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UNDER CAPITALISM --- NO.

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It is the souliess, stifling, inhuman and eastly competitive system that is crushing out the lives of helpless children by the hundreds of thousands and degrading women and driving them to lives f shame and making tramps and vagatonds of strong, able-bodied men, that astilies any means the working class any adopt to ameliorate their awful continus.

The competitive system is the fruitfel mother of the class struggle that is raging so fiercely to-day from Siberia to California. Its results are the same in autocratic Russia as they are in constitutional Germany and England or "democratic America." The sooner the working class of the world recognize the struggle as a bitter fact and proceed to put an end to it by attacking the cause, the sooner will the class struggle come to an end. And until it is ended by replacing competition among the workers for the opportunity to work by cooperation, the soul and vitality of the working class movement, whether the workers are conscious of it or not, will continue

ing class movement, whether the workers are conscious of it or not, will continue to be the class struggle.

Let us imagine for a moment that the competitive profit system of producing wealth has been replaced by a sane system of co-operation for the purpose of producing wealth for use. Would we not then have a real open shop? What

Then there is the question of limiting the number of apprentices. This is one of the most seri-as phases of the labor problem that labor unions have to deal with. Under the competitive system when a boy comes into a factory to learn a trade the instinct of self-preservation compels those who have the jobs to look upon him as a menace to their chances of earning a living. Consider for a moment what an entirely different feeling and attitude men working under chalism among the workers, even though they admit the fact of the struggle between the classes. These good people would have us adopt the tactics of the capitalists and attempt to show them that we are really working for the ultimate welfare of all classes of society. The letter sent out by the Chicago Employers' Association contains an apt illustration of the policy of deception and hypocrifical altraistic pretensions.

The Employers' Association attempts to show, and on the face of their argument makes out a very good case showing that the following principles which they state they stand for, are just and reasonable.

The principles which the allied powers of capitalism claim to be organized to fight for and protect are:

"No boycott," "no closed shop," "no sympathetic strike," "no limitation of output," "no compulsory use of the union label," "so sacrifice of independent workmen to the labor mnion," "no restriction as to the use of tools, machinery, or material, except such as arc unsafe."

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tor to his class is and from the very nature of things must be despised. That this is not confined to the working class chinery, or material, except such as are unsafe."

Charles W. Elliot, president of Harvard University, who some time ago eulogized the scab as a hero, said: "I find every one of these principles to be in defense of private and public liberty."

On the face of these so-called principles and in the abstract we are of the opinion that the president of Harvard is right, and that it is only in the light of the now well recognized social phenomena of the class struggle and the class atture of our society that the use of the strike, boycott, regulation of output, restriction of the number of apprentices, etc., can be justified.

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movement from putrifying. The lovely souls who are shocked by the mention of the class struggle are of very little use in the militant Socialist movement, which is after all a realistic battle ground where the class war must of necessity be fought out to the bitter end. The fiercer the fight rages the sooner will the producing class shake the leeches, vampires and parasites in the Employers' Association and the Civic Federation off their backs.

When this takes place we can have the open shop and welcome all the individuals at present in the capitalist class to go in them and produce their own living instead of exploiting it out of us. There will then be no incentive to boycott or force the union libel, for all goods will be made under fair conditions. In the meantime we will use any and all means within our power to secure any advantage, any place along the line, for the portion of the working class who have sense and courage enough to organize, fight and vote to overthrow the murderous competitive system. More appropriate to-day than ever sounds the clarion call of our peerless teacher: Workers of all countries, unite; you have nothing to lose but your chains; you have a world to gain!

WHY SHOULD I GO BACK?

By Horace Traubel.

Why should I go back? Do you think to piece of justice is better than the whole of justice? If w I felt that by going back I could get a bigger thing than he thing for which I am going forward to would go back. But I know that life would get smaller in the compromise, do not throw back discouraging cries as only one man anks for it. But when many men or most men ask for it it in the compromise. a piece of justice is better than the whole of justice? Ifw I felt that by go-

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THE RUSSIAN SITUATION.

A writer in a capitalist paper asks how long the Russian government can stand the incessant hammering to which it is subject. Since this question was propounded the curtain has been drawn down at the Russian frontier by the universal strike of the telegraph operators, which has cut off all communication from Russia with the outside world. What is at present transpring in Russia can only be conjectured, but if the Russian government had any reassuring news to give to the world there is scarcely a doubt but that it would find some method of getting it over the border. The one reliable barometer of the Russian situation is the stock and bond tickers in the stock exchanges of Europe. They repeat the same message day after day; it is, down, down, down.

The Russian government puts down disorder or mutiny in one place only to be confronted by more alarming outbreaks in another place. One political strike ends only to be succeeded by a more serious one. The disaffected spirit which displayed itself first among the

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were the imprisoned soldiers of the military electric school whose liberty was demanded by the garrison of the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul. When soldiers see that their demands are complied with they will reason that their superior officers are afraid of them and discipline will not last long.

The army is ceasing to be loyal and the peasants are ceasing to be submissive. They are no longer true to the Caar and the church. The proceedings of the peasants' coarses, in which twenty-eight ; rovinces were represented, show the difficulties that will confront the government if it shall succeed in reestablishing its autherity in the cities.

The congress voted that private ownership of land should be abolished and that the estates of the convents, the churches, the grand dukes and the Caar, and the crown lands should be taken without compensation. It was voted that the lands of private individuals be taken partly with and partly without compensation, the conditions on which the lands shall be taken to be determined by a constituent assembly.

Some of the delegates were of the opinion that no land owner should be compensated. Others said this would work great hardship in some instances. They pitied the hard lot of the families that would be left with no means of support, and argued that it would be only fair for the State to give them small annulties. All the delegates agreed that the land should be the collective property of the people.

The recent phace of the Caar offering the peasants lands on easy payments will not appease them. They are making provision for a central committee, with a local committee for each province, department, and minor terriforial division. If there be a government left by the time the organization. They are making provision for a central committee, with a local committee for each province, department, and minor terriforial division. If there be a government left by the time the organization committee, with a local committee with a local committee with a local committee of the base o

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DER MASSENSTREIK.

New Revolutionary Weapon.

erlin, Nov. 17,-(Special Correspond-of the Evening Post.)-The strike

smomle, has done many remarkable, soch-making things in Europe in the at Iew months; and not the least sig-

nificant is this-it has prompted the Germans to coin a new word.

If the political strike were a thing of

self, the press and political leaders of Europe might be content with a sentence, or even a paragraph when referring to

But the mere existence of "mass

revulntionary weapon is something to be taken very seriously, something to be most seriously discussed, something that needs a word to define it.

In the forging of this weapon there has played the genius of German, Italian and French thinkers. In the hands of Russian, Austro-Hungarian, Polish and Finnish revolutionaries it has been

those effective than any ofter agency these people ever have employed in their long fight for liberty and an enlarged suffrage. The massenstelk has played a greater role in Russian political upheavals than did the guns of Togo in the Sea of Luony. It has hartly at least

results has been prescribed by So-cialist agitators; and not long ago Au-gust Bebel advocated the principle of general strikes—strikes in the mass—as a means of influencing Farliament and gaining an extension of the suffrage.

