

SOCIALIST VOLUNTEER ARMY OF DUES PAYING MEMBERS TOTALS 103,456--NEW RECRUITS DAILY

AFTER A steady increase in membership for several months the Socialist volunteer army of dues paying members for March numbered more than 100,000. The exact figures are 103,456. Reports from all over the country show that new recruits are being mustered into the party daily and the indications are that the next few months will see the party membership reach new high figures.

"The dues for March were higher than any month since April 1914," reports Walter Lanfersiek, national executive secretary. "The party is waking

up and getting ready for the campaign".

The dues for the past three months have been as follows:

	Regular	Dual	Exempt
January	71,255	14,880	1,755
February	74,203	18,694	3,925
March	85,756	16,920	2,732
Average	76,406	16,665	2,780
Total average for three months	95,850		

The regular dues are those from members paying 25c a month. Dual stamps are given to husbands and wives where the dues for both is 25 cents. Exempt stamps are given to those unable to pay the regular dues owing to sickness, unemployment, or for some other reason. It will be noticed that the exempt and dual membership for March is less than that for February meaning that the

financial returns are greater.

In reviewing the financial statement for March, which will be found on page three, Secretary Lanfersiek declares that, "It will be noticed that the total assets amount to \$24,999.03 not including the headquarters fund amounting to \$1,020.28 and the fund for woman's work amounting to \$1,275.05, making total assets of \$27,294.36. Against

this we have liabilities amounting to \$4,127.51, leaving net assets of \$23,166.85. Next month the liabilities will be much less, and by the time the new administration takes hold there will be no debt to speak of."

Among the inspiring reports being sent in by state secretaries is one from the Indiana secretary as follows:

"The Indiana organization

has had its hard times during the past two years. The state office was greatly in debt and many locals were unable to pay their dues. But today we have as many locals as at any time in the past. We have been able during the last few months to pay all debts and provide a mileage fund for delegates to our state convention. According to our March report the party

shows the largest receipts since the 1912 campaign. Our dues have doubled during the six months past and Indiana is ready today to go into the campaign with hopes of making a great fight."

Indiana Socialists are being fired with new enthusiasm by the candidacy of Eugene V. Debs in the fifth congressional district. The state organization is going to put its best efforts into this district.

"Forward!" is the order of the day from the Atlantic to the Pacific as thousands of new recruits rally in the war against militarism and capitalism.

AMERICAN SOCIALIST

Hoan Chosen Second Socialist Mayor of Milwaukee; Progress Shown by Big Vote in Chicago

By J. L. ENGBAHL.

SOcialism is marching on! The inspiration needed for a brilliant start in the 1916 presidential campaign has been furnished by the spring elections just held at Milwaukee and Chicago.

While the Milwaukee Socialists did not make a clean sweep of the enemy's trenches, Daniel W. Hoan was elected mayor and the minority in the city council was increased from nine to 11. The two Socialists in the Chicago city council remain. But this does not nearly describe the results of the election. While John C. Kennedy, from the 27th ward, held over for another year, William E. Rodriguez, in the 15th ward, was up for reelection and the Socialist forces overcame the opposition, capturing 56 per cent of the total vote.

RESULTS IN MILWAUKEE.

Let us first review the Milwaukee results. Remember that the Socialist Party in Milwaukee had been effectively killed by the capitalist press at two succeeding elections, in 1912 and again in 1914. But still it came back, stronger than ever, in spite of the headless ballot, and the "nonpartisan" election law.

The campaign was a battle royal between the organized exploiters, led by the powerful Milwaukee Electric Railway and Lighting Co., and the more enlightened among the exploited, organized into the Socialist Party. Dan Hoan, Socialist city attorney, valiant foe of all the local public utility corporations, was the candidate for mayor, against Bading, the "nonpartisan" executive.

When the votes had been counted Hoan was elected, receiving a majority of 3,157; the vote being, Hoan, 32,863, Bading, 30,706. The Socialist candidates for treasurer and controller both lost by about 7,000 votes.

SEIDEL ELECTED.

There will be 11 Socialists in the city council, among them Emil Seidel, former Socialist mayor, elected as an alderman-at-large. When elected Seidel was in the state of Washington filling lecture dates on The American Socialist's lecture course. Seidel will no doubt be made the floor leader of the Socialist minority.

Milwaukee's new administration, again headed by a Socialist mayor, goes into power April 18. In describing the situation that confronts the new city administration, The Milwaukee Leader, the Socialist daily, points out that no bond issues or money appropriations can be passed without the Socialist votes. On the other hand the "nonpartisans", providing they can hang together, have one more than the 25 votes necessary to override a veto. Several of the "nonpartisan" aldermen, however, are in the habit of breaking loose from the unprincipled gang of corporation tools that controls the anti-Socialist Party in Milwaukee and interesting developments are expected.

Appointments made by Socialist Mayor Hoan may be blocked by the "nonpartisan" opposition, this only requiring a majority, or 19 votes. In summing up the results of the election, The Milwaukee Leader says:

ROBBERY BLOCKED.

"In electing Daniel W. Hoan

Milwaukee's Second Socialist Mayor



Daniel W. Hoan.

DAN W. HOAN was born in Waukesha, Wis., March 12, 1881. His father was a small business man and at one time a Populist. Hoan, senior, was of Irish ancestry, his wife of German.

Hoan's father died when he was 14 and he had to quit school and go to work to help support his family. He was in the seventh grade when he quit.

