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On Which Side Do You Stand, After Reading This Article, Mr. American Voting King?

By ALLAN L. BENSON.
In Pearsons, for April.
The occupation of the scarlet woman is said to be the "oldest profession."

almost every remedy that has been offered to us, but every remedy we have tried has failed. The hungry children are still with us. The hungry women are still with us.

factories that rich men own and ask for work. If the rich men see a profit in letting the poor men work, the poor men are permitted to work.

may not work. Though there be the greatest need for shoes, if those in need have no money, the rich men lock up their factories and wave the workers away.

their children may be driven into the street—but the rich men who closed their factories because they could see no profit in keeping them open—these rich men take no part in the responsibility. They talk about the "laws of trade,"

he had been doing, but what he had never dreamed of doing.
The only lesson that the rich men of the day learned from steam was that it meant more money for them.

Some rich business men have formed an organization the avowed purpose of which is to fight "Socialistic heresies."

compelled their exploiters to abandon one method of robbery, only to see them take up another. And, though some men no longer own other men's bodies, some men still live by the sweat of other men's brows.

There are really well meaning men in this country who still believe that, this being a republic, there are no classes in the United States.

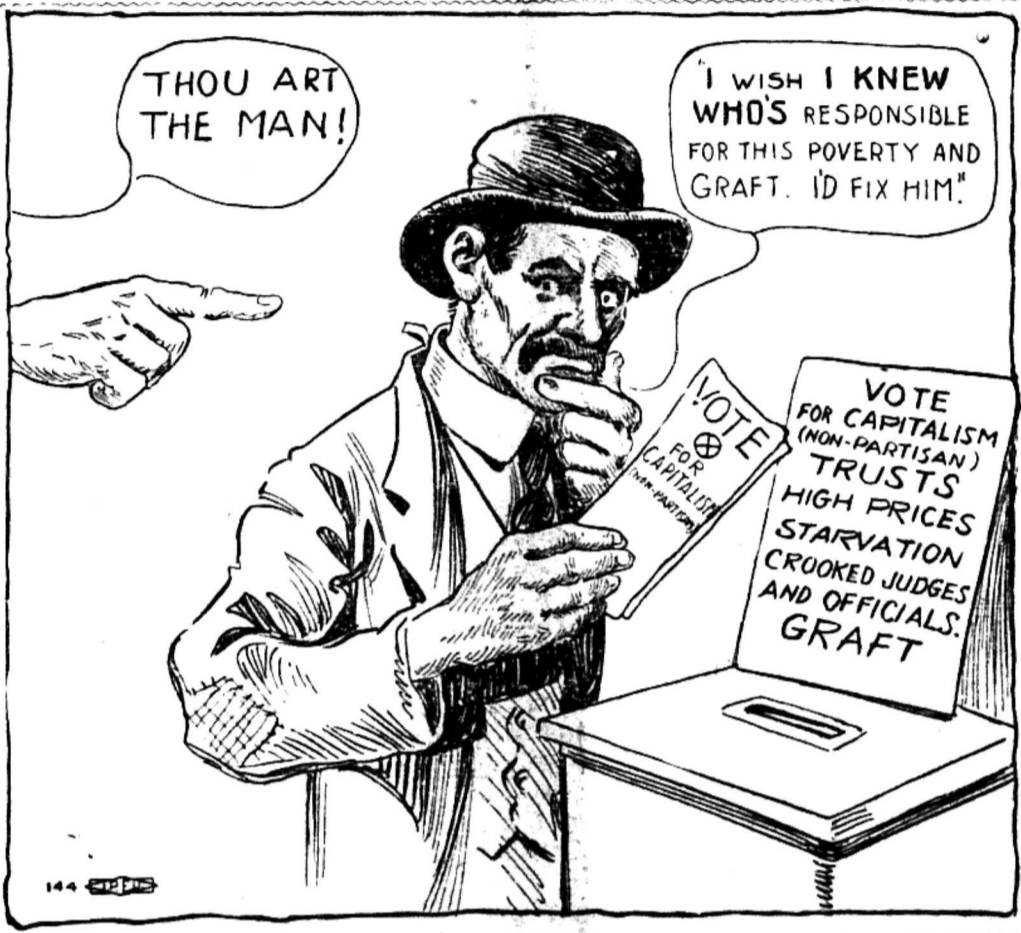
and were not supposed to have any souls. Plato described the slaves as "animated tools."

extent—the bishops and abbots having great estates and ruling the people. Besides, the ruling classes were not only more able than these lower classes, but in many cases they differed in nationality, speech and general make-up.

