

For President EUGENE V. DEBS OF INDIANA For Vice-President BENJAMIN HANFORD OF NEW YORK

CHICAGO, May 7.—The Socialist National Convention closed its work last night. It was, without doubt, the greatest Socialist convention ever held in the United States. Every state was represented by a full delegation, and many alternates were also there.

As the Appeal goes to press one week before its date, it will not be able to give full report until next week. Now, let the Appeal Army get behind the wagon and push as it never pushed before.

SUBJECT TO NO LAW.

In this argument before the Colorado Supreme Court in the Moyer habeas corpus case, the attorney for the corporations, according to the dispatches, said: "The Governor was a free agent to act as he pleased without consulting anyone but God and his conscience."

The shingle trust, just organized at Tacoma, Wash., has voted to cut out the jobbers and sell direct to the trade. Good-bye, Dolly Jobber.

The Chinaman gets ten cents a day and the American gets one dollar—common laborers. The Chinaman gets ten pounds of rice for his ten cents and the American gets ten pounds of rice for his dollar.

Uncle Sam is rich—but "Uncle Sam" is only another way of saying Vanderbilt, Morgan, Rockefeller and others. The American working class are not six months from starvation, taken as a whole.

The Vanderbilts have spent four millions, says a dispatch, in order to protect their residence property from contact with the common herd of millionaires. And this money was wrung by extortions from the working class.

The capitalist press is filled with compliments for John Mitchell. The coal miners ought to know that when the capitalist press favors their leaders that something is rotten. They ought to take an inventory. The capitalists would NOT favor anything that would have even a tendency to help the working class.

A reader writes that he hears people say that if the Socialists win at the polls the rich men will hire soldiers from Europe to whip them—that they will not consent to obeying the laws made in the interest of labor under which every man will be required to produce the equivalent of what he consumes.

Peabody, the man who disgraces the governorship of Colorado, with his wife, are entertaining in St. Louis. They are having a right royal time, while the men who elected him are starving and setting in jail and hell pass by the

hundreds. He tells the capitalists in St. Louis who are rolicking in the stuff they have squeezed out of stupid labor, that the strike is about over and that nearly all the men have gone back to work!

Don't worry about municipal ownership. The capitalists will give you that, so their politicians will have better stealing—something like takes place in the postal and army departments.

The coroner's jury has just rendered a verdict in the Hardwick, Pa., mine disaster that occurred last January, by which 173 lost their lives, showing that the state inspector and mine superintendent were negligent of their duties and violated the laws.

The same. Corruption is the only means of holding the people in bondage. Pour out your millions, old man, to elect your class. I believe it was Carnegie who said no man should die rich—but his income has been greater than his bribing donations.

Nineteen families and their household goods were evicted into the street in the rain in New York, April 25. I suppose each of them ought to love the government that does this to them in their helplessness!

Gompers don't want you to go into politics. No! No! Vote the old tickets and send more Gompers to Washington to look after your legislation!

The dispatches say that ten thousand Socialists in Madrid marched on May Day and demanded of the premier that an eight-hour work day and protection to the workmen be guaranteed. So it seems that Socialism is making good progress in the land of the dons. But it is everywhere.

Mitchell is a republican and friend of the president! What did the republican congress do with the billa organized labor wanted enacted? Got it in the neck, eh? Vote your leaders' ticket and get some more of that good labor legislation!

Carnegie has given it out that he will provide enough funds to buy an election for Roosevelt, if necessary. Of course, nothing fitter could be done with money gotten as was his. And what use for money in the campaign except to buy votes? It does not matter whether the voters are paid the cash or the cash is given to men whose actions secure the votes—it is the purchase of votes just

you "lobby" for labor laws—and employ the capitalist servants to do it! Ad! but don't you beat the capitalists at their own game! Whop 'em up for Rosy or Parker this fall and get some more labor laws passed! Say, Gompers has a graft, hasn't he? And Mitchell? Yum, yum.

You can hardly name a product of the stomach, the back or the mind that is not basely adulterated by the "respectable" class to make a profit. These men have money—they have no need to rob and poison those who confide in and help them. They are morally bankrupt—they have been converted into rascals by the system of profits that controls the industries.

Men are what their minds make them. It is what they believe or know that makes the great difference in them. There are only two social schools of thought—anarchist or Socialist, collectivist or individualist. Those who favor the common or collective ownership of the earth are called Socialists, those who favor the individual ownership are anarchists.

The silence of the daily press of the nation concerning the Socialist convention tells better than anything how it fears the movement and desires to keep its readers in ignorance of anything about it. The Chicago dailies did not give it a column during the entire week.