In the Neue Zeit, the German Socialist ceekly. Paul Lensch has advocated the

political strike, concluding his argument with: "It will occur to everyone that in this new political situation some new weapon of defense must be found, and it is quite correct to suppose that this new weapon will be that of the universal strike."

The London Guardian, commenting on the strike in Russia, says: "It has

Next week we will issue our Christmas edition of the Chicago Socialist. We have special articles promised from well-known Socialist writers. Christmas is the one great international holiday of the capitalist world. Socialism is the international movement of the working class.

Our next week's issue, Dec. 16, will deal largely with Socialism as a world movement and its place in the world's politics. Comrades should circulate this edition as largely as possible. Send in an order for a bundle.

Remember it is to-night at the Coli-cum. You will miss the time of your ife if you are not there.

Roosevelt in his message says: "We cannot have too much immigration of the right sort." Of course the right sort is the sort that will work the cheapest for the class that his streamons highness rep-

EPIGRAMS

From the Speeches Delivered by Eugene V. Debs in Chicago Last Week.

The capitalist believes in labor organ-izations, if they are the right kind. And if they are the right kind for him, they are the wrong kind for you.

The exploiting capitalist is the economic master and the political ruler in capitalist society, and holds that exploited wage-worker in sovereign contempt. No master ever had any respect for his slave, and no slave ever had or ever could have any real love for his master.

What is a fair day's pay for a fair day's work? Ask the capitalist and he will give you his idea about it. Ask the worker, and, if he is intelligent, he will tell you that a fair day's pay for a fair day's work is all the workingman produces. If the worker is not entitled to all he produces, then what share is anybody else entitled to?

It is no part of the mission of this ized to fight that class, and we want that class distinctly to understand it. And they do understand it. And after a while the working class will under-stand it, and then the capitalist class will understand it still better.

heavals than did the guns of Togo in the Sea of Japan. It has, partly at least, brought the Czar to terms; it has given emancipation to Finland; it is working securely, though with frequent blunders, toward the political freedom of Poland. It is the opinion of European newspapers that 'the stopping of work by the masses' is an effective method of gaining the desired political privileges. The massenstreik is the direct outcome of Socialist teachings. Though never before employed with such stupendoms results, this method of winning political victory long has been prescribed by So-When I pick up a capitalist paper and read a glowing eulogy of some labor leader, I know that that labor leader has at least two distinct afflictions—the one is moral weakness and the other is moral cowardice; and they go together, Put it down that when the capitalist who is exploiting you credits your leader with being wise and conservative and safe, that leader is not serving you.

> classes in the United States. You with your wage of \$1.50 a day, and six children to support on it, are in the same class with John D. Rochefeller. Your mistake is that you do not know you are in the same class. You do not know you are in the same class. that you are in the same class until elec-tion day, and then it dawns upon you, and you prove it by voting the same

The production of wealth, in the evo-lution of industry, from being an indi-vidual act half a century ago, has be-come a social act. The tool, from being an individual tool, has become a social instrument. The tool has been revolu-tionized; production has been revolu-tionized; production has been revolu-tionized. I ut the evolution is not yet complete. That social tool, made so-cialized and used socially, must be owned socially.

The average workingman imagines that he must have a leader to look to, that he must have a leader to follow, right or wrong. He has been taught that he is a very dependent, helpless creature—that without a leader the goblins would get him sure. Therefore he instinctively looks towards a leader. And even while he is looking at the leader, for the leader from the other side. You have depended too much on that leader, you have blindly followed where he has led, and so you have been betrayed. I do not want you to follow me. I want you to caltivate self-reliance. If I have the slightest capacity for leadership I can only give evidence of it by teaching you to lead yourseives. As long as you can be led by an individual, you will be betrayed by an individual. That does not mean that all leaders are dishonest, or corrupt. Some of them are honest, but are in darkness themselves—blind leaders of the blind. The most dangerous leader is not the corrupt leader, but the honest ignorant one. That leader is just as fatal to your interests as the one who deilberately sells you out for some paltry consideration.

A SOCIALIST CAPITAL.

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Berlin's Socialists defeated the united bourgeois parties, captured 11 seats out of 16 and go on the second ballot with a contested seats, so that the bourgeois parties, although united, elected only one candidate to Berlin Ciry Council.

The workingmen of Berlin cannot be thrown off their track by bourgeois reform tricks; they are Socialists to the last man.

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SOCIALISM IN COOK COUNTY.

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In this table when comparing wards compare figures in columns 1 and 2, and compare 3 with 4, 5 and 6. This is necessary because of the redistriction of the city, for which an ordinance was passed Jan. 7, 1501. It will be observed that the figures in this table are unlike those in my other analysis of a few recks ago. These are of elections occurring, with one exception (column 4), a the fall of the year, and are largely affected by circumstances prevailing at the time. So evident has this fact become that we may now expect a rise in are vote at every fall election, with a corresponding slump in the spring election following. And the reason for this is just here: The fall vote is influenced by the fear of winter and want and by wheepreed scarces, like the coal famine our vote at every fail election, with a corresponding slump in the spring election following. And the reason for this is just here: The fail vote is influenced by the fear of winter and want and by wicespread scarce, like the roal famine scarc of '02, and by disgust for other parties as a whole, like that of the radical democracy in the fall of '04. Our party in its fall campaigns is, and doubtless will continue to be, the harbor for the shipwrecked, the cudgel for the sorchead. In 1902 10,000 seeh vofed our ticket (S. P. and S. L. P.) who never before had done so, and in the spring vote for Mayor 5,000 of these went lack to insix romit; and in 1904 about 25,000 came to use-for a day—and 15,000 of them fell away when the ever-memorable majoralty campaign of 1905 came. But you will notice that about half of them stick, which proves that some are despetately in carnest when they use our party as a means of protest; they get the habit and it stays with 'em. These are the facts about our fall votes. The spring vote is of a different kind; it has backbone; it presents the solid phalanx; it is the vote for principle as against the policy vote in the fall. Those 23,000 stalwarts who voted for Collins last Apri, went thro' fire. That election "tried men's souls," or at least their principles, and the test was a most severe one. When we fell? then we "fell" as a man "falls" who, having reached a great height in mountain climbing, finds his footing insecure and unreliable and seeks a more solid and reliable position, albeit somewhat lower.

A RECAPITULATION.

Year,	Season.	Character.	Socialist Vote.	Tetal, all parties.	Ratio Secialist votes in every 10,000,	or loss
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TIME	Spring	City	8,106	297,631	272	Gain
	Antomn	State	200,8863	2001,461	602	Gain
		City	12,138	309,515	392	Loss
	Spring	County	8.926	173,882	514	Gain
		National	50,403	, 392,975	1252	Gain
	Spring	Clty	223,4834	328,191	7002	Loss
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City election ratios have advanced thus: 41, 50, 272, 302, 702.

State and national ratios have advanced thus: 90, 179, 692, 1,282.

County judicial ratios have advanced thus: 514, 1,067.

There are no losses visible when you look at it this way, and this way is the only fair way, and fair to-ourselves as well as to others, we should always be.

J. M. CROOK.

LAYS OF THE UNDER DOG.

A Difference.

