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

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# UNITE AND

A Despairing Cry for Help From the Reform Forces.

SO-CALLED PRINCIPLES OF UNION

ment is made so often that it is beginning to be believed by a great many people, and deserves a little further attention. Almost everyone who knows anything about social conditions today knows that the worker now uses his bailot each year to vote himself into still deeper slavery. At each recurring election he walks to the ballot box and convention were demanding a "war of lumanity" to "free the Cubans." During the entire progress of the war no class have as frequently a.3 as done this for years in every nation on earth where he has been given the suffrage. It has only been within the last few years that he has shown any tendency to unite in a political party voicing his own interests. He could at any the coul He could at any class to power but he continues year Now if this is the sort of use he makes of what power he now has it talism which makes all advancement a organized to smash the machines, just requires a pretty strong stretch of the means to further oppression of the so the drummers are uniting to smash imagination to believe that giving him a workers. They see in expansion a part the trust. They have even gone so far dition. Direct legislation is a fundamental necessity of a reorganized society but as a preparation to its use, if it is to be of value, the laborers must be made to recognize their interests have to pass this measure by because it does not come up to the "adequate" test as laid down by Mr. Bliss.

the direct legislation plank is wanted by the people is "because they think it ship is to be the second plank in this marvelous platform. But for fear that someone might think they really meant

to do something he insists that this shall be limited to "the national owner, ship of railroad, telegraph and telephone, and the municipal ownership of water, light and local transit." As this is the only positive plank in the plat-form it must be the "adequate" one Let us see if it is "adequate" to any of the problems that confront the laborer Germany has all these things and yet the German laborer seems to have something to complain about. In fact every nation of Europe has already attained all, or nearly all of this, and many of them have gone much further, yet the sufferings of the workers has gone on increasing at an equal rate with nationalization and municipilization. This whole scheme is sometimes called "The Glasgow Plan" because it has been carried further there than in any other city of the world. Yet did you ever hear anyone say that poverty, to "Political Paggibility." called "The Glasgow Plan" because it you ever hear anyone say that poverty, thing now. His unlimited cheek and bational holiday of America will be hate and told to reverse his attitude, nerve that have taken him out of many here. There will be an unfurling of Thus there soon arises a feeling of componing of about the say, to say a hard place are of no avail in the pres- flags and bunting, a flood of eloquent monuntaries. There is nothing more typical of the despairing condition of the small fleecnothing of abolished. In fact there are ease of the conditions that now con-gappeals to love of country, while the despairing condition of the small feecers of labor than the wild despairing class are reduced to those qualities instead of his brains and burct paper. But through every that has greater poverty than in that little capitalist reformers, Feeling themselves being forced by the pressure of the great industry out of the great industry out of the ranks of parasites into that of the producing proletariat, they send up a fierce shout for help. As they are help
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the capitalist class of the following state of the following of the capitalist class of the following state of the following of the capitalist class of the following state of the following what is done this week in Buffalo, it might be well to review the situation from the point of view of those who produce the wealth of the world.

The alars and subsistence wages be unaffected and the laborer will in no way be benefitted. If the cost of living should in any way be reduced by lower fares, cheaper gas, etc., wages would The plans and purposes of the convention are best set forth in a pamphlet issued by W. D. P. Bliss, the presicomment on it is unaccessary. Who let issued by W. D. P. Bilss, the president of the Union Reform League, under whose auspices the convention is to be held. The title of this pamphlet is perhaps the best that could have been chosen for the purpose. It is "Unite or convention to the purpose of the purpose. It is "Unite or convention to the purpose of the the in sirred accord with the feats it desired from the lattice form of the size of the si chosen for the purpose. It is "Unite or process of concentration hope to shift perish." It would be cruel to say that

tions of monopoly, and the rapacity of industrial combinations or the suffering caused by improved machinery, not because they would stop concentration, but because they wish to abolish capitalism which makes all advanced to the control of the co knows that the question of "imperial- would create a single new place. ism" or "anti-imperialism" as such has mpetition with the strangely silent. Perhaps it is because the worst of all exploiters, and the

DRUMMERS Another Class Thrown Deception of the Work-

Out By Social Evolution.

AN EFFECT OF CONCENTRATION A PURELY CAPITALIST VIRTUE

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old machanic and hand laborer "going It will not affect wage-slavery, save as into politics," and like them, too, he is going into capitalist politics first. He se of America, and is now proposing to use his "influence" ffalo convention is with one of the great political parties how long it will take him to learn the lesson his humbler brother is just bemeanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are these same lesson his humbler brother is just the meanest of all masters are the meanest of the capitalist class it is hard to say. lesson his humbler brother is just be-

## **PATRIOTISM**

ers for the Benefit of Capitalism.

That the Laborers Should Be Patriotic

How the Cosmopolitanism of Labor
Is Abolishing the Sense of Nationality What Is True Patriotism?

Then fifty words down in the same ers who have seen their comrades mur- the bonds of common interest. dered by the followers of that flag, and "Thirty-five thousand traveling men have seen themselves thrust back into dispensed with 25,000 reduced in salar-les, means \$60,000,000 salary loss, \$27. deeper misery by the power it sym-les, means \$60,000,000 salary loss, \$27. bolizes? Why should the laborers on

without the aid of government to main tain the special privileges of the owners wage-slavery would disappear tomorpend upon popular sufferage for supcompelled to come around to the slaves they like their slavery and if so to vote their approval. And if for a single time they should decide against the system it would have to fall. The peculiarity of this situation is at once apparent and places but this is the only instance where the slaves endorsed their serf-

om once each year. The most probable explanation of this ould seem to be that the workers must

try as his natural enemies and is expected to be prepared to wage war upon them whenever his master's interests may dictate. His motto must be "My (master's) country right or wrong."

a powerful controlling force over the minds of the workers that it should take the form of nationalism. worker must remain long in one place They must be accustomed to associate familiar scenes with the virtue of patriotism. But capitalism compels the la borer to become a cosmopolitar. It drives him from land to land in search of work until he no longer has any place he can call his native land. No sooner has he been taught to love one country and hate another than he is The drummer is up against the real. But a few days more and the great driven into the one he is supposed to National League makes the following statement:

"Trusts are organized for stock job-bing purposes. Scientific economy is only a term to blind people and catch buyers for stocks. Commercial traveliers will be discharged until the final slump in trust stocks. Utilimately many signify to those who at Coer de Alenwill return to their fields with new connections and under safer conditions, when commerce shall have recovered from the epidemic of trade combinations."

