

WIELDS SLEDGE ON D PARTIES

St. Louis Labor Body Vigorously Announces Taft as Well as Bryan

(DAILY SOCIALIST CORRESPONDENCE) St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 14.—The Central Trades and Labor Union Sunday turned down the report of the committee which, since the meeting of Sunday, Aug. 23, had been investigating the "reward" policy of the American Federation of Labor, and had reported favorably on it.

A substitute resolution directly opposite to that which the committee had brought in was adopted after some discussion by a vote of 88 to 75.

Was Complete Surprise This action came as a complete surprise, especially to the local Democratic newspapers, which knew of the committee's intended report and had devoted much space to "boosting" it.

For the last three weeks the Democratic papers had much to say about the good work this committee would do for William J. Bryan and the Democratic party.

The names of the resolution committee, Wilson, Conroy and Sarber, were prominently mentioned and it seems that every capitalist paper was well informed as to the kind of report the committee was going to make.

Naturally enough the St. Louis Republic charges the Socialists with having packed the meeting of the Central Trades and Labor union, which sounds queer indeed, in view of the fact that for fully three weeks all the Democratic party organs of St. Louis had repeatedly published the news that the central body would not meet.

The action was also taken in face of the fact that President Gompers stopped over in St. Louis both on his way to and from Texas, and the record of the Democratic "leading" union against the oppression of the money powers.

Made a Long Report The report of the committee was very lengthy and cleverly put up. After reciting all of the well known sins of the Republican machine without mentioning one syllable about the equally dirty record of the Democrats, the report ended as follows:

Resolved, That we urgently request every wage earner, whether he be affiliated with a trade union or not, to place his stamp of disapproval upon the Republican party and its attitude toward labor by voting against labor's arch-enemy, Wm. H. Taft. Your committee would respectfully recommend that the president appoint a committee of five, of which the president and secretary shall be members, whose duty it shall be to carry on the fight for

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PRINCE BECOMES MARRIED OF HIS AMERICAN WIFE; SEEKS DIVORCE

Paris, Sept. 15.—Prince Robert de Bleglio has become tired of his American wife, even though she has been supporting him in comfort for some time, and he will sue for divorce. The charge made is "unfidelity," based on the sums of money which she has sent to him while she has been on the stage at Odéon. The prince and princess have led a merry life.

Blipped With Prince The princess, whose maiden name was Estelle Alexander, of San Francisco, first met the prince in Paris. At that time she was the wife of Sidney Bell, a Prussian merchant. It was not long before an elopement was decided upon, and the prince and Bell's wife began a tour of the world, knowing it would be a long time before they were discovered.

WOMAN LEADS POSSE, THEN SHOOT NEGRO ASSAILANT

Powder Springs, Ga., Sept. 15.—After forming and heading a posse to chase Robert Bostick, a negro, who had attacked her 9-year-old daughter, Mrs. Sarah Reed, wife of a prominent citizen, shot the negro as soon as he was overtaken.

Bostick was employed at the Reed home and enticed the little girl into an outhouse, where he attacked her and covered her with a log in a woods.

Mrs. Reed called on the members of the posse to stand back, raised her gun and discharged both barrels into the negro, probably fatally wounding him.

The Illinois state employment bureau has become interested in the methods of the Corn Products Manufacturing company, which is building a mammoth plant near Summit, Illinois.

Two weeks ago he sent Policemen Fred Gurney and Nicholas Swieg to Argo, to investigate the condition of the 1,200 men employed there.

The scheme seems to be legal, but I consider it against public policy, said Cruden. "When Pattie came to me and asked for a license to run an employment bureau, I told him that the state free employment bureau would be willing to furnish him to Argo without charge.

As for the men who go to Argo, men who are down and out and with empty stomachs have small choice as to what they may do. They have to board and sleep inside the stockade. I understand, unless they have purchased a lot of outside.

A pass is required to go in or out. I have seen the place from the outside and the system there reminds me of the Illinois Steel works, especially in the way that cases of accident are handled.

MAN SAVES HIS LIFE BY LEADING BULL BY NOSE New York, Sept. 15.—Through rare presence of mind William Hand of East Hampton, L. I., saved his life yesterday when attacked by a vicious bull.

SOLDIERS ARE ROUTED BY TORRID WAVE ON DESERT Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 15.—Unable to face the intense heat of the desert, three troops of the 12th cavalry, under command of Major Frederick H. Foster, have arrived in this city on a special train of thirty-five cars en route to Atascadero, where the soldiers will participate in the joint army maneuvers.