I tell yer a feller feels terribly bad. When he's out of a job an' the rent's fallin' due, An' be's lest ev'ry friead that he thought that he had An' the butcher has stopped and the groceryman, too. You kin talk er the sunshine an' say the world's fair But you'll know it's no use if you've ever been there.

When yer stomach is full an' the kids are well fed It's easy to say that it's no use to fret—
You've got a good shelter built over yer head
An' the feller what ain't you're inclined to ferget.
But jest let the welf get his head in your door
An' you'll find thet the sun ain't so bright any more.

The poet kin sing bout the beauties er spring
An' tell how each heart should rejoice an' all that—
But men who are hungry cau't hear the birds sing—
To beauties their eyes are as blind as a hat.
A sunset ain't sich a great sight to beholf.
To the man who must spend the night out in the cold.

I spose that I sin't free from all prejudice, An' sometimes I miss the true meanin' er things. But one thing that's certain, I tell yer, is this—The beautiful flow'rs, the song the bird sings Will never be much to the most of mankind Until there's no hunger to worry the mine P. A. MOLYNEAUX.

THE STRIKERS.

. By Edwin Markam.

Out on the roads they have gathered, a hundred thousand men.
To ask for a hold on tife as sure as the wolf's hold in his den.
Their need hes close to the quick of life as the earth lies close to the stone; it is as meat to the slender rib, as marrow to the bone.

They ask but the leave to labor, to tell in the endless night, For a little salt to savor their bread, for houses water-tight. They ask lent the right to labor and to live by the strength of their hands. They who have bodies like knotted oaks, and patience like sea-cands.

And the right of a man to labor and his right to labor in joy—
Not all your laws can strangle that right not the gates of hell destroy,
For it came with the making of man and was kneeded into his bones,
and it will stand at the last of things on the dust of crumbled thromes

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becausesees DEMOCRACY AND EXECUTIVE EFFICIENCY.

the Editor of the Chicago Socialistmembers of the Socialist party are
voling on aftendments to the national
futtion of the party which would make
National Executive Committee and the
onal Secretary electable by the referenrote instead of by the National Comea. It seems that these amendments
carry, for the reason that many of our
y members have not yet gut rid of the
on of the cure all virtues of the prieron-

As I think these amer iments derimental to the party organization. I will seeding a few words against them, unpopular as my views may be.

Our party organization presents to us the following problem: How to attain the highest executive efficiency, conserving, at the same time, the himseratic character of the organization. There are those who would carry democracy to such extremes as would carry democracy to such extremes as would estroy the extentive efficiency of the organization, thus defeating their very object by making democracy impotent and ridiculous. There are, on the other hand, others who would sacrifice verything to executive officers from the insmediate and direct control of the rank and file, these methods usually stend to degenerate into dry rot and clique rule.

The problems as stated above must conserve both elements—democracy and executive officers—and exalt neither to the exclusion of the other.

Keeping this in mind, let us consider the proposition before us.

The National Committee is a comparatively large body composed of members who represent organized States and the membership of the party; possessing initiative and ulthing, chrisdiction in all matters consecuting the bridge subject only to the general vote. It is the suprems official body of the Socialist party excepting the automatic conventions. The main element in its composition is its control by and responsitioned to be composed of committee, in the composition is its control by and responsitioned to the desires of the runk and file of the membership of the party; the main factor of its wistence is its democracy. So long as the democratic character of the National Committee is a small committee, in credict to be composed of commades, who have shown executive ability. Executive offering in many committee, in the order to be composed of commades, who have experience in managing party infaired in the order of the capacity and worder of the capacity of the party of the party of the party of a capacity of the party of the party of the pa

is careful perusal of the parts of the interional constitution which define the respective functions and spheres of the respective functions of the party is determined by the fact that a general vote of the party meribers can easily be had on every marches dealy by resting the National Committee with all the executive power, as well as the power of desigating part of its functions to any committee or ferson, all must be always kept in view that every national functionary and the every of the N C itself, elected by the referendancy vote would place such functionary beyond the control of the N C itself, elected by the referendancy of the event of the even

We print the following statement from Miss Berthn Cappels, who thinks she has been wronged and has been unable to get her version of this impleasant affair before the contrades through the Bulletin where the charges were made;

Party Comrades Herewith follows my state-ment made in reply to the charge by the National Secretary, Barns, in his weekly bulletin of October 16, and which is re-pested in the minutes of the National Ex-ceptive Committee meeting of October 26-

The Cational Secretary's charge implies that I took from the office records that be homed there, but in none of his bulletins has he reported National Committeeman herryws request that a copy be made before the book was returned. Nor does my statement in reply to this charge appear in the minutes of the meeting of October 20-27. Its noto appearance is due to its being supressed by Contrate S. M. Reynolds. I send by special delivery mell, to National Committeeman Reynolds of Indials (the State in which I hold membership), a copy for each member. A few days after the meeting, I received a letter from Committee Reynolds stating that he had not handed each member. Copy, as I requested, because he took the possition that the matter was not 'out-chaily' taken up by the committee and that he did not consider that the committee had anything to do with the contents of my statement and he had offered a resolution which he hoped would bury that which had caused so much trouble.

In thus suppressing my statement, Committee helpsold school my statement, Committee helpsold school my statement and he had offered a resolution which he hoped would bury that which had caused so much trouble.

In thus suppressing my statement, Committee helpsold school my the fret hat the National Secretary has used official bulletins to make his charges. Wy should I be dealed the right of defense through that hame channel:

My statement to the National Executive Committee follows:

Cheago, III, Oct. 22, 1996.

To the Members of the National Executive Committee follows:

Cheago, III, Oct. 23, 1996.

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Praternal Praternal CAPPELS. 5128 Calomet avenue THE HOPE AND THE PROMISE

OF SPRING.

A Medley, by Miss Gladys Vera Lamb.

lonely in a great city and wondered spring had come. Far below was clang of traffic. Above the solse canng of trame. Above the roots of street cars and the rooting elevated, could hear the call and shrick of new boys. Shrill and sweet came the voic of a child—they another. I thought of their cold little hands, their thin coat

I said to a comrade, "Has spring co yet?" "I do not know." he said. "Let us go to-morrow to the park and find out if spring has arrived."

On the morrow, which was Sunday, we walked through the populous city, away from the smoky air, into fresh, pure ozone for a mile or more. We rame to the great spot of green, the trees and pools, and stopped to rest.

came to the great spot of green, the trees and pools, and stopped to rest. Many people were in the park, for here was fine air and space and sunshine—beauty and rest—all free.

The hopeful grass had unfurled its flags of green, the leaves on the trees were pale green and delicate, the tulips were budded. Over us all shows the glorious locations of the property of the second states.

rious loring sunshine. "Truly spring has come," said I.

