interested in studying Socialism.

That Hearst sees and feels the "menacing" and ominous ground swells of discontent and the onward march of international Socialism, the editorial in last Wednesday's American gives abundant testimony.

Mr. Hearst, or rather Mr. Hearst's hired man, say that the Socialists in Germany are only a harmless edition of the Democratic party, and according to this same authority Karl Marx and La Salle were only harmless "little business" men who only wished an opportunity to peacefully conduct their little second-hand stores.

According to Mr. Hearst's hired man, the foreign Socialists are ideal citizens, and all they want is a capitalist republic like we have in America. On the other hand, the Chicago Chronicle, the senior Democratic organ, on the same day refers to this same Socialism in the following language:

"There is need in Congress, in the Legislatures and in the City Comities, there is need in all executive offices from the highest to the lowest, there is need in society and in the home, of a revival of that genuine Americanism which for no good reason has for so long a time stood silent and absorbed in the presence of the most odious foreignism that ever came to these shores—the exotic of Socialism."

Let us for a moment examine the historical records and see just what manner of man this Karl Marx, which Mr. Hearst's hired man says was only a harmless reformer, was. In the "Communist Manifesto," which is Marx's best known work, we find the following statement thrown into the face of the capitalist world:

"In short, the Communists everywhere support every revolutionary movement against the existing social and political order of things. In all these movements they bring to the front, as the leading question in each, the property question, no matter what its degree of development at the time.

The proletarians have nothing to lose but their chains. They have a world to win.

"Working men of all countries, unite!"

This is the same W. R. Hearst who advises all storekeepers in Chicago to leave their window blinds up on Sunday so the poor women and children who have no other time to walk the streets in daylight may have an opportunity of looking at the beautiful things the labor of their class has produced.

Is this the limit of capitalist impudence and irony, or will they go farther?

THE APPROACHING STRUGGLE.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 4, 1904.

Following clipping from to-day's editorial Chicago Chronicle: "It took something like fifty years of labor union insolence and tyranny to make capitalists and employers of labor see that self-preservation required them to organize for defense as labor had organized for aggression. There was an employers' association in Dayton, Ohio, in 1900, composed of thirty-eight members, but it was not until last October that all the employers' associations in the country met at Chicago and organized the Citizens' Industrial Association of America, the counterpart and antagonist of the National Federation of Labor, and that preparations began to be made for the Armageddon of labor. That it will be a battle royal may be inferred from the membership of the Industrial Association, which has been growing by leaps and bounds ever since its organization. It includes, for instance, fifty-nine national organizations of separate lines of business, such as bakers, confectioners, plumbers, plasterers, stove founders, tailors, publishers, horseshoers and advertisers. It has among its members sixty-six district and State organizations and 323 local organizations. In short, the business and manufacturing interests of the whole United States have for three months solidified themselves for the purpose of resisting the exactions of grasping and lawless unions. The truth is that organized labor sees the handwriting on the wall. It already repents that it has aroused a sleeping and long suffering giant. It might not only have enjoyed lenient treatment, but might have continued oppressions for quite a while if it had only been moderate. Its violence and indecency and its robber-like spirit have at last overcome the inertia of public sentiment and the feathers will now begin to fly. A great and decisive battle is at hand."

Reader, the above is a challenge to the workmen to array themselves and prepare to retain their "feathers which will now begin to fly." This veiled threat by capitalism means not your feathers, for you haven't any, but your LIBERTY. The above named organizations are composed of Democrats and Republicans; its object is not alone to thwart your efforts to obtain relief from the present industrial system, but to further degrade you by reducing your wages and lengthen your working hours. The members of that organization insinuate that you are too well paid, too well fed, too well clothed and housed, and that that condition puts you in position to assert too much independence to suit capitalism. The position of independence on your part must be eliminated, and it is to be done by reducing your wages and lengthening your working hours. You are given notice that your wages will be reduced in the near future, you refuse the terms, you go on a strike, in a few weeks you have exhausted your savings, if you were fortunate to have any, and then you will be compelled to accept the terms offered you or starve; this is a free country, you can either work under the terms imposed by your master or jump in the lake. When you support either Democrats or Republicans for office you thereby stamp with your approval such further proposed degradation of yourself and families. These people are determined to crush you, yet you vote their tools into office who are only too anxious to do the biddings of their masters, and execute and administer the laws against you, who cast 85 per cent of the votes that placed these capitalistic tools into power; you damn the greedy capitalists, then turn around and vote them into office, expecting them to put some restraint upon their own greed.

The capitalists vote for men of their class. Many of you vote for the tools of capitalists by supporting Democrats and Republicans, and then if you obtain no relief, you raise a storm. You have no right to a protest you get just what you voted for. In Colorado to-day the workmen instead of getting the full dinner pail, which was promised them, are getting bullets, and allowed free trading with shackles on their feet, in the bull pens. Is that what you want? If not, then study up on SOCIALISM, and assist us to reaffirm the Declaration of Independence, not from King George III, but from King Greed.

M. J. MYERS, Member Socialist Party 28th Ward.

NOTICE.