CHICAGOANS FIGHT TO SAVE HOMES FROM "FOREST" FIRE Fire which raged for two hours in the heavily wooded bog along Stony Island avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Ninetieth streets, before dawn today drove hundreds of persons from their beds to fight off the flames and protect their homes from the showers of flying embers and sparks.

WINTER MILK PRICES ARE NOW 10 PER CENT LOWER Elgin, Ill., Sept. 15.—Wholesale milk prices for the ensuing six months in the Elgin dairy district announced today show an average decrease of 10 cents the hundred pounds over the winter of 1907.

Even this failed to appease the princely father. The prince was disinherited and the couple went on the stage to make their living.

TAFT OR BRYAN, SAYS HARRIMAN

Railroad Magnate Holds It Makes No Difference Which Is Elected

New York, Sept. 15.—E. H. Harriman doesn't care a whit whether Taft or Bryan is elected president. He was in his office yesterday for the first time after his long trip through the west and said that so far as the business of his railroads was concerned it would make no difference who was elected president.

He remarked that the people took little interest in the issues. He talked at length on the relation of the Sherman law and the interstate commerce act to railroad business and conditions generally.

"I don't want to talk politics," Harriman said. "In fact, I heard little political discussion in the west. In my opinion the great danger—and bear in mind I am not speaking for either party—is the feeling of indifference. I think the people are tired of the issues presented to them. They are tired of the things that have come up for the last five years."

Expenses Are Reduced "We hope to do still better in reducing the operating cost," Harriman said, commenting upon the great reduction shown in Union Pacific's statement for July.

"The people should have good railroads. Public sentiment throughout the country undoubtedly is more favorable to railroad management—proper railroads and management. I mean—that it has been in recent years. A year ago a man hated to be seen with a railroad president.

What we ought to have is protection as well as regulation, and be allowed to co-operate and have power to enter agreements to make alliances, so that transportation may be done at the least cost along the lines of least resistance.

Take Them Behind School "Since our conference with those boys and girls yesterday afternoon I have become pretty clear as to what they need," he said, "the boys I mean. If they could be taken out behind the school building and given a good old fashioned spanking it would do more real good than all the rules the board can pass."

Berlin, Sept. 15.—Andrew Carnegie has written a letter from Skibo castle, Scotland, to Representative Richard Bartholdt of Missouri, president of the American group of the Interparliamentary union, which convenes on Sept. 17.

There will be one man in Berlin while your congress is in session who has only to speak the word "no" and the emperor of Germany ever realized his man's destiny peace would follow.

Chicagoans Fight to Save Homes from "Forest" Fire Fire which raged for two hours in the heavily wooded bog along Stony Island avenue, between Eighty-fifth and Ninetieth streets, before dawn today drove hundreds of persons from their beds to fight off the flames and protect their homes from the showers of flying embers and sparks.

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TIME FOR QUICK ACTION



URGES SPANKING IN "FRAT" CASE

Schnieder Says Corporal Punishment Will Do Away With "Evil"

Otto C. Schnieder, president of the board of education, believes that if corporal punishment were restored in the Chicago high schools the much discussed "frat evil" would disappear in just about the proverbial number of shakes of a lamb's tail.

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After the failure of the anti-Hughes forces to unite upon a candidate to beat the incumbent, the order giving all the inhabitants of the tenderloin seven days to declare an intent to reform or to leave the city.

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REPUBLICAN CASH POURS IN; WESTERNERS WANT IT

With the money pouring into the national headquarters of the Republican party in the Hargreaver building, the executive committee has learned of grave dangers to the national ticket in several western states.

About a dozen national committeemen from western states were in the city yesterday restalling hard luck stories of the campaign to National Chairman Hitchcock.

On second thought, therefore, the western committeemen became pessimistic. They thought themselves of bitter factional fights at home as a consequence of which the Republicans are in danger of defeat.

Eighteen Girls Reform Of the girls who inhabited the red light district, eighteen have declared their intention of reforming and have registered with the Humane Society, as requested, on the promise that they will be provided with respectable employment.