"There is a great promise, and a great hope." The trees and shrubs nodded. I felt the kiss of the sun on my arms and cheeks. A tiny boy booked longingly on red tulips be must not pluck. The beauty and joy of it all en reprired me. "A promise and a hope to be fulfilled." Dreamily we looked

into the future, our ideal of the coming society was before us. "Little children at play with their "Little children at play with their companions, the flowers, the trees, the open space of green, the squirrels, the earth a garden, all people busy and happy in their chosen work. A fine race of men, straight, clean and strong, graceful beautiful and gentle, mind and body atert and mutahated. O the joy of liver agent of that purest heaven, be to other souls. The cup of strength in some great agony, the feed page love. alert and initialited. O the joy of liv-ing in that new time! A fine cace of women, strong in body, straight, uncon-fined, well formed, clad in beautiful gar-ments, from every fold of which Art looks forth! And men and women, look-ing into each other's faces with joy and trust and somradeship! Wise men and women, soft sellers the collection. women, s. d. reliant, lovable, perfect com-panions. Athlete men and women, hon-prable and enlightened, who know how to live—perfect comrades. The children, oorn of joy and amidst favorable en-

n the sky. We turned from the spot of green to go back to the noise and traf-fie. Dimly we could see through the smoky haze, the reeking mass of men and masonry called the city. In the dis-tance factories boomed up. On every hand were places where things were hoarded and guarded to be exchanged for money. Tenements rooming borness HENRY L. SLOBODIN.

Into the following statement from the Cappels, who thinks she has aged and has been mable to get in of this implessant affair before des through the Bulletin where the cree made.

Chicago, Nov. 22, 1966, allowing the Socialist with distorted bodies stole by and halled passers-by in the shadows. The countries of the total. Hon, James and hailed passers by in the shadows.

Two great streams of humanity passed continually, one going south, the other north. Two other streams were going in the State, received 12,479 votes.

continually, one going south, the other north. Two other streams were going east and west.

From behind closed doors came the sound of wild music, music that makes the heart beat faster! Wicked, costattic music, sireus songs, and the echo of Death in their alluring strains! Tempting bait to catch starving souls. Carriages and eutomobiles rushed by with precious chrgoes of respectability in silks and jewels. Ragged children congregated in the streets to play. Feeble grandfathers and labees were selling shoestrings or gum or evening papers. On we walked, my comrade and L. On the doorstep of a saloon we wask a young girl sitting, with her head in her lap. Her cheeks were coloties—on the face the stamp of children were laughing and jeering at her, calling "Drumky, drunky!" One threw a banana peel, which struck her on the forehead. It did not arouse het. We walked on, on past the selling places, past the sleeping and eating places of the masses.

A man was lying in the street. His eyes were red, his face a blear. Blood oozed from his mouth. He lay there as if dead in the dirt of the pavement, and the stream of humanity was obliged to go out of its way—to waik around him.

"One would think this the levee." I

ed to go out of its way to wak around him.

"One would think this the levee." I shuddered.

"No, this is a respectable thoroughfare." sai't my comrade.

We thought of the sweet dream of the early afternoon. And we smiled, for in our hearts was the great hope and promise of springtime.

THE CITIZENS' INDUSTRIAL AL-

THE CITIZENS' INDUSTRIAL ALLIANCE.

The Citizens' Industrial Alliance met in St. Louis to discuss ways and means how to crush the trade union movement and check the Socialist propagands. Many speeches were made, but nothing new was said. The Party Job-Post-Van Clegve-Peabody-Schweitmann outfit reminds us of the conciaves and councils of the powers of the middle ages who decided to prevent the sun from sending its rays of light all over the world. These parastical outgrowth at modern society will die a natural death. Unionism and Socialism will go marchine an and bury the whole autilit without a post-mostem examination.—St. Louis Labor.

THE FIREMAN

The Chicago fire department is a manicipal unitive that is owned and controlled by the city of Chicago. The firemen are municipal employes, and are on duty twenty-four hours a day. They are now, and have been for years, agistating for a 12-hour day, which should be sufficient to satiafy even the repacity of capitalist greed. But it appears that it don't for all the powers of capitalism in this city are opposed to the double niatoon system in our fire department for which the firemen are struggling.

The capitalist press always attempts to make the people believe that capitalist municipal ownership of public utilities is Socialism. If that were so the firemen would now have Socialism and who could blame them for being of the opinion that Socialism would be worse than capitalism.

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Now we want to send the Chicago Socialist to every fireman in the city of Chicago for one year, and let them learn the difference between capitalist municipal ownership and the collective ownership of public utilities advocated in the Socialist party program.

To do this it will be necessary to start a found for that purpose. We therefore ask any of our readers who can do so to contribute to a fund for this purpose. We will acknowledge donations to this fund from week to week in the columns of the Chicago Socialist. The plan was suggested by a fireman who is a Socialist, who started the fund by donating one dollar.

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By George Eliot, who was in her day and is even yet considered an "infidel" by a lot of very little souls. Oh, what a fierce struggle light, reason and truth have had against the "vested interests" of darkness, ignorance and superstit

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like stars,
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agony, Enhindle generous ardor, feed pure love. Beget the smiles that have no cruelty— Be that sweet presence of a good dif-

So shall I join the choir invisible Whose music is the gladness of the world,

I want to see the time when the workers of Chicago will be so thoroughly organized that they con, if necessary, paralyze industry in Chicago for just twenty-four hours. When they are organized well enough to do that they will have ever envirable in the city work. have every capitalist in the city, every capitalist in America, on his knees.— E. V. Debs.

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The next meeting of the organization committee will occur on Menday, Dec. 18, at headquarters. Reports will be then heard from the several divisions regarding their meetings of the day pre-

There remains much of careful plan-ing to be done. The executive end of

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****************************** ORGANIZATION WORK-NEXT DIVISION MEETING.

There seems a wide drasion of opin-on respecting the motion prevailing in the organization committee, viz. that

Jack London Coming. the question of the organization of the primary district clabs be held in abey-ance until all districts of the county are ready. A call has gone forth for the finding of a man lif each precinct as precinct captain. To this end blanks have been sent out, having been distrib-nted to the primary district chairmen. The object first desired in the securing of these precinct captains is to prepare for e preliminary canvass of each po-cinct, out of which canvass to secure the material for a live and militant organ

District Organization. was cast in the fall of 1994 about 200 votes for the Socialist party ticket. In each precinct there was an average of about 35 votes. The plan as at present contemplated involves the idea of havcontemplated involves the idea of having these precinct captains make the canvass of their territory armed with the registered voters' list of their precinct. When this canvass is completed it is expected that every party member, Socialist voter and Socialist sympathizer will be known, and his name properly checked off in a book furnished for that pure the Socialist sympathizer will be the Socialist of the Socialist will be socialisted and the Socialist sympathizer will be socialisted and socialist and socialists are social socialists. pose. All the Socialists so classified will be given an urgent, personal request to meet all others at a hall selected on date

and hour agreed upon, for the purpose of organizing the district. It will be at once apparent that out of this great abundance of material there will be no for trouble in securing a good black. trouble in securing a good big, carnest working organization in each district. It is believed that no comrade will leny the fact that a more lasting organ ization can be effected out of the full sum total that will fall to each primary

district as the result of the canvass as outlined above than out of the few members now falling in the district, and others known by them, and but loosely Div. St. By the time we are ready for this part of the work the organization com-mittee will have its literature ready, and

districts so organized can be divided out districts so organized can be divided out into propaganda divisions, under the di-rection of the precinct capitalns. At stated and regular intervals, with a min-imum amount of energy and time, every foot of the fertile soil can be carefully

The new books passed upon by the organization committee are calculated to give to each district a uniform and exceedingly simple plan of keeping the membership accounts and of noting in exact language the financial transactions of the district. The expense for the entire set of four books, good for five years, will be but \$2.00, or an average years, will be but \$2.00, or an average year per primary district of 46 cents. This expense will not fall upon the ward organizations, but only upon the banner of the mea who know and practice the power of efficient and districts when organized. It will not systematic organization.

