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Let's Pull Together.

DID you ever watch a new set of horses, say four teams, hitched to a road grader for the first time? First one lead team lunges ahead, then one of the rear spans makes a plunge, and thus a spurt, goes the rounds, and the whole mass of horse muscle is not able to move five hundred pounds of dirt. At last, after persistent coaxing and drilling, the horses settle down to steady work, each one pulling his proper part. The dirt begins to roll by the tons, and long lines of graded highway result. A Socialist local, or a group of Socialists, is just like these horses. We have not learned how to pull together. The whole week went by and not a single local sent in a list of subs on the drum corps contest. One subscriber sent in over the signature of a local secretary would have won the prize, but you failed to send the one and raised an \$18 set of instruments. A half dozen men in a town working independently of each other and without any system, are sure to waste an immense amount of energy, and constantly lap over each other in their agitation and canvassing work. What would seem like a gigantic task to one man becomes easy the moment a group takes hold and begins to push. For instance, we will take a coal mine. Now, there are very few coal miners who can afford to buy 200 copies of the paper for ten weeks and foot the bill singly, but the moment several miners co-operate the task becomes easy. Ten miners can spare an amount that will equal only 10 cents per week for ten weeks to place the paper in 200 houses during that time. The Socialists are all willing to contribute, providing the measure commends itself to their judgment, and some one will go out with a subscription paper to raise the money. We all want to work to the limit of our ability, and we all DO work, but we don't work together. We Socialists must make every penny, and every lick that we strike, count. Now, suppose that we put our dollars together and order 200 copies of the Appeal for ten weeks, and deliver them to the same houses for that period. After this is all done, then let your best canvassers go over the district covered, and personally ask every person for a subscription. In the meantime you can order another bundle and begin to cover another section with the papers in the same way as before. Every Saturday morning the Appeal is placed in every house in Girard. The boys report only four instances where the people refuse to take the paper, and dozens have called our attention to the fact that Socialism now appears to them in a new light. If this is true of Girard it is true of every town in the United States. There are no means of reaching the people equal to the Socialist newspaper. The Appeal, with its pictures and its stirring articles fresh from the world of capitalism, cannot fail to arouse the attention of anyone who picks it up. If the men don't read it, be sure the women will, for it contains matter every week in its woman's and other departments that must appeal to any woman of intelligence. You went down in your jeans and into the jeans of other men whom you induced to subscribe for the paper, and bought an \$18,000 press, and otherwise equipped the office. Now, this press is capable of turning out 500,000 papers per week, and every copy short of that amount is so much wasted capital. You bought all this material, comrades, now be wise and practical enough to use it. Get your heads and your pocket books together and fire in those bundle orders. If we were not absolutely sure that it would work, we would not suggest it, and if we did not feel certain that you will respond, we would not use this good space to talk about it.

"VOTE FOR SOCIALISM" EDITION.

The Appeal will issue a special propaganda edition, to leave the press in time to reach the voters of the states having an election this year. It will contain the following special features:
 Pictures of the candidates heading the ticket in the several states.
 Special cartoons, large and small, bearing on the vital questions of the day.
 The party emblems and party name in the several states.
 Short, crisp propaganda articles, with a stirring appeal to the working man to vote his class interests.
 It will be six pages in size, loaded to the muzzle with hot shot.
 It will be a last appeal to the voter before he makes up his mind whether to vote for the class that robs him of the product of his labor, or to vote for his own class, and make himself a master instead of a slave.
 It will be mailed from this office in time to be placed in the homes of the working class on the Saturday preceding election. It will sell for 50 cts. per hundred, and at this price every Socialist should have some copies for a last shot at the intelligence of the working man.
 You should order early, and go gunning.
 The capitalist parties will do their chief plugging on Saturday and Sunday before election. 'Tis then that they will distribute their money and booze.
 The Socialists do not campaign that way. Our only hope is to appeal to the manhood and intelligence of the wage workers and wealth producers.
 We are going to do it in the "Vote for Socialist edition." We will print the papers and you must do the rest.

The Topeka Capital, republican, says the coal trust has raised the price of coal much above the advance paid the miners, and that most of the retailers are to be frozen out of business. Well, everybody knows that, but what are you going to do about it? Are we to permit this thing to go on, or shall we take the mines and operate them for the benefit of the whole people? Is the operating of the fuel better for the few or the whole? Socialism will take the mines, operate them for the whole people, paying the miners the full price of the coal at the mines and the public can buy coal at the additional cost of the actual railway wages to haul it to the market.

President Roosevelt has pardoned the brutes who held negroes in slavery contrary to the U. S. Constitution. The men who held others in slavery should have been imprisoned for life—but were given only a year and were at once pardoned. Respect for the law? Yes, great respect for the law, when the highest executive will pardon the RICH criminals. The poor may rot in prison for some petty crime—but GREAT crimes are condoned. But ALL men are EQUAL before the law!!!

A great conspiracy to smuggle in tobacco at New York has been uncovered by which the public has been swindled out of great sums. Sumatra leaf is sold in Holland at 80 cents a pound and in this country at \$2.50, there being a high duty on it to protect the working class of this country who don't raise it. See? The fellows who tell their dupes that the tariff protects the working class have been swindling in this tobacco. See? O, these eminently respectable, honest, old party boys! Thieves? Yes, if they can make a dollar by it.

Wm. C. Whitney "owns" 87,000 acres in the Adirondacks; Wm. Rockefeller, 96,000; Seward Webb, 50,000; Durant, 54,000; and many smaller holders of 10,000 acres each. Result: Assassination of millionaire Dexter and the others threatened. Landlordism in Ireland produced the same results. Chattel slavery produced the murder of thousands of the flower of the North and South. Landlordism, monopoly and official corruption will produce a greater destruction within ten years unless we apply a remedy to cleanse the nation of such vermin legally.

The Tobacco Trust is after all the retail cigar stores of the cities. It sells under the name of the United Cigar Stores Co. In New York the retailers organized into a body for defense under the name of the Independent Cigar Stores Co. No good. The Trust made it so hot for them that they capitulated in a body, and the Trust marches proudly on. Still there are many foolish enough to believe that the retail trade will not be interfered with, by the on-coming power of the Trusts. Good bye, little fellow, good bye.

Do you want to know how to help bring in Socialism? Or are you one who wants it but not willing to do your part in the bringing of it? If you really are in earnest, get a subscription paper, head it with as much as you can afford and get others to follow you, buy as many Appeals weekly in a bundle as will cover your town or ward, hire a boy to leave one at each house, and in a few weeks you will have the whole community discussing the matter. Unless the people get to thinking about Socialism they will never favor it. Now see if you really are in earnest.