Branch Rock Island of Local Rock Island Company meets every Sunday forenoon at Rock Island Industrial Home Hall, from 10 to 12 o'clock. Every reader of the Chicago Socialist is invited to attend these meetings.

SPECIAL.

100 Hagerty Leaflets, 100 Pots of Gold, 100 Prisoners and Paupers, 100 Frances Willards, All for 50c. If by mail add 20c for postage.

THE UNIONS AND THE COURTS.

BY MARCUS HITCH.

The final lesson which the labor unions have to learn, before they can emancipate their members, is that our courts are not nonpartisan. A court as an abstraction may be nonpartisan, but a court composed of capitalist judges is a very different thing from a court in the abstract, and unfortunately all of our courts are composed of capitalist judges. So far as known, there is not a judge on the bench in the United States who is not a firm believer in capitalism and ready to enforce its principles in the teeth of the plain and solemn obligations of the constitution which they have sworn to uphold in their oath of office; for it must be remembered that capitalism is a comparatively recent innovation, entirely foreign to the American spirit and to the fundamental principles embodied in all our constitutions.

So long as the unions think that courts composed of capitalist judges (that is, judges who believe that capitalism is right) are nonpartisan, and that the wrongs dealt out to the working class by our present judges are in accordance with the law of the land, no further progress can be made and capitalism is safe. As long as capitalism exists, it will be enforced by the courts right or wrong, regardless of the law. It is not the law that controls the courts; it is the judges of the courts who control the law. How fully the capitalists themselves realize this, and how panic-stricken they are to see that this same truth is beginning to dawn upon the labor unions, is well shown in a recent editorial of the Chicago Daily News on the action of Typographical Union No. 16 in abandoning the plan to erect a building of its own. We quote:

"This action was said to be inspired by the belief that the ownership of property would put the union 'in the power of courts which interpret and stretch the laws in opposition to organized labor.'"

"It should have paused long enough to reflect that even if there were truth in the charge made by some of its members that certain local judges were hostile to organized labor any unwarranted action by those judges is subject to reversal by the higher courts. To declare that a properly conducted labor union cannot expect to get justice from the duly constituted tribunals is to inflame against established authority organizations that suffer from unwise leadership."

"It is discouraging to see one of the best of the trades unions joining with irresponsible and disorderly radicals in the cry that justice is not to be had by labor in the courts."

The suggestion that any unwarranted action by judges who are hostile to labor is subject to reversal by the higher courts is exquisitely naive or intended as a brutal joke, we hardly know which, as if it were not a matter notorious enough that the higher up you go the more hostile the judges are to labor, and that the courts of last resort, so far as labor legislation is concerned, are little more than veto committees."

We have not space here to go over recent decisions of the courts affecting labor unions, from the Taff-Vale case down. It will suffice to say that the courts have been making new law very fast in the last year. The technical term for judicial legislation is "developing" the law. The plain English for it is breaking the constitution for the benefit of the capitalist class. Constitutions count for nothing as against class supremacy. Once admit that a certain class has the right to rule, and you thereby admit that it has the right to do whatever is necessary to maintain its rule. This is the principle that Chief Justice Marshall applied in "developing" the federal constitution in his famous decisions while on the Supreme Court bench. Hardly a week goes by without some new judicial "development" of the law to fortify the position of capitalism and weaken the position of labor unions. The attempt is persistently made in the public press to make the word unionist synonymous with "criminal" or "law-breaker."

In saying that capitalist judges violate their oath of office we do not imply that they have no excuse for doing so. Their excuse is that if they enforced the principles of the constitution the capitalist system would be unworkable. This is only another way of saying that our industrial system has outgrown the constitution and has made it a dead letter.

Professor David G. Ritchie, in his book on Natural Rights, page 264, says: "Most Americans think that in their declarations of natural rights they have a security against those social interferences with liberty and property to which our (British) carelessness on the question of natural rights and our unlimited sovereign legislature leave us exposed. But supposing that public opinion, and it is to be hoped without a civil war, were to be convinced that certain other forms of private property besides property in human beings, were incompatible with the equal freedom and independence of all men, no amount of declarations of natural rights could bar the way to a torrent of socialistic legislation, nor could a multitude of constitutional checks do anything except tender the conflict of old and new ideas more dangerous to the public peace. Sooner or later the constitutional lawyers would have to put a different interpretation on the word 'property' from that which their predecessors put upon it."

Labriola, in his Materialistic Conception of History, page 190, expresses substantially the same thought in these words: read them over twice if you wish to feel their full force: "The small and the large bourgeoisie, agrarians and manufacturers, advocates of the poor and defenders of accumulated wealth, monarchists and democrats, socialists and reactionaries, have bitterly contended over extracting profit from the action of the public authorities and over exploiting the contingencies of politics and parliamentary intrigue, to find the guarantee and defense of certain definite interests in the interpretation of existing law or in the creation of new laws. Justice has been stripped of its mask and has become merely a profane thing. The consciousness of experience has come to us and has given us a formula as precise as it is modest; every rule of law has been and is the customary, authoritative or judicial defense of a definite interest; the reduction of law to economics is then almost immediately accomplished. If the materialistic conception finally came to furnish to these tendencies an explicit and systematic view, it is because of the proletariat. The existence of the proletariat is the negation of justice in the empire of law, the irrational element in the pretended domain of reason."