He helped in the kitchens and hotels of Waukesha, where he worked himself up to the position of a full-fledged cook.

He was a cook in the Park hotel, Waukesha; the Republican house, Milwaukee; the Chicago Beach, Del Prado, Rector's and other hotels in Chicago. Working in the hotels he earned enough so that, by cooking in his spare moments, he was able to put himself thru the University of Wisconsin.

In connection with his regular college course Hoan took what law he could, but was unable to complete the law course because of lack of funds.

Hoan graduated from the university, June, 1905. Then he went to Chicago and opened up a restaurant. After one year of

this he gave it up to complete his law work by taking night work in the Kent College of Law. This he did in nine months.

During the day he worked for the law firm of Stedman & Soelke, attorneys, for the munificent wage of \$6 a week. Seymour Stedman, of this firm, is a well known Chicago attorney and Socialist.

It was while Hoan was working for \$6 a week, and struggling to make wages and the cost of living meet, that he was offered \$1,000 a year to become connected with a firm of corporation attorneys.

That \$1,000 looked like \$1,000,000 to Hoan, but he turned the offer down. He had different ideas as to what he wanted to do as a lawyer, and those ideas did not jibe with the idea of being a paid hireling of a corporation.

Hoan came to Milwaukee in March, 1908, and became associated in the firm of Timlin, Grogan and Hoan. Later he joined Attorney John C. Kleist, a Socialist.

Hoan was elected city attorney with the Seidel administration in 1910 and has held that office since.

Stedman, the Socialist candidate for mayor one year ago. This is a gain of 85 per cent.

The battle raged fiercest in the Fifteenth Ward, with a population of 81,000 and a list of 20,000 registered voters. This ward sent the Socialist, Rodriguez, to the city council one year ago by a bare 113 votes. With Rodriguez's brilliant record in the city council as a starter the Fifteenth Ward Socialists went into the fight in whirlwind fashion. Campaign funds were raised in every manner conceivable, two-score meetings were held and 400,000 pieces of literature distributed. Every one of 60 precincts in the ward was a fighting unit, and when the smoke had cleared away, when the votes had been counted, it was shown that the Socialists had captured 53 precincts and lost but one; that 56 per cent of the voters had put their crosses in front of the name of the Socialist candidate, that the Socialist vote was 8,159 compared to 4,068 for the republican and 2,130 for the democrat. Race, religion and nationality were forgotten by the great mass of the people of this ward, a city in itself, as they went to the polls. The Socialist vote was heavy alike in Polish Catholic precincts, in the Jewish precincts, in the German and Scandinavian protestant precincts. The 15th Ward Socialists, by their splendid campaign and victory, have pointed the way to the Socialists in the 34 other wards in Chicago. They have shown how other wards, and ultimately the city itself, may be

carried for Socialism in the very near future.

In spite of a wet and dry fight between the old party candidates and other issues that tend to confuse the workers, Chicago's 27th ward polled a splendid vote for the Socialist candidate, Emr. Kuhn. This ward sent John C. Kennedy to the city council, under different conditions, one year ago. The vote this year was Socialist, 5,973; Republican, 8,030; Democrat, 6,893. Kennedy holds over for another year.

NEAR VICTORY IN NINTH.

O. C. Wilson, who was at the head of the great button strike at Muscatine, Ia., directed the organization and campaign work in Chicago's ninth ward. Charles V. Johnson, employed in the shops of the Pullman Palace Car Co., was the Socialist candidate in this ward and received 3,865 votes compared to 1,264 votes polled for the Socialist candidate last year. He was beaten by only 931 votes. This defeat was considered a victory and the campaign for this fall and next year begins immediately.

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CAPITALIST PRESS PROPHECY.

"No less than six out of the thirty-three M. V. L. recommendations for alderman are professed Socialists. In the cases of four, Alderman Rodriguez in the Fifteenth, Dr. Moses Sahuud in the Sixteenth, Ellen Gates Starr in the Nineteenth and Pierce L. Anderson in the Thirty-second, the endorsement is unqualified. In the cases of Carl Kirkpatrick in the Twenty-second and Josef Novak in the Thirty-fourth it is preferential.

"That is, in four wards the M. V. L. organization for testing and judging aldermanic candidates, with the accumulated experience of more than fifteen years behind it, finds that the Socialist candidates are in every way the best that have come forward. In the other two wards the judgment is that the Socialist candidates would probably make rather better aldermen than the present incumbents.

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"This is the first time that anything like so many Socialist candidates have received the approval of Chicago's recognized institution for measuring the capacity, integrity, records and general merits from strictly nonpartisan viewpoints of candidates for the city council. The incident is symptomatic of what may be termed the rise of the Socialist in public esteem. It shows how far persons of intelligence have advanced from the once prevalent notion that a 'Socialist' must be either wicked or a fool—must be either detested or derided because of his devotion to a certain theory about what the social-economic formation ought to be.

"The incident also has a warning significance, not of the 'danger of Socialism,' but of the danger of Socialist character and intelligence to other parties. The 'old party' labels are not, after all, indispensable, and increasing numbers are seeing it. The Socialist candidate for mayor of Chicago at the next election will poll a vote that will astonish those who now think themselves wisest in municipal politics."

When the results of the election became known, Chicago's mayor, William Hale Thompson, dubbed "Big Bill the Book", denounced the Municipal Voters' League as being responsible for the increased Socialist character and intelligence to other parties. The "old party" labels are not, after all, indispensable, and increasing numbers are seeing it. The Socialist candidate for mayor of Chicago at the next election will poll a vote that will astonish those who now think themselves wisest in municipal politics."