In modern countries, the conditions are entirely different. The conquered class is of the same nationality, the same speech, the same mode of thought.

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Regulation has failed. A man cannot regulate what he does not own.

Nor was this all. Lower still—most numerous—and belonging to no class were the slaves. They did not own their bodies.

Without any doubt, in former days the ruling class were made up of the most capable and energetic part of the people.

Unless plutocracy can persuade the majority of the people to close up all the public schools and make illiterates of the next generation, and unless it can also persuade them to give up the electoral franchise, plutocracy is doomed.

And that is the reason why we Social-Democrats can look with such equanimity and complacency into the future

Washington.—That the leaders of the Democrats in the house recently

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Congressman Berger's Speech at the Great Milwaukee Auditorium Meeting, When Four Smaller Halls Were Required for the Overflow

Milwaukee: Victor L. Berger was given an ovation at each of the five big meetings. Going from one to the other he was followed by a train of people who were not satisfied with his hearing him only once.

Congressman Berger said: "In one respect the bi-partisan non-partisan point of view is justified. There are only two parties in America, the capitalist, anti-Socialist party, which represents all the forces of exploitation, graft and darkness—and the anti-capitalist, Social-Democratic party, which represents all the forces of honesty, progress and light."

"You see, ladies and gentlemen and comrades, I have known this for a good many years. However, I have been confirmed in my opinion in a rather funny way."

"After having been in the house of representatives for about three months and paying close attention to my duties, and having gained the almost unanimous good will of the members, I one day took one of the leaders of the Republican party aside and said confidentially, 'Mr. X, I have never asked you for any favor. Will you do me a favor today?'"

"Yes," said Mr. X. "I will do so with pleasure."

"I have been in the house of representatives now for about three months and have watched its work very closely. Now will you kindly explain to me the difference between the Republican and the Democratic party?"

"Mr. X looked at me very closely for about half a minute in silent amazement. Then he said, 'Why, what a question, Victor! There is no difference, of course not. It is all politics.'"

"I hang my hat in the Republican cloak room since I belong to the opposition in the house of representatives. Then I thought the Democrats might have a different point of view, and I went over to the Democratic cloakroom and asked a prominent Democrat for his opinion. He first tried to make out that the tariff was the difference. But when I pointed how many Democrats had voted for a high tariff whenever industries of their own district came into question, then he also admitted that there was really no difference. And he added that there was an actual necessity for a new party, because there was no vital difference between the two old parties. None of these gentlemen was a Socialist or had the faintest idea of Socialism. They simply spoke from a political point of view, without in any way understanding or trying to understand the great and deep economic questions of the day."

"I agree with them."

"Now, ladies and gentlemen, I agree with them that there is no difference between the Republican and Democratic party and that as far as the vital interests of the great masses of the people are concerned, one might just as well close his eyes and vote at random, unless one intends to vote the Social-Democratic ticket."

"I want, however, to bring out the following point. Until this spring election, the politicians and capitalists of Milwaukee tried to make us believe that there was a great deal of difference between the Republicans and Democrats, although they knew that there was no difference as far as the capitalists were concerned. Because once before, in 1886, when the Union Labor party won out in this city, the Republicans and Democrats at once united to defeat the Union Labor party."

"The Union Labor party of 1886 was simply a local affair, while the Social-Democratic party is local, state, national and international movement. And what is now happening in Milwaukee will undoubtedly happen in the state and in the nation as soon as our party grows large enough."

"Hold Big Departments."

"The capitalists have retained control of the city administration—departments of the city administration—that is, the police, fire, school and tax departments. They used all these departments to their advantage, and notably so the tax department, which played the most outrageous, despicable politics I have ever heard of outside of Tammany hall, New York city."

"The 'tax office used its power as we can prove, to raise the taxes of the little fellows and decrease the taxes of the wealthy."

"At the same time a handful of capitalists, grafters and contractors started the Taxpayers' league to protect the voters against the high taxation that was to come. And whenever there were 20 of these capitalists, contractors and grafters together, the capitalist press, absolutely controlled by the gang, exaggerated the importance of those meetings as if there had been thousands in attendance."

committeemen, who selected the non-partisan ticket. Mr. Philipp decided that it must be Doc Bading—because Bading was allied with Brumder, Kieckhefer and other great interests. He is a Lutheran and they think they own the Roman Catholic Democratic votes anyway—in which they will find themselves very much mistaken on April 2. This bi-partisan ticket must run in the Democratic column for the simple reason that it might be hard for some of these old timers to find another column than the one to which they are accustomed."