Professor Ritchie makes these four things clear:

- 1. The constitution with its declaration of natural rights is no protection to capitalist property owners. 2. So long as the capitalists control the courts they can protect themselves in spite of the constitution. 3. The constitution is no protection to the working class so long as the capitalists control the courts. 4. If the working class controlled the courts they could protect themselves and at the same time make the fundamental principles of the constitution effective.

MARCUS HITCH.

WILSHIRE'S MAGAZINE FOR FEBRUARY.

Jack London begins in the February number of Wilshire's Magazine a new and striking sociological study. "The Tramp." The editor contributes a review of Alfred Russell Wallace's new book, "Man's Place in the Universe," and draws the interesting conclusion that the impulse toward social solidarity is conditioned upon a finite universe. The death of Herbert Spencer serves to introduce a discussion of the synthetic philosophy with particular reference to its treatment of Socialism. Other articles in the editor's characteristic vein are "Wall Street Journal Turns Moralist," "America Suffocating with Wealth," and a criticism of the law under which the attempt is made to exclude John Turner, the English anarchist, from the United States. Among the contributions are "The Anti-Jewish Riots in Russia" by Isador Ladoff; "A German Picture," a protest against the industrial degradation of women, by Sadie V. Alnter, and other discussions. The usual departments and miscellaneous matter are included and various timely topics are discussed in lively fashion from the Socialist standpoint. It is well illustrated.

Twenty-two strike breakers have been imported from Pittsburg to South Chicago. They were rushed into the plant without interference." And liberty enlightened the world.

COOK COUNTY CONFERENCE.

Representatives from 35 Wards Confer on Plans and Platform for the Coming Aldermanic Campaign.

The Cook County Conference of the Socialist party convened at Ulich's Hall, 27 N. Clark street, last Sunday, at 11 o'clock. There was a large attendance of delegates representing every ward in the city. The conference was called to order at 11:30 by County Secretary Lindgren.

Comrade Lindquist was elected temporary chairman and Comrade Harold Lindgren temporary Secretary. A committee of three was elected to examine the credentials.

After the Committee on Credentials reported and their report was adopted, the temporary organization was made permanent, Dr. Slater being elected assistant secretary.

On motion a committee of nine on resolutions and platforms were nominated and elected.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The Committee on Resolutions and Platforms brought in a majority and a minority report, which were as follows:

MAJORITY REPORT.

The working class of America is the American expression of the international movement of the modern wage workers to liberate themselves from wage slavery through the collective ownership and democratic administration of all the means of production and distribution and the abolition of the capitalists' competitive system.

The founders of this republic declared for political freedom, but since the birth of this nation a revolution in industry has taken place. Formerly hand labor and individual effort produced the necessities of mankind. Today machine labor and associated labor are the means of producing these necessities, and while in former times it was the imperative duty of government to protect the individual in the possession of property he had produced, so to-day it is equally the duty of the people to protect associated labor, in their products. That is to say, the whole body of working people in the possession of the products of their toil.

Thus it develops that the battle for human rights has become a battle to determine which form of government we shall have in the future—capitalism or industrial democracy. The result of this struggle will decide forever whether the so-called rights of property shall eternally triumph or become subordinate to the rights of the worker.

We hold that by the natural development of society this nation has outgrown the old system of class government and must throw it off. Political liberty alone is inadequate. We must have both political rights and economic freedom. To secure these conditions is the aim of the Socialist party.

Municipal elections offer only partial opportunities for the execution of our program and the realization of our ideals. In the modern state the conquest of public power by the dispossessed class must be the result of persistent and conscious effort and the work of a working class. Organization on the economic and political field and through agitation and the conquest of municipalities and State and National legislative assemblies.

We call attention to the fact that the agitation for municipal ownership by the Republican, Democratic and Reform parties is for the purpose of dividing the working class on the political field.

We pledge our candidates if elected to use the power so obtained through the class conscious votes of the working class in the interest of the entire working class and to examine all legislation by this one rule "is this in the interest of the working class? If so, we are for it, if not we are against it."

The minority report was the same as the majority with the last paragraph eliminated and the following program added:

MINORITY REPORT.

The Socialist party contemplates the use by the city of Chicago of profits now accruing to private corporations for the inauguration and achievement of a magnificent system of municipal improvements, the providing of employment for the unemployed under conditions impossible under capitalist politicians, insuring shorter hours and larger pay and generally raising the standard life of all workmen and women.

In view of the foregoing, we announce the following as the program of the Socialist party for the city election of 1904:

First—Agitation for the amendment of State laws to the end that the city of Chicago shall have full power and authority to acquire control, own and operate such industries as it may deem advisable for the best interest of the people.

Second—That the city of Chicago shall not grant any franchises of any kind or character to private persons or corporations.

Third—That immediate steps shall be taken for securing the public ownership and operation of street railways, telephones, gas plants, electric lighting and power plants and the furnishing of power, heat and light to private parties.

Fourth—Authority to enable the city to construct, own and maintain buildings for homes and resident purposes to be rented at actual cost of maintenance.