Then fifty words down in the same "celebrate" on the coming fourth? What teason have they to join in a try not state, to society not government, and that recognizes that the worst enement the workers have been taught to worship. They would marge nationality in internationalism and build an enduring social fabric, not on the shifty sands of class war and oppression but on the solid rock of an everlasting tion to "old Glory" have the Pana min-

#### PORTO RICO.

Capitalist Morality Is Brushed

Hades to Purgatory. There is not an indictment against King George in the Declaration of Independence that is not more than duplicated in the above newspaper clipping.

life to defend "his" country. He is told July 2nd, beginning at 3 p. m. The pro-from childhood that his duty to his na-tive country must come before every tremely high character and one of they have stolen from you, are made 1 tive country must come before every tremely high character and one of other consideration. He is taught to which the clubs and their leaders may regard the natives of every other coun-

## KANSAS CITY

capitalism over-reaches itself. It is ab. Statement Issued by the City Central Committee.

#### A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD

A Statement of the Situation and Ex-planation of the Interests at Stake A Call to the Workers of the Fifth Ward to Vote for Their Own Interests-Official Statement of Section Kansas City

To the Voters of the Fifth Ward:-On July 5th next you will vote for a representative in the Lower House of the Council. You should take advantage of the opportunity to send a man who will thoroughly represent your interests as workingmen

The Socialist Labor Party has nominated Charles Engel, of 2927 Terrace street. Mr. Engel is a stone cutter, a union man, and stands squarely on the platform of the international socialist movement, which is the only movement in the world that is absolutely in the people as a collective body, and substi-tute the "Co-operative Commonwealth" for the present state of planless production, industrial war and social disorder—a commonwealth in which every worker shall have the free exercise and full benefit of his faculties, multiplied by all the modern factors of civilization."
Understand that Mr. Engel will not

be under obligations to any set of politicians. No matter how good the intentions of Mr. Swearingen or Mr. Reeves may be, either of them if elected would

Just a few years before this Kosiusko quarters of the wealthy people in the northwestern part and in the south and dear capitalist masters into paroxysms southeastern part of the city, are nearly done. In short, they have improved the Russianizing of Poland. But in none of these countries was there any none of these countries was there any done practically nothing for the workportrayed in the above recital in a capi-talist paper of the work its owners are doing. Compared with the wrongs suffered by the American colonists prior to 1776 and for which our ancestors revolted those of the Posts. to 1756 and for which our ancestors re-volted, those of the Porto Ricans are as within the last few days when it appeared that work would soon be menced on Penn Valley, the Park Board suddenly decides to cut off some thirteen acres from the original limits.

And behold! If this proposition is apfirst be hypnotized or drugged at each recurring election. But the capitalists have found a better way than this. They have control of the means by which information gets to the worker and they determine the character of the and they determine the character of the city of beer and bricks, and promise approved (the Park Board says), they are focking to a chance for a park. While if it is not and they determine the character of the city of beer and bricks, and promise and they determine the character of the public opinion which makes up the to everyone that is with them a rousworkers mind for them. They do this ing good time. The Chicago comrades see? No parks for the working class by creating a worship of the forms of will leave on the whaleback Christopher capitalist government. The worker is Columbus on Sunday morning, and told that the state which holds him while he is being robbed is the dearest thing in the world to him. He is taught that he must willingly lay down his that he must willingly lay down his will be held in Schlitz Park on Sunday, legalize the condemnation of property life to defend "his" country. He is told July 2nd beginning at 2 n.m. The pro-

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A. M. SIMONS, EDITOR.



#### The Socialist Vote.

UNITED STATES.

Copies sold last week 9,150.

#### MOVEMENT OR PARTY.

There is a large class of people who claim to be great advocates of "socialism," but never have anything to say about the means of attaining it. These

form. It is all very well to preach the beauties of the co-operative commonstruggle and urge the workers to unite, but unless they are told with what to unite the whole thing is a blank shot.

If a person is a believer in the dochis place is with the only practical ex- fers upon them. pression of those doctrines and princi--the Socialist Labor Party. If he really wishes to be on the side of labor then he must join them at the point where they need his help, and just at present it is high privates in the front rank that are needed and not drill masters on the parade grounds at home, The Socialist Labor Party is in America the incarnation of labor's fight for rty, it is the instrument with which the blows must be struck. It is the practical expression of the class strug-

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THE WORKERS' CALL. contending elements. It must be a SNAP SHOTS BY THE WAYSIDE. The Debsites are to hold a conference keen instrument ever ready to strike in ery Saturday, at 36 N. Clark St., Chi- the cause of labor, always prepared to at the postoffice at Chicago, Ill., as mail "hew to the line let the chips fall where

> injustice. Workers of America your perience in Chicago in '94." place is beside that flag. It is your own follow the felse guides sent out by your masters to lure you to yet deeper papers cannot conceal the fact that Under the heading "I your share of the burden, do your part ence, and what it don't mean. in the fight that when the victory is

Agreed To, the Result Being an Expendence of Chicago are in a tremendous ferment. The long years of oppression and injustice are bearing the matter of extra runs and the matter of extra runs and the sing years of training received by the matter of extra runs and the sing years of training received by the matter of extra runs and the sing years of training received by the would really an extra runs and the sing years of training received by the solutions, but they have extremed as roon to a Social Democratic agitator, and the courts have confirmed that the sentence of deposition. The solutions, but they have extremed as roon to a Social Democratic agitator, and the courts have confirmed that the sentence of deposition. The sentence of deposition of the ruling classes of that time is set of the ruling classes of the village of Nah. The section of setting received by the ender of a set of the ruling classes of that time is set of of the ruling classes of that time is set of the ruling classes o are continually talking about working secure their freedom they must unite for the socialist movement but who shy at the ballot box as they are now like a frightened horse when the Social- united in their demand for wages, that ist Labor Party is mentioned. They when they strike they may find the organized forces of society on their side and not on that of the master,

> It is being suggested from many quarters that it would be a very desira. ference right here. The action of the

more of the papers that have been lately absorbed by The Workers' Call, wealth or even to describe the class to have one of the papers which is cominng to them sent to some other address, we would say that sinne we receive no remuneration for such subscriptions it will be impossible for us the men asked for it. The laborers in the to do any additional bookkeeping, such to do any additional bookkeeping, such chested and imagined that they trines and principles of socialism then as would be demanded by such trans-

> The capitalist press reports that "so. cialism is rampant in British Columorganized throughout the province, and GIVE-if they wanted to. will endeavor to carry the local givern ment at the next election."

