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AN ENTHUSIASTIC GATHERING

Of the National Committee of the Socialist Party at St. Louis, Missouri, Beginning January 29 and Ending February 1, 1903.

(Reported by A. W. RICKER)

that held in St. Louis, beginning Wednesday, Jan. 29th and ending Feb. 1, at noon, the occasion being the annual meeting of the National Committee. Twenty-two states were represented by the following members: New Hampohire, S. F. Chaffin; Massachusetts, Jas. F. Cr.ey; New York, Morris Hilquitt, New Jersey, G. H. Goebel; Connecticut, Geo. A. Sweetland; Pennsylvania, J. Mahlon Barnes; Ohio, W. G. Critchlow; Indiana, Wm. Mahoney; Illinois, B. Berlyn; Wisconsin, Victor Berger; Kentucky, -. -. Dobbs; Missouri, G. H. Turner; Iowa, Jno. M. Work; Minnesota, G. H. Lockwood; North Dakota, R. C. Massey; South Dakota, Samuel Lovett; Nebraska, C. Christensen; Kansas, Walter Thomas Mills; Montana, Clarence S. Smith; Washington, Geo. E. Boomer. The session was opened with Richardson, of California, in the chair, and Leon Greenbaum acting as secretary for the session. It soon developed that a determined spirit was to be manifested in the meetings, and that the policy of the National Secretary and the local quorum was to be dealt with in a firm and resolute manner. It was a noteworthy fact that not a single member of the committee endorsed the fusion policy which the local quorum. On that one question there aks of the statesmanship, integrity and pomost emphatic terms. At a time when it has organizing the union men of the cities into independent political parties, aided by a purse that can unloose thousands to accomplish his aims, and when any one who has the slightest knowledge of politics can readily see that in Hearst is impersonated the historical tactics of the Democratic party, it is almost inconceivable that men like Greenbaum, Roach and Putnam should fall into the net so cunningly spread for their entanglement. As the Appeal has pointed out in previous editions, the legitimate end of union labor parties is in the Democratic fold, and this end is predestined by the Hearst machine. For the Socialist party to have fostered the organization of union la-bor parties would have been to jeopardize its own existence and to have thereby betrayed the 800,000 voters who trusted its honesty at the last election. The Socialist party was on trial at St. Louis, and the verdict is clear and speak in no uncertain tones, declare:

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, the history of the labor movement of the world has conclusively demonstrated that a Socialist party is the only political or-ganization able to adequately and consistently nduct the political struggles of the working

Whereas, All "radical" and reform parties, including the so-called Union Labor parties, have, after a brief existence, uniformly succumbed to the influence of the old political parties and have proven disastrous to the ulti-

te end of the labor movement, and Whereas, Any alliance direct or indirect with such parties is dangerous to the political integrity and the very existence of the Social-

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Whereas, At the present stage of development of the Socialist movement of this country there is neither necessity nor excuse for such alliance, therefore be it

Resolved, That no state or local organization, or member of the party shall under any circumstances, fuse, combine or compromise with any political party or organization, or refrain from making nominations in order to further the interests of candidates of such parties or organizations. ties or organizations.

After the committee on resolutions had .re ported as above and the report was unanimously adopted, the next real struggle in the committee was begun. A National Secretary must now be chosen to serve for a year. For this office the contest, which was begun by preliminary skirmishes before the convention assembled, finally narrowed down to W. G. Critchlow, of Ohio. and Wm. Mailly of Massachusetts. In the earlier hours of the session, Work, of Iowa, had been seriously considered, and had he been an active candidate for the and I cannot believe that a foolish and wholly position, he undoubtedly could have received unnecessary struggle will be undertaken on

The most important national gathering ever the support of the western men, and several assembled by the American Socialists, was of the eastern delegates. The West, however, wished to be generous with the East, and while considerable distrust of Western Socialists was manifested on the part of Comrades Carey, of Massachusetts, and Hillquitt, of New York, and while the West by uniting could have selected both the secretary and the headquarters, yet they manifested no purpose to exert their power, and on the final vote, Berlyn, of Illinois, and Christiansen, of Omaha, voted for Mailly, thus electing him. When the referendum on the location of headquarters is taken, Eastern Socialists are now solemnly reminded of this most generous act on the part of the Western comrades. I think I may say that the election of Mailly is satisfactory to the Socialists in every state and territory in the Union. His fitness is unquestioned, and he will add great strength to his position.

> It is to be regretted that on the other question at issue, before the meeting, the Eastern comrades could not reciprocate the Western spirit. The Western men wanted the headquarters at Omaha, and the reasons urged were singularly strong. They were:

1. Omaha is the center of the revolutionary section of the United States. No argument need has been so strenuously urged by members of be adduced to prove this to a western man. The only strong attempts that have been made was no division. This is encouraging, and since the war to overthrow the capitalist control and possession of the government have litical discernment of the Socialist party in the come from the western field. While the East is essentially conservative, the West is essenbecome notorious that Wm. R. Hearst is busy tially revolutionary, and despite any arguments to the contrary, Socialism will first mass its strength in the western section.

2. The West is the natural field of opera tion of the Democratic party. Here is its only revolutionary following, and here it has played its game of fusion and destruction. Here it must be fought to a finish and this time squelched for good. With the Democratic party out of the way, the desperate battle between the capitalist class, represented by the republican party, and the working class, represented by the Socialist party, will commence at once, and that is what we all wish. In these days the mistaken man who temporizes with the Democratic party, is consciously or unconsciously selling the honor and life of the Republic for a miserable mess of pottage. In the midst of Bryanism, the Socialist headquarters have now been placed, and the issue is plain. Hearst and Bryan may construct an explicit, as the following resolutions, which other reform party, but their attempts to fool the working class will be met at every point onal Committee of the Socialist by the Socialist party, aggressive, determined ment.

party in session.

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Of course, the eastern comrades are not aware of these things, because they have not been generally published, but the facts stand. On the final vote, Omaha was selected as against Indianapolis, Chaffin, of New Hampshire, Sweetland of Connecticut and Heally of Florida, voting with the Missouri valley states.

Hillquit, of New York, Carey, of Massachusetts, Mahoney, of Indiana, Berger, of Wisconsin, Berlyn, of Illinois, Barnes, of Pennsylvania, and Dobbs, of Kentucky, voted against Omaha, and fought desperately against the removal from St. Louis until such time as a referendum could be taken. The West, however, would not yield the point, and the new quorum was instructed to remove the effects of the national headquarters to Omaha at once, and to this end Comrade Lovett, of South Dakota, was selected to make the change. The comrades above enumerated threatened a referendum vote, and if they carry out their conclusions as manifested at St. Louis, will petition for the matter of the headquarters to be removed to Chicago.

Eventually, I think the headquarters will go to Chicago, possibly during the next presidential campaign, but for the present the selection of Omaha is undoubtedly an ideal one,

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What we want now is unity and organization. The 300,000 men who voted for Socialism at the last election must be organized into locals, districts and states. We must begin to prepare for the Co-operative Commonwealth, working class ranks now fail to see that Socialism is inevitable. We must begin to prepare for our victory. The Socialist now who does not at once identify himself with the local of his town, is publishing to the world his unfitness to help organize the Co-operative Commonwealth. If you have no local in your town or precinct, then organize at once. Don't imagine that a local is merely a political club. Far from it. It is the training school of Socialism, absolutely necessary, and which some day will be the real government of your town and in its collective capacity, the government of the state and nation. If you do not understand this, then get out your books and commence to study, for you have not learned your lesson. Be sure you understand Socialism before trying to teach others.

It is the purpose of this paper to assist the National Committee in the work of organization by publishing news, giving advice, and constantly urging on you the NECESSITY of the organization. All states and territories not in good standing with the National Committee should become so at once. This applies with particular force to the state of Texas and the territory of Oklahoma. The secretaries of these localities should identify their respective bodies with the national organization at once and make their standing good. We have stopped our talk about a big vote. We polled that at the last election. No Socialist should now hold any other thought than victory, full and complete.

Brief personal sketches of the members of the National Committee would greatly interest our readers, and standing by themselves, each comrade is noteworthy, but our space will not permit, and we must confine ourselves to a few. Because of Comrade Carey's position in the Massachusetts legislature, he is particularly of interest. Carey is a shoemaker by trade, and bears the mark of the machine in his eyesight, which has been injured by close application to his work. He has a finely developed mind, is a good debater and has earned parliamentary tactics so well that he can cope with the ablest in the land.

Hillquit, a lawyer of New York, is a marvel of keenness and precision. His arguments are made with a clearness of mind that is truly remarkable, and I think I may say without doubt that sooner or later he will stand where he can measure strength with the shrewdest manipulators of the capitalist class, and on that day Hillquit will be a foeman the capitalists will wish not in evidence.

Smith, of Montana, was the surprise of the neeting. He is secretary of the A. L. U. and editor of its official paper. A practiced debater, with an even balance of mind, he met Hillquit on every point, and before the proseedings were finished New York discovered that Montana was on the map.

