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Labor's National Holiday

Monday, labor's national holiday, was observed in Oklahoma City in fitting manner. In numbers and effectiveness of programs it was the most successful Labor Day celebration in the history of Oklahoma City.

To the thousands of people who lined the streets of the city at 10:30 a. m. the parade was an inspiring spectacle. Unmarred by the presence of militia or police, the solid ranks of labor marched as a single man under the international banner of unionism, which denotes the world-wide character of the movement.

In the line of march there was no "Jim Crow" division, the seamen through the long line of march were the negro hod-carriers and members of other crafts, all of which brings to mind the fact that it is the class struggle there can be no division of labor on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude, but that the **workers of the world must unite and march to victory under one common banner.**

The activities of the state fair grounds was well filled when the speech making program of the day was commenced by Governor Haskell. As he always does, the governor took advantage of the occasion to defend the present state administration, and undertook to lead the laboring men to believe that they had received everything they had asked for at his hands.

The governor was followed by Mayor Henry M. Blake, who defended the city administration and made a complimentary of free advice, although a working class city administration was not once recommended. Probably the most pungent [illegible] **in labor which the mayor dolt out was contained in the following statement:**

"The labor problem is not yet solved and I hope the day will come when laboring people will get equal and suitable distribution of the wealth and social privileges that the wealthier classes now possess."

E. J. Giddings, lawyer and would-be politician, was probably the best equipped speaker from an oratorical standpoint which the old parties had on deck, but he was unfortunate in not knowing his audience. In his opening remarks he referred to Comrade Ameringer, who was to follow, as the double-barreled gun of Socialism. In former years remarks of this sort would have been greeted with loud cheers, but times have changed, and to Mr. Giddings' surprise the audience rose up and cheered for five minutes. Another facial blunder was made when he opposed woman suffrage in the presence of an enlightened audience and one that was almost solid for it. He further demonstrated his stupidity by adding insult to injury in the remark that equal suffrage was only favored by the "riff raff" element. Just what kind of an element that is, however, we are unable to say. In scoring the election thieves and the hot boss stuffers in his own (democratic) party, Giddings ventured the following bold statement:

"Behind the counters of the ballots are dishonest dollars and those men who, with those who actually did the work, should be punished. The labor [illegible] **almost unceasing applause which was at times deafening.**

Comrade Kate Richards O'Hare closed the speaking program with an address which was powerful and characteristic of her style. Evidently Socialism is in the ascendency in Oklahoma City.

A Moralist Moralizes

A pseudo moralist who signs himself Robert A. Baird, writing in the Purcell Register and afterwards getting his dope copied in the Stratford Tribune, has for the chance come in possession of August Bebel's book, "Woman Under Socialism," and by selecting a few obscure paragraphs which he hasn't the brains to understand, and quoting a few garbled extracts from this early stage social philosopher, proceeds, in the space of five or six columns, to make out a bad case for Socialism, according to his way of thinking.

The trouble with the majority of such pity peddlers as this man Baird is that they never go to the right place to ascertain what Socialism is. The principles for which the Socialist party stands can be found in its platforms and declaration of principles, and they are scattered broadcast throughout the land, but these two big mouthed seers never tackle the real thing. What is Socialism?

People of intelligence realize that Socialism is a science, and that it they express individual opinions, but our party is the land and as the courts are, would take the evidence of the individual as final without hearing the other side of the case.

Bebel, in his writings, may reflect the views of Socialists in his every particular, and he may not. But he is no oracle—Socialism has no other individual is the Socialist party by a dawn sight.

The trouble with this particular bedge hog of capitalism is that he is not as a bat to truth and evidence, but stupid and supine as a jolly fish in the presence of capitalist ignorance and superstition.

CRUCE FAILS TO AGREE.

Although two weeks have elapsed since Joseph W. McNeal, the republican nominee for governor, addressed a public letter to Lee Cruce of Ardmore, who is Gov. Haskell's gubernatorial candidate, asking him to agree to an arrangement for a fair election and an honest count on November 8, Mr. Cruce has not yet signified his willingness to have an honest election. It was suggested in this public letter to Gov. Haskell's candidate that each party on the ballot, republican, democrat, Socialist and prohibitionist, be given a watcher at each precinct on election day, guarantee a fair election, and that the illicit tally-sheets be kept of the votes as cast for each candidate, this guarantee being demanded. Mr. McNeal also suggested that Fred Beaumont of Muskogee should not be permitted to hold both positions—chairman of the democratic state central committee and chairman of the state election board—and said that such a situation could not be in the interest of a fair election. This for Mr. Cruce has not been bold for gov. Haskell what answer to make, and Mr. Branson still holds both chairmanships.

KEEP OUT OF OKLAHOMA!

Socialist Papers Please Copy.

Laboring people in all parts of the United States are warned against the so-"help wanted" advertising and propaganda now appearing regularly in the metropolitan press of Oklahoma.

There is now, and has been for many months, at least ten men for every job in Oklahoma City, and the result is that thousands of people who flock here from the east expecting to find a kind of milk and honey are disappointed, soon stranded and left to their fate in a strange country without friends, jobs or money.

Don't put yourself in competition with the laborers already employed and thereby help reduce wages below the line of the already exhorbitant cost of living in this state.

LEONARD JOHNSON

The Farmer Agitator who is carrying the message of Socialism to the "grass roots" in Okla.

"SHERMAN'S MARCH" TO OKLAHOMA CITY

Saturday was republican day in Oklahoma City, being the event of the visit of Vice President Sherman and his last speaking date in the state.

He arrived in the city over the Rock Island from El Reno Saturday morning in company with quite a number of republican politicians of state note and was greeted by an immense throng of Oklahoma City citizens. The climax to his visit came in the form of a public speaking and general republican love feast at the auditorium Saturday night, where a packed house of enthusiasts greeted the visitors.

The speakers on the occasion were the vice president, Joseph W. McNeal, candidate for governor, Dick T. Morgan, congressman from the second district, Dennis T. Flynn and James E. Watson, congressman from Indiana.

McNeal was the first speaker to be introduced by the chairman and proved to be the winning card, judging from the applause and lengthy demonstration accorded him at the opening and close of his remarks. The gun of the democrats who have soon fit to dub him "forty per cent Joe" was turned to good account when he guaranteed the audience that if he was elected governor he would run the state on forty per cent of the amount of money that the state now is are now using for that purpose.

The vice president commanded more time than any of the other speakers, yet he made it a point to steer clear of state issues. His remarks were confined wholly to the national issues of the party and the miserable failure of the democrats wherever entrusted with the responsibility of government.