Senator Foraker Denies Endorsing the Corporations Auxiliary Company.

JOSEPH FORAKER, CHAIRMAN. FRANCIS M. COCKRELL, CLERK. GEORGE P. WETMORE, STEPHEN R. HALLORAY, ADDISON FOSTER, JAMES C. ACKBURN, JOHN MITCHELL, WILLIAM A. CLARK, THOMAS KEARNEY, JOSEPH BURTON, CHARLES E. ALDEN, CLERK, JOSEPH GABREIEL, ASSISTANT CLERK.

The Western Manufacturing Company, Girard, Kansas.

Gentlemen: Your letter of March 31 has remained unanswered until now in order that I might have my letter files and letter books examined to ascertain whether or not I had ever written any such letter as you mention.

I had no knowledge then of the character of his company, and never did have any knowledge of its character until I learned of it by your letter and two or three similar letters received about the date yours was.

Very truly yours, etc., [Signature]

The above letter was received by the Appeal last week from Senator Foraker. It is certainly a very flimsy effort to dodge the question. It is not at all likely that the Senator would endorse a man of Apthorp's character without knowing exactly what that endorsement was to be used for.

who control the great papers of the country and have the people read and believe the grossest lies about those who would make them unprofitable. Take up the reports of pure food committees appointed by the various legislatures and see the damnable testimony about the poisoning of the people's food because they can make more profit by it!

President Mullen of the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. addressed the "Free Reading Room Association" at Hartford the other day on "Purifying the Unions." This reading room was organized by the railroad company to mislead and control the workers.

You couldn't learn to swim if you were never permitted to enter water, could you? And how are the working class going to learn how to live decently if they don't get wages enough to live decently on?

What change do the old parties promise you? Are you not tired of working for the profits of the masters? Wages are falling and prices are increasing. That is what the fool dinner pail the workers voted for means.

The people of Colorado are getting the same treatment they voted to give the Philippians. Injustice always comes back on the doors of it. The Chicago barn bandits were old party voters. They were the logical effect of the capitalist system.

Congress permits corporations to be organized to rob the people and then appropriates millions to investigate them—but the lawyers and members who get the millions are back of the appropriations. What funny things the voters put up with!

France prohibits any schools under the direction of any creed or religious body. This has been enacted to check the growth of the royalist and clerical influences, who have depended on training the child's mind for their continued power in the state.

The bandits who are acting as rulers of Colorado, arrested "Mother" Jones, and put her in a small-pox stockade. She was kept there under the charge of quarantine! Moyer was also put in a stockade with small-pox patients.

In building a railroad in Colorado last week the company put a barrel of whiskey six miles ahead of the men and told them they could have it when the track was laid to it. The men worked six hours without a set-up to get to the barrel.

Hey! You sweaty, overall American king! You ought to be satisfied with your ten hour day and \$3 dollar pay. Of course you should. The republicans tell you so, and as you elect them to positions which they never had to spend any time or labor (except to bunco you) to qualify themselves for and get \$20 a day, you see they ought to know how much you are worth.

See? The slave masters opposed the education of their slaves. Education made them discontented with their lot. Modern captains of industry, prompted by the same selfish interests, are opposing the education of the American youth.

He sold himself into slavery for a term of years, and suffered the same penalty that was given to runaway slaves. By the way, did it never occur queer to you that officers who enlist in the army can resign when they please, but the common fellows can't?

The fact of the matter is that today we have no young men coming up. They are kept at school so long that they cannot get them. I want you to understand what I mean by this. If you read there are certain lines of work in a mill that after a young fellow goes to be seventeen or eighteen years old he never becomes adapted to it.

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SANTA FE STRIKE!

Twelve thousand machinists and allied workers were locked out of the Santa Fe system last week, when they presented a new scale and demanded the recognition of their union. At Topoka the officers of the road locked the doors and gave it out that they understood the men had voted for a strike.

The money you earn and hold by the employers is used to bribe your own members. That is one of the beauties of the private ownership system. Under Socialism your railroad men would have all the voice in making the conditions and wages and would elect all members of the road's management.

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Case After Case of Seminal Weakness and Varicocele... PUNCTURE PROOF HEDGETHORN BICYCLE TIRES... \$350 YOU A SIMPLY... \$4.80

AN ACCUSATION. By R. K. Millard. At your door I lay these crimes perpetrated under the guise of civilization and christianity.