Healy, from the far off state of Florida, was nother surprise. Calm, cool and practical, speaking but little, but saving something on each occasion, he likewise demonstrated to the committee that the South is not the barren ground for Socialism which many have supposed, but is ripe for the growth of the move-

Mills? Berger, of Wisconsin, who speaks in complete capture by the working class of the paragraphs, as the newspaper man is prone powers of government, and the establishment to do, who has a determination that halts at of the Co-operative Commonwealth, can the nothing, but a kindness of heart that makes people be freed from the despotism and tyranny him lovable even when in opposition. Berlyn, of capitalism. The corrupt attempts of the of Chicago, is a prime joker, as well as a prime Democratic machine to decoy the unions into Socialist. Richardson, of California, is schol- the vagaries of vacillating Democratic politics arly and intellectual. Lovett and Massey, of will end in a bubble, and the Secialist party the Dakotas, typical representatives of the will remain a stone wall of defense against prairie states, but wholly uncomprehended by the eastern comrades; Christiansen, of on the political chess-board demonstrates the Nebraska, a blacksmith and a scholar; Work, of Iowa, quiet and demure, but always in evidence. Turner, of Missouri, was the youngest of the body, a boy in appearance but a giant in his work. Mahoney, the printer of Indiana, is thoughtful and even-minded. Dobbs, of Kentucy, is a newspaper man of experience. Critchlow, of Ohio, is a model state secretary, and has organized a powerful move ment in the Buckeye state. Goebel, of New Jersrey, is a traveling man, who as usual, gets what he goes after. Then, there was Barnes, of Pennsylvania, who says but little, but saw wood all the time; Chaffin, of New Hampshire and Sweetland, of Connecticut, typical Yankees and both valuable men; and Boomer, of Washington, whose name and methods are harmonious. Last on the list is Lockwood, of Minnesota, who is an artist in thought and appearance, and who will not many months hence command an opportunity to stamp his thoughts on the public through the cartoon. A more completely cosmopolitan body of men was never assembled, truly typical of the Socialist movement in America, which is destined to lead the first and successful attack on capitalism.

I regret that the limited space at-my dis-

give a more detailed report, but I have given the essential features of the meeting. Other resolutions were passed among which were those relating to the trades unions, ever the object of protection on the part of the Socialist movement; one extending fraternal greetings to the Socialists of Germany; one relating to propaganda, speakers, etc. None of these, however, were of special importance, except that relating to trades unions, which we give below. Though much intensity of feeling was engen-lered during the debates, it ended with the session, and three cheers for Socialism were given with earnestness and enthusiasm, and differences created by debate will be succeeded by unity on the battlefield.

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RESOLUTION ON TRADES UNIONS.

The National Committee of the Socialist party in annual session assembled hereby reaffirms the attitude of the party toward the trade union movement as expressed in the resolution on the subject adopted by the Indian-

apolls convention of 1901.

We consider the trade union movement and the Socialist movement as inseparable parts of the general labor movement, produced by the same economic forces and tending towards the same goal, and we deem it the duty of each of the two movements to extend its hearty operation and support to the other in its spe-

cial sphere of activity.

But we are also mindful of the fact that each of the two movements has its own special mission to perform in the struggle for the emancipation of labor, that it devolves upon the trades unions to conduct the economic struggles of the working class, that it devolves on the Socialist party to fight the political batheria. tles of the working class, and that the inter est of labor as a whole will be best conserved by allowing each of the movements to manage the affairs within its own sphere of activity without active interference by the other.

The Socialist party will continue to give its aid and assistance to the economic struggles of organized labor regardless of the amiliation of the trade unions engaged in the struggle and will take no sides in any dissensions or strifes within the trade union movement, the party will also continue to solicit the sympa-thy and support of all trade organizations of labor without allowing itself to be made the ally of any one division of the trade union

ovement as against another.
We also declare that we deem it unwise to invite trade unions as such to be represented in the political conventions of our party.

While these resolutions are sufficiently self-

explanatory, a more concise statement of the Socialist position may make the meaning clearer. The American Labor Union, the Western Federation of Miners, the Brewers' Union, and many smaller organizations, have officially endorsed Socialism. The American Federation of Labor lacked but a few votes of doing so at the New Orleans convention. These endorsements were brought about by union men within the ranks of their separate organizations, and not by the Socialist party through its official management. The Socialist party will assist and support every union in its economic conflicts with capitalism, whether that union has endorsed Socialism or not, because its true mission is to fight the political battles of the working class. It will not enter any internal conflicts between labor organizations, but will support the American Federation of Labor when on strike, as readily as the American Labor Union. It is not seeking, like Hearst and the Democratic machine, to organize the unions into political machines, and will ever warn the trades unionists against the inevitable disruption of their organizations should they permit Democratic politicians to organize union labor parties for the express purpose of decoying them into the mire of Democratic politics. The Socialist party will adopt the honorable course of confining its efforts to converting individuals to the philosophy of Socialism, and will content itself with the knowledge that in due time all union en will become Socialists. It bases its as-Well, there was Milis-but who don't know surance on the fact that only through the all attacks. Every move of the Socialist party statesmanship of the Socialist leadership and fustifies its claim to its inevitable success

> The Railway World of January 17 devotes its entire editorial space to a discussion of So-As this journal is the organ of the corporations, its comment is signifi-The keynote is struck when reference is made to the Jenkins resolution to selze the coal mines and the railfoads. The World sees in this resolution an under-current of Social ism, and hastens to remind its readers that such incendiary talkers must be promptly squelched, and finds consolation in the prediction that Jenkins' constituents will attend to his case in due time. I am persuaded that the latter depends altogether on the supply of coal—and though Mr. Jenkins may be retired because of his unfortunate utterances in behalf of the people, when he should of course silently vote for the corporations, yet he has really done the country a service in directing the people's thought to Socialism.

Important Announcements.

Comrades:

In accordance with the action of the National Committee at the meeting just adjourned, the National Headquarters of the Socialist Party on and after February 3, 1903, will be located in Omaha, Neb.

All communications, etc., should be addressed to the National Secretary Socialist Party, Omaha, Neb. We ask your aid in giving notice of this change as wide publicity among party members as possible.

(Signed.) SAM'L LOVETT, Acting Secretary.

THE NEW QUORUM.

J. P. Roe, Nebraska; Ernest Un-termann, Kansas; Jno. M. Work, Iowa; Sam'l Lovett, South Dakota; G. H. Turner, Missouri.

MICHIGAN, ATTENTION!

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but his party likewise needs the money of the but his party likewise needs the money of the trusts for campaign expenses. It is a difficult job, always to play the part of a political Janus to complete success. When a man has two faces, one which he presents to the people, and one to the "plutes," he is apt to mix. Especially is this true when surrounded on all sides by Socialists, alert, and constantly exposing fraud and duplicity. We are in the midst of lively times, and the end is not yet.

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The World winds up its comment by an analysis of trades unions, and arrives at the conclusion which all union men are now rapidly reaching—viz.,—that unionism inevitably leads to Socialism. It therefore appears that the Arthurs and the Sargents cannot longer hold the railway employes in line. Yes, you are right. If you could see the thousands of letters that come to this office from railway men. you would not only be alarmed-you would be

We have reached that stage in our economic we have reached that stage in our economic development where all roads lead to Socialism. Every strike brings us nearer the goal. Every move in congress has the same effect. The corporations have robbed us for years, but the press has had its pages closed with gold and has remained dumb. Papers like the Appeal with its enormous circulation, are leading the procession of countless smaller ones, all columns filled with startling exposures of tocratic corruption. The steam that has m the coining of colossal fortunes possible, also turns the cylinders of presses, and concentra-tion is a weapon that acts both ways. The machinery that makes it possible to pile up millions for a few plutocrats by exploiting labor, also makes it possible for some gigant enterprise like the Appeal to eliminate the prorfit and give the people a mighty medium for the transmission of intelligence at a cost so nominal that even the poorest wage slave can read its columns.

Lay on the lash a little harder, oh master Lay on the lash a little harder, on harder, on harders; you are bleeding us and you are determined to take your pound of flesh, but we are learning our lesson every day, and some time we will reverse the rules and become teachers instead of students. If we are somewhat harsh and hasty in our action, a ber in what school we learned and at

The Standard Oil company has secured control of the Beaumont oil field in Texas and the Jennings oil region in Louisiana. There are only a few small companies remaining outside really done the country a service in directing the people's thought to Socialism.

The World-proceeds to take a fling at Roosevelt for the appointment of colored postmasters in the South, and uses this as an illustration of what we may expect under Socialism. We can pass this fling without comment, but the implied criticism of Roosevelt is interesting. The ambition of the "Rough Rider" is receiving some severe joits. President Roosevelt really desires to deal justly with the people. He also thirsts for more glory as chief executive. He needs the votes of the people,

Omaha, Our New Headquarters.

The National Committee of the Socialist party decided at its recent meeting to fer the national headquarters to Omaha, Neb. This may not be very agreeable to W. J. Bryan, whose "Commoner" has been studiously practicing the Golden Rule of silence in all matters relating to Socialism. We might rub in the point still more by holding our next national convention in that city.

There is no doubt that the overwhelming majority of the comrades will welcome the choice made by the National Committee. The backbone of the American Socialist movement is in the Middle West. The center of the class-conscious working class movement is there. Not only geographical reasons, but also tactical considerations favor, therefore, the

But there are some eastern delegates who look upon the new headquarters with disfavor. They fear that it signifies the ascendancy of the Populist element in the ranks of the Socials and in their eyes the class-conscious farmer is still a member of the middle class. They still look upon the American tural proletariat with the suspicion of the European Socialist, and thus prove once more that the East is more European than American.