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LARGE PARADE IS HELD Ten Stops Made and Much Enthusiasm Is Shown at Every Place

(WORKERS' PRESS ASSOCIATION.) (From Yesterday's Last Edition.) Portland, Ore., Sept. 15.—Portland's enormous skating rink last night held ten thousand persons, who were gathered to extend a welcome to Eugene V. Debs, the Socialist candidate for president, and to listen to the truths of Socialism.

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HUGHES WINS OVER HIS FOES

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FIGHT FIRE TO SAVE A TOWN

Duluth, Minn., Sept. 15.—The next twenty-four hours will likely decide the fate of Grand Marais, Minn., the isolated village 140 miles from Duluth, on the north shore of Lake Superior.

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Such quiet agitation is going on everywhere... Never fail to give one Socialist paper away each week...

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CLERGYMAN GETS STINGING REPLY

Socialist Answers Pastor's Argument by Showing Preachers' Record

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)

Pittsburg, Sept. 16.—This city, made famous by the steel trust and its merry millionaires, listened to a debate on Socialism wherein the Rev. Zahniser, a prominent Presbyterian minister, brought forward all the old stock arguments against it...

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LARGE CROWD ATTENDS THE 24TH WARD ENTERTAINMENT

A large crowd attended the free entertainment given by the Twenty-fourth ward Socialists...

WRIGHT TO MAKE FINAL AIR TESTS

Washington, D. C., Sept. 16.—Orville Wright announced early today that he did not intend to make a flight until late this afternoon...

SMALL BOY IS ATTACKED BY BIG AMERICAN EAGLE

New York, Sept. 16.—Subbing down into a crowd of persons who were watching a recent baseball game near Port Richmond, S. I., an American eagle attacked John Pollockson, 3 years old...

BANNER DEDICATION AND GRAND BALL

The Scandinavian Karl Marx Club... Wabasha Hall, Cor. California and Wabasha Aves. SATURDAY, SEPT. 19, 1908, 8 P. M. Tickets 25 Cents. Good Speaking and Dancing.

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JACK LONDON

OF all the authors of fiction there are none who can compare with London in the handling of his pen...

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY OF LINCOLN-DUBOIS DEBATE

Jonesboro, Ill., Sept. 16.—The centennial celebration of the great debate between Abraham Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas attracted a large crowd yesterday...

GLASSIE EVANSTON SUFFERS A STRIKE OF SALESWOMEN

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STYLISH BANDIT ROBS TWO MEN

Tells Victims He Has Lost Auto, Then Robs Them in Front of Hotel

A "gentleman" hold-up man, dressed in the latest fashion, robbed two men in front of the Virginia hotel, Ohio and Rush streets, at 11 o'clock today.

Bogart was relieved of a gold watch and chain valued at \$150 and \$20 in cash and Murry lost \$7 and a gold watch valued at \$40.

Bogart and Murry had been walking east from State street and reaching Ohio street, were about to part and go to their respective homes.

Bogart and Murry parted down the street in an effort to discover the machine and as they looked around again the supposed automobile owner was covering them with a blue-steeled revolver.

"Don't make any noise but shell out quick," he said softly. "I have to catch a mail train for the east."

The victims handed over their watches and wallets and then the robber attempted to take the diamond ring.

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Big Event at Riverview Next Sunday Promises to Be Enthusiastic Affair

Only one more opportunity is offered Chicago Socialists to turn out full force and boost Socialism by having a good time in Riverview Park.

The picnic will be held on the grounds of the Cook county picnic grounds, which are situated on the shore of Lake Michigan.

Lewis is now helping the Daily and every little bit of help given him, in that direction by Chicago Socialists will encourage him and make his work lighter.

James H. Brower, Socialist candidate for governor of Illinois, will be present. As an entertaining and logical speaker he has few equals.

Brother A. So to speak James H. Brower, Socialist candidate for governor of Illinois, will be present.

Should Sell Tickets Only a few days are left for those who wish to work for the benefit of the Daily Socialist.

Where To Go Grand harvest festival and farmers party will be given by the Peoria Socialist League Saturday evening, Sept. 19, at 10 Washington street.

UNION MEETINGS Woodworkers union will meet Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 121 East Washington street.

Socialist News Give Campaign Picnic The St. Louis Socialist party two days campaign picnic at Lemps Park last Saturday and Sunday.

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Benefits: Chicago Daily Socialist, 50 per cent; State and County Campaign Fund, 25 per cent.