Industrial Depression By George D. Herron

The prophecy of financial and industrial collapse is becoming commonplace. Whether that which is close upon us, be a panic that will test and strain to the utmost our present financial system; whether it brings the murmur and menace and hungry riots of the unemployed; or whether it prove to be merely a long and paralyzing financial depression—whatever of these things be at hand, whatever the end of the approaching industrial crisis, it is but the prelude of the doom of the capitalist system of production and distribution.

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HERR BEBEL; SOCIALIST. Our friends of the metropolitan press in discussing Socialism across the water, get woefully mixed up. A short time ago they were calling Bebel a rank radical of the deepest dye, because he headed successfully the opposition to any trimming of the Socialist revolutionary program.

Never in the history of the world has greed so far captured the earth as today. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon. Never in all the ages has religion become so much a matter of form. Beware of the leaven of the Scribes and Pharisees—charity for justice—lies cover a multitude of sin. Man created, in the image of God, has become a beggar for the power to earn his bread and feed into the machine of profit and comes out crushed, hopeless, a living death in the reward of labor. Down in your mines, in the terrible roar of the mills, the children learn the lessons of life.

Not because men have made up their minds to have a change; not because any arrived or intelligent sense of justice revolts against the present; not because the working class has decided that capitalism is bad and that Socialism is better; not because of anything yet developed or apparent in the will or purpose of the common life will the end of capitalism come—but because it carries in itself the sources and seeds of its own destruction.

MILWAUKEE SOCIALISTS. The country is just awakening to the fact that there is a growing and powerful Socialist party in Milwaukee. The Outlook, edited by Lyman Abbott, has discussed sympathetically the Social Democrats of Milwaukee, and is disposed to look with favor upon the injection in municipal politics of a party committed to Socialism.

And you, who are crushed, you are guilty of your own death. Who, if you had demanded justice, might have received it, you too are guilty. Am I my brother's keeper, comes our cry down through the ages and again the answer, thy brother's blood crieth from the ground.

King, president, governor, priest, or slave, there is no difference, you are all guilty. I charge you, again, with all crime, with all injustice, misery, wrong doing. You who hide behind the maxims that you have established—the race to the strong—the survival of the fittest—death to the weak.

One result of this is the increasing uselessness of capital. It would seem strange that there might come a time when a billion dollars would be of no more use to a man than yesterday's edition of a "yellow" journal. But, strange as it is, it is a fact that is not many years short of becoming true. Capital is of no use unless it has profits to feed upon. And every day the opportunities and

WABASH The Only Line That Lands Passengers at the St. Louis World's Fair Main Entrance. IT HAS Seven Distinct Lines TO ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS: From Buffalo, Pittsburg, Chicago, St. Paul, Des Moines, Omaha and Kansas City. C. S. CRANE, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, ST. LOUIS, MO.

For Homesteads Under Co-operative Irrigation. COMRADES IN THE PICTURE, FRAME AND MOUNTING... K. C. S. Almanac for 1904.

Enclosed find clipping from the Minneapolis Tribune, of April 24th, speech made by James H. Eckles, Ex-Comptroller of the Treasury at a banquet of the bank clerks of Minneapolis. I wonder how the workmen who vote the republican and democratic tickets like to be called non-taxing demagogues? I would like to ask workmen, who is the tax-payer, landlord or tenant? Also, who are the better class of citizens upon whom the community depends?

lives away in idleness and spending in one day enough to keep the old woman the balance of her days. And you think yourselves civilized! If this is CIVILIZATION, please name us some savagery. A nation that treats its aged in such a manner is deserving of as bad a fate as Sodom and Gomorrah. New remembrance and vote the same old capitalist ticket this fall and have this nice state of affairs continue. It would be too bad to interfere with its good results! The old and weak are only fit to be servants of the young and strong and idle. But the rich need your votes in their business.

Weakness in Men A Michigan Specialist Finds an Easy Way to Cure Any Case of Vital Weakness Even in the Oldest Men. This Wonderful Cure Has a Most Marvelous Record of Successes. SENT FREE TO ALL WHO APPLY IN WRITING.

How to Save Money. Write Harold Mfg. Co., 518 W. Lake St., Chicago. Hark! Comrades! 50 CALLING CARDS 25 CENTS POSTPAID.

Everybody knows how the miners are being used in Colorado, and yet, any number of men think their union is their only salvation. EDWARD L. CARR. APPOINTED AN ENEMY. For a number of years, it has been known that there are vicious influences operating at Washington, hostile to the United States Postal System, or seeking to control it, organized by the express and railroad corporations.