"As for Doc Bading, he was the health commissioner appointed by Sherber Becker, the boy mayor, in order to carry favor with Mr. Brumder. Bading has just as much brains and just as much egotism as Sherber had. As a health commissioner, he was a miserable failure and the worst health commissioner that we have ever had. Doctor Kraft has more brains in his little finger than Doctor Bading in his entire head. However, Dr. Bading had a most excellent advertising agent in his secretary, Mr. Carrell."

"And how was this non-partisan ticket selected? A Republican committee containing Ornstein and similar celebrities—Ornstein being the man who was refused a saloon license for good and sufficient reasons—met a similar committee containing Corcoran and Callahan, and they invited a few so-called prominent citizens representing the Manufacturers' association, the preachers and newspaper owners, and they selected the city ticket of Milwaukee—they, 24 of them, with Corcoran, Callahan and Ornstein in the lead. They, these 24—because three were absent—were the bi-partisan non-partisan people of Milwaukee. And that crowd dares to talk about the ring rule of the Social-Democrats."

"Use the Referendum."

"We selected our ticket by a referendum of all our members, many thousands of them. But, of course, Corcoran, Carney, Bokk and Ornstein did not have anything to do with our selection."

"Is it ring rule when the many thousands members of our party nominate by initiative and confirm by referendum? Yet, ring rule is the main war cry of the bi-partisan, non-partisan grafting fraternity of Milwaukee against the Social-Democrats."

"I admit that our men caucus and discuss matters pertaining to the common council."

"Well, is it not laudable that they should do so? Or is it better that every man is to be seen individually at Marble hall or at some other bar behind a closed door as was the custom in the past. Or at the Public Service building in a private office?"

"The truth of the matter is that the bi-partisan grafters fight the Social-Democratic administration because it has been such a success, not because it has been a failure. If it had been a failure, they would not have to unite to fight it."

"After all is said and done, however, I want again to point out that the carrying of cities and municipalities is a minor matter compared with the great aim before us."

"The Social-Democratic party, being a city party, first and foremost, naturally will carry cities before it carries state and national legislatures. And naturally we shall have to apply the principles of Socialism to municipal affairs before we apply them elsewhere."

"Must Capture State."

"Nevertheless, I want it understood that we cannot apply the principles of Socialism even in city affairs until we have a Socialist legislature and make Socialist laws."

"As the matter now stands, the capitalist class owes us thanks for doing something which no capitalist administration will ever do or can do, that is, administering city affairs honestly, efficiently and without graft, in spite of tremendous obstacles."

"Our aim is much greater. We want to abolish the present system with all its misery and exploitation. We want to put in its place a higher civilization and a world without poverty, misery and prostitution."

"Now you men of Milwaukee and you women of Milwaukee, you have accomplished several great things. You have carried the first large city in the country for the new idea and for Socialist thought. You have sent the first Socialist to congress who has acted as a sort of congressman-at-large for the working class of Milwaukee, New York, Lawrence and San Francisco."

"You have done all this. Now do not take any backward step. You have Milwaukee. Hold it."

"Hold it against graft for honesty, against the big tax dodger and for the small man whom the interests compel to pay their taxes. Hold it for yourselves, your wives and children against the big exploiters and their tools, the politicians. Hold it against capitalism and for Socialism."

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Mr. C. E. Brooks, Marshall, Mich. Dear Sir:—Perhaps it will interest you to know that I have been ruptured six years and have always had trouble with it till I got your Appliance. It is very easy to wear, fits neat and snug, and is not in the way at any time, day or night. In fact, at times I did not know I had it on. It just adapted itself to the shape of the body and seemed to be a part of the body, as it clung to the spot, no matter what position I was in. It would be a veritable God-send to the unfortunate who suffer from rupture if all could procure the Brooks Rupture Appliance and wear it. They would certainly never regret it. My rupture is now all healed up and nothing ever did it but your Appliance. Whenever the opportunity presents itself I will say a word for your Appliance, and also the honorable way in which you deal with ruptured people. It is a pleasure to recommend a good thing among your friends and strangers. I am, Yours very sincerely, JAMES A. BRITTON, 80 Spring St., Bethlehem, Pa.