Notwithstanding the accusations of the democrats that the republicans haven't a look-in in Oklahoma, the campaign boom of Saturday night at the auditorium was attended by more people, and soberly and party harmony was more in evidence than was the case on the event of the big democratic "shout-out" at the same place several weeks ago.

The Ten Demandments of Socialism

BY W. E. P. FRENCH

Now, the Voice of the People, which is the Voice of God, spoke all these the words, saying:

I.—We demand that all children shall have the right to be born of desired parents; that they shall be properly and hygienically fed, clothed and sheltered; that they shall have every opportunity for mental, surgical, and dental service; that they shall be given the best education, moral and manual, that the state and nation look after them and that they shall be taught to work, rest and play in the wholesome proportion that clean minds shall dwell in strong bodies and the prison be replaced by the school.

II.—We demand that all women shall have equal political, industrial and social rights, duties and opportunities with men, and that the members of the race shall be freed from compulsory sex.

III.—We demand the abolition of the parasitic industries such as the saloon, the gambling house, the brothel, and the slum.

IV.—We demand that the home be made fit for human beings to live in and that it be safeguarded from the greed of the usurer, the rack-renter, the speculator, the landlord, or the church.

V.—We demand that the nation, the state or the town shall own and operate all natural and artificial monopolies and opportunities, and that personal, private and individual property be so shown.

VI.—We demand that all corporate bodies, secular, financial and religious, be made to pay their just proportion of taxes.

VII.—We demand absolute freedom of religious belief, and freedom of political belief, with equal responsibility for any of the three; and we demand absolute freedom of speech and of the press, with lawful accountability thereto.

VIII.—We demand the right to work, the right to rest, and the right to be amused and educated, and, in order to attain these rights, we demand a reasonable work-day, and such just compensation as shall be measured by the average of our joint production.

IX.—We demand the right of peaceable assembly, freedom from arrest without warrant, and the right to organize, strike, while the boycott is not any lawful manner cooperate for human betterment.

X.—We demand honorable retirement on a proper pension after forty years of faithful service, the pension to be when injured in the line of duty.

Now this is our first and great decandment:

We demand a square deal and a white man's chance for every human being, and mercy and kindness to the animals.

And the second is like unto it:

We demand that to each small be given according to need, and that from each shall be demanded according to ability.

Scheme to Reduce Wages

"It seems that certain interests in Oklahoma City are deliberately advertising a shortage of laborers and mechanics in Oklahoma City for the purpose of flooding the town with unemployed labor preparatory to forcing a reduction of wages. I would suggest that some preparation be made by the same interests for giving these non employment or else the people will be forced to care for them this winter by charity, and hard times, such as never have been experienced here before, will result."

This is the supplimental statement of E. W. Vance, state employment agent made with his report for August. The total number of applications for work was 4,776. Six hundred and seventy-two persons were supplied with work.

"The advertising of the opening of the packing plant September 1," said Agent. Vance. "has caused an influx of hitchers. Seventy-nine applied for jobs. Of that number nearly all are working at common labor. Four hundred and fifty carpenters applied for work and only two calls were made and they were filled.

"One hundred and twenty-four bookkeepers, salesmen and stenographers sought work. Only two were furnished employment. A total of 1,054 common laborers applied and 529 were supplied with work. Twenty-one calls for domestics was made and these were placed. There were 59 applications for farm jobs and 27 were placed.

"A comparison with the report of the Michigan bureau shows a big significant difference. Only 265 calls for help of all kind were made and 229 persons made application for work, and 29 more places than applicants. One hundred and eighty-one calls were made for common laborers there, and only 148 sought work."

Seidel Rebukes Big Stick

The refusal of Mayor Emil Seidel of Milwaukee to serve on the reception committee which greeted Roosevelt on the event of his visit to that city September 5th will be refreshing to every American of stamina and intelligence.

For once this great American boldoner and advertising fakir has encountered a citizen with the courage to rebuke his infamous insults and demagogic exportation. In answering the committee's invitation the Socialist mayor of the fourth largest city in the nation did himself proud in the following language:

"Your valued communication of recent date notifying me of my appointment on the reception committee on the occasion of the visit of Mr. Roosevelt has been received. Let me assure you that the distinction intended by the committee to be conferred upon me by this appointment is appreciated. I regret, however, that in view of the unmeritable and unusual position Mr. Roosevelt has taken in the discussion of the movement for a third term, I am not at this opportune time and energy. I regret that I am not able to accept the intended honor. However, I wish to assure you that as chief executive of the city I extend to your guest the courtesy every man is entitled to in a reasonable way. I will be pleased to allow him to serve you and my fellow citizens in my place. Personally, I regard very truly, and Sealed."

A SLAP AT HASKELL.

While president I instructed my attorney general to proceed against any man who may be found guilty of bribery, or a member of the legislature, or a democratic governor of Oklahoma. I think I value the life of any of those men almost as much as I value the good will of honest citizens, honest governors and honest men with whom I has been my privilege to work."—Theodore Roosevelt, in Kansas City speech.

An El Reno man was arrested and fined the other day on a charge of making indecent remarks in the "vile language" in the presence of ladies.

Prosecute Election Thieves?

Rumors in the Oklahoma City press are to the effect that a special grand jury is to be called for the purpose of "investigating" the recent primary election frauds.

Oklahoma county is about as noted for fake grand jury investigations, however, as it is for election frauds, murders, white slave dealers, bootlegger and gamblers, and it's doubtful if a bungaffering public can be appeased by a grand jury "investigation" that never investigates.

We had a grand jury some time ago to "investigate" the Columbia Bank and Trust Company affair, but when the investigating process reached the governor's sanctum the "investigating" ceased. This is only a sample of many other grandstand plays of the same kind, but it is of such recent occurrence that it is hardly possible for the public to have forgotten it, and it should be evidence enough that the powers that prevail are not fools enough to send themselves to the penitentiary for election thievery and ballot box stuffing.

When it comes to a case that the democrats are brazen enough to steal among themselves and publicly admit the theft, it is evidence that the vote for a change in the administration—AND THAT'S THE ONLY WAY THE PEOPLE OF OKLAHOMA WILL EVER GET RELIEF THAT RELIEVES.

Unique History Plan

W. P. Campbell, curator of the Oklahoma Historical Society, has evolved a capital idea for getting a complete history of Oklahoma, as life is his department at the Carnegie Library in this city.

