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### CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL OFFICES

For National Executive Committee—  
Seven to Be Elected.

FRANK AALTONEN, Negaunee, Mich.  
DAVID ALLAN, St. Louis, Mo.  
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CLAUDE ANDREWS, Bellevue, Ky.  
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HOWARD H. CALDWELL, Dayton, O.  
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J. W. CATLEY, Rosedale, Kan.  
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W. P. COLLINS, Boulder, Colo.  
C. E. COHON, Emmetsburg, Ia.  
PHILIP CORB, Sedro-Woolley, Wash.  
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R. W. COLE, Hastings, Neb.  
SETH S. CROSBY, Mount Vernon, Wash.  
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TOM CLIFFORD, Cleveland, O.  
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G. W. ("Pap") DAVIS, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
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L. J. DUNCAN, Butte, Mont.  
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GEO. A. ENGLAND, Bryant Pond, Me.  
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MORRIS HILLQUIT, New York, N. Y.  
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ROBERT HUNTER, Norton Heights, Conn.  
THOMAS JORGENSEN, Florence, Neb.  
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ELLIS O. JONES, Columbus, O.  
MORRIS KAPLAN, Duluth, Minn.  
JOHN W. KELLY, Marion, Ind.  
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G. F. KING, Cottage Grove, Ore.  
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H. L. LARSON, Crookston, Minn.  
E. B. LATHAM, Gainesville, Tex.  
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LENA M. LEWIS, San Francisco, Cal.  
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JAMES H. MAURER, Reading, Pa.  
MILA TUPPER MAYNARD, Sparta, Mich.  
SETH McCLELLAN, Nashville, Tenn.  
ANNA A. MALEY, New York, N. Y.  
GEO. P. MAXWELL, Sandusky, O.  
ALICE MCPADIN, Circleville, Tex.  
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C. A. McNEIL, Sanger, W. Va.  
I. S. MCCRILLIS, Des Moines, Ia.  
W. P. METCALF, Albuquerque, N. Mex.  
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EDWARD MOORE, Philadelphia, Pa.  
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WILLIAM NUGENT, Troy, N. Y.  
F. O'BRIEN, Chicago, Ill.  
J. B. OSBORNE, Renton, Wash.  
H. M. PARKS, Superior, Wis.  
JOE M. PATTERSON, Libertyville, Ill.  
LAURA B. PAYNE, Eskota, Tex.  
E. W. PERIN, Little Rock, Ark.  
W. S. PITTILO, Corpus Christi, Tex.  
MARGUERITE PREVE, Akron, O.  
M. E. RAJHA, Superior, Wis.  
J. W. REEVES, Sparks, Nev.  
JAS. M. REILLY, Jersey City, N. J.  
S. M. REYNOLDS, Terre Haute, Ind.  
J. C. RHODES, El Paso, Tex.  
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N. A. RICHARDSON, San Bernardino, Cal.  
W. F. RIES, Toledo, O.  
L. C. ROGERS, Oak Hill, W. Va.  
W. C. ROGERS, Waterloo, Neb.  
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C. C. ROSS, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
WILLIAM SCOTT, Kansas City, Mo.  
EARL SCHOFIELD, Springfield, Mo.  
ROBERT SCHMUS, Minneapolis, Minn.  
L. H. SCHENKLE, Kansas City, Mo.  
OTTILIA SCHRIVER, Ft. Thomas, Ky.  
CHAS. E. SECORD, Beaumont, Tex.  
EMIL SEIDEL, Milwaukee, Wis.  
CLINTON SIMONTON, Huntington, Ark.  
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THOS. SLADDEN, Portland, Ore.  
GEO. W. SLATER, Chicago, Ill.  
RUBEN H. SMITH, Crooksville, O.  
D. W. SNELL, Harrison, Ark.  
MRS. W. R. SNOW, Huntington, Ark.  
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O. M. SOUTHWORTH, Benton Harbor, Mich.  
JOHN SPARRO, Yonkers, N. Y.  
J. J. SPOUSE, Saginaw, Mich.  
C. H. STOCKING, Elmhurst, Ill.  
FREDERICK G. STRICKLAND, Anderson, Ind.  
SEYMOUR STEDMAN, Chicago, Ill.  
J. G. FREEL STOKES, New York, N. Y.  
A. E. TATE, Hornbeck, Tenn.  
MAUD THOMPSON, Detroit, Mich.  
W. H. TILFORD, Zella, Kan.  
HERMAN TITUS, Seattle, Wash.  
CARRIE J. TRILLER, Chicago, Ill.  
PAUL TURNER, Tacoma, Wash.  
CARL D. THOMPSON, Milwaukee, Wis.  
ERNEST UNTERMAN, Florence, Ida.  
C. S. VANDER PORTEN, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
J. S. VANDERPOOL, Greenfield, Iowa.  
JOHN WACHTER, Belleville, Ill.  
J. W. WALKER, Hastings, Neb.  
A. E. WELCH, Dodge City, Kan.  
JOHN V. WEBER, Sparks, Nev.  
F. H. WENTWORTH, Salem, Mass.  
ELLIOT WHITE, Worcester, Mass.  
C. E. WHARTON, Kenton, O.  
J. C. WIBEL, Salem, Ill.  
JOHN T. WILFORD, Jacksonville, Fla.  
M. W. WILKINS, Waverly, Mass.  
JOHN G. WILLERT, Cleveland, O.  
JOHN F. WILLIAMS, West Plains, Mo.  
W. H. WILKINS, Claremont, N. H.  
W. THOMAS WITHEROW, Girard, Kan.  
G. W. WOODBEY, San Diego, Cal.  
CHESTER M. WRIGHT, Manitowoc, Wis.  
JOHN M. WORK, Des Moines, Ia.  
DANIEL K. YOUNG, Philadelphia, Pa.  
ELMER H. YOUNG, Port Townsend, Pa.  
MURRAY YOUTZ, Cleveland, O.  
JULIUS ZORN, Cincinnati, O.

FOR NATIONAL SECRETARY  
ONE TO BE ELECTED.

J. MAHLON BARNES, Chicago, Ill.  
O. F. BRANSTETTER, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
J. CHANT LIPES, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
SETH McCLELLAN, Nashville, Tenn.

### Report of Nominations for Members of the National Executive Committee and National Secretary

National Headquarters, Socialist Party:  
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 7th, 1908.  
To the National Committee—Comrades:  
I herewith report the nominations received at the National Office for members of the National Executive Committee and National Secretary. The nominations closed Dec. 5th. The names of the nominees are arranged alphabetically, and the local nominating each are indicated. Each nominee has been notified, either direct or in the absence of address in care of local secretaries.

FOR NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

AALTONEN, FRANK, Negaunee, Mich.: Superior, Wis.

AGNEW, L. P., Wapanucka, Okla.: Wapanucka, Okla.

ALEXANDER, RICEY, Grand Saline, Tex.: Overton, Tex.

ALLAN, DAVID, St. Louis, Mo.: Grafton, Ill.

AMARINGER, OSCAR, Oklahoma City, Okla.: Dacoma, Okla.; Wapanucka, Okla.

ANDERS, RIDEN, Tyler, Tex.: Overton, Tex.

ANDERSON, JOHN B., Little Falls, Minn.: Little Falls, Minn.

ANDERSON, A. S., Devils Lake, N. D.: Devils Lake, N. D.

ANDREWS, CLAUD, Bellevue, Ky.: Newport, Ky.

ANDREWS, CLAUD, Belleville, Ill.: Latonia, Ky.

ANIELEWSKI, HENRY, Chicago, Ill.: Hawthorne, Ill.

ARLAND, FRED, Albany, N. Y.: Troy, N. Y.

ARNSTEIN, LEWIS, Dover, N. H.: Franklin, N. H.

ATWOOD, E. FRANCIS, Aberdeen, S. D.: Rapid City, S. D.

AYRES, HUGH G., Royersford, Pa.: Pottstown, Pa.

AXELSON, A. H., Portland, Ore.: Boyne, Mich.

TWO HARBORS, MINN.: VINCO, Okla.: Pittsburgh, R. I.

KAN.: AUGUSTA, Ga.: TILLARDOCK, Ore.

BARTH, MR. Gertrude, Wash.: Gertrude, Wash.

BAGBY, JAMES W., Pearl, Ill.: Pearl, Ill.

BAUER, CASPER, Santa Cruz, Cal.: Watsonville, Cal.

BARKS, H. M., Superior, Wis.: Superior, Wis.

BEHRENS, DETDRICK, ASTORIA, L. L., NEW YORK: LONG ISLAND CITY, N. Y.

BAKER, WILLIAM, Augusta, Okla.: Dacoma, Okla.

RANDLOW, ROBERT, Cleveland, Ohio: Barber-ton, Ohio; Toledo, Ohio; Yonkers, N. Y.; Hudson,

Ohio: Seattle, Wash.; Muscatine, Iowa; Portsmouth, Ohio; Kenmore, Ohio; Bayview, N. Y.; Worcester, Mass.; St. Paul, Minn.; Arlington, Wash.; Fostoria, Ohio; Corning, Ohio; Elyria, Ohio; Conneaut, Ohio; BALDWIN, W. E., Fairhope, Ala.: Pittsburg, R. I.

BARNES, J. MAHLON, Chicago, Ill.: Boyne, Mich.; Smedley, Ark.; Rapid City, S. D.; Seal Garden, Cal.; Stratford, Okla.

BARNESLEY, U. S., Monet, Mo.: Crean, Ridg.

Mo.: Spruce Grove, Minn.

HARZEE, C. W., The Dalles, Ore.: Pendleton, Ore.

BASSETT, ARTHUR, Fargo, N. D.: North Fargo, N. D.

BEARDSLEY, S. E., Shelton, Conn.: Bridgeport, Conn.

BECK, MILES W., Stockton, Cal.: Stockton, Cal.

BERGER, W. L., Coalport, Pa.: Helvetica, Pa.

BENNETT, E. C., Elkridge, W. Va.: Sanger, W. Va.

BEHRENS, E. T., Sedalia, Mo.: Mountain Grove, Mo.; Carthage, Mo.; Rosedale, Kan.

BEARD, J. W., Alva, Okla.: Dacoma, Okla.

BELL, W. J., Tyler, Tex.: San Antonio, Tex.

SHOAL, Tex.: Santa Fe, Kan.

BENTALL, J. O., Chicago, Ill.: West Plains, Mo.

GRANITE CITY, Ill.: PEARL, Okla.: CASS LAKE, Minn.

NEW ALBANY, Ind.: FARGO, N. D.: SWARTZ, La.

CHICAGO, Ill.: 26th ward: MARION, Ill.: DES MOINES, Ia.

CHICAGO, Ill.: BRANCH 2, 27th ward: MONROE, Colo.

BENTON, W. C., Chicago, Ill.: Macomb, Ill.

BERLYN, BARNEY, Chicago, Ill.: Hastings, Neb.

MONTANA, Ark.: Grand Saline, Tex.: Toledo, O.; FUR-

RESON, Mo.: O'FALLON, Ill.: KALAMAZOO, Mich.; ROCK

FORD, Ill.: NEWPORT, Ky.; PORT ANGELES, Wash.; MILWAUKEE, Br. 1, Wis.: Grand Saline, Tex.; YANTIS, Tex.; CONTINENTAL, O.; DANVILLE, Ill.; CHICAGO, Ill.: 27th ward: AUGUSTA, Tex.

TEXAS: 27th ward: ABILENE, KAN.; COMMERCE, Tex.; PITTSBURG, R. I.; KAN.; BUFFALO, N. Y.; QUINCY, Ill.; ITHACA, N. Y.; MILWAUKEE, 11th ward: AUGUSTA, Ga.; CAMDEN, Cal.; CHICAGO, Ill.; 15th ward: ALBION, Ia.; Vicksburg, Miss.; MACOMB, Ill.

BESSEMER, WILLIAM, CLEVELAND, OHIO: HUDDSON, O.; CONNEAUT, O.

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### MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SOCIALIST PARTY

SESSION DECEMBER 18, 19, 20, 1908.

#### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

The meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock by National Secretary Barnes. Comrades Hillquit, Stokes, Floaten, Work and Simons were present. Comrade Simons was elected chairman and Comrade Hudson secretary. Word was received from Comrades Berger and Thompson that they would be present at 2 p. m.

It was decided to consider miscellaneous subjects first.

