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National Secretary's Financial Report Minutes of the National Executive Committee for the Month of April 1910

National He	
, Socialist	
Chicago, Ill., Ap	pril 30, 1910
RECEIPTS	
National Dues from State Comm	
Arkansas	25.00
California	90.00 40.55
	30.00
Connecticut	10.00
Idaha'	20.00
Idaho' Illinois	225.00
Indiana	42.00
Iowa	25.00
Kanese	55.00
Kentucky	10.00
Louisiana	10.00
Maine	20.00
Maryland	25.00
Massachusetts	137.75
Michigan	63.75
Minnesota	120.75
Missouri	50.00
Montana	12.00
Nebraska	10.00
Nevada	10.00
New Hampshire	20.15
New Jersey	100.00
New Mexico	10.00
New York	250.00
North Dakota	
Ohio	154.00
Oklahoma	400.00
Oregon	49.00
Pennsylvania	186.50
Rhode Island	15.50
South Dakota	18.00
Tennessee	5.00
Texas	64.25
Utah	7.50
Vermont	6.00
Washington	85.75
West Virginia	10.00
Wisconsin	149.75
Wyoming	\$2,606
Inorganized States—	72,000
Alaska	\$13.20
Georgia	1.60
Hawaii	4.00
Mississippi	1.60

Members at large

Milwaukee campaign fund.....

Mileage assessment Subs. to Daily Socialist

Miscellaneous

, Socialist Party.	Exchange 4.60
Chicago, Ill., April 30, 1910.	General expenses 10.91
RECEIPTS	Express and freight 313.59
ional Dues from State Committees—	Postage 255.41
Alabama\$ 6.50	Telegrams and telephone 11.33
Arizona 10.00	
Arkansas 25.00	J. Mahlon Barnes\$125.00
California 90.00	
Colorado 40.55	J. C. Chase, 5 weeks 100.00
Connecticut 30.00	J. H. Brower, 5 weeks 90.00
Florida 10.00	D. Fleming, 5 weeks 90.00
daho' 20.00	M. Hudson, 5 weeks 84.00
Ilinois 225.00	E. Koop, 5 weeks 45.00
Indiana 42.00	J. Schley 41.00
lowa 25.00	A. Stout 12.00
Kansas 55.00	H. J. Crouch 26.50
Kentucky 10.00	Dan A. White 30.00
Couisiana 10.00	Extra help 9.50
Maine 20.00	- 658,00
Maryland 25.00	Speakers—
Massachusetts 137.75	M. Altschuler \$ 6.00
Michigan 63.75	John Collins 130.65
Minnesota 120.75	Jas. Connolly 260.00
	Anna A. Maley 100.00
Missouri 50.00 Montana 12.00	E. B. Slatton 30.00
	J. E. Snyder 100.00
	Dan A. White 50.00
Nevada 10.00	John M. Work 5.00
New Hampshire 20.15	* - 681.65
New Jersey 100.00	Printing and supplies 353.98
New Mexico 10.00	Literature 224.90
New York 250.00	Office equipment
North Dakota 13.60	Rent (April) 190.00
Ohio 154,00	Light 3.48
Oklahoma 400.00	Buttons
Oregon 49.00	Stationery and mimeo. supplies 28.60
Pennsylvania 186.50	Auditing books 16.00
Rhode Island 15.50	Minnesota primary law 50.00
South Dakota 18.00	Expenses to Philadelphia, J. M. B 68.75
rennessee 5.00	Milwaukee compaign fund 25.10
Pexas 64.25	New Castle, Pa., Free Press 25.00
Utah 7.50	Rand School, weekly lessons 78.00
Vermont : 6.00	
Washington 85.75	N. E. C. Meeting—
West Virginia 10.00	Victor L. Berger \$ 8.40
Wisconsin 149.75	Jas. F. Carey 74.90
Wyoming 13.35	Geo. H. Goebel 14.10
\$2,606.65	Morris Hillquit 89.00
rganized States—	Robert Hunter 75.00
Alaska \$13.20	. Lena Morrow Lewis 31.60
Georgia 1.60	John Spargo 80.00
Hawaii 4.00	964 00
Mississippi 1.60	Reserve mileage fund 264.55
North Carolina 5.00	
Jorto Rico' 1.10	Total expenses\$3,572.26
South Carolina 2.00	SUMMARY
Virginia 4.20	Balance on hand April 1st\$1,337.40
	Receipts for month 3,585.56
bers at large 6.20	
	\$4,922.96
Total dues\$2,645.55	
plies	DAPORGICALOS LOT INVACIO 8,072.20
rature 621.93	Balance May 1, 1910\$1,350.70
ons 118.10	Datauce May 1, 1919
	Reserve mileage fund
paign fund	리트는 회사 대학교 회사 사회 사회 (1975년 1일
	Advance paid to delegates 605.50
age assessment	50 700 DT
s. to Daily Socialist 5.50	\$2,569.25
ellaneous	
Total receipts\$3,585.56	J. MAHLON BARNES,
Total receipts	National Secretary.

SOCIALIST PARTY

Sessions, April 9 and 10, 1910

Meeting was called to order at 1:30 by National Secretary Barnes. Comrades National Secretary Barnes. Comrades by open the way for special agitation in particular fields, as among the organized workers, at Chautauquas and with agriculchairman; Comrade Mabel H. Hudson tural laborers and farmers." elected secretary.

National Secretary read order of busi-

FINANCES.

Ine National Secretary reported on finaces and presented a comparative statement of the dues received from each state for the first quarter of 1908, 1909 and 1910.

"For the period covered, last year's receipts exceeded those of 1909 by \$1,494.53. It should be noted that Oklahoma paid \$445.00 in 1908, \$225.00 in 1909, and \$1,600.00 thus far this year. Its payment is, therefore, responsible for \$1,375.00 of the increase of this year over last. The large amount of the receipts exceeded in their constitutions.

"In Ohio, with 144 locals, we received twenty-three applications for dates. In Illinois, out of 155 locals, we have state Committee of \$1,375.00 of the increase of this year over last. The large amount of the procedure of the pro in their constitution they have abolished state dues and require a year's national

dues to be paid in advance.

"The financial report ending March 31st is before you, showing cash on hand, assets and liabilities, together with net resources. The reserve mileage fund amounted to \$2,-910.20. The net resources shown, exclusive of the mileage fund, is the best record yet presented by the party."

"In the literature department the average monthly sales for 1908 were \$71.10; for 1909, \$117.20, and for this year, \$249.40. The month of March makes the best showing, due to the publication and sale of the booklet 'Should Socialism Be Crushed,' and the leaflet 'What Shall We Do for Food.'

"On the first the cost of production is

"On the first the cost of production is 1\(\frac{1}{2} \) c. each. The shipping cost in quantities is 2/3c., making a total of 2 1/6c. We have been selling them to Socialists and locals at the rate of fifteen for \$1,00, or 7½c. a piece. By the profit thus secured, as stated in the plan, we hope to be able to ship copies free to all trade union secretaries in

the country.