Speakers: James H. Brower, Candidate for Governor of Illinois; John C. Chase, of Haverhill, Mass., first Socialist Elected Mayor of any city in America; J. Mahlon Barnes, National Secretary; J. O. Bentall, State Secretary; G. T. Fraenkel, County Secretary, and others.

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Cannot Reconcile Interests

Now it is announced that the railroad employes have united with the railroad companies to protect their "mutual interests."

It scarcely seems possible that in this day and age, with the knowledge that is supposed to exist of the relation of the employer and employe, that there could be even a small part of one group of workmen that have not learned yet that there is no common interest between the employer and the men who work for him.

A professor in one of the large universities, speaking to his class of young men, made the statement not long ago that in the process of production there are two factors—labor and capital; that the produce falls into the hands of the man who owns the capital and he determines how much the worker shall receive as wages.

Here is a mathematical problem: Can one reconcile the interests of two parties in society, both struggling to secure a portion of the same thing, but one party having the tremendous advantage of possession?

The employers have always tried to blind the workers to the real issue by talking of the "common interest" of the employer and employe. They have attempted to interest the voters in tariff, railroad rates, money—any old issue that they claimed would make business better—and therefore make the condition of the worker better. And the workingman has never realized that all these issues concerned only the employer and were used to cover up the main question of when shall the worker take all the product of his labor?

While the employer is telling his men that they have a common interest, what is the language that these same employers use among themselves? To them you are only a commodity, something like cotton, to be bought and sold. During the present panic the employes have regretted that the commodity labor is decreasing in quantity somewhat because of the outward movement of foreigners.

To them you are neither men or women, but only a part of their machinery that must be kept as efficient and paying as great a profit as possible.

You are not human beings, with aspirations to be fulfilled and capabilities to be developed.

You are cogs in the wheels of industry.

But when there is anything to be gained from it these employers prate of the common interest of the employer and employe and use a few workmen to act as decoys for other workers.

Just now the railroads need the support of their employes on the question of rates.

A few months hence these same railroads may use the injunction, as they have done in the past, to coerce these same men.

Like Tommy Atkins—

"It's Tommy this and Tommy that,

And Tommy go away,

But it's 'Thank you, Mr. Atkins,'

When the band begins to play."

That Roosevelt Letter

To what straits are Theodore Roosevelt and his would-be heir, "Injunction Bill," being reduced?

How it must gall Roosevelt to have to indict such a letter to his dear, old-time, cattleman friend in Helena, Montana!

He could not bring himself to the point of directly addressing the unions and the workers in such a pleading way in the interest of his injunction shadow. So he addresses this friend and then gives copies to the papers, which publish it in full, even the Hearst papers, although it takes up a full page in small type.

It might be recalled that while Roosevelt is angling for the workingmen to vote for Taft and defending Taft's labor record, that when Roosevelt visited Chicago during the teamsters' strike he deliberately insulted a committee from the Chicago Federation of Labor, and this after they had told him that the trouble could all be stopped if one of the great employers would agree to pay living wages to his workmen.

He did not wait then to get back to Oyster Bay and write to an old cattleman friend to let them know where he stood.

Roosevelt now reads the new signs on the horizon. He has seen Socialism growing among the workers and hopes that the trade union movement may now be used to stay the rising tide of Socialism, which means economical and political freedom for the workers.

"The Injunction Special"

William H. Taft's campaign managers announce that the G. O. P. candidate will make a ten-day tour of the states west of the Mississippi river, starting from Chicago on October 8.

It may be well to assure Samuel Gompers at this early date that the Socialist party positively is not paying the expenses of "The Injunction Special" that will carry Mr. Taft. The books of the national office of the Socialist party are always open to inspection, and these will show beyond a doubt that the Socialists are not putting up the money for Mr. Taft's train.



F. W. L.—Under the Illinois statutes, in order to have the right to vote, a citizen must reside in Illinois one year, in the county ninety days, and in the election precinct thirty days. Absence from the state, even if continued for many years, does not disqualify the voter as long as he did not leave the state with the intention of transferring his residence to another place, or actually acquired legal residence elsewhere. On the other hand even a short absence, if the removal is made with the intent of acquiring residence elsewhere, will cause loss of residence in Illinois and will disqualify from voting. If once a voter has become disqualified he can regain his right only

by a renewed residence in Illinois for the statutory period above mentioned. C. S. J. & R. failed to pay the second premium on a life insurance policy, and informed the agent that he did not wish to carry the insurance any longer. Conciliation of the agent he changed his mind, gave the agent his note for the premium, and paid \$10 on the note. Since then J. & R. has changed his mind again and wishes to pay no more on the note. The agent threatens suit on the note, and J. & R. wants to know whether he is liable on the note. In all likelihood J. & R. is liable, though there may be circumstances, such as lack of authority in the agent to accept a note in payment, failure of the agent to pay the premium, etc., by which J. & R. might escape liability. G. S.