A calm look at the situation will show how unjust and unfounded this suspicion is . It will also show that there is now more danger to the Socialist movement in the great cities. than in the smaller cities of the Middle West and its farming majority.

The great cities like New York, Chicago, St. Louis and San Francisco, are precisely the places where the elements of compromise and fusion have their strongholds. It is there, where middle-class Socialism is raising its sinister head, in the Hearst Democracy, the polisically immature independent labor parties, and the politically short-sighted Socialist flends who are ready to fuse with anything in sight, for the sake of doubtful and passing advantages. It is there where the middle-class politician is bred whose desire for political jobs is stronger than his love for the revolutionary principles of our movement

The great cities in the United States are the pitfalls of the wage-workers. Chicago, for instance, is one of those centers , where the great labor organizations are still under the influence of labor misleaders and old party politicians. The Hearst movement, the Darrow sham, the traitorous labor papers who first seemed to espouse Socialism and then flopped over into Darrowism, are all in the height of their glory there. The class-conscious Socialists of Chicago, the same as those in the other great cities mentioned, are forced by the logic of the situation to propagate straight Socialism, fight political fakirs of the old parties, and reason with the weak and doubtful elements in their own ranks, all at the same time. Much valuable-effort is thus lost in fighting with a divided front.

To establish the national headquarters in such an environment, and select the quorum from the adjacent states, would be to embroil us in the same troubles which we have just escaped, and to invite a repetition of the same vaccillating and restless actions that characterized the former headquarters. There would always be a danger that the great general principles of our movement might-be neglected or sacrificed to the exigencies of the moment, in spite of the sincere efforts of the staunch comrades that see farther than the

Omaha offers an environment free from these dangers. The Central Trades Assembly of that city has endorsed Socialism. The spirit of the western labor movement permeates the atmosphere, and the class-conscious declarations of the American Labor Union form an effective barrier to all labor fakirs and political gangsters.

The class-conscious wage-workers and the class-conscious farmers of the Middle West are one. Therer is no class line between them. The one can no more be supreme than the other. They are all members of the same party, pledged to the same revolutionary prin-

Besides, the class-conscious farmers, the rural proletariat of this country, are the sincerest and trustlest guardians of the interests of the working class, and never more so than

The American farmers, unlike the European, have been through one continuous struggle against capitalist oppression for a century. And they have now reached a stage, where nothing can swerve them from their purpose of abolishing capitalism. Once they adopt the Socialist platform, they are the most revolutionary elements in our ranks. Immediate demands and municipal capitalism have no meaning for them. Nothing but the complete abolition of capitalism can satisfy them. And there is no political party but the Socialist party that satisfies this demand. Therefore, they cannot fuse or compromise.

The class-conscious city worker, then, has every reason to trust his rural comrade. The city Socialist has no truer champion than the country Socialist. For the latter can devote his whole and undivided energy to the propagation of the fundamental principles of the international working class movement. In his hands the cause would at present be safer than

But the quorum is not even in the hands of the farmers. The members of the quora are either trade unionists or intellectual proletarians.

So much for Omaha as headquarters. It is better suited than any of the great citieissue the prospect of a determined and barmonious organization for the campaign of .:

But there is still another side to this question. The referendum on the question of of being the selection of Omar a as national headquarters is a clear waste of time and mea-For fe is certain to result in an endorsement of the action of the National Committee. need our means and time, in the cities for the municipal campaigns, in the country for the perfection of our organization. And it would cause a uscless delay in getting the head-users in working order for the organization of a thorough opposition against all cap. arties, from the Hearst tiger in lamb's clothes, to the G. O. P! elepi ant as get to work once, and drop all useless maneuvering. It the present secretary and quorum du ulfill our expectations, the next national convention can settle the question satisfactorily, nd without extra cost and delay.

It is doubtful, if even the solid vote of Massachusetts, New York, Kentucky, Illinois and Visconsin would disavow the action of the National Committee. And it is certain that Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utan and Washington would vote in favor of Omaha. Is it not a waste of energy to go to the trouble, expense and delay involved in a referendum on a question which is already see tled?

Comrades, let us see the situation in its true light. Let us drop our prejudices; East West, and infuse our work with more of that fraiernal warmth that binds hearts to coand cheers on to victory. Clasp hands and let our cry ring from ocean to ocean: "Hurran-

Commercial Depression and War.

It seems that the capitalists of the principal countries are getting ready for the next commercial crisis. Knowing that they cannot solve the unemployed problem without giving up their profits, and finding it impossible to avert a recurrence of the scenes which threw the whole country into convulsions during the early nineties, they seem to have hit on another expedient to avert the threatening canger.

They plainly perceive that a new Coxy army would now be more dangerous than ten years ago. The next Coxey army, instead of marching to Washi aton and indulging in a gabfeast, will march in one solid phalanx to the polls and vote for Socialism.

That must never be.

Fortunately, or unfortunately-the future will tell-Billy the Bully of Germany and Fatty Eddy of England are worrried by similar prospects. And so it seems that the governments of these countries have agreed to let Germany pick a quarrel with Venezuela, violate the Monroe doctrine, and then give employment to the unemployed of England, Germany and the United States, in the animated work of "killing off the surplus population."

The drums of patriotism will be beaten, the banners will wave, and the cannon fodder will march out to die, in order that capitalism may live the longer. So much is certrain, that there is an ominant activity in the war department. General

Corbin has made the discovery that there are 10 853,896 able-bod ed men in the United States who may be called upon for military duty, out-ide of the army and militia. Incidentally, there are three million Socialists in Germany. There are seven million

more in other European countries. There are also 560,000 in the United States, and there will be a few million, if the capitalists do not hurry up with their war. Things may not turn out quite to the liking of the plutes. To arm the proletariat today means to arm the force that will destroy capitalism.

A Splendid Champion of Labor. STATEHOOD THOUGHTS.

The Miners Magazine, published by the Western Federation of Miners and edited by Comrade John M. O'Neill, is the most vigorous and fearless labor journal in the United States. There is a strength and firmness in its tone that bodes ill to the capitalist system, and no Congress has been haggling and quibbling better tribute could be paid to it than that expressed by Comrade Eugene V. Debs in a reterritories of Arizona. New Mexico Oklahocent letter "The Miners Magazine, under fearless editorial management of John O'Neill, the wheel horse of progressive ties apprehend from the admission of those unionism, has become a power in the labor territories? movement. In every line there is snap, and in every sentence fire. It is quoted and passed around. Workingmen are thrilled and in-

an excellent sample of its style, and deserves about

actuated by the same stimulant in defending the federal congress, because these same citi-the coal miners as MacVeagh in his defense zens happen to live a few hundred miles away of the coal barons. The Star, in defense of from the place where they formerly cast their Darrow, asks: 'Is not the laborer worthy of his votes. We might ask the same question of the Star in reference to MacVeagh. He is as earn-estly endeavoring to earn his fee from the coal population is large enough to entitle them to just as worthy of compensation from the cor-corations as Darrow is from the miners. The ries, a very essential point in the eyes of the Star does not seem to recognize the fact that capitalist politicians, the lawyer is a product of the robbing, grindwhich we live. The Star does not seem know that there is an army of nearly 200,000 mitted. men whose fees are coined from 'man's inhumanity to man.' Strife and discord to the lawyer as naturally as unsanitary conditions in a community breed the germs of The more strife, hate and murler, the fatter waxes the lawyer. The more crime, the larger grows his bank account. All the labor that has been performed by the legal profession does not carry in it the producpower of adding one single atom to the wealth of a community.

as much beyond criticism as is John Mitchell. We have not yet recognized in John Mitchell the perfect man. Mr. Mitchell has been lauded by politicians, labor journals and corpora-tion sheets, because he and his cabinet of counsellors advised the serfs of the anthracite ending a verdict from an arbitration tribunal trouble made up almost exclusively of parasites. When Mr. Mitchell called off the strike, he retarded. u a measure, the growth of that sentiment by a president who quakes in the presence of a trust, demonstrated a weakness in that brand of courage that will be required to emancipate the millions from corporation ser-vitude. The coal strike is settled, and yet countless thousands are suffering for fuel, because the supply is completely in the hands of few, who can dictate the terms by which it shall be purchased. The coal yards and coal trains are loaded with coal, and yet the prodibitive prices place it beyond the reach of the ust freeze in order that plutoc acy may revel in the profligacy of exorbitant iividends. The conditions are educating, and there will soon be a strike in which the laborng people of the country shall take a hand, and that strike will never and until manhood shall command a higher price than coal. There will be a strike that will not be transferred to on its a strate that will not be transferred to a commission, compensated by the national reasury make the tragedy a farce, but the political power of the copie will be united, and their strike at the lot box will be more imnipotent in the set ment of the industrial onfilet than all the weapons that labor has sed in the past. In the great strike for ecoomic freedom every citizen will wield as reat a power as Mitchell, and they will scorn delegate their power into the hands of a resident to whitewash the wrongs of labor ith the decision of a strike commission. bile children in rags and old men crippled of feel, Mr. Mitchell appeals to the serfs I the cont barons to delve harder and increase he output as the remedy to ameliorate the untering from the cruel blasts of winter. He as not a word to say about what shall, be tives without manhood and principle, to disone with the countless the rands of tons of franchise 300,000 voters in national elections, at that it is the coal yards and railroad cars for no other purpose than to swell the swag but are led to success profit at the expense of a few greedy magnates. He is voiceless as a sphinx as a remark that will make life more sacred

exclaim with hey have him to reckon with in the end. They ould well afford to spend \$1,000,000 to keep im and bringing a radical and trouble maker lover the statehood question. o the from Hanna ! ring bouquets upon the con- tion. Senat ooks wit picion upon a leader who has surned complimentary rethoric from a multi-ullionaire whose thirty millions have been officers. rung from the destitution of American citiip. The Magazine recognizes the class ale and knows that as long as the few id in their possession the means by which umanity exists, there can be no industrial

THE POPULIST EDITION &

"I am very glad the Appeal it so successful. The Populist nun ber was certainly one of the greatest issues ever brought out by a Socialist paper. Some of the boys in Chicago were so enthusiastic about it that they were talking of sending it to thousands of voters here, notwithstanding the fact that it was no Adressed to the wage-workers.

