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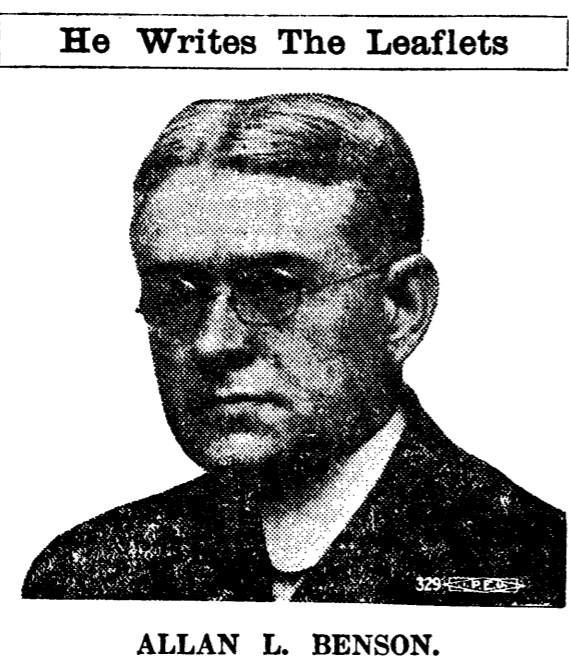
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OUR TICKET THIS YEAR
For President
ALLAN L. BENSON
For Vice-President
GEORGE R. KIRKPATRICK

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THIS IS LEAFLET NO. 5.
By ALLAN L. BENSON.
Socialist Candidate For President.
WHISKY is bad for the body, but is it any worse for the body than bullets? Is it any worse for the body than slow starvation?
I ask these questions to make the American people think. Have you noticed that the Associated Press is sending broadcast thruout the United States almost daily reports of the campaign of the Prohibition candidate for the presidency, Mr. Hanly?
Do you know that the Associated Press has not, up to the moment of writing this leaflet, devoted one word to the campaign I am making upon behalf of the Socialist Party?
I do not object to all the publicity that Mr. Hanly and his party are getting. Mr. Hanly and his party are part of the news of the day, and the Associated Press, as an organization for the dissemination of news, is in duty bound to the public to give them just consideration.



ALLAN L. BENSON.

He Writes The Leaflets

this leaflet the news that the plutocratic interests of this country do not want you to know.
DO YOU know that the military appropriations of this government for the present year are far and away greater than were ever before made by any government in time of peace?
Do you know that our appropriations this year are far and away greater than were the appropriations of any of the nations now at war during the last year of peace when they were pulling themselves together for this awful war?
Do you know that these appropriations are made only to build up gigantic military establishments with which to prevent European nations, after the war, from regaining the foreign trade that they lost to American capitalists as a result of the war?
Do you know that foreign trade has so little power to enrich the worker that England's unparalleled bulk of foreign trade has not prevented the English working class from becoming miserably poor?
Do you realize that the nations of Europe

will combine, if necessary, to whip the United States and recover Europe's lost foreign trade?
Do you realize that if the nations of Europe combine against us they will excel us in men, money and materials and will undoubtedly conquer us?
Do you care to be taxed in peace (in the form of higher living costs) and perhaps killed in war to enable the great capitalists of America to hold their foreign trade?
Do you realize that American capitalists have already provided that you shall be drafted if they need you to fight for them?
IF YOU do not know this, send to the government printing office in Washington for a copy of the law that is commonly known as the Hay-Chamberlain Army Reorganization Law, and in Section 79 of this law, which was signed by President Wilson on June 3 of the present year, you will see that the power to draft has been given to the President.