The U. S. Consul in Germany, writes that the American Tobacco Trust is rapidly monopolizing the leaf tobacco trade of that country. The "Southern Tobaccoist," at Richmond, Va., in its issue of September 29, notes this state of affairs, says that Germany is the only country left with an open door for dealers in leaf tobacco, yet "the time was, when the entire supply of the world passed through their hands.....and their passing marks the boundary of the independent leaf business." With this before their very eyes, isn't it wonderful that men with ordinary sense of observation still believe that the days of competition and individualism exist? Monopoly is here, and here to stay. Shall it be a public monopoly for the benefit of all, or private monopoly for the benefit of a few?

The degree of feebleness and clumsiness common to women, the comparative inability to stand, walk, run, jump, and perform other race-functions common to both sexes, is an excessive sex-distinction.

Physically woman belongs to a tall, vigorous, beautiful animal species capable of great and varied exertion. In every race and time when she has had opportunity for racial activity, she develops accordingly, and is no less a woman for being a healthful human creature.

No wonder that men turn with loathing from the kind of women they have made.

But, as women become free economic social factors, so becomes possible the full social combination of individuals in collective industry.—Charlotte Perkins Gilman.

Jack, the Voter and House Builder.

A STORY FOR GROWN UP CHILDREN.



Undoubtedly you have heard of the story of "The House that Jack Built," with its singsong details of the malt and the sack and the rat and the cat and the dog and the cow with a crumpley horn, and the maiden all forlorn, etc.

Now this story may be the proper thing for children, at least it is so considered by most parents, else we would not all be so familiar with it. It is one of the harmless little yarns that mean nothing, so we'll let it pass. But there is a true story of the "House that Jack Built" that is worth the telling, and here it is.

In the first place, Jack is an American born citizen, tho' that is of little consequence; our story would be just as true if he were a naturalized foreigner, for he would then have the one-thing-he-doesn't-know-how-to-use. I say the one thing he doesn't know how to use, for Jack is very clever indeed. You've heard him spoken of many times as "Jack of all trades." Well, this is the fellow I'm writing about, and in order to avoid details about the house I've just made a picture of it. Here it is:—



Now, that's a pretty nice house isn't it? And you may well wonder that Jack could build so fine a mansion, but I assure you that he has built much finer houses than this one, and a great many of them. In fact, this wonderful Jack, about whom I am writing, is the fellow who builds ALL of the fine houses—yes, EVERY ONE of them.

You would naturally think that Jack possessing the ability, as he does, to build such beautiful houses, would certainly live in a magnificent mansion himself. But here is where the funny part of the story comes in. Jack never lives in the beautiful mansions which he builds from cellar to roof. More than that, he never goes inside of one of them after the finishing touches have been put on by his busy, skillful hands. He must certainly like to build such houses, else he would not do it, for Jack is very strong and powerful and no one could possibly force him to do what he did not want to do.

"But why doesn't he live in the beautiful houses that he builds?"
 Well, I tho't you'd be asking that question, but I really can't answer it. You'll have to ask Jack yourself. You see him every day. All I can do is to help you find Jack so you can unravel this mystery, and in order to do this I give you a picture of the house in which Jack lives. Here it is:—



"But," you say, "there are many houses."
 So there are, but Jack lives in all of them. He built them, too; built them on purpose for himself to live in.

"But why, knowing how to build such nice houses, did he build such miserable huts for himself to live in? Well, I really don't know, as I said before you'll have to ask Jack to explain the matter. My own private opinion is, however, that Jack is well—"bug house." Perhaps living in these buggy little houses so long accounts for it but as you say, why did he build such houses? If he built these miserable little shacks before he knew how to build a nice house, why don't he tear them down now, or burn them and build new ones? These are some of the questions I would like to ask Jack to answer, myself.

After all, it is hardly fair to call Jack "daffy," when we consider his marvelous ingenuity, for besides being able to make such beautiful houses he also makes many other beautiful and useful things; in fact, he makes ALL of the beautiful and useful things in the world. This one thought I wish to leave with you. If you could only help to teach Jack how to use the one-thing-he-doesn't-know-how-to-use that I mentioned in the first part of my story, I believe he would soon get out of the nasty little huts and build himself into good houses. Oh yes, I've just one more thing to say. Will you please look at your OWN house and see if it looks like any of the "bug-houses" that Jack lives in. You may be one of Jack's near neighbors, and it's just possible that you are "Jack."
 G. H. L.

What Labor Must Do

By William Mat. National Secretary Socialist Party.

THE labor movement is no new thing. It is as old as human history itself. Since man first fashioned the resources of nature into tools with which to satisfy his necessities, the labor question has been ever present. It has changed in character only as the system of production in each era has changed. Through barbarism, chattel slavery, feudalism, down to the present day, the struggle of the worker for his product has embodied the progress of the race. It has remained for the existing system, the capitalist system, to give that struggle a class character, organization, and a definite aim.

THE CAPITALIST SYSTEM.

The capitalist system is one of ownership by a small class, of the means of production and distribution. It is the most highly developed system of exploitation the world has ever known. The power exercised by the modern capitalist class for the purposes of robbery is greater than was ever dreamed of in the wildest imagination of the slave owners and feudal barons of the past. Caesar and Croesus alongside of Morgan and Rockefeller are as peanut vendors to department stores. Rockefeller can drop \$80,000,000 on the stock exchange in a few days and not lose another hair from his nearly bald head. He knows that millions of wage slaves will quickly reimburse him.

THE WORKING CLASS.

The working class are wage slaves. They are compelled to sell their labor power for wages. They have nothing but their labor power to sell. The capitalist can sell the product of labor for a profit, but the laborer is forced to sell his power to produce that product for only enough wages to sustain life. There is only one purchaser of labor power in the modern industrial market. That purchaser is the owner of the tools which labor must operate in order to produce wealth and secure the wherewithal with which to live. And because the capitalist class owns and controls industry, it also owns and controls the workers who operate industry in order to gain a livelihood. The workers are therefore wage slaves to the capitalist class.

That power conferred by ownership makes the capitalist class supreme unless the working class organize against it. Under ordinary circumstances labor is a commodity to be bought and sold, as any other commodity is bought and sold. This is the actual view of labor taken by the capitalist class.

WHAT GEN. OTIS SAYS.