The past week completed one full year of the present secretary's tenure of office. In the twelve months ending Nov. 29.

in the twelve months ending Nov. 29, 1965, a grand total of 18,267 due stamps were sold. This shows an average membership per month of 1,522. The last six months of A. S. Edwards' office showed an average of 559. This shows a gain in membership of 663. Now for 1905 to make a grand total of over 2,000 nembers.

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it week were as follows:

The campaign fund receipts for the

COUNTY COMMITTEE.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. The County Central Committee meets in regular session at 55 North Clark * Receipts—Stamps, 853; delegate dues \$1.50; campaign, \$15.75; total, \$50.25. \$1.50; campaign, \$15.75; total, \$50.25.
Expenses—Due stamps, \$30; organization expense, \$5c; literature, \$4; secretary's salary, \$20; office expenses, \$2; deficit last week, \$6c; total, \$57.30.
Deficit this week, \$7.05.
Stamp Account—On hand last week, \$6; purchased, 300; total, 360; sold, 220; balance on band, 150. street on Sanday, Dec. 10. Every delegate urged to be in his seat by 2:30 p. m. Many important matters are to

The next regular meeting of the Cook county Executive Committee is on Monday; Dec. 11. Every member hereby urged to be present

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

MEETINGS SUNDAY. 3517 State street, 8 p. m. Speaker,

A. W. Mance.
Ashland and Twentieth, 2 p. m. C. E.

Forty-eighth and Wood streets, 4 p. m Sam Block, 55 N. Clark street, 2:30 p. m. County Central Committee.

Mrs. Lillian Forberg will lecture on the subject of "Organized Labor and Its Relation to Individual Development" at 215 West Twelfth street, Sunday, Dec.

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In keeping with the action of the National Executive Committee at its meeting held Oct, 26-27, and in conformity with the constitution, a call has been issued for numinations for the election of a National Executive Committee con The organization come of a National Executive Collinative Collinations of a National Secretary. Nominations will close Dec. 22. Declinations will close Jan. 1. The election will take place Jan. 1 to Jan. The organization commission last Monday night discussed all of these things fully, and some laid plans for the securing of Jack London for a date in January (Sunday, the 28th). The idea is to rent an appropriate hall, advertise this meeting thoroughly, sell 22, closing the latter date. ARTICLE 6, SECTION 1, OF THE

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION.
"The Executive Committee of the National Committee shall be composed of seven members to be elected by the National Committee of the National Committee shall be composed of seven members to be elected by the National Committee of ization fund. This meeting should be made to yield us a nice little starter for the organization work. Then it is postional Committee from the membership of the party; but no more than three members of the said committee shall be elected from one State. The term of office of the members of the Executive funds can be secured to make the spring campaign a hummer. Nothing can pre-vent our success if we but realize the Committee shall be one year."
ARTICLE 7, SECTION 1, OF THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION.

"The National Secretary shall be elected by the National Committee; his term of office shall be one year. The National Secretary shall receive as compensation the sum of \$1,500 annually." The following is submitted as the or-der of business proposed as a guide to each of the division meetings: each of the division meetings

1. Roll call.

2. Report of district chaltmen.

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4. Report of ward and town chaltmen.

5. Report of delegates to townry Organization Committee.

7. Report of elegates to townry Organization Committees.

8. Communications and bills.

9. Report of Phanelal Services.

11. New business.

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Nominees will be notified immediately after their pames are received at the National Office. Announcements of nominees will be made in the Weekly Buile-

Comrades Be rens and Hochn, National Committeemen for Missouri, rec-ommend that an appeal for contributions be issued to all Socialist locals and ward for the "Russian Revolutionary". The same has been referred for Fund

The following are the meaning places for the several organization divisions for onsideration to the National Executive ommittee. Vote to close Dec. S. Teofilo Petriella (Italian org. sizer) of Sunday, Dec. 37, at 22:00 b ac.

Div No. 1.—C. E. Kirkland, organizer; Laican Tarmer Second Hall, Shefheld and
Diversey avenues.

Div No. 2.—Sam Robbins, organizer; 265Chleago avenue, near Center

Div, No. 3.—Jas. S. Smith, organizer; 1043

West Madison street, Gazzola Hall, corner Western avenue.

Div, No. 4.—Emil Jensen, organizer; 18th
and Loomis streets.

Div, No. 5.—Louis Dalgard, organizer; 317

State street, Third Ward Headquarters.

Div, No. 6.—Harry Van Middlessworth, organizer; 70:5. Cottage Grove, Reddey's

Hall. Cleveland, Ohio, and editor of Avanti, will begin a fecture tour about the first will begin a lecture tour about the first week in January. Applications for dates for Comrade Petricik, are now on file, from Ashtabula, Ohio, Daixel, Staunten, Joliet, Glen Carbon and Chicago, Ili, St. Louis, Mo.; Laurium and Calumet, Mich. Applications are solicited from locals in the above terrifory. The resolutions of Cook county, Ili, since last report have been endorsed by Local Marion County, Indiana.

The resolution by Local Omaha, published in the Weekly Bulletin of Sept.

lished in the Weekly Bulletin of Sept. 16, since last report has been endorsed by Local Louisville, Ky.

Date, for national lecturers and or-ganizers for the coming week are: George E. Bigelow—Doc. 10, Ferney, S. D.; 11-22, Doland; 13-14, Frankfort; 15-16. Clark.

15-16, Clark.

John Collins—Dec. 10, Connersville,
Ind.: 11, en route: 12, Nabb; 13, Louisville, Ky.: 14, en route: 15, Washington, Ind.: 10, Ragiesville.

Winfield R. Gaylord—Dec. 19, en
route: 11, Atlanta, Ga.: 12, Buchanan;
13, Rome; 14, Chattanooga, Tenn.; 15,
Knoxyllle; 16, Rockwood.

George M. Gaybels—Dec. 10, Olean.

George H. Goebel—Dec. 10, Olean. N. Y.; 11, en route; 12, Port Allegans, Pa.; 13, Austin; 14, Williamsport; 15, hamokin; 16, Reading: 17, Allentown M. W. Wilkins-Under the direction

of the State Committee: Dec. 10, en route; 11, Union, Me.; 12, South Hone; 13, Camdén; 14, Augusta; 15, Gardiner;

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WISCONSIN NOTES.

The following lectures will be held in Milwankee next week; Dec. 3, at Socialist Home, lecture on "Socialists in Our Legislature," by Assemblyman Al-dridge; Dec. 7, in Ninth Ward branch, fecture on "Evolution of Industry," by F. Rehifeld: Dec. 8, at Locke's Hall, lecture on "Trades Unionism and Social-ism," by T. Feeley. State Organizer Carl D. Thompson will speak in River Falls, Downing and Ca-dott during the conting week. dalist Home, lecture on "Socialists in

speak in the Frank, Downing and Ca-dott during the coming week.