WHERE SOCIALISM GROWS.

The system is at work in Chicago and Milwaukee. Where the workers are educated and organized to fight the interests on the political field, the Socialist movement grows. The conditions that prevail in Chicago and Milwaukee prevail everywhere else throughout the land. That is why Socialism is inevitable, why the vote this spring is an indication of what may be expected this fall, and why the big vote this fall will be the forerunner of future successes in the struggle to emancipate the class that toils and does all the useful labor in the world today.

The hardest political fight in the history of Cardwell, Mo., closed with the election of W. M. Whitson, Socialist Alderman from the first ward, and Arthur Dollins, Socialist Alderman from the second ward. The city council is now composed of three Socialists and one Republican, notwithstanding this is called the banner democratic county of south-east Missouri.

Benson and Kirkpatrick

By EUGENE V. DEBS.

THESE are our candidates; the candidates of the Socialist party for president and vice-president of the United States.

We feel proud of Benson and Kirkpatrick and with good reason, for they not only incarnate the principles of socialism but they are men of unimpeachable character and standing. They have both stood for years in the white light of publicity and not the bitterest enemy of their cause has dared to question their motive or assail their integrity.

Allan Benson and George Kirkpatrick are true socialists, real leaders, actual MEN! Both were born in poverty, reared in the humble surroundings of the working-class, and both spent their boyhood and the earlier years of their manhood in the bitter struggle for existence.

THE SOCIALIST candidates for president and vice-president know by actual experience the meaning of capitalism to its exploited victims, and when they speak and write to the oppressed and suffering it is out of their very hearts and souls, and this is why their words are tipped with fire and their messages ring true and strike responsive chords in the breasts of the people.

Both these banner-bearers of the Socialist party have won the confidence and love of their comrades as the intrepid champions of the toiling millions, the true leaders of the common people, the brave apostles of the social revolution. Not once has either ever finched or faltered; cowered or compromised. In every hour of trial they have stood erect, true to their manhood, loyal to their convictions, staunch in their devotion to the cause, ever ready to strike a blow or repel one, and ever waging the warfare for the overthrow of capitalism and the emancipation of the people.

BENSON AND Kirkpatrick have endeared themselves to the oppressed and poverty-stricken by espousing their cause and fighting their battles with the zeal of crusaders and the strength of giants. Gifted as they undoubtedly are, with rare ability, with keen insight, and with exceptional powers of expression of both pen and tongue, they could have made traffic of their talents as most men do, and long since have attained positions of prominence and wealth in the world of capitalism, but fortunately Benson and Kirkpatrick were not born to intellectual prostitution, but instead preserved "the spotless whiteness of their souls", spurned with contempt the emoluments and honors, so-called, which apostates reap, and with a fidelity and devotion which have grown stronger with the years, they have proved themselves fit and qualified to represent the masses, speak for the people, and be the standard-bearers of their party in the struggle to destroy capitalism, abolish slavery, put an end to war, and bring freedom and happiness to a distracted world.

The campaign this year comes at a time when capitalism is harvesting the horrors of war, which follow in its wake wherever waves its black flag of slavery and exploitation; rapine and plunder.

THE CAPITALIST parties stand alike for the system that breeds poverty and famine, pestilence and war, insanity and death for the masses of mankind. The Socialist party represented by Benson and Kirkpatrick faces these parties squarely upon this monumental issue, denounces them for their hypocrisy and crimes, and appeals to the millions they have robbed and outraged and ruthlessly slaughtered in mines and mills and upon bloody battlefields to rally to the standard of their class, drive their despoilers from power, wipe their savage system from the face of the earth, and inaugurate the reign of peace and freedom and the commonwealth of comrades.

Many Rally To Support Of London's Insurance Measure

By LUCIEN SAINT.

WASHINGTON.—Experts from all over the United States advocated the passage of the Meyer London resolution calling for a commission to investigate and report on a scheme for social insurance when the House Labor Committee held a hearing on this proposition recently. Those who have endorsed the bill, either in person or by letter include: Dr. L. M. Rubinow, sociologist and writer; Miles Dawson, sociologist and writer; Rufus M. Potts, state insurance superintendent of Illinois; N. I. Stone, statistician; Juliet Stuart Poyntz; Prof. J. P. Chamberlain of Columbia University; John B. Andrews, secretary of the American Association for Labor Legislation; Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale; Lee K. Frankel of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.; Prof. William Leiserson of Toledo University, and Prof. Henry R. Seager of Columbia University.

Leading among the opponents of this measure is no other than Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, friend of the workingman and betrayer of their cause into the hands of the reactionary old parties.

For a solid day—from ten in the morning till six at night—the House listened to the witnesses Socialist Representative Meyer London brought to Washington. Commissioner of Labor Statistics Meeker also came and advocated the resolution. But the newspapers, as a rule, entirely refrained from mentioning the fact. The news of this important session, so important to millions of workingmen and women they withheld from publication.

WANTS INSURANCE FUND.

The London resolution calls for the appointment by the President of a commission which shall prepare and recommend a plan for establishing and maintaining a national insurance fund, and which shall also seek to reduce the extent of unemployment. This latter is to be established by the organization of great public works for the development of highways and waterways and of the public domain, and by regularizing employment in industry.

Recent reports issued by the United States Public Health Service show that the wage workers of this country lose annually \$500,000,000 through sickness alone. These figures nearly coincide with those for Germany and Great Britain, where there are over 26,000,000 insured wage workers. In a recent bulletin the Public Health

Write Today!