#### Call for Traveling Organizer. To all Comrades and friends the Illinois

State Central Committee sends greeting:-

means to 'abor's emancipation. stack the cards on the working class. It is the only movement in accordance town and hamlet of the land to show up these frauds, to snatch away the mask dozen men who OWN the Stock Yards, time will find them in the socialistranks 4 copies to one address 2 months... \$0.25

The standard of the S. L. P.

This battle is a real one. It should be published in pamphlet form. But to last election. The gap made by Mayor Who said that there were no serfs in insure their publication at least 1,000 Pingree's defection can easily be filled. America. It will be interesting to know dd. But this cannot be done sponThey will be published in the "Pocket tions" are plentiful.

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Three times and out!

the Socialist Labor Party. Firm and in relation to the Emperor's "antiunswerving to the interests of the lawe bring it to your notice, you will see will continue to tell the working class
boring class it has steadfastly refused that the bill has been knocked out, but what THEY CAN DO FOR THEMto be turned aside by any pretext what. in America these things are differently SELVES, and this does not include votsoever, Amidst all the storms and de-jusions of reforms, fakes and deceptions and deceptions whiles to lecture before them at Pitts- fakirs, freaks and frauds. it has ever upheld the red flag of re- burg. No doubt his subject will be bellion to oppression, and resistance to "How to knock out a strike, or my ex- The Peace Conference at the Hague

complished by the city council of Cleveland. Of course the pure and simple scoundrels say that political power means nothing, but just mark the dif-

nounced a RAISE OF WAGES IN THE STOCK YARDS. Then came details their masters as the American wageamounted to something. For did not the BOSS HIMSELF SAY IT?

bia," and states that "the socialists are HAD TO ASK, and the bosses CGULD election and formaly declares that he

Then came Monday and 400 policemen -and Armour, Swift and Morris stopped killing hogs, and when they

stopped, the raise in wages disappeared, When will workingmen understand that the man who owns the factory or mill is their master, and can enforce his The national elections of 1900 are rappower with the police, the militia and their interests lie with the great pro-idly approaching. Republicans, demo-the law courts which have been placed ducing class of the world and that their

era of combination and concentration, chine is consigned to the scrap-pile,

oriferous combination consists Debs, Carey, Gordon, Mrs. Lease, and Moves of the Militant Socialists in Va- THE SILVER CROSS or The Carpenter

is making remarkable progress. "young" and "old" Turks are getting The class-conscious workers of Italy, into each other's wool, and challenges battle you are asked to fight, your own through their socialist representatives to duels are filling the air. Even if the wrongs you are asked to avenge, your in parliament, have succeeded in block. Conference fails in its purpose it will own rights you are called upon to seing the game of the capitalist governhave effected some good in demonstratthe socialist victory;
the socialist victory;

The Superior Productive Power of Ameri-Wage Slaves Over Those of Other Lands.

about the means of attaining it. These people seem to be under the impression that if they only talk enough they will wake up some fine morning and find that socialism has come in upon them "like a thief in the night." They treat it as if it were some etheral thing that remains in the realm of dreams and is only to be discussed but not handled. Such a people seem to forget that this is a fight in which we are engaged and not a parior lecture. They fail to see that while socialism in the abstract may sound nice it will never free the laborer without it is given a concrete form. It is all very well to preach the socialism to be discussed but not handled. It is all very well to preach the socialism of Gernany with the "anti-strike" bill stands in strong contrast to a result like this in Cleveland. Such a result like this reason for the supremacy of the

No other slaves are as valuable to showing that Armour had yielded to slave. No others can be driven as hard the demands of his workers, and the armour had yielded to slave. No others can be driven as hard the demands of his workers, and the armour had yielded to slave. or work as skillful, and none are more more just like the sample.

### DRUMMERS

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That they will some day learn that This spring your thousands of votes superior opportunities in the way of change of rate.) sitio class, and all who claim to in sympathy with that root should be among its numbers.

It is much easier to talk pleasant platitudes around a tea-table, or shed sympathetic tears at an evening lecture, or to attend conventions with bombas
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### AROUND THE WORLD

rious Lands in Their World-wide Battle for the Proletariat.

The past week has been an eventful one abroad. The French comrades offered the government the alternative of either forming a cabinet or letting the cialists, who were practically in control, do it for them. So a cabinet was quickly formed containing at least two socialists, and ready to make all kinds concessionns to the working class. That this cabinet will last for any length of time no one believes. The only thing that will keep the capitalist class together is the absolute certainty that when the cabinet is dissolved the next time it is only in preparation for

force a law upon the country that identifies himself with those who would masters to lure you to yet deeper papers cannot conceal the fact that Under the heading "Twelve busy would have practically made every be called the lowest classes. He is the slavery. Come out from your skulking they sympathize with the Italian gov. hours for the Prince of Wales," the Chi-striker a criminal. But the workers of friend of thleves, prostitutes and outexclusion and join with your fellow- ernment in its effort to stifle the cry of cago Tribune gives twelve cuts of this Germany, unlike those of America, had casts. The author has caught that workers in their battle, and your battle you bear for life. Unite with their party, bear all about the Declaration of Independ. the day, but we do not notice that overalis appear in any of them. These lat- The result was that the Emperor's pet written from their point of view. Every in the fight that when the victory is gained you may enter into its enjoyment with the honors of a battle-

tempted to dodge important issues. Here again the government is attempt- to aquire Kilarney for the purpose of a ing to coerce the proletariat by force, private speculation; to convert its and with apparently the same result beauties into a source of profit for the these methods usually have.

Italy adds a mite to the same story. Her proletariat has been asserting its own interests and demanding that the rights of the workers be recognized. Her ruling class sees the impending danger and demands the most stringent laws against "seditious associations." A few weeks ago the Italian ruling class was promising an amnesty to all political prisoners in the hope of deluding the workers into relinguishing their socialist convictions. Before that they were shooting them down like sheep to accomplish the same end. Now again they have gone back to this position and are attempting repression. But under all conditions and at all times the Italian workers are moving on toward their ultimate victory.

there are signs that the great empire is their sensibilities be so aroused for that they would raise the wages when making and unmaking governments the men asked for it. The laborers in the that his class may be benefitted; while it is becoming capitalistic. When imspots of the earth's surface—also monthe German is defying and defeating proved methods of exploiting labor are opolized by individuals for private the emperor in his efforts to oppress once introduced into China, as they are profit. the workers, and while even the des-pised "Dago" is making King Humbert tudes of the Flowery Kingdom are set shiver for his throne, the American at work in modern factories the con-Happily there is every reason to be-lieve that before that time comes the could hardly be imagined or described. loves to be a slave and wants some Happily there is every reason to belaborers of the world will awake to a right to live, are compelled to minister sense of their interests, and by themselves abolishing all exploitation render improvements in production and the spread of knowledge a blessing-not a gurse.