Nearly the whole of the good republican city officials of Green Bay, Wis., have been arrested charged with bribery. It would seem that the people were surely wise enough to see that the system that produces such effects is not worth voting for—but when people are trained up like monkeys they keep following the habits taught them. But it should not be wondered at—men who believe in the republican and democratic parties are in politics for self. They have no patriotism but the dollar and feel that getting it any way is right—so long as they can keep out of prison. Hurrah for the grand old parties.

HOW THE REPUBLICANS REDEEMED KANSAS. Emporia Gazette, republicans. "Cuba wants Chinese coolies" is a headline in a daily. This is not true. Only the small part of the population that employs labor wants the coolies. The great majority in Cuba are working people and they do NOT want Chinese coolies, and everybody knows it.

Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas. We own 200,000 feet on the same lots the "Gold King" is located. The Gold King pays an annual dividend of \$1,000,000. We have incorporated for 100,000 shares in a new company with a capital of \$1,000,000, as is usually done. We are a woman and need money to sustain work of development until we reach the vein. All stock belongs to the corporation and will be used for its benefit. The first thousand shares will be sold at 10 cents; second ten thousand at 15 cents; third at 20 cents. Full description of property and plan of corporation enclosed on request. We have the property but need money. The proposition is fair and set a minimum organized in the city for getting loans, selling stock. Write today for description of property for yourselves. THE MISSOURI TRUST CO., Silverton, Colo. 6125 KIDING CO., Chicago, Ill.

I never talked to but one traveling man who said he preferred his life to one of home and comfort and good employment near those he loved. They are not doing what they would like to do, but doing what they must! They are in that respect just as slaves were—doing the will of the masters, not their will. The traveling men are the brightest minds we have, and many are reading Socialism and spreading its doctrines. They are destined to be a power in the movement.

A rice trust has been formed by which all buying, milling and selling of rice is controlled by one syndicate. This, just

FREE GOLD WATER. This water has been mentioned daily in the Emporia Gazette, Emporia, Kan. It is a gold water, equal in appearance to a Gold Medal, and is guaranteed to give relief in all cases of rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, etc. It is a pure, natural, and healthful beverage. Write for full particulars. Address: The Gold Water Co., Emporia, Kan.



HOW KINGS GROW RICH.

The following associated press dispatch shows the kind of people who oppose Socialism in Belgium.

THE REAL CRIMINALS.

Lincoln Steffens, in McClure's Magazine, following the exposure of the St. Louis hoodlums, found it went to the State legislature, then to Congress, and that its head was right back in St. Louis in the shape of the business men there.

I, under Socialism, am not retired from work at the age of 45 or 55 years, would not like to see the parasites at the present time.

Sheep herders would not have to work any more hours in a year than any other set of workers under Socialism.

Gompers recommends a gigantic strike fund. The leaders want to handle the cash of their followers.

catch the capitalists, laws will be made that will. But so long as the working class vote the capitalist tickets, they deserve just such treatment as they are getting.

The democrats are the only genuine friends of the working class! Down in Rockwood, Tenn., the city authorities, whom the working class have elected, passed resolutions directing the organizers of the miners to leave town.

The French speculators who sold the Panama ditch to this country for forty millions, paid an attorney here, one million dollars and "expenses" for engineering the graft.

PROTECTOR OF THE HOME.

The following from a Berlin, Germany, paper shows the character of the opposition to Socialism in the empire.

Roy Heath, of Holland, Mich., carried off the honors at the Allegan college contest for oratorical. His subject was "Oppressors and Oppressed."