Fifth—The erection and maintenance of public bath houses, natatoriums, gymnasiums and playgrounds in each ward, especially in those populated by workmen.

Sixth—School houses shall be open for general use when not used for school purposes; popular election of the Board of Education, and the equal suffrage of women with men, in the election of all municipal, county and State officials.

Seventh—The abolition of the private contract system, and the direct employment by the municipality of all labor for public improvement, and an eight hour day.

The adoption of the minority report was moved and a spirited debate which lasted for two hours took place. Five minute speeches in favor of the minority report were made by Stedman, Harrack, Sissman, Elsemann and Link.

Against the adoption of the minority report by Kaplan, McAeehern, Whirley, Knoche, Jensen, Engle, Spears, Melan and Dalton. The motion to adopt the minority report was lost.

E. M. Stangland introduced the following amendment to the majority report, and moved that it be added to said majority report.

We believe in Municipal Ownership, the Referendum and other measures tending toward popular government.

We advocated these measures when it was considered visionary and vicious to do so.

But we warn the working people that none of these measures will be of any benefit to them, so long as they are to be enacted by the capitalist parties for the benefit of the capitalist class. These measures will benefit the workers only when their class have control of the powers of government and use this power for their own interest.

We call attention to the fact, that these so-called popular measures are of no value to the workers in capitalist countries like England, Russia or Germany, but rather means for their enslavement.

E. M. STANGLAND.

Comrade Stangland's amendment was lost. A vote by roll call of wards was then taken on the majority report, which was adopted.

The following referendums are now being voted on by the National Committee:

National Committee Referendum No. 1, 1904.

To the National Committee, Socialist Party.

Comrades—The following motions are hereby submitted to you for your consideration and action: The vote upon these motions will close Feb. 25, and votes must reach the office not later than that date.

MOTION NO. 9.

By Floaten of Colorado:

"I move that the National Secretary shall have power to declare any motion out of order if it conflicts with the rules and regulations of the party, provided that if one-sixth of the members of the National Committee appeal the motion shall be submitted."

MOTION NO. 10.

By Floaten of Colorado:

"I move that no speaker or organizer shall be considered eligible to appointment by the national organization unless he or she shall be recommended by a majority of the members of some State Committee in good standing. Any rule conflicting with this rule is hereby repealed."

MOTION NO. 11.

By Caldwell of Ohio:

"As the site of the national headquarters was chosen by referendum vote of the whole party, I do not wish to be a party to passing a motion reversing that decision, even though I believe that Chicago has many advantages over Omaha, therefore,

"I move that the whole question of moving headquarters be referred to the national convention to be held May 1st at Chicago, believing that the question can be fully discussed by the membership and that the delegates will come to the convention instructed how to vote."

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM MAILLY, National Secretary.

GILT BUTTONS.

The gilt party buttons are winners. Handsomely enameled in three colors, they are a thing of beauty and a joy forever. The gold-plated button sells for 25 cents and we are giving them as a premium on every club of six sent in. To locals or individuals everywhere we will send this button by the dozen, postpaid, for \$2.25. We also have the rolled gold button which sells for 50 cents, postpaid. The solid gold button will last for ever; sells for \$1.25 postpaid. Order now.

C. E. Kirkland, Socialist candidate for Alderman in the Twenty-first Ward, wishes to announce that he indorses the provisions in Local Referendum No. 6 now being voted on by the branches in Cook County, and if elected he will obey the said mandate whether it is adopted by Cook County or not.

The Eighteenth Ward Socialist Convention nominated W. H. Whirley for Alderman.

If men would rather live and die in superstition, ignorance, prejudice and bigotry, rather than to lift themselves and investigate Socialism, that they may know the truth, and enjoy the brighter day coming, let them. The young generations are the ones who are going to free themselves, and help us to get our freedom from robbery and robbers, tyranny and tyrants.—Referendum.

Grand Commune Festival and Anniversary

The Entertainment Committee of Cook Co., have in hand a grand entertainment for March 26th. It will be a festival and anniversary of the commune. It will be held at Tattersall's Hall, State and 16th Streets, one of the largest auditoriums in Chicago. Comrade George D. Heron has been secured and will deliver the address of the occasion. Every effort is being made to make this affair one of the events worthy for all Socialists and sympathizers to long remember. The admission will be only 25 cents. Lots of refreshments. Fall details later. Let the comrades get down to business and make this a success as they are so well able to do. The funds will go toward our continuous campaign against capitalism to be used by the Chicago Socialist.

THE BIG 6 DEBATE.

Single Tax vs. Socialism. Is now out and we can fill all orders by mail or at the office, 25 cents. Order before the supply is exhausted. This is a verbatim report of the debate at West Side Turner Hall last fall between Simons, Stedman, and Untermyer for the Socialist position, and White, Post and Harding for the Single Tax position. Buy it. It is interesting. We have several hundred Appeal to Reason cards on hand, which we will sell for 25 cents per card, or four cards for 90 cents, cash, not stamps.

THE NECESSITY FOR ORGANIZATION

BY JOHN M. WORK.

When the American army invaded the Philippines, it easily conquered every Filipino ally of the United States...

When bravery and love of liberty are supplemented by modern means of warfare, they are invincible.