WHETHER or not the truth about industrial conditions in America is to be suppressed depends now on the United States Senate.

The fate of the resolution ordering the printing of 100,000 copies of the final report of the Commission on Industrial Relations and 10,000 copies of the testimony now hangs in the balance.

Unless an aggressive fight is made, it will be defeated by a handful of reactionary Senators, led by Hoke Smith of Georgia. They will accomplish this by taking advantage of senatorial red tape, and particularly of the vicious system known as "senatorial courtesy" by which one senator can often block action.

Whether or not the interests that want the report suppressed succeed will depend largely on the pressure brought to bear on the Senate by those who want the facts about American industrial conditions known.

An aggressive demand for action will cut thru all the red tape and win speedy favorable action on the resolution to print the report.

Write the two Senators from your state today!

C. Houston, of Tennessee; Hatton W. Summers, of Texas; Edward B. Almon, of Alabama; Carl C. Van Dyke, of Minnesota; J. M. C. Smith, of Michigan; Edward E. Browne, of Wisconsin; John I. Nolan, of California; John G. Cooper, of Ohio; Edward E. Denison, of Illinois; and Meyer London, of New York.

The growth of the Socialist vote in the township election at Danville, Ill., was a surprise to the politicians of the old parties, the vote being more than 1000, or 11 per cent of the total cast. At the presidential election four years ago there were less than 250 Socialist votes. The proposition to abolish the poll tax was carried by a big majority

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

Here is all the week's news worth while boiled down for workers so busy fighting for Socialism they do not have time to read the daily capitalist papers.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4.—United States citizens equal force of Villistas, 30 miles north of Guerrero; Mexican loss 40; no American losses. Powerful German fleet in line of French south of Douaumont repulsed.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5.—Roosevelt comes out in open as candidate for republican nomination for president. New South Wales legislature passes bill establishing state lottery in bread; but many may seize all cocoa, tea and coffee.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6.—Three United States citizens and one Spaniard killed by Mexican bandits nine miles south of Rosario, Simola, Mexico. Love for wife in children leads Franklin K. Jackson, embassador of 19,000 from Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., to give himself up.

FRIDAY, APRIL 7.—Speakers in German rechecktag say United States fails to keep neutrality; sale of arms and munitions announced. Villa is definitely located at La Boquilla. Wilson cabinet split over action to take in German border. Lansing delays war action with Durston for peace. Wilson undecided, but his adviser, Col. House, is said to be belligerent.

SATURDAY, APRIL 8.—"Wild Boy" Burman, mechanic and track policeman die in auto race crash at Corona, Cal. Germans take French trenches on front of more than mile near Verdun, northwest of Verdun; Austrian transport sunk by French submarine in Adriatic.

SUNDAY, APRIL 9.—United States troops making supreme effort to capture or kill Villa before revolt against Carranza gets out of hand. Paris official statement admits evacuation of entire salient of Behincourt, northwest of Verdun, but says all attacks on new line from Avancouri to Camieres were repulsed. French take trenches near Douaumont. Villa reported to have passed "dead line" in Mexico which Mexican consul says was agreed on between Wilson and Carranza as limit to American invasion; troops may be withdrawn.

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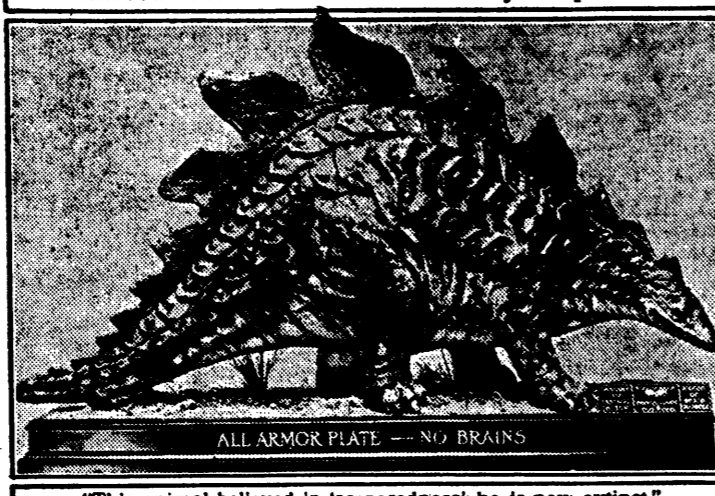
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Anti "Preparedness" Committee Launches Huge Model of Armored Dinosaur as Satire on Military "Preparedness"



"This animal believed in 'preparedness'; he is now extinct."

WASHINGTON.—The Anti-"Preparedness" Committee, which is planning a big "swing around the circle" to block the proposed army and navy increase bills, has launched a huge model of the extinct "armored dinosaur" as a satire on "military preparedness." This dinosaur, which is about fifteen feet long and built in proportion, will be carried on a huge truck through the various cities which the tour will include. On one side of the truck is a long placard reading as follows:

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All Armor Plate : No Brains!

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and on the other side a long streamer announcing:

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This animal, trusting to military preparedness, had no intelligent foreign policy; he is now extinct.

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The committee has issued the following statement regarding the "natural history of the armored dinosaur—sometimes known as the stegosaurus—to our fellow citizens as a proper and appropriate symbol of current day militarism. Nothing, we submit, could be more like the heavy, stumbling, clumsy, brutal foolery which is destroying Europe than this old monster of the past. This creature, all armor plate and no brains, had no more intelligence of living than that of "adequate preparedness." He endeavored to meet all his difficulties by piling on more and more armor until at last he sank by his own clumsy weight into the marsh lands such as one would expect to find at low tide at Oyster Bay.