The plan is set forth complete in "Historia," the official organ of the society, and should be acted upon by every newspaper man in the state. Briefly, it is a suggestion that November 17, 1910, be fixed as historic, and that every newspaper editor in the state prepare for his paper on or near that date a complete, historic write-up of his town and community, consisting of succinct biographies of leading citizens, complete history of the town in the making together with all interesting facts calculated to be of interest to future generations.

Should the press respond faithfully to the suggestion, Mr. Campbell promises to compile all sketches, give proper credit to the various authors and furnish each editor with the whole matter in book volume. This proposed volume would certainly be a comprehensive and unique history of Oklahoma, and since all the state papers are filed in the archives of the society and kept for all time to come it would be well worth while for every editor in the state to act on the suggestion.

PUSH ON CIRCULATION

Comrades, the circulation of the Democrat must be increased if it is to be an effective instrument for Socialism in this state.

We are going to make one desperate effort to do our part, and we are earnestly expect every friend of the paper to do his.

We have just recently printed a new source of sub cards, good for one year's subscription each. When you get one of these cards, all you have to do is to place a one-cent stamp on it, drop it in the postoffice and we do the rest. It is the easiest and most reliable way of handling the subscription business. It is a receipt within itself and enables us to keep a complete record of our sub list.

Now, what we propose to do is this: We propose to reduce the price of subscription to 25 cents a year until after the election in November, when taken up clubs of four or more.

Certainly every comrade will appreciate this offer enough to order at least four sub cards on this offer, AND DO IT AT ONCE.

This proposition is certainly fair enough to get results. Will you do your part?

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After the San Francisco fire the billionaire society raised their rents from 25 to 150 per cent, making it impossible for the workingman to get along. Then the building trade unions formally raised their scale and forthwith there went up a wail about "greedy trade unions." Twas ever thus!

As between the capitalist class and the working class there is no compromise. The capitalist class knows this and holds the powers of government because the working class doesn't know it. The working class is the majority and has the power to effect its own emancipation, but it doesn't know it. Will it ever wake up?

"All that is necessary to put an end to any combination against popular rights is that the mighty forces of democracy be brought into full play by determined men." "Danger should of course there be. Danger is always ahead when wrong is at hand, and applauses always take place from time to time, when suffering becomes intolerable."

"The history of every nation of the earth reveals the fact that the strongest class conscious element controls the powers of government. The capitalist class of America is class conscious. The working class of America is not class conscious. The working class is in the majority, but don't know it. When it finds this out it will take what belongs to it and institute a working class government."

"He who would be free, himself must strike the blow." The sooner the working class of America realizes this truth the sooner will better conditions prevail. The interests of the capitalist class are opposite and opposed to the interests of the working class, and it is as silly for the workers to expect voluntary concessions from the capitalists as it is to expect manna to fall from the heavens.

Democratic Texas goes the rest of the union one better for nerve in indorsing Joe Bailey for the nomination for president in 1912. No further evidence is needed to convince the public that Standard Oil owns the democratic machinery of Texas. With only Joe in the presidential chair the democrats would certainly be hard up for material with which to follow up their barrages of betting the people out.

The democratic party stands for things of a bygone age—say the stone age—for it is truly petrified. It faces the past, dreams of the past, and, like a crab, it travels backward. Even Col. Watterson sees the finish. But the capitalists do not want a new party, which would surely be radical, so they will buy enough oxygen and electricity keep it in motion and fit it with phonograph records announcing itself as "the party of Jefferson and Jackson," and the faithful will continue to vote as their grandfathers did.

Last Sunday was Labor Sunday, and ministers of the country were asked to deliver labor sermons to their people. Carter Harrison, Jones, pastor of the Whitetemple, Temple, this city, complied with the request Sunday night, and the sum total of his remarks was contained in the advice to his congregation that they should be patient with organized labor. I agree with Carter Helm that they should. Organized labor has certainly been patient enough with him and his ilk, and an eye for an eye is law and gospel.

For many years the democrats have been disposed to ridicule the Socialists on the ground that they only had one man suitable as a presidential candidate, and that Eugene V. Debs. While it is true that this great champion of the working class has been more than once given him three successive terms, it is difficult to see what satisfaction the democrats can get from their plan since it is known that Bryan, the "peerless" one, is grooming for the fourth race in 1912.

The concentration of industry into fewer and fewer hands, the elimination of competition as a factor in the field of distribution, the introduction of labor-saving machinery, and the creation of the army of unemployed, are questions which trade unions cannot settle. We must unite our political power, and our economic power. Our co-workers in Europe have blazed the way. Let us be honest enough to admit our mistakes in the past and join hands around the globe in the only movement that side of the grave, politically speaking, that holds out a ray of hope to the toilers of the world.—Jedson O'Neal.

What do you know about this? The militia in Columbus, Ohio, sent there by the governor to quiet the strikers with a few bad pills, came and saw and were conquered. They saw how the street car men were being treated and refused to make it worse. One refused to return home and send the strikers $50. The man who does not read the signs of the times in this unique event should take to his bib and rocker again. The militia is retailed from the ranks of labor, nearly always unorganized labor. Labor everywhere is becoming class conscious; and class conscious labor votes Socialist.

COMRADE SHERWOOD DEAD.

Comrade John Sherwood of Dow, Okla., died August 29th of dropsy. At the time of his death he was being taken care of at Muskogee, Okla., McAlester. He was the responsible parties appointed by the ship trustee of Dow township on the Socialist ticket. The deceased comrade was an old federal soldier, having enlisted March 29, 1864, in Co. B, 72nd Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry. Comrade Sherwood was 64 years of age at the time of his death, and was one of the leading members of Local Dow, Socialist party.

CAPITAL AND LABOR.

A traveler came upon an old negro hoeing different rows in the Ohio valley from a farm yard. As there was already a stack of it nearly as large as the tenement occupied, the traveler remarked:

"Uncle, you've gathered a lot of firewood uncle."

"Oh, dat's only half of what I've picked up dis season," said the darky proudly, stopping his mule.

"What do you do with the rest—sell it?"

"Oh, nuh. I don haul it to Mr. Tucker, de white man what libs in dat big house yonder. Wy's pahtners. He lets me hab half of all de wood kin pick up."

DOWN DEMOCRACY AND SAVE THE FRANCHISE.

Comrades: The so-called democratic party of Oklahoma stands in disfranchise "the ignorant trigger" and has wound up by disfranchising all the citizens of Oklahoma. Has hell and his hellhelp deliberately counted in such men as I mention them to do, and counted out the men we nominated for our voters. Not in any of the southern states will "tissue ballots" and all other election frauds was a worse steal of America's franchise perpetrated. The democratic party has proven to be the enemy of popular government, and all lovers of liberty must use every energy to save our state of Oklahoma from the anarchy of Hasbrook and his hellhelp.