At its next meeting the County Cen-tral Committee of Milwankee will elect a vigilance committee, composed of one member from each ward of the city and each precinct outside the city limits, to act during the approaching manicipal

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E. H. THOMAS,
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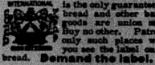
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The Socialist party will put up a

The action of the members of the . If the workers of Chicago had voted Chicago Federation of Labor who for and elected to the Mayor's chair crowded the galleries of the Council and the City Council the candidates of Chicago Federation of Labor who for and elected to the Mayor's chair crowded the galleries of the Council and the City Council the candidates of chamber last Monday night ended in a complete flasco. The men who had there is scarcely a doubt but what we threatened to march to the City Hall would have municipal ownership well with tar and feathers and ropes were a silty looking bunch when the Cun-cit adjourned.

Lectured of interval of the Alders While we believe that Mayor Dunner are the sort of men who do things. Five

I astead of intimidating the Aldern whom their votes had elected to is sincere in his desire to give the people what they sent him to the Mayor's the City Council from persisting in their attempt to turn the streets over chair to secure for them, we are of to the corporations for twenty years the opinion that he is afraid to adopt a longer, the presence of the "labor lead-ers" only appeared to spur the corporation Aldermen to action. They laugh ation Aidermen to action. They laughed in the face of the men who had made threats to lynch them, and the threats of the labor orators were nyrored to be only empty boasts. The men who had talked of ropes and tar laws. So grossly have the traction men who had talked of ropes and tar laws. So grossly have the traction feathers were as meak as lambs of the labor orators were men who had talked of ropes and tar laws. So grossly have the traction see our list of prizes for securing the sanitary and feathers were as meak as lambs. and feathers were as meak as lambs when confronted by a squad of police Chicago that public opinion would vig-men who guarded the Council cham-orously back up any bold and firm pol-From beginning to end the street ley that the Mayor might adopt. Mayor rallway and gas corporation interests Borne of Sheboygan, Wis., was and and everything their own way.

If Mayor Dunne is houest in his ef- he knew how to bring public corporafort to secure for the people of Chi- tions to time. He ordered the She care what they voted for he must be boygan street car company to comply beginning to realize how hopeless are his efforts to deliver the promised laws. They attempted to ignore his goods until 5s is supported in the Councillation. He at once sent the police cil by men who believe in municipal force and stopped every car until the

One thing that is made plain by the action of the Aldermen in blocking the muinicipal ownership movement is the simple minded enough to listen to the urdity of the referendum as an institution, unless it is made effective who vote for what they want and then and backed up by electing men to exe ente the will of the people who be-lieve in the thing voted for. The Socialis Time and again the voters of Chi-

Time and again the voters of Chimau for Alderman in each ward who cago have declared by referendum believes in municipal ownership and vote that they desired municipal own- knows how to get it. If the people ership and operation of the street car of Chicago are really sincere in their lines of Chicago. But they elected a desire to have the city own and oper-rast majority of Aldermen who do not ate its street railways, let them send believe in municipal ownership of thirty-five Socialists to the City Counpublic utilities to execute their wishes, with the natural result that instead of executing the people's will they are doing all within their power to block municipal ownership and play into the hands of the corporations.

When you have read this paper give it to some non-Socialist and then try and get him as a regular subscriber.

New just keep your eye on the powers at Washington and watch the trusts' ex-scutive committee (Rossevelt and his cabinet) regulate the trusts.

If you are not enjoying prosperity you may at least enjoy yourself in reading about it in President Roosevelt's mes-

Workingmen who have just celebrated Thanksgiving without a turkey that were inclined to be cruled when they resulting Thanksgiving proclamation, will now be assured of a heighter future—because freight rates are to be regulated.

they sent a squad of policemen to club and cow them into silence. Yet it is safe to say that fhose same inpor lead-ers will soon be starting in fo do the same dirty work for the capitalist class at the forthcoming aldermanic election. It is the mission of the Socialist party to put the rank and file next. Did you notice how Teddy flaved the That you notice how I eathy hayest the trusts in one sentence and then made that sentence meaningless by taking it all back in the next? As a lightning change artist our strenuous President has no equal on the randeville stage. It must be beginning to dawn on May-or Dunns, Alderman Dever and other stacere advocates of "immediate munici-pal ownership," that it is as necessary to send men to the Council who believe

We were doing our best to believe that President Rossevelt was attempting to be benest with himself when he wrote his latest message to Congress, but when we came across the passage which stated that "this government is not and neve shall be a government by plutocracy," we gave up the attempt.

to send men to the Council who believe in municipal ownership as it is to express the desire for it on the little hallot. This is the one fundamental point that has never been taken into serious consideration by the pure and simple referendumer, but it is the one point that has always been emphasized by Socialists. If the people of Chicago really want municipal ownership of the street cars and other public utilities, let them send 35 Socialist Aldermen to the City Council next spring. President Roosevelt in his annual mes sage congratulates the American people on the unbounded prosperity they are en-poying. If Teddy had to raise that large family of his that he is so proud of on about \$0 per week and pay the present prices for the necessities of life, things

Council next spring.

THE CRIME OF CHARITY!

A few years ago, on one of the cold-est mornings of winter, I saw a long line of shivering, half-clothed, hungry-look-

The noisy bluffling growd that mas-querales as the Chicago Federation of Labor went down to the City Hall, last Monday might to attempt to bluff the gang who are looking after the interests of the traction and gas companies. But the bluff didn't go, the workers had placed the police cishs in the bands of the corporations and all the satisfaction the Chicago F, of L. bluffers got was the merry hal hal and an order to move on and not to block the passegeway. partment. They had come with bags and baskets to receive the doles of sup-plies. They were the public paupers gathered from the flost wretched homes and districts in Chicago. Some were shamefaced, silent and cowed; some

shamefaced, sileut and cowed; some were swearing scolding and quarrelsome; others were fearful, anxious and
hesitating; and some few gave evidence
of decency, still holding fast to their
self-respect. It was almost like a chain
gang merching under public gaze, Whatever there was of ignomy fell upon
these antertunates whose only crime was
poverty. It is needless to point out the
decradation, the reveiling influence which
this gathering together of the miserable
exercises upon the more sensitive and
respectable of the poor. It is a common, wholesale, degrading treatment of
the poor which ends by destroying their
self-respect and in many cases condemns
forever the unfortunate applicants to a
position of disrepute in the community.
This is not true charity; it is brut-lity.

McWelse's Theoret building room 25. The English people have changed their nominal rulers, but while the same old competitive system is perpetuated, the conditions of the working class will remain about the same. England is the sidest capitalist equatry in the world, and is reaping the natural instrest of the competitive system, vin.: Hundreds of thousands of idlers rioting in wanton extravagence and luxury on top and millions of starving human beings at the bottom.

Begin the aldermanic campaign by se-ring a few subscribers to the Chicaco-ctalist among your unconverted is the right place to buy watches. Conk-ling pays rent there.