The other day General Otis, who assisted in civilizing the benighted Filipinos who wanted to govern their own country, and who has, like a true Rooseveltian, conducted a bitter warfare against organized labor on the Pacific Coast for many years, declared in a public address that the capitalists had to fight the trades unions, because the labor agitators were attempting to form "an insufferable monopoly in a universal commodity." Those were his exact words. They expressed the situation of labor under the present system bluntly enough to startle even Mr. Baer in Pennsylvania. And General Otis, like all the other good citizens who traffic in the commodity of labor, knows that with the working class organized the owning class cannot buy and sell labor at whatever price they see fit to set upon it.

So human labor, representing the blood and sweat and tears of men and women and children, is only a commodity after all. Here is a class of human beings whose minds and muscle, hearts and souls, the class whose genius of hand and brain has builded civilization and heaped up wealth in abundance sufficient to supply the world, reduced to the level of the insensate beast, the bale of hay or the ton of pig iron. Yes, reduced even lower than that, for the hog, the hay, or the pig iron, has more value in capitalist eyes. The hog may die or become diseased, the hay may spoil and the pig iron become worthless, but labor can rot in factory hells and filthy tenements, or be crushed and maimed or blown to atoms upon railroads and in mills and mines, but the supply never runs short. There is always enough surplus labor represented by unemployed laborers ready to meet any demand. The capitalist system is so constructed that with every additional improvement in machinery a certain amount of idle labor is always upon the labor market, to be used by the owners of machinery to break strikes or to meet any other emergency.

ORGANIZATION THE ONLY HOPE.

There is only one resource for immediate or ultimate betterment for the working class while this condition exists. They must organize. They must keep pace with the concentration of ownership of industry into the hands of a small class, and concentrate their forces also. Otherwise they are helpless and subject to every condition sought to be imposed upon them by the owning class. Individually the workers are powerless. Individually, the capitalist class can take them, each and severally, and pummel them into submission, and the worker who objects to such treatment will be jumped upon until he cries "enough."

But organization must mean more than a mere contest over a reduction of hours, advance in wages, or a remedying of workshop conditions, all of which require constant struggling to retain when once gained. Organization must extend beyond this limited economic sphere and embrace the broader domain which includes politics and every other phase of human activity. It must have for its aim the conquering of the governmental powers by the working class to the end that collective ownership of industry may be established and the social value of wealth production accrue to the producers.

The workers have compelled the capitalists, their lackeys, and the press, which represents capitalism, to acknowledge almost generally that the workers have the right to organize economically. Only the Baers and Otises and Parris are brave or foolhardy enough to fight the organization of labor openly. They are truly awkward gentlemen, these Parris. Just as Mark Hanna and other patriots are beginning to cement the bond of brotherhood between capital and labor by benevolently assimilating the conservative leaders of the trades unions, along comes Messrs. Parry and Otis and proclaim the undeniable truth that organized labor and organized capital cannot compromise. It is a struggle, a class struggle, which can only be ended when the system that causes it is abolished, and the working class gains its freedom in the co-operative commonwealth.

If the right to organize into trade unions is at last conceded to labor, it is not through any sense of justice or philanthropy on the part of the capitalist class. That right has been conceded reluctantly, and only because the working class itself through the power of organization and the toll and sacrifices of its exponents has forced that concession. The working class itself has never gained anything, however small, from the capitalist class by compromise or conciliation. Whatever labor has gained has been wrenched from the unwilling hands of the capitalist class and the price paid for that gain has been a heavy one. All the heartbreak and shattered lives and homes represented in the persecution, blacklisting and bloodshed of every labor revolt, strike and lockout in history is the sum total of the cost of every step in advance made by the working class.

WHO IS RUNNING THE UNIONS?

The real question, then, before the workers of the present day, is no longer the right to organize. They have won by hard fighting what should have been theirs already. Now that they are organized and are ever organizing, and their power and influence are increasing, the question they must answer very soon is, who are going to run the trade unions, their members or the capitalists? That is the question which every member of a trade union must consider today above all others, because upon the way he answers that question depends the future and all that unionism means to the working class.

The mightiest force for progress in the world today is the organized working class. If it acts in harmony with the industrial forces at work in society, if it directs its energies along the lines of the class struggle, if it carries its intelligence, its solidarity, and class consciousness into the political field, and this without giving up its identity as an active economic factor, if it does

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THE PARTY

A GOOD STATE SECRETARY IS ESSENTIAL TO THE SOCIALIST PARTY.

Socialist sentiment and activity has in many places in the west outgrown the ability of present executives to handle the detail work of their respective offices. A year ago, when the number of locals was small, the demand for speakers insignificant, and new fields opened up with difficulty, the office of state secretary was a small affair. Today this has all changed. New locals are organizing everywhere, state secretaries' offices are flooded with communications containing requests for speakers, information, organizing material, etc. etc. The business of these offices is destined to increase from day to day, for Socialism and the Socialist party will grow with ever increasing power. This is inevitable. Even the Germans with their mighty vote are a unit in predicting that the American movement must soon pass them in numerical strength. Nowhere on earth is capitalism developing so rapidly as in this country. The argument and analysis of the Socialist is backed up with the logic of events, and everywhere men are turning to the Socialist party to express their political and economic convictions. The Socialist party cannot be as the capitalist parties. Ours is a democratic organization, controlled by the membership. In order for the individual to express his will on party matters he must be a party member, and have the evidence of his membership in his card bearing his due stamp. These dues furnish the means of operating the party machinery, and constitute the only safe reliance for financial support. Organization must be encouraged and stimulated. In the smaller states the state secretary usually serves the party without pay, but in the larger states the work of the office long ago necessitated an official who could give his or her entire time to the movement, and of course this required a moderate salary. In some of the states where the office is being conducted gratis, the work has outgrown the capacity of the official. Comrade Mally reports a number of states being poorly served because of this fact. We of Kansas are being confronted by a similar situation. The State Secretary, Comrade E. V. Hoffman, is connected with one of the largest flouring mills in the west, requiring most of his time and energy. Because of this fact he has so neglected the work of his political office, that complaint after complaint has reached the Appeal, some locals declining to pay further dues till prompt service could be had from state headquarters. In view of this situation, Local Girard has adopted resolutions calling for the resignation of Comrade Hoffman. Kansas must have at once a state secretary who can devote every moment of his working hours to the party business, and a reasonable salary must be paid him for the performance of this service. This salary need not be large at this time, and can be increased with party growth. Last summer Comrade J. E. Snyder, who is now lecturing, and who has no family, and no ambition other than to be a part of the social revolution, offered to do this work of the party for \$5 per week, claiming that he could live on that amount. This article is not written in advocacy of the \$5 per week proposition, neither is it written in favor of Comrade Snyder, but rather to show that there are good men who are capable, and who have nothing else to do, who will work with energy and vim for the party, and who will ask for their services only food, clothing and shelter. When the state has an incompetent official, the fault must always lie with the membership, for they alone are responsible under Socialist party rules. The good of the movement demands that the deficiency be supplied at once, without stopping to consider the personal feelings of the executive. Socialism aims at exalting the individual as a result of raising the collectivity to a higher level, and the good of the movement is always a matter to be first considered. State autonomy CAN be made a nuisance. Socialism must be taught as a national, not a state program. Indeed, it is more, it is an international program, tempered only by existing capitalist laws, differing in the various nations. The party national should have the right to interfere in the affairs of a state, when for any reason local party action is inefficient, or in violation of national party procedure. We might need the vote of Nebraska, for example, to carry a national election, and for this reason, if no other, the party would be justified in interfering with any local policy that might render such result doubtful. For the same reason, when the machinery of Idaho, for instance, fails to respond to party needs, the party, national, should have power to initiate a movement among the local comrades for suitable changes. These things are necessary to harmonious growth.