"The leaflet for production costs \$334.00, or 33 4/10c. a thousand. The shipping cost, considering quantities, and long and short. hauls, will be about 40c. per thousand. We are charging 50c. per thousand, and upon these terms the total cost which will fall upon this office for one million copies is

I recommend that at least four leaflets of about the same size be printed during the campaign and that advance orders be

solicited.
"The set of books for the Study Course, I tear, was too expensive even though the price was shaved from the retail figures of \$15.15 to \$11.00. Quite a few individual books were sold, but less than forty complete sets. However, the correspondence shows that the Weekly Lessons were widely read even if not followed with the refer-

"Aside from the regular funds, amounts were collected and forwarded during the quarter as follows: Spanish prisoners, \$11.20; Swedish strikers, \$302.43; Milwaukee campaign fund, \$551.78; total, \$865.41. Aside from the ordinary expenses, \$200.00 was paid for the legal defense of Comrade Knowles of Deadwood, S. D.; \$250.00 for the special Philadelphia strike edition of the New York Call, and \$2,029.89 to organizers and lecturers."

Comrade John C. Chase reported as fol-

ORGANIZATION AND AGITATION. "Under this head I desire to quote from the annual report of January, 1910.

"Seventeen states now permanently maintain a State Secretary and most of them one or more organizers, and by their disposition and as a matter of party policy, the time has arrived when they will need little or no assistance in the way of National organizers. This materially limits the

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, field of operation for National organizers
APRIL 9th. and makes more necessary the establishand makes more necessary the establishment of circuit or district lecture tours.

These circumstances also logical-

The assignment of speakers was here noted for the period between December 1, 1909, and April 1, 1910.

Connolly for stated periods, but the experieneces of both these organizers in that state were very unpleasant. Very few state were very unpleasant. Very few dates were arranged for either speaker, leaving them with nothing to do but pile up expense on the National Office.

"It is becoming more and more difficult to make cross-country tours for National organizers. The fact that we encounter a bunch of states in different sections of the country which do not allow the National Office to solicit dates from the locals direct, and because there are others who are more and more developing their own men, it is quite impossible to arrange consecu-tive dates across country economically.

"The most feasible and most economical form of propaganda for the National Office to conduct in the future is a systematic distribution of literature.

"There seems to be an increasing inclination to distribute literature. On March 28th we circularized all the locals of the Party in reference to the leaflet entitled 'WHAT SHALL WE DO FOR FOOD?' We now have orders for nearly 200,000 copies. From the way orders have come in, we feel that 1,000,000 copies will be disposed of within the next thirty days. On March 5th and again on March 28th we circularized the locals in reference to the booklet; 'SHOULD' SOCIALISM BE CRUSHED?' Orders have been received for about 9,000 copies.

'For the same amount of money which the National Office is obliged to spend to maintain National organizers in the field, millions of pieces of literature could be furnished locals at the mere cost of shipment.

"As to the cost of maintaining National organizers in the field, will give you the figures on seven for periods ranging from ten days to three months.

"The total number of days out for the seven was 453, and the average daily deficit on all was \$3.98.

The number of days out for each indi-

vidual organizer, total expense for the time out to this office, and the daily average deficit on each one is as follows:

NEW PRICE ON

'Should Social: ism Be Crushed'

All orders received after May 10th will be filled at \$4.00 PER HUNDRED PREPAID.

NATIONAL OFFICE FINANCES

Auditors Report From September 1, 1909, to March 31, 1910

	RECEIPTS.	
	Dues	\$16,824.93
	Supplies	600.30
	Literature	1,358.74
	Buttons	460.80
	Campaign Fund	72.16
i	Russian and Mexican Refugee Fund	74.05
	Minnesota Primary Law	48.86
	Subscriptions to Bulletin	12.00
	Swedish Strikers' Fund	6,621.34
	Spanish Prisouers	316.55
	Milwaukee Campaign Fund	551.78
	Miscellaneous	88.46
		\$27,030.04
	EXPENDITURES.	1
	Expressage	\$ 327.01
	Postage	1,405.95
	Telegrams and Phone	220.81
	Wages Time	3,541.00
	Speakers	5,308.84
	Printing and Supplies	1,408.70
	Printing Bulletin	940.28
	Literature	711.76
	Rent	700.00
	Buttons	180.60
	Russian and Mexican Refugee Fund	74.00
9	Stationery and Mimeo. Supplies	272.02
	Expenses to International Socialist	
	Bureau	250.00
	Philadelphia Strike Edition New	

	York Call	250.00
3	Freeman Knowles, Attorney's Fees.	200.00
	Swedish Strikers' Fund	
6		
0	Milwaukee Campaign Fund	551.78
6	N. E. C. Meeting	
5	Miscellaneous	
6		\$24,139.91
4	SUMMARY.	
5	Balance on hand September 1st	\$ 1 357 47
8	Receipts	
6		
		\$28,387.51
4	Expenditures	24,139.91
1	Balance on hand April 1st DISTRIBUTION OF FUND	
ı	In Bank	\$ 3,767.42
0	Checks and Money Orders	159.40
4	Undeposited Cash	6.05
0	Petty Cash	314.73
8		4.0
6		\$4,247.60
0		
0	Examined and verified, and found	correct
5	to March 31st. Also verified bank ac	count to
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(Signed) BERNARD BERLYN. (Signed) LENA MORROW LEWIS, Auditors. John Collins: February 20th to March 31st, \$187.25 (40 days), \$4.68 per day.
James Connolly: December 1st to February 28th \$468.91 (90 days), \$5.21 per day.
Lena M. Lewis: December 1st to February 28th, \$148.39 (76 days), \$1.95 per day.
A. Litman: December 1st to 10th, \$61.34 (10 days), \$61.3 per day.

(10 days), \$6.13 per day.

(10 days), \$6.13 per day.

Caroline Lowe: January 15th to February 20th, \$66.00 (33 days), \$2.00 per day.

Anna M. Maley: December 1st to February 28th \$262.30 (83 days), \$3.16 per day.

John M. Work: December 1st to March
31st, \$508.65 (121 days), \$4.20 per day.

Comrade J. E. Snyder on special assignment in Arizona and New Mexico, on mathers relating to State constitutions, is meet-

ters relating to State constitutions, is meet-ing with success, but to accomplish the most good for the organization his time should be

extended.

"In connection with this report on agitation I submit letters from Otto Pauls, city secretary of St. Louis, and L. G. Pope, ref-erence speaker for the Farmers' Convention to be held in St. Louis from May 2d to 7th."

MOTION.-That the National Office bear the expense of a speaker to St. Louis attend the Farmers' Convention. Adopted.

The following comrades were nominated: Simons, Clark and Thompson. By preferential ballot Comrade Simons was

Comrade Carey arrived at 2:30 p. m.

National Secretary reported under the head of Miscellaneous the following:

Question by State Secretary MacLachlan of Utah as to whether he should turn over the state office immediately or await the result of the referendum provided for by the recent state convention.

MOTION.-That the National Executive Committee has no power to settle the controversy of the organization in Utah, but in view of the fact that an election is being taken by referendum, the National Office will recognize Comrade MacLachlan as State Secretary until the referendum is ended. Adopted.