Disorganized and undisciplined Socialists, no matter how heroic and liberty loving, are no match for the capitalist class.

When Socialist heroism and love of liberty are coupled with close, compact, efficient organization, they are invincible.

Organization is the need of the hour. A Socialist who goes it alone and fights capitalism single handed...

Capitalism is a boulder which one Socialist cannot budge. Neither can many Socialists hitting it a clip at random do it vital injury.

The day of the free lance, both on the platform and in the ranks, is over. Grant that he did good service...

It is the free lance in the ranks to whom I am talking now, the man who thinks it is not necessary to join the party organization.

Allow me to quote the following from the Herald, of Milwaukee:

"The success of the Republican and Democratic parties in capturing the powers of government has always been due to their thoroughness of organization. Likewise the oppression of the masses by a few capitalists...

Do you want to be a spoke rotting by the wayside, or a spoke doing good service by being in its place in the wheel?

WORKING CLASS AND ELEPHANTS.

BY HENRY J. WIEGEL.

Frank G. Carpenter, who writes for a syndicate of papers, recently interviewed Bishop Potter and Archbishop Corrigan. Both of these gentlemen expressed their views in a manner that would lead one to suppose that while there may be a little friction here and there, the capitalist class, in the near future, will have assumed its rightful position, supreme dictator...

Perhaps the most striking part of the Potter article is his most abject insult to the working class in comparing it to a huge elephant, a large and docile beast working in the lumber yards in India. He graphically describes how a little black figure rides on the neck of the beast and guides it in the labor it performs.

It is labor that creates all wealth, and labor alone. Capital never did and never will produce anything.

Capital, which is unpaid labor profits, is used by those who possess it for the purpose of creating more capital. Would not the elephant, running free in the wilds of the tropics obtain as good, if not a better living than remaining the beast of burden under a little black figure on its neck? Does

There is no way to fight capitalism successfully except through close, complete, compact, thorough, efficient organization. We must fight systematically, not chaotically. We must fire broadsides, not popguns. We must meet the complete organization of the enemy with an organization still more complete.

A million unorganized Socialists have no terrors for the capitalist class. Twenty thousand organized Socialists, carrying on a systematic, methodical propaganda, have drawn fierce and furious fire from the Republican National committee.

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A million unorganized Socialists have no terrors for the capitalist class. Twenty thousand organized Socialists have scared the Catholic church into sending forth its damozones to propagate Socialism by railing against it.

You are not a good Socialist unless you are a member of the party organization. Joining the party organization and paying dues promptly is the first duty of every Socialist. No other work you do for the cause will have such a telling and far reaching effect as this.

It was natural that in the early stages of the movement the organization should be loose. But, hereafter, it must be close and compact. Hereafter, if a local or branch permits a non-member to participate in business meetings or conventions, it will be guilty of gross violation of discipline.

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*This quotation which Comrade Work credits to the "Milwaukee Herald" is from an article which was written for the Chicago Socialist and published Nov. 28, 1903.—Editor C. S.)

PROTEST AGAINST RUSSIANIZING COLORADO.

Brand's Hall, 162 North Clark street, was well filled on Sunday night to listen to the array of speakers secured by the committee of the A. L. U. (Federal Union, 454) to consider conditions in Colorado and protest against the importing of the Czar's tactics in this so-called "free" America by the capitalists to compel the miners to work whether they want to or not by imprisonment and intimidation.

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Stedman made a splendid and convincing speech. Comrade Guy E. Miller of Telluride, president of the miners of the affected district, Socialist candidate last fall, who has been five times arrested and exiled from Colorado by the military rule, made a telling speech. He is a forceful speaker, not so much from oratorical efforts as from his convincing and powerful way of putting forth what he has to say.

After Comrade Miller's address a collection of nearly \$50 was taken up for the suffering families of the miners. A. M. Simons delivered the last address and thoroughly aroused the audience. The subject was one which he knew how to handle, and he made good use of his time. A lengthy resolution in protest of the acts of the governing powers in Colorado in the way they have treated the workers of that State in defiance of the laws voted by 6 to 1 in referendum, was passed.

LABRIOLA, THE ITALIAN SOCIALIST, IS DEAD.

The following letter to Comrade Carr is his last message to America: "Dear Comrade—I hasten to thank you for the volume containing two of my essays, as well as for the very interesting catalogue and your friendly letter of the 7th inst. I shall read your translation attentively and shall not fail to note anything which may appear inexact. I will advise you of any such points in the event of a new edition, which I hope may be required soon."

As you will see, the second French edition of the essays contains a third, which is a polemic against Masaryk. Now, in case you find it advisable to translate also my volume, "Socialism and Philosophy," I should think you might add to it this polemic against Masaryk as Chapter XII; that is to say, before the appendix. It seems to me that my little volume, "Socialism and Philosophy," might be specially adapted to the American public on account of its lighter style.

Later, when I am more settled, I will write you regarding the problem of propaganda which you have suggested to me. At present I am in a very sad state. For a year and a half I have been suffering with a throat trouble, and have been obliged to undergo tracheotomy. By reason of different complications I have been unable to speak for some months, and just at present I am unable to take other than liquid food. My life is cut off. I was giving three courses at the university; my whole life was taken up with conversation, dispute and propaganda. Now I feel as if I were separated from the world. You can thus imagine my delight at seeing your translation. It seems that while I can no longer speak at Rome, you have made it possible for me to speak at Chicago.