This article is founded on innumerable complaints from western comrades, whose executives are slow and negligent in responding to the work of the party. Where such conditions exist changes should be made speedily. We are entering on a great era of growth, and we must be amply prepared to care for it.

A. W. R.

THE NATIONAL ORGANIZERS.

John W. Bennett will begin his tour of South Dakota on Oct. 12th, at Elk Point and will take in the following places consecutively: Vermillion, Yankton, Scotland, Olivet, Mitchell, Alexandria, Salem, Canistota, Newell, Sioux Falls, Dell Rapids, Madison, Oelton, Elkton, Brookings, Castleton, Watertown, Clark, Redfield, Aberdeen, Britton. He will then enter North Dakota.

Geo. H. Goebel will work in Texas; M. W. Williams in Washington; and Harry McKee in Arizona until November. Wm. A. Toole has concluded his work in Maryland. Arrangements are not yet closed with F. E. Seeds to work in W. Va., and Maryland.

Arrangements are pending with Comrade Silvio Origo to take the field as an Italian organizer under the direction of the national headquarters. It is not yet settled just when Comrade Origo can start out, but in the meantime locals that can make use of Comrade Origo are requested to notify the National Secretary at once, so that a good tour can be mapped out.

IOWA SOCIALIST NOTES.

Candidates for the legislature have been placed in nomination by the locals in the following counties: Muscatine, Dubuque, Clinton, Appanoose, Jasper, Boone, Keokuk, Harrison, Lyon, Scott, Wapello, Davis and Polk.

Sheldon local has been reorganized. Work did it.

Ben Hanford's Iowa dates: October 21, Hixman; 25, Keokuk; 27, Des Moines; 28, Marshalltown; 29, Rock Rapids; 31, Sioux City.

G. W. Davis is on another organizing tour in the southern part of the state.

Both Comrades Work and Strickland are having well attended meetings and appreciative audiences.

James E. Quinlan, of Rock Valley, has become a member-at-large.

Contributions: Logan, J. S. Burrell, \$5; D. Wharnt, \$5; total, \$10.

Boone county held a rousing convention last week and nominated a full county ticket.

Comrade A. B. Van Sickle, of Marshalltown, has been elected a member of the State committee from the Fifth Congressional District. Every district is now represented on the committee.

J. J. JACOBSEN, State Sec. Des Moines, Ia.

INDIANA.

Frederick G. Strickland will make two trips in this state, beginning in December. We will be in the northern and the other the southern part of the state.

Ben Hanford's meetings, with one exception, have all been successful, and his audience has much pleased with his work. Comrade Work was shaken up a week that killed three men, but aside from this no other mishaps occurred.

In Lawrenceburg papers refused to publish the names of the Socialists to F. A. Sherman, and the Socialists will have no

it printed in pamphlet form and distributed. Sherman will be there on Oct. 12th, and the Socialists are doing all they can to advertise the "lecture".

Winchester is another new town added to the circuit. They had a good meeting with Miss Biegler for speaker and have concluded to revive the local, which has been dead for more than a year. Comde will be the next speaker to help them along. JAB. O'NEAL, State Organizer.

BENNETT'S TOUR IN SOUTH DAKOTA.
National Organizer John W. Bennett, of Sioux City, Iowa, will begin his work in the Dakotas at Elk Point, S. D., on Wednesday, Oct. 14, and take the following route afterwards: Oct. 15 and 16, Vermillion; 17 and 18, Yankton; 19, Centerville; 20 and 21, Canistota; 22, Salem; 23, Montrose; 24, Newell; 25, Baltic; 26, 27 and 28, Sioux Falls; 29, Dell Rapids; 30 and 31, Madison; Nov. 1 and 2, Oldham; 3 and 4, Brookings; 5, Watertown; 6 and 7, Clark; 8, 9 and 10, Aberdeen; 11 and 12, Britton. From Britton Bennett will enter North Dakota for a trip through that state, afterwards paying a return visit to South Dakota. Readers of the Appeal in either of the states who would like to have Comrade Bennett visit their localities should drop a note to the National Secretary, Socialist Party, Omaha, Neb.

SOCIALIST TEMPLE.

The Socialists, of Amity, Colo., laid the corner stone of the first Socialist-built temple in America, Sunday, Sept. 27. Mrs. Hazlett, the state organizer, laid the stone, and gave the address "America and 'The Battle Hymn of the Republic'" were sung. A daily paper containing an account of the infamous violation of law by the state military thugs at Cripple Creek, the Jubilee number of the Appeal, a copy of the state charter and constitution, the Socialist button and some coins were placed in the recess. A large crowd from all around the country witnessed the ceremony. The temple is to be a large stone structure two stories high. It is in the farming districts of Colorado. The country is strongly organized for the party, and it looks as if the farmers were beginning to see what ails them.

NEBRASKA PARTY NEWS.

Comrade P. J. Hyland will make a lecture tour through the state while on his way to Wyoming to do organizing in that state for the National Committee.

State Organizer McCaffrey reports large audiences at North Platte, and says a strong local of workmen should be organized there. As soon as he finishes work on route No. 1, he will be seen on route No. 2. State Organizer Schermyer began his tour of route No. 2, at Blair, on September 25th. He reports a good meeting, and he accomplished much good toward bringing together Socialists who have been inactive. Comrade Schermyer explained the necessity of expending energy right now in the

more important to have a well drilled organization of Socialists who know the purpose of the Socialist Party than to have a large vote of sympathizers, who think that all we have to do is to vote for the co-operative commonwealth and we will wake up some morning with the bright sun of millennium beckoning us to get up and rejoice. He is preaching the gospel of work, hard work for the realization of our party platform.