Resolutions from Local Allegheny, Pa., reference the New Castle Free Press.
Comrade Spargo was appointed to draw up a resolution on the subject.

From Local Dayton, Ohio, reference the People's University and the expulsion of the A. F. of L. schedule at a much less Frank Midney and Samuel Snyder. No action was taken owing to lack of

The National Secretary presented the question as to whether the mileage of the delegates of the foreign speaking organizations should be paid.

jurisdiction.

MOTION.-That we pay the delegate mileage of the foreign speaking organizations the same as the regularly elected del egates. Adopted.

Letter from W. L. Wilson of Des Moines, Iowa, reference the attitude of party members in the election under the commission form of government.

MOTION.-That under the Party constitution party members are not permitted to vote for any candidates other than such as have been nominated by the Party under any circumstances. Adopted.

Correspondence with Comrades Legien, George W. Barnes and Karl Kautsky refrence a visit to this country. Comrade Kautsky suggested that Comrade Ledebour might be able to serve us. Also as to the visit of Comrade Dora B. Montesiore of England, who will be in Chicago May 20th.

MOTION .- That the matter be left in the hands of Comrade Barnes to try to make arrangements for Comrade Montefiore. Adopted.

Comrade Mrs. Kennedy of Scotland as to whether it would be possible for her to come to this country. Adopted.

MOTION.-That we communicate with Comrades Karl Leibknecht and Victor Adler on the question of coming to this country. Adopted.

MOTION.—That we invite Comrade James O'Grady, M. P., of Bristol, England, to visit this country on a speaking tour, and further, that we correspond with the Socialist Catholic Society in England relafive to speakers and literature for work in this country. Adopted,

From J. Rosenstein, secretary of Local Honolulu, Hawaii, reference strike of im-ported plantation workers from Russia, and

asking assistance.

MOTION.—That we refer the appeal to the editors of the Jewish press, asking them to take any action possible. Adopted.

Reference remuneration to the Rand School for the production of the Weekly

MOTION.—That \$78.00 be allowed for the preparation of the twenty-six lessons. Adopted.

The National Secretary reported that Minutes Comrade Carl Strover had been engaged to approved.

represent the four Finnish comrades in the effort to secure citizenship papers in the court at Clifford, Wis.

From M. E. Fritz of Lexington, Miss., requesting the publication in leaflet form of the article by Comrade Hunter, entitled, "What To Do." What To Do.

Decided to lay the matter over until lit-erature was taken up.

From State Secretary Bostrom of Washingtin, reference the free speech fight in Spokane and requesting that the list of funds received by him be published in the Bulletin; also reference uniform delinquent notices. From Butte, Mont., reference the free speech fight in Spokane.

It was decided that the list of funds received by Comrade Bostrom should be published in the Bulletin.

From Ellen Wetherell of Washingtin, D C., and others reference the appointment of Comrade Wetherell as fraternal delegate from the Socialist Party to the National Woman's Suffrage Association, to be held in Washington, D. C., April 14th.

MOTION.—That the time is too limited to consult the Woman's National Committee, and therefore the Executive Committee does not deem it proper to pass upon the subject. Adopted.

Comrade Spargo read the following draft of resolution and same was adopted:

"WHEREAS, The police authorities of New Castle, Pa., have brutally persecuted the Socialists of that city, and attempted to suppress the New Castle Free Press by

petty chicanery; and
"WHEREAS, We hold it to be of the highest importance to our movement that the rights of free speech and a free press be maintained; be it

"RESOLVED, That we call the atten-tion of the comrades throughout the country to the valiant fight which our New Castle comrades are making against great odds, urging that they should be given the utmost moral and financial support; and be

it further "RESOLVED, That we appropriate from the National treasury the sum of \$25.00 toward meeting the expenses of litigation.'

As to the question of renewing the bond for the National Secretary and the excessive premium of \$100 thereon, the National Secretary reported that he thought it possible to secure the same sized bond under

MOTION .- That 'the bond be reduced from ten thousand to five thousand dollars and that efforts be made to get it at as low a premium as possible. Adopted.

From G. A. Hinsdale in the name of a provisional state committee reference agi-tation in the State of Oregon; also from H. A. Salisbury reference organization matters in that state.

Front E. Francis Atwood of Glenham. S. D., and D. Wilmot Smith of St. Helena, Calif., reference order of business for the

Party Congress.
From Comrade Hibner, State Secretary of Kansas, and Comrade de Lara reference a speaking tour for the latter.

Decided to lay the matter over until Sunday session when further communications would be at hand.

"Request of the Italian Section of the Socialist Party for the establishment of a translator's office in the National Head-

MOTION.-That the National Secretary the Italian organizers for two months on the arrangement that the National Office pay two dollars per day toward the expenses. Adopted.

MOTION.—That we communicate with the membership at large card held by Comrade Hazlett. *

MOTION .- That a committee be appointed to read the correspondence on the subject and pass upon the same. Adopted. Comrades Spargo and Hillquit were elected to serve on the committee.

Letters from Comrade Duncan, present State Secretary of Montana, reference accounts of former secretary Lourens.

From the International Socialist Bureau reference Argentine and the coming International Congress.

The subject was laid over until Sunday

The subject of the California controversy with all documents relating thereto. From Local Allegheny County, Pa., ex-pressing approval of Comrade Goebel's

sentiments regarding other members of the Meeting adjourned at 6:30 to met at 9:30 Sunday morning.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION, APRIL 10TH.

Meeting called to order by the National Secretary at 10 o'clock. All members present. Comrade Carey elected chairman.

Minutes of the Saturday session read and tions for reports from affiliated bodies.

busines: Preparation for the Party Con-mittee on Unemployment. Adopted. gress; International Congress; Propaganda MOTION.—That Comrade Berger be reand Organization, with various sub-titles; Literature; Study Course, and related sub-

Decided to finish the miscellaneous sub-

Protests against the issuance of the call for funds for the Milwaukee campaign from locals Terre Haute, Ind.; Kansas City, Mo.; Linton, Ind., and Toledo, Ohio.

From Local Detroit, Mich., and several others reference the appointment of a permanent German organizer.

Reference a Jewish organizer; from J. B. Osborne reference appointment as National organizer to do special trade union work; from Locals in Idaho reference appointment of S. W. Motley as National organizer; from State Secretary Ringler of Pennsylvania, asking assistance of one dollar per day in paying expenses of Comrade lar per day in paying expenses of Comrade Maurer as state organizer; from State Sec-retary Opsahl of South Dakota, reference aid for state organizer and counter proposition reference the continuing of Comrade Maley in that state.

Special order of business taken up.

PARTY CONGRESS.

MOTION.-That all arrangements for the Party Congress be undertaken by the National Office and that the matter of a hall be left entirely in the hands of the National Secretary. Adopted, Recommended to the National Secretary

that he arrange for a smoker or some en-tertainment for the Congress.

MOTION.—That the National Secretary send notices to the chairmen of the various committees that a report is expected from them at the congress and that they should immediately make plans for their reports, and that if they deem it necessary they should call meetings of their committees to be held prior to the Party Congress. Adopted.