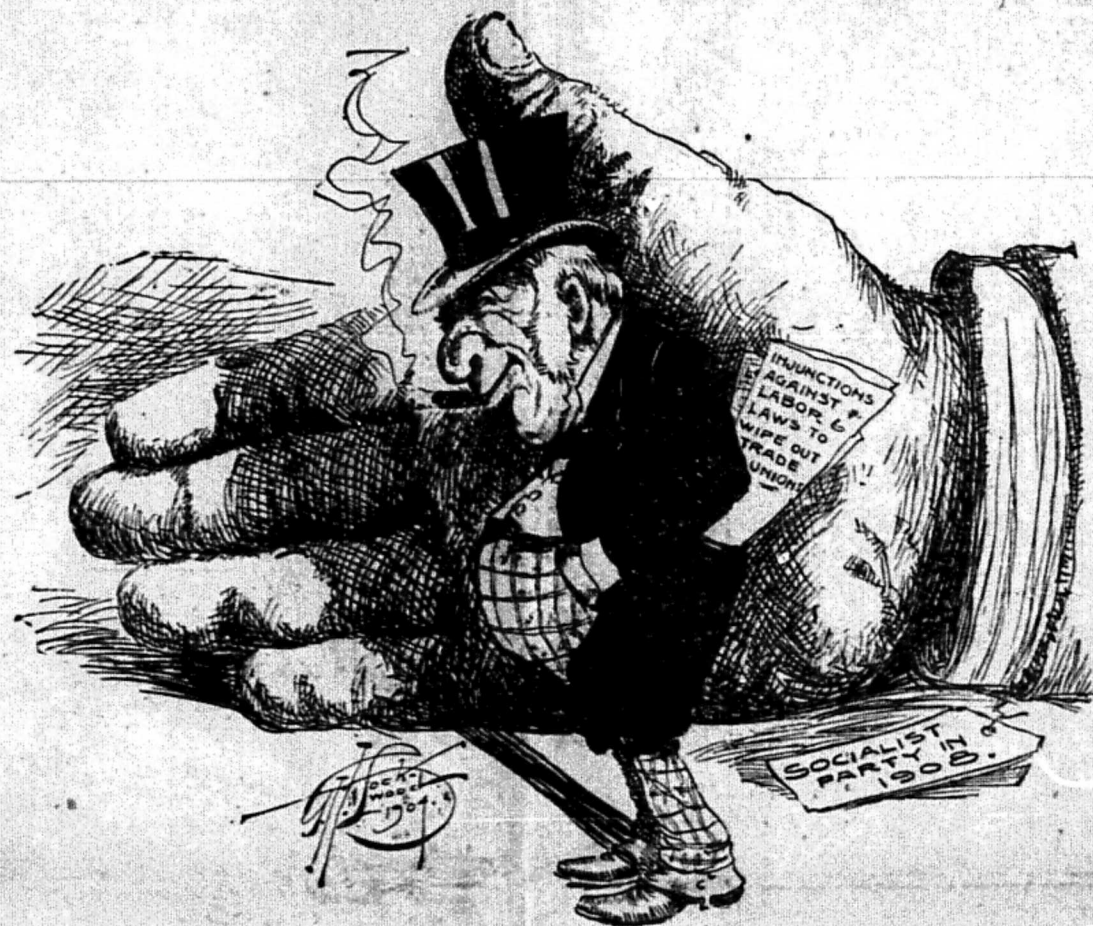
The Anaconda, Mont., Standard, organ of the democratic copper trust, criticizing a republican resolution pointing with pride to the former republican administration, takes the occasion to say that it was so corrupt that the people elected a Socialist mayor and council.

ANOTHER INQUIRER ANSWERED.

Editor Appeal to Reason: My sympathies have always been with the workers and my mind agitated about the industrial problems of today.

1st. The line of least resistance as it will present itself to the then majority.

The Hand on the Wall.



The great Chicago Convention is over; the National Platform has been written and the National Standard Bearer has been chosen.

From the reports of the Daily Appeal we are sure that our comrades at the convention have done their work well, and now the responsibility for the success of the campaign of 1904 rests on EVERY SOCIALIST IN THE UNITED STATES.

One thing is certain, CAPITALISM MUST BE MET BY AN ORGANIZED RESISTANCE AND THE SOCIALIST PARTY IS THE ONLY ORGANIZATION THAT CAN DO THE WORK.

The Appeal has frequently urged its readers to form local organizations of the Socialist party.

The only hope of a peaceful revolution is in organization.

The best way to push propaganda is through organization.

Again, we say, JOIN THE PARTY, AND JOIN AT ONCE, so as to be in line for the fall campaign.

The American voting mule foots the bill, and votes for the same kind of people who thus took out of his living the stuff to buy a ditch and ten times as much to finish it.

I wonder why the working class in Oregon did not get busy and initiate a law under direct legislation exempting \$3,000 of property from taxation to the head of each family?

show who is destroying the homes in this country—and then crying out that others are doing it.

The police reserves of the Mercer street, New York, station and several others who could be spared from their duty, were called out to—what do you suppose? Quell a riot? No. Arrest a murderer? No. Run in a hobo? No.

Cincinnati civilization is reported by the Post of April 14: Geo. Keller, starving, unable to get work, found exhausted on the street.

Mr. and Mrs. Steel of Chicago have nine children. A workman with a fair salary he is able to pay rents charged, but cannot find a house to rent and has been driven out of the city.

The other day the U. M. W. of A., held a meeting in Hazelton, Pa., and passed resolutions condemning the action of the authorities in Colorado.

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