A judicial convention will be held in the tenth district at Alma, on October 25th. National Organizer Hyland will be present and do what he can to assist in the work.

A county convention will be held at Grand Island, on October 12th. An effort will be made to have one of the organizers, now at work in the state, to be present.

J. P. ROE, State Sec.

Omaha, Neb.

THOMPSON'S WORK.

Comrade Thompson reports from Atkinson, Neb., as follows:—"Organized last night at Atkinson with 11 members. Have arranged for another at Star, which will be fully as large, and still another in Knoxville, in Knox county. Have succeeded in opening Antelope county, had over 200 out to our meeting at Neligh, and another hundred at Elgin. Comrades at the latter place will take me by wagon over Wheeler and Antelope counties on a later trip. It seems that the people of Nebraska want to hear Thompson, and that he knows how to reach their intelligence, and convince them of the necessity of organizing."

Comrades outside of the state should not be too hasty in forming opinions from high sounding manifestoes. Neither Kansas nor Baird, are in Nebraska. Kharas has not been identified with the active Socialist movement, for more than two years, and Baird we are informed is a member of the Kansas City local, of which city he is a resident. It is incredible that a man like Thompson would conspire to disrupt the Socialist movement. He is working with might and main, to create an organization in his state, that will conform to the national movement. He is a party member, and one of its ablest speakers, and is speaking, under his own auspices, only because it is absolutely necessary to do so.

NEW HAMPSHIRE NOTES.

Comrades Barber and Clavin addressed a meeting on the street in Tilton on the 25th of September, and afterwards formed a local.

Comrades Little and Clavin of Manchester, spoke in Suncook October 3, in the evening. Harry Ashton, of Nashua, is again doing yeoman service as a speaker. He assisted at the recent organization of West Derby.

HOW THEY VOTE IN CANADA.

The following special telegram from British Columbia, giving the result in one of the members of Canadian Parliament. Looks like Socialism is getting to be universal: Greenwood, B. C., Oct. 3.—Brown, Liberal; 24; Mills, Socialist; 23; Shankie, Conservative; 18.

OHIO SOCIALIST NEWS.

The month of September was the largest in point of new members of any yet. New locals were organized at Independence, Pomeroy, and Poplar Bluff.

Father Haggerty closed his engagement at Dayton, speaking to an immense audience. He has withdrawn from the lecture platform, and will devote his time to other work.

The following speakers are doing agitation work in Ohio: Kirkpatrick, Caldwell, Leeds, Stilton, Ross, Hynes, Town, Clark, and O'Hare. Verily things do move in Ohio.

The Workmen's Sick & Death Benefit Fund Association has sent a donation to the Ohio State Campaign Fund and promised another before election time.

W. G. CRITCHLOW, State Secretary.

TEXAS COMMITTEE ELECTED.

To local secretaries, Comrades: Below is given the result of the referendum vote for state committee-men, to fill vacancies, as per returns on file in this office: A. C. Palmer, Fort Worth, 33 votes; J. C. Thompson, Blossom, 15 votes; J. E. Walker, Blossom, 4 votes. Comrade Palmer having received the majority of all votes cast, hereby declared state committee-man for the term ending with the next state convention of the party. Returns were received from 5 locals only.

All secretaries will please read this at the next meeting of their respective locals.

Yours fraternally,
E. B. LATNAM, State Secretary.

The Socialists of Muskegon county, O., nominated a county ticket. Resolutions were passed endorsing the principles and aims of Socialism and ratifying the state and national platforms.

Comrade A. Schollars of Fall River, Kas., found a copy of the Appeal lying in the road, and he says: "I believe it has made a Socialist of a lifelong republican."

Comrade Lucretia R. Linegar, of Creal Springs, Ill., says: "I got five sub in five minutes today." She sends in 12 sub. The women comrades are O. K. workers, when they want to be.

Comrade J. R. Smith, of Elcamo, Tex., says things are getting warm down that way.

Comrade A. M. Klein of Giltner, Neb., says now that the rush of work is over on the farms, that he finds more Socialists in his vicinity than he had ever expected to find. Perhaps there will be others who will make this same discovery.

Comrade W. P. Wilson of Linden, Ok., says that he was the only Socialist in his vicinity 3 years ago, but that now the woods are full of them.

Comrade Nicholas Klein, the "Boy Orator of Ohio" has been engaged by the State Organization of Minnesota as a lecturer and organizer for the Socialist Party. He will begin work about October 15. He Klein has made for himself a brilliant reputation as an orator, and has had wonderful success in organizing. Comrades, don't fail to have him speak in your town while he is in the state. The cost of his services will be so small as to bring him within reach of all. So do not delay, but write at once for terms and particulars to S. M. Holman, State Sec'y, 11 Oak St. S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.

HOW THEY ORGANIZE.

The comrades at Mt. Vernon, N. Y. have nominated a full city ticket, and say that they will be second party at least after the vote is taken.

Comrade Frank P. O'Hare delivered the first Socialist speech ever given in Charleston, W. Va., the other night and organized a rousing local. How she do grow.

Comrade J. L. Davis of Arhita Springs, La., organized a local at that place in September, to which 12 farmers belong. A big meeting is called for Oct. 4th.

Comrade C. A. Crum is speaking at the packing houses at Kansas City, Kas., and says the men hang on until the whistling blows.

El Reno, Okla., has a new local of 13 members. 13 is a lucky number; watch the local grow!

Meadville, Pa., has a new local composed of 15 hard working members. It is sure to grow.

Wrentham, Mass., has a new local of 25 charter members. They hold meetings twice a month and have speakers once a month from Portland, Me., and Boston, Mass.

South Bend, Mich., has a new local of 22 members.

The comrades of Reconcom, Mich., have organized a local, writes Comrade Marsh. "The only speaker that has ever been in the

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In the Social Swim.



Strikes me it would be a pretty fine thing to spend six weeks or a couple of months at the sea shore during the summer months. And still I've never been there—not even a single day. Why? Well, there are over seven reasons, one of which I'll give. The capitalist class are evidently afraid that if too many dirty working men bathed in the ocean it would become unfit to receive their dainty carcasses, so they have "fixed things" in such a manner that the only members of the working class who get to wash their feet in salt water are the boys who ride the sea broncos and a few who have lost all self respect and are willing to do anything for the idle rich who feed them—from the spoils stolen from their working brothers and sisters.

Still Serving Masters.