Order of business for the Congress: 1. Opening of Congress by the National Secretary and reading of roster of dele-

Election of officers of the Congress.
 Adoption of rules.

Comrade Berger excused for half an hour for a lecture engagement.

MOTION.-That we reconsider the action of the National Executive Committee in previous session in appointing the reporters for the Congress. Adopted.

MOTION.—That Comrade Work be appointed to report on Organization. Adopted.

MOTION.—That Comrade Hillquit be appointed to report on Propaganda. Adopted.

MOTION.—That the part relating to Campaign matter be laid over. Adopted.

Election of Committees. (a) Committee on contested seats, if required. Five members.

(b) Committee on Resolutions. Five members.
(c) Committee on Constitution. Five members.

MOTION.-That among the special subects to be reported on at the Congress be the subject of the Socialist propaganda and organization among women, and that Comrade Meta L. Stern be requested to report on this subject. Adopted.

Report of Committee on contested

Report of National Secretary.

Report on Organization. Report on Propaganda among women

Report of Committee on Immigra

tion. 11. Report of Committee on Agricultural questions. Report of Committee on Constitu-12.

tion. 13. Report of Committee on Resolutions

Order of business adopted.

MOTION.-That Comrade Barnes be in-

structed to prepare a report and submit it to the committee. Adopted.

Agreed that the reports of the International Secretaries be submitted to the Congress.

Comrade Hillquit was appointed to draft rules for the Congress and submit during Adopted. the afternoon session.

Communication from the International Socialist Bureau reference the International Congress.

MOTION.—That we request instructions from the Party Congress as to the choice of secretaries to the International Bureau to be made by the delegates of the Party to the International Congress. Adopted.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS. Circular read from the International Socialist Bureau with request and instruc-

Moved to take up the following order of quested to draw up a report for this com-

quested to report on International Labor Laws. Adopted. MOTION.—That Comrade Hillquit be

requested to report on the progress of Socialist and Labor movements in this country. Adopted.

Adjourned at 1 p. m. to meet at 2:30.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION,

Meeting called to order by the National Secretary at 2:30. Comrade Spargo elected

chairman. MOTION .--That the National Secreary's report be submitted in compliance with the requirements of the Socialist Bu-

reau. Adopted.
Comrade Spargo for the sub-committee on the question of the membership of Comrade Hazlett reviewed the facts set forth in the correspondence and showed that the last two letters were contradictory and that

more information was required.
MOTION.—That the report of the committee be adopted. Adopted.

PROPAGANDA AND ORGANIZATION. The National Secretary reported as fol-

'Concerning organizers working in trade unions, average attendance 75; lowest 10; highest 500. Average expenses per day over income, \$4.43, as shown in December Bulletin for a period of 225 days and in finance report submitted yesterday, an finance report submitted yesterday, an average of \$4.68 for a period of forty days. Daily deficit for regular speakers, as shown in finance report: A. Litman, \$6.13, high-est, and Lena Morrow Lewis, \$1.95, lowest. Also referred to financial report on cost of production, postage in advertising and mailing of 'Should Socialism Be Crushed' and 'What Shall We Do For Food.' and 'What Shall We Do For Food.' Average cost per month in maintaining Naional Office, \$1,399.20, taken from annual report for year 1909. Average receipts per month, less exchange items, such as Refugee Defence, Swedish strikers, Mileage Reserve fund, etc., \$2,138.42. Average amount to be depende upon monthly for organization, agitation, etc., \$739.22 for the year, \$8,870.64. Last year the speakers were paid a total of \$7,069.33."

MOTION.-That the National Secretary be authorized to issue special leaflets upon the occurrence of all important events with-in the labor movement or in public life.

General discussion on the literature department.

MOTION.—That the National Executive Committee publish from time to time small, inexpensive and popular books on Social-

ism and live questions. Adopted.

MOTION.—That Comrade Barnes write
to Comrade Geo. R. Kirkpatrick and get
copies of his new book and submit them to National Executive Adopted.

MOTION.—That the National Executive Committee bring out the Study Course les-

sons in booklet form. Adopted, MOTION.—That we recommend to the National Secretary that he put an assistant in charge of the literature bureau to give his entire time to the work of that bureau. Adopted.

Comrade Michael Altshuler from the Russian organization asked for assistance in organizing the Russian comrades.

MOTION.—That Comrade Barnes write to the various local secretaries where Russians may be located and see whether there is any need of an organizer to try to or-

ganize the Russian comrades, and what can be done along that line.

Amended that the entire matter be left in the hands of the National Secretary to be handled at his discretion. Adopted.

The subject of the Committee on Labor egislation taken up.

MOTION.—That a committee of five be

instructed to prepare a pamphlet upon the question of workingmen's compensation.

Amended that the committee shall submit recommendations and program on the subject at the next meeting of the Ex-

ecutive Committee. Adopted.
Comrades Morris Hillquit, Algernon Lee,
Gertrude Light, Robert Hunter and James
F. Carey appointed to serve on the commit-

MOTION .- That the National Secretary. write to the secretary of the German So-cialist Association and ask him what could be done in the matter of an organizer.

Decided to lay the matter of a Jewish organizer over.

From State Secretary Ringler of Pennsylvania requesting assistance to maintain

a state organizer.

MOTION.—That the assistance be given for two months. Adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:
"In view of the fact that the funds at the disposal of the National Executive Comocialist Bureau with request and instruc-ons for reports from affiliated bodies.

MOTION.—That Comrade Hunter be re-tee declares it to be its policy to use such

funds principally fer propaganda and organzation work in unorganized territory and in support of the work of such states in which the Socialist Party organization is young or weak, and it does not consider itself justified to contribute any funds to such state organizations which represent a strong and well established movement ex-cept on special occasions or in extraordi-

nary emergencies.

Question of an organizer in South Dakota was taken up.

MOTION.—To lay the matter over to await the decision of the State Committee referendum. Adopted.

Applications of J. B. Osborne and S. W. Motley for appointment as National organ-

The National Secretary was instructed to make reply in accord with motion adopted on this subject of additional speakers in

Question of speakers afield taken up. MOTION.—That Comrade Goebel be continued until about June 10th in terri-tory to be assigned by the National Secre-tary, provided dates can be secured. Adopted.

MOTION.-That the committee meet on the 14th of May. Adopted.

MOTION.-That the Congress be held

for four days. Adopted.

MOTION.—That a stenographer be emplyed to take the proceedings of the Party Congress. Adopted.

Communication from members of the Woman's National Committee.

MOTION.—That we reply that the National Executive Committee has no power to select special delegates. Adopted.

Suggested that the National Secretary make arrangements with the State Secretaries who are delegates to the Party Congress for a meeting during the Congress.

Communication from William Stephen Sanders of London, reference a conference of English speaking delegates in London previous to the International Congress.

MOTION.-That the subject be referred for favorable consideration to the delegates. Adopted.

The question of the articles appearing Watson's Magazine taken up and the

Adopted.