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C. E. Brooks, Marshall, Mich. Dear Sir:—I feel it my duty to let you, and also all people afflicted as I was know what your Appliance has done for me. I have been ruptured for many years and have worn many different trusses, but never got any relief until I got your Appliance. I put it on last November but had very little faith in it, but must say I am now cured. I have laid away—have had it off for two weeks and doing all kinds of farm work with ease. While I was wearing it, I strained close to the breaking point. Mann has recently been advocating a universal strike on May 1, for the eight-hour work day. The government also believes that Mann is behind the agitation among the railway employes who are now very restless and it was generally believed today every effort will be made to secure his conviction on the present charge to keep him off the platform for some months to come. SOCIALIST BEAT VEDRINES. PARIS, March 19.—"Flying for 'rotor' failed. M. Vedrine is a member of deputies. He aeroplaned all over his district, making speeches but the voters chose the radical-Socialist candidate. BERLIN, March 18.—The German coal miners are running short of money and an appeal was issued today to all other unions in the fatherland for funds to keep the coal strike going. The strike continues to spread but the employers believe the men will be out of funds within another fortnight and will return to work. Good Showing in Iowa DES MOINES, Ia. While Mayor J. R. Hanna and Dr. T. A. Duggs were nominated at the primary under the commission form of government recently for mayor, the surprise of the battle of ballots was the gains of the Socialists who nearly placed A. D. Pugh on the ticket. His gain being 40 per cent over two years ago. At Burlington the Socialists swept the city, landing their candidate, Schurmann, for mayor on the ticket. Socialist Ticket, Eldon, Mo. ELDON, Mo., March 13.—For the first time the Social-Democratic party has filed a full list of candidates for the coming election and it is expected that there will be some surprises at hand this spring. Mark my word! The insignificant little campaign book of the Milwaukee Socialists will be shown some day in the museum of our country. It marks the beginning of decency and righteousness in the municipal affairs of the United States. Price 25 cents. In lots of 10 copies \$2.00 prepaid. Send for it to our Book Department. FRESH FROM LONDON. Collectivism and Industrial Evolution by Emilie Vandervelde. Evolutionary Socialism by Bernstein, are to be had now for 50 cents a copy. Postage on either book is seven cents. The books are paper covered, but what they contain is solid. If you'll read every line of this paper, you'll run across some special offers. Sometimes we have books, which are high priced, but a few copies become shopworn, and we mail these for half price. Enso's Modern Socialism costs \$1.50, postage extra, but we have a few copies, which we will mail for 75 cents! This office. GOOD NEWS TO STOMACH SUFFERERS A Chicago chemist is giving away 10,000 bottles of a remarkable stomach remedy that is accomplishing wonderful results for all Stomach, Liver and Intestinal Ailments and Gall Stones. In many cases one dose has accomplished a cure. The discoverer of this remedy, George H. Mayr, of Mayr building, 125 Whiting street, Chicago, Ill., has been so encouraged by the good this remedy has been doing that he has decided to make liberal offers to those who are in need of a cure. Write him today and he will send you a full 10 bottle free.



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Others Failed But the Appliance Cured

C. E. Brooks, Marshall, Mich. Dear Sir:—My rupture did all you claim for the little boy and more, for it cured him sound and well. We let him wear it for about a year in all, although it cured him 3 months after he had been in it. We had tried several other remedies and got no relief, and I shall certainly recommend it to friends, for we surely owe it to you. Yours respectfully, W. H. PATTERSON, No. 717 S. Main St., Akron, O.

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ACROSS THE POND

The Great Coal Strike in England

LONDON, March 25.—Two and one-half million workers, men, women and children—were jobless today. Depending on them were enough others to bring the great total of those slowly approaching starvation because of the paralysis of business due to the strike of the miners and the exhaustion of the reserve supply of fuel up to ten million.

So serious is the situation that the heads of the various municipalities have reported to the government that if the strike is not speedily settled they cannot be responsible for keeping order. Food riots have already taken place in several places, notably in Scotland and Wales. At the home office today it was admitted that 50,000 soup kitchens are in operation in North Wales, all conducted by the municipalities.

The strike funds have been exhausted in paying benefits. The worst sufferers are the miners whose great wealth is the chest which they hoarded before the strike order was issued was almost inexhaustible, has practically disappeared. Only in Derbyshire and Durham have the miners any money left and even there the amount is small.

The majority of the Lancashire and Yorkshire cotton mills closed down today because of lack of fuel. Their workers have been added to the thousands of sufferers. From Leeds came the report that the gas works there had to be guarded by police because it was constantly besieged by sufferers who asked for coke, and who, when refused, helped themselves.

Tom Mann Jailed

SALFORD, Eng., March 22.—Because he urged the soldiers to refuse to shoot their "fathers and brothers," if called out for strike duty, Tom Mann, the most noted of all of the British Socialist labor leaders, was remanded to jail without bail here today. The charge, brought by attorneys representing the war office, alleged that he had incited the soldiers to mutiny. After the crown's complaint was read, the court adjourned the hearing for a week. When Mann's attorneys asked permission to furnish bail, they were informed that the offense was not bailable at present.