#### Bundle Orders.

We would call especial attention to

trade paper whose business it is to the beauties of this spot unless you gather up the business conditions of the first pay us our tribute-unless we can

ing as to trusts;

There are grave dangers in this seemingly endless multiplication of industrial combinations. We feel safe in saying that the next financial panic in this country will be caused by this very multiplication of trusts.

"Pause and think well before giving up your business into the hands of others—on the inside—who may not run it and guard it as you have done. Your identity and perhaps life-long work no longer a visible quality. Then again consider—that competition will continue to exist—that every one is not going to be dominated by a trust—and that others can make goods quite as cheaply and can get out certain patterns that will continue to sell. The promoters of trusts, as a rule, are not working so much for your benefit as for their own personal reward and aggrandization. Your personality made your business, made your customers, and in a trust combine taking pot luck is quite different."

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What is good for Killarney is good for same next.

What is good for Killarney is good for as much choice about entering a trust Ireland—aye for the world as a whole!

as a fish on the end of a line has about If a mere source of enjoyment should be

#### Book Reviews.

Nazereth; a translation from the French of Eugene Sue; International Publishing Co.: 151 p.: paper 25 cents.

This is one of the series of books making up the history of a proletarian family, and in which Eugene Sue has used his wonderful pen to portray in a series of vivid pictures the society of various critical periods in the world's history. In this work he is describing the period at the beginning of the Christian era, and naturally groups his story around the greatest proletarian the world has yet known-Jesus of Nazareth. The story is fittingly told by a slave who becomes a follow

From beginnninng to end Jesus and In Germany the Emperor sought to against the ruling class of society. He

It appears there is a project on foot capitalist, as well as pleasure for the sightseer.

Therefore, the Tralee District Council demands that the government should step in and purchase the Muckross estate upon which the celebrated lakes are situated and thus

"Stop the sale annd not allow 'Beauty's Home' to be traded on for private and commercial purposes-the exclusive property of any individual, or company, to be used, disused, or not used at all, as they thought fit."

I sympathise with my Kerry friends in their extremity. It is indeed hard that one of the most beautiful spots in the universe should be converted into a mill for coining wealth for the gain o The news comes from China that a few moneybags. But why should

> Almost all Ireland, all the soil from which we derive our daily bread-or potatoes-is the property of a class of useless owners; and the people of Ireto the wants of this class which holds Ireland in its grasp.

"To be used, disused, or not allowed to be used at all as they think fit,'

Just like Killarney.

crats, and so-called independent par-ties are alroady getting ready to again workingmen on election day?

at his disposal by the stupidity of the only hope of existence lies in a union to the rates for The Workers' Call in bun-allowed in future to feast our eyes to doubt. It is to be hoped that their dies, which are as follows: (Note upon the beauties of Killarney without If it is horrible that we shall not be paying tribute to a gang of commercial with the world-wide class-conscious rethe voice of the Socialist Labor Party
elected Harrison, but the services of education will enable them to grasp
this spring your thousands of votes adjected Harrison will enable them to grasp
speculators, is it not equally horrible
that we cannot at present enjoy the barest necessities of life without paying

making concern.

## Single Tax vs. Socialism A Comparative Discussion build up a respect for the laws and in- social development can possibly, succeed salary, combined with theorists, college professors, "freaks," and fanatics.

By A. M. SIMONS.

to make an article, it is silly to talk Among these is land, but no more so than the developed tool or organized social operation of industry. In barland was essential. In modern culture more prominent and their freedom would cause a much greater change than freedom of the land.

point is important because around it hinges the fundamental difference in the political working out of the Single Tax and the socialist theory. The socialist insists that as society progresses from stage to stage in development different factors in the social organization become prominent and constitute the central factor in that stage. or else they would have retained their ruling class and to inaugurate our presure of the age-capital.

Hence the Single Taxers have put the Single Taxer. "cart before the horse" when they say that "freeing land" would free industry to just what it is expected would hap the result of a series of deductions as Their position in this regard is as follows: They say that the reason why kind of industries would be established the process of social development. If

petition an advantage once gained nails.

The Single Taxers say that today industry is limited by the fact that the supply of land being a definite quantity and property rights being recognized in it, large quantities of land are owned it, large quantities of land are owned it, large quantities of land are supply to re. and held by the owners simply to re- various mechanical appliances that now ent conditions. Most important of all opposes its propaganda and denounces This educated class comes from the and need of the same applications of the same applications. Most important of all opposes its propaganda and denounces this educated class comes from the body of professional parasite same by the growth of society. This educated class comes from the body of professional parasites which is accurably the progress has always been through the posal of the ruling class and helped and who would therefore be best composed by the growth of society. This educated class comes from the body of professional parasites which is social product and improve their organization and plant? Without they could perfect and improve their organization and plant? Without they could product due to the exertions of do so the monopoly would remain up. social product, due to the exertions of do so the monopoly would remain un-sees that at present the laborers in and that each great social advance has laborers in building up the surrounding touched and the slavery of the workers each great industry are organized in been marked by the conquest of the touched and the slavery of the workers can be ment," and advocate its absorption by modely who created it. There can be society who created it. There can be modult as to the correctness of this position and it is as old as the hills, and in no way original with Henry George. The error lies in assuming that this is in any way a peculiarity and touched and the slavery of the workers each great industry are organized in various grades which superintend, dispression that superintend, dispression that has been frequently used in this connection is that of the Singer society who created it. There can be society who created it is absorption by this connection is that of the Singer society and control industry. The owner deach great industry are organized in various grades which superintend, dispression that has been frequently used in the connection is that of the Singer society who created it. There can be society who created it. 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The owner class was able to employ all of this body in some form or another as a sort feet and that this is in any way a peculiarity all the burden of taxation sought to above. The socialist would simply cut he maintains that the next great step They turn into literary pursuits, they that this is in any way a peculiarity of land. In fact the fundamental weak-ness of the Single Tax, in so far as it has any consistent philosophy to combat, lies in what might be called a sort of "landophobia." Their talk is full of their absolute dependence upon the firm their absolute dependence upon the firm their absolute dependence upon the firm of the landophobia. Their talk is full of their absolute dependence upon the firm their absolute dependence upon the firm of the landophobia. Their talk is full of their absolute dependence upon the firm of the landophobia. Their talk is full of their absolute dependence upon the firm their absolute dependence upon the firm of the landophobia. 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Again, They fail to see that once a stage of the waters of Lake Michigan are as free society is established in which any one as the air we breathe. Anyone can cast of these factors is absolutely essential a net into them that wishes. Yet this it is just as important as any other, has not prevented the growth of a great If a man must have both wood and iron fishing monopoly that controls nearly talists are doing for the possessing class every net of importance in the lakes of either one being the essential portion. and has absolute mastery of the market shown what the very first step is that There can be no degrees of absolute neso far as the little fishers are concerned, they must take when they have reached this point. They must take possession ures essential to a civilized society. John D. Rockefeller from establishing of all the powers of production and disbarism, of these three features only the in the law to prevent whoever wishes property of all anyone who desires to land was essential. In modern culture from launching a boat on the waters of produce can secure access to them at the other factors have become much the Great Lakes and carrying freight any time. There being no class of ownand passengers, but that has not pre- ers to appropriate the larger share of vented the great steel steamers from the product all will be given to him the prod There may, be other essential factors that land is of comparatively little importance. Single Taxers are fond of but the fact that these have been supplanted in prominence by some other shows that they are of less significance shows that they are of less significance in the second state of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition, with a universal utilization of all the powers of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition, with a universal utilization of all the powers of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition, with a universal utilization of all the powers of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition, with a universal utilization of all the powers of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition, with a universal utilization of all the powers of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition, with a universal utilization of all the powers of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition, with a universal utilization of all the powers of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition, with a universal utilization of all the powers of production as known to capitalism be employed but by perfect concentration of industry and abolition of all the wastes of competition. or else they would have retained their prominence. Land is such a factor. At one time the most prominent factor in production, its owners were the ruling social class. At that time industrial freedom for the laborers could only have come from the control of the land. have come from the control of the land. is being held for an "unearned incre-because someone hopes to make a profit