Comrade Barnes made verbal report on the Philadelphia General strike in accord-ance with facts gathered on a trip of March

MOTION.—That the report be received and expenses allowed. Adopted.

Discusion upon the subject of placing congressional candidates and communications to locals relating thereto. Adjourned at 8:15.

Attest: MABEL H. HUDSON. Secretary.

Correspondence of the National **Executive Committee During** Month of April

National Headquarters, Socialist Party, Chicago, Ill., April 2, 1910. To the National Executive Committee.

Dear Comrades-I have to report on the motion by Comrade Hillquit, sent out March 23d, for a meeting of the committee on April 9th, and the amendment by Comrade Carey, sent out March 26th, for a meeting on April 16th. Comrade Carey has in effect withdrawn his amendment. The vote stands

For April 9th: Comrades Berger, Carey, Goebel and Hillquit. For April 16th: Comrade Lewis. Other members of the committee not voting.

A meeting of the National Executive Committee is, therefore, called for 1 p. m., Saturday, April 9th, at National Headquarters. All dates for Comrades Goebel and Lewis had to be canceled, owing to the extended period of uncertainty as to the time of the

meeting. Owing to the limited time for notice, the members farthest removed frem headquar-ters are being advised of this decision by

STATEMENT BY COMRADE SPARGO March 25, 1910.

Dear Comrade-I have no desire to take up the time of the National Office force, and of the party membership, with a personal controversy between

comrade Goebel and myself.

I have more important work to do than I have more important work to do than discuss the issue of veracity raised. My protest was against Comrade Goebel's insinuation in his letter to you (as well as in his letter to the New York Call) that those who voted against the proposed date for holding the National Executive Committee meeting were actuated by sinister motives. We have too much of that silly demagoguery. Too many comrades are in the habit of attributtoo much of that silly demagoguery. Too ing improper motives to other comrades who

differ from them. It was against the "holler than thou" tone of his letter I protested.

I must add that Comrade Goebel, in his latest letter, is very disingenuous. He tells only half-truths. He quotes my words (interpolating "him" in place of "them") and then indignantly characterizes the statement terpolating "him" in place of "them") and then indignantly characterizes the statement he quotes as a lie. Now, any one reading my letter must have seen that I did not allege that Comrade Goebel had used such words to me. It was apparent to any one able to read English THAT I MERELY SUGGESTED ON MY OWN ACCOUNT WORDS WHICH HE COULD HAVE USED to express the reasons he had previously exto express the reasons he had previously ex-pressed to me in private. I repeat, the words I suggested would have done that.

I knew when I wrote that the "Wilshire's" content was not closed. Comrade Goebel told me so. But he also told me that it was his prize. His words were: "I am not absolutely sure—for nothing but death is absolutely sure. But I am as sure as I can be of anything, so sure that I am making my plans to go away." Nothing was said about his health. Nothing about his strenuous life as an agitator. The whole thing came out of an agitator. The whole thing came out of Goebel's statement that he was sorry he had been elected. When I suggested that a man been elected. When I suggested that a man who did not want to get elected ought not to have run, that It was hardly an act of good faith to do that, he came out with the real reason. He said: "Well, to tell truth, there is this reason, I shall be away most of the year." Comrade Goebel says that there was a witness. I presume he refers to his wife. Fortunately there were three other witnesses present all of whom are as other witnesses present, all of whom are as credible as either Goebel or myself.

Comrade Goebel entirely misrepresents what I said about Comrade Carey. I said nothing about "sending for one State Secretary," nor about trying to "induce him to forego his support of Comrade Carey lest it defeat Simons." I did say that I went into five (not "three") states to discuss matters with comrades after the publication of the famous Walling letter, doing all I could to defeat the attempt of Walling and his friends to stampede the vote. That fact is well known to comrades all over the country, for no secret was made of it. In fact, I wrote to locals and asked them to arrange special meetings of members following my lectures, for that purpose.

What I said about Comrade Carey was that I said about comrade Carey was
that I had only one reason for not supporting him. That reason, at the first opportunity, I recently discussed with Comrade
Carey himself. Briefly, it was that as author of the regulation to print candidates'
occupations on the ballot he had not acted fairly in describing himself as a "shoemaker in Watson's Magazine taken up and the National Secretary made suggestions as to manner of answering.

MOTION.—That the plans suggested by the National Secretary be adopted.

Adopted.

I might as a "shoemaker" —a trade at which he had not worked for many a year. I might as well have been put down as a "granite cutter," Hillquit as a "capmaker," Simons as a "farmer," Hunter as a "bookkeeper," or Berger as a "metal polisher." I worked at my trade was a "metal polisher." polisher." I worked at my trade years after Carey left his. I had exactly the same objection to Comrade Goebel (in addition to the fact of his being a paid employe of the party) who had described himself as a "car-penter." Goebel admitted that it was not "on the level," so to describe himself, but said that he "knew pretty well what others

My reference to "one State Secretary" to a comrade who was present during the conversation with Goebel, and who assented to my statement. It was obvious to everybody else but Comrade Goebel, who was referred to. I said that I had written to at least one comrade, a State Secretary, my opinion of Comrade Carey's action, and that I hoped it would be rebuked by an adverse vote. I added that the State Secretary in question was not convinced. Whereupon the comrade stated his reasons for disagreeing. That is all there is to Comrade Goebel's mare's nest.

(Signed) JOHN SPARGO.

Chicago, Ill., April 9, 1910. To the National Executive Committee.

Dear Comrades:— Upon the request of Comrade Goebel, transmit the following letter. Fraternally submitted.

J. MAHLON BARNES, National Secretary.

April 2, 1910.

statement of John Spargo under date March 25th. He says he has no desire to take u pthe time of the party membership If this were honestly so he would not have made the per-sonal attack he did on me, nor follow it with a reply that no only proves my statement that he told a falsehood, but makes out a still worse case against him, for now he admits I did not speak the words he put in my mouth, and that he twisted my words to give the impression he wished the mem-bership to get—thus achieving the purpose of the membership, believing a lie and leaving him in position to sidestep responsibility for

I repeat the conversation was as I gave —and Spargo did say he sent for the State Secretary and seek to injure Comrade Carey's chances of election. I don't doubt he has "explained" to Comrade Carey. Spargo can explain anything. He can make himself olid in Milwaukee at the same moment he is writing approval of the words of "The Provoker" with its columns filled with denunciation of the Milwaukee comrades.

But I want particularly in this reply take up the constant reference Spargo makes to my being a "paid organizer." This is more than a personal question, and I think it well for the party membership to get all taken up and the subject was fully discussed,

I believe in organization and wish in my

over the country know. I could not well emphasize organization and be "A free lance," so I have chosen gladly to work as a party organizer.