Workers in the Field

A stealy increase in the subscription list of The Chicago Socialist during the past six months has marked the efforts of our workers to build up the party organization and further the most effective method of agitating for Socialism that is possible, viz., extending the weekly visits of the party press to workingmen, who, while dissatished with their condition, yet are leavened of the only reache itself from the quagmire of wage slaver. A number of comrades are stead-ity and persistently hustling for subs and their reports are that never was it easier to get subs than now, for never were workingmen so dissatisfied as at present, and never were they so willing to listen to the gospel of working class preipation.

of Chicago, who never allows a week to pass over his head in which he does not bring in a good list of new entseribers. If every party member would work with anywhere near the enthusiasm and per-sistency that Comrade Otto displays, we would carry Chicago at the next election. This is no buncombe, either, He came in this week and took away twenty yearlies. Next week he will be in for more. Make a pote of his rec-ord from week to week, and you will be avereshed. Comrade Schreek, Chicago, lands a

unch of twelve subs.

Comrade De Mendeza, Chicago, ropped in the other day and planked

are the sort of men who do things. Fire yearly subs were his latest report.
"Evolution of Mau," "Germs of Mind in Plants," or any one of the other volumes in the Library of Science, with five yearly subs, for \$2.00. Here is a good opportunity to get good books cheap to add to your library and at the same time work for Socialism. While we believe that Mayor Dunne

Chicago that public opinion would vigorously back up any bold and firm policy that the Mayor might adopt. Mayor Borne of Sheboygan, Wis. was and considered a very good Socialist, but for each week of \$1 worth.

or each week of \$1 worth.

Another \$1 bundle order comes from
lowrade Magnier of Philadelphia.

Don't forget the Firemen's Fund. Evry dollar received on this fund is used
a sending this paper to members of

Chicaga's fire department, Comrade H. G. Goldberg, Chicago, gets after the enemy and lands a few; \$1 pays for them.

Courade Ed. Bradley got busy re-cently and sends in \$2.50 for subs.

The Coliseum will be handsomely dec

orated for the occasion of the Socialists' masque ball. No decorations too fine and no hall too large for the Socialists.

OUR PART IN THE WORLD'S GREATEST BATTLE.

The Socialist party will put up a man for Alderman in each ward who believes in municipal ownership and knows how to get it. If the people of Chicago are really sincere in their desire to have the city own and operate it is street railways, let them send thirty-five Socialists to the City Council lists will not stop at municipal ownership and the whole interests of the working class in everything that comes within the jurisdiction of the City Council lists in everything that comes within the jurisdiction of the City Council lists in everything that comes within the jurisdiction of the City Council lists in everything that comes within the jurisdiction of the City Council lists in everything that comes within the jurisdiction of the City Council lists in everything that comes within the jurisdiction of the City Council lists will not be hard to show the difference between the kind of municipal ownership the Socialists are after and the kind Mayor Dunne is delivering, be he even as honest as his friends say he is.

How the capitalists must despise a lot of working class leaders who allow them selves to be used as tools to elect their agents and nominees on election day.

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We may well be proud to live in an aga more momentous even than that of the great French revolutions are momentous even than that of the great French revolutions even than that of the great French revolutions even than that of the great French revolutions are momentous even than that of the great French revolutions are momentous even than that of the great French revolution aga may well be proud to five and to be great French revolutions are momentous even than that of the great French revolutions are momentous even than that of the great French revolutions are momentous even than that of the great French revolutions are not to be great French revolutions and to be fare the great French revolutions are momentous even than that of the great French revolutions are momentous even than that of the great Frenc

How the capitalists must despise a lot of working class leaders who allow themselves to be used as tools to elect their agents and nominees on election day. They very properly showed their contempt for them has Monday night when they sent a squad of policemen to club and every them is the van missariat and search to the contempt of Yet we, too, have our part, our oppor-tualty, not in the more or less distant future, but to-day. If we cannot stand in the vanguard, we cannot stand in the vanguard, we can man the com-missariat and the ambulance corps—less inspiring service, perhaps, but no less needful, than the work of those at the

front.

To put it in plain words, to show how lotty belings can and must be translated into solid facts, we Ameridans can and should furnish money to help our Russian brothers in breaking once and for all, that hideous despotism which has been fitly called "the backbone of reaction" of the civilized world. Now York Worker. world .- New York Worker,

THEY KILLED IT OUICK.

While we do not take much stock in the attempt of A. F. of L. delegates oute, it is interesting to note that the wenty-fifth nanual convention voted lown the following same resolution intreduced by Delegate Berger from Mil-

the Civic Federation pintocrats to con-vince organized laboring men that "the interests of capital and labor are iden-tioni" is being helped on by certain labor leaders, and has succeeded in blinding the minds of others; and

Whereas, The interest of laborers and capitalists constitute the basis of a real class struggle, which needs no stirring up, but does need to be ended; therefore be it

he it.

Resolved, That we point with serrow to the close intimacy and harmonious relations established between Samuel Gompets and other labor leaders and the great capitalists and pintocratic politicians; and be it further.

Resolved, That it is the sentiment of this convention that we consider the re-

this convention that we consider the re-sults of this policy are not for labor's interests, as shown in the failure of the Belmont subway strike in New York and the futility of the eight-hour campaign

n Congress.

This was killed while Berger was absent from the convention, he being unwell at the thus.

Superintendent—Who was Napoleon, my little man? Little Man—Why, he was de gor dat used to own de earth before Bockyfeller,

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JAS, S. SMITH,	

A SOCIALIST CITY PLATFORM.

Common Sense Municipal Pro gram Adopted at Springfield. Springfield, Mass.—The following plat-form has been adopted by the Socialist party of this city for the municipal

party of this city for the municipal campaign:

"The Socialist party of Springfield reaffirms its belief in the principles of international Socialism, as expressed in the national and State platforms of the party. It believes that the time is ripe for the treatment of public questions from the standpoint of the working class, who are the mere owners of productive wealth or basied with getting into their own hands the wealth that the working class has produced. It believes that all proposed legislation should be tested by the inquiry whether it would tend to strengthen the people in their right and power to own and control collectively all these things which they need for their welfare. In harmony with these declarations, it piedges its candidates, if elected, to work for:

"The immediate provision of an adequate and healthful water supply, the health and welfare of the inhabitants of the city being paramount, and the capitalist interests of any individual or individuals of no importance, in comparison.

"The formulation of a city charter

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"The formulation of a city charter embodying the principles of initiativa, referendum and right of recall of 45 officials by their constituents.

"The ownership by the citizens of Springfield of all municipal public utilities, including street railway and lighting plants, and coal and wood yards, without perpetuating tribute to expitalish under any form; and such public utilities to be conducted democratically in accordance with the principles of Socialism.

"The establishment and maintenance of a free city hospital and dispensary free public baths, adequately equipped and free symnasiums.

"Free medical examination of all school children, and provision for all children to attend school who might otherwise be prevented from attending by lack of means.

"The abolition of contract labor on all works undertakes by the city, and that on all such enterprises the best possible conditions of employment be maintained. "The maintenance of a free labor burean, work to be secured for the unemployed without charge of commission.

ploved without charge of commission.

"The series interest of the city government is labor troubles to the extential such troubles he investigated publicly, and further, that when a strike is found to be for the maintenance of the cent warrs and human conditions of labor, the city government shall aid the strikers in every possible way, even to, the extent of appropriating public money for their assistance."

ed with the President a strange thing took place in London.