The Mecca of Socialist and Labor Union Activity

Brisbane Hall, Milwaukee, the Home of The Herald and the New Socialist Daily, The Milwaukee Leader, a Veritable Beehive. The Stock is Nearly Gone. \$37,475 Has Been Sold. Get Some While Chance Remains. No Better Investment Can Be Found

Brisbane Hall is one of the Socialist sights of America, and no Socialist who comes to Milwaukee and is taken through the building is able to repress his surprise and excitement over what he has seen. It is a veritable beehive of labor union and Social-Democratic activity, a monument in solid concrete to the movement that has now come into commanding position. The building was erected by the political and industrial labor movement, that is, by the workers in those movements, by means of a realty company. Shares of stock were issued up to \$40,000, and these were so readily taken that today we can announce that almost the entire issue has been sold. As a matter of fact, there are only three thousand dollars' worth still unsold—a remarkable fact. When the company was incorporated the shares were issued at \$25 each. A share makes as fine and steady an investment as anyone could ask for. And there's ONLY \$3,000 OF STOCK STILL TO BE HAD!

Brisbane Hall has proved a good investment from the day it was opened for tenants. Every available room is now occupied by first-class tenants. The typesetting machines and the equipment of the editorial rooms for the Milwaukee Leader are now installed on the fourth floor, which was reserved for that purpose. Brisbane Hall is one of the finest buildings in Milwaukee, and every Socialist and union man and woman in Milwaukee is proud of it as the home of labor. It is centrally situated at the corner of Sixth and Chestnut streets, a live business part of the city. Remember, \$37,475 of the stock is already disposed of.

It is a four story and basement fireproof brick, cement and iron building. The foundation is built to support an eight-story building when the time comes that it will be needed. This building will be in good condition 50 years from now. Real estate in this part of the city is rapidly increasing in value, and from all appearances will continue to do so indefinitely. GOOD AND SAFE INVESTMENT. The present income from the rents assure good dividends on the investment. If you have a little money to invest, look into the desirability of this stock. Full information will be sent to anyone who will drop a card inquiring for it. By investing in the people's Realty Company stock you accomplish two things: You make a good investment and at the same time use your money where it will be doing splendid service for the cause of Socialism and the toilers. Do it NOW!

LABOR

A letter from Samuel Gompers, president American Federation of Labor, informed the Milwaukee Trades Council Wednesday night that Carl Legien, the famous leader of the German trades union movement would be in Milwaukee May 3. Some surprise was occasioned among the delegates over the fact that Gompers and the heads of the A. F. of L. should be in charge of a tour over America of Carl Legien, the German Social-Democrat, who has worked hand in glove with August Bebel, the Social-Democratic leader in the reichstag, toward increasing working class power. Legien stands for the policy of close contact and working harmony between the trade unions and the Social-Democratic party, but when this policy has been urged in the A. F. of L. by Frank Hayes, vice president of the United Miners, William Johnston, president of the International Machinists, or George L. Berry, president of the International Pressmen, Gompers and his aids have contested every advance. The supposition is that Gompers is arranging for the Legien tour as a return for the hospitality accorded him by the German unionists on his trip abroad. It is not supposed that Gompers has swung from his former position and lined up for the Legien idea. There is no wealth but life.—Ruskin.

Has Brought the Vision of Greatness

No matter how widely one may differ with some of the things embraced in the political pronouncements of the Socialists, there must be conceded not only interest but great respect for the achievements of Milwaukee under the administration of Mayor Emil Seidel. Under his administration the city has built the first public lavatory in the city; is constructing an electric lighting plant; acquiring a municipal stone quarry; building a municipal hospital; has a consolidated fire and police alarm system; establishing a city telephone service and is steadily demanding the public ownership of all local utilities. The city has also established a system of factory inspection; inaugurated a policy of social activities looking to the elimination of evils that lurk for the young in the dark shadows of the average American city; commissions have been appointed for the investigation and inauguration of the fight against tuberculosis; furthering child welfare, and arranging for public garden patches. Either Milwaukee was dreadfully lax, as a big and wealthy city, to take advantage of her opportunities heretofore, or else Mayor Seidel has brought the vision of greatness to that municipality.—WilliamSPORT (Pa.) Sun (Dem.).