As organizer I must be away from home and those dear to me many months at a time, with all kinds of food and accommodations, up all hours of the night in all kinds of weather, frequently having to post my own bills, sweep out the hall, make the fire, go out and literally pull in the crowd, make the speech, urge organization, get the collection and take subs for the party papers, and in between travel and making out reports, reply to correspondence, etc. Comrades by reply to correspondence, etc. Comrades by the thousand know this, for they have seen me do it. What is true of me I presume is true of other organizers. In the year I was given largest measure of freedom by the Na-tional Office I organized over sixty locals and secured over one thousand new members to the party, in addition to raising the bulk of the cost of my work, and leaving the comrades in town after town with better ideas of methods of party work, and new enthusi-asm—every Socialist publishing house will show my name on its books and I secure each year from 1,000 to 2,000 subscriptions to party papers. THAT is what I give, and give gladly, as other "Jimmie Higginess high or low are giving.

What do we get? Glory? Well, hardly, for who ever saw anything of the work of the organizers in the party bulletins or press notices except the most perfunctory notices no matter how effective the work done? addition to this being "buried alive" an or-ganizer gets money compensation that in my case rarely AVERAGES thirteen dollars a week the year round, and as a further re-ward have some Pink Tea celebrity like Spargo go into spasms over the idea of this "paid organizer" getting on a committee whose chief function should be the work of

organization.

If I am a "pald organizer," what is Spargo and his kind? I do not know what he did in England for a living-but since he landed in America I have never known him to work for a capitalist master, which proves he must have lived in the service of some part of the working class movement-in other words, if he gets a living from his books or gifts or speakings he is paid as much as any "paid organizer" with the difference that while he gets the pay he is subject to no control. Does Spargo sweep the hall, put up the bills, yell his lungs sore in the open air, talk organization, get subs for party papers? He may have done so when he "knew Marx," but he long since learned a better trick than that. Now he looks wise, goes only to the nice places at a satisfying fee, and in the leisure thus acquired studies the latest English and writes books for the "paid organizers" to sell. The publishers to get their money back advertise Spargo to beat the band. The rank and file see his name in every party paper, and when it comes time to elect to any party honor, from dog catcher to delegate to the International Congress, with one accord they say, "Great is Spargo, did he not write a book?" and elect him forthwith.

And the dub of a "Jimmie Higgins," in the shape of a "paid organizer," or State Secre-tary, or producer of the soap box, gets it in the neck and is told to go away back and sit down. If by accident he slips through and won't take orders he will find the Spargos trying to trip his feet or will be given to understand he will be given no more dates,

And we wonder why the vim and vigor seems to have gone from the movement and the veterans everywhere standing in the shadow.

In the words of Spargo, "Let us do away with this silly demagoguery"-and let us rec ognize we are all "paid" one way or the other—and not forget the pay, whether it be the price of the book we wrote or the miles we traveled, is covered with the blood and sweat of toiling thousands whose names are hardly known, but who make this movement and whom this movement must represent.

I ask the same measure of publicity for this

as Spargo's letter received. If he honestly desires the matter to end he has but to fail to reply to this.

Fraternally submitted. (Signed) GEO. H. GOEBEL.

Chicago, Ill., April 26, 1910.

To the National Executive Committee. Dear Comrades:-You will recall that in my report to your

ommittee the following appears:
"Seventeen states now permanently main tain a state secretary and most of them one or more organizers, and by their disposition and as a matter of party policy, the time has arrived when they will need little or no assistance in the way of national organizers.

"It is becoming more and more difficult to make cross country tours for National organizers. The fact that we encounter number of states in different sections of the country which do not allow the National Office to solicit dates from the locals direct, and because there are others who are more and more developing their own men, it is quite impossible to arrange consecutives dates across country economically.

"The feasible and most economical form of propaganda for the National Office conduct in the future is a systematic distribution of literature. For the same amount of money which the National Office is obliged to spend to maintain National organizers in the field, millions of pieces of literature could be furnished locals at the mere cost of shipment.

These facts were brought forth a when the question of "speakers afield"

resulting in the following motion:
"That Comrade Goebel be continued until

by the National Secretary, provided dated

Consequently, and in agreement with Com-rade Goebel, dates were arranged for him. April 12th and 12th, and consecutively there-after from April 16th until May 7th, eight assignments being based upon applications with the usual terms. For the balance the coal centers in Illinois were selected, owing. to the fact that there are seventy thousand coal misers on strike in this state. Letters fixing the dates and advertising.

matter had been sent all down the line. On April 18th, two days after Comrade Goebel left the office, I received a letter from him saying he had cancelled all dates after the 20th, while in the interim I had received acceptances of seven more dates, some of the locals having secured halls.

I therefore wrote to the affected points as follows: "We received word from Comrade Goebel today that he had cancelled all dates after the 20th and had notified all secre-taries to that effect. To make sure, however, that you do not make further arrangements for a meeting and have no speaker, I am sending you this notice. I regret this very much, but could not help it, as Comrade Goebel took the matter into his own hands without consulting this office about it."

I should also state that the dates April 14th

and 15th were left open in order to enable Comrade Goebel to serve with Comrade Lewis on the auditing committee as per your appointment. Following the adjournment of the committee meeting, Comrade Goebel re-quested to be released from the auditing work and secured the consent of Comrade B. Berlyn to act in his place. This explains the fact that the auditors' report, dated the 16th, was signed by Comrades Berlyn and Lewis, Fraternally submitted.

J. MAHLON BARNES, National Secretary.

National Referendrm "A," 1910 VOTE CLOSED APRIL 6, 1910.

To strike out of the National Constitution

Section 2 of Article X:			
States.	Yes.		No.
Arizona	30		28
California	126		251
Colorado	37		47,
Connecticut	43		16
Delaware			24
Florida	31	- 1	46
Idaho	51		14
Illinois	301		388
Indiana	111		136
Iowa	54		117
Kansas	164		102
Kentucky	20		23
Maine	- 57		26
Maryland	10		46
Massachusetts	121		398
Michigan	51		64
Minnesota	233		175
Missouri	99		#238
Missouri	99		238
Montana	151		57
New Hampshire	25		46
New Jersey	139		207
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North Dakota	13 176		. 324
Oklahoma	331		315
Oregon	72		230
Pennsylvania	360		313
South Carolina			. 6
Tennessee	23		39
Texas	271		47
Vermont			16
Washington	44		54
West Virginia	5		54
Wisconsin	239		272
Members at Large	3		
Totals	3,740		5,020

The report from Louislana was receive too late to be counted. In accordance with the above recorded vote the proposition was defeated. Attest:

J. MAHLON BARNES, National Secretary

PROPOSED NATIONAL PARTY REFER-ENDUM.

Mt. Vernon, Wash., March 27, 1916. "Amend the National Constitution, by adds ing to Article 2 the following, to be known as Section 7:

"There shall be a joint-card issued to husband and wife, father and daughter, mother and son, mother and daughter, to be stamped at the same price paid by single members, the joint members to each have the same in Party affairs that single members have; provided, that both must subscribe to the Party pledge.'

(Signed) B. B. ELBE Local Secretary.

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National Committee Action

National Headquarters, Socialist Party. Chicago, Ill., April 12, 1910.

To the National Committee. Comrades—Relating to the qualified nom-mees for delegates to the International Congress, I have the following to report:

ACCEPTED NOMINATION.