Under SERFDOM the people were held to the land by law, and could not be made to leave it nor permitted to leave it. When the land was sold the people retained their right to stay on it just as before, giving to the landlord one-third of their time in labor. Under Capitalism practically the same condition exists. When a farm, factory or railroad is sold, the people go with it—because there is no better piece to go. But the people have no RIGHT to remain at work guaranteed them by law, except at the pleasure of the new owners. Land, factories or railroads would have no value if no one would work in or on them. Nobody would give a cent for them under such conditions. It is because necessity COMPELS people to work in them that they have value. As the THINGS have no value aside from the human machines that go with them, it follows that not the machines but the PEOPLE are the things actually bought and sold just as it was in feudalism.

The buying or selling of a railroad, or blocks of stock in one, is not for the purpose of having the roadbed, ties, rails or other machinery for the buyer. Such purchaser may never see these things. It is the buying of the right to tax the people who live along that railroad and whose necessities compel them to use it. It is, in plain English, the buying and selling of the people. As the transfer of Feudal lands was really the buying of one-third of the labor of the people who lived on that land, and without which labor the land would have no value to the owner, so the selling of railroad stock or ownership is the buying of that per cent of the people's labor that the railroad levies on that group of people. It is slavery in another and more subtle form than when men were bought and sold like cattle—but for the same reason—the profit to the owner.

This is true also of the stocks in the corporations holding the necessities of the people, like sugar, coffee, iron, coal, etc. They find that people WILL use about so much of such and such a thing; that by getting control of that thing by controlling the means of production and distribution they can levy a certain profit on the people—which gives them a per cent of what the people produce, which translated into money will give the owners certain services from the people as they need, just as feudalism gave the landlord certain services, from his serfs.

Every system that has prevailed so far has had the essence of slavery in it. Each has been arranged to give the cunning a part of the labor of the working class. The present system gives the cunning a greater part of labor products than any previous system or arrangement. Feudalism gave the master one-third; chattel slavery, because of the degraded condition, gave less, for the slaves produced less. Capitalism has spurred the workers to greater exertion, aroused their inventive genius to make machines to still greater increase their products, and leaves the mass of workers with only about enough to decently bury them when they die—all their wonderful surplus products going to the master class, which has produced more and richer millionaires than the world ever dreamed of before.

The working class is still a class of slaves.

SOLDIER'S HOMES.

The National Tribune, Washington City, in its October 1st, issue, admits that the real estate on which the Soldier's Homes are built does NOT belong to the government. That the board of managers can buy and sell the land at any time. When they have gotten cheap lands improved and built around they can sell it to some "outsider" and buy and build a home in some other spot. The board of managers were NOT to receive any pay, but now they are drawing \$4,000 a year for president of the board and \$2,000 a year for the secretary. So far as the "inspection" of these Homes are concerned, the law requires that of all the departments—and the corruption that exists in all the departments of government shows how such inspection inspectors. A little "grease" covers up a lot of "charity." The homes should have only officers elected by the soldiers living in the home. To have a lot of pompous, well-fed officers appointed over them, is saying they are too ignorant or dishonest to select their own officers. The ownership of the Homes should be investigated. There is something rotten in the title. If they are National Homes, then the Nation with a big "N" should own them—not an irresponsible "board of managers." The soldiers are treated as little children, and skinned good and plenty, while the government pays well for their every need.

The Employers' Association hold a national meeting in Chicago on the last three days of this month to formulate plans "to combat the teachings of industrial democracy" and to publish a paper to teach their wage slaves to beware of Socialism. Bully! If there is anything that will help Socialism more than this action, please trot it out. What we want is to have the subject continuously brought to the attention of the working mules. If we can ever get them to THINKING about it, they will soon knock this capitalist industrialism into the middle of last century, where it belongs. Everything helps Socialism.

E. P. Clark was arrested in Dubuque Iowa, the other day as a vagrant. A few years ago he was a wealthy mill owner. The changing commercial system did it. Are you any safer than he?

The republicans up in the Adirondacks have written Rockefeller that they will assassinate him as they did millionaire Dexter. All the assassins do not seem to be anarchists. Don't hear anything about the politics of these republicans, do you? I wonder why?

The Milwaukee national banks have notified their depositors that unless they keep a balance of \$300 or more, they do not want their business. This is general in eastern banks. If the people will keep their money out of the banks and put it in money orders they will be wiser and safer. The government will then loan it to the banks—but the government will guarantee you against loss by fire, flood, or robbery.

The Lumaghi Coal Co., of Collinsville, Ill., is refusing orders for coal and closing its mines because the railroads refuse to furnish it cars. Here in Kansas we have the greatest difficulty in buying coal right in the coal fields, because the roads will not furnish cars—except to favored operators. Private ownership of transportation gives control of the industries to pots of railroad managers and destroys all others. Nice condition, eh? Just what you vote for.

A Kansas Sheriff, visited Nevada, Mo., recently, and was telling how absurd is the Socialist claim of being able to give everybody \$10 a day. He wanted to know why it could not be twenty just as well! Later in the conversation he got confidential and told how he had worked the whiskey men and made as high as \$200 a day, making more than \$5,000 a year. Isn't it funny what fellows oppose Socialism? J. Weller Long, of Nevada, writes this to the Appeal.

Pitchfork Tillman has been tamed in the Senate. Don't hear of any of his frantic attempts to free the people any more. He sits easily in his seat while the plutes plunder to their heart's content. Why, he spoke at Wichita, Kansas, recently on "The Race Problem," and was challenged by Prof. Will, of the Wichita College, to debate the question—but he didn't. You bet he didn't. He don't want to monkey with the Socialists. They are too live a proposition. Tillman is taking life easy in the Senate.

A reader wants to know what Southern State has abridged the negro vote unconstitutionally. They have all done so, more or less, but NOT unconstitutionally. There is no constitution when the capitalist class desires to do anything. They do it constitutionally, for their judges say so. The working people, you know, wouldn't know the constitution if they met it walking along the road. Capitalists know the constitution and you never catch them violating it. Why, if they practice peonage, if they use shot guns, if they burn unfortunates at the stake—it's all constitutional, don't you know. Say, you better get posted. The idea of capitalists doing anything unconstitutional!

The capitalists long ago made the discovery that they had to have the PUBLIC officers to win their points. Since the rise of the labor union influence they have learned the advantage of controlling them BY CONTROLLING THEIR OFFICERS. That is the reason the leaders of the labor unions, as a rule, are opposed to the working class going into politics for themselves. It is the one weak point in Labor Unions, and the one that enables the capitalists to more often control in their deliberations. The labor leaders who prevent or try to prevent the working class from using their political power by voting against the capitalist parties, if not bribed, act just as if they had a fine fee in their pockets from the capitalists. You can better understand what this means when you read the "Manufacturers' Information Bureau, which says that by the system it offers employers they can officer and lead the Unions." Do you see anything? Do you not see that to have the officers in their pay they have a leverage that gives them control over the unions?