Later the machine became the domiment" is outside of these centers and on them. Hence there can be no overnant factor and its owners were able is already surrounded with improved production until all wants are satisfied, through its ownership to become the property covered with "For Rent". This is a general outline of the society ent form of society, or capitalism that will barely return interest on the grow out of the present one as soon as Hence those who would be free at this capital invested in improvements, with the laborers have sufficient intelligence time must strike for the dominent feat-

industry is so "confined" and that men on it? Railroads? But competition anyone does not believe that they are are idle is because that capital and la- has now given us too many and the the proper deductions to be drawn he bor are prevented from going on to the land by the fact of private ownership by those who are holding the land for an unearned increment. If all land was and then consolidated with those with secured his ideas and he believes that rental value there which they were supposed to be com- the supply is not yet exhausted. would be no land held vacant and any peting. Steel mills? The trust is shutwould be no land held vacant and any peting. Steel mills? The trust is shut. So much for the theory of Single Tax one who wished to start a business ting down all save those at South Chi- in contrast with that of socialism. could have the land on which to estab- cago and plenty of "free land" could Now just a word as to practical tactics. lish it by simply paying the actual ren- be secured in almost any city for a In the present society the rule of the seifishness of these reformers, now their be 'class-conscious,' i. e., humanity untal value irrespective of improvements. person who had money to throw away capitalist class and the consequent en-contemptibleness is brought to light. conscious." Let us look at this a little Thus they hold that it is the monopoly in trying to fight the great Rockefeller slavement of the laborers is secured by These canting hypocrites who have been closer. The S. L. P. says that the laborers is secured by These canting hypocrites who have been closer. of land that causes the formation of steel combine. Retail stores? You can the actions of the laborers themselves, talking of truth and adequateness now borers should be class-conscious and ig get all the land you want for that pur- They continually upon especial privileges (such as franpose with the stores thrown in, at less own oppressors. They are led to this cal possibility." Not one word to show and theirs alone. This is what the rechises, patents, etc.), which could be than rental value from those whom the abolished by abolishing those privileges. department store has ruined. What their real interests. The capitalist class, workers, no denial of the fact that it is interests then should the workers act? This position contains a perfect nest of then? Farming? But from every side because of their control of the means a political "stool pigeon" to lure the another by acceptance of the position contains a perfect nest of then? Farming? But from every side because of their control of the means a political "stool pigeon" to lure the the abolition of the silver the abolition of the capitalists: But progress demands of the silver the abolition of the capitalist class, both single Tax. In the first place all prop-that he cannot live even when he owns press, the schools, the colleges and unibarons and the small farmers instead of large and small, and there are no other lines that he cannot live even when he owns press, the schools, the colleges and unibarons and the small farmers instead of large and small, and there are no other lines that he cannot live even when he owns press, the schools, the colleges and unibarons and the small farmers instead of large and small, and there are no other lines that he cannot live even when he owns press, the schools, the colleges and unibarons and the small farmers instead of large and small, and there are no other lines that he cannot live even when he owns press, the schools, the colleges and unibarons and the small farmers instead of large and small, and there are no other lines that he cannot live even when he owns press, the schools, the colleges and unibarons and the small farmers instead of large and small, and there are no other lines that he cannot live even when he owns press, the schools, the colleges are lines to the small farmers instead of large and small, and there are no other lines that he cannot live even when he owns press, the schools, the colleges are lines to the small farmers instead of large and small are lines to the large and small are lines to the small farmers instead of large and small are lines to the large and small are lines to the large and small are large and small rights rest upon "special privile- his farm, and that there is "overpro- versities with the pulpit and the lecture into those of the great capitalists, not classes to be considered. The S. L. P. in that they are maintained by duction" of farm products. No. So platform—are able to keep the laborers even a claim that it will in any way relaws made in the interest of the poslews made in the interest of the posleve the industrial situation, but a poonly vital necessary class in our present
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will have an overwhelming majority at borers and for the laborers. the polls, and having captured the pow-Yet this ers of government can proceed to enact unite and laws in their interest just as the capi-The progress of society the beginnings of what will be the tribution and make them the property largest monopoly in the world in the lake carrying trade. There is nothing ies, railroads, machines, etc., being the explanation as before in class interests. sending thousands of little boats to the who produces it. All will then be producy-docks and the scrap pile. One ducers and hence there can be no exmight go on to any length giving in-stances to show that today land is of produced will be for use and not for stances to show that today land is of produced will be for use and not for standard death to the small for at home. comparatively small importance as a sale. The persons who receive it will it is no coincidence that controlling factor in industry. It is abnot be forced to search the earth over abnorance and approximation at solutely necessary, but the development to find someone to whom they can sell advanced side by side. So here again of the productive powers of society has it for more than they paid for it. Not made it possible to carry on such treinendous production on so small a space forms of production as known to capisigns, and can be secured at a rental that the socialists hold is destined to