The National Executive Committee motion submitted by Comrade Simons, and pending by correspondence was taken up. The motion was amended and adopted in the following form:

"I wish to move as a member of the National Executive Committee that the National office proceed at once to the preparation of a circular to be sent to every Local in the United States, calling for the holding of meetings, circulation of petitions, raising of money, and taking such other measures as may be thought necessary to prevent the surrender of Jan Janoff Pouren and Christian Rudowitz to the Russian government, to preserve the right of asylum in America, and to inaugurate a general movement for the abrogation of the extradition treaty between the United States and Russia."

The National Secretary asked the Committee to decide on a definite method for handling foreign speaking organizations, and described the relationship between the National organization and the National Finance organization.

Communication in hand from the Hungarian Socialists, reference affiliating with the National organization; from the Polish Socialist Alliance, reference affiliating with the National organization; from the National organization and local Polish committee on the same subject, and Comrade Hillquit presents similar proposition relating to the Lettish organization.

Following a discussion further action was postponed to give opportunity for committees of the respective organizations to appear.

By favor of Comrade Anielewski, a letter was read from Comrade Daszynski of Austria, explaining lecture terms previously submitted.

Letter from Toronto, Canada, relating to prospective visit of Victor Grayson of England. Letter from Adolphe Smith, of London, England, reference lecture tour in America. Letter from Josephine Conger Kaneko, reference the prospective visit of Comrade Dora Montefiore, of London, England.

#### MOTION.

"That lecture tours be arranged upon reasonable terms for Comrades Grayson and Dora Montefiore, of England, according to propositions in hand." Adopted.

Adjourned at 12:25 to meet at 2:30 p. m.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

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leaving a balance over subscribed, for the purposes of the Red Special, of \$6,778.58.
UNPAID BILLS, DEC. 15, 1908.
Bowman Automatic Addressing Co. \$ 24.75
Brotherhood Publishing Co. (Literature) 30.30
Central Printing and Eng. Co. 150.00
Commonwealth Edison Co. 6.18
Chicago Typesetting Co. 1.00
A. B. Dick (Mimeograph supplies) 34.15
The Elliot Co. 1.80
M. Fry & Co. 8.80
The Greenduck Co. (Buttons) 37.80
The Heinn Co. 7.50
Kerwin Printing Co. 7.90
Chas. H. Kerr & Co. 31.50
Library Bureau .50
F. Landon (Hauling) 8.75
Monarch Typewriter Co. .35
Milwaukee Soc. Dem. Publ. Co. 9.00
Oliver Typewriter Co. .60
P. F. Pettibone Co. (Stationery) 36.71
Chas. Purdy & Co. (Buttons) 150.30
Strahdneeks (Printing) 11.00
Saul Brothers (Printing) 60.50
L. C. Smith 3.00
U. S. Press Clipping Co. 24.00
Western Union Tel. Co. 11.69
John M. Work (Literature) 40.71
\$684.36

## DUE NATIONAL ORGANIZERS.

John W. Brown	\$ 24.53
Stanley J. Clark	45.97
John Collins	148.33
J. L. Fitts	226.30
Geo. H. Goebel	107.32
J. J. Kral	41.30
Geo. R. Kirkpatrick	251.73
Guy E. Miller	90.57
Marguerite Prevay	58.83
Tom J. Lewis	56.21
Total	\$1,740.45
Cash Balance on hand Dec. 15....	1,747.98

## ORGANIZATION AND AGITATION.

As you are aware, for the present the speakers are withdrawn, and no new plans have been made for the reason that I expect your committee to thoroughly consider this subject and outline the general policy. You have been regularly informed through the Bulletin of the territory covered by the various speakers during the campaign, and while I have a detailed report prepared, I consider it unnecessary to occupy your time with it since it will appear shortly in the annual report. However, I wish to suggest that the track of the Socialist special train seems to me favorable territory for agitation on the pioneer plan.

## LITERATURE.

It was announced at the beginning of the campaign that the activity in the literature department would be mainly in campaign material, and such proved to be the case. Eight leaflets were printed and distributed, six upon contract orders, the total number aggregating about 3,200,000, among which were, aside from 1,400,000 of the regular leaflets, 15,000 leaflets which were sent to farmers and about 17,000 to secretaries of trade unions, and 1,700,000 "What Socialists Want" were sold and distributed, nearly 1,000,000 being used to carry speakers' advertising. The receipts of the literature department show, till Nov. 30, \$5,834.37 as against \$1,414.06 for the like period of the preceding year.

## MOTION.

"That we proceed at once to the consideration of organization and agitation." Adopted.

## MOTION.

"That the National Executive Committee appoint several committees of one or more members for the purpose of studying specific problems of organization and propaganda and report on the same at the next meeting of the committee." Adopted.

The following subjects were assigned to the respective members: Work, Organization; Thompson, Study Courses in Socialism; Floaten, Meetings; Hillquit, Literature; Simons, Press; Berger, Trade Union Movement; Thompson, Propaganda Among Farmers; Stokes, Campaign Methods. Each subject was taken up separately for general discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 to meet at 9:30 a. m. Saturday.

## SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

Meeting was called to order by the National Secretary at 9:45. Comrade Stokes was elected chairman.

Letter from Winnie Branstetter, secretary of the Woman's National Committee, recommending that the national woman organizer remain for at least two days in each place and that all national organizers make an appeal to women to come into the party; and resolution calling for a mass meeting on one day in all large cities for the purpose of agitating the woman's suffrage question; also asking in behalf of the Woman's Committee an explanation of the position of the party towards separate Socialistic Women's societies.

## MOTION.

"That the recommendation regarding two days assignments be approved and we recommend that all field workers include a direct appeal for women members." Adopted.

## MOTION.

"That we recommend to all locals of the Socialist Party, to set aside the last Sunday in February, 1909, for the purpose of a demonstration in favor of woman's suffrage." Adopted.

## MOTION.

"Whereas, the first day of May has been

set apart by the International Socialist and Labor movement as a day for demonstration and agitation in favor of a shorter work day, and

"Whereas, in the course of time this day has come to stand as a general International holiday of the Socialist and Labor movement, and particularly as a day against restricted suffrage, therefore be it.

"RESOLVED; that we recommend that all locals of the Socialist Party make the subject of woman's suffrage and restricted suffrage a part of the program for the May Day celebration." Adopted.

## MOTION.

"That the National Secretary be instructed to send a circular letter to all locals in due time calling attention to these resolutions." Adopted.

"RESOLVED; that in our opinion the Woman's National Committee and National Organizer was created as a committee of the Socialist Party and their efforts should be directed towards increasing the membership of the women within the party organization and not to the formation of separate organizations." Adopted.

Letter from Comrade May Strickland, state secretary of Indiana, with inquiry relating to the members of the Mexican Liberal Party now imprisoned in Tucson, Ariz.

Comrade Luella Twining was granted the floor and presented a plea in behalf of the Mexican prisoners.

## MOTION.

"That we recommend to the Socialist press that it pay special attention to the cases of Ricardo Flores Magón, Antonio I. Villarreal, Librado Rivera, and others in order to acquaint the people with the facts of the cases and to prevent any miscarriage of justice." Adopted.

Discussion was resumed on assigned subjects.

Adjourned at 12:45 to meet at 2 p. m.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order by the National Secretary at 2:15. Comrade Floaten elected chairman.

## MOTION.

"Whereas, the Socialist movement of every country is represented on the International Bureau by two secretaries, and

"Whereas, in the year 1900 one seat in the Bureau was assigned to a representative of the Socialist Labor Party for the reason that the two parties then represented the two main divisions of the Socialist movement of the United States, and

"Whereas, the Socialist Labor Party has since that time dwindled down to a point of purely nominal existence, without organization, membership, followers and influence, while the Socialist Party has at the same time very largely advanced the Socialist movement and to-day practically represents the entire Socialist movement of the United States, be it

"RESOLVED, that we call on the National Committee to elect an additional International Secretary from among the members of the Socialist Party, and that upon the election of such additional secretary, we request the International Bureau that he be seated in place of the present representative of the Socialist Labor Party. Adopted.

Discussion was continued on assigned subjects.

At 3 p. m. by appointment, a hearing was granted to committees of the Polish and Hungarian organizations, and the resolution drafted Friday morning on foreign speaking organizations was taken up as follows:

## MOTION.

"The organizations of foreign speaking Socialists may join the Socialist Party in the following manner: The local sub-division of such organizations shall affiliate with the state organization of the party in the states in which they are respectively organized, and pay dues through such state organizations and transact the business of the party in the same manner as any local of the party in organized states.

"The locals of foreign speaking Socialists may form National Committees for the purpose of propaganda and organization among their countrymen, and may adopt constitutions and by-laws governing the duties of such committees, but such constitutions or by-laws shall not be in conflict with the constitution of the Socialist party and shall not impose additional dues upon the members of the foreign speaking organizations.

The National Committee of foreign speaking organizations may establish methods of communication between their organizations and the National office of the party through official translators and by other methods to be agreed upon between them and the National office. The National office shall contribute towards the expense of the work of organization and propaganda among the foreign speaking organizations either by cash contributions in such sums as may be warranted by the dues collected from the members of the respective organizations, or by furnishing special organizers or literature. The form and extent of such contributions shall be fixed by the National Executive Committee from time to time.

The National Executive Committee recommends that each of such National organizations of foreign speaking Socialists affiliated with the Socialist Party shall be entitled to two representatives in all meetings of the National Committee and in all National conventions of the party, with a voice but not a vote." Adopted.

Report of Comrade Bandlow upon the convention of the Jewish Socialist Agitation Bureau was received, and Comrade Max

Kauffman, secretary of the Bureau, was granted the floor upon the subject.

## MOTION.

"That a Yiddish organizer be placed in the field as soon as we place the others." Adopted.

Discussion was resumed on assigned subjects.

Request from Comrade H. Anielewski that a delegate be appointed to visit the Polish convention which is shortly to be held in this city. Upon motion Comrade Barnes was appointed.

At 4 p. m. by request Comrade Hillquit was excused for the balance of the session.

The National Secretary brought to the attention of the Committee the subject treated and the letters of Comrade Simons and the National Secretary as published in the September Bulletin.

## MOTION.

"That the incident be considered closed." Adopted.

The National Secretary reported upon the editorial assault by the American Federationist upon the financing of the Red Special, the action of the American Federation of Labor in Denver convention, and a letter addressed to the president of the American Federation of Labor at that time.

## MOTION.

"That a record be spread upon the minutes and the action of the Secretary be approved." Adopted.

## COPY OF LETTER SENT TO MEMBERS OF THE A. F. OF L. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

### Denver, Colo., Nov. 17, 1908.

Dear Sir and Brother:

Anent the editorials appearing in the American Federationist issues of September and November, relating to the sources of the income of the Socialist Party, particularly with reference to the financing of the Socialist Special Campaign Train, I take pleasure in inclosing a printed and itemized report of the contributions, beginning with the first contribution received on July 21, 1908, and ending with the 31st day of October, the latest date to which the report could be compiled and printed. This account is yet active—that is, contributions are still being received—and I shall take pleasure at the first opportunity, when it is feasible, to supply you with a financial report of the entire amount of contributions received for this purpose. The amount so far reported shows a total of \$37,894.94.

I would advise you that on August 15, the first report was printed in circular form, was widely distributed and has been accessible to any one upon application. You will please note further that the reports inclosed were periodically published—that is, at the close of the months of August, September and October.

Aside from this report of the Special Fund, I shall be pleased to send you the annual financial report of the Socialist Party covering all receipts and expenditures during the year 1908, as soon as the same is published. I would further advise you that these reports may be had on application, and I trust that you will do me the honor to advise, as opportunity affords, such as might be interested in securing copies.

## Very truly yours,

(Signed) J. MAHLON BARNES,  
National Secretary Socialist Party.  
Denver, Colo., Nov. 19, 1908.

To Samuel Gompers, President, and Convention of the A. F. of L.:

Dear Sirs and Brothers—Greeting:  
Being advised that a number of delegates to your convention desire an investigation as to the editorial utterance in the American Federationist (September issue), wherein relating to the Socialist Party's campaign funds, it is alleged that Parry Post and Van Cleave were all interested, and the direct question, "Where does your party get the money?" was submitted. I beg to advise you that all contributions and receipts of whatever nature for the National Socialist Campaign were received for at the National Office and properly recorded, and that all bills of expense were there paid and the records are intact. I therefore extend a courteous invitation to any committee you may see fit to elect or appoint, and I shall be pleased to open the books and accounts of the National Office of the Socialist Party for their thorough inspection. In fact, I take the liberty to urge upon you the appointment of a committee for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. MAHLON BARNES,  
National Secretary Socialist Party.

## RESOLUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR.

The president in his report says, "In editorial in our American Federationist I have discussed the great principles involved in the campaign," and under the caption "American Federationist" asks that "financial provisions should be made for the official magazine from the general fund of the Federation."

In connection with the publication of the official organ, the editorial utterances should be considered as to whether they make for unity and harmony in labor's ranks, and are fair representations of current events. In this connection attention is directed to editorials appearing in the September and November issues. The following is quoted from the September issue:

"We note the Socialists' Special train is to make a tour of the country, carrying Mr. Debs with all the luxurious accessories which modern transportation can accomplish. The train is said to cost \$23,000 for the campaign. Now, we would like to inquire who finances the Socialist campaign? It seems hardly probable that such luxurious style of transportation would be authorized by those voters of small means whose contributions are alleged to be the chief support of the Socialist campaign. Why not publish a list of your campaign contributions, Mr. Debs? It would be interesting to know who contributes the \$23,000 campaign train. There is a strong suspicion in the minds of many that the money has the same similarity of source as the abuse. In other words, that the interests behind Parry-Post-Van Cleave-Taft-Debs opposition to unions furnished the money for any branch of the campaign where it is expected to do the most harm to the unions and their friends. Come out into the open, Mr. Debs. Where does your party get the money? What is the real reason of your virulent hostility to the American Federation of Labor political campaign?"

The following from the November issue:

"Events are proving the truth of what we said early in the campaign about the Independent and Socialist parties being Taft Aid Societies."

This question as to the sources of the income of the Socialist Party has been officially raised in the official publication and should be officially investigated or answered.

Itemized financial statements of the receipts for the Socialist Special Train have been published periodically—that is, complete to dates mentioned—namely, August 15, August 31, September 22 and October 31. These reports

have been generally circulated and have been available at all times to any person upon application. The office of the American Federation of Labor has been supplied with each copy at the time of publication, and the members of the Executive Council have been provided with copies during the session of this convention.

The names of thousands of members of the American Federation of Labor and a number of affiliated unions appear in the aforementioned reports as contributors, and they principally, though all organized workers, must be interested in ascertaining the truth as to the allegations or inferences contained in the editorials quoted.

At the very threshold of a departure to a new policy by the American Federation of Labor, known as "the political policy," and which must have for its purpose the political unity of the working class, it is most necessary that correct information be available in the matter of finances connected with the conduct of political movements by the working class, or any division of it.

For the above reasons the following amendment is submitted to the committee's report:

"That a committee be elected by this convention to repair, at their convenience, but within sixty days from date, to the National Office of the Socialist Party at 180 Washington street, Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of verifying or correcting the editorial statements above referred to. The report of said committee to be published in the American Federationist, and further that the Executive Council of the American Federation cause to be published within ninety days a complete report of all receipts for campaign purposes, with names of contributors, together with a statement as to expenses, salary, etc., of persons working under the direction of the 'Labor Representative Committee' of the A. F. of L."

Submitted by A. Grout, E. J. Brails, J. G. Brown, C. E. Jeske, J. J. Handley, J. Mahlon Barnes, J. E. Snyder, Arthur Kahn, Christ Kerker, Max Hayes, E. T. Behrens, Louis Kemper, A. J. Kugler, Frank Koralek.

tary be indorsed in reference to the appointment of Comrade Freeman." Adopted.

#### MOTION.

"That the regular order of business be suspended and organization work be taken up." Adopted.

The National Secretary presented a list of organizers employed during the present year, numbering fifty-three, suggests that from this number those first employed should be taken and that probably six could be assigned work during the month of January or by the first of February, and the active force could be rapidly increased thereafter.

From J. D. Cannon, of Bisbee, Ariz., reference probable statehood and constitutional convention.

From C. E. Passover and others of Denver, Colo., requesting investigation of the conditions of the state organization.

From state organization of Kentucky requesting financial assistance under the provisions of the new constitution, Sep. 11, Art. 12.

#### MOTION.

"That the National office finds itself unable for the present to comply with the request of Kentucky." Adopted.

From Howard Lindsay of St. Louis regarding conditions of the state organization.

From Max Weiler, of Rainier Beach; Chas. T. Dover, of Port Angeles; H. O. Fuhrburg, of Seattle; W. B. Mathews, of Prosser; Kate B. Lewis, of Seattle; J. T. Oldham, of Seattle, and others of the State of Washington, referring to the condition of the state organization and the increase of the party dues to 40 cents per member per month.

#### MOTION.

"That owing to the nature of the controversy in Washington the National organization send no organizer or lecturer to that state for the present." Adopted.

From "Glas Slovode" asking for financial assistance.

From the Croatian Socialist, Political and Culture organization, reference sending Comrade Glumac on an agitation tour.

From Local Dallas, Texas, explaining the manner in which their charter was withdrawn.

#### MOTION.

"That the National Secretary be requested to write to the State Secretary of Texas and to Local Dallas asking for the facts in the case which involved the expulsion of the Local." Adopted.

At 1 p. m. Comrade Stokes was excused by the Committee.

From State Secretary Hackenberg of Wyoming, reference alleged fusion in Uinta county. The National Secretary reported that the state organization had the matter in hand.

From the State Committee of Indiana reference report cards.

From W. J. Bell of Texas, reference leaflets.

From A. O. Pope of Ronceverte, W. Va., reference leaflets and stickers.

From J. B. Gay of Columbus, Texas, reference best methods for reaching the farmers.

From Robert J. Victor, of Arlington, N. J., reference election laws and counting the vote.

From Bertha Wilkins Starkweather of Santa Maria, Cal.; requesting an opinion upon a proposed system of organization known as local autonomy.

#### MOTION.

"That considering the political character of our organization and the necessity of following in our agitation the geographical political divisions, the proposition submitted seems entirely impracticable, and furthermore, in our opinion is contrary to the spirit and purposes of the constitution." Adopted.

Communication from William English Walling and Robert Hunter relating to the conference of radicals recently held in St. Louis, and a call for a proposed national congress to revise the United States Constitution. The call in part reads as follows:

"While there appears to be divisions and even fundamental differences of opinion among the forces of radical reform, the slightest examination into all of their demands demonstrates absolutely that all such movements, which have been dignified by a large following of the American people, held in common many identical interests."

"What honest radical party of large following is hostile to any of the leading democratic social reforms? What radical opposes any of the following reforms?

"(1) The Initiative and Referendum. (2)

Proportional Representation. (3) The Right of Recall. (4) For the direct election of: The judges of the Supreme Court, The President, The United States Senators. (5) The prohibition of the newly extended and iniquitous use of the injunction; or, (1) The Graduated Income Tax. (2) The Graduated Inheritance Tax. (3) Taxation of ground rent. (4) The national ownership by a people's government —of the railroads and monopolized industries. (5) The issuing of money direct by the government without the intervention of national banks of a full legal tender for all debts, public and private.

"Not only are all reformers as one in advocating these measures, but they urge that political reform accompany economic reform. It is absolutely essential that the government pass into the hands of the people."

"A closer examination of these demands

shows that all radical reform movements not only hold most of their demands in common, but will inevitably be forced—before a single radical reform can be realized—to common action. Every social or democratic reform runs dead against the Constitution of the United States...."

"It is evident that not any one—but many changes are needed in our system of government. What we require to establish equity and democracy in this land is not verbal changes in our outgrown constitution, but a completely new spirit of true democracy in our government—a new constitution.... The outgrown constitution must be changed, but it must be changed in the open for the benefit and by the effort of all the people...."

"A popular constitutional assembly—this must be our war-cry.... It requires three-fourths of the states to change the constitution. A bare majority of the enfranchised citizens of thirteen states can prevent any change.... It is as easy to get a new constitution as to get an amendment to the existing one."

"Although we, as a nation, have grown in many directions, the constitution has stood still!

"Do you agree with those who are on every hand asserting that the Declaration of Independence is a lie?"

"If not, join us to make that declaration a living reality. Join us for the fight for a popular constitutional assembly."

#### MOTION.

"That the receipt of this petition be entered in the minutes and that the National Secretary be instructed to call the attention of the Locals to the same in the Bulletin." Adopted.

From W. W. Arland, of Corning, N. Y., upon the systematic distribution of literature and the publication of monthly pamphlets.

From the State Committee of New Jersey with protest against the action of the National Executive Committee in substituting cash for literature to those Congressional Districts selected by National Committee motion. The National Secretary reported having advised the Comrades that owing to the late date upon which the National Committee motion was adopted time was not allowed for negotiations as to suitable or preferred literature, and consequently the alternative was presented to the candidates, the vote of the National Executive Committee upon the subject being secured by wire. Otherwise the purposes of the National Committee motion would have entirely failed.

From Howard H. Caldwell submitting copy for leaflet.

Request from the International Bureau for detailed information upon a wide range of subjects. Referred to Comrade Hillquit, International Secretary.

The National Secretary called attention to the advisability of circulating information upon the naturalization laws.

#### MOTION.

"That the National Secretary prepare, or have prepared, a pamphlet explaining the naturalization laws and that the same be distributed to the foreign speaking branches, free of cost." Adopted.

From Locals Pittsfield, Mass., and Jacksonville, Fla., indorsing the suggestion of Comrade Debs for propaganda via a special car, and offering support for the same.

From Local Muscatine, Iowa, upon the advisability of instituting a sick benefit feature.

#### MOTION.

"That it be referred to Comrade Hillquit with instructions to investigate its practicability from a legal standpoint and report at our next meeting." Adopted.

Application for position as organizer by W. W. Beattie, Henry L. Drake and L. de Lara. The latter being a Spanish speaker.

#### MOTION.

"That the applications from organizers be placed on the list to be considered when opportunity affords." Adopted.

The subject of publishing a Red Special Souvenir Book, after discussion was laid on the table.

Request from the State Committee of Connecticut for financial assistance as per new constitution.

#### MOTION.

"That the National office finds itself unable for the present to comply with the request of Connecticut." Adopted.

#### MOTION.

"That we adjourn to meet Friday noon, January 22, 1909." Adopted.

Adjourned at 1:40 p. m.

Attest,

MABEL H. HUDSON,

Secretary.

## Report of Nominations

(Continued from Page One)

BLACKBUR, W. A. Amarillo, Tex.: Cuthbert, Tex.

BLOCK, CARRIE C. Lookeba, Okla.: Sapulpa, Okla.

BOOMER, GEORGE E. Prosser, Wash.—Centralia, Wash.; Rainier, Wash.; Sedro Woolley, Wash.; Mt. Vernon, Wash.; South Bend, Wash.; Devils Lake, N. D.

BLACK, HENRY A. McDermott, O.: McDermott, Ohio.

BOONE, DANIEL Murphysboro, Ill.: Marion, Ill.: Herrin, Ill.

BOHAN, WILLIAM Empire, Nev.: Empire, Nev.

BOHN, FRANK New York, N. Y.: Valejo, Cal.

BOHN, PROF. WILLIAM E. Ann Arbor, Mich.: McFridges, Mich.: Lake Linden, Mich.: Kalamazoo, Mich.: Ann Arbor, Mich.

BOARDMAN, H. L. Chicago Heights, Ill.: Glenview, Ill.

BOHMAN, JOHN V. Little Falls, Minn.: Little Falls, Minn.

BOYLAN, C. B. Shawnee, Okla.: Crown King, Ariz.

BOYNTON, W. S. Ashtabula, Ohio: Conneaut, Ohio.

BRUCE, SAMUEL Jefferson Line, Pa.: Helvetica, Pa.

BRAATTEN, T. T. Ada, Minn.: Bear Park, Minn.

BRANCH, B. F. Sparks, Nev.: Sparks, Nev.

BROWN, WILLIAM Sheridan, Wyo.: Laramie, Wyo.