One might think from the size of these two wallets that the capitalist was a very large man indeed and that he needed very much more of this world's goods than the man who owns the little wallet. The facts are quite the contrary. The material needs of the capitalist, properly analyzed, are just the same as those of the working man. The reason why the working man's pocketbook is so flat and small is because labor spends most of his time filling the capitalist's pocketbook. When working men get their eyes open they will understand that all the wealth in BOTH pocketbooks belongs to them, is created by their own toil—and furthermore, that the Socialist party proposes to see that they have it—are you with us?

Want a \$2,000 Position?

Most of you would like such a position. Why don't you have it? Because you don't know how to get it. Why? Because your masters (you don't even know you have masters) have kept you ignorant that such positions can be made for every man or woman who is willing to do their share of social labor. You possibly do not read what "Social labor" means. Read Socialism and you will learn what it means. You will learn also that it will give this position to each of your children. If you knew this you would support the Socialist program. It is to get you to KNOW this that we beg you to read. Your old party editors and clergy do not want you to read about what the Socialists strive for. Why? Because you produce and they enjoy. Under Socialism they would have to produce to enjoy.

Tyranny of the Labor Unions, did you say? What about the tyranny of the trusts that are stealing hundreds of millions a year from the people, bribing every legislative and judicial function, holding armed private armies at their disposal? All this howl about labor unions is to distract attention from the crimes of the millionaires.

At Minneapolis, Minn., D. C. Borgers, aged and bent, was arraigned for vagrancy. He had once been a pastor in high esteem, but age had unfitted him and he was cast out. He was not dissipated—only capitalism could no longer use him to advantage and, like the old worn out mechanic or laborer, he was turned out to starve. The superintendent of the Union Missions was the complainant, charging him with being a nuisance. He was sentenced to the workhouse. The preachers can see in him their fate when they can no longer serve mammon.

The retail grocers, of Ohio, have just formed a combine with ten million capital. They propose to oust the wholesaler and jobber, by buying in bulk, and those not in the combine will not be able to get the advantage of the purchasing by the million dollars' worth at a time. It will be an object lesson for the hundred thousand other little dealers and the movement cannot help but spread. They will force out of business all whom they do not want in the retail business. Great changes are being effected in the economic field. The day of the independent retailer is about done.

The Socialist party, of San Francisco, have nominated a full city ticket and each candidate is a laboring man, each demanding the changing of the industrial system. Elect such a ticket and things in that city will soon be much more favorable to the people who work for a living.

The banking houses of Middendorf & Co., and of Williams & Son, Baltimore, closed up their shutters October 1st. Millions are involved. Yes the country is danged prosperous, and if anybody denies it he is a traitor and an anarchist! Sock it to 'em, Rocky. You shall be king of the whole U. S. dump.

Railroads in Oklahoma and Indian Territory charge nearly double the rates for the same service charged in the surrounding states. It was the railroad lobby that prevented Oklahoma from being admitted into the Union as a state. They are under U. S. laws and it is easy to control the government officials, in ways familiar to railroad managers. But the oppression all goes to help make Socialists.



This is what civilization has done for the noble red man. As the humorist said, when our forefathers discovered America they first fell on their knees, then they fell on the aborigines. The Indians were driven from the Atlantic coast to the department of the interior and the white man has followed so closely on the scent of the red man that today the red man has scarcely a red (s)cent left. It is this same brand of civilization that is being shot into the Filipino. The one purpose of capitalism is exploitation. They could not exploit the red man's labor because he refused to labor, else he would have taken the place of the black slave years ago. But of recent years the red man has been big game for the grafters. Millions of dollars have been taken from the public treasury for the alleged purpose of taking care of the Indians, but about all poor Lu has ever received was his system full of a poor brand of fire water. The plain fact is that the capitalistic system curses everything it touches. That's why we Socialists are after its scalp. And we're going to take it, too.

When a man works for \$2 a day and his products sell for \$3, what part of him is a slave?

Criminal Colorado Militia.

Capitalism is always, everywhere, rotten. Being a graft, it is natural that those who operate it steal everything in sight. To show the kind of thieves that are hired to overawe the working class, the investigation of the actions of the Colorado militia is a case in point. These officers (the privates are merely tools) defied the state authorities, the constitution and all decency; they violated the rights of private citizens, mobbed peaceable workmen, tore them from their families, and maltreated them. This will give rise to suits that will cost the state many hundreds of thousands of dollars. A court martial has been ordered, and the following charges will have to be explained:

Padded payrolls. The employment of superfluous generals and colonels who draw the salary of their rank, but who perform sergeants' duties. General extravagance in the purchase of supplies for the commissary department. The charge that certain officers have been securing a racket from contractors. The issuance by wholesale of transportation between Cripple Creek and Denver to officers and enlisted men, their families and friends and charging the same to the state. The charge that the bookkeeping of the camp is kept in such a way as to permit grafting. The surreptitious raising of men with a "pull" from non-commissioned officers to captains, majors and colonels. The erection of quarters for each colonel, thus involving the state in a heavy but practically needless expense. The purchase of spoiled beef for the enlisted men at sky-high prices. Carelessness and recklessness in the handling of finances that is said to be appalling. The above charges are said to have been filed by General Chase against subordinate officers, while charges of exceeding his authority and disregarding the direct orders of the commander-in-chief, Governor Peabody, are said to be against the commanding general himself.

Will you please explain what is meant by "Electoral Vote" and "Direct Vote"?

How Socialists are Made.

The Appeal office is the one thing in Girard that attracts the attention of all visitors. The calls of traveling men to see the plant have resulted in more conversions to Socialism than any other single thing that the profession ever runs up against. The traveling men being the brightest element in the commercial world, I never feel it time lost, no matter how busy I may be, to stop and talk over the subject and fill their pockets with literature. Fully a hundred of these tourists are now working for the movement whose first impressions were received at the hands of the "one horse" in the Appeal sanctum. Two weeks ago a druggist in town brought one of the tourists, Mr. Metcalfe, of Topeka, to show him what a great printing plant the town possessed. I set him down and soon had him in a maze. I gave him about an hour of rapid-fire talk, loaded him up with literature, and made the observation to myself that Socialism in the future what I had said would have its effects—and the matter was forgotten. He came in the other day. He had read the pamphlets. He began to see things differently. He brought a nice list of subscribers gathered up on his travels, bought a lot of literature for distribution and some to study the subject deeper, took a lot of subscription cards, and it was evident he intended to "get busy." He had a long string of questions he had run up against, and I brushed the cob webs from them, and after he has read the literature he bought he will be able to dig answers to all such objections out of his own consciousness. And that is the way the movement grows. He is only a sample of hundreds of cases that have been cured by a visit to the Appeal plant. And the movement all over the nation is the same thing repeated.