"The armored dinosaur, with a brain cavity more diminutive in proportion to the size of its body than that of any other animal, was unable to conceive of an intelligent foreign policy. It was like the military in this. Moreover, its version was limited. Its eyes were small and could only look sideways; it could not look ahead.

"It is thought by those who have studied these creatures that at one time there were at least fourteen different species of armored dinosaurs roaming about on the face of the earth. This fact has a peculiar significance, as there are just that number of patriotic societies in this country now urging gingsaurian preparedness upon us.

"Increasing bulk and development

of armor caused the dinosaur to lose clarity of movement. Thanks to "preparedness" he had no need to think and he became a sluggish, slow-moving creature of low mentality. Whereas his contemporaries in the animal kingdom, whose minds did not run so much on "preparedness," kept their wits about them and worked out plans by which to live and let live,—with the result that modern man and the armored dinosaur now meet each other only in museums.

"So it will be with the great nations. The free peoples who refuse to take upon themselves the load of militarism, are destined to march far along the road of human progress while the goose-stepping, eternally saluting worshippers of the militarist top boot will have "prepared" themselves off the face of the earth.

The armored dinosaur is scheduled for appearance shortly in New York, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Chicago, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Kansas City, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh where plans are under way for big mass meetings designed to ventilate "the truth about preparedness."

Among the speakers scheduled are Washington Gladden, Scott Nearing, Amos Pinchot, Rabbit Stephen S. Wise, Dr. John Haynes Holmes, President James H. Maurer of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor, John A. McSparran, legislative chairman of the National Grange, Herbert S. Bigelow of Cincinnati, General Isaac R. Sherwood of Ohio and others.

SUFFRAGE IN KENTUCKY.

Socialism is making too much headway in the Suffrage movement in Kentucky. That seems to be the view of the Capitalist papers of Louisville.

State Secretary J. L. Stark was invited to attend the Kentucky Equal Rights Association held in Louisville, March 27-28.

Secretary Stark was presented with a credential by the President of the Kentucky Equal Rights Association. He was also permitted to address the meeting for a few minutes and what he said was not printed in the daily papers. Secretary Stark at the Fall meeting urged the women to ignore the Democratic and Republican politicians, and the papers came out accusing the Suffrage movement of endorsing militancy. This was to prejudice the women against the Socialists.

When Secretary Stark spoke at this last meeting March 27th, he made plain his position by making the same speech over, saying, "Let the politicians alone, don't beg them for your rights, but stand up fearlessly and demand and fight for them, not with clubs and guns, but go after the voters, educate them, and you will not be humiliated by asking members of the Legislature to a dinner and they not only not showing up, but some did not have the manhood to offer an excuse or an apology. Get the VOTER, and the politicians will set dinners for YOU, to try to win your support. I am not running for any office, and will never ask you to vote for me for any office. I only want to see you win out in your fight for the ballot."

Not a word was said relative to this speech by the State Secretary in the daily papers. Of course their pets were hit hard, and they adopted their usual methods of omitting what was said. But the large audience of prominent women heard what was said and they will not forget it.

Warren Is Answered.

FRED D. WARREN, Girard, Kansas.

Dear Comrade Warren: I have read your letter about Comrade Phifer's book, 'The Coming Kingdom, in The American Socialist.' I have often wondered that you comrades who were so closely associated with Phifer in his work for the cause have had so little to say about his truly remarkable book. He may be prophetic, and he may be altogether wrong in his conclusions, but the book is certainly worthy of the closest study. I know of but one other book that I have read repeatedly; but I am now going over his work for the fourth time. When I first read it, the great war had just started, and the book made me very blue. But now as I go over it, I seem to enter more into the spirit of the writer, and I discover that while he regards the then impending world war as only a small thing compared to worse to follow, he still has a very definite and sure hope for the future. The effect on me now is to encourage and strengthen.

—W. G. KRUNZE, Corning, N. Y.

This book was first published in 1910. It contains 300 pages, in 16 "books" and 90 chapters. The original price was \$1, but it goes, while the edition lasts, for half price, 50c, if ordered thru

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TAKING MEXICO

By JOSEPH E. COHEN.

T H A S, as yet, hardly been hinted that we shall not be done with our Mexican invasion until that country is part of the United States. Yes. This may be so.

There are many circumstances to show that this may be the outcome. Curiously enough, many of these pour from the apparent unwillingness of President Wilson to be harsh with the republic to our south.

The withdrawal from Vera Cruz may have served no better purpose than to prove how uncalled for was our ever going there. But it is also certified that we had no designs on the republic—at that time.

NOW THE words are being sung to a different tune. The charge that Villa's raid was expected seems to be not entirely unfounded. If the American troops on the border were in the dark as to the whereabouts of Villa, it was only because they were wholly remiss in their duty. In the same way the hesitation about starting after the marauder might be construed into a desire to draw out the campaign against him, both to put stomach into demand for more militarism here and to put our feet into Mexico for such a long stay that annexation will be a matter of course.