THE MISSION OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY

BY EUGENE V. DEBS, SOCIALIST PARTY CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

To free the workers of the world from the curse of wage slavery and its countless brood of festering evils, to organize society upon a basis of co-operative industry in which all shall be workers, owning in common the machinery of production and producing wealth for their own enjoyment, is the prime object of the International Socialist movement.

To organize the workers into a working class political party, through which to secure control of the powers of government, the law making and law enforcing machinery of the nation, to put into effect the above declared object is the mission of the Socialist party.

A more righteous cause never inspired man to action in this world.

To secure control of government the Socialist party appeals to the working class and the ballot. Though a revolutionary party in the sense that it proposes to put an end to the present industrial system and establish a new social order, its program is one of perfect peace.

That violence and bloodshed are resorted to is not because of the Socialist party, but in spite of it.

The present system, called the capitalist system because it is controlled by capitalist and operated in their interest, is based upon the slavery and robbery of the working class. Such a system has to be supported and protected by force. Violence follows as a matter of course.

The club, the blow and the blood that follows it; the bayonet, the bullet and the "bulletin"; the repeating rifle, the riot gun and rapid fire injunction are the gory and gruesome symbols of the capitalist regime of our day.

The Socialist party, seeing all this and understanding from careful study the cause of it, does not advise the ennobled, assaulted or imprisoned workers to meet brutality with brute force, to answer the club with the dirk, or the bayonet with the revolver, but it does advise them to use their brains, remove the cause and walk forth free men.

There has been a great industrial change in the last century. New conditions have arisen, and these demand a new system. Machines are now used instead of hand tools; great mills have

taken the places of small shops, and armies of workers, co-operatively employed, are required to operate them.

These machines and mills are at present the private property of a few capitalists and are operated purely for their profit.

All the wealth the armies of workers produce above a bare living is taken from them by the capitalists, the owners of the mills and machines, who are also their industrial masters. These owners and masters can close down their mills and exclude the workers from them at will. The workers are wholly dependent upon them and at their mercy.

In modern society the capitalist, the owner of the machine, the tool of production, without which the worker cannot work, and therefore cannot live, has the power of life and death over his workmen, their wives and children.

It is essentially a barbarous and demoralizing system in all its effects. The capitalist is calloused and debased, while the worker is enslaved and brutalized.

A few capitalists are gored and bloated to the bursting point. Their features are distorted and discolored by their vulgar excesses. Their better nature is besotted and conscience has been suffocated.

A mass of workers are poverty stricken, idle, homeless, hungry, desperate; a mass of women are wretched, sequestered, covered with rags, vainly seeking to appease the hunger of their offspring with crusts. A mass of children are born to degeneracy, food for filth and misery, crime and death.

These hideous extremes, these social horrors, are the products of the decomposing, vermin-infested capitalist system, and upon this system the Socialist party, in the name of the working class, its most cruelly outraged victims, has declared war to the death.

When it is understood that the Socialist party is the party of the working class, its mission in the presence of existing conditions seems so evident that it almost suggests itself.

What workman, unless his brain has been extinguished in wage slavery, can fail to understand that the Socialist party is his party, as against the

Republican party, the Democratic party, the Populist party and all other capitalist parties, because it is the only party that stands for his class, the only party whose mission it is to organize his class for the overthrow of wage slavery and the emancipation of the workers from capitalist tyranny and misrule.

O, workers of America, use your brains in your own interests instead of being satisfied with deforming your bodies to enrich your masters!

You were born to noble freedom, not to serve as beasts of burden.

Be men enough to think and act for yourselves, and if you do, the mission of the Socialist party will appeal to your intelligence and claim your allegiance and support.

To conquer capitalism, to abolish slavery, to put an end to poverty, to overcome injustice, to be free men, to have the right to work, to secure what your labor produces, to see your wives and children glad in the joys of home and health, peace and plenty, you have but to do one thing, and that can be expressed in one word—UNITE.