VICTOR L. BERGER Milwaukee, Wis.: Warren, Wis.: Brooklyn, N. Y.: Columbus, Ind.: Leominster, Mass.: Little Rock, Ark.: O'Fallon, Ill.: Waukesha, Wis.: Concord, N. H.: Minden Mines, Mo.: St. Louis, Mo.: Chillicothe, Mo.: Billings, Mont.: Douglas, Kan.: Wellington, Kan.: Manchester, N. H.: Keene, N. H.: Ralston, Miss.: Clifftondale, Mass.: Pocahontas, Ark.: Jerome, Ariz.: Uniontown, Pa.: Skull Valley, Ariz.: Grand Saline, Tex.: Corpus Christi, Tex.: Lancaster, Pa.: San Antonio, Tex.: Marion, Ind.: Carthage, Mo.: Louisville, Ky.: Golden, Colo.: Milwaukee, Wis.: Columbus, Tex.: Milwaukee, Wis. (Finnish Branch): Two Rivers, Wis.: Columbus, Tex.: Milwaukee, Wis.: Jennings Station, Mo.: Waukegan, Ill.: Yonkers, N. Y.: Williams, Ariz.: Centaur, Wash.: Bevier, Mo.: Newport, Ky.: St. Joseph, Mo.: Santa Fe, Kan.: Ferguson, Mo.: Port Angeles, Wash.: Montague, Mass.: Battle Creek, Mich.: South Bend, Ind.: Glendale, Cal.: Liberal, Mo.: Milwaukee, Wis. (Jewish Branch): Milwaukee, Wis. (Branch 1): Portsmouth, O.: Milwaukee, Wis. (14th ward): Workman, Minn.: Webb City, Mo.: Lamar, Colo.: Peckskill, N. Y.: Hornell, N. Y.: Camp, N. M.: Greenview, Cal.: Superior, Wis.: Parkersburg, W. Va.: Locust Cottage, Ark. (mem. at large): North Platte, Neb.: Donnybrook, N. D.: Granite City, Ill.: Perth, Ill.: Abingdon, Ill.: Two Harbors, Minn.: Sheridan, Wyo.: Manitowoc, Wis.: Mossyrock, Wash.: Milwaukee, Wis.: Kenosha, Wis.: Detroit, Mich.: Milwaukee, Wis.: Milwaukee, Wis. (13th ward): Muscatine, Iowa: Grand Saline, Tex.: Oklahoma City, Okla. (mem. at large): Lancaster, Pa.: Swarts, Pa.: Fayetteville, Ark.: Overton, Tex.: Montague, Mass.: Brownwood, Tex.: Brooklyn, N. Y.: Noble, Okla.: R. F. D. No. 1: Fort Wayne, Ind.: Troy, N. Y.: St. Louis, Mo.: Covington, Ky.: Montauk, Ark.: Stratford, Okla.: Keene, N. H.: Etowah, Okla.: Pollock, Tex.: Muskogee, Okla.: Quinton, Tex.: E. F. D. No. 2: Comanche, Tex.: Sholar, Tex.: Girard, Kan.: Horatio, Ark.: Grand Saline, Tex.: Hempstead, N. Y.: Castle, Okla.: Grand Saline, Tex.: No. 3: Chicago, Ill. (— ward): Jackson, Tenn.: Geneva, N. Y.: Smedly, Ark.: Atlanta, Ga.: Huntington, Ark.: Syracuse, N. Y.: Grand Saline, Tex.: Yantis, Tex.: Lowell, Mass.: Resobad, Pa.: Oklahoma City, Okla.: Mount Vernon, N. Y.: Commerce, Tex.

CURRENT, CLARENCE McDermott, Ohio.: McDermott, Ohio.

CURRENT, PETER McDermott, Ohio—McDermott, Ohio.

CURRY, A. G. McDermott, Ohio: McDermott, O.

CULP, IRA D. Pekin, Md.: Akron, O.

DAHLGARD, LOUIS Chicago, Ill.: Chicago, Ill., B. & M. 2nd ward.

DAHLBORG, J. M. Atlantic, Iowa: Atlantic, Iowa.

DAILY, WILLIAM Huntingburg, Ind.: St. Croix, Ind.

DALE, H. G. Climax, Minn.: Climax, Minn.

DANCEY, REV. J. S. Danville, Ill.: Brownwood, Tex.

DANIELS, J. H. Fayettleville, W. Va.: Sanger, W. Va.

DANAHER, DAVID J. Lima, Ohio: Lima, Ohio.

DARRAH, H. C. Colorado Springs, Colo.: Nucla, Colo.

DAVIS, A. R. Geary, Okla.: Sulphur Springs, Tex.

DAVIS, "PAP," Oklahoma City, Okla.: Dacoma, Okla.

DEBS, EUGENE V. Terre Haute, Ind.: Little Rock, Ark.: Eureka, R. D. 2, Kan.: McCune, Kan.: Montana, Ark.: Uniontown, Pa.: Limestone, N. Y.: Gatewood, W. Va.: Billings, Mont.: Clifftondale, Mass.: San Antonio, Tex.: Latonia, Ky.: Horatio, Ark.: Glen Dale, Cal.: Peckskill, N. Y.: Camp, N. M.: Smeadley, Ark.: Donnybrook, N. D.: Sheridan, Wyo.: Santa Maria, Cal.: Superior, Wis.: Cornell, N. Y.: Auburn, N. Y.: Nash, R. H. 2, Tex.: Cotati, Cal.: Boston, Mass.: Penn Kan., N. Y.: Waco, Tex.: Tulare, Cal.: Davenport, Ark.: Pearl, Okla.: Grand Rapids, Mich.: Peoria, Ill.: New Britain, Conn.: Boston, Mass. (Lettish Branch): Stockton, Cal.: Chicago, Ill. (Jewish Branch): South Bend, Wash.: Rawhite, Nev.: Campbell, Mass.: Fargo, N. D.: Quincy, Ill.: Watertown, N. Y.: Waterloo, Ia.: Corning, Ohio: Port Cobb, Okla.: Royersford, Pa.: York, Pa.: Belding, Mich.: San Agelo, Tex.: Malden, Mass.: Maryville, Ohio: Leadville, Colo.: Chicago, Ill., 12th ward: Chicago, Ill., 15th ward: Alberene, Va.: Brockton, Mass.: Doyle, Okla.: Norway, Me.: DuBois, Pa.: Boston, Mass.: Hillsdale, Ore.: St. Joseph, Mo.: Alhambra, Cal.

DEBS, THEODORE Terre Haute, Ind.: Barberston, Ohio: Two Rivers, Wis.: Webster, Grove, Brantwood, Local, Mo.: Santa Fe, Kan.: Oklahoma City, Okla. (mem. at large): South Omaha, Neb.: Buena Vista, Colo.: Cedar City, Utah: Hobart, Okla.: Granite, Okla.: Pueblo, Colo.

DEVINE, THOMAS O. Toledo, Ohio: Norwalk, O.: Postorius, O.: Bucyrus, O.

DEVORE, GEORGE Grafton, Ill.: Grafton, Ill.

DICKSON, MABEL Empire, Nev.: Empire, Nev.

DICKSON, H. Empire, Nev.: Empire, Nev.

DISNEY, ELIAS Marceline, Mo.: Marceline, Mo.

DORRIS, CHARLES Louisville, Ky.: Pittsburgh, R. 2, Kan.: Louisville, Ky.

DOME, C. H. Enid, Okla.: Enid, Okla.

DONNELLY, J. L. Selida, Colo.: Selida, Colo.

DOUGLAS, TOMIE Jenny Lind, Ark.: Fort Smith, Ark.

DUELL, GEORGE Alline, Okla.: Dacoma, Okla.

DUNCAN, L. E. Butte, Mont.: Ovando, Mont.

DWYER, T. E. Kenosha, Wis.: Limestone, N. Y.

ECKHART, HENRY Marionville, Mo.: Stratford, Okla.

EDWARDS, J. H. Gibtown, Tex.: Aubrey, Tex.

EDWARDS, L. S. Cal



STONE, E. H., Old Orchard, Me.: Old Orchard, Me.  
STORCK, ANNA C., Lorain, O.: Norwalk, O.  
SPOUSE, J. J., Saginaw, Mich.: Kalamazoo, Mich.  
STROVER, CARL, Chicago, Ill.: Chicago, Ill., 3rd ward.  
STRICKLAND, FREDERICK G., Anderson, Ind.: Kokomo, Ind.; Wellington, Kan.: Fort Wayne, Ind.; Kalamazoo, Mich.; St. Louis, Mo.; Grand Saline, Tex.; Eustis, Fla.; Loveland, Ohio; New Albany, Ind.; Elyria, O.; Chicago, Ill., 24th ward; Chicago, Ill., 5th ward; Chicago, Ill., 28th ward; Kennett, Cal.; Harvey, Ill.  
STEDMAN, SEYMOUR, Chicago, Ill.: Liberal, Mo.; Two Rivers, Wis.; Milwaukee, Wis., 14th ward; Milwaukee, Wis.; Loveland, O.; Milwaukee, Wis., 19th ward; Milwaukee, Wis., 5th ward; Chicago, Ill., Jewish Branch; Chicago, Ill.; Waukegan, Ill.; Corning, O.; Robbinsdale, Minn.; Covington, Ky.; Marion, Ill.; Connellsburg, Pa.; Bloomington, Ill.; Milwaukee, Wis., 11th ward; Neffs, O.; Milwaukee, Wis., Branch 9; Chicago, Ill., Woman's Branch; Chicago, Ill., 18th ward; DuBois, Pa.; Milwaukee, Wis., Branch 21; Milwaukee, Wis., Branch 12; Harvey, Ill.

STREBEL, GUS, Syracuse, N. Y.: Limestone, N. Y.; Auburn, N. Y.; Hornell, N. Y.; Penn Yan, N. Y.; Albany, N. Y.; Watertown, N. Y.; Utica, N. Y.; Geneva, N. Y.  
STOKES, ROSE PASTOR, New York, N. Y.: Lust Cottage, Ark.; Hudson, O.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Ithaca, N. Y.; Malden, Mass.; Geneva, N. Y.; Tampa, Fla.

STOKES, J. G., PHILIPS, New York, N. Y.: Little Rock, Ark.; Greenview, Cal.; Minden Mines, Mo.; North Platte, Neb.; Chillicothe, Mo.; Parkersburg, W. Va.; Railton, Miss.; Richmond, Ind.; Pocahontas, Ark.; Worcester, Mass.; Tulare, Cal.; Columbus, Tex.; Toledo, O.; Laton, Cal.; Limehouse, N. Y.; Chula Vista, Cal.; Billings, Mont.; Dover, N. H.; Martins Ferry, O.; Patchogue, N. Y.; Jerome, Ariz.; Emmetsburg, Ia.; Skull Valley, Ariz.; Highspire, Pa.; Corpus Christi, Tex.; New Britain, Conn.; Golden, Colo.; Milwaukee, Wis., 15th ward; Port Angeles, Wash.; Beaumont, Tex.; Perth, Ind.; New Albany, Ind.; Detroit, Mich.; Fargo, N. D.; Washington, D. C.; Turtle River, Minn.; Albany, Ore.; Santa Maria, Cal.; Gloverville, N. Y.; Moundsville, W. Va.; Pritchburg, Mass.; Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Lebanon, Pa.; Workman, Minn.; York, Pa.; Lamar, Colo.; Noble, Okla.; R. F. D. 1; Hornell, N. Y.; Elyria, O.; Ada, Minn.; Salida, Colo.; Mannington, W. Va.; Harrisonville, W. Va.; Bear Park, Minn.; Littleton, N. H.; Etonah, Okla.; Rome, N. Y.; Waukesha, Okla.; Scott, Okla.; Bronson, Kan.; Tamarack, Minn.; Delaware Co., Local, Pa.; Brocket, N. D.; Ansonia, Conn.; Baltimore, Md.; Ironton, O.; Escondido, Cal.; Florence, Neb.; Sunnyside, Wash.; Norway, Me.; Warren, O.; Cresco, Ia.; Chicago, Ill.; Karl Marx Club; Marietta, S. D.; North Bend, Ore.; Milwaukee, Wis., Branch 22; Hatton, N. D.

SULLIVAN, JAS., Empire, Nev.: Sparks, Nev.; SWANSON, CHAR. W., Superior, Wis.: Superior, Wis.; Superior, Wis., No. 2.

TATE, A. E., Hornbeak, Tenn.: Hornbeak, Tenn.

TAPE, CHARLES, Mt. Carmel, Pa.: Locust Gap, Pa.

TAFT, M. H., Chicago, Ill.: Hawthorne, Ill.

THOMAS, E. H., Milwaukee, Wis.: Milwaukee, Wis.; Jewish Branch; Perry, N. D.; Marietta, S. D.