But that is not all. It will be a hard task to satisfy our anti-imperialists that they have any ground for opposing our annexing Mexico after a campaign of a year or more. Still harder if any considerable number of the chiefs heretofore loyal to Carranza should turn against the United States. For it will be recalled that events are brought to show that American rights cannot be safeguarded without actual intervention in the affairs of another country, the men of capital who dominate our government may be expected to get the which hand led by some of the plutocrats felt the necessity of annexing Cuba to control the sugar and tobacco of their section of the continent till they got it. They had to wait. They reaped the reward of their patience.

IS IT not a coincidence as to the way we entered Mexico and Cuba? How far apart are the sinking of the Maine, in a way never yet explained, and Villa's raid? Must it be that neither catastrophe was inspired by American men with financial interests in Central America. But it is remarkable that both incidents are just the kind of sparks needed to ignite the inflammable stuff of war.

Certainly we may leave Mexico when we have done with Villa, just as we left after we were thru with Vera Cruz. And it may be that is about the way this government of ours will do so long as Wilson is the chief magistrate. And it may be he will be that official for another term.

After which time, if not before, the idea may definitely settle in the minds of American capitalists that annexing Mexico is not worth the candle. There would be no doubt about this if the Mexicans would set up a stable government, so that American plutocrats could exploit Mexico to their heart's content without the necessity, albeit they will anyway foot the cost, of establishing a government there.

Not that annexation is a played-out game. Even were this so, the old nations have been at it so long, and with such jealousy toward each other, that it would be "a hard road to hit" for them to find their way out of it. But it is otherwise with us.

Imperialism has given us a place in the sun. But our possessions are so confined and have been purely experimental, with the exception of the Alaska purchase, that we have developed no paternal feeling toward our colonies. We are not kin, nor like to be, with the Porto Ricans, the Hawaiians or the Filipinos. We undoubtedly are fond of the very ground they walk on, but we have taken no pains to demonstrate any more intimate feeling for their own sweet sakes.

WITH MEXICO it is somewhat different. A considerable slice of her territory has already been swallowed by us, quite a long while ago. And they are so near to us, and so inordinately wealthy in resources, that we may be willing to overlook whatever difference in blood there may be in order to join their chattels to ours. However, the American people are no more keen about this than are the Mexicans.

How long will the present policy continue? That cannot now be told because it would have to be foretold on the basis of what sort of administration we have in Washington. Nor does it seriously matter. To all intents and purposes the property rights of American investors in Mexico are going to be taken care of by us in as thorough-going a manner as we take care of the property rights of the same capitalists here. We have seldom shown any partiality toward our own interests, when the welfare of our exploiters was at stake.

Whether annexing Mexico will help or hinder its own development can now be said. In the end, to be sure, Mexico must belong to the Mexican people, just as America must revert to us.

Indiana Socialists will meet in state convention May 6, 10 a. m. in the Marion County Socialist Hall, 247 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, and a journal night of May 7. A state ticket will be nominated.

In reply to numerous inquiries about our wholesale project we state: This is a purely socialist undertaking run by socialists and dealing with socialists only. Our main object is to enable socialist locals to buy as cheaply as retail merchants without being obliged to go to the expense of running a store. The meeting place or some other room will answer. Gradually we expect to go into the manufacturing of our own goods, and ultimately to handle anything wanted. What we can do depends upon you. If you are willing to work with us send in your membership fee, and your suggestions. Our first department will be groceries and we are now preparing a price list for this. If you desire one send us your request with stamp inclosed.—Committee on wholesale, Socialist Exchange, 2659 W. Fullerton Avenue, Chicago.

From The Wall Street Tattler. Death From Laughteritis

By WILLIS ANDREWS.

The mystery surrounding the death of Stuyvesant Standish Mandeville has been cleared up by the coroner's jury. Laughteritis is the cause assigned for his demise. This is an affliction that may attack any member of the upper class unless proper precaution is exercised to guard against the folly of curiosity, which led to Mr. Mandeville's untimely ending. It seems that Mr. Mandeville had halted his limousine alongside a vulgar throng of proletarians who were being harangued by a high-brow Socialist. The speaker desecrated upon the beauties of the co-operative commonwealth and spoke of the alleged wrongs which the lower classes suffer. The listeners composing the crowd wore coarse, shoddy apparel, which bespoke their lowly station in life. Mr. Mandeville recognized some of the men as fathers of children who are working in his factory for a "pittance", a word that seems to be in the vocabulary of every agitator in the land. But despite that fact of the status of the men present, they appeared to have no heed to the diatribe and evinced little interest in the glowing promises held out by the speaker. Mr. Mandeville had expected to see a demonstration of approval, but instead he was amazed to witness a laudable exhibition of fealty to the majesty of the law and a splendid showing of fidelity to the institutions of our land, so wisely presided over by the superior class, whose wealth and culture so eminently fit them to govern the inferior orders of society. However, Mr. Mandeville had a sufficient sense of humor to see the ludicrousness of the situation, and the more he lent his mind to the contemplation of the remarkable spectacle he had just witnessed, the more grotesque and funny it all seemed to him. All the way home he heard to emit one loud guffaw after another, showing of smile upon his face, and countenance, which ever and anon broke forth into sardonic laughter. Finally, in a paroxysm of glee and

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Clipping from Harvey A. Willis & Co. weekly bulletin, March, 1916, Page 7, "Live News Notes."

"Battle of Verdun fiercely rages." "Thousands fallen,"—in glaring head-lines. What care we? The financial pages Hint new contracts; of peace, no signs.

And all the while upon the battlefield The striking shells sing ghastly funeral knells For those brave men who bear the battle's brunt.

And all the while upon our Boards of Trade, The s'blers watch the winding tape which tells How 'ughter's toll has often fortunes made.