DO YOU know that when this bill first passed the House, the word "draft" was not in it—that the word used was "call"?
Do you know that "call" was cut out and "draft" substituted in a committee of seven, one of whom was Senator Du Pont, a little powder peddler from Delaware?
Do you know that the man who changed "call" to "draft" has not yet revealed his identity, and that many members of Congress who voted for the bill on its final passage afterward said that they did not know the change had been made?
Do you know that the great capitalists have already forced the draft, together with military "education" of children in the public schools—do you know that these evils have already been forced upon the people of New York, by its legislature, acting in the dark and without warning to the public, and that it is the intention of the great capitalists to force identical action in other legislatures?
EACH AND every statement in this leaflet is true. The Associated Press, represent-

ing as it does, the great capitalist interests of this country, believes that these statements do not rise to the importance of being news.
What do you think about it? Are you more interested in keeping whisky out of your body than you are in keeping lead out of your body? Do you believe the little Prohibition Party is of more importance than the greater and growing Socialist Party?
Do you believe that Mr. Wilson's boasted prosperity, which gives hundreds of millions to Mr. Morgan and a few others, but leaves you working hard to get enough money to pay constantly increasing living costs—do you believe that such prosperity amounts to much to you?
Study the military appropriation figures at the bottom of this page. They are official figures. Every one of them is a bayonet pointing toward war.
The Socialist Party is the only party in America that opposes these appropriations. It is the only party in America that cannot get a square deal from the American press.

We are as sure as men can be that we shall poll at least 2,000,000 votes this fall. We may get a great many more. If the size of my meetings be any indication, we shall get a great many more. The greater our vote, the more impressive will be the warning to the great capitalists of America that they will proceed with their militarism at their peril.
These gentlemen know what a great So-

CANDIDATES AROUSE NATION
Allan L. Benson, Socialist candidate for president, and George R. Kirkpatrick, Socialist candidate for vice-president, are arousing the working class voters of the nation at monster mass meetings now being held every day. Their dates for the next few days are as follows:
BENSON DATES.
Sept. 23, Rochester, N. Y.; 24, New York City; 25, Providence, R. I.; 26, Manchester, N. H.; 27, Boston, Mass.; 28, Philadelphia, Pa.; 29, Brooklyn, N. Y.; 30, Syracuse, N. Y.; Oct. 1, Detroit, Mich.; 2, Cincinnati, Ohio; 3, En route; 4, Denver, Colo.; 5, En route; 6, En route.
KIRKPATRICK DATES.
Sept. 23, Boston, Mass.; 24, New York City; 25, Evergreen, L. I.; 26, Jersey City, N. J.; 27, Schenectady, N. Y.; 28, New Bedford, Mass.; 29, Brooklyn, N. Y.; 30, Newark, N. J.; Oct. 1, Elizabeth, N. J.; 2:30 P. M.; 1, Brooklyn, N. Y.; 8:00 P. M.; 23rd Assembly Dist.; 2, Lynn, Mass.; 3, Jamestown, N. Y.; 4, South Bend, Ind.; 5, Davenport, Iowa; 6, Omaha, Nebr.

cialist vote means. It is the only kind of vote they fear.
PUT FEAR INTO THEM WITH YOUR BALLOT THIS YEAR! YOUR SAFETY AND YOUR COUNTRY'S SAFETY REQUIRE THAT A HALT SHALL BE CALLED UPON THE FURTHER PURSUIT OF THE POLICY THAT WRECKED EUROPE.
Army and Navy Appropriations Of The Chief Belligerent Nations For The Year Preceding The War.

	Army	Navy	Total
Great Britain.....	\$224,300,000	\$237,530,459	\$461,830,459
Germany	183,090,000	112,091,125	295,181,125
France	191,431,580	90,164,625	281,596,205
Russia	317,800,000	117,508,657	435,308,657
Austro-Hungary	82,300,000	42,000,000	124,300,000
Italy	82,928,000	49,550,147	132,478,147
Japan	49,000,000	48,105,152	97,105,152
THE WILSON MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1917			
United States	\$349,092,123*	\$313,384,389	\$662,476,512
*This includes \$25,747,550 for fortifications, \$20,000,000 for a nitrate plant, \$34,523,000 for deficiency and \$1,225,043 for the Military academy.			

Now For The Big Drive! Make It 5,000,000 A Week!