of game from the point of view of the "raft" upon the sea of popular tevolt of recognized laws of social develop This is not a mere rhetorical figure. laborers. Of late years old issues are business grows larger, faster than a It is a statement of a scientific fact well nigh worn out and the ruling class cial revolution will tear it to fragments, they call upon the laborers of all counsmaller one simply BECAUSE IT IS whose significance is wider than at first have found themselves hard put to it that those who have "united" upon it tries to act together. They know they BIG. The great industry can produce appears. As was previously pointed to find "issues" upon which to divide may "perish" never to deceive the suf-cheaper and can therefore undersell out each stage in society has added the laborers while they were being fering tollers again. cheaper and can therefore undersell summer competitors. The larger it grows the greater the difference in cheapness of production. Hence there is a tendency in the very nature of competition for industry to become monopolized. They great industry once establized. They great industry once established is absolutely independent of the land. Once that it has organized its markets perfected in girt to prominence is to advocate a particularly in the intensity of purpose of a market of the forms" and pallitative measures. Such that the committee of the particularly in the intensity of purpose of any other factor to the essential features as was stated in the laborers while they were being fering tollers again.

And what a collection it is that is called upon to "unite." They are the reason of competition for industry to become monopolised. This has been especially hard of production. Hence there is a tendency in the very nature of competition for industry to become monopolised. This has been especially hard of "unite." They are the free so coil and intellectual remnants—the society is market sperf. They are the free so that are supposed to unite for their own interests. Hence it to "society" to "Unite or Perish," but to "society is the dout rinched in the dominant features of the social and

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would enable them to buy their labor Only the great industry can compete in change, and meet the small margins of a world-wide competition. Hence every rapid death to the small fry at home, expansion encroached upon by the larger robber,

test.
There remains but one plank left the laborer do? Surely they have left the best wine until the last and have done all this fooling only to prepare the timid minds for something that should be truly "adequate," "truthful and "politically possible." That there may be no injustice and that this startling last plank may be submitted with all the dramatic climax that it deserves the exact statement of the call to the convention will be given:

capital invested in improvements, with the land thrown in. Surely that is the land thrown in. Surely that is "free" enough to suit the most rabid "free" enough to suit the most rabid Single Taxer.

The question arises at this point as to just what it is expected would happen if the land were "freed." What kind of industries would be established on 18.7 Railroads? But competition has now given us too many and the problem is how to make the public pay for the operation of a lot of useless ones that were built to ruin competitors and then consolidated with those with which they were supposed to be competing. Steel mills? The trust is shutting down all save those at South Chicago and plenty of "free land" could Now just a word as to practical tactics, but of the present one as soon as the laborers have sufficient intelligence to vote for their own intelligence to vote for their own intelligence to tove for their own intelligence to vote for their own intelligence to tove for the orderation to the foundant all the details, but of the foundanental optical adopt is the endorsement, not indeed of those of their masters. It is not a done in the foundanental optical adopt is the endorsement, not indeed of those of their masters. It is not a like the protected would happer the tovote for their own intelligence to took adopt is the endorsement, not indeed of 1896. To leave it out would and aprinciples of the Chicago platform of 1896. To leave it out would in principles of the Chicago platform of 1896. To lea

vote into power their surrender all to the one test of "politi- should act in the interests of their class where the tidal waves of the coming so- ment to

created in their interest and sustained this fact that the socialist attacks it, ward. Finally much the largest class by a public opinion which they are able He knows that in and of itself it can as to numbers consists of professional to maintain because they own the have no strength. He knows that no "well doers," reformers by trade whose communication of knowledge, they movement that is not in the line of only business in life is being good for a holds that the only remedy for this is Tax "getting in ahead of him" as some These would be of little importance to educate the classes who are thus of its believers accuse him of thinking, alone as they have practically no inensiaved to a recognition of their con- and which implies that social schemes fluence in the world of politics, being aldition and then for them to unite and can be tried on like might garments, together too far from earth to ever more thoroughly trained as lackeys of party of their own class, voicing their and insists that the laborers who really their masters, they refuse to units with own interests, fully cognizant of the seek freedom must gather in support of the only class where they have any inrights, duties and possibilities of the their own interests into a class-conterest or hope of life, or that has any working class. If they so unite they scieus party of the laborers, by the lalaborers. In other lands this class furnishes the leaders of the advancing hosts of labor. Here they are the hangers on of a rotting middle class. Can such elements unite? No two of them have been cast out by exactly the same feature of industrial progress, and each one wants to srike the thing that hit or rather the thing that he thinks hit him. They are still in the competitive age. They belong to that stage in economic development which was marked by the small competing busi-

> savage to fight and war against one another even when they raise the cry to "unite or perish." And if they should gain a victory They are united in but one thing and that is opposition to advance. One didision would place their conquerors business in the hands of government, the other would "abolish trusts," and others would limit capitalism by national lines. Relics of a geologic strata of society now buried beneath the deposits of industrial development, they would impose their antedeluvian ideas ipon advancing society and roll back social development that their extinct class might be again restored to life.
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> Dr. Johnson once said in an oft used

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nopoly leaves them orphans by swal-

lowing their parents. But true to their

ancestry they retain the instinct of the

quotation, "Patriotism is the last refuge of the scoundrel." It has long been the first trick of the political fakir and the cry of every socially crushed class. So find this little crowd of fanatics failures and freaks endeavoring to forestall crticism by declaring that "The reformer today who puts party above principle, or attacks another because he differs from him, commits a crime against the United States." But there is one other ear-mark of the political trickster that is shown here. never was a class that felt themselves being injured by any social change that did not at once attempt to identify it-self with all of society and declare that the "community" the "nation" or the "people" was in danger. So here this little body of representatives of the interests of the most useless class in ociety sign their appeal for help. Yours for the people."