Victor L. Berger. B. Berlyn.
Lames H. Brower.
L. E. Carr.
Stanley J. Clark.
Leuis Duchez. A. H. Floaten. W R. Gaylord. Geo. H. Goebel. W. D. Haywood. Morris Hillquit. Robert Hunter. Nicholas Klein. Leo Laukki. Algernon Lee.
Lena Morrow Lewis.
Caylord Wilshire.
John M. Work.
William McDevitt. Thomas J. Morgan. May Wood-Simons. J. E. Snyder. John Spargo. B. H. Thomas.

Luella Twining.

Victor Watia.

Ernest Untermann.

J. Stitt Wilson. Total-28. DECLINED NOMINATION.

J. Mahlon Barnes. . O. Bentalt. Joseph E. Cohen. John M. Collins. Eugene V. Debs. Frederick Heath. Charles H. Kerr. Antionette Konikow. Arthur M. Lewis. Anna A. Maley. Seth McCallen. Ed. Moore. Joseph M. Patterson. Sumner W. Rose. George H. Shoaf. John W. Slayton. J. G. Phelps Stokes. Rose Pastor Stokes. Carl D. Thompson. W. E. Walling. Joshua Wanhope. Fred D. Warren. F. H. Wentworth. Dan A. White. Total-24.

NOT HEARD FROM BY CLOSING DATE O. F. Branstetter.

George D. Brewer. James F. Carey. Max S. Hayes. Frank J. Hayes. Gertrude B. Hunt. Mother Jones. Morris Kaplan. George R. Kirkpatrick. Austin Lewis. Jack London. James H. Maurer. E. T. Melms. Walter Thomas Mills. N. A. Richardson. A. M. Simons. Gustave A. Strebel. Fred Strickland. J. A. Wayland. Total-19:

Fraternally submitted, J. MAHLON BARNES National Secretary.

PROPOSED NATIONAL PARTY REFERENDUM.

By Local Berks County, S. P. of Pennsyl-

"Amend National Constitution, Article XI

"Motions to amend any part of this constitution, as well as any other motions or resolutions to be voted upon by the entire membership of the party, shall be submitted by the National Secretary to a referendum of the more states or territories, said local organizations having a membership in good stand-ing of at least three per cent of the national membership at the time motion is made and endorsed. All organizations offering motions or endorsing requests for referendum shall forward to National Secretary a statement of the number of members in good standing. Any motion failing to receive endorsement of three per cent of national membership within ninety days of submission shall lapse.

"Comment ... The useless and costly referendums imposed upon the party by an infin-Resimal minority, in many cases, calls for immediate action to end such activity. Any moon of real merit can secure endorsement of three per cent of the membership, and motions offered that do not possess merit should

"The principle of the referendum has been invoked so frequently, and on matters so frivial or inconsequential, that the member-ship is becoming disgusted and neglecting to vote upon the propositions submitted. The peferendum activity is deplorable and would be much more wisely expended in other ways. Other reasons might be offered, but these seem sufficient to justify the change we ad-

Yours in the cause (Signed) CHARLES L HEPNER,

Secretary.

National Headquarters,
Socialist Party,
Chicago, Ill., April 7, 1910.
To the National Committee and State Sec retaries.

Comrades-By concurrent action of the National Executive Committee and National Committee it has been-decided that the apportionment of delegates for the Party Con-gress, to be held May 15, 1910, in Chicago, is to be based upon the average Party membership in the respective states for the year 1909.

By like action it has been decided that the respective State Secretaries shalf file with the National Secretary a list of their accredited delegates on or before May 2d.

National Constitution, Article 10, Section 2, in part:

"The basis of representation shall be one delegate at large and one delegate for every five hundred members."

APPORTIONMENT OF DELEGATES.

	Membership	Number
States.	For 1909.	Delegate
Alabama		1 .
Arizona	250	1
Arkansas		1
California	2,417	- 5
Colorado	726 -	2
Connecticut	621	2
Florida	180	1
Idaho	479	1
Illinois	3,517	8
Indiana	921	. 3
Iowa	708	2
Kansas	1,205	3
Kentucky	150	. 1
Louisiana	200	. 1
Maine	298	1
Maryland		1
Massachusetts	2,526	. 6
Michigan	1,249	3
Minnesota	1,968	.4
Missouri	1,183	. 3
Montana	393	. 1
Nebraska	408	1
Nevada	133	1
New Hampshire	295	1
New Jersey	1,500	4
New Mexico	142	1
New York	4,338	9
North Dakota	177	1
Ohio	2,512	6
Oklahoma	1,858	- 4
Oregon	855	2
Pennsylvania	3,266	7
Rhode Island	258	1
South Dakota	250	1 .
Tennessee		1 1 .
Texas	1,391	3
Utah	* 337	1
Vermont	82	1 1
Washington	914	2
West Virginia		1 .
Wisconsin		4
Wyoming	503	. 2
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The following unorganized states are entitled to one delegate each: Alaska, Dela-were, Georgia, Hawaii, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, making 104 delegates from organized states and 8 from unorganized states: total, 112.

No delegate shall be considered eligible unless he is a resident of the state from which the credential is presented, and shall have been a member of the Party for at least two

By the concurrent action of the said committees a twenty-five cent delegate mileage assessment has been authorized and the stamps are being shipped to the respective State Secretaries in quantities according to their membership.

Fraternally submitted,

J. MAHLON BARNES. National Secretary.

National Headquarters,
Socialist Party,
Chicago, Ill., April 8, 1910.
To Locals and Members at Large in Unorganized States.

Comrades—It has been decided by National Referendum "A," just closed, that a Party Congress shall be held in the City of Chicago May 15th. The apportionment just issued entitles your state to one delegate. The election of the National Finnish of the by referendum vote conducted by this adopted at their convention held in Hancoffice. The call for nominations is hereby cock, Mich., August of last year, a confersional A delegate must be a member of the Advantage of the National Conparty membership, upon the request of not office. The call for nominations is hereby less than twenty local organizations in five or issued. A delegate must be a member of the Party for two years and reside in the state he represents. A blank is enclosed which

must be returned to this office on or before April 20th.

Acceptances and declinations will close April 21st, and the names of the candidates not heard from by that time will not appear on the ballot. The balllots will be mailed from this office April 22d and the report of votes must be returned on or before May 3d.

The time is very limited. The late decision made it so. Quick action is required and the hearty co-operation of all comrades. Call a special meeting of the local, to be held not later than April 17th. At that time also arrange for a special meeting for the election within the period of April 24th and 29th. Due notice should be given to all members of the time and place of the election meeting. Only members in good standing may vote.

With your nomination kindly send in ar order for the required number of twenty-fivecent membership mileage assessment stamps. The hope is entertained that a large and

representative vote will determine the choice of your delegation.

The mileage assessment to pay the railroad fare of delegates assures equitable representation to all divisions of the party, regardless of their strength or weakness in num-bers or finances. Every member should, therefore, gladly assume his share of the common expense and help to banish the fear the International Congress. The session will

or thought of a large deficit at the very open ing of the congressional campaign. Fraternally yours,

J. MAHLON BARNES. National Secretary.

PROPOSED NATIONAL PARTY REFER ENDUMS. Galveston, Texas, March 25, 1910.