THE HOUR has come for the supreme effort of this campaign.
The hour has come for the hosts of socialists in the trenches to leap forward with a mighty rush and a triumphant shout for the final big drive.
It's now or never so far as this campaign is concerned.
Five weeks of the campaign are gone. But there are still five weeks left. You can help to make them big with results if you will.
OUR PROPOSITION.
HERE'S our proposition:—
Make the last five weeks of the campaign the big, consolidated determined drive, the supreme effort; and use the Benson leaflets as the ammunition. We will have our speakers, hundreds of them, tearing loose at the enemy in every section of the country. They

will do great service. But did you ever think that a speaker's voice reached only to the wall of the meeting place. The millions are beyond the wall. We want to reach the millions. With speaking it is as the one spoke into a telephone that was cut off just outside the wall. We want to connect up with everybody, everywhere.
REACH THE MILLIONS.
WE WANT to reach the millions. How can we do that?
Only one way—LITERATURE.—Benson leaflets.
That solves the problem.
We have the leaflets, millions of them, and we can make millions more. The people will read them if they get them. Those leaflets are the kind that people cannot help but read. If you see one,—you read it. You just have to.

PEOPLE WILL READ.
THE PEOPLE will read them if they get them. And if they read them they are very likely to vote the Socialist ticket.
We have the leaflets. The people will read them, but somebody has got to get them to the people.
Who is going to get them to the people? The members of the Socialist Party and its friends of course.
It is a great opportunity. It is the most telling blow that has ever been aimed at capitalism in the history of this nation.
TWO THOUSAND AT WORK.
MORE THAN 2000 locals and individuals have joined in this effort and are getting these leaflets and exploding them in the enemy's camp every week.
But there are at least 5000 locals, some of

them the largest and the most important in the country that have not ordered or distributed a single Benson leaflet. Some of these locals are as dead as a door nail so far as this mighty effort is concerned.
They are asleep at the switch in the greatest crisis the party has ever found.
ONE MORE CHANCE.
HAS your local ordered the Benson leaflets?
Are you and the comrades in your district distributing them?
Or are you one of the dead ones?
If you are not getting the Benson leaflets there is one more chance.
One more precious opportunity.
Go to your branch meeting, get the floor and wake the comrades up, before it is too late.
Make a motion to have your local order a

supply of the Benson leaflets and see that a squad of distributors is organized.
GET LEAFLET NO. 6.
EVERY local of the Socialist Party in America ought to be in line for this final mighty effort, this last five weeks drive.
If you place your order right away you may be in time to get Benson leaflet No. 6 thus giving you a chance at the last five leaflets.
No. 6 will be printed and shipped out so as to reach the locals for distribution on Oct. 8. But all orders must be in on or before Sept. 27.
Rush in your orders. These leaflets are 50 cents per thousand. Send orders to National Office, Socialist Party, 803 West Madison St., Chicago.
Let us make it five million a week.

Outlook In Milwaukee
By RALPH KORNGOLD.
"We are going to elect our whole county ticket, send at least 12 Socialists to the state legislature and have a good chance to send two Socialists to congress."
This is the way Oscar Ameringer, county organizer of the Socialist Party of Milwaukee County, summed up the situation in Milwaukee.
Ameringer had just returned from a vacation in northern Wisconsin to take up his work in the local campaign. The Milwaukee Socialists have taken hold of the campaign with characteristic vigor.
A four-page campaign paper, "The Coming Nation", is being sent to 4,000 farmers in the two congressional districts which the Socialists are hotly contesting, and where they expect to be victorious. Meyer London, the Socialist congressman, and a host of other speakers will participate in the campaign. The message of Socialism will be carried into every precinct and preached at every factory gate. The campaign will close with a tremendous rally at which Allan L. Benson, our candidate for president, will be the principal speaker.

"What is the exact situation in Berger's district?" I asked Ameringer.
Fight Berger's Election.
"The capitalist forces are trying to do everything to defeat Berger," was the reply. "Stafford, the republican, is Berger's principal opponent. The democrats have nominated a 'dummy', who, they know cannot hold the democratic vote, with the evident purpose of swelling Stafford's vote. The fact that Berger, being true to his Socialist principles, has refused to cater to the violent pro-Germans, will no doubt cost him some of the German vote, which does not yet realize that Socialism and nothing else is the issue. But they will find it hard to defeat Berger, nevertheless."
"How about Gaylord?"
"The chances in Gaylord's district are if anything better than in Berger's. While I do not like to act as a prophet, I believe the boys are confident of electing him."
Just Getting Under Way.
The Milwaukee campaign is just getting under way. In a couple of weeks the house-to-house distribution of Socialist leaflets will begin and the noon-day factory meetings and