Accept, dear comrade, my unbounded thanks. Yours, ANTONIO LABRIOLA. Rome, Jan. 20, 1904.

COOK COUNTY, ATTENTION!

To the Members and Sympathizers of the Socialist Party of Cook County: Comrades—The national convention of the Socialist Party will be held in Chicago, commencing with May 1.

Realizing the hardships with which our national organization is now burdened in trying to extend the organization over the whole country and strengthening it everywhere in preparation for the coming great presidential campaign and knowing the limited amount of funds available by the national office, we have undertaken to assume all expenses of the national convention.

The amount necessary will be about \$500. Not having this sum at hand, however, we have decided to issue this call asking you for your financial support, trusting you will promptly respond with whatever sum you will be able to spare for this purpose.

We intend to have all arrangements ready by the time the national convention will convene and make every delegate in attendance feel that they are welcome guests of our local and give them an opportunity to long remember the Chicago convention of 1901.

Send all contributions to Jas. S. Smith, 181 Washington street, Chicago, who will acknowledge same through the columns of the Chicago Socialist.

Hoping for a prompt and liberal response, we remain, fraternally, The Cook County Entertainment Committee.

Per T. O. LEWIS, Secretary.

Does it hurt you when you think? If so you are afflicted with that common disease, called by medical men prosopertoritis. A liberal application of philosophus socialism will relieve it not entirely cure the disease.—Erie People.

A little Socialist literature will make you strong enough to see all the weak points of capitalism.

JUST A JOT OR TWO.

BY SEYMOUR STEDMAN.

Class consciousness is not class hatred. It is the intellectual recognition of the same interest, motive and object of the working men and women. It is essential to produce the solidarity of the working class upon the economic and political field.

Political action is the means of obtaining control of the public powers for the institution of Socialism and abolition of capitalism.

Municipal and State elections are minor elections, because success therein affords only a step in the necessary political conquest essential for the institution of Socialism.

The soft coal miners unite to resist a 15 per cent reduction of wages. President Mitchell will now find his friendship with millionaires useless. Capitalism is not run on friendship. Profits alone is the object, and for profits, friendship will vanish, and so-called harmony between capital and labor ceases.

Hanna has passed away. When living he was the special object of censure by Hearst's papers and many workmen. Some mar will take his place, and by this change of men the fact should be plain to workingmen that the change of masters amounts to nothing.

The reign of crime in Chicago is taking up the time of nearly one-half of our twenty-six courts. Millions for prosecution, but not one cent for prevention, and this is because to prevent crime capitalism must be destroyed. Crime and capitalism are Siamese twins. They will live and die together.

"Pinkertons at Homestead, Injunctions in Chicago, Bull Pens in the Rockies. Weapons of capitalism manufactured at the ballot box by workmen's votes, and every vote counts for capitalism and oppression or Socialism and freedom. Mr. Worker, where do you stand now and on election day? A soldier, a comrade in the international workmen's armies, or a Tory in the capitalist ranks, forging fetters for your brothers and yourself?"

The morning paper tells us that Hanna was a thorough business man; that he acquired coal mines in Ohio and upper Michigan, and that one of the best stories of his success is his famous coup in coal.

Fourteen years ago the River coal mines were operated night and day until two million tons of coal were loaded on barges and held at Ohio and Mississippi River points. Then Hanna ordered a big cut in the wages of the miners. They went on a strike, and the men in other coal mines went on a strike out of sympathy.

Coal grew scarce and prices went up. Then Hanna sold his great amount of coal on hand at a profit of four million dollars.

The four million dollars thus accumulated was the result of two things: First—The private ownership of the coal mines. Second—the necessity of the men who worked therein. To hold a man up by the point of a revolver is no different in effect than taking advantage of his necessities, and especially when that is done for the purpose of enhancing the price of coal.

Mr. Hanna is not to be blamed for this piece of business skill, for most men under the same conditions would have done likewise; but if the mines were owned publicly the four million dollars which went to increase the profits of Mr. Hanna would have been retained as wages to the men employed in the industry, and their work would have been continuous. Their suffering made the profits of Hanna possible, and such a system cannot survive.

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Call for Contributions to the NATIONAL ORGANIZING FUND To Organize for Socialism.

National Headquarters, Socialist Party, Omaha, Neb., Feb. 1, 1904. To the Members of the Socialist Party. Comrades—The plans now being developed and carried out by the National Headquarters for the purpose of strengthening the Socialist Party organization for the national campaign of this year require the assistance and support of Socialists everywhere.

The work done in this direction during the past year has already shown itself in an increased membership and a solidarity of purpose and action which promises still greater things for the future. To continue to extend the influence and activity of the Socialist Party into every part of the United States should be the ambition and desire of all Socialists.