Down in our county, our candidate for secretary of state, gave an insultive speech that was not received. Comrade Mrs. A. A. King also gave a reading, all of which were reported to the press, and caused scenic jollities.

Comrade Mrs. Wright of Scott made an efficient presiding officer. Mr. Miller, whom given we occupied, and who made a good speech, spending the true North Carolina hospitality to all speakers and visitors.

Greenwood citizens extend an open invitation to the speakers who will earnestly present the doctrine of socialism to the people, free from abuse, or any other disarrangement.

ONE WHO WAS THERE.

Chocolate Pie.

One tablespoon grated chocolate, 1 teaspoonful corn starch, 2/3 cup sugar, 1 teaspoonful vanilla, cook all together and pour into a ready baked crust.

Shredded Mangoes.

Chop or shred nice head of cabbage, take six mangoes and shred, 3 cups of vinegar, 1 cup of sugar, 1 teaspoon each of whole cloves, spice and cinnamon; boil all together for 15 minutes, put in heat and can or leave in open jar.

Macaroons.

Heat the white of one egg much stiff, add a cup of sugar, heat well, then add one tablespoonfuls of flour and one cup of cut-moats which have been run through your food-chopper, grease tins, dust with flour, drop the macaroons by teaspoonfuls on them and bake in a rather slow oven until done. Hickorynuts or any other may be used.

DANISH SOCIALISTS AT WORK.

BY ROBERT HUNTER.

The thing that strikes one most forcibly about the Socialist and labor movement of Denmark is its quiet and intelligent power.

There is little talk. It has no time for the endless discussion and bitter dissension which so often paralyzes the movement elsewhere. It is an eminently practical movement. It sets itself to accomplish quickly and efficiently the task immediately ahead.

It has done its work wisely and from the beginning it has been spared the quarrels and schisms that have afflicted other movements.

It always has insisted on distinctions between the economic movement and the political movement. It knows that both must exist, that both must work independently and yet hand in hand.

The party allows the trade unions to organize their own course, yet the party's view is always considered by the unions.

The unions allow the party freedom of action, yet it listens intently to the counsels and advice of the party.

The workers of Denmark know that democracy does not bring a new world and so Socialists and unionists set themselves TO WORK.

And they work not only to gain for themselves an advantageous position, but were for the benefit of all who toil, unorganized as well as organized.

Not long ago the native workers of Denmark realized that the condition of the unskilled workers was deplorable.

They were mostly Russian, German and Austrian laborers living in a city close to Copenhagen. They were cheap, unorganized, exiles in a foreign country.

They were few in number, and might easily have been overlooked by the native trade unionists, Danish workers. But the workers of Denmark saw how these poor foreigners were being exploited by the bosses and they set to work to inspire into their countrymen.

They appointed a committee to investigate the conditions. Members went into the agricultural districts—wherever these foreigners could be found—and the report was careful in quite into their number, their wages, the condition of their dwellings, the physical condition of their children, the crowding of their homes.

They then published their report. Their housing was beyond description. Their wages were being forgotten in one room. Sometimes men and women were forced to sleep 10 people in great numbers on the floors of their cabins. There beds were torn and filthy mattresses, showing a pitiable state of poverty.

After this investigation had been made by the trade unions, the government took the matter up and instructed the Socialists in parliament to introduce measures in the interest of these workers.

The Socialist party therefore introduced into parliament a series of measures intended for the benefit of these foreigners in distress.

This is but one example of the actual practical work on the Danish Socialist and labor movement.

Nothing human is alien to it. It strives not only for its own organized self, but also to better the condition of the unorganized.

It fights not only to improve the condition of its own native workers, but all the workers in the Danish country.

And so they build up a powerful united movement wherein organized and unorganized, skilled and unskilled, native and foreign born, rural and urban, brain worker and hand worker all together for the common good.

And Socialists as well as unionists serve their fellows. Any portion of their class or the favored of their class or the native of their class, they serve all their class.

In parliament, as well as in municipal councils, in cooperative and union halls, in the cooperative stores, everywhere, the working class movement is inspired by great ideals and thrust forward by practical, efficient work.

And what a contrast is this to our country, where we are divided into hostile factions, where some of us drink and others seek the flesh pots, where a union may too often disdains the Socialist and the Socialist too often disdains the union man.

And what a lesson it is to those of us who for any purpose whatever stand in the way of uniting in one great movement—the working class of America.

PLAN TO HAVE EDITORS DAY.

Editors Day at the State Fair is to be a day when the newspaper men in Oklahoma will be invited to attend, in being arranged by the State Fair Association and the Chamber of Commerce. The date is to be a day during the fair which the day will be scheduled has not yet been decided upon.

The idea is being worked largely to the entertainment of the newspaper men from the different points over the state, and a splendid program will be arranged for the occasion.

The invitations will be sent out as soon as the exact date is decided upon.

REDUCED RATES.

Railways of Oklahoma make the announcement that passenger rate reductions will be made on all round trip tickets to Oklahoma City during the coming State Fair, the period of time to be announced September 26 to October 10, the fare being one and one third cents per mile.

GREAT SOCIALIST INSTITUTION

Comrade C. W. Hallowell of Prodigy, Okla., writes to Oklahoma City last week soliciting aid for the Ben Hanford Memorial Mineral Water Sanitarium and Orphans' Home. This is an institution of which you have probably heard but little about, but it is a very laudable institution and should receive the unstinted support of every Socialist in the country.

The Ben Hanford Memorial Mineral Water Sanitarium and Orphans' Home is a membership association incorporated under the laws of Oklahoma for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a National Socialist Sanitarium and Orphans' Home on eighty acres of land lying two and one-half miles northwest of Prodigy, Tillman county, Oklahoma, through which runs the "Prairie" railroad.

On this land is situated very valuable mineral wells, the water of which possesses great curative properties.

Forty acres of this land on which are located the mineral wells, which have developed and advertised will be worth $10,000, in a donation from Comrades James Watts and wife to the Socialists of America, and was given in honor of our deceased Comrade Ben Hanford of New York. We have purchased forty acres more adjoining.

This corporation is NOT a stock company for individual profit, but is a membership association, one dollar or more, if you are able, is the membership fee. From this source, from donations and from endowment funds the association proposes to erect suitable buildings and conduct a sanitarium and orphans' home under such rules and regulations as may be adopted from time to time.