THOMPSON, J. C., Terrell, Tex.: Sholar, Tex.

THOMPSON, MAUDE, Detroit, Mich.: Grand Rapids, Mich.; Ann Arbor, Mich.; Belding, Mich.

TILFORD, W. H., Zella, Kan.: Wooddale, Kan.

TIBBETS, E. H., Seattle, Wash.: Mt. Vernon, Wash.

TIBBETS, E. S., Rockford, Ill.: Rockford, Ill.

TITUS, Herman, Seattle, Wash.; Columbus, Tex.

Sheridan, Wyo.; The Dales, Ore.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Rosebud, Pa.; Bixby, Miss.; Bucyrus, O., Neffs, O.

TILLEY, JOHN, O'Fallon, Ill.: Beckmeyer, Ill.

TODD, ARTHUR, Empire, Nev.: Empire, Nev.

TRACY, WILLIAM E., Laurium, Mich.; Crown King, Ariz.; Terry, S. D.

TRILLER, CARRIE JOHNSON, Chicago, Ill.: Chicago, Ill., 26th ward.

TURNER, RALPH, Tacoma, Wash.: Tacoma, Wash.

TUCK, H. C., Oakland, Cal.: Seal Garden, Cal.

Penn Yan, N. Y.; Petaluma, Cal.: Seal Garden, Cal.

TWINING, LUCELLA, Chicago, Ill.: Webb City, Mo.; Pearl, Okla.

THOMPSON, CARL D., Milwaukee, Wis.: Columbus, Ind.; Ashville, N. C.; Waukesha, Wis.; Maiden Mines, Mo.; Chillicothe, Mo.; Eureka, R. F. D. Kan.; Sistersville, W. Va.; Douglas, Kan.; Railton, Miss.; Pocahontas, Ark.; Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; Concord, N. H.; St. Louis, Mo.; Billings, Mont.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Finnian Branch; Nelson, Mo.; Skull Valley, Ariz.; Golden, Colo.; Milwaukee, Wis., 14th ward; Rockford, Ill.; Kansas City, Mo.; Newport, Ky.; Bovine, Mich.; Milwaukee, Wis., 17th ward; Perth, Ind.; Manitowoc, Wis.; Milwaukee, Wis., 12th ward; Continental, O.; Fairmount, Minn.; Akron, O.; Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Portland, O.; Old Orchard, Me.; Workman, Minn.; Lamar, Colo.; Greenbrier, Cal.; Ustic, Fla.; North Platte, Neb.; Abingdon, Ill.; Kenosha, Ill.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Milwaukee, Wis., 2d, 4th and 7th Branches; Cumberland, Md.; Elmhurst, Cal.; Waithens, Kan.; Zanesville, O.; Cass Lake, Cal.; Chula Vista, Cal.; Emmettsburg, Iowa; Highspire, Pa.; Elmira, N. Y.; Abilene, Kan.; Milwaukee, Wis., 15th ward; Beaumont, Tex.; New Albany, Ind.; Rawlins, Nev.; Council Bluffs, Iowa; Albany, Ore.; Littleton, N. H.; Lebanon, Pa.; Thayer, Ill.; South Omaha, Neb.; Buena Vista, Colo.; Ada, Minn.; Robbinsdale, Minn.; Chicago, Ill.; Caldwell, Kan.; Chicago, Ill., 12th ward; Chicago, Ill., 24th ward; Chicago, Ill., 25th ward; Thayer, Ill.; Chicago, Ill., 15th ward; Etonah, Okla.; Rome, N. Y.; Chicago, Ill., 21st ward; Dubuque, Ia.; Cedar City, Utah; Esmont, Ia.; Cedar City, Utah; Leadville, Colo.; Fremont, N. M.; Tampa, Fla.; Alberene, Va.; Milwaukee, Wis., 22d Branch; Ansonia, Conn.; Milwaukee, Wis., 23d Branch; Chicago, Ill., 20th ward; Chicago, Ill., 22d Branch; Boston, Mass.; Escondido, Ia.; Marysville, O.; Etonah, Okla.; Climax, Minn.; Maiden, Ia.; Hawthrone, Ill.; Locust Gap, Pa.; Hawthrone, Okla.; Cedar City, Utah; Leadville, Colo.; Hobart, Okla.; Des Moines, Ia.; Bloomington, Ill.; Hobart, Okla.; Des Moines, Ia.; Springer, N. M.; San Angelo, Tex.; Milwaukee, Wis., Branch 9; Wewaka, Okla.; Chicago, Ill., 23rd ward; Branch; Chicago, Ill., 24th Branch; Edmond, Okla.; Scott, Okla.; Pueblo, Colo.; Rosedale, Kan.; Enid, Okla.; Baltimore, Md.; Monroe, Colo.; Iron, Ia.; Syracuse, N. Y.; Bronson, Kan.; Camino, Cal.; Tamarack, Minn.; Chicago, Ill., 18th ward; Deleville Co., Local, Pa.; Granite, Okla.; Commerce, Tex.; Atlanta, Ga.; Cleveland, O.; Sunnyside, Wash.; Muskogee, Okla.; Cottage Grove, Ore.; Beckmeyer, Ia.; Geneva, N. Y.; Malden, Mass.; Shippensburg, Pa.; Chico, Cal.; Brookton, Mass.; Hillsdale, Ore.; Augusta, Ga.; Troy, N. Y.; Brocket, N. D.; Spruce Grove, Ia.; Marysville, O.; Etonah, Okla.; Locust Gap, Ia.; Cedar City, Utah; Leadville, Colo.; Fremont, N. 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# Report of Action by National Committee on Motions Nos. 31, 32, 33, 34.—Motions Nos. 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 Submitted Election of Member of Woman's National Committee.

National Headquarters,  
Socialist Party,  
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 1, 1908.  
TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Comrades—Herewith is submitted National Committee Referendum No. 19, Motion No. 32, by Robert V. Hunter, National Committee Member of Maine, and Motion No. 34, by Algernon Lee, National Committee Member of New York.

## Motion No. 32.

"I move that March 14 be designated as a permanent Karl Marx memorial day and that all locals of the Socialist party be requested each year by the National Secretary to hold memorial meetings upon March 14."

## COMMENT.

"Nations have their holidays, churches their holy days, but the proletarians have not much but memorial days to mark the epochs that make for history in the work day world."

"So let us rally on this day and commemorate the life of Karl Marx, tell the story of his life and struggles to our comrades and children, so that they may take courage by his example to try and teach the great truths that he proclaimed to all mankind."

## COMMENT BY JOHN M. WORK, NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBER OF IOWA.

"With due regard for Comrade Hunter's good intentions, I am opposed to having saints in the Socialist movement. I am an admirer of Marx, but I reserve the right to disagree with him and to improve upon him if I can. Marx himself tried to stop all such moves as this when he said, 'I am no Marxist.' Besides, the plan would fail anyhow, for the Socialists are not hero worshipers and they will not stand for it. Isolated memorial services are all right, but to make it a regular thing every year is all wrong."

## MOTION.

MOTION NO. 34.  
"That the sum of \$1,000 be at once appropriated from the funds now in the National Treasury of the party for the purchase of subscription cards of the New York Evening Call, such cards afterward to be sold from the National Office or by the National Organizers in the field, thus reimbursing the party."

## COMMENT.

"The proposition hardly needs much comment. The action proposed is exactly similar to that taken a year or two ago for the benefit of the Chicago Daily Socialist. I believe we are glad that our Chicago daily was thus assisted through a critical period and enabled to live and do valuable service to the cause. The New York daily is now at a like critical moment in its history. Every month, every week that is gained increases its chances to live and eventually to get upon a sound basis where it will no longer have to ask for aid, but will be a source of financial as well as moral strength to the party. In view of the triumph of the Republican party and the indications already given of the reactionary policy to be pursued by the governing powers, it is obviously of the highest importance to the Socialist movement and to the working class that our daily press be maintained."

"This thousand dollars will be a very appreciable contribution toward maintaining it. I hope that the motion will be adopted by a unanimous vote."

## COMMENT BY THE NATIONAL SECRETARY.

"The opportunity to submit comments, even when personally concerned, has almost invariably been passed up by the National Secretary, but here is a motion in which every party member is vitally interested. The common funds of the organization are to be partitioned upon the favorable and majority vote of the members of the National Committee.

"About two years ago the Chicago Daily Socialist was favored in the same manner by an identical motion. It is only just and right that the two daily papers printed in the English language should be placed upon an equal footing; that the same measure of assistance should be granted by the national organization to the New York Evening Call as was extended to the Chicago Daily Socialist.

"However, this accomplished, it must appear, from the very nature of our organization, and a consideration of the ordinary sources of party income, that such a policy is most dangerous and can not be continued.

"The appropriation, if made at this time, is only practicable by reason of the surplus shown in financing the Socialist campaign train.

"In this connection the National Committee should be informed of the means employed to finance the project and the attitude of those party divisions most closely connected with the management of the paper seeking assistance, or at least located in the immediate vicinity of the office of publication.

"A general call was issued for direct contributions and pledges. Fully 96 per cent of all monies pledged was paid on time. The New York State Committee in July pledged \$250, but did not pay it, though requested to do so under date of September 17, the time when the money was borrowed to insure the eastern trip.

"The National Executive Committee, realizing the necessity of a large sum, provided terms for evening meetings as follows: A flat rate of \$50 and half the net proceeds of the meeting. Most of the locals signed such contracts and lived up to them, sending in a complete financial report with the final settlement, and in addition a number of locals permitted a collection to be taken at the meeting for the exclusive purpose of financing the train. Several locals contributed in the aggregate more than \$500.

Local New York paid \$200, did not sign a contract or submit a statement, although the route, at considerable expense, was changed to favor them. Local Brooklyn took the same course and paid \$100. These organizations are among the few that did not fulfill the contract or raise a special collection, and their meetings were among the most successful held and no doubt financially so.

"The proper settlement of these accounts, as in justice they should be settled, would to a considerable extent reimburse the National organization fund for the appropriation of one thousand dollars, if made by the adoption of the above motion."

Vote will close December 22d.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15, 1908.  
TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Comrades—Herewith is submitted National Committee Referendum No. 20, Motion No. 35, by Carl D. Thompson, National Committee member of Wisconsin.

## MOTION NO. 35.

"That the sum of \$1,000 be at once appropriated from the funds now in the treasury of the National party for the purchase of subscription cards of the Social Democratic Herald. Such cards afterwards to be sold from the National Office or by the National lecturers and organizers in the field, thus reimbursing the party."

## COMMENT.

"The action proposed by this motion is exact-

ly similar to that taken a year or two ago for the benefit of the Chicago Daily Socialist, and exactly similar to the action contemplated by the motion by Algernon Lee, National Committee member for New York, now pending, for the benefit of the New York Evening Call.

"I share with the other comrades an appreciation of the work that the Chicago Daily has done, and the work that the New York Call expects to do. And in this I believe I represent the feeling of the comrades in Milwaukee and Wisconsin. We have done our share in helping along the work of these various enterprises of the National movement. Meanwhile there is one phase of the movement and one part of its burden which we have been bearing in Wisconsin that is a special service. The constructive legislative work in the city council of a great city like Milwaukee and in the state legislature of Wisconsin has brought us a great responsibility and increased financial burden. And this work of pioneering for the Socialist movement of America has had its hardships and its trying financial difficulties. What we have accomplished in this line has been to the gain of the American movement. The Social Democratic Herald is and has been our official organ. It is the only paper in the American movement that goes forth from a state organization that is doing the constructive legislative work. We have maintained it for years at enormous sacrifice and are still carrying the burden of a heavy deficit. And while we agree with the other comrades in the necessity of the establishing and supporting of a daily press, and are sharing in the enormous sacrifice which this requires, we feel that the work which Wisconsin movement is doing is also in its way vital.

"If the Chicago Daily and the New York Call ought to be supported, we feel that it is equally important that the Social Democratic Herald must be helped. And in a way it is even more important in view of the fact that it represents the only state organization that so far had a chance to do constructive legislative work. We want to go forward with this work and we feel that its importance justified some assistants from the National organization just as truly as does the work of the daily press.

"If the National organization which we are called upon to support just as heavily as any of the others is to assist the Chicago and New York press, then let us be fair to all and help also in other equally important work which the Social Democratic Herald and the Wisconsin movement is doing in the line of constructive legislation. Either let us help the New York Call and the Social Democratic Herald as we have helped the Chicago daily, or else help none. Let us be fair to all."