You are a vast majority of the earth and ought to rule it.

You are lacking in intelligence only, and this you have the means and opportunity to cultivate.

The mission of the Socialist party is to free your minds from prejudice, cultivate your intelligence, develop your brains, that you may become the slaveless masters of the earth.

When you succeed to power, all humanity will be free and civilized, and the exercise of power to silence the discontent of slaves will be no longer necessary.

To the working class the Socialist party makes its appeal. The Socialist party is the working class, in so far as it has awakened to its class interests and become conscious of its class power.

To organize the working class into a political party to battle for and achieve their own emancipation is the mission of the Socialist party, and every worker in the land should hail with joy its glorious advent and join with all his heart the swelling chorus of the social revolution.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

A Reply

BY ERMA VIVIAN JOHNSON. Replying to the article by Bertha Wilkins Starkweather in a recent issue of the Daily Socialist, in which she states her disapproval of women urging suffrage as a special issue, how long like to ask a few questions.

If women should refrain from active work in the non-suffrage states until suffrage is a special issue, how long will they be obliged to keep silent? This woman suffrage question is not a separate and entirely different issue from any other economic need. It is a part of the working class demands protecting the rights of disfranchised women citizens, and surely requires more strenuous activity to place women on an equal voting ground with men. Rest assured that suffrage is not going to enter the political field in any state where women are not desiring and demanding it.

And how shall women demand their rights? If they do not follow the same means and measures as men have been obliged to do, how will they secure the same advantages? In the Socialist party comrades devote their time to educating the use of the ballot to those outside the movement. Women are as much considered as men and enjoy the same privileges in the party. To not protest against the unequal division of the sexes in national politics is to make political means a meaningless instrument to women comrades, for of what use is it to educate how to use the ballot if there is no ballot to use?

Of course, the impossibilists do not recognize political power as a valuable means to success. But I say that the weapon of defense in any country must necessarily be the ballot—the one readiest at hand.

Yet, in regard to these political tools at hand to work with, we are obliged to put up with the crude fashion in which they are presented to us. Capitalism has its own system of running its own government, and its voter holds command until passed into disease. It shall we all die? and listen to that dictating command until we starve in our graves or shall we make the best use possible out of the bourgeois power of control, at least enough to criticize its tendencies?

Because one argues before state officials, what right have we to suspect

that our women comrades are buying legislatures? It takes a capitalist pocketbook to do that. And who, in their simplest moments, imagines that any Socialist could influence anyone in a state capital, or any other place, without the conversion to Socialism being effected?

We can go any place, say anything on Socialism, and yet tell naught, but truth and back it up with proof. As I see it, there cannot be too much activity for Socialism.

Go to the state capitals? Why, yes. Go all over the world if possible—all of you. The better the working class becomes acquainted with capitalist methods of government, the easier it is to pave the way to a better system for the social welfare. Public investigation by the women is more liable to instill a strong desire to cope with adverse conditions and overcome them. We must study politics fully to appreciate our voting power when we get it.

Swedish Social Democratic Congress

BY ANNA S. SWANSON. Women in all lands are waking up to the exigencies of the times. They form themselves into groups and societies for more effective work, which grow larger and stronger as time goes on. And some day the women, the mothers of the race, shall come into their own—socially and politically as well as intellectually, morally and spiritually. It must be deeds as well as words.

Hitherto man has said and enacted laws to this effect: You, women, may talk all you please about things moral and ethical, you may hold up high ideals before humanity—indeed, it is well that you instill high sentiments and beautiful truths into your children—but when it comes to practical life, when these things are to be tested and tried, we, the men, that alone understand business and politics, and for certain reasons known to ourselves, prefer to go and reserve the right to determine just how things are to be. Many men who realize that high ideals are worth while and that the ethical and spiritual sense, inherent in their nature, is worthy of cultivation, are, indeed, keenly aware of the utility of it all under the present system of capitalism, where profit is the goal that justifies all means.

not hardened scoundrels, unless, indeed, they harken to the call of justice and to the voice of their women comrades, bidding them to do all in their power to overthrow the present pernicious system of profit and gain at another's expense, and make common cause with the women to place the ballot in their hands, by which means, first of all, they will be able to work effectively for the amelioration and progress of the race.