This brings us to their fling at the Socialist Labor Party, of which they say that it "stands for the most magnificent dream of human unity and considers it to be the first duty of man to their position on a careful application

to competitors, whether they be given free land or not. The packing houses of Chicago are a good example. Here we have an industry employing, aside from dependent industries, about 20,000 me, women and children. Does anyone with even the slightest excuse for peepen, every foot of land in America, with or without taxes, anyone could establish another set of houses. Could they invade the carefully developed markets in every part of the world, re-class. By means of a morality, also of capitalism of society whether they be given from the best form of the least form of the last form of no benefit to have that class remains in power grounds of "political possibility." I suppose, and who will probably expect him to have that Alger has sent a discoming order of society will grow out to be laboring class as a whole. Now platform, and who will probably expect him to the laboring class as a whole. Now and upon an "ant-imperialist" platform, as near as such a missellation of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain the total contain the plant of contain all the essential factors of capitalism and that it will contain the total contain the plant of contain all the essential factors of capitalism and

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want to tax their property down here their own neighborhoods. They don't to make parks for the "poor Dutch and Irish," as a workingman in this ward very aptly said the other day. will not give parks and improvements to the working class anywhere.
Workers of the Fifth Ward this brief

recital of past history and present conditions enables us to draw a correct conclusion, which if acted on logically will enable us to immediately gain some benefits and finally the complete emancipation of our class as outlined in the statement of the Central Committee, which is an extract from our national

The conclusion we must inevitably draw is that the interests of the wealthy class and the interests of the orking class are antagonistic. That if the wealthy class controls the government it will look out for its own interests. And only when we of the orking class ourselves take control of the government can we get the improvements we need, and finally emancipate ourselves from wage slavery.

If elected I will vote to maintain the present boundaries of Penn Valley Park and will fight every dilatory move on the part of the Park Board and the

I will vote against giving any more ranchises to individuals or corporations fer car lines, gas or electric plants, or any other business that requires a franchise. I stand squarely on the whole platform and for all the immediate denands of the Socialist Labor Party. One of these demands is:

"The municipalities shall obtain posession of the local railroads, ferries, water works, electric plants and all industries requiring municipal franchises; the employees to operate the same cooperatively under the control of the nunicipal administration and to elect their own superior officers, but no employees shall be discharged for political reasons."

This will do away with big profits. will give better service to the public. better pay and treatment to those who do the work, and no campaign money can be forced out of the employees.

I will vote against giving any more contracts, and demand instead that the city employ its labor directly, paying a minimum wage of two dollars for a day of eight hours. Then the workers will get some of the profits that otherwise go to the contractors.

I will introduce and support ordinances which will compel those who have hindered improvements to come to time, even to calling a special election to amend the city charter.

Workers of the Fifth Ward there are other issues more important than those I have mentioned. Every day we are in danger of our lives and limbs in working with unprotected machinery—every day we face the possibility of reduction wages or entire loss of position, through improvements in methods or machinery, which instead should be of benefit to us, but which never will be as long as we permit the capitalist class to manage affairs

We are in an overwhelming majority in this ward-let us turn down the canfooled us so long-let us make a start for the Co-operative Commonwealth by electing a man of our own class on a cannot be done? Just the other day the class-conscious workers of New Britain, Connecticut elected five candidates of he Socialist Labor Party to the council. Immediately the capitalist press all over the East startled out of its false sense of security began suggesting all sorts of sops, concessions and so on to placate the awakened workingmen, and try to persuade them not to go on with our program. But they are going on just the same. We know we are on the right track when the capitalists squirm.
If we vote thus for our own interests it will be an example to the rest of o brothers in Kansas City as well as all over the country. We will soon elect a men-the mayor and all officers. We will vote in state officers, and finally capture the federal government at Washington.

Read the platform of the Socialist Labor Party, a copy of which will be given you. Read the party organ "The Workers' Call," which we will distrib-

"He who would be free himself must

"Workingmen of all countries unite. to lose but your chains

#### Mutual Admiration.

Said Mary Elizabeth Lease, speaking of Eugene Debs, in the Social Demo-cratic Herald of April 29, 1899: "With clear vision and inspired language he portrays the greater glories that are

#### COMPETITION.

What is Required by Good Business Tac-tics Under Present Conditions. Clipped from the editorial column of

he Syracuse Post-Standard of June 21:

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"These are the times when business competition is rife, when business huxtle vins, and when the absence of hustle means, not unusually, failure.

"Given goods, and the merchant who pushes hardest, buys closest; sells closest, "gets there" first, and lets all the people know he's got there by keeping himself constantly and attractively at the forefront in the advertising columns of live newspapers, is the merchant who waxes wealthy and happy while his slow-gold neighbor and rival, in the quiet gloom of his tenantiess store, disconsolately looks to provisions of the bankruptcy law."

Business competition is rife only

Business competition is rife only mong the small manufacturers and small middle class business men who have not kept up with the band wagon of progress, and seen that the logical of competition is co-operation.

As the great working class only ceive in wages about one-fifth of the wealth they produce, I. e. for every five iollars worth of commodities put on the market there is only one dollar purchasing power put in the hands of the working people, who as a class are the largest consumers, and as the capitalist can only consume and waste a small portion of the wealth produced by the rkers, a large portion of the commodities must remain on the market unsold, notwithstanding many are in need of the very same commodities. Such are the conditions under which the merchant who "pushes hardest," "buys closest," "sells closest," gets there first. In other words the man who gives up all the comforts and enjoyments of life; who has no other ob-ject but the accumulation of dollars; who thinks of nothing but how to abstract more wealth from society; the business man who pays his clerks the least and works them the hardest, often mploying girls and young women at wages which drive them to prostitution that they may eke out a living. The merchant who "buys the closest;" buys from the manufacturer; who drives his wage slaves the hardest, who rung the sweat shop where the greatest amount of wealth is squeezed from the workers (men and women), and least payed back in the form of wages. "Buying ing down the laboring people.

trade unions to fight against such conditions, yet on the day (election day). when you could strike the hardest blow for your emancipation from wage slav-(with the exception of 80,000 who saw in what direction their class interests you all voted against yourselves and for the class that oppresses you; voted that the small class of parasites (the capitalist class), should continue to take through rent, profit and interest, four-fifths of the wealth you produce, and then fight for it among themselves. The most successful to be a greater capitalist and the unsuccessful pushed down into the ranks of labor, thereby making the supply of labor still greater than the demand, consequently bringing the rate of wages and stand ard of living of the great American voting kings one peg nearer that of the Chinnese Coolie. Workingen how much longer will you

continue to vote for such conditions, and worse ones for your children to

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rades to hustle for the picnic on the 9th on the ninth of next July. It you have inst. at Gardner'sPark, 123rd and Michnot yet sold all the tickets you have been given start to work at once and them. If they are all sold igan avenue. Its success now depends been given start to work at once and upon the efforts of those interested, dispose of them. If they are all sold and this includes every socialist in Chioago. All speakers this week should make this, not simply a success, that call attention to the picnic at their is already assured, but the biggest sucmeetings and urge their audiences to cess of anything of the kind held in attend. Always have some tickets with Chicago this year. Remember that you, but do not keep them in your every cent received meanns a better pa-pocket.

You ought to have a half dozen num ism" with you all the time to hand out and alrengan are when you get into an argument. Re-Picnic for the benefit of The Workers when you get into an argument. Re-Picnic for the benefit of The Workers aber you get a copy with every Call. o The Workers' Call.