The management of this association shall be at all times managed on purely Socialist lines, the officers of which shall be Red Card members of the Socialist party.

We have hundreds of unsolicited testimonials from parties who have been cured by this great mineral water of MINERALA, which is known to the doctors as the "Happy Family," for it cures the whole system, heart, liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels. Numbers of cases have been cured of rheumatism, constipation, gall stones, dropsy, indigestion, dyspepsia, and other kinds of stomach, liver, kidney and stomach troubles. This mineral water is a great germ destroyer, will cure any disease caused by germs.

Within sixty days we will install a hydrotherapeutic plant. We will be able to send crystals all over the United States and our members will be able to have mineral water at home at a very low cost.

The sanitarium will be run for profit to help maintain the orphans' home.

This proposition is better and cheaper than insurance. Insurance is to start providing for their home. No matter how much property you may leave your children you have no assurance they can keep it.

One dollar pays for a life membership, a home, food, shelter and a free education for our orphans when you are dead. A man can die with no other gives knowing his babies will have a home.

"The Rising Democrat Newspaper" Wall Street, New York, estimates the voting strength of the Socialist party at 2,000,000. This being true we feel justified in calling upon the Socialists of America to join in with us and raise the membership of this association to at least a half million members and with that amount of money we will have the Great NATIONAL MEMORIAL SANITARIUM AND ORPHANS HOME in America.

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MOTHER BATTLES WITH TWO DOGS TO RESCUE HER SON

AIDED BY NEIGHBORS, SHE ROUTS ANIMALS WHICH ATTACKED THE BOY.

New York—Armed with a club, Mrs. W. E. Miller of Brooklyn engaged in a furious battle with two dogs to save her son, who had been thrown to the ground and was being attacked by both animals. Mrs. Miller was assisted by one of her women neighbors, and the two were victorious in their struggle with the dogs. Young Miller was severely bitten, but will recover.

The affair occurred almost in front of the Miller home. Miller was just returning from a walk with the family bulldog when another dog dashed up. Immediately the two animals became a fierce fight. Although young Miller's dog was having the best of the affair, the other dog was being aided by a

She Was Joined by Her Neighbor.

terrier, he determined to stop the battle, fearing the other dog would be killed. He seized the strange dog and started to pull him away.

As the boy did so the struggle of the animals turned him to the ground and both canines renewed their battle with the boy. They also bestowed many bites on the prostrate youth in their rage.

Attracted by the cries of the prone lad, Mrs. Miller rushed from the house. She seized a club and belabored the infuriated beasts. She was joined by her neighbor, but it was almost five minutes before the two women could separate the combatants.

ALICE SMOKE; WHAT OF IT?

Much Ado in Scot City Society Over Mrs. Longworth's Alleged Love of Weed.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth's cigarettes have caused a great "to do" in society here. The questions agitating Pittsburg's leaders of the local "400" are:

"Does Mrs. Longworth smoke cigarettes?"

If she does, is there any harm in it provided she doesn't do it in the street and scare the horses?

The matter aroused a lively discussion among Pittsburg dowagers.

Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth.

"I look upon a woman who smokes cigarettes as I do one who bleaches her hair—with suspicion," was the statement of Mrs. J. P. Armstrong.

Mrs. Minnie O. Roberts and Mrs. George Kramer took leading parts in the discussion, which was listened to by members of the Wheedonaus club of Pittsburg, the Jorcola club, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Daughters of 1812, the Daughters of Pioneers, and the Women's Southern society.

The higher the position a woman holds the more warmly she should "pooh" asserted Mrs. Roberts, and a number of others said they thought Mrs. Longworth should not set such an example to the young women.

One dissenter, a member of the Wimodausis club, said:

"Any woman has a right to smoke cigarettes if she wants to, as long as she doesn't bread on anybody's face."

Boy Is Healed by Prayer.

Kansas City, Mo.—For more than a week Eugene Bell and his wife prayed night and day that their boy, Paul, helpless with infantile paralysis, might be healed. Then, one morning the boy rose from the bed at seven o'clock and came to the breakfast table and ate. He ordered his arms and almost as freely as before the dread disease struck him down and the right leg, useless for ten days and nights, supported him and moved as he willed it to do.

A GOOD BOOK CHEAP.

Comrades, a good many of the members of your local have no doubt read the installments of the "Diary of a Shirtwaist Striker" by Mrs. Theresa Malkiel, a member of the National Woman's Committee, Socialist party, which has been running serially in the Chicago Daily Socialist and the New York Call. There was such an enormous demand, however, for the Diary that we decided to bring it out in book form. It contains 96 pages, 6x9, and in order to make it accessible to all the comrades we have made the price for single copies 25 cents postage paid in paper binding, or handsomely bound in fabrikoid, linen cover at 50 cents postage paid.

In order to give the locals an opportunity to obtain advance orders of this book, which will undoubtedly enable a large sale, we have made special arrangements to furnish the same to locals in quantities of 10 copies or over at 15 cents per copy, paper bound, and 30 cents bound in fabrikoid, exclusive of express charges. The book is now ready for delivery. Kindly send an order with your assessments to L. A. Malkiel, 116 Nassau street, New York City.

MILWAUKEE.

Behold Milwaukee's noble men—
Her noble women as well—
They've planned and worked and
was the day
As you I now do tell.

All hail to that cold northern clime,
They've grit and wisdom, too;
The men and maids both worked as
one
And so shall I and you.

And though at first we don't succeed,
We will try again.
We, too, like they, are long will win
And prove we're their kind, too.

The earth itself God made for all,
For each and every one.
And hence it's strife to equalize,
Its gifts to share as one.

We'll get Milwaukee all the world
Without the canton's rear;
We'll make new laws and make them
right—
Abide them ever more.

Now, let us pound and pound away,
Till we do our work we've done,
For we will win ere long, I know;
Let's pound till we see have won.

PLAN BIG CATTLE SHIPMENTS.

H. C. Conley, division freight agent for the Frisco system here, and Mr. Conley, assistant general freight agent of the system with headquarters at St. Louis, and H. P. Du Laney, livestock agent at Springfield, made an extensive inspection of the terminal facilities at the packing plants on Wednesday afternoon, and received the Frisco connections which have been consummated three months.

The conference was largely for the purpose of arranging for the handling of cattle shipments to Oklahoma City with the opening of the Moorfa, plant this fall, and doubtless upon the facilities which will be required for care of the livestock traffic.

Buck Mr. Conley and Mr. De Laniey on Wednesday night for their homes.