"We favor home rule for, and the early ad mission to statehood of, the territories of Arizona, New Mexico, and Oklahoma."-National Republican Platform, 1900.

Congress has been haggling and quibbling ma, and Indian Territory to statehood. What danger do the venerable fossils of the old par-

The overwhelming majority of the inhabi-

tants of these territories are born Americans, who were citizens of other American states bespired by its burning appeals; plutocrats damn fore they settled in the territories. Many of them helped to elect the men who are now.

The following extract from the magazine is wagging their silly heads in grave concern about admitting their former constituents to the full privileges of statehood. And now awide circulation:
the Star of San Francisco manifests slight whole weeks are wasted in lung exercise about symptoms of convulsions when the Magazine the advisability of giving these Americans the lared to assume that Clarence Darrow was right to elect representatives and senators to

Everybody admits that these territories barons as Darrow is from the miners and is statehood. Everybody is also ready to con-

ing, plundering and damnable system under more populous and wealthy than thirteen of to the present states were when they were ad-More even, their population is larger than that of some of the present 1900, the territory of Arizona had 422,931 in habitants; the state of Nevada only had 42,335 The territory of New Mexico had 195310 in-habitants; the state of Delaware had only 184,735. The territory of Oklahona had 398, 331 inhabitants; the state of Permont had only 343,641. The Indian Territory had 392,600 in-habitants; the state of Montana had only 243, worth twice all the taxable wealth of Indiana "The Star says that Darrow's life has proven him to be a great and good man, and he is the ordinance of 1787, which is still in force. simply declares that whenever a territory has "free inhabitants" it shall be admitted And the republican party is pledged to secure

their admission.
Yet in spite of these plain declarations, and with a republican majority in both houses, the statehood bill cannot pass. What, then, is the

Some cunning politician has made an amendment to the bill that Indian Territory shall form one state together with Oklahoma that was permeating the great mass of the when they are admitted. But there is no pub-American people to demand that the coal ile domain in Indian Territory, according to the politicians, from which to make apportion-ments for school lands, and so such land would mines should become the collective property the politicians, from which to make apportion of the nation. His action in placing the cause ments for school lands, and so such land would of the coal miners in the hands of men selected have to be taken from Oklahoma. And because this is impracticable, none of the territories can be admitted.

This is professedly the only difficulty. The capitalist politicians are afraid that the people of those territories would have to carry too great a burden, and would not be tain a sufficient number of public schools. Is that all? No, we had almost forgotten it, they would also have to support the necessary

number of-jails and asylums, It seems that the people of those territories managed to instruct their children tolerably well, even without being states, for they maintained quite a number of public and private schools out of their own pockets. They could certainly continue to do so, if the territories became states. And as the people themselves expressed the wish to be admitted to the Union, they were evidently willing to accept any additional burdens that might be involved in such a step. As for jails and asylums, they were obviously not embarrassed by their ab-The western people have their own rugged manner of meeting out justice to offen-ders, and it is generally more effective and less expensive than the cumbersome red tape

of the effete east.
But all these objections are mere childish cubterfuges. There are evidently certain com-mercial interests that are opposed to the will of the people, because they are not willing to bear the additional burdens which the people would gladly incur. Above all, these interests are afraid that the state legislatures would at once bridle their ruthless exploitation. And these commercial interests have the power, by the temptation which they offer to representa

Who these interests are, is not hard to guess Whenever congress has lent itself to any crimes against the people the railroads were at the bottom of them. The railroads are also ighting Mitchell, the anthracite at the bottom of this crime. They have inof the people in those territo-afford to spend \$1,000,000 to keep ries. And at their bidding Congress betrays the is, instead of tryics to destroy one million American people in a sham debate

nging a radical and trouble maker over the statehood question.

And yet another reason may be hidden bethe lake his place. The Star, as a
hind the glib debates over the statehood question. Senator Foraker, in making his argution. Senator Foraker, in making his argu-ment, said: "Oklahoma and Indian Territory would not make a state of too much area, too much wealth, too much population, too much intelligence.

Can it be possible? Too much wealth, too much population, and above all, too much in-telligence, would be a bar to admission?

Too much intelligence. There is the rub.
The people of those territories are too intelli-gent and too independent to submit quietly to

the rule of the plutocracy. Worse still, from the capitalist point of view, they show a strong inclination to become Socialists. That is the great danger to the capitalist republic! So-calist senators and representatives sent by the most independent and picked fighters of the nation! What a horror! No, they must not

Well, the people of those territories can get along without statehood a little longer, if it comes to a pinch. And when the Socialist tidal wave will sweep over this country in 1908, the Socialist senators and representatives from Arisona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Indian Territory will have no difficulty in being seated. The Co-Operative Commonwealth of the United States will include these territories as states, five minutes after the Socialist speaker of the house will have opened the first Well, the people of those territories can ge speaker of the house will have opened the first Socialist session of engress with the cry: "Hurrah for the Co-Operative Common-wealth."

CAPITALIST MORALITY

A. M. SIMONS,

A matrimonial syndicate has been organized in Germany, to be at the exclusive service of the titled spendthrifts whose bank accounts have not been able to keep pace with the extravagant demands of their superior and eccurate individuality. The main purpose of this syndicate is to secure those exquisite products of full dinner nation purpose of this syndicate is to secure those exquisite products of full dinner nation purpose of this syndicate is to secure those exquisite products of full dinner nation of the successful consumantion of th

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While this sale of human flesh for titles is going on, the sanctimonious mouthpieces of the capitalist class on the pulpits prate about the sanctity of the American home, and the refined moral sense of the women of the American can dollar aristocracy is offended at th of admitting a Mormon to the United States senate. A few months ago, when the prince of European profligates was to be crowned king of England, the same dainty damsels tore one another's hair in the struggle to be admitted to the royal show. And the highly sensitive daughter of the bronco busting brave who presides over the fates of who presides over the fates of the greatest robber republic on earth, wept tears of despair because she could not get a chance to touch elbows with the lewd courtiers of the royal

No matter what one may think about the Mormons and their marriage customs, it is a disgusting speciacle to see the women of the most immoral bourgeoisie on earth felgn a moral resentment over the entrance of a Mormon to such a senate as that of the United States. For every member of that body has grown rich on the toil of other men, women and children, who died in misery and despair, victims of this immoral system of wage slavery. And there is not one man in the senate who can dare to cast the first stone at any of his fellow men, because every one of them has a skeleton in his own closet. And if the truth were known about their private lives, it would reveal a picture of commercial prostitution, and adultery that would gladden the heart of a demon.

Every one of these fine strung souls objects strenuously to the inauguration of a system, that would make all men and women masters give clean and hon a fair chance to find a home among the hu man race.

This year the total Socialist vote in the United This year the total Socialist vote in the United States was approximately 399,000, which was more than double the vote of 1900. If it increases 1695 every two years for the next ten years, (and I believe that it will do even better) the result would be as follows: Vote in 1902, 209,000; in 1904, 690,000; in 1906, 1,200,000; in 1906, 200,000; in 1906, 4300,000 and in 1912 it will have reached the respectable total of 3,000,000. In conclusion, will say: The study of Socialism is intensely interesting, and no man's education is complete without a clear inderstanding of this momentous subject.—John W. Gardner, in Lakota, N. D., American.

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hink of their generosity.

Dear Sirs.—Please accept my sincere thanks for yours of recent date. I have given your treatment a thorough test and the benefit has

News From the Warpath.

's about time now for another Maine to be

he People's Press of Albany, Ore., has been solidated with the Liberator of the same

e chattel slave came into the world C O

rhe official vote of the Michigan Socialists reported to be 4,271. This is a gain of over to over the vote of 1900, which was 2,826.

Chicago comrades of the twentieth ward who yet members of the Socialist part quested to communicate with Comrade F. H. oney, 905 Polk street, Chicago, Ill.

If the Appeal continues on the lines it folwe no more occasion for criticism, but only rtiest approval.-Seattle Socialist.