Speaking of what women are doing in different lands, the Social Democratic Congress of Women, held in Stockholm, Sweden, a few weeks ago, had an exceedingly full and interesting program. The following are some of the resolutions that were passed:

At the elections of members for school boards women must work for persons that are in favor of church and school separation (it should be remembered that in Sweden the public schools are entirely under the care and jurisdiction of the state church); of instruction in temperance and a reformed presentation of historical and religious subjects. A strong temperance agitation should be part of the program of women's clubs and strong drink never be allowed at social or special celebrations. "Like wages for like work" should be the slogan for all wage earners.

Participation in church ceremonies is of a private and personal import, to be decided upon by the individual accordingly. Women should organize study circles or seek admission to such already organized.

A protest against duties on all food products was made. As to questions of peace and militarism the congress endorsed the resolution previously made by the Social Democratic party.

The value and importance of co-operation was emphasized. The congress further expressed itself in favor of national insurance for legal support from the fathers of children, also for the election of women on boards that have the charge and superintendency of children's institutions.

Experience

BY T. W. B. A boy met a bee in the clover and lathered the spy little rover. But the poor bee only has the honey, and the boy is now wiser and sadder.

WINE AND WOMEN

BY ROBERT HUNTER. A way has at last been discovered in Russia to undermine the revolutionary spirit.

Heretofore revolutionists have been exiled. Thousands of them have been thrown in to prisons. Multitudes of them have been massacred. Countless spies, thugs and criminals have been employed to follow and murder them. The flower of the youth of over three generations have been slaughtered. Yet the revolution goes on.

Now an astounding press dispatch has reached us from Russia. Every means conceivable have been used to crush the liberty-loving youth and to stamp out the passion for justice, the faith in universal brotherhood, and the willingness to lay down one's life for others.

Heretofore all such efforts have failed. Now there comes from St. Petersburg a dispatch saying that the Czar, the chief lights of the Greek Church, and the other bureaucrats have found a way to divert the youth from revolutionary pursuits.

The teachers, the dispatch says, are directed to divert the minds of the youth from revolutionary studies by putting in their hands licentious literature. Students are given the works of two-notorious writers of filthy stories to read. Everywhere these publications are being spread, and the church and the state are using their utmost efforts to teach the young lad to love pleasure instead of sacrifice.

How often in Russian novels one reads that parents advise their boys to take a mistress. "You are too serious," they say to the lads. "Problems of economics and politics are not good for you to dwell upon. Why don't you enjoy yourself?"

And now the Czar, the Synod, and the Grand Dukes, FEARING THE SAD AND SERIOUS YOUTH of Russia, send forth the command: "Teach them the physical joys."

It is not an altogether new plan. Something of the same sort has been tried before—in Rome, for instance.

And King Lemuel said: "Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine to those that be of heavy hearts. Let him drink and forget his poverty and remember his misery no more."

In the very poorest districts of the world you find those without revolt. From Slum to Tenderloin you find the merry-makers, dancing, drinking and brawling up to the moment of destruction.

They have no passion for human justice. They have no yearning for universal brotherhood, nor any thought of sacrifice. They are eating of the souls and bodies of women to satisfy the passion of the moment. They are drinking themselves into abnormal excitements, and then into fretted insensibility.

They are not agitators, nor Socialists, nor revolutionists—they are devouring and being devoured.

The Czar, the bureaucrat, and the priest know the use of the Tenderloin. Only there in that great empire are the people CONTENT. They now seek to extend the brothel and the rumshop, and to lead all the sweet youth of Russia from thought of its sorrow, from thought of injustice, from thought of service, into palaces of painted women, to dance, drink, and glut their passions.

Are you astonished? Do you doubt that a government which could murder its youth would hesitate to corrupt its youth?

And do you realize that Christians throughout the world watch this ruin without protest, that our Republicans and Democrats sit in Congress condoning these atrocities?

And do you realize that the bankers of all countries are sending the Czar money to keep him going? And that an English King, a French President, and an American Secretary of War have drunk the health of this human monster—OPPOSED AND CONDEMNED ONLY BY SOCIALISTS.

SHALL THE PEOPLE RULE?

BY HORACE S. REIS.

William Jennings Bryan, to the best of his somewhat limited ability, has been denouncing Republican misrule as the source of the present hard times. After he had caused himself to be nominated at Denver, his trusty followers—they that had stuck to him through Populism and free silver—turned an attentive ear to catch the gems of political wisdom as they dropped from his ever-ready lips.

