

AMONG THE BRANCHES

Notices of Branch Meetings inserted for 25c per month.

CALIFORNIA
Branch No. 1, San Francisco, Cal., holds propaganda meetings every Sunday night at 8 p. m. at Temple 117 Turk St.

COLORADO
Colorado Branch No. 1 of the Social Democratic Party meets every Sunday eve at Woodman's Hall, 1715 California St., Denver, Colo.

CONNECTICUT
Branch 2 (Conn.), New Haven, meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday in the month at 196 State Street, at 8 p. m. Secretary Cornelius Mahoney, 165 Frank St.

ILLINOIS
Meetings of Chicago Central Committee held regularly, second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, at Dr. J. H. Greer's office, 52 Dearborn St.

INDIANA
Branch No. 6, Indiana, meets first Saturday evening and 3rd Sunday afternoon of each month at Reichwein's Hall, corner Market and Noble streets, Indianapolis.

MARYLAND
Branch No. 1, Maryland, meets every Sunday at 8 p. m. at Carpenter's Hall, 506 E. Baltimore street. Public invited.

MASSACHUSETTS
Branch 2, Holyoke, Mass., meets second and fourth Monday of each month at Springdale Turner Hall. Organizer, H. Schlichting, 30 Janes street.

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Branch 15, Massachusetts—East Boston—meets every Monday at 8 p. m. at 93 Chelsea St. A. L. Sweeney, 141 Webster St., Sec.

MINNESOTA
Branch 1, Red Lake Falls, Minn., meets every other Sunday in real estate office of Fred Gesswein, on Main St. Wm. H. Randall, Sec.

MISSOURI
St. Louis headquarters—Room 7, 22 No. Fourth St. Address all communications to E. Val Putnam, Newburyport, Mo.

NEW YORK
Branch 19 (4th Assembly Dist., N. Y.), meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, at the rooms of The Voice of Labor, 107 Henry St.

OHIO
Branch No. 2, Ohio, Cleveland, meets in Ohlens's Hall, 65 York Street, second and fourth Sundays, at 8 p. m.

PENNSYLVANIA
Branch 2, Erie, Pa., meets every Sunday afternoon at K. of L. Hall, 118 State Street. Chairman, C. J. Lebeck; Secretary, Geo. B. Laird, 225 W. 5th St.

PENNSYLVANIA
Branch No. 5 (Jewish) of Pennsylvania, meets every Friday at 614 South Third Street, Philadelphia, at 7:30. Discussion from 8 to 9. J. Gearson, Secretary.

WISCONSIN
Branch No. 1, Milwaukee, meets every second and fourth Thursday evening of the month at the Ethical Society Building, 553 Jefferson Street.

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Branch No. 2, Milwaukee, meets every second and fourth Saturday in Geitzke's Hall, corner Green Bay and Concordia Aves.

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Branch No. 3, Milwaukee, meets every first and third Friday each month at Mueller's Hall, corner Twenty-third and Brown Streets.

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Officers of the Everett, Mass., branch are: Morris M. Roud, chairman; Harris Roud, vice-chairman; Simon Roud, treasurer; Frank K. Furcott, organizer.

Attendance at the branch meetings in San Francisco is increasing every week and enthusiasm for the cause is permeating the city.

Branch 8 of the Social Democratic Party, Cincinnati, has adopted a resolution to the effect that in view of the fact that the S. D. P. in Ohio, owing to the unreasonable requirements of the ballot law in that state, having been unable to place a state ticket on the official ballot, therefore that branch recommends that support be given to the ticket headed by Comrade Robert Bandlow.

A new branch organized at New Whatcom, Wash., makes Whatcom the banner county of that state for Social Democracy. It is composed of earnest men who have deliberated carefully over the best course to advance the cause of Socialism.

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Branch 11, Milwaukee, meets the second Wednesday of each month at the office of the Wisconsin "Vorwarts," 614 State St.

CLASSES VS. PARTIES

By Nemo (Continued from last week.)

If statistics are correct the working class possesses the majority of the voting force of this country. How is it, then, that their interests should be so little regarded by our present government machinery? Evidently the working class has not considered its interests from the political standpoint.

Workers of America, where is your place to-day? Where shall you stand in the coming election? Not among the Republicans or the Democrats; not with those who seek to retain your bodies in rags and your souls in chains, but with those, your comrades and your brothers, who are bravely fighting your battles, who, a small but determined band, are ready to oppose, to the very death, the united efforts of capitalism.

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Eugene Debs at Winnipeg The visit of Eugene V. Debs, leader of the great Pullman strike as head of the A. R. U., first victim of the "injunction" code, and now Socialist-lecturer, has given the greatest satisfaction to the labor men of the city.

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the world: LABOR HAS A RIGHT TO ALL THAT IT PRODUCES. This assumption is overwhelming when its complement is expressed: LABOR CREATES ALL WEALTH.