Announcement! Another New Press

Well, the hammering men are still at it! But it is constructive, not destructive hammering. And here the explanation: The Milwaukee Leader's new big press, its four deck newspaper press, has been overtaken by The Leader circulation, and has had to be duplicated. The order is in, and the new press will be in Milwaukee by April 1 and will be in operation probably a week later. From this you can get some idea of how the new Milwaukee Socialist Daily is growing. Didn't we tell you the bonds were an AI investment? Didn't we tell you? So the men with the hammers have been at work these two weeks, hammering for Socialism! Already over 150 feet of wall space has had to come down. The stereotyping room was in the way of the new press. So the intervening wall has been taken down. The maulers were in the way—a new room has had to be constructed for them, a room large enough to meet the requirements. So they go into the space at the northwest corner of the press floor of the building, with windows looking north. A new room is being constructed for the ere type on the east side of the building, same floor. Windows have had to be cut in the eastern wall of the building, and the cement floor ripped out and lowered to the level of the rest of the press room. It's a job that makes the dust fly, but it is dust spent in a great cause. It is building for the future. The new press is a four deck and combination color dec. Gove machine, that will just clear the ceiling up and stand, the same as the present one, in a deep foundation pit, made of concrete. It will represent an investment of about 25,000. It will have a larger capacity than the present one, being supplied with double folders capable of delivering 50,000 papers an hour. We urge you to help get the bond issue closed up. The money is required to carry out previous plans. The Milwaukee Leader has now a city circulation second to no other of the existing dailies. In the short space of three months it has practically placed itself at the head of the Milwaukee daily newspapers, and while it is losing circulation every day, The Leader is taking in new ones at the daily rate of 500! The daily loss at this writing is 45,580. With the two big presses, two great machine guns trained on the enemy, The Leader will be able to put its papers on the street with great rapidity, which is one of the requirements of a city afternoon paper. Come on in with us comrades. Send in your order for bonds TODAY!

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NOTICE TO YOUNG READERS.

In our Young Folks department, beginning shortly, we will print a serial story of a boy's adventures, entitled, "The Story of Hans," by Martin Gale.

Be sure to read the opening chapter and you will follow it through to the end.

Warning comes from Akron, O., that labor will do well to stay away from that city. The master builders declare for the "open shop" on May 1; wages are low, and the printing crafts have been on strike for five years.

The platform of the party in Minnesota contains this plank:

"We urge upon the workers of Minnesota that they emulate the bosses—capture control of the government, from the lowest office to the highest, and use the control to give every man a full and free opportunity to develop the best there is in life."

Political control means two things— one, to use the advantage to advance the well-being of the makers of our civilization, and two, to stop the use of the political power by capitalism to oppress and subjugate. The second is almost as important as the first, and together they furnish a tremendous incentive to the workers to get together politically. The man who can resist this call to duty is a human basileisk, a bloodless, creeping, dolt, whose lack of manhood the enemy uses to enslave the rest of the race.

The editorial below is from the Milwaukee Free Press of March 31. The Free Press is the like Stephenson organ of Milwaukee, and Wisconsin. The editorial is, of course, a slam throughout, yet about what Socialists must expect from the mouthpieces of the predatory wealth interests. And it is a good sample of the sort of stuff Milwaukee newspaper readers have been fed on for at least a year and a half.

**THE ANTI-SOCIALIST REVOLT.**  
To be a sincere opponent to the return of the Socialists to office does not imply the refusal to recognize any good in the Socialist administration.

It would be folly to deny, for instance, that an appreciation of the larger obligations and functions of municipal government has not been stimulated by the presence of the "comrades" in the city hall, and that as much by their failures and blunders as by their small measure of achievement.

It would be folly to deny that many of the interests and intentions of the Socialists from after being the citizens with such lively municipal ideals and their self-appraised ability to realize them, they have so lamentably failed to display the talent, the capacity, and not infrequently even the desire to make good on their promises.

But this is not the chief reason why the

bulk of good citizens who believe in the un-realized policies of the Social administration— with its larger social services, its efficiency and economy—should wish to see it returned from office.

The chief reason for this is the bitter, intolerant, partisan, law-defying, class-caterer, un-American spirit which has characterized the attitude, methods and proceedings of the present masters of the city hall from the first moment they got their wind.

Had as have been their blunders, their inefficiency, their extravagance, their lack of faith, their spirit of defiance against some of the very fundamental principles of American government and American life, had been infinitely more harmful in its effect on the thoughtless, restless elements of the community.

The Socialist administration has been a class and party administration, and not an administration of the people. It has encouraged class hatred and catered to class prejudices. It has sacrificed citizenship to partisanship, and few administrations have been more barren in their results of the spoils system and violation of the civil service laws.

The Socialist administration has been an administration of the spoils party, ring, or hierarchy, which in subversion of the principles of popular government has determined its policies and dictated their realization to the elected officials. It has been an administration that sends to every door the invitations of the charter and other laws restrictive of their leading desires. It has been an administration that, by its very nature, offered, to denounce the motives and integrity of the majority to support. Indeed, it has been every non-Socialist official whose duty it was to interfere with their plans.