SOCIALIST STATE TICKET

Congressman, first district—W. L. Reynolds, Kingfisher.
Congressman, second district—H. I. Bryant, Gustus.
Congressman, third District—G. M. Snider, Castle.
Congressman, Fourth District—J. N. Wood of Agnew, Antlers.
Congressman, Fifth District—H. H. Stallard, Snyder.
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Commissioner of Insurance—E. S. Maple, Apache.
Commissioner of Charities and Corrections—Winnie E. Brannetter Oklahoma City.
Corporation Commissioner—J. F. McDaniel, Alva.
State Printer—Jacob J. Trulinett, Oklahoma City.
President Board of Agriculture—J. R. Allen, Healdton.
Chief Mine Inspector—David G. Jackson, Gowan.
Deputy Inspector, First District—Geo. F. Brady, Coalgate.

SOCIALIST PARTY STATE PLATFORM

The Socialist party of Oklahoma reaffirms its adherence to the principles of International Socialism as enunciated in the national platform of the Socialist party.

The Socialist party of Oklahoma declares its object to be the political organizing of the working class and those in sympathy with it for the purpose of capturing the powers of government of the state of Oklahoma, and using this power for the betterment of the conditions of the workers.

The Socialist party of Oklahoma demands the state ownership and control of such industries real means of transportation as are collectively used by the people of Oklahoma; such as the coal and mining industries; the telegraphy, the cotton ginding and compressing and cotton-spinning industries; the dock yards, packing and cold storage industries, the telephone lines, the interurban electric lines, etc.; such industries, to be under the democratic management of the workers in such industries, and be operated not for the purpose of making profits for the state, but to give to the workers in such industries the full social value of their labor.

The Socialist party of Oklahoma stands for universal suffrage, and advocates the extension of the franchise to women upon the same terms as men; and will fight every move having for its object the disfranchisement of the working class, or any part of it, through so-called poll tax laws, grandfather clauses, educational, property and residence qualifications that have no object other than the gradual taking away from the workers the right of franchise; and thus prevent the workers from securing control of the powers of government.

The Socialist party of Oklahoma demands the enactment of laws, that will effectively give into the hands of the people the use of the initiative and referendum. The Socialist party charges that the Democratic administration and the interests it represents, has and is using every effort to prevent the people from using the initiative and referendum on any measure, unless such measure is advocated by the capitalist class. The Democratic administration has further circumvented and evaded the demands of the people, even after the people had voted and determined upon such measures

As such measures we cite:

As such measures at the polls.

The people voted AGAINST the sale of the school lands.

The legislature IMMEDIATELY after said part of the school lands.

The people INITIATED a referendum on the TAYLOR RIBBON BALLOT election law. The legislature evaded the referendum by passing an election law equally as obnoxious as the Taylor law, which repealed the Taylor law; and thus took away from the people the right to vote on the Taylor law.

The capitalist interests of the state initiated an amendment to the constitution to be known as article 49 of section 9; and further initiated a law to determine the location of the state capital. On these measures the Democratic governor called a special election so as to make these measures easily passed, as it requires but a majority vote of the people voting at such election.

On the other hand, the initiative petition signed by more than 38,000 voters demanding the right to vote for women upon the same terms as men is held up in the courts on the word of ONE man, one of the benchmen of the Democratic administration. No special election is called on this measure. It must wait for the General Election, when it requires a majority of all the people voting at such election for the state officer receiving the highest number of votes, to pass this measure.

The Socialist party further demands the enactment of laws providing for the Right of Recall, and such election laws that recognize the rights of all political parties taking part in such elections, the appointment of election boards, and the right to counter at each precinct. Such election boards to be composed of Socialists.

The Socialist party demands the repeal of senate bill No. 136, which has for its aim and object the taking out of the hands of the people the use of the initiative and referendum, by limiting the time for the secure of petitions to 60 days, in violation of a constitutional provision of 90 days; and which law further gives into the hands of the legislature the power, to make any measure suggested for initiation by them, EASY of passage through an unfair and unfriendly arrangement of the ballot.

The Socialist party demands the enactment of a law abolishing "professional guardianship, for the purpose of cutting out court appointed and lawyer fees, which are now gobbling up practically all the income from small estates, especially that of Indians in the eastern part of the state.

The Socialist party demands the free administration of justice, and the abolition of fees by the state of families dependent on state and county aid.

The Socialist party demands the enactment of laws providing for state insurance of workers against sickness, accident, and death, so as to give to an injured or sick worker, or those dependent upon him, compulsory compensation, and relieve him from the necessity of going into court and sue for compensation, which delays action indefinitely, or to such a time as to be of little benefit to the worker.

The Socialist party demands the establishment of sanitariums for the free treatment of tuberculosis and other infectious diseases.

The Socialist party stands for every measure that will add to the material, intellectual or moral welfare of the working class, and as the working class of Oklahoma is largely made up of agricultural workers, we stand for the following:

Farmers' Program:

As measures calculated to bring into collective property the land, and enable every farmer to have the use and occupancy of the land sufficient for his family, we hereby advocate and pledge our elected officers to the following program.

Art. 1.

The retention and constant enlargement of the public domain:

By reclaiming school and other public lands.

By purchasing of arid and overflow lands and the state reclamation of all such lands now held by the state or that may be acquired by the state.

By the purchase of all lands sold for the non-payment of taxes.

By the purchase of allotted and unallotted Indian lands.

By the retention of leased lands after the expiration of leases and the payment of the improvements thereon at an appraised valuation.

Art. 2.

Organization of the department of agriculture from the political government by means of:

Election of the members and officers of the Board of Agriculture by the directors of the actual farmers.

Introduction of the merit system among the employees.

Art. 3.

Erection by the state of grain elevators and warehouses for the storage of farm products, these elevators and warehouses to be managed by the board of agriculture.

Art. 4.

Organization by the Board of Agriculture of free agricultural education and the establishment of model farms.

Art. 5.

Encouragement by the Board of Agriculture of co-operative societies of farmers:

For the buying of seed and fertilizer.

For the purchase and common use of implements and machinery.

For the preparing and sale of produce.

Art. 6.

Organization by the state for loans on mortgages and warehouse credits, the interest charges to cover cost only.

Art. 7.

State insurance against diseases of domestic animals, fire, hail, flood, storm and fire.

Art. 8.

Aid and encouragement to be given the actual workers of the farm in the formation of thrift associations, which shall have as their object the power to issue bonds for the purchase of actual farming lands, these bonds to be redeemable at a period of forty years, the interest on the bonds to be the purchase price of land in cash, or bonds issued to actual farmers, the interest charge to be paid forty years, the principal to be paid in equal installments of one fortieth any given number of years.