Ah army of unemployed English men and women marched to the house of Premier Balfour and begged for work. They told Balfour they were starving.
Mothers said their nursing babes at their breasts were starving.
And Balfour, the head of the English government, could give the starving no comfort. He was as hopeless as were

the starving.

But England has money for battleships, for the civil list, for the King and
for incomes for the idle rich, but is
powerless to see to it that there is an

powerless to see to it that there is an opportunity for work for those who are the real producers of the wealth.

Balfour uttered no encouragement, but he warned the starving wretches against Socialism as a remedy for their ills.

A government that cannot offer a remedy in a crisis such as confronts the working classes in England is in no condition to warm seniors anything.

working classes in England is in no con-dition to warn against anything.

The English system of government is the oldest in Europe. In many things it is excellent. But the wisdom of its rules and Parliament that has run through eight hundred years has not yet reached a solution of one industrial prob-iem.

But not until the common people of

6 and 8 Arcade Bldg.,

across the country in a train, spent the day with President Roosevelt in the White House.

In the war of 1812 a British fleet anchored almost in the same waters and a combined army and navy brigade expetition went across the country, captured Washington and burned the city.

The only thing that balanced this was the defeat of many of the same troops by Jackson at New Orleans.

But on the day when the prince lunched with the President a strange thing.

FIFTENTH WARD BRANCH, ATTREE LAST TENET IMPOSED LIPON THE KHAN OF THOMATROZ. By Endor Genone. This is a remarkably clever and witty story, with pletures as funny as the text. It is a good-humered satirs on the Calvinistic theory of election and priced that the continuous control of the ward branch as present incumbents do not stand for received in the President a strange thing.

This notice were constitution of branch officers (under new constitution) for the ensuing term in 1906 will take place at branch headquarters, corner of Thomas as the text. It is a good-humered satirs on the Calvinistic theory of election and priced from the Calvinistic theory of election and friends take due notice and be present to elect new officials of the ward branch as present incumbents do not stand for its also published in booklet form at 2 cents. The cessary are delightfully elever and ensuing term in 1906 will take place at branch headquarters, corner of Thomas as the text. It is a good-humered satirs on the Calvinistic theory of election and N. Western avenue. Friday, Dec. 22, 1905, at S p. m. Members and N. Western avenue. Friday, Dec. 23, 1905, at S p. m. Members and S. This is a remarkably clever and with the calvinistic theory of election and N. Western avenue. Friday, Dec. 22, 1905, at S p. m. Members and N. Western avenue. Friday, Dec. 23, 1905, at S p. m. Members and N. Western avenue. Friday, Dec. 24, 1905, at S p. m. Members and N. Western avenue of the

re-election the coming year.

This notice will appear twice only. Comrades, get busy and arrange to be present with minds made up for the right men to elect and fill the posts in this important ward for aggressive work and Socialistic propaganda the coming year. Members at this election must carry their due books, and other important business will be up for consideration at this meeting. Installation of the new branch officials will take place Dec. 29, 1905, with appropriate features on 29, 1905, with appropriate features on the occasion

WALKER VERNON,

TWENTY-FOURTH WARD, AT-TENTION!

Comrades of the Twenty-fourth Ward, do you realize what you are missing when you fail to come to branch meeting? Next meeting second Monday in December, 620 Diversey boulevard. Note the change of meeting place.

R., OGE,

THERE IS ONLY ONE ISSUE. Under the heading, "A Socialist's Approval," Everybody's Magazine in its December issue prints the following let-

ter:
"The Socialist press has been giving moral.

But not until the common people of France rose over a hundred years ago did the rulers realize their power and begin to appreciate their rights. Until the French revolution, parliaments were mainly concerned in levying taxes for kings, armies and ships. If the people starved to death they died uncomplainingly or their cries were stifled.

New it is different. Men refuse to starve without a struggle against the conditions that bring about their hunger.

And England henceforth must give attention to its working classes instead of to its navy and save them or be destroyed.

Battenberg's English ships came in an unpropitious time for celebrating an English heliday.—Los Angeles Examiner.

Down in Kansas the school teachers were asked to state briefly the motives inducing them to take up the profession of teaching.

Some of the replies do not make veryk reassuring reading, and show that componic conditions and capitallistic shister ambitions set some people to teaching who should be at other work.

One reply read: "I became a teacher because I had nothing else to do." Another: "Because I could make higher"

"The Socialist press has been giving in all you promise in Russell's articles.

"It has Socialists are as willing that the co-operative commonwealth should be the Socialism. The principles for which the Socialism. The principles for which the Socialism are not of their making; the Socialism. The principles for which the Socialism are not of their making; the Socialism. The principles for which the Socialism are not of their making; the Socialism. The principle of conditions and pointing to their cries were stifled.

"We welcome Everybody's, first, as heping to tell the people to flee from the glorm. "We welcome Everybody's, first, as hopeing to tell the people to flee from the glorm. "We welcome Everybody's, first, as hopeing to their rule of the storm, and second their making the conditions and pointing to their rule of the storm, and second their making the conditions and pointing to the remedy, are doing what t

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ne revolutionary movement. Cloth, \$1.00. TOWARDS DEMOCRACY. By Edward TOWARDS DEMOCRACY. By Edward Carpenter. Carpenter is well known to our readers through his delightful volume of cassays entitled "Lova's Coming-of Age" (cioth, \$1.00). But his reputation as a writer reets mainly on his poem, "Towards Democracy" This poem, written at different times and enlarged by recent additions to a volume of 317 pages, is on the whole the best poetic interpretation of the Socialist view of life that has yet been produced. The meter is the free rhythm introduced by Whitman, but Carpenter is no mere limitator of Whitman, and the artistic beauty of the poetry will appeal to those still unfamiliar with Socialism. Extraction, glit top, \$2.50.

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Maude Coison. This is not a Socialist story, but of the "new thought" order. It is humanitarian rather than capitalistic in its tendency and is decidedly entertaining. It is a handsome cloth-bound volume of 304 pages. The original price was a dollar, and the copies on hand (in perfect or dition) we offer them at 30 cents, postpaid, or 29 cents, if sent at purchaser's expense.

ROBERTA. A hovel of Chicago. By Blanche Fearing. A graphic picture of capitalistic conditions by a writer who capitainstic conditions by a writer who felt the injustice without clearly under-standing it. This is another dollar novel which we are closing out at the same rates as "The Story of a Dream" ON THE ROAD TO THE LAKE. By

Sam Filiat. A free thought novel bitterly impooning certain shining lights of orthodox theology. This is another of the hooks issued before this was a Socialist publishing house, and is also being reduced from one dollar to 30 cents, postpaid, or 20 cents by averages.

cents, by express.

One more book at this reduced rate is THE LAST TENET IMPOSED UPON

is also published in booklet form at 2 cents. The cassays are delightfully ciever and entertaining, and while they are not written with a complete understanding of Socialism, they are well worth circulating for the emphasis they give to the important principle involved in the Socialist position, that we believe in doing away with the authority of the State over the individual merals of its citteens, and conficing our elected offi-

its citizens, and conficing our elected offi-cials to the more useful function of see-ing that people's material wants are sup-plied. The book is exquisitely printed and bound. We have reduced the retail price from \$1.50 to \$1.00.

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