Vote will close January 5, 1909.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15, 1908.  
TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Comrades—Herewith is submitted the report of National Committee Referendum No. 18, Motion No. 31, by John M. Work, National Committee member of Iowa, and Motion No. 32, by B. Berlyn, National Committee member of Illinois:

## MOTION NO. 31.

"I move that Rule 18 of the National Committee Rules be stricken out and the following substituted therefor:

"All elections of officers, delegates, committees, etc., shall be by preferential ballot. Each National committeeman may nominate as many candidates as there are position to be filled. The names of candidates shall be placed on the ballot in alphabetical order. Each National committeeman voting shall write the figure '1' opposite the name of his first choice, the figure '2' opposite the name of his second choice, the figure '3' opposite the name of his third choice, and so on, indicating his relative preference for each and every candidate on the ballot. If he fails to vote on all candidates his ballot shall not be counted. The candidates receiving the lowest sum total of numbers opposite their names shall be elected. In case of a tie the same shall be decided by lot between the candidates, under direction of the National Secretary."

## VOTING YES.

Alabama ..... Baldwin  
Arkansas ..... LeFevre  
Arkansas ..... Hogan  
California ..... Richardson  
Florida ..... Pettigrew  
Idaho ..... Rigg  
Illinois ..... Collins  
Illinois ..... Stedman  
Illinois ..... Simons  
Indiana ..... Reynolds  
Iowa ..... Work  
Iowa ..... Shank  
Kansas ..... Willits  
Kansas ..... McAllister  
Kentucky ..... Dobbs  
Louisiana ..... Van Brook  
Maine ..... Hunter  
Maryland ..... Culp  
Massachusetts ..... Hitchcock  
Michigan ..... King  
Minnesota ..... Williams  
Montana ..... McHugh  
Montana ..... Selby  
New Jersey ..... Walker  
New Mexico ..... Wright  
New York ..... Lee  
North Dakota ..... Lampman  
Ohio ..... Clifford  
Ohio ..... Prevey  
Ohio ..... Caldwell  
Oklahoma ..... O'Hare  
Oregon ..... Axelson  
Pennsylvania ..... Barzee  
Pennsylvania ..... Moore  
Tennessee ..... Tennessee  
Texas ..... Meitzen  
Utah ..... Sypheas  
Washington ..... Herman  
West Virginia ..... Jansen  
Wisconsin ..... Gillespie  
Wisconsin ..... Berger  
Wyoming ..... Thompson  
Total, 12

## NOT VOTING.

California ..... Cole  
Colorado ..... Buile  
Colorado ..... Miller  
Illinois ..... Simons  
Massachusetts ..... Carey  
Massachusetts ..... Hitchcock  
Minnesota ..... Maattala  
Missouri ..... Behrens  
New York ..... Fieldman  
Oklahoma ..... O'Hare  
Pennsylvania ..... Schwartz  
Texas ..... Payne  
Vermont ..... Dunbar  
Total, 13

## COMMENT.

FLORIDA (PETTIGREW): "I vote yes on motion 31 because it will be an improvement on our present plan, but I do not favor deciding a tie by lot. It would be more democratic to resubmit a tie to the voters."

MARYLAND (CULP): "I vote yes on condition that it is the intention of the motion, which does not appear, that the person receiving the lowest sum total of numbers opposite their names shall have a majority or plurality of votes. This point may be covered by another rule."

"I have never seen the rules of the National Committee, though I have different times read in case my vote might be used for a different purpose."

OREGON (BARZEE): "This is progressive and I vote yes. It is barely possible that if the similarly proposed preferential ballot accompanying the amendment to the constitution regarding the election of N. E. C. and N. Sec. Secretary carries, it will result in the throwing out of whole locals because of errors and blunders which may happen in the locals. We cannot, however, refuse to progress because some blunder; if we do we had as well quit and continue in slavery by going back to the dark ages and coming up again over the same old ground. Let's be progressive."

WISCONSIN (BERGER): "The method is too cumbersome."

Motion is therefore adopted.

## MOTION NO. 32.

"I move that the sum of \$200 be placed at the disposal of the Italian party organ for the maintenance of the paper and propaganda among the Italians."

## VOTING YES.

Arkansas	Hogan
Florida	Pettigrew
Idaho	Rigg
Indiana	Reynolds
Louisiana	Van Brook
Maryland	Culp
Michigan	Stirton
New Jersey	Walker
New York	Lee
Ohio	Prevey
Rhode Island	Bondraian
South Dakota	Knowles
Wisconsin	Heath
Illinois	Berlyn
Total, 14	

## VOTING NO.

Alabama	Baldwin
Arizona	Gallentine
Arkansas	LeFevre
California	Richardson
Connecticut	McDevitt
Illinois	Levy
Illinois	Stedman
Illinois	Collins
Illinois	Shank
Kansas	Willits
Kansas	McAllister
Kentucky	Dobbs
Maine	Axelson
Michigan	Hunter
Minnesota	King
Missouri	Williams
Montana	Schenkel
New Hampshire	McHugh
New Jersey	Selby
New Mexico	Murray
New York	Kearns
North Dakota	Wright
Ohio	Spargo
Oklahoma	Wanhoppe
Oregon	Lampman
Pennsylvania	Clifford
Tennessee	Caldwell
Texas	Hagel
Utah	Ross
Washington	Axelson
West Virginia	Barzee
Wisconsin	Maatre
Wyoming	Moore
Total, 14	

## NOT VOTING.

Alabama	Cole
Colorado	Buile
Colorado	Miller
Illinois	Simons
Massachusetts	Carey
Massachusetts	Hitchcock
Minnesota	Maattala
Missouri	Behrens
New York	Fieldman
Oklahoma	O'Hare
Pennsylvania	Schwartz
Texas	Payne
Vermont	Dunbar
Total, 13	

## COMMENT.

ALABAMA (BALDWIN): "I vote no on this motion, not because I would oppose assisting the Italians as a class, but that under existing conditions would establish a precedent that might prove a detriment to the party. Yet I think they should receive the same aid and assistance from the National Committee granted other sections of the party."

FLORIDA (PETTIGREW): "I vote yes on motion number 32 because I know some facts about the situation. Comrade Berlyn evidently knew the conditions affecting the Italian comrades, while Comrade Spargo's comment shows that he only 'thinks.' It is not as bad to establish a precedent of this sort as it would be to suffer a loss and setback on work already done. The small sum asked shows no extravagance. Many comrades know that a little help in a crisis does great good."

ILLINOIS (COLLINS): "I vote no on motion No. 32. In doing so will explain why. When the same kind of a motion came before the National Committee for the Chicago Daily Socialist I voted no, with all the respect I have for that paper, because at that time I knew that if one paper got the required assistance it would only be a question of time before there would come more calls to the National Office from other papers. It is a pretty sure thing that it won't be long until that happens. Watch and see if that is not so. I want to see as many papers as possible doing work for Socialism, but it seems to me that their originators should be better acquainted with how to finance them."

"Therefore I don't approve of the National Office being used to support any paper outside of its own."

MAINE (HUNTER): "I vote no on motion No. 32 because in the first place it does not provide a means of reimbursing the party funds, and secondly, because it does not provide a way of reaching that large body who will be the citizens of the future—the children of our foreign speaking comrades. We may talk Socialism with little effect on the parents for years, and they may become local members, but hardly voters. I have known such men to live in this country twenty years without taking out nationalization papers until urged to do so by sons who had become ward heelers. If this motion had left a way for the party through the National Secretary to use a column or two each week for a certain time to explain the principles of Socialism and the program of the Socialist party to Italian youths, such section to be printed in English, then it would be money well invested."

MARYLAND (CULP): "I vote yes on this motion, because I consider the question to be away and beyond anything touched upon by Comrade Spargo. Let each case stand on its own merits. Who cares for precedent except the courts, when it is a case of absolute neces-

sity, as this seems to be. To refuse to grant the money would be a real bad precedent."

"I think the money should be given because we can't afford to have that paper stop; there are not so many Italian Socialist papers in this country, and because Italian laborers as a rule are among the poorer paid laborers and the principles of the class movement need to be well disseminated among them as a service to American labor, by making the Italian laborers less likely to serve the capitalist class in their labor crushing schemes."

OKLAHOMA (O'HARE): "If the national fund contains \$200 I would be in favor of using it to assist the state secretaries in the states that have made such magnificent showings, while at the same time paying their burdens of the national taxes. I refer to such organizations as Arkansas, where such efficient work has been done by Snow and the state comrades. Better use the surplus to build state organizations and let the newspapers stand on their own merits a while longer. After the splendid campaign, many state secretaries are disheartened and appalled by the deficit in their salaries. The work has been done, but the money which should pay them has been diverted to a great impersonal fund in the form of a high per capita tax, which is distributed by those who have not raised it, hence not always in the most equitable way. My policy would be to use any surplus funds largely to build the state organizations, through assisting the respective states with their own money."

OREGON (BARZEE): "While realizing the necessity of supporting the Italian party organ as a special propaganda matter among a people who are not sufficiently strong to maintain their own national propaganda, we must also consider the general and entire interest of the whole party."

"It is hazardous to start Socialist papers any where and at any time. Experience proves that too many have been undertaken and party stability as well as private finances have sustained loss."

"A precedent thus established would if continued bankrupt our finances and do great harm. I believe that the plan of a leaflet propaganda should measure the extent of the action of the National party until each special feature of the cause evolves its own strength."

"Business principles govern my vote, which is no."

TEXAS (MEITZEN): "With reluctance I vote no on this motion. But it seems to me dangerous to open way of this kind. Spending this much for literature and speakers would help more toward making the paper permanent, while a subsidy might cause a relaxation in the work really needed."

WISCONSIN (HEATH): "As a general proposition I would be opposed to using the National party funds for helping individual party papers. But as this procedure has been already put in operation, it seems to me that this case is as worthy as any of the others. The practice having been begun, we have no right to discriminate as between popular and unpopular applicants."

things when they appear in public business we do not hesitate to describe such extravagances as "graft," and it occurs to me that we ought to regard the business of caring for the Socialist party's affairs in the same spirit that we would care for the affairs of any city which we might be called upon to govern. It is my candid opinion that the honest and open course of proposing to pay our brave comrade an annual pension of from eight hundred to a thousand dollars (the amount of extravagance involved in Comrade Lee's motion) would be a far more satisfactory method of procedure. I am very sorry to have to do it, but I must protest against the adoption of these motions.

**COMMENT BY COMRADE WORK, NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBER OF IOWA.**

"Most of the subjects are covered in works already available. It would be a great waste of money. Sympathy for Comrade Hanford is the only inducement to vote for this motion. He himself rightly says that one should not be guided by such a motive in voting away the party's money, but should consider it and vote for it solely upon its merits. Obscure comrades with families are also sick. They are entitled to the same consideration as one whose name is a household word."

**MOTION NO. 37.**

"That the National Secretary be instructed to employ a duly qualified person whose duties shall be the development of uniform system of records, accounting and reports in the offices of state secretaries, such person to adapt the best features of existing systems and by correspondence and personal visits seek to increase the efficiency of backward as well as better organized states."

**COMMENT.**

"I think the motion explains itself, but it may be added that nothing is quite so important at this time as the cultivation and application of approved methods of doing business. Few of the men in charge at the various state headquarters are trained in the use of card systems, letter files, bookkeeping, etc., and in most places the methods now employed are crude and inefficient. A competent person on duty at the National Headquarters should be able in the course of a year to secure such improvements in the several state offices as would increase their efficiency manifold and redound to the lasting benefit of the movement."

**COMMENT AND AMENDMENT BY COMRADE WORK, NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBER OF IOWA.**

"I move to amend the Debs motion by substituting the following for the same:

**MOTION NO. 38.**

"That the National Secretary be instructed to endeavor to develop a uniform system of records, accounting and reports in the offices of the state secretaries adapting the best features of existing systems, and, by correspondence and personal visits, if necessary, seek to increase the efficiency of backward as well as better organized states."

**COMMENT.**

"I think this is better because it does not create a new and permanent position. The National Secretary may have to hire an extra person temporarily. On the other hand, he may merely have to consult with experts. In any event, I think the carrying out of the plan must in the nature of things lie with him and his regular assistants, because they are in constant touch with the state offices."