All Socialist co-operatives who wish to systematically in the organization of the ialist party, are requested to address M. E. leiminger, 4514 Lake Ave., Chicago, Ill.

geles, Cala., to make sentiment for his pres-ntial boom. It is a case of the man seeking Socialists of Ingham county, Mich., are re-

Hearst is going into Boston, Mass., and Los

Emperor William of Germany was raked over the coals by the Socialist representatives in the reichstag during a recent session of that ody. The speaker of the house, Count von Ballestram, tried to shut off the debate, but

such determined opposition that he

The three Socialist representatives in dassachusetts legislature forced the republi-an mujority, after some resistance, to consider or estion of municipal fuel yards. The or he constitutionality of municipal fuel yards, and the right of the various cities and towns whether an emergency exists that alls for the institution of such yards.

as forced to resign.

and adopted a straight platform, without im-mediate demands. Comrade Leamy is nomi-asted as candidate for mayor, and Comrade pale as candidate for treasurer, Comrade Me-formick for police magistrate, and the follow-ing comrades for aldermen: Hoar, Lowney, Caler, Stenberg, Sager, Johnson, Ambrose, Pierce

Comrade Haack, a Socialist councillor of Sheboygan, Wis., introduced a resolution fathe matter to a committee of private citizens, who have already wasted three years in "considering" the matter. Of course, the Socialists voted against this. And now the capitalist press says the Socialists voted against munici-

snapolis, they had Mother Junes, who told how she became a Socialist Comrade W. T. Brown spoke on January 11. On February 3, Comrade F. Wentworth spoke to a crowded house, and on the next day Comrade J. F. Carey, representative from Massachusetts, lectured to a large and enthusiastic audience. On March 15 Comrades F. G. Strickland and J. Oneal will speak, and Father McGrady is also billed for a lecture some time in March.

Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn. De-bates with Socialists do not belong to the means of "intelligent study and investigation of social problems" which the League will in-social problems which the League will make were of the same fiesh and blood as the rulof social problems, which the League will make

Franklin McVeagh didn't have any accurate information on trusts but thought it would be best to leave the whole matter with Roosevelt. To Rabbi Hirsch the trust was a "moral" question, while Attorney Levy Mayer taunted the crowd with the declaration that the trust owners were neither better nor worse than present company. Then Judge Grosscup than present company.

liberately violated the fundamental principles

ilberately violated the fundamental principles of Socialism by esponsing fusion, be it Resolved. That said Job Harriman shall be expelled from the Socialist party of America and that we call upon the various branches or locals of the party to give their endorsement to the above resolution so that our national secretary shall initiate a referendum vote of the party as to whether the above Job Harrishe party as to whether the above Job Harrishe

the party, as to whether the above Job Harriman shall be expelled from the party or not.

P. S.—It requires an endorsement of five locals in three different states to bring this proposition to a referendum vote of the party. Locals endorsing the above will please send an account of their action to the party press and but the wage slave is paid for on the in-illment plan.—Mother Jones. Malden, Mass.

> Mr. Roosevelt has expressed forcibly his feeling toward those who do much by word of mouth, but do not lift a pound from the shoulof those whose misfortunes are the capital

of the easy philanthropist.
"I have grown to feel a disgust," he says,
"with the radical social reformers, a disgust with the radical social reformers, a disgust which is quite as radical as any extreme feeling they can have. I give no place to social reformers, except those who aid in striving to make things better. I have seen a good deal of it in the time that I have been intimately connected with the city of New York, but I have not seen the least bit of effective work done by those who insist upon doing everything and unless they can do accept him will thing, and unless they can do everything, will do nothing."—John Bancroft Devins, D. D., in New York Observer.

We can assure Mr. Roosevelt that we recip pres-rocate his disgust. We, and the majority of king the class to whom we belong, are disgusted coffice, instead of the office seeking the man, with him and the slick politicians who have been mouthing about their interest for the workingmen and who have never done anysected to communicate with Comrade Ernest thing for them, and never will do anything for them. We are, besides, in the happy position nominating a county ticket for the spring that his disgust cannot affect us in the least. But our disgust will be felt at the ballot box and that is the spot where Teddy and his class are vulnerable. And the unctuous reverend who shares the feelings of the distinguished roisterer should turn over his bible and see where he can find a quotation that coincides with Roosevelt's sentiment that "a good soldier must not only be willing, but eager to fight.'

Funds For Populist Edition.

We have the promise of 100,000 more names of southern Populists. The edition has now reached 500,000, but will go still higher.

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Mitchell, \$1; Grenola, Kan., 25c; Kate A. Malloy, 25c; Rose Smith, 10c; Lizzie Smith, 10c;
Hayes Smith, 10c; Eddie Smith, 10c; Laura The Socialists of Butte, Mont., have nominated a full ticket for the municipal campaign and adopted a straight platform, without impediate demands. Comrade Leamy is nominated as candidate for mayor, and Comrade ale as candidate for treasurer, Comrade McDormick for police magistrate, and the following comrades for aldermen: Hoar, Lowney, Caler, Stenberg, Sager, Johnson, Ambrose, Plerce. feger, 25c; L. A. Wait, 50c; J. H. Lentz, 50c; W Roper, 25c; D. Balley, \$1; Anton Julks, \$1; Fred W. Gleason, 25c; John W. Gardner, \$1; voring municipal ownership of an electric light plant. The capitalist councillors, in order to lead this off, introduced a resolution to refer to the matter chandler, \$1; Jacob Rufl, \$1; T. Korstadd, \$1; W. H. Newerf, 50c; J. H. West, 50c; John Mchave already wasted three years in "condidering" the matter. Of course, the Socialists of against this. And now the capitalist bress says the Socialists voted against municipal ownership.

The Indiana comrades are stirring up the luggish. At a recent mass meeting in Indianapolis, they had Mother Jones, who told how the became a Socialist. Comrade W. T. Brown the became a Socialist. Comrade W. T. Brown the socialists. The Indiana companies of the socialists of the socialists of the socialists of the socialists. Comrade W. T. Brown the became a Socialist. Comrade W. T. Brown the socialists. The west, 50c; J. H. Ditting, \$1; Jacob Rufl, \$1; T. Korstadd, \$1; W. H. Newerf, 50c; J. H. West, 50c; J. I. West, 50c; J. H. West, 50c; Geo. Razee, 35c; O. H. Hathaway, 53c; S. L. Comrades, N. Venner, \$1; Jacob Rufl, \$1; M. West, 50c; J. H. R. Hathaway, 35c; S. L. Comrades, S. H. West, 50c; J. H. R. Hathaway, 35c; S. L. Comrades, S. H. Hathaway, 35c; sentative from Massachusetts, lectured to a large and enthusiastic audience. On March 15 Comrades F. G. Strickland and J. Onceal will speak, and Father McGrady is also billed for a lecture some time in March.

S. B. Dutcher, the president of the "impartial" National Economic League whose secret circular the Appeal published recently, has declined to debate with Comrade Fraser of the Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn. Debates with Comrade Company of the Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn. Debates with Comrade Fraser of the Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn. Debates with Comrade Fraser of the Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn. Debates with Comrade Fraser of the Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn. Debates with Comrade Fraser of the Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn. Debates with Comrade Fraser of the Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn. Debates with Comrade Fraser of the Socialist Propaganda Club of Brooklyn.

clude in its program. The League will make propaganda for Socialism, nevertheless, no matter how it carries on its crusade against Socialism. Emperor William has found out that the best way to make Socialists is to attack Socialism, and the League will soon make a similar discovery. By all means, attack us good and hard, Mr. Dutcher, but don't come out in the open where we can get back at you. That would be "un-American" and "impracticable" dontcherknow.

were of the same flesh and blood as the rulers. At one time the wars in which the rulers always robbers engaged, had decimated their several thousands of their slaves and armed them to fight against their enemies. The slaves lost fighters, and mowed down their enemy like struw. It was a disgrace to the property owners to feel themselves under obligation to their slaves, and when the victorious army of were of the same flesh and blood as the rula similar discovery. By all means, attack us good and hard, Mr. Dutcher, but don't come out in the open where we can get back at you. That would be "m-American" and "impracticable" dontcherknow.

"The National Economic League has been organized by thoughtful, careful men, good citizens, for the average nursoes of counteract. organized by thoughtful, careful men, good citizens, for the express purpose of counteracting such incendiary and anarchist publications as the Coming Nation. The business men of this country do not know that there are thousands of vile sheets like this that are kept alive by exciting the passions of the working coople."—Circular of the National Economitc league. How it hurts those good citizens, the business men, to see the working class waking up and threatening the system of exploitation with extinction. How the capitalist anarchiets howl about anarchism, when labor demands its just dues. How away. It is all the satisfaction you will get. The more you how the more will the working class, whom you dare to call anarchists, awake to a realization of the class character of present society.

All roads lead to Socialism nowadays. It even cropped up last week in that hothed of capitalism the Marquette Club in this city in a discussion on "trusts," where Judge Grosscup got in on the tail end of the argument with the declaration that the trusts were bringing Socialism.