And w. are these, grim profiteers in death, These c. d. mechanic pilers up of gold, Ghouls who would rob the dying of their breath Could breath for profit on the gambling marts be sold.

In monotonies they chant their inmost heart's desire, In harsh cold words, words like their hearts of stone, What care they for the fighting men, those drenched in liquid fire? They never see the mangled fall, nor hear the dying groan.

Then let the cannons roar, as they never did before, Until the very earth rocks like a storm tossed at sea, For every shell that's fired means orders for some more, And every gun that's wrecked means gun contracts to be.

And what the all the best, of the best our race can show, Be abased to merely murder, and our choicest be the slain? There is money in the contracts. How the golden profits grow! Until yellow glow the corpses, like gold statues on the plain.

Blood, aye, blood-ennmeshed are their guilty hearts and hands, And they stand forever cursed for the lives which they have sold, For everything they touch is bound fast in blood-red bands, As in ancient times at Midas' touch all turned to gloaming gold.

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hilarity, he reeled over and was no placency of the horny handed sons of more. And so he passed to the Great toil, who from now till election day beyond, a victim of laughteritis, will be acclaimed the bone and sinew superinduced by the egregious com- of the land.

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1905	28,470	1,962,960.82	587,740.96
1910	37,743	3,236,004.12	1,087,845.77
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Table with columns for National Dues, Receipts, and Disbursements. Includes sub-sections for National Dues, Receipts, Disbursements, and Balance.

EXECUTIVE DEPT.

WALTER LANFERSIEK, Secretary. National Executive Committee. JAMES H. MAURER, 1325 N. 11th St., Reading, Pa.

Letters from "American Socialist" Readers

URGES "BOOSTER."—The present policy of publishing both official bulletins and propaganda for outsiders in the American Socialist evidently does not give satisfaction.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS. Proposed National Referendum. By Local Minnie, Malcom, Minn. WHEREAS, The proposed National Referendum has caused considerable annoyance and dissatisfaction within the Party...

NATIONAL COMMITTEE BUSINESS. To the National Committee. Dear Comrades—I submit for your consideration the following resolution...

SHALL PARTY COMMITTEES CONTROL REFERENDUMS? Every member of the Socialist Party should know of the methods that are being used to control the referendum for the election of National Secretary and members of the Executive Committee...

TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE. Dear Comrades—I report as follows: That in the event that Motion No. 4, "That in the event of the National Convention for 1916 being abolished, the National Committee shall meet at such place as the Executive Committee may determine..."

SECOND THE MOTION.—At our regular weekly meeting, Fort Lauderdale Local, Fla., unanimously adopted a second to the suggestion or motion which appeared in The American Socialist in which the party desires to separate our financial statements from the official publication...

SILLY RUMOR ASLEEP.—Because a few personalities have been printed in this paper, the cry has arisen that a separate organ is issued dealing with official business only. If that method is followed the very ones that should head it will not, that will be read by so few that we will again be wasting the silly rumor...

RESOLUTION OF STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD. The Socialist Party of California. WHEREAS, The Socialist Party of California does not have, nor has it ever had, either directly or indirectly any connection with Liano Colony...

COMMENT ON PENDING MOTIONS. On Motion No. 10 by Hillquit. To reconsider the vote of the National Committee by which the Sub-committee on State Constitution was constituted the "Unity Conference Committee" and that the National Committee proceed to the nomination and election of a Unity Conference Committee of five in the usual manner.

EXECUTIVE COM. CORRESPONDENCE. To the Executive Committee. Dear Comrades—I submit for your committee the following: Executive Committee Motion "H" By Germer.

LECTION OF PARTY OFFICIALS. MASSACHUSETTS.—National Committee.—James W. Sullivan, Secretary, Boston, Mass. GEORGE E. ROEGER, Jr. (Re-elected).

LECTION OF PARTY OFFICIALS. NORTH CAROLINA.—J. L. Fitts of Asheville has been elected State Secretary and National Committeeman.

LECTION OF PARTY OFFICIALS. RHODE ISLAND.—Robert Hunt, Box 879, Providence, has been elected State Secretary.



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This law as effectively disfranchises the working-class of Russianized W. Va., as the laws of the South disfranchised the Negro voters.

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We also recommend that the Socialist voters in the meantime refuse to recognize this law or take any part in the primaries before testing its constitutionality.

The Socialist Press of this country can be of great help to us in giving this damnable stab at the political freedom of the workers, the publicity it so richly deserves. Workers of West Virginia! Unite!—JOHN F. HIGGINS, Party Press Committee of State Executive Committee, S. P. of W. Va.

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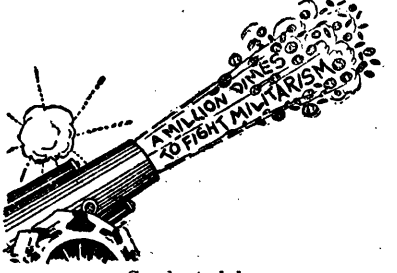
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By Ryan Walker



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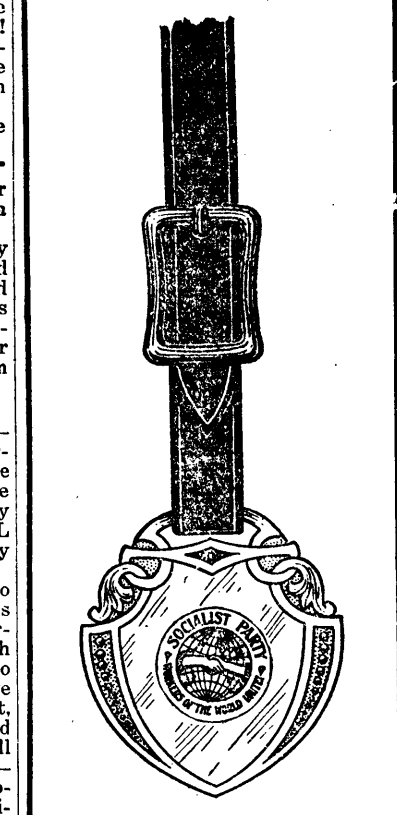
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WILSON, ROOSEVELT AND THE OTHER BANDITS.