**MOTION NO. 39.**

"I move that the National Secretary, in conjunction with the National Executive Committee, be and is hereby instructed to formulate and issue printed rules, instructions and suggestions governing National organizers and lecturers, subject to amendments and final approval by the National Committee, to be completed before May 1, 1908."

**COMMENT.**

"The method in which organizing and lecturing has so far been carried on needs to be improved considerably. I have been waiting a long time for some one with more popularity than I can command to take the initiative steps toward bringing about the improvement necessary, but so far nothing definite has been done. And now, before my term as National committeeman expires, I feel in duty bound to introduce this question for your serious and deliberate consideration. In so doing and in order to avoid repetitions, I ask you to pay careful attention to those portions of my memorandum to the National Secretary and National Committee of October 7, this year, which are applicable in this matter. When writing that memorandum I did not know that there was a precedent in regard to stopping (practically so) all organization and lecture work on election eve. I do not dispute the taking of rest and recreation for our National organizers and lecturers, but I shall certainly protest and do hereby protest against a prolonged and indefinite shelving of those workers, especially those who have proven to be energetic and effective, and no one else should be employed if it is possible to prevent it. As for precedent, I have neither use nor respect for it; if we find anything we have done to be beneficial and proper for advancement of our cause, then let us keep it up, and for that reason only and not on account of a precedent."

"There is one thing in particular that we should guard against, namely, a coarse, repulsive language, full of swear words, not only on the platform, but in private conversation also. The aim of Socialism is, as I understand it, not only to give every man and woman an equal opportunity to earn a living, to get to hold and to enjoy everything earned, to pursue and attain all blessings and happiness acquirable, but also to cultivate a desire and taste for arts, science, good habits, manners, etc. Under the head of science comes grammar, i.e., the proper use of language. Now it is surely a bad habit, if nothing worse, when an organizer or lecturer, either does not want to, or is incapable of expounding Socialism without the use of rough, vulgar and unpropitious expressions. To illustrate: A lecturer delivers a more or less able oration on Socialism; in doing so he commands everything opposed to Socialism to go to hell. This is repeated over and over again. Now that would not be so bad if he himself believed in a hell, and all who put obstructions in the way of Socialism would obey the command given by the lecturer, but in most cases the lecturer don't believe in an old style hell, and many in the audience are like him in this respect. Anyone who is not altogether empty headed will, on a moment's reflection, see that this and similar expressions are worse than silly. On the other hand, that kind of language is not a drawing card for those who believe in an ever-burning hell, and so the effects are only bad, and the sooner we are able to weed it out the better. Moreover, expressions of this sort have their origin in the bourgeois society, are practiced by capitalists and their lackeys, and for that reason Socialists ought to be slow to use it. These expressions are not to be found in the writings of Karl Marx or any other Socialist author of note, but still we seem to understand them, and sooner or later these bad and vulgar expressions have got to be eliminated from the Socialist's vocabulary. Let us be firm as a mountain, without being as rough. Let us be a little bit polite, as well as courageous. That part of the program doesn't cost money and can be carried out now as well as later on."

"Organization on sound and solid principles, a party organization that is fully competent, not only to take care of all who voluntarily seek admittance to our ranks, but also to reach

out for new fields clearly, forcefully and especially presenting our principles, is needed today more than ever before, an organization built from the bottom up, built on solid bed rock class conscious, uncompromising truths and facts. Such a foundation will then be, as it is even now, the bulwark around which we will line up, and from which we will successfully make our attacks. With it we can do almost anything, and without it we are helpless. We have a good start; let us perfect it more and more as time rolls on. Let us guard well against old style, unscrupulous politicians without, as well as against middleheads and traitors within our ranks."

"I shall not tire you any more this time, only this—take time to consider this motion in a cool, candid and deliberate way, without prejudice and bias, and act, and I have no fear for the outcome."

Votes will close January 12, 1908.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 22, 1907.

**TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.**  
Comrades—Herein is submitted the report of National Committee Referendum No. 18, Motion No. 33, by Robert V. Hunter, National Committee member of Maine, and Motion No. 34, by Algernon Lee, National Committee member of New York.

**MOTION NO. 31.**

"I move that March 14 be designated as a permanent Karl Marx memorial day, and that all locals of the Socialist party be requested each year by the National Secretary to hold memorial meetings on March 14."

**VOTING YES.**

Arkansas	Hogan
Arkansas	LeFevre
Maine	Hunter
Montana	Seiby
Montana	McHugh
New Jersey	Kearns
New Jersey	Walker
Oklahoma	O'Hare
Oklahoma	Ross
South Dakota	Knowles
Tennessee	Voss
Washington	Jensen
Wyoming	Johnson
Total, 12.	

**VOTING NO.**

Alabama	Baldwin
Arizona	Gallentine
California	McDevitt
California	Richardson
Connecticut	McLevy
Florida	Pettigrew
Idaho	Rigg
Illinois	Stedman
Illinois	Simons
Indiana	Collins
Iowa	Reynolds
Iowa	Work
Kansas	Shank
Kansas	Willits
Kentucky	McAllister
Louisiana	Dobbs
Maryland	Van Brook
Massachusetts	Cupl
Massachusetts	Hitchcock
Michigan	Carey
Michigan	Stirton
Minnesota	Maantala
Minnesota	Williams
Missouri	Behrens
New Hampshire	Muray
New Mexico	Wright
New York	Lee
New York	Sparge
North Dakota	Lampman
Ohio	Clifford
Ohio	Prevey
Oregon	Caldwell
Oregon	Barree
Pennsylvania	Axelson
Pennsylvania	Moore
Rhode Island	Maurer
Texas	Boudrain
Utah	Meitzen
Washington	Syphers
West Virginia	Herman
Wisconsin	Gillespie
Wisconsin	Berger
Total, 44.	Heath

**NOT VOTING.**

California	Cole
Colorado	Miller
Colorado	Bule
Illinois	Berlyn
Michigan	King
Missouri	Schenkel
New York	Fieldman
Oklahoma	Hagel
Pennsylvania	Schwartz
Texas	Payne
Vermont	Dunbar
Wisconsin	Thompson
Total, 12.	

**COMMENT.**

MAINE (HUNTER): "In making and voting for this motion I have only the good of the Socialist party in my thoughts. The motion in no way makes a leader of Karl Marx, but it aims to make others follow in his footsteps, and this memorial day, coming as it does between campaigns, will act as a stepping stone across the gulf of time from one campaign to another. As far as making heroes by the motion, one may as well try and make heroes by law, for they would both amount to the same thing. No heroes are not made that way, and as far as we are concerned, we don't need to make them either, for we have already in our ranks thousands of heroes, and there are more coming."

MARYLAND (CUPL): "Let us believers in the principles of Marx not make the mistake of violating those very principles by any such motions. He would have us believe that movements make men, not men make movements."

"This is certainly true of the working class movement. And while Marx contributed to its literature a wealth thought that took from it the old character and gave it a scientific character, yet the movement gave him his reputation.

"Let us not by any such motion lay the foundation for any abandonment of the scientific idea to an unscientific hero worship."

"No one admires Marx's insight and analytical power more than I, but I think we can honor him most by adhering to his method."

NEW YORK (LEE): "I do not fear that we shall make a saint of Karl Marx, as Comrade Work suggests. If it were practicable by a motion of the National Committee to compel every party member to read and understand some of Marx's works, I should be inclined to favor the scheme. We are in no danger of having too much Marxism; the danger is rather that too many of us may be the sort of 'Marxists' that Marx protested against in the saying which Comrade Work quotes and misappropriates—rough-and-ready theorists who 'improve' on Marx, and yet claim the sanction of his name. However, I do not see that declaring March 14 a party holiday in memory of Marx will be likely to have the effect of making our comrades understand his work. The virtue of a memorial day lies in the spontaneity with which it is observed. I therefore vote against the motion in order not to load our records with motions, which are, in my opinion, sure to fall of their intended effect."

NEW YORK (SPARGO): "I vote against Comrade Hunter's motion for several reasons, not the least of which is the feeling that nothing could do us more harm than the cultivation of a fetish worship of Marx. Strictly speaking, there is no more reason for the annual

celebration of Marx's life than there is for similar celebration of the lives of others such as Robert Owen, for example. Too many of our comrades already make of Socialism a cult, a sect, insisting upon making the movement one of 'peculiar people.' The last thing we should do in America—the thing which we should try above all to avoid—is to make it appear that the Socialist movement has a Saint Marx, or Saint anybody else."

NE WYORK (WANHOPE): "I shall register my vote against Motion 32 principally for the reason that the date falls too near that of the commemoration of the Paris commune. As the latter event has become a sort of customary celebration in the Socialist party, there is little doubt but that two commemorations so close together would have the effect of diminishing the attendance at both. If it were possible in some way to combine the two, I should not be averse to seeing it done."

OKLAHOMA (O'HARE): "Comrade Hunter's motion is a unique rerudescence in the Socialist movement of the canonization of the Roman church, with a proletarian twist. First, the motion must carry the rank and file of the party before the candidate is 'ointed.' Second, we vote to thus distinguish him with the mental reservation that he was only a man, and that the opportunity selected him out of many possible 'Marxes.' I kind of hope the motion will carry. Why not? We can fill up a Saints' Socialist calendar as well as the ancients could have 365 days in the year. And then think of the possibilities! After Simons croaks and Barnes passes in his chips, and Hunter and Werk hunt and work no more, and Spargo becomes spirit, we, or our successors in the Socialist thought, may canonize them, too. And even if it isn't done by formal majority vote, it will be done by universal mental vote anyway."

"And we will have female candidates for the honor, too. That aged woman who still stirs the American proletariat with a tongue as a two-edged sword, and a heart as tender as Christ's, she will have a memorial. Our tears will drop as we think of her sublime devotion to the cause of labor—when she is no more. After all, the Socialists are hero worshippers of the highest type. The birth of Marx is not a miracle; he came in the natural way, he is natural, he could have been caught elsewhere, he may even be said to be predestined. But we were also predestined to be dunces glad he came, because he enabled us to see how ripe the race is for the conditions that we want."

"When mental product, like shoes and chewing tobacco, no longer bears the name of the last one to touch it, no longer has the assembler's sign on it, the race will be done with saints, heroes and great men. Until then, let Work still sign his articles, and let the readers individually continue to vote for or against his 'sainthood.' If the majority prevail mentally it matters not if they prevail formally or not."

OREGON (BARZEE): "I cast my vote against this motion. No holiday is revered and kept as it is declared to be, and this would end in the same way."

"Let us remain alive by being alive to every issue that confronts us. Socialists should keep their eyes off idols and see only in the science of economics the necessities of the people or the common good of all."

"We do not need to be propped up; we need to stand up."

TEXAS (MEITZEN): "I vote no because I am a radical. I don't want to load the movement with anything like hero-worship; that is what has been used in the past to satisfy the rabble and make their wrongs forgotten. I admire Comrade Hunter in more ways than one, but can't follow him here."

WISCONSIN (BERGER): "If I wanted any saints I would prefer to join the Roman Catholic church and get them wholesale."

Motion therefore defeated.

**MOTION NO. 32.**

"That the sum of one thousand dollars be at once appropriated from the funds now in the National treasury of the party for the purchase of subscription cards of the New York Evening Call, such cards afterward to be sold from the National Office or by the National organizers in the field, thus reimbursing the party."

**VOTING YES.**

Arizona	Gallentine
Arkansas	Hogan
Arkansas	LeFevre
Colorado	McDevitt
Colorado	Richardson
Florida	Bule
Florida	Pettigrew
Illinois	Stedman
Indiana	Maantala
Kentucky	Reynolds
Maryland	Dobbs
Massachusetts	Carey
Massachusetts	Hitchcock
Michigan	Williams
Minnesota	Murray
New Hampshire	Kearns
New Jersey	Walker
New Jersey	Lee
New York	Wanhope
New York	Clifford
New York	Prevey
North Dakota	Bartee
Ohio	O'Hare
Oregon	Moore
Pennsylvania	Boudrain
Rhode Island	Knowles
South Dakota	Herman
Texas	Jensen
Washington	Gillespie
West Virginia	Thompson
Wisconsin	Heath
Wisconsin	Johnson
Total, 44.	