The National men, good that they had earned their liberty and that they had earned their liberty and that they had earned their liberty and that they were to be crowned with laurels and made into men. They were taken a few at a time to be initiated into the mysteries of being made into men and were murdered in small squads, those outside not knowing what was occurring on the inside of the mystic circle. They were all slain. What was done to the Greek working elastic or master class. True they do not seduce them into enclosures (except in what latting instance in the manusciple of the myster is being done in a diff were py the meanest houses, wear the meanest clothing and feed on the meanest food. Working people, you are made into mere chattels by the system of private capital now in vogue, just as were the Greeks by the recognition of private property then. Will you always be

taunted the crowd with the declaration that the trust owners were neither better nor worse than present company. Then Judge Grosscup chipped in with his direful prophecy of the coming of Socialism.

By the by this is the same club that after the assassination of McKinley, announced with a flourish of trumpets that they were out after the scalps of "Socialists and anarchists." Now in a little over a year they don't have to leave their own premises to discover both.—Chicago Socialist.

The following resolution was passed by the Socialists of Malden, Mass.:

Whereas, Job Harriman, candidate for vice president of the Social Democratic party in 1900, has come out for fusion with the Union Labor party of California, and

Whereas, The national constitution of the Socialist porty of America expressly forbids fusion with non-Socialist political parties; therefore, in view of the fact that he had de-

Drops From the Well of Capitalist Wisdom.

Prominent princesses of the German empire are leaders of a league to raise the morals of the influence of environment. A man who the emperor's court and also of the country at passes all his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes all his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes all his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes all his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes all his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at passes and his life in the company of hogs cannot be appeared by the country at the country appointed ruler to intimate that his court appointed rate to intimate that his court needs a good house cleaning? A good thing that the people who say so belong to the divine set themselves. Now, if they will confine their efforts to Billy and his courtiers, the country will take care of itself.

President Parry of the National Association of Manufacturers has sent out another alarm and implores his colleagues on his knees to get together against organized labor. But what of the identity of interests which the National Economic League is going to prove, if Parry keeps on telling the world that they are liars? Get together with the League, Mr. Parry, and co-ordinate your efforts a little better. By the way, what has become of the challenge Comrade Max S. Hayes sent you?

"It is getting to be a fine state of affairs in the United States," shricks D. M. Parry, "when a citizen does not dare to utter a single word of protest against a movement which has de clared itself against the church, the law, and last of all has arrayed itself against the state There you are, union men, you are infidels, lawbreakers, and traitors to your country. Why? Because you have the pre-sumption to be free men in your own country. Parry thinks this country was made for the

"A man does not have to say ditto to every by the substance of what they said and by the spirit of it all." So writes the Brooklyn Daily of negligence as developed by the decisions of Bagle. And what is the substance of the expressions of Hillis and Elliot? Hillis has been running amuck against Socialism and Elliot? running amuck against Socialism, and Elliot has been caused by publications made without 'reasonable care.'

Naturally, every capitalist who is a capitalist will do the has glorified the scab as a "hero." Naturally, every capitalist who is a capitalist will do the same, and will stand by the vulgar capitalist of the owners of newspapers to be published spirit of it all. But are the capitalists the capitalists the with each issue. It may be that on considerable with each issue. only men in the United States?

"A movement which drives its members the national guard is to be regarded with suspicion by all law abiding and patriotic citizens," howls the Indianapolis Sentinel. "Good people desire the maintenance of a militia to which they can have recourse in times of trouble. People who want to do away with it, evi-dently have sinister designs against the government of the United States." That means in clear English, capitalists desire the mainte-nance of a militia, to which they can have re-That means course in times of trouble with the working men. And if the latter wish to do away with the militia, they must have designs to run the government of the United States themselves.

"It is hard to explain the amazing apathy and indifference of the average employer to the stupendous changes going on around him in the labor world, except that he is so busy with the swill of dollars immediately under his nose as to make him supremely unconscious of the butcher's knife aimed at his vitals." This is a chunk of the sterling wisdom aimed in a recert propaganda pamphlet of the Nationa Metal Trades Association at the stubborn cap italisis who refuse to believe that the interests of capital and labor are not identical. "The swill of dollars" is in danger, and if the capitalist hogs do not take their noses out of the swill long enough to prepare for the "stupendous changes" that are threatening, hogs swill and everything will be lost. What a pity that would be!

Congress has refused to leave the congress has retused to leave the higher ment of Labor independent of the newly created Department of Commerce. The plea is that the Secretary of the Department of Commerce would have no jurisdiction were the Commissioner of Labor and could not the fore, interfere with the discharge of his duties. If this is a good accuse why not make the De-If this is a good excuse, why not make the De-partment of Commerce subsidiary to the De-partment of Labor? The Commissioner of Labor would have no power to interfere with the Commissioner of Commerce. But no com-merce must have a secretary, and labor must be satisfied with being a side issue to the com-mercial establishment and with a common "commissioner." Labor is the fifth wheel on the wagon, as usual. But what is the use of having a special Department of Commerce The whole congress is nothing but a Depart ment of Commerce, organized for the ourpose of doing business in the interest of the capi-talist class. It's labor's own fault, though it would be treason to go into politics for them selves and elect workingmen who would make the whole machinery of government a partment of Labor,

council in England against the introduction of the eight hour bill contain the following in-teresting confessions: "The present eight-hour day laws in thirteen of the United States are a dead letter—not one of them is enforced or at-tempted to be enforced." In other words be-cause American capitalist politicians do not enforce labor laws, therefore it is waste of time for English capitalist politicians to pre-sent bills for laws that would not be enforced

"Reductions of hours of labor bear heaviest not on the employer, not on the man who has money to spend, but on those who cannot stand the increased speed, and are, therefore, forced to a choice between a lower standard of comfort or an intensity of strain which they cannot bear." The employer can stand it beof comfort or an intensity of strain which they cannot bear." The employer can stand it because he gets back by increasing the award, what he loses by a reduction of hours. And the weak workingman simply has to look for an easier and worse paid job, or kill himself by overstraining. In these few words is summed up the whole futility of the pure and simple trade, union movement. ple trade union movement

"The logical sequence of state regulation of hours is state regulation of wages." And the logical sequence of this, which the capitalist mind is careful not to think out, is state reg-ulation of all industries under the control of

ulation of all industries under the control of the working class.

"Letters From a Selfmade Merchant to His Son" is the title of a book written by John Graham, head of the house of Graham & Co., pork packers in Chicago. The following nuggets from this work of a hog genius deserve special notice:

"The first thing that any education ought to give a man is character, the second thing is education." Why education is worth having is shown in this brilliant passage: "Does a college education pay? Does it pay to feed in pork trimmings at five cents a pound at the hopper and draw out nice, cunning little "country" sausages at twenty cents a pound at the other end?" This is refreshing, of course. But we don't get down to the bedrock of what education is really good for, until we we have read this drop of fat from the author's hog brain: "It takes doctors, lawyers, engineers, poets, and I don't know what, to run the busi-

ness, and I recken that improvements which call for pursons will be creeping in next." After this sublimely hoggish conception of religion, we suddenly come face to face with the "character" which this admirer of the hog adores, in the following inimitable passage "A packer who understands something about the versatility of cotton seed oil need never turn down orders for lard because the run of hogs is light."

But let us not be too harsh. This is simply

not help becoming a hog himself. Or, as the author pointedly puts it. "There are mighty few people who can see any side to a thing but their own side." We may be pardoned, therefore, if we can see only our side in this homily on hoggish education and character, and it is that a hog is not fit to be a teacher of man kind.

"Sensational journals have arisen all the land, the owners in concealment and the writers and purveyors undesignated, and they by propagating crime and disseminating falsehood and scandal, by promulgating dissension and anarchy, by attacks up-on individuals and by assaults upon government and the agencies of the people. They are a terror to the household, a detriment to the public service and an impediment to the courts of justice. It would be helpful and profitable to reputable journalism if they could be suppressed.
"The time is near at hand and may have

already come when society will find means to prevent this development of vicious life which constitutes the most conspicuous instance of existing ills. I know of no reason why Penn-sylvania, which has been foremost in so many directions in the past, should not take the lead in a needed effort to improve manners and morals by such a reform. Our constitution im poses responsibility for the abuse of the lib-erty of the press, and I suggest for the consid-

ation the legislature in its wisdom will be able to devise other means which, while journals of good repute, will tend to eliminate the unworthy."

Pennsylvania, who believes in the liberty of the capitalists to do and say whatever they wish, and to suppress all those who have the courage and brains to express an opinion of their own. Muzzle the press, that is the next step in the evolution of American liberty, after government by injunction. The same men will rant about the "destructive tendencies" that threaten the government founded by Washington, Jefferson and Franklin. Why, that very men who howl about its abolition. man in South Carolina is another one of thos cowards who believe in suppressing the free dom of the press. But Tillman is a hero com-pared to Stone. Tillman simply shot an unarmed editor who wrote against him. Stone would like to club the free press down by partisan legislation. Both will find that there is still enough manhood and love of liberty left in a re-National rights against such capitalist anarchists.

> The den of corporation-serving thieves a Washington needs new blood. It needs the exhibitrating experience of rubbing up against the working class that composes the vast ma jority of this great nation. The need of the clis of genuine working men—men who are not ashamed that they are workingmen, and who are proud of it—proud enough of it to go here in the clothes of working men showing helr class, and not dressing in a manner to be the appearance of the master class that uses the government to keep the working peo-de under. A workingman who affects slik-ats, broadcloth and jewelry is not fit to repre-ent the working class. Such will be lackeys for the rich. When the working people elect non who will take their seats iressed as working people dress, there will be a commotion among the rich robbers who run things there. Their dress will do much to pro them from the briber and lobbyist. Working people have you none among you who have the courage to represent you at Washing ton? You will never get any laws in the in-terest of the majority until you find just such mer and elect them to office.