hall meetings will be in full swing. In the meantime the Socialist daily, "The Milwaukee Leader", is getting ready to unmask its heavy batteries and assail the enemy.
Nowhere in the United States, it appears to me, have the Socialists a better chance of realizing their ambitions, and nowhere are they better equipped for the battle.
You cannot understand capitalism without a study of Socialism.
The Chinese revere the dead. We merely worship dead ideas and dead ways.
There are no great men. Some appear to be great because they are standing on the shoulders of others.
The user of the tool is the loser of wealth so long as the tool belongs to someone else.
Life is a game of leap frog, with the worker bending his back for the capitalist to vault over.
The capitalists have precipitated direct action with the gun and battle ship. The workers should practice it with the ballot.

Own Your Job
By J. MAHLON BARNES.
The men who own the industries of the nation own the jobs of the nation. Advertising circulars issued by the Army and Navy Departments tell you what mean, poor, miserable and abused creatures you workers are under capitalism.
To get you to enlist, they offer you \$4 a week and clothes and food and medicine and a doctor. They paint a glowing picture of a near Heaven in their service as compared to an actual Hell in private employment. As to the latter, they make out a clear case. You see they know and you should know, and then cast your ballot to own your job.
The Capitalists know their easy graft is due to owning your job. That is the reason they so bitterly fight socialism.
Public Health Bulletin No. 76, issued by the United States Treasury Department, March 1916, page 20, says:
"Between 1900 and 1913, the average increase in the retail prices of foods was about 60 per cent. During the same period

wage rates increased less than 30 per cent."
This relates to food only, taking no account of oil, coal and other necessities. Kindly remember these figures were for a period before the world war began. Here arises a much mooted and knotty question.
Meyer London, Socialist Congressman, introduced a bill for "Social Insurance." At a recent committee hearing some very wise and conservative men came to oppose it and seriously contended that increased wages had substantially kept pace with the increased cost of living.
Again from Bulletin No. 76, page 36—"Unless a family of the average size has an annual income of \$800 (\$15 a week) or more, it cannot maintain a healthful standard. For women wage workers \$8.00 to \$9.00 a week (\$42 a year) has been agreed upon."
Same document, page 35—"In the principal industries fully one-fourth of the adult male workers, who are heads of families, earned less than \$400.00 a year, one-half earned less than \$600.00 and four fifths earned less than \$800.00. Approximately one-fourth of the women workers 18 years of age and over employed in the principal industries, earned less than

\$200.00 a year and two-thirds earned less than \$400.00."
There you are, men of labor,—government figures say, one out of four of you get less than half a living, one out of two get less than three-fourths of a decent living and four out of five of you are below the life line of a "healthful standard."
And to you, sister worker, they say;—one out of four of you get less than half a living, and two out of three of you are below the life line of a healthful standard."
Such are the sorry facts, and makes for the worker one vital political issue, that is to own his job.
The idlers do not count. The real nation is composed of those who work and yet exist below the life line.
For perpetual peace, for freedom, for unending prosperity, for the very lives of the useful people the nation should own the industries and the worker his job.
This can be accomplished in Washington, D. C. by Socialist officials carrying out the will of the working class.
Socialists sometimes lose, but Socialism never loses.

OPPRESSION AT WORK.
Ever since the beginning of the war The American Socialist has each week received its copy of The Labor Leader, the militant organ of the anti-war Independent Labor Party in Great Britain. This week, however, we have received a letter as follows:
"We desire to inform you that in consequence of communications we have received from the war office, in which they inform us that it is not considered advisable to allow us to sent copies of the 'Labor Leader' abroad, we cannot therefore supply you with the paper in accordance with the terms of your subscription, and we write you in order to save any unnecessary correspondence in consequence of your not receiving the paper."
Thus has another crime been committed by the militarists against a free press and free speech.
It is a rip-roaring campaign. And the Benson leaflets are the big feature.
Has your local ordered any of them? Are you distributing them?
If not—why not?