The Socialist administration has been intolerant of the opinions of non-Socialists; it has refused to co-operate in undertakings for the public welfare when not sponsored by the Socialists or redounding to their benefit.

Because the perpetuation of this spirit and its practical expression in the government of Milwaukee must inevitably spell disaster of the most far-reaching kind, there has arisen this mighty anti-Socialist protest which will demonstrate its will at the polls next month.

The thing that the enemy cannot get over is that the Social-Democratic administration of Milwaukee has maintained true to its principles and has been uncorruptable. When an organ of mendacious plutocracy rails about our "bitter, intolerant, partisan, law-defying, class catering, un-American spirit," Socialists readers instinctively see where the shoe pinches.

The long and short of it, which one can read between the lines in the quoted effusion, is that the Socialist administration in Milwaukee has remained true to their principles, and has been efficient for them. That is unforgivable. But it is that fact that inspires us to the big battle—a majority election this time instead of the three-cornered fight of two years ago. We have grown in stature; we await the enemy.

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From National Headquarters

W. J. Ghent, secretary of Congressman Berger reports that the office in Washington is literally swamped with an avalanche of mail, and that it is quite impossible to fill any order from the national office on time.

The Growing Grocery Bill has just been out of the press a few days and already several thousand copies have been put into circulation. Local Laporte, Ind., got the first bunch—2,000 copies. A non-Socialist daily, however, published in that place says that the Socialists flooded the city with them. Evidently the plan was compelled to sit up and take notice.

Every local in the country should secure enough copies of this pamphlet to distribute it to all the houses in their localities. The price is low enough so that this can be done, 10,000 copies for \$100.00, 50,000 for \$400.00, one single copy, 5c transportation prepaid. Order from the national office.

By a recent referendum, Orville J. Gupitt, Ellsworth Falls, Maine, was re-elected a member of the national committee. He is published in the Weekly Bulletin of March 9, relating to change of date for the national convention.

The pamphlet is now being printed containing Congressman Berger's talks in congress on the eight-hour day, a citizen soldier, Democratic economy, and living wages under the Democratic party. It will be known as "Berger's Brief Speeches," and it will bear Berger's frank, thrifty name as the tariff speech and the old age pension speech. Price 50 cents per 100 copies. Order from National Headquarters, 205 West Washington street, Chicago.



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## The Builders' Column

By A. W. Manco

### A Word with the Stranger

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It is Reaching the Middle Class

## The Party of the People

By ROBERT HUNTER  
(Written for The Herald)

Wilhelm Liebknecht is one whose words have weight with all Social-Democrats.

His life was true, his service unflinching and his achievements worthy of a great life and mastery talents.

And it was this Liebknecht who said once something that answers all those who would divide the working class.

One hears it said that Socialism is the party of the proletariat. But what is the proletariat?

Some say that proletarians are manual workers only. It was even said recently in one of our papers that only unskilled workers belong to the proletariat.

No man, it was said, can be a true Socialist who is not a common laborer. Professors, lawyers, doctors, farmers, skilled workers, craft unionists, scientists, and small business men, it was held cannot by the very nature of their occupation become true Socialists.

In this subtle manner are efforts made to reduce the possible Socialists to so small a section of the workers as to make anything like a powerful movement impossible.

If such were true, Marx, Engels, Hyndman, Jaures, Guesde, Vandervelde, Liebknecht, Kautsky, and nearly all the best known Socialists of the last half century would have been excluded from the movement.

Had the movement been confined to only unskilled workers not a single

known leader of the international movement would be eligible.

There would be no Socialist literature. There would be no Socialist organization. Indeed, there would be no trade union organization, even.

The poorest of the unskilled and unorganized workers are the main support of the center party in Germany, in Belgium and in France. In England they are still the mainstay of Toryism and Liberalism.

They are the physical, mental and often moral wrecks of an infamous economic order. They can only be aroused for brief moments to revolt; and not even then to constructive revolt.

The unemployed who suffer most from capitalism cannot be organized politically nor industrially. They are as shifting sand upon which no movement has been or can be built.

They are in this and every other country the mainstay of corruptionists and of reactionaries. Without the unemployed of New York Tammany Hall could not exist.

Paul Singer, the great German leader, has built a lodging house to feed and shelter free every night thousands of these poor wretches, and yet even he will deny that Socialism is helped by that charity.

Now Liebknecht says: "Social Democracy is the party of the whole people, with the exception of 200,000 great and small capitalists."