Capitalism in the Socialist Mirror.

The city of Chicago is selling soft coal to the poor at cost in quantities not exceed ton. But Socialism is impracticable,

The railway employes in Krasnojarsk and Omsk, Siberia, went on strike because the chief of railways had issued a circular abolishing reduced fares for employes. A battle took place between strikers and soldiers in which many were wounded on both sides, but the strikers forced the chief of railways to rescind

Three thousand strikers are still refused employment by the coel trust, and three mil-lion people are suffering for the want of coal. Yet John Mitchell is opposed to Socialism, which would give employment to all unem-ployed and enable them to enjoy the full product of their labor.

Prof. F. M. Taylor, who occupies the chair of political economy and finance in the University of Michigan, says that John D. Rocke-feller is justified in raising the price of oil because of the benefits he confers upon society Among those benefits the professor evidently counts the endowing of universities at which nien of his type make an easy living talking

J. P. Morgan declined to swear to a statement that he was not liable for any personal taxes, and offered the tax collector "voluntar-ily" \$400,000 or nothing. The collector took Jacob H. Schiff of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., said

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Below, I give you some figures, which eloquently speak for themselves. In the first column, after the states, are the number of volunteer pledges, and in the second column are the numbers multiplied by 260, showing what our circulation will be in each state at the end of the year, in addition to subscribers now on our books. California leads the list, with 122 pledges, aggregating 31,720 subscribers. Add this number to our present list, and it will make nearly 50,000 subscribers in California at the end of the year. Illinois is a close second, with 121; Missouri, third; Kansas, fourth; Pennsylvania, fifth; Texas, sixth; and Oregon seventh. It will be observed that every state save Delaware is represented in this list, and the figures above given demonstrate the fact that Socialism has planted itself on AMERICAN SOIL TO STAY. It has become too big for Democratic manipulation and too strong to be overlooked as the future antagonist of the Republican party, and the capitalist class, for you cannot speak of the one without meaning the other. It also demonstrates our claim that it is possible to give a Socialist paper a million circulation, and then five millions or more: Comrades, the time for lamentation, and the spirit of "I can't," has gone by. No longer is Socialism a dim possibility. It is an ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY. The time has come, for that action born of a knowledge of certain victory. As I write, a basketful of mail has come to my desk, and in it are many piedges not yet entered on the list. Let the table below be your inspiration. Out with your pen and sign the pledge, and let's get the half million readers by the time the new press is installed. The new press is another story, and we'll tell you about that next week:

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California	122	31,720	New Mexico	9	2,34
Colorado		15,340	New York		13,52
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J. A. Wayland, Editor Appeal to Reason, Girard, Kansas:

Comrade:- You may enter my name on the roll of Five Thousand for the "Twelve Month' Campaign" for a Million Circulation.

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APPEAL & ARMY.

The more we work for Socialism the quicker

it will come.
Comrades, don't let the Socialist commonwealth come without putting in your best licks to help bring it about.

Think of the grand reward in store for us all after the dawn of the Socialist Commonweath! How can any sensible man refuse to work for Socialism?

Comrade Ely, South Chicago, sends \$15 for Appeal subscription cards. He is evidently going to do some old party hair raising in the

Every lick struck now will equal two licks struck two years from now, after political prej-udice begins to rise like the thermometer on a hot summer day.

Comrade Weigler, formerly of Milwaukee, now of Brooklyn, N. Y., cannot get out of his old habit, and therefore sends a string of scalps from the Island City.

Many a man and woman who thought they could not get subscribers for the Appeal, after trying it earnestly and finding how easy it is, have become among our very best workers.

Says Comrade Mayers, Bath, Me.: "The comrades are making a great fight to carry this city on the first of March, and everything points toward success. With your help, we believe we can add one more victory for Socialism."

Says Comrade Eychauer, Omaha, Neb.: "I cut up Appeal every week, and pasts the articles up everywhere as stickers. They always get a reading before they are torn down."

Writes a Wisconsin comrade: "There is nusic in the air. I have twenty men in my erchestra, and have got them all enlisted in the Appeal Army, and they are well pleased with the paper."

Comrade Richardson, Albany, Ore., writes:
"There are 40 men working in this factory, and
23 of them wear the Socialist button. That
epens the eyes of visitors, who always ask the
Meaning of them."

Comrade Cobb. Dos Palos, Cal., writes: "I ted more hopeful of winning in the near future than ever before. The National Economic fairue is increasing my hope very much. I feel now that we have them on the run for tup."

There's a movement in the air, we can feel the wealth shall keep. It faiters ne'er a bit, nations all shall bow to it, as its dawning joy is it in hearts of weary tollers of plain and steep.

The Appeal has received a pledge for 280 unsoribers from a U. S. regular. The Appeal and many triends among the army boys—this sone of the things that breaks the hearts of the plutes when their narrow, contracted that think about it.

Comrade Robinson, Marshalltown, Iowa.

yel "I send you in yearlies. Had no trouble getting them. If every reader of the appeal out makes a little effort the circulation would be doubled in one week, and the MILLION will be had in one month.

I asked a friend a few days ago to take the Appeal. He refused, on the ground of taking too many papers. But the fun of it is, his wife says if he don't take it, she will, for she likes the Appeal better than all the others."

Comrade Robb, Eldorado Springs, Colo., writes: "I started out with the desire to place 25 Appeals at this office, not knowing that I could get one. I have gone beyond that num-ber, which shows that we can do more than we think possible, if we only try hard enough."

All the kings are on the tremble, thrones are crumbling into dust, no matter how they may dissemble, working men become they must. Great awakening among the people—those who work, but have no homes, little longer will they labor to feed the kings, and fools, and

The Populist edition is still a good one to put in the hands of the farmer, and will be until every farmer in the United States has read it. Order a good supply while yet the plates are in existence. You cannot possibly get cheaper literature than this edition at 35 cents per 100.

Comrade Chabult, Fresno, Cal., writes as Comrade Mills writes from Denyer, Colo.:

It is wonderful how the science of Socialism is growing, both among men and womeh. I hope the Appeal will reach the MILLION."

Comrade Chaouft, Fresho, Cal. writes as Comrade Mills writes from Denyer, Colo.:

Comrade Mills writes from Denyer, Colo.:

It is wonderful how the science of Socialism although I do not care much for the watch. But I do care for Socialism, and I am going it to do all that I can to help. If every Socialism and Comrade Chaouft of the watch. ist would do the same, it would come that much quicker."

The Michigan state convention will be held obruary 17, at 10 a. m., at Union Hall . It is desired to improve and extend the present organization to all parts of the state. All unattached Socialists who subscribe to the principles of international Socialism will have seats in the convention.

Writes Comrade Davis, Jr., Wallowa, Ore.: "Comrades Cookins. Dayl, Coverstone and Davis, got rid of those cards like hot cakes, increasing the list of the Appeal 14 at this office. There are several active Socialists at this place, and while we are not organized, we do our work in harmony."

There is no class in the United States that is not today studying Socialism in the person of many of its members, and as fast as they understand it they endorse it. There are tens of thousands that today believe in Socialism who have not yet declared themselves, but who will in the near future.

A comrade at Goodland, Kan, says the cat tle kings are trying to scare out the settlers by threatening to shoot farmers at their plows, as has been done in some of the more northern and western countries. Is there no old party purchased and dominated sheet that will yell ANARCHY" at this? Nay, not one.

Writes Comrade Veit, Jackson Center, Ohio: Writes Comrade Veit, Jackson Center, Ohio:
"Here's my estimate for the Socialist vote for
president in 1904—2,500,000. How's that for an
eye-opener? I never saw the like how people
are interested. I send you 25 names of our best
people. We put out 2,500 bills every month—
distribute them from house to house."

Comrade Rankin, Fort Worth, Texas, has comrade Rankin. Fort worth, Texas, has supplied himself with a military cap, on the front of which he has had printed in neat letters, "Appeal Army." This attracts general attention, and gets him all the argument with the enemy he desires, and assists him in adding names to the Fort Worth Appeal list.

Socialism is opposed to no religion, and seeks ting them. If every reader of the Appeal to influence no man for or against any church; make a little effort the circulation would but when Socialism is attacked by those who consider themselves religionists, they must not be surprised if it sets up a very able defense, and linear themselves religionists, they must not be surprised if it sets up a very able defense, are the light man and the false religionists of the sets up a very able defense.

his time who attempted to throttle the truth. Writes a Kentucky comrade: "I sold all those subscription cards to railread men. The millions are waiting for the boys to approach them in a gentle, genteel, social, Socialistic manner, and a few years hence will record the great triumph of God and man over the devil and capitalism. Yours for the brotherhood of man."

Remember, comrades, that under our new conditions you do not have to get five sub-scribers per week in the watch contest—but the only requirement is that you get 260 sub-scriptions during the year. This allows you to get the subscriptions at such times and in such numbers as best suits you until your number is finished.