Art. 9.

Exemption from taxation and exemption of dwellings, tools, farm animals, implements and improvements to the amount of $1,000.

Art. 10.

A graduated tax on the value of rented land and land held for speculation.

Art. 11.

Absentee landlords to assess their own lands, the state reserving the right to purchase such lands at their assessed value plus 10 per cent.

Art. 12.

Land now in the possession of the state or hereafter acquired through purchase, reclamation or tax sales to be rented to landless farmers under the supervision of the Board of Agriculture at the prevailing rate of share rent or its equivalent. The payment of such rent to cease as soon as the total amount of the rent shall equal to the value of the land and the improvements acquired for himself and his children the right of occupancy. The title to all such lands remaining with the commonwealth.

"PAP" DAVIS

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"The workers of the world to unite and such other members of society as wish their success and to form, under their respective governments, a system of society in which will be equal opportunity for all and special privileges to none, with absolute freedom of speech and press guaranteed.

"A system in which there will be neither interest, rent nor profit.

"A system in which everything manufactured shall be made for use and not for profit.

"A system in which everything socially used shall be socially owned.

"A system in which everything privately used shall be privately owned.

"A system in which the producer shall have the full product of his toil.

"A system in which all members shall have industrial as well as political freedom.

"A system in which he who will not work shall not eat.

"A system in which, if the present form of government is maintained, the initiative, the referendum and the right of recall shall be a cornerstone for the people and not a lightning-rod.

"A system in which the brotherhood of man shall be a reality and not a sham. If you want to help establish such a system then vote for the Socialist candidates for the various state and county offices

Here Is the List For Lincoln County:

M. H. Elliott, Senator.
A. R. Funk, Representative, First District.
Emil Weis, Representative Western District.
Joe Woody, Representative Pistorial.
J. O. Gudwhuler, District Clerk.
Mrs. A. J. Rand, County Superintendent.
O. L. Bullick, County Clerk.
W. S. Risinger, Sheriff.
J. C. Manning, County Treasurer.
Forest Young, Register of Deeds.
L. L. Brown, County Surveyor.
C. D. Lamb, County Weigher.
C. E. Weathers, Commissioner First District.
W. E. Ferrico, Commissioner Second District.
E. H. Fees, Commissioner Third District.

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For several months this paper has carried a large number of subscribers on credit on their promise to pay when their crops were marketed this fall.

Although we had to get out under the most harrassing difficulties we make great personal sacrifices we realized that the Comrades could ill afford to spare the money, and so during the long summer months we have borne the burden without complaint, feeling sure that when the crops were marketed that every pledge would be redeemed and we could free ourselves from debt.

Comrades, the harvest time has arrived and we are expecting you to redeem your pledge, and so strong is our faith in you that we have already promised our creditors that they shall have the money.

This is a small matter to each individual, but to us it amounts to several hundred dollars. So we ask each one who owes for his subscription, to send it in at once, and those whose subscriptions will expire in the near future will oblige us by sending the money to us at once, that we may be able to fight your battles during the coming campaign.

Intellectual Temperance

**Drunkenness is a CONTRACTED DISEASE, brought about by intemperate drinking. The disease is never treated as a disease, but always prescribed for by SUPERSTITIOUS CONJURERS, called BY FANATICAL INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOT PRESCRIBE A REMEDY UNTIL THE DISEASE HAS BECAME MALIGNANT AND INCURABLE. Some are the NARROW-MINDED BIGOTS, THE PREACHERS, PRESCRIBE, and not partake of a single scientific truth—then they call upon the DRUNKEN FANATICS to do MY FORCE as the belief has what should and COULD HAVE BEEN DONE IN THE SCHOOL HOUSES OF THE LAND before the disease had fastened itself upon the boys and girls of America—No one would intentionally and wilfully expose themselves to a disease in health destroying as alcohol if they were taught in childhood what the contagion meant to them MENTALLY, PHYSICALLY, MORALLY and FINANCIALLY; but such is not done and the result is DRUNKENNESS—Did the president of this country exhibit one-fourth as much BRAINS as they do IGNORANCE and rely upon SCIENTIFIC TREATMENT IN OUR LARGE SCHOOL HOUSES INSTEAD OF SUPERSTITION IN OUR CHURCH HOUSES they would not be the laughing stock of intelligent men—IGNORANCE IS THE CARDINAL SIN OF THE UNIVERSE, and this is why DRUNKENNESS, INSTEAD OF SOBRIETY DARKS OUR OFFSPRING. The individual who believes that the poison in the maiden's fang can be killed by exacting vows to prevent the poison from having a deadly effect upon the individual which has become pregnant with that poison cannot be blighter in the realm of intellect than some MILK ACLE BELIEVING PREACHER OR PRIEST—Equally BY FORCE every drop of alcohol to be dumped into the ocean and not permit another drop to be made for the next forty years, and the last half of this century will be held in MEMORY OF DRUNKARDS UNLESS THEY ARE SCIENTIFICALLY TAUGHT WHAT ALCOHOL WILL DO FOR THEM—THE PROBLEMS OF THE AGE MUST BE SCIENTIFICALLY SOLVED AS SUPERSTITION ONLY DULLS THE INTELLECT AND FORCE ONLY BEGETS TYRANTS—The Ripsaw.

County Organization

To the Socialist our call of the hour is for more perfect organization. An organization that is most tangible, most complete and can be used to advance our cause at home in accordance with conditions that prevail in different sections of the state.

This organization is done in the largest degree.

The Texas column in the Appeal to Reason is a lesson of hope, week by week. There they have county and tenancy and build from the county unit. Thus the membership has charge of their own work. Having a feeling of responsibility they do it in an earnest and commendable manner. Some counties of Oklahoma are doing fine work in this line. Hughes county, with his wagon red specials; Osfrhoe county employs Comrade Snyder, candidate for congress in the Third district, all his spare time; MacClain county vigorously presses its work with Leonard Johnson as lecturer whose efficient work is highly appreciated; Lincoln county is conducting a vigorous campaign with literature and speakers; other counties are coming into its membership, now doing the same with success. In Texas, as well as in Oklahoma, we find that the home talent awakened and put into the party work is nearly sufficient for the demands of the campaign, thus obviating the necessity of importing speakers at a cost that is the weakness thickness of the comrades.