ALL THE world is torn by the ruthless work of the Military bandits. But not an army could move nor a shell be thrown, no submarine undertake its ghastly work unless provided and supported by the Commercial Bandits.

During the 20 months of European butchery, and the five years of Mexican disorder, America has been congratulating herself on having no share in the war.

So far as providing any considerable share of fighting men, this is quite correct, but if the military bandit has not been active in the United States, the Commercial Bandit of this country has made a record of cold-blooded business enterprise based on the crimes of others never before equalled anywhere.

Mr. Wilson is quite correct in his assumption that American business men are responsible for the trouble in Mexico. Mr. Roosevelt is quite excited over this truthful assertion, and demands to know what Americans inspired the special acts of lawlessness along the Mexican border, or the incidental murder of many Americans in the midst of the scenes of universal slaughter during the many months of disorder in the interior of Mexico.

If the President could frankly answer without involving the mutual friends of both the President and Mr. Roosevelt, the challenge could be easily accepted. The fact is, that it is impossible to fill a kettle to the brim and keep it boiling without its boiling over at the margin and without scalding things found in the interior.

To answer the question as to the responsibility for the scalding within and the boiling over at the border involves the question of responsibility for the boiling in the first place.

MR. ROOSEVELT is deeply moved, if one can judge from the stuff just now coming to the surface. He is outraged because of the activity of the Mexican bandits. He has a record of his own for dealing with bandits, quite as interesting as the record of Mr. Wilson in handling the same subject.

When President of the United States, with clenched fists, glaring teeth, and roaring denunciation Mr. Roosevelt declared that the American Railway Bandits must be put out of business. But, when his term of office was over, it was discovered that more railways had been stolen and that the great monopolies—like the Steel Trust—had been more rapidly extended under his administration, and in many instances with his direct connivance, than during any other like period in our country's history.

MR. ROOSEVELT is quite correct in his assumption that Mr. Wilson's policy concerning Mexico has been vacillating, uncertain and, at one time or another, has shown favors or threatened discipline—first one and then the other—to practically all the bandits in Mexico.

Both Mr. Wilson and Mr. Roosevelt know perfectly well that only a shifting policy in Mexico could keep up with the shifting interests of the American monopolies which, during all the years of Diaz, robbed the United States and who have financed, instigated, and supported anybody in Mexico who could give promise of successfully delivering Mexican resources to these American Gamblers.

The war in Europe is nothing other than a resort to arms in an effort to determine the issues involved in an international commercial controversy. Mexico is nothing other than a resort to arms to determine the issues involved in a commercial quarrel between great private interests with their headquarters in New York City, and with no interests whatever in Mexico except the interests of the plunderer.

A PRESIDENTIAL Election is at hand. The effort is being made by the Industrial Bandits of our country to divert attention from their ruthless work, all of whom are giving attention upon the Military bandits of other countries, by these same Industrial Bandits of our own country.

Wilson will be a candidate for re-election to the Presidency and his probable platform could be summarized in this way: "I too, am just like Roosevelt, only not so bad!"

Reasonable Americans will ask as never before why this policy of Watchful Waiting? Why this giving to the people rhetoric and to the thieves the railways? WHILE THE BANDITS RULE IN ANY CASE!

THE ONLY alternative is to extend Democracy thru the Public Ownership of every unavoidable monopoly and so remove the last remaining private interest which could tempt anyone to misuse the public power of his own country in any effort to plunder other countries.

How best to so use one's citizenship as to accomplish that result is the real problem before the voters of this country.

mind, your league can soon work out its plans to suit itself. The work, if carried out properly will mean a big boost for the league.

HIT STANDARD OIL. WASHINGTON. Government-produced gasoline for the United States Navy is another radical proposition now before Congress for its reactionary rejection.

There is nothing chimerical in this scheme. It has been worked out for the Navy Department by hard-headed business men and they say that it can be done. The Navy, it appears, owns several hundred acres of petroleum lands. This petroleum it is proposed to refine for use under the boilers of the Navy's ships. Now when crude oil is refined there are valuable by-products, and Secretary Joseph Daniels himself is authority for saying that to refine crude oil and obtain gasoline from it as a by-product would cost practically what would be paid for crude oil itself. In addition to gasoline the Navy would get 2,000,000 barrels of kerosene, more than enough to supply all the needs of the Navy, the Lighthouse Service, and other large Government users of kerosene oil.

There is the gentle way in which Daniels explained to a committee of Congress his reasons for this radical undertaking: "Manufacturing competition with the citizens of the Government is not an advisable undertaking except in those cases, luckily few, where the manufacture is in the hands of a very few people who can be proved to have taken advantage of the Government's necessities to extort from it prices for things it uses so greatly in excess

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