Wherever there is a Socialist Local, every Socialist should belong to it. And where there are Socialists, but no Local, one should be organized at once. Every Socialist should be in some manner a worker. Socialism means the elimination of drones. Don't be a drone, com-You are only half a Socialist until you become a worker.

Fusion now, means confusion after while No fusion of any kind, comrades, even with apparently honest labor movements. The laboring man who has not yet got far enough along to endorse Socialism, has not got far enough along for us to act with. Beware of "False lights on the shore." They have wrecked many a good vessel.

Pat. Wright, Vaughn, Ark., sends in three subscriptions and writes: "I am only 12 years old, and this is my first club, but I hope it will not be my last." And it will not, Pat. A boy with your snap and ability will be making some of the lazy, grown-up Socialists who never do anything to advance the cause, ashamed of themselves all the time.

Comrade E. A. Albright and wife, Circleville, Ohio, have lately lost a very bright daughter, whom they had reared in the belief and religion of the brotherhood of man. Their hearts are bowed down in great sorrow at their loss, and we know we speak the truth when we say they have the full sympathy of all Socialists who read the Appeal and become cognizant of their irreparable loss.

Comrade Bickham writes from Anderson, ad.: "We have a Local of about 25 working members, and as many more who do not work. We have just put a beautiful sign 2x9 feet, which shows the emblem, and in large letters says, 'Socialist Headquarters,' and gives the time of meeting. Comrade Strickland will be here two days in March to help awaken the people from their slumbers." Put out those tickets for the spring election

comrades. They will afford an opportunity to see how much the vote has grown since the fall elections. After you have nominated them, stand by them and work enthusiastically for them. This is the way to make progress and inspire confidence in the hearts of the masses. When the game is called, we must always be found promptly on the grounds.

Comrade Mickelthwaite, Toronto, Canada, sends five subscribers and an additional seventy-five cents to help circulate the Populist edition, and says: "Some might say that it is no concern of mine, to help increase So-cialism in the states, but I think a little help from a lot of us would make the glad day come. I hope to see the day when there will be co-operative ownership by the people, and am willing to help every time an opportunity

Says Comrade Harris, Kenosha, Wis.: "Com rade Stenson and I are going into competition in this matter of selling Appeal cards, but you know we Socialists have a friendly sort of competition—almost as much so as the capitalists. Say, ain't old Comrades Morgan and Rockefeller, and some more of them lads, making Socialists fast, though? Well, let them alone. WE are going in for a long pull, a strong pull. and a pull altogether. One, two, three, and up sho goes!"

Comrades, when you write to the be sure to sign your name and address as plainly as you can. Many letters come here with no address, many with address, but no name. Some of these letters would make good matter for the Army columns, but as there is no name to whom to credit them, the only thing the Army editor can do is to say his prayers under his breath and hand said let ters over to the bulldog to make his dinner on. Before you post your letter, put on your "specks," and look at it hard and see if you name and address is there,

Cays Comrade James, Curtis, Wash.: "I voted the Socialist ticket, but my vote was not counted. I asked through a local paper for the names of others in this county who had thus voted, but who had not been counted, and I have heard from TEN." No doubt there have been a great many thousands of Socialist votes suppressed. The comrades in elections he after must take advantage of every right under the law, to see that the count is fair. Where they are entitled to watchers at the polls, they must have them

Says Comrade Abbott, Pierce City, Mo.: "I used to think Socialism was anarchy—now I know better, and will be with you till the finish. In my opinion, Socialism is the beginning of the Millenium, as it tends to destroy greed and avarice, and promotes friendship and brotherly love. I chanced to be in company of a professional tramp the other day, while walking five miles to the next town, the train being three hours late. I found this tramp to be the best posted man on current topics and political economy that I had ever met. He was at one time mayor of a town of 5,000 in New York state, at that time being a der

Thus writes Comrade Barnes, Richland, Ore. Thus writes Comrade Barnes, Richland, Ore.: "Say, comrade, please give us in the Appeal, a history of the office buildog. We have some doubts here that he is a real buildog. Some think he is the press, some think it is the head boas, and some think it is a real buildog. For my part, I think you have a real buildog." Goeh all Hemleck! What a breeze that letter kicked up in the Army department. The buildog was so mad at being thought to be a press, the Army editor had to climb on top of a desk for safety, and then the head boss was so mad at being thought to be a buildog, the mad at being thought to be a buildog, the Army editor seeing how red the bald spot on the bosse's head was getting, sought safety under the same desk. Don't any of you vol-unteers ever place us in this undignified and perilous position again-it ruins our military standing in the office.

Here was what the literature agent of th Local at Springfield, Ohio, sent a certain paper, well-known for its fighting proclivities within

I object to is your frequent attacks on the other Socialist publications and persons. We as Socilaists, have enough to do in fighting our real enemy, the capitalists, without working a minute to fight each other. Now, either stop your nazzing of other Socialists or cancel my name from your list, and expect no more name from me as literature agent for this local.

Garnered From the Silence BY & W. R.

A Pen Picture of Farm Life. I ne'er can quite get over
Bein' raised upon à farm,
And around that old log farmhouse
There lingers many a charm;
So when the days grow shorter
And the chill gets in the air,
I kinder have a longin'
And a wishin' I was there.

I can't forget my father When we lived upon the farm,
And I trudged to the school house—
(That school house has a charm.) How, when the day was rainy, Or it snowed, I'd see 'im come A gallopin' on Jacob, Our horse, to take me home.

Then when the day was ended, And the teacher turned us out, We'd grab our shawls and buckets, Play tag, and sing and shout, Until I'd hear my father "Laura, come, let's go."

Say: "Laura, come, let 8 go.
Then with me up behind him
We'd go boundin' o'er the snow.

And when the horse went faster My father'd reach his arm Right back and hold me to him, All the way out to the farm. And ne'er have I felt safer From fallin' or from harm, Than when my father held me With his strong and lovin' arm.

And then those winter evenin's-The supper and the games; The marks made in the ashes And called our sweetheart's names; The tales told 'round the fireside, The apples thawin' there, The crackin' nuts, and laughter,
Are remembrances most dear.

The springtime with its flowers, Its openin' buds and trees.

The summer with its wheatfields,
Its clover and its bees. And then the autumn golden
When apple, peach and pear,
Hung temptingly above us, In abundance rich and rare.

These, and a thousand others Are the blessin's and the charms That meet and greet the children, Who are raised upon the farms.
They're healthy and they're happy,
Their cheeks are full of pink;
Their minds are strong and active
They have the power to think.

No, I never can get over Bein' raised upon a farm;
And, if I had it in my power—
I'm sure 'twould do no harm—
I'd gather all the children
Who in cities now reside, And o'er this broad, fair country Would scatter far and wide.

I'd take these milloin acres, And turn 'em into farms, With houses neat and roomy With horses, sheds and barns, With implements for farmin', And men to till the land, That all who lived upon them Great plenty could command.

Then all the sufferin' millions,

Of harmless and distressed, Now crowded in large cities, Pale, sickly and oppressed; snatch from out those hovels Where hopelessly they dwell, To fill these homes of comfort And happiness compel.

'Twould do me good to see 'em, Standin' out among the trees, Where the bobolinks were singin' Where they'd feel the balmy breeze; Where the sun could shine upon 'em And each day bring forth its charm. Oh, there's nothin' else like growin' Up from childhood on the farm.

Whether in the cot or palace, Wheresoe'er my footsteps roam, 'Mid life's scenes of joy or sorrow, Comes a memory of that home.

And I know when these reflections

Bring their sweet and sacred charm, I can never quite get over
Bein' raised upon a farm.

—LAURA B. PAYNE.

San Antonio, Texas.

The importance of the meeting of the National Committee of our party led me to spend a week in St. Louis for the purpose of becoming acquainted with the chosen representatives of the Socialist movement, and coming in con-scious touch with the prevailing thought of that body. On my return to my desk, I found a vast mass of correspondence wholly relating to my department of the work here, and deto my department of the work here, and de-manding my immediate attention. You will, therefore, excuse me, dear comrades, when I announce that my special corner, (the one nearest my heart) is not fully occupied. I "garner from the silence" when the "spirit moves," and from week to week. I am hold-ing over for next week, which is a special, an address on "Mind," delivered at Girard re-cently and which will occupy more space than cently, and which will occupy more space than I usually require. Besides all this, I wished to give space to the poem above, which has inspired a flood of memories in my mind. It has touched me, and I am sure it will you. The author, Laura B. Payne, "garners from the si-lence" also. And now, comrades, I wish to again thank you for your beautiful letters which you have written, from all quarters of the nation and from Canada. No words can express my appreciation and pleasure. Every' arenue and walk of life has responded. Law-yers, doctors, ministers, teachers, farmers, working men and women. Just a few moments author, Laura B. Payne, "garners from the siago, I was greatly surprised to be handed an article from the pen of Ernest Unterman, our article from the pen of Ernest Unterman, our Marxian expert, whose scientific knowledge is not excelled on the continent. The article is entitled, "A Socialist's Confession of Faith." It will appear next week, and I know you will read it with interest. Verily, thought is beginning to rule, and before its over-mastering power, injustice and tyranny cannot stand.

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