He means that all the larger interests of the great mass of people is in bitter

opposition to the 200,000 large and small German capitalists.

Whatever smaller conflicting interests may exist among this large body of people, such conflicts are nothing as compared to the big class conflict existing between the producers and these 200,000 great and small capitalists.

The brain as well as the manual

making their arrangements, and thus save themselves from the risks of sickness, danger, and ruin.

People have sometimes accused me of having no fixed principles, but perpetually shifting and changing and turning from one side to another. But to say the truth, I am completely at the command of a powerful master, and I am bound to follow my leader.

I am an old bachelor, with no wish to bother myself with a wife and family. If I am solitary as the phoenix, I assure you I much prefer my own company.

If I gave up my solitude and came down to visit you, by what name would you introduce me to your friends? E. C.

(Answer next week)

### The Houn' Dawg

Editor Social-Democratic Herald—Could you publish the original version of the "Houn' Dawg" song, and oblige.

READER

Several versions of this interesting lyric are numerous, but the following is the one that was sung at the Missouri Democratic state convention a few days ago, and may, therefore, be regarded as official.

Every time I come to town  
The boys keep a-kickin' my dawg aroun'  
Makes no difference if he is a houn'  
They gotta quit kickin' my dawg aroun'.

Sambo, lay that banjo down,  
You good for nothin', triflin' houn'  
Makes no difference if he is a houn'  
You gotta quit kickin' my dawg aroun'.

Every time I go to school  
The teacher lams me with a rule,  
Makes no difference if I am a fool,  
She's gotta quit lammin' me with a rule.

Sift the meal an' save the bran,  
You can't grow 'aters fit sudy lan,  
Makes no difference if he is a houn'  
You gotta quit kickin' my dawg aroun'.

My dawg Drum is a good of houn,  
Trails the possum on the driest groun';  
Makes no difference if he is a houn'  
You gotta quit kickin' my dawg aroun'.

### A Guessing Story Again

People may say what they like about the sky-lark, and write poems to him, and praise him for poising himself so long in the air, and for singing away in those high altitudes; but I maintain that I am a bird of a superior order altogether.

He is a plain fellow to look at, while my plumage is generally of gold. I can do much more useful things than singing, as I shall soon prove to you. Instead of making a noise, I hold my tongue and attend to my business. If he can keep himself poised in the air long enough to sing a song of his own composition (much too highlying a style of music for my taste, by the way), I can keep my perch for scores of years.

I look down on birds, beasts, and fishes, even on man himself, from my height of superiority; yet I do not disdain to instruct his ignorance. He, poor, stupid fellow! requires six-and-twenty letters to enable him to express his meaning. I am so clever that I can easily manage with four.

Most people have the sense to take an interest in what I teach them, but my instructions are most valued by invalids, sailors, and farmers. They are accustomed to consult me before

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JOHN H. WILLIAMS.

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### Washington

(Continued from last page.)

used the steam roller to prevent the calling of a party caucus for the consideration of pending labor bills his justification of pending labor bills his has just been learned by your correspondent.

The story, fully verified, is that the American Federation of Labor had become impatient with its Democratic "friends" and caused the circulation of a petition among congressmen for the holding of a caucus to consider labor legislation. The labor lobbyists succeeded in getting 32 petitioners, although 25 signatures is all that is needed under the rules.

Two days before the day set for the caucus, Champ Clark, Oscar Underwood, Bailey, head of the department of social economics in Yale divinity school, Professor Bailey made the declaration before the Cleveland Ad club.

"The fact that the census bureau has found out that the average weekly wage in Cleveland is \$12.61 does not impress me as being pessimistic at all when viewed from an economic standpoint," said the professor.

"I think such an average wage is really excellent. It's more than the strikers in Lawrence get. I do not see why any economic readjustment is needed so long as wages keep as high as that."

The facts that our associated charities declare no family can survive on less than \$12 a week, and that statisticians say the average weekly wage here does not really amount to \$12 since the enormous incomes of capitalists are included in this compilation, did not disturb Professor Bailey.

"The only influence I can see that such a condition can have is that it may tend to deter marriages and to restrict the size of families," he added. "Otherwise it is quite an optimistic report."

Clark and Underwood then promised early action by the committees if the petition for the caucus would be forthwith withdrawn. The union-card men obeyed and the petition was dropped.

Now the question is whether the Democratic leaders will keep their word. Three labor bills are on the program. One is an anti-injunction bill, another an eight-hour bill, and another exempting labor unions from the operations of the anti-trust laws. But even if they should it is believed that it is already too late to get any action on these measures in the senate.

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