Alas, his disillusionment! "His true the Boy Orator of the Platte 'came to time' with a stack of ready-made platitudes and some cold-storage oratory, but many a word did he say about hard times. And this was his 'keynote speech' too. Sweet memories of '06! Shall the people rule?"

Mr. Bryan is not speaking on the question. Were we in parliamentary session we would be compelled to raise a point of order against him. The question before class shall come into its own, shall take possession of all the "action industries" and run them for the benefit of those who work. There shall be no more class rule.

To accomplish this the working class must first come into power, politically, must really rule; then they will be able to establish industrial democracy, a state of society where no one will rule, where no man will own another's job to make a profit, where there will be no more wage slavery, and where there can be no more hard times.

Mr. Workingman, which do you choose—Socialism or capitalism?

great majority of American voters are asking the momentous question, "Are we going to eat this winter or not?" They demand an answer, and Mr. Bryan has none to give. He should realize that the man out of a job isn't worried whether bank deposits are guaranteed or not. The man out of work is concerned only about making a living. Mr. Bryan won't discuss this subject with him.

"Shall the people rule?" Who are the people? Bathhouse John, Hinky Dink Murphy, Bryan and "Tammany hall"—or the working class? If Bryan means the working people he is traveling in wrong company to accomplish working class rule. That heterogeneous mass of professional politicians, gamblers, millionaires and tammanyites who are masquerading as the Democratic party, are not working people, and have no interests in common with the working class. They make their living by avoiding work—by going to eat this winter or not.

The Socialist party says the working class shall come into its own, shall take possession of all the "action industries" and run them for the benefit of those who work. There shall be no more class rule.

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HANDS

BY EMANUEL JULIUS.

Did you ever study hands? Not as a palmist, but as a class conscious Socialist. This may sound queer, but the writer has often done it. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred you can tell which class a man belongs to just by examining his hands.

Here we have before us a large, brown hand. It is misshapen, nervous, and rough—the result of many years of unrelenting toil. The thumb is missing. Probably the result of coming in contact with unprotected machinery.

The great, ugly, misshapen, dirty hand had helped make many a thing; had toiled many a year; had filled many a master's purse and this same hand is now, after all these years of incessant toil, extended—empty, in quest of alms.

Here is another hand. To touch it is like fondling a velvet dress—it is warm, soft and white. It is bedecked with priceless jewels. The nails are pure white and well taken care of. The fingers are proportionate and they move with a gracefulness that bespeaks leisure.

This hand never knew what it was to wield a pick. And when this hand was that of a child it never knew what it was to hold a roaring machine. This hand had never done a stroke of useful work, but yet in spite of this, it receives the best of the good things of life. It had never produced an ounce of wealth and yet it partakes of the best of everything.

Soon the black, clumsy hand of the worker will cease laboring long and hard that the hands of the shirker may appropriate the product of his toil. They will produce but for themselves. Then, when all hands produce and all hands partake, all hands will become soft, and white and beautiful.

HOMELESS

According to History

A woman in a Western city, who belonged to a community called the "Sisters of St. John the Baptist," not long ago spent a month in a backwoods district.

Shortly after her arrival she went to the local postoffice and inquired if any letters had come for Sister Bernardine. The rural postmaster looked bewildered.

"Sister who?" he asked, incredulously. "Sister Bernardine," repeated the lady. "Sister of St. John the Baptist." "I think not," he answered, dubiously. Then, after some reflection, he added: "Say, ain't he been dead pretty near a hundred years now?"—Harper's Weekly.

Spirited Repartee

In making a sharp turn the rear end of a street car struck an express wagon on laden with jars of whiskey. Nearly all the jars were precipitated to the pavement, with the natural disastrous result. The driver of the wagon alighted and, pointing to the pile of demerol, rather wisely, said to a bystander: "That's hell, ain't it?"

The spectator, who happened to be a minister, replied: "Well, my friend, I don't know that I would say that, but it's at least the abode of departed spirits."—Lippincott's.

Wanted to Be Remarried. The lawyer was drawing up Enpeck's will. "I hereby bequeath all my property to my wife, distasteful Enpeck." "Got that down?" "Yes," answered the attorney. "On condition," continued Enpeck, "that she marries within a year." "But why that condition?" asked the man of law. "Because," answered the miser and Jewy testator, "I want somebody to be sorry that I died."—Cleveland Leader.