The great problem is, how shall labor conquer this right? There is but one solution to this question. Labor shall gain its rights only by abolishing the present system of capitalist production, and replacing it by a system of national co-operation.

How is it to be done? How have trusts been established? How have commercial wars been undertaken? How has capitalism ever successfully opposed labor?

In other words, labor must seek to gain control of the government. Few parties have been formed with the cause of labor as their sole aim and purpose.

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San Francisco Ticket and Manifesto

- For Mayor..... A. H. Coburn
For Auditor..... Emil Liess
For Assessor..... H. Warnecke, Jr.
For Treasurer..... Ernest Koenig
For Sheriff..... George Flammer
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For Recorder..... John Nugent
For County Clerk..... Mark Bartlett
For Coroner..... Emil Bihm
For Public Administrator.....
..... Arthur R. Andre
For District Attorney..... W. C. Shepard
Supervisors.....
..... Max Bloch, August Muegge

Every honest citizen must confess that the republican and democratic parties are no longer parties of progress. Statesmen of ability and integrity no longer control their destinies as in the past.

Bombastic platforms, denouncing monopoly and lauding labor to the skies deceive no one but the most ignorant as to their real purpose.

The immense power wielded by the privileged few to-day rests on the political ignorance and indifference of the many.

The collective ownership of the means of production and distribution is the main plank of the Social Democratic Party.

Barbarism, feudalism and capitalism are but steps in the progress of the race.

The aim of the Social Democratic Party is Democratic Socialism.

The invention of labor saving machinery has made Socialism not only possible but absolutely necessary.

Confiscation.—The confiscation of property cannot cease under competition until the trusts and corporations have absorbed all the means of living of the people.

Anarchy.—The Anarchy of production to-day is so pronounced, that in spite of the fact that machinery has multiplied the power of labor ten-fold, millions suffer poverty in the midst of the plenty they have themselves produced.

Bloodshed.—The bloodshed which ever marks the reign of capital in war waged for profit against "people struggling to be free" is inseparable from the present system.

Confiscation, anarchy, bloodshed the three-fold indictment against capitalism calls for its abolition.

It will put an end to this anarchy by abolishing competition for the necessities of life and replacing it with scientific co-operation.

We therefore call upon all intelligent citizens to vote for the candidates of the Social Democratic Party at the municipal election to be held in this city on November the seventh next.

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MY EXILE TO SIBERIA

By Isador Ladoff

Meanwhile the door of the office opened and the State witness, Mensel, was ushered in by armed soldiers. How he had changed since I saw him last!

The room in which we were seemed to be the study of the general. It contained an excellent library, comprising the works of the leading European poets, thinkers and scientists.

I must explain briefly what is meant by the term "administrative process" in Russia. It refers to the method of dealing with political offenders.

The action of General Bets in my case was a rare exception. I was free, but surrounded by a host of spies, watching my every step.

"The acoustics of the prison are not very good," I said, in an attempt to be merry. "How unhappy I am!" proceeded my wife.

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nevertheless troubled by a vague presentiment of threatening disaster. The officer led me up a narrow, steep and dark staircase to the dingy and filthy office of the police.

I asked a lean and elderly Pole, acting as secretary of the police master, the cause of my summons. "You will find it out early enough," he replied dryly.

I will not relate here how I spent the rest of that day and night. The next morning I was called to the office of the dungeon.

I was here yesterday, but was not allowed to see you," said she, after she had regained somewhat her self-control.

After a moment she proceeded with her narrative. "I went from the governor a little relieved. I knew at least what I had to expect."

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CALL TO ACTION

ORGANIZE FOR 1900

There are few communities in this country today without from one to a dozen Socialists who are not affiliated with a Socialist organization.

In almost every community a thoroughly wide-awake and earnest Socialist with little exertion could in one week effect the organization of a Branch of the Social Democratic Party.

The Declaration of Principles and Political Demands of this party will be found in this paper; read it and you will see that the party is a straight, uncompromising Socialist organization.

The triumph of the Socialist cause, which is the cause of the world democracy, requires organization, and without it nothing can be accomplished; this party is controlled by no individual nor by any set of individuals short of its entire membership through the referendum.

The year 1900 will be one of great and far-reaching importance to the people and especially to the intelligent, wealth-producing people of the United States; the latter have surely by this time begun to see the futility of any longer giving support to capitalistic parties.

Socialists should have as their main object in 1900 the polling of every vote possible for straight and uncompromising Socialism, and to do this the cooperation of every unattached Socialist in the work of organization, where he lives, is necessary.

The Social Democratic Party is now organized in more than half the States; it consists of Local Branches, State Unions and a National Council. A Local Branch may be organized with five members.

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Therefore, the Social Democratic Party of America declares its object to be the establishment of a system of co-operative production and distribution through the restoration to the people of all the means of production and distribution.

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A FRIENDLY TIP

When a branch of the S. D. P. is organized it should not sit down on its hind legs and wait for the clouds to roll by. Presumably it was organized to work and work it should.

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