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Campaign Opens To Keep Meyer London in Congress

The campaign for the re-election of Meyer London as Socialist representative in the United States Congress from the Twelfth New York District was opened in earnest with three school hall mass meetings at which the Socialist congressman made a report on his work in congress. Fourteen thousand invitations were sent out by Congressman London for these meetings.

Alone in Congress, London was unable to get the representatives of the capitalist parties to become seriously interested in the Socialist Party program, but he made them sit up and take notice of the great labor movement and he parted from them to meet them again in December with the greatest respect given the Socialist and his ideals.

Evil of Militarism. London declares the event of greatest importance in the last Congress was the adoption of an aggressive naval policy and the increase of the army, and he has warned the Socialists of the nation and other radicals who oppose militarism to begin work at once to educate the voters to the folly of great navies and armies.

"It will require the most intelligent propaganda of the part of those who realized the danger to check the move for a greater army and navy before it has overwhelmed the entire people and become a permanent policy. The advocates of a greater navy say we should have a navy second in size. The step from the second navy to a first is a short one. When they talk about a second they mean a first.

"Patriotism and the talk of patriotism is the cheapest thing in the world. When Congress sent at least 150 men, most of them Democrats and the rest of them Republicans from agricultural districts, looked on the preparedness campaign as an artificially manufactured hysteria. They probably would have voted against an inordinate increase in the army and navy if the question had come up at the beginning of the session.

President Intimidated. "As soon as the press had succeeded in intimidating the President—and I have a poll of the papers last May that shows that only 20 out of 2,000 had the courage to protest against the military policy of the administration at that time—the whole opposition collapsed. The President was intimidated. The Democrats in the House, who had been pinning their hope for success on the President, followed suit, with the result that the people now will pay for the army and navy more than for the entire expense for the maintenance of the Federal government.

"To use a military phrase, our business now is to use a flank attack on this movement, because a frontal attack is not possible. The Socialists should undertake an educational campaign that will explain the causes of wars, the growth and decay of nations, the present commercial conflict, the policy of colonial acquisition, the influence of tariff on war and the influence of war on tariffs. Just as Butler's History of Religions developed religious tolerance, so we must create a literature that will bring national tolerance.

Socialists to Congress. "The next thing is to send to Congress a Socialist delegation sufficient in large to influence the course of events in the House.

"A consistent campaign of pressure should be undertaken to terminate the war on the basis of gradual disarmament, for no plan without disarmament will ever prevent war. Nations will disagree as men disagree. Two angry men will fight with revolvers if they have revolvers in their hands at the time of the quarrel."

The "Communism of Pelf," as President Grover Cleveland called the Republican capitalists and their legislators in Congress, went out when the Democrats came in, says London. In the place of the plunderers came representatives of the middle class.

Democrats Bourgeois Party. "The Democratic party made an effort to legislate for the middle class," said London. "The warehouse bill, the grain grading bill and the good roads bill were all calculated for middle class interests. There was not so much hostility of Democrats to labor as there was ignorance of labor's progress. They believed the little things they accomplished for labor to be wonderful for the labor movement. They thought that when they declared in the Clayton act that labor is not a commodity they had contributed much toward labor's and the world's progress."

"They don't understand labor and the policy of the labor movement who do not believe in Socialism has been characterized by timidity. They try to get favors thru the back door instead of standing with clenched fists and demanding their rights as men."

London said the eight-hour day law passed by Congress to avert the threatened general strike by the four transportation brotherhoods "is important historically."

The Eight-Hour Law. "It is not an eight-hour law because it does not limit the hours of work to eight," he said. "The men can be worked sixteen hours under this law, as they are today. But this is not entirely the fault of Congress. The demand came from the brotherhoods, did not involve a prohibition on more than eight hours. It involved a change in the basis of pay which the leaders hope may bring about an eight-hour day. When the leaders yielded the punitive time and a half wage for overtime they yielded the greater part of the eight-hour demand."

"The passage of the bill is a great thing for the labor movement for two reasons. First, it taught Congress a lesson that there is a labor movement which does not understand it created a new and big issue with which only Socialists can deal—the issue of government ownership of railroads and compulsory arbitration."