Making the platforms and constitution of the party the county policy and organizing to spread Socialism and pound the membership in the principles of revolutionary Socialism will make Socialists who will endure the reason of their knowledge when victory at the ballot box is ours. Any county with three or more locals can organize the county and by its organization can make a permanent organization that will work all the time for the advancement of Socialism in the county.

We should organize for work permanently, not as mere expediency for the pending campaign or merely on a political basis. There is so much work in Socialism than politics.

We take political action as a means to an end, the end sought being the collective ownership of the means of the socialization of industry.

Therefore, in teaching Socialism the aim and purpose should be made clear as well as the necessity of voting right. In most counties there are men and women that can do this if we but gave the proper encouragement, or we can employ some one that will help to do the work required in the county, then see that he or she does it. In the county all that pertains to the work is under the eye of the membership which has an exercise of Socialism.

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Membership—1900, 23,000; 1910, 51,000.

SAY IT TO YOURSELF.

Say it to yourself a hundred times every day and mean it with all your heart; I will become more and more and will achieve more and more every day because I know that I can. I am stronger than any thing that is good in myself; only that which is good exists in me; only that is all things and places that I know should live and grow. When adversity threatens I am more determined than ever. In my life to prove that I can turn all things to good account. And when those whom I have trusted seem to fail me, I will have a thousand times more faith in the honor and nobleness of man. I will think only of the best, the virtue and worth in all; I will only for that which can give freedom and truth. I will expect only that which can add to the welfare of the race. I will live to live more. I will speak to give encouragement, inspiration and joy. I will work to be of service to an ever increasing number. And in every thought, word and action my ruling desire shall be to enrich, ennoble and honorify existence for all who come my way.

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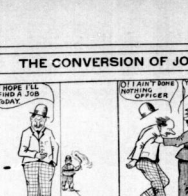

SOLVING THE STREET CAR PROBLEM

BY CARL D. THOMPSON.

I.—The Problem.

One of the greatest problems confronting any American city is the question of transportation.

The problem presented to the Socialist administration in Milwaukee is particularly difficult. In the first place the present monopoly has fastened itself upon the city for a quarter of a century. Their franchises do not expire until 1932.

Moreover, the terms of these franchises were such that the people are at the mercy of the corporation.

The service is inadequate, the cars are filthy, the tracks are out of repair, the system is incomplete, and the service wretched.

But what can the city do? At every effort of the people to secure relief, the corporation managers laugh.

And meanwhile the nickels roll merrily on into the coffers, a vast stream of unearned incomes.

And besides the city of Milwaukee is at the mercy of the Wisconsin State Legislature. What the democratic administration in the city did not do to enshave the people to the corporations the republican State Legislature did do. The republican State Legislature has seen to it that Milwaukee should not have the right or the power either to regulate its street car system or to own and operate one of its own.

We are ruled in this matter by a railroad commission, that is supposed to do something for the people.

What they have done so far was not of any advantage to the people so that any one could notice it. Such is the problem that presents itself to the Socialist administration in Milwaukee. It is not only serious, it is vitally interesting.

The administration that can solve a problem like this will start a new era in America.

The Socialists of Milwaukee believe they can do it. They are already on the job. The work is begun.

In the next article we will outline the plans.

THE IMPERIAL THEODORE.

Roosevelt idolaters, who seem at present to include a majority of the voting population of the United States, can see no flaw in their idol. They do not presume to question his acts, much less his motives. No strain is too severe for his popularity to withstand.

Prof. W. G. Sumner, in his interesting if somewhat prejudiced biography of Andrew Jackson, recorded that the only reply a Jacksonian would make to any aspersion upon Old Hickory was, "Hurrah for Jackson."

So the politician of Oyster Bay can do nothing apparently that will not elicit from his admirers the cry, "Hurrah for Teddy!"—The Public.

TO URGE STATE RAILROADS.

"If section 9, title 9 of the state constitution is not repealed at the next election we must make up our minds to advocate the building of railroads by the state."

So said J. H. Johnston, manager-elect of the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce in speaking of the helplessness of the chamber to aspire to promoting the building of a railroad west from Oklahoma City to tap the wheat belt, petitions for which have recently come in from a large number of farmers in Custer and Dewey counties.

Railroad building in Oklahoma will be exceedingly prohibited, according to Johnston, as long as the constitutional clause forbidding the sale of one rod to another remains in effect.—Oklahoma City Daily Pointer.

A big game preserve with a hunting club for its members is being promoted near Tahlequah. The enterprise is capitalized at $10,000 and it is claimed will be the highest thing of its kind in the state.

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WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

MRS. MARVIN BROWN, Editor

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Communications which are worthy and of interest to progressive women will be published in this column

THE EQUAL SUFFRAGE STRUGGLE IN OKLAHOMA.

At the great Lincoln meeting of Oklahoma in 1909, the first claim was staked by a woman, and since which time Oklahoma has taken her place in the front rank with the older and more metropolitan states of the union. The development of the new state is unparalleled in the history of the nation, and the history of her rapid development is the history of the struggle for equal suffrage, and since the homestends and business interests have more or less been united by women from the first, it is fitting indeed that Oklahoma should stand supreme eminently in the universal struggle now waging.

The honorable cannon of opening days meant equality for men and women. Equality in liberty, in life, in privation and sorrow, and all the uncertainties of pioneer days were shared alike. Side by side in the fields, during the spring sowing and autumn gathering, women of the industrial days did their share of grinding labor with the men of their family. Aspirations and social yearnings were doomed in the dreary shacks and houses of the pioneer. Yet the women struggled bravely in those early times, never dreaming that they would share in the recompense accorded their brethren. In fact, they were allowed at that time to participate in municipal elections, but somewhere within the confines of the new country there matured in the minds of certain legislators that the new women were not citizens and that they should be excluded from matters political.

The real struggle dates from the year 1890, when women were given a hearing before the first legislature held in the territory. In 1890 where she made a strong plea for woman suffrage. This was vetoed. Another constitutional proposition to extend the franchise to "every citizen of the age of twenty-one" instead of "every male citizen," etc. This was vetoed. Then a bill was introduced killed in the committee of the council, and only school suffrage was granted.

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In 1898 an active campaign was instituted. Miss Laura Gregg was installed in headquarters as secretary and at the opening of the legislative session of 1898 Mrs. Carrie Catt held a meeting to secure the passage of an equal suffrage bill. This bill passed the house by a vote of 19 to 7, but was lost in the council by the treachery of a man who for thirty years had been a supporter of woman suffrage. He had been active in the cause with Susan B. Anthony, and at the crucial moment he bartered his fame and influence for cash, and was paid.

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