The opportunities of Socialist agitation surround us on every hand. Every daily newspaper points the lesson of the class struggle for us to send home to the minds and hearts of the working class. From East and West, North and South, arises the crash of industrial conflict. Steadily and inexorably the lines between the exploiting and exploited classes is becoming clearer and clearer drawn, so that none can ignore its deep significance. It is for us, the Socialists, to take advantage of these opportunities and use them for the furtherance of our cause.

The situation in Colorado, growing more and more acute, demands our first attention. John W. Slayton, of New Castle, Pa., one of the ablest and best equipped Socialist workers in America, is being placed in Colorado to cover that field under the direction of the Colorado State Committee. The National Committee assumes entire responsibility for Comrade Slayton's expenses while in that State. Jas. F. Carey, of Haverhill, Mass., will also give some time, at the expense of the National Committee. Others will follow, if necessary.

In a short time organizers will be placed in the field for the special purpose of reaching the people speaking foreign languages. It is important that the large population of Germans, Bohemians, Italians, Frenchmen, Jews, and other nationalities, daily growing larger, should be reached by Socialist organizers and literature, so that they will not continue to be used by the capitalist politicians. Capable comrades have already been selected to do this important work.

In addition to this will be the agitating and organizing yet to be done among the English speaking people in many States where organizations are not strong or matured. During 1903 the National organizers visited hundreds of places where a Socialist speaker had never been heard before. This work must go on until the soil is well tilled and local movements developed.

Comrades, we ask you to assist in the consummation of our plans by subscribing what you can to the National Organizing Fund. The work so well begun should not be allowed to lag for want of sufficient support. If you receive one of our coin cards fill it out and return as soon as possible. If you have not received a card, one will be sent you upon request. If you do not care to use the card, a contribution by postal order or check will be as much appreciated. Only do something, if at all, to strengthen the party organization for the coming national struggle, which will test our strength to the utmost.

Send all remittances and communications to the National Secretary, Socialist Party, Omaha, Neb. Fraternally yours, John M. Work, Iowa, B. Beryin, Illinois, Victor L. Berger, Wisconsin, S. M. Reynolds, Indiana, Chas. Dobbs, Kentucky. National Quorum, (Seal) By WILLIAM MAHLEY, National Secretary.

THE BORN CASE AT SHEBOYGAN, WIS.

(The following public statement has been issued by the committee whose names are appended, on behalf of the State Executive Board of the Social Democratic Party of Wisconsin, and is sent out by the National Secretary at the request of the Wisconsin State Secretary. It should be noted that the Socialist Party is officially known in Wisconsin and New York as the Social Democratic Party, which explains why the latter designation is used in this statement.)

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 29, 1904. The undersigned, having been appointed by the State Executive Board of the Social Democratic Party as a committee to draft a public statement concerning the Born case, herewith present the following:

Last spring (1903) Chas. A. Born was elected Mayor of the City of Sheboygan, having been nominated on the Social Democratic ticket. At that time others were elected on the same ticket, so that in all there were about 17 persons holding office representing our party in the city of Sheboygan.

It is the purpose of the Social Democratic Party to so control its public representatives that it shall be at all times in a position to hold them to our principles. Instead of the office-holders being bosses of the party. In order to carry out this idea the party has a definite form of organization.

During the year Mayor Born committed various acts which were con-

trary to the well-known principles and tactics of the Social Democratic Party, but in view of the difficulty of the situation and for the sake of harmony nothing was said about them beyond some protests. When, however, last fall the Mayor elected by the Socialists appointed to public offices of power and influence men active in the parties representing the enemies of the working class, and especially when he appointed a man who is the proprietor of a "scab" newspaper and printing office and an open enemy of organized labor as well as a Republican politician, the Socialist editor of the local paper of our party could no longer keep silent, and published a general attack on the actions of the Mayor since he had been in office. Shortly afterward four of the local members of the organization filed definite charges in due form against Mayor Born, and demanded that he be expelled from the party.

The charges are as follows: I. He has violated the principles of the Social Democratic Party in his action favorable to a trolley line, after the City Central Committee has advised against such action.

2. He has reduced the assessment of the Water Works Company contrary to the best advice of the Supervisor of Assessors and of the District Attorney, and contrary to Socialist principles.

3. He has appointed to public office as members of the Library Board old party politicians, one of whom is proprietor of a scab newspaper and an open enemy of the organized labor movement.

The first point involves the control by the party of its representatives in public office. An Mayor Born was a member of the City Central Committee at the time the vote was taken advising against the granting of this particular franchise, he must have known of our principles and of his duty in the matter.

The second point shows his willingness to favor a corporation as against the interests of the working class. His excuses were many and various, but of no tangible value.

The third point involves a deliberate betrayal of the interests of the party which nominated and elected him. He put in positions of power and influence in the community men who are old party politicians, enemies of the Social Democratic party and allied with the political parties which the working class must fight in order to secure their rights. One of these men had been put on the "unfair list" by the Central Labor Union of the city of Sheboygan. Although he was a saloon-keeper and proprietor of a park, and an employer of labor, and so had no business in the unions, Born had been a delegate to the Central Labor Union from the Federal Labor Union, and so must have known of the attitude of organized labor toward this enemy of theirs. There can be no excuse which will hold with the working class for such an action.