### Public Meetings.

Below is given a list of the out-doo meetings to be held in Chicago this week. Every socialist should make it a point to attend, as many of these as possible to assist in making the meeting

The 5th Ward Branch holds outdoor agitation meetings at 31st St. and Fifth Ave., every Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

Tenth Ward Branch at California Ave. and Madison St. every Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

Fourteenth and Fifteenth Wards at California and North Ave., every Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

Sixteenth Ward holds meetings every Saturday at 8 p. m. at the corner of Milwaukee and Center Aves, Eighteenth Ward, Peoria and Madi-

son Sts., every Sunday at 8 p. m. Thirteenth Ward-Corner of Western and Grand Aves, every Thursday

Twenty-fourth Ward - Washington Square, Clark street and Walton place, every Thursday at 8 p. m.

31st Ward, 63rd and Sangamon every Wednesday at 8 p. m., and Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

Thirty-third Ward branch will hold an agitation meeting at the corner of 92d street and commercial avenue every Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

Thirty-fourth Ward will hold a meeting Saturday eve., June 17th, at the corner of 120th and Wallace Sts. Twenty-third Ward-outdoor meet-

ings Wednesday evening, 8 p. m., Oak and Sedwick streets. Blue Island avenue and Taylor

street every Friday night. Milwaukee and Center avenues every Saturday night.

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The meeting at the Stock Yards will closest" means buying from manufact. be held every Sunday evening from now urers who are most successful in grind. on at 47th street and Ashland avenue. As this is a general meeting and not of Workingmen you organize on the eco. any especial branch all comrades not nomic field in your pure and simple otherwise engaged should make an effort to be present.

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United States.

## PLATFORM.

The Socialist Labor Party of the United States, in Convention assembled, re-asserts the inalienable rights of all men to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

With the founders of the American republic we hold that the purpose of government is to secure every citisen in the enjoyment of this right; but in the light of our social conditions we hold, furthermore, that no such right can be exercised under a system of economic inequality, essentially destructive of life, of liberty and of happiness.

With the founders of this republic With the founders of this republic we hold that the true theory of poli-tics is that the machinery of govern-ment must be owned and controlled by the whole people; but in the light of our industrial development we hold, furthermore, that the true theory of economics is that the machinery of production must likewise belong to the

economics is that the machinery of production must likewise belong to the people in common.

To the obvious fact that our despotic system of economics is the direct opposite of our democratic system of politics can plainly be traced the aristence of a privileged class, the corruption of government by that class, the alienation of public property, public franchises and public functions to that class, and the abject dependence of the mightiest of nations upon that class. Again, through the perversion of Democracy to the ends of plutocracy, labor is robbed of the wealth which it alone produces, is denied the means of self-employment, and, by compulsory idleness in wage slavery, is even deprived of the necessaries of life.

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Human power and natural forces are hus wasted, that the plutocracy may rule.

Ignorance and misery, with all their concomitant evils, are perpetuated, that the people may be kept in bond-

Science and invention are diverted from their humane purpose to the en-slavement of women and children. Against such a system the Socialist

Against such a system the Socialist Labor Party once more enters its protest. Once more ft reiterates its fundamental declaration that private property in the natural sources of production and in the instruments of labor is the obvious cause of all economic servitude and political dependance.

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The time is fast coming when, in the natural course of social evolution, this system, through the destructive action of its failures and crises on the one hand, and the constructive tendencies of its trusts and other capitalistic combinations on the other hand, shall have worked out its own downfall.

We, therefore, call upon the wage workers of the United States, and upon all other honest citizens, to organise under the banner of the Socialist Labor Party into a class-conscious body, aware of its rights and determined to conquer them by taking possession of the public powers; so that, held together by an indomitable spirit of solidarity under the most trying conditions of the present class struggle, we may put a summary end to that barbarous struggle by the abolition of classes, the restoration of the land and of all the means of production, transportation and distribution to the people as a collective body, and the substitution of the Co-operative Commonwealth for the present state of planless production, industrial war and social disorder; a commonwealth in which every worker shall have the free exercise and full benefit of his faculties multiplied by all the modern factors of civilization.

#### IMMEDIATE DEMANDS

With a view to immediate improvement in the condition of labor we present the following demands:

1. Reduction of the hours of labor in proportion to the progress of production

2. The United States shall obtain possession of the railroads, canals, telegraphs, telephones and all other means of public transportation and communication; the employees to operate the same co-operatively under the control of the Federal government and to elect their own superior officers, but no employee shall be discharged for political reasons.

3. The municipalities shall obtain possession of the local railroads, ferries, water works, gas works, electric plants and all industries requiring municipal franchises; the employees to operate the same co-operatively under the control of the municipal administration and to elect Their own 2. The United States shall obtain

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BODS. 4. The public lands declared in-alienable. Revocation of all and grants to corporations or individuals, the conditions of which have not been

complied with.

5. The United States to have the ex-

clusive right to issue money.

6. Congressional legislation providing for the scientific management of forests and waterways, and prohibiting the waste of the natural resources

of the country.
7. Inventions to be free to all; the inventors to be remunerated by the nation.

8. Progressive income tax and tax on inheritances; the smaller incomes on inheritances; to be exempt.

9. School education of all children
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under fourteen years of age to be com-pulsory, gratuitous and accessible to all by public assistance in meals, clothing, books, etc., where necessary.

10. Repeal of all pauper, tramp, conspiracy and sumptuary laws. Unabridged right of combination.

11. Prohibition of the employment of children of school age and the employment of female labor in occupations detrimental to health or morality.

Abolition of the convict labor system.

12. Employment of the unemployed by the public authorities (county, city,

by the public authorities (county, city, state and nation).

13. All wages to be paid in lawful money of the United States. Equalization of woman's wages with those of men where equal service is performed.

14. Laws for the protection of life and limb in all occupations, and an efficient employers' liability law.

15. The people to have the right to propose laws and vote upon all measures of importance, according to the referendum principle.

16. Abolition of the veto power of the executive (national, state and

the executive (national, state and municipal) wherever it exists. 17. Abolition of the United States Senate and all upper legislative cham-

bers.

18. Municipal self-government.

19. Direct vote and secret ballots in all elections. Universal and equal right of suffrage without regard to color, creed or sex. Election days to be legal holidays. The principle of proportional representation to be introduced.

20. All public officers to be subject to recall by their respective constituencies.

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21. Uniform civil and criminal law throughout the United States. Administration of justice to be free of charge. Abolition of capital punishment.

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