**VOTING NO.**

Alabama	Baldwin
Connecticut	McLevy
Idaho	Rigg
Illinois	Collins
Iowa	Work
Kansas	Shank
Kansas	Willits
Louisiana	McAllister
Maine	Van Brook
Michigan	Hunter
Missouri	Stirton
Montana	Behrens
Montana	McHugh
New Mexico	Seiby
New York	Wright
North Dakota	Sparge
Ohio	Lampman
Oregon	Clifford
Pennsylvania	Axelson
Oklahoma	Maurer
Utah	Ross
Wisconsin	Syphers
Total, 24.	Berger

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in this way, it might appear like discrimination were the same assistance refused to the Call. However, on general grounds, I should oppose the practice, and only vote in the affirmative in this case for the reason above stated, and with the understanding that the procedure is in no sense a settled policy of the party, and must not be quoted as a precedent justifying future requests of a similar nature.

OKLAHOMA (O'HARE): "In equity the Call should get the same consideration as the Daily Socialist, hence I vote one-half vote for."

"In practice, we should discourage direct appropriations out of the National treasury to newspapers, hence I vote one-half against."

"Let the National Secretary provide National speakers with sub. cards for all dailies, and do something to make it of personal interest for the National speakers to sell the cards. More than that I could not advise."

OREGON (BARZEE): "My vote on this motion is yes, under protest. This practice must be discontinued, for well known business reasons."

"Let us suggest that the account of the National Secretary with the New York State Committee be made a part of the consideration of the purchase money, and limit the fund provided from the national treasury to the remainder of the amount carried by the motion."

TEXAS (MEITZEN): "With some reluctance I vote yes. Our press, especially daily, is filling a long felt want and must continue, especially as this is only a loan, not a donation. I know full well that there may be numbers of other Socialist papers that would sorely help of such kind, far beyond the ability of the central office, especially if funds go out like they did in November last. Noting the action of Local New York in the Red Special matter, I hope the comrades will see that the report be fully made as comradeship requires."

WASHINGTON (JENSEN): "I vote yes for the following reasons:

"First—The appropriation is practicable by the reason of the surplus from the Red Special fund."

"Second—The New York Evening Call comes nearer being the sort of a daily Socialist paper wanted by that part of the American Socialist movement which I represent than the Chicago Daily Socialist, which has already received the same amount of assistance."

WISCONSIN (BERGER): "When I voted a year ago to give the Chicago Daily Socialist financial aid I said that would be first and last time." I would vote for such measure.

It is against the spirit and law of our National constitution. If Chicago cannot support its daily, in spite of having the loyal support of comrades all over the nation; if New York cannot scare up enough readers to maintain its daily, although having the support of comrades all over the country, then evidently as yet there is no basis for a daily in either of these cities. The two papers can make a deficit of \$2,000 a week easily, although neither of them is a real newspaper in the customary sense of the word. The National party surely could not even dream of paying the deficits of these papers. Only some big corporation or a Carnegie can undertake to finance a daily paper that is losing money. If New York cannot support a daily, then let New York start a good weekly. If Chicago cannot support a daily, then let Chicago wait until the times comes when Chicago can do so. I absolutely fail to see that either the New York daily or the Chicago daily is helping the propaganda or the movement more than a good weekly would have helped. The last elections bear out my view of the situation.

"I therefore vote against the resolution and I most earnestly protest against squandering in that way the national funds, which ought to be used for organization and agitation."

The motion is therefore adopted.

National Headquarters,  
Socialist Party,  
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 23, 1908.

## TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Comrades—Herewith is submitted National Committee Referendum No. 22, Motion No. 40, by Emil Herman, National Committee member of Washington.

## MOTION NO. 40.

That the sum of \$1,000.00 be at once appropriated from funds now in the treasury of the National Party for the purchase of subscription cards of the Socialist of Seattle. Such cards afterwards to be sold from the National Office or by the National lecturers and organizers in the field, thus reimbursing the party."

## COMMENT.

"I make this motion in the hope that it will kill a similar motion made by Carl D. Thompson in behalf of the "S. D. H." I reason from the premise that the sooner we threaten the treasury of the National Socialist Party with bankruptcy, the more likely the National Committee is to kill both these motions and others like them that may be made in the future, and if the Socialist Party of the United States is to be made the financial backer of Socialist publications that the Socialist is as much or more entitled to support than the "S. D. H." since it is a leading exponent of scientific Socialism and proletarian principles and tactics, while the "S. D. H." teaches reform (constructive) Socialism and middle class principles and tactics. I supported the motion of Comrade Lee reluctantly, but did so only because similar action had been taken in behalf of the Chicago Daily Socialist, and with the hope that that would end the demand of Socialist publications on the treasury of the Socialist Party. Of all Socialist papers the "S. D. H." is the least entitled to financial support from the National Socialist Party because the Wisconsin S. D. P. of which it is the organ, has already received far more than its share of support from the National Socialist Party. For example, the interview of Comrade Debs by Lincoln Steffens took place at Victor L. Berger's home, thereby giving undue recognition and advertising of the Milwaukee's opportunist S. D. P. and the donating of \$1.00 per day during the campaign. If Thompson has lost any of the other traits of a preacher he certainly has not lost his nerve."

"Comrades, if you defeat my motion, in order to act justly and wisely it will be necessary for you to defeat Comrade Thompson's motion. If you vote for the Thompson motion, then you must also, in order to be consistent, vote for my motion and all other motions that may hereafter be made."

Vote will close January 19, 1909.

Fraternally submitted.  
J. MAHLON BARNES,  
National Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 3, 1908.

TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Comrades—Herewith is submitted the report of the first ballot for the election of a member of the Woman's National Committee:

## FOR MALKIEL.

Alabama	Baldwin
Arkansas	Hagan
Idaho	Rigg
Iowa	Shank
Louisiana	Van Brook
Maine	Hunter
Massachusetts	Carey
Minnesota	Maattala
Mississippi	Williams
Missouri	Schenkel
New Hampshire	Murray
New Jersey	Walker
New York	Lee
New York	Spargo
New York	Wanhopa
North Dakota	Lampman
Oregon	Harsee
Oregon	Axelson

Pennsylvania	Moore
Pennsylvania	Maurer
Total, 20	
<b>FOR STORK.</b>	
Ohio	Clifford
West Virginia	Gillespie
Total, 2	
<b>FOR REIHM.</b>	
Florida	Pettigrew
Illinois	Berlyn
Oklahoma	O'Hare
Oklahoma	Hagel
South Dakota	Knowles
Vermont	Meitzen
Washington	Dunbar
Total, 8	Herman
<b>FOR STARKWEATHER.</b>	
Illinois	Simons
Indiana	Reynolds
Montana	McHugh
Tennessee	Voss
California	McDevitt
Total, 5	
<b>FOR STRICKLAND.</b>	
Arizona	Gallentine
Arkansas	LeFevre
California	Richardson
Colorado	Miller
Illinois	Collins
Kansas	Willits
Kansas	McAllister
Kentucky	Dobbs
Maryland	Cupl
Michigan	Stirton
Missouri	King
New Mexico	Behrens
Ohio	Caldwell
Utah	Prevey
Wisconsin	Syphers
Wisconsin	Thompson
Wisconsin	Berger
Iowa	Heath
Total, 20	Work

No candidate having received a majority, a second ballot is therefore necessary. Those candidates not having received ten per cent of the total vote cast are dropped.

The candidates are: Theresa Malkiel, New York; Mrs. Blanche Reihs, Oklahoma; Mrs. Frederick G. Strickland, Ind. Vote will close December 22, 1908.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 23, 1908.

## TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Comrades—Herewith is submitted the report of the second ballot for the election of a member of the Woman's National Committee:

## FOR MALKIEL.

Arkansas	Hogan
California	Richardson
Florida	Pettigrew
Illinois	Simons
Iowa	Shank
Louisiana	Van Brook
Maine	Hunter
Massachusetts	Carry
Massachusetts	Hitchcock
Minnesota	Williams
Montana	Selby
New Hampshire	Muray
New Jersey	Walker
New York	Spargo
New York	Wanhope
Ohio	Lee
Pennsylvania	Clifford
Pennsylvania	Moore
West Virginia	Maurer
Total, 20	Gillespie

## FOR STRICKLAND.

Arkansas	LeFevre
Connecticut	McLevy
Illinois	Collins
Iowa	Work
Kentucky	Dobbs
Maryland	Cupl
Ohio	Prevey
Utah	Syphers
Wisconsin	Thompson
Wisconsin	Heath
Wisconsin	Berger
Total, 11	

Ballots from Comrades McDevitt of California and Hagel of Oklahoma were received too late to be counted. One unsigned ballot was received.

Fraternally submitted.

J. MAHLON BARNES,  
National Secretary.

## Contributions to National Campaign Fund Received During December

Previously reported	\$3,964.52
Ohio Lists	1.23
Minnesota Lists	12.58
Thirty-fifth Ward, Chicago	6.50
A. W. Galloway, Stratford, Ont.	3.00
Idaho Lists	4.70
New York Lists	27.90
(C.) New York City	1.00
McPhail, Honolulu, Hawaii	1.25
Gustav Zumpf, Webster, Mass.	1.00
	\$4,043.74

## Report of Cash Contributions for the Socialist Special Train Received During December

Previously reported	\$40,967.28
Thirty-fifth Ward, Chicago	2.75
(Debs' Meeting), Chicago	150.00
Local Springfield, Illinois	9.00
Dr. Zuckerman, New York	1.00
D. Russianoff, New York	1.00
B. Diamond, New York	.50
Israel Firms, New York	.50
Segalowitch & Stein, New York	1.00
Max Kuenko, New York	1.00
Colby U. S. Bradford, Los Angeles, Cal.	1.00
Local Portersville, Cal.	9.50
L. C. Spencer, Selma, Cal.	1.00
Finnish Branch, Springfield, Mass.	3.50
Local O'Neal, No. Olean, N. Y.	2.00
Rudolph Givic, Chicago	1.00
Daniel Black, Virginia	.45
A. Longhead, Port Arthur, Ont.	15.00
O. Yallow, Port Arthur, Ont.	1.00
U. H. Arthur, Port Arthur, Ont.	5.00
Dr. Armstrong, Detroit, Mich.	.50
Debs Meeting, Providence, R. I.	25.82
Soc. Liedertafel, Jersey City Heights, N. J.	5.00
	\$41,212.80

## Finnish Organizations

By a recent referendum Comrade Victor Wanta was re-elected for the office of general secretary and translator, receiving 985 majority of the 1,763 votes cast. Comrades Nels Lahti, Clinton, Ind.; K. F. Tuhkanen, Chicago, Ill.; A. K. Pitkänen, Chicago, Ill.; Otto Wantan, Milwaukee, Wis.; A. Tornquist, Kenosha, Wis.

were elected as executive members of the organization. The newly elected committee will meet on January 2d at 10 a. m. at 120 Washington street, the general office of the National Headquarters of the Socialist Party.

To support the Finnish Workers' College at Smithville, Minn., it has been decided by a referendum vote to levy a quarterly assessment per capita of ten cents per member. This school had thirty-seven students in the term just closed.

Since September 1st to the close of the year eighteen new branches were organized, a translation made of the "Socialist Party" and "A Word With You, Brother Farmer" leaflets, of which 30,000 were distributed in all known Finnish localities, the cost of which was born by the general organization.

During the campaign there were seven organizers touring the country organizing and spreading the principles of Socialism among the Finnish people, at a cost of \$14,26.50.

In addition to organizing and maintaining the general organization over 2500 was collected and sent to the metal workers' strike that has been on in Finland for some time.

## Correspondence of the National Executive Committee During December

National Headquarters,  
Socialist Party,  
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 3, 1908.

## TO THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Dear Comrades—Relating to the amendment to the constitution proposed by Local Tyler, Texas, first published in the Weekly Bulletin of November 7th, and which should in the ordinary course be submitted to a national party referendum vote on December 7, I have to report that an amendment thereto was proposed by Local Milwaukee and published in the Weekly Bulletin of November 28.

I have since been advised by Local Milwaukee that an error appeared in their copy and the last paragraph should read "The Candidate indicated by the lowest sum total of numbers opposite his name shall be elected. The vacancies shall be filled in a similar manner."

Further, I am in receipt of a letter from Local Tyler, Texas, reading as follows: "Local Tyler, Texas, instructs that it endorses the proposed amendment of Local Milwaukee, Wis., to the referendum initiated by this local, or if the proceeding is regular, accepts the amendment of Local Milwaukee with the consent of the locals endorsing the referendum initiated by this local."

Here arises a new situation uncovered by law or precedent, and obedient to the suggestion of Local Tyler, Texas, the locals endorsing the