The local branch of the party in Mayor Born's ward consisted largely of his personal following and of office holders, many of the real Socialists in the ward having left the branch on account of his methods in conducting meetings, etc. As a natural consequence when the charges were preferred against him in his branch he was exonerated. Then an appeal was taken to the City Central Committee, which, under the State Constitution, should be made up of delegates from the ward branches. But some time previous to this Mayor Born and his friends had declared that all those who had been elected or appointed to public office should also be members, ipso facto, of the City Central Committee, and thus the body which was to have given instructions to the office holders was captured by them. Naturally, this body also exonerated Mayor Born on the charges as made. The State Constitution provides that in case of dissatisfaction with any matter brought before a local branch or Central Committee, final appeal may be taken to the State Executive Board. The provision is in Section 27 of the constitution as it was in force at the time the charges were first made against Mayor Born, and reads as follows: "All questions not provided for in this Constitution, and all questions of appeal from subordinate bodies of the party shall be decided by the State Executive Board; such decrees to be final, and in full effect unless annulled by a referendum vote of the organization."

The appeal was taken to the State Executive Board as provided for. Mayor Born was notified of the meeting, and to reply said:—the undersigned most emphatically denies the State Board the right of any further interference.

The State Executive Board met and considered the testimony, and decided that Mayor Born had violated the principles of the Social Democratic Party and had betrayed the interests of the organized working class by his actions, and then voted to expel him from the party.

While the incident is an unpleasant one, it is of a character that was expected to happen in various places in the experience of the party, and it will teach the members of the party many lessons valuable to those who must build up an organization competent to capture the machinery of government for the purpose of emancipating labor.

JACOB KUNGER, FREDERIC HEATH, EMIL SEIDEL.

Little Clarence—What is executive ability? Mr. Calpers—Executive ability, my son, is the capacity for making some one else paddle your canoe for you.

SOCIALIST Sunday School Lessons BY MAY WOOD SIMONS

THE RELATION OF ORGAN AND FUNCTION.

I. In making a study of any organization one of the first questions that arises is concerning the relation of organs and functions. With the simple one celled animals all the processes of life are performed by the single cell without any differentiation into parts. With every step of advance in life there comes a greater division of labor, the breathing being confined to one part of the organism, the digestion to another, and so on.

II. These different parts are called organs of the body, and the things they do are called their functions. The structure of the higher animals is complex because their bodies are made up of various distinct organs having each its distinct function.

III. There is still another view to be taken of this. As there is an increase in the division of labor so it is seen that the body becomes less homogeneous in structure.

IV. The animal body has sometimes been compared to a machine. This machine is made up of several parts; each part has its own particular work to do and the structure of each part has been fitted to the function it has to perform. Moreover, there is a certain dependence among these organs.

Suggestions—Too much attention cannot be given to this subject. Point out to the class that the life processes from being performed by a practically homogeneous cell have advanced to the point in the higher animals where they are distributed among numerous organs and moreover, that the cells of each organ are now fitted for the work that organ has to do. Point out in this connection the difference in the structure of brain, lungs, heart, etc.

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In New York we say, "Every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost." The devil takes most of us sooner or later—if we are working people—with a writ of dispossession or something of the sort.

Are we not wise people in New York? We let them evict us, one by one—nay, hundred by hundred, two hundred a day—and hold up our heads in horror at the wicked Socialist who questions the landlords' sacred vested right.

And we have a right to vote. We have a chance to change all this if we have only wit enough to think together and spirit enough to vote for our class.

Shall we ever learn? Shall we ever learn that it is foolish for people who work for wages and live in tenements to cast their votes for people who live on profits and own the tenements?

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SOCIALIST PRINTING PLANT.

A mass meeting will be held at headquarters on Sunday, Feb. 28th, 3 p. m., to discuss a proposition that the Printing Plant Committee, elected by the County Central Committee, have to present to the rank and file of the party. We want a printing plant to reduce the expense of our printing bills and do more propaganda. Everybody come. Whatever is decided upon by this meeting will be presented to the County Committee at its next meeting.

THE PRINTING PLANT COM.

This was in and furnishes you with the best evidence that the workers are not on.

NOTICES.

The County Central Committee meets the second Sunday of each month. Hour, 2 to 6 p. m. Officers—Harold Lindgren, Secretary—Harold Lindgren, Treasurer—J. C. Alderson, Sergeant-at-Arms—And. Ladin.

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE various wards are hereby requested to at once proceed to call conventions in the wards in which they reside for the purpose of nominating one (1) candidate for the office of Alderman and acting upon such other matters as may properly come before such ward convention.

WARD CONVENTIONS To elect a delegate to a Central Campaign Committee; and all CITIES AND TOWNS OUTSIDE CHICAGO.

NOTE: Above ward branch will hereafter meet every first Sunday of the month, 6 p. m. sharp, at 600 Sheffield Av., corner Noble.

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SPRINGFIELD ATTENTION.

To the Members of the Springfield of the Socialist Party: There will be a joint meeting at Rosenbach's Hall, corner of 11th and Clay streets, Feb. 22d, at 8 p. m., the speakers to be State Organizer John Collins and National German Organizer Robert Siefert, of Wisconsin. Every body invited. J. T. Jones, Secretary, 1128 North 1st street.

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