War between Russia and Japan is likely at any moment. The working class of each country will be thrown in murder against each other, for the pleasure and profit of their masters, tho' they have nothing against each other. The rulers of the earth make brutes of the people.

At a recent meeting held in Grand Saline, Texas, Comrade J. C. Rhodes, in a speech, mentioned the fact that the Appeal to Reason had a quarter million circulation, and one of the smart boys—there are always some of them in a crowd—called out tauntingly that he would like to "see one of them papers." Whereupon Comrade D. D. Axtel went across to his shop, piled his copies of the Jubilee edition on his arm, and mounting a wagon proceeded to distribute them. There was such a rush for the papers that the speaker had to stop his discourse for a time. Comrade Axtel says they have the majority on their side down there, and that he would like to see Socialist literature floating all through the country.

Socialism seems to be a live question! Wonder why?

It costs twice as much to live as if did ten years ago.

Even the school children are taking up the Socialist agitation.

If labor were to cease to produce, what would money be worth?

What has become of the independent cigar dealers in the cities?

The future is as certainly Socialist as the sun produces daylight.

The trusts are now after the retail dealers. Good bye, Dollie Gray.

Every institution on earth has been produced by the agitation of a few men.

If the Appeal were a daily it could just about print the good copy that is sent it.

Property can afford to pay \$100 a vote per year to control the law making power.

Understanding is developed by READING. Have you got your neighbors to reading yet?

The congregations are being inoculated with Socialism. The ministers will have to move up a peg.

The value of a railroad depends NOT on what it cost, but on how many people live along its line.

Why don't the plutocratic papers ignore Socialism now as they did two years ago? Is Socialism bigger?

Food, clothing and books will be furnished free to scholars when Socialists control the school boards.

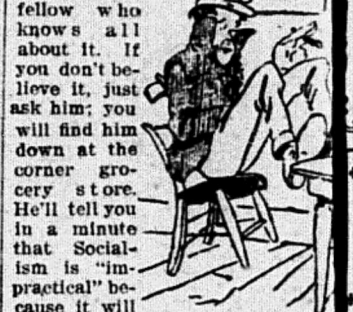
When freight on corn is 10 cents a bushel does a railroad get more pay when it sells for 20 cents or 50 cents a bushel?

The people do not make the laws—representatives do the thingy act for them—at so much per for the corporations.

The trusts are gathering, concentrating and perfecting the industries ready for the Socialist state or industrial democracy.

It takes one copy of "Introduction to Socialism" to make a Socialist. At five cents a copy, how many of your neighbors will you convert?

Here is a fellow who knows all about it.



Here is a fellow who knows all about it. If you don't believe it, just ask him; you will find him down at the corner grocery store. He'll tell you in a minute that Socialism is "impractical" because it will destroy the "incentive to work." Take a good, square squint at this ture and try and figure out how n "incentive" this fellow will develop per square inch. The fact is that Socialism has made honest toil so lajous, disagreeable and disgraceful, 99 men out of every hundred to are lying awake nights to try to scheme up some way to get out of ing honest work. Not because they do not like to work but because they do not like the inevitable economic conditions that are the lot of u who toil. The mission of the Social party is to change this whole ma so that the man who refuses to do share of toil—that is, to give bac society an equivalent for what he ceives from society—will be the g reputable, low down character, and that matter he is today, 'tho' few it in this light.

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THE CANADIAN VOTER.

The president of the United States not elected by direct or popular vote, the election in each state the political parties put up what is known as "indirect electors," and the party whose electors gets the most votes are elected. Each state has an elector, each congressman and senator the popular states having the most electors of course. These men elect the president. It has often happened that a presidential candidate whose party had the fewest votes is elected. For instance the winning candidate may have electors elected in enough states to give a majority to give him the election, while the defeated candidate may have electors elected in the remaining states by large majorities. This scheme planned to prevent the common people from having too much power by the lot, for the founders of the republic claimed that the leading citizens were to be selected as the men to elect the president and therefore they would be a president whose interest would be the property class as against the working class. Thus by having the "representative" men elect the senators in legislatures and the president selected an electoral college of selected men, a people who could vote direct for the members would always have two departments of the government against them. And it has been true in every instance. The property class in this country do not believe in "popular government." They believe in class government—the property class is the class they believe in and to which the rule class belong.

If a rich man's dog is treated better than his servants, how many Socialist votes it take to carry your precinct?

The nation is in a mental ferment, agitation about Socialism, just as it was fifty years ago about anti-slavery.

The two largest dry goods houses in Baltimore have been merged into one. Bankers invested in the business.

In the New Military Law returned this nation into a dictatorship, Senator Beveridge, of Indiana had the Quakers exempted, for they have just passed resolutions of thanks. You see the Quaker influence was a factor. Now if all the people had done as much the infamous law would never have been enacted. It can all be Quakers when called on to enlist to kill the working class the call of the plutocrats.

Col. Green has been appointed editor of the press at the War Department, says a dispatch from Washington dated October 3. It seems that some officers have been giving the public too much news concerning the department and it has to be stopped. The public, whose business the War Department is, must not be permitted to learn of the trickery, thefts, and other little perquisites that happen there you know. And yet the constitution says that freedom of the press shall NOT be abridged—but then who makes laws in the old document, anything Not the army officers, you bet.

Ah there! Say Mr. Workingman, voter, what do you think of it—"a good thing but it won't work," hey? Well, who is really to blame for it's being a "thing"? and why won't it work? This "thing" couldn't exist for an hour unless YOU FED it and CLOTHED it. In other words "it" is a product of the capitalistic system, votes make the continuation of the system possible, you, and you are to blame for "it's" existence. It's darned funny to me why the working class can't see that a man or woman who does not work must live off the product of those who do work if they live at all. Workingmen of America, look at the "thing" you made—and there are hundreds of thousands worse than this one—then go out and whoop for four years more "prosperity" of this nature. Come! blow your nose and see if you can't make room for a few thoughts in your noggin.

Why do the plutes want to prevent socialist speakers from talking to the people? Why did the slaveholders want to shut up the abolitionists? I wonder why?

Hundreds of men are preparing the home affairs to devote the balance of their lives solely to Socialist agitation. Do you know what that means?

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