Whereas, The Party is put to an enormous expense in the matter of conducting referen-dum vote and so much matter being submitted to the general vote that is of doubtful merit thereby increasing the expense of the referendum; and,

Whereas, The Party is in need of all available funds for propaganda work, we believe that it is time for the membership to take some step to stop the waste of Party funds in such useless practices and to safeguard the referendum in such way as to make it of actual service to the Party, and to be as the framers of the referendum intended it for;

therefore, be it Resolved, That Local Galveston use its en ergy and influence in having the law added

to the constitution:

(a) Any local which believes a law should be amended or a new law created, shall pre-pare a draft in duplicate, the local secretary to keep one on file and the other to be for warded to the National Executive Committee Copies of the measure shall then be prepared and mailed out to locals asking for their endersement, a copy of their endorsement to be mailed to the local sending out the measure and the other to be mailed to the National Executive Committee. When twenty-five locals have given their endorsement to the measure the National Executive Committee shall then call for a general vote on the measure. If two-thirds of the members vote in the affirmative the measure becomes a law. Should a measure submitted to a general vote become a law the National Executive Commitee shall stand the expense of the referendum, but should the measure fail of becoming a law then the twenty-five locals giving their endorsement shall bear the expense of tak-

(Signed) LOCAL GALVESTON 365.

Whereas, The Socialist Party stands pledged in its platform against the private ownership of proptry; and,

Whereas, Private ownership of property is diametrically opposed to the principles and teachings of the Socialist movement, we be-lieve the Socialist Party in error in lending their aid and support to privately owned papers, wherein the membership can have no voice except it be the pleasure of the owner;

and, Whereas, Profits accruing from the pub lication of papers and other printed matter now going into the pockets of individuals could be used in the publication of propagenda matter that could be placed in the hands of the working class at a greatly reduced price; and, Whereas, The Party is now without an

official organ and party owned press; there-

fore, be it

Resolved, That the Socialist Party pledge itself to the immediate purchase or establishment of a Party organ and the election of an editor by referendum vote. Submitted by

(Signed)
LOCAL GALVESTON (\$65), TEXAS.

NOTICE TO DELEGATES

Owing to the fact that there is not now sufficient money on hand to pay mileage both sufficient money on hand to pay mileage both ways, and the further fact that the names and addresses of delegates are coming in so slowly, as a general policy checks for mileage cannot be forwarded in advance, and delegates, wherever possible, will pay their own fare to the congress. By Monday evening, May 15th, they will be reimbursed by the National Office for the amount advanced upon filing a requisition on the blank form upon filing a requisition on the blank form which will be distributed at the first session. However, any delegate who will need a remittance before leaving home will receive a check by return mail by stating the cost of trip one way and giving full name and home address.

ence of the de gress from all foreign speaking organiza-tions has been called to meet at 11 a. m., at National Headquarters, on May 13, To make the necessary arrangements for the confer-ence, the Executive Committee of the National Finnish organization will meet at National Headquarters on May 8th. All cor-respondence relating to this conference should be addressed to Herman Louko, National Finnish Translator, 180 Washington street, top floor, Chicago, Ill.

Upon a call issued by Comrade Ernest Un-termann, chairman of the permanent committee on immigration, that committee will meet at National Headquarters May 12th, 1910. The committee is composed as follows: Ernest Untermann, Victor L. Berger, Joshua Wandope, John Spargo and Guy E. Miller.

Relating to the delegates to the Party Congress to be elected by the respective states, the Woman's National Committee, by motion, respectfully urge the election of at least one woman in each state delegation.

NATIONAL NOTES

The Executive Committe of the Interna tional Socialist Bureau has decided upon the date and secured the hall for the meeting of

open in Copenhagen, Denmark, August 28 and close September 3, 1910. The place of meeting is the Concert Palace of the Odd Fellows Pal-ace, No. 28 Bredgade Street. The address of the local committee on arrangements for hotels, etc., is, Stauning, 22; Romersgade, 22; Copenhagen, Denmark.

By a recent referendum in Idaho, Comrade T. J. Coonrod, Emmett, was re-elected State Secretary, and E. L. Rigg, Ruport, was re-elected a member of the National Committee.

By a recent referendum, Comrade J. N. Ab-bott, Shemeid, Ala., was elected a member of the National Committee.

By a recent referendum, Comrade C. P. Wight, Box 119, Old Orchard, Me., was elected a member of the National Committee. elected a member of the National Committee.

A State Convention of the Socialist Party of Maine will be held at Augusta, May 2d.

By recent referendums, Comrade N. W. Lermond, Thomanston, has been re-elected State Secretary of Maine, and Comrade Mrs. Hazel Putnam, Wilburton, has been elected State Secretary of Louisiana.

The Finnish comrades of Clifford, Wis. whose applications for citizenship were lad over from the November to the April term of court, have been granted their papers, Com-rade Carl Strover of Chicago, acting as attorney by direction of the National Executive Committee.

Comrade Charles W. Greene, State Secretary of New Hampshire, reports: "Local Franklin has removed from its membership roll the names of Edward C. Morey, S. F. Alden and Isaac Crapo for conduct unworthy a Socialist during the paper mill strike."

By a recent referendum in California J. Still Wilson, Ridge Road, Berkeley, was elected a member of the National Committee, and N. A. Richardson, San Bernardino, was re-elected to the same position. F. B. Mert-am of Chula Vista was elected State Secretary-Treasurer. Until further notice the State Office will be maintained at 591 22d street, Oakland, Cal.

Comrade Paul J. Paulsen, Rock Springs, Wyo., by the request of State Secretary Hackenberg, has assumed the office of State Secretary, pending an election to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Comrade Hackenberg.

State Secretary E. E. Adel of Ohio reports the expulsion of Frank Midney and Samuel Snyder from Local Dayton for conduct detri-mental to the best interests of the Socialist

State Secretary Coonrod of Idaho reports that Local Hausen has expelled one Henry C. Scranton, former secretary of the local, for violating Article III, Section 10, of the state constitution.

By a recent referendum vote in New York. Comrades Gustave A. Strebel, 716 McBride street, Syracuse, and Edward F. Cassidy, 161 West 198th street, New York City, were elected members of the National Committee, and Comrade John Spargo, 25 Willow place, Yonkers, was re-elected to the same position.

By a recent referendum in Florida, Com-rade C. C. Allen, St. Petersburg, was elected a member of the National Committee.

By a recent referendum in Pennsylvanis, Comrade Thomas F. Kennedy, 726 Frederick street, McKee's Rocks, was elected a member of the National Committee, and Comrades James H. Maurer, 1516 North Tenth street, Reading, and John W. Slayton, McKeesport, were re-elected to the same position.

By a recent referendum in Massachusetts, Comrade James F. Carey, 639 Washington street Boston, was re-elected State Secre-tary, and Squire E. Putney, 4 Belmont ter-race. Somerville, and Franklin H. Wentworth, 8 Carpenter street, Salem, were re-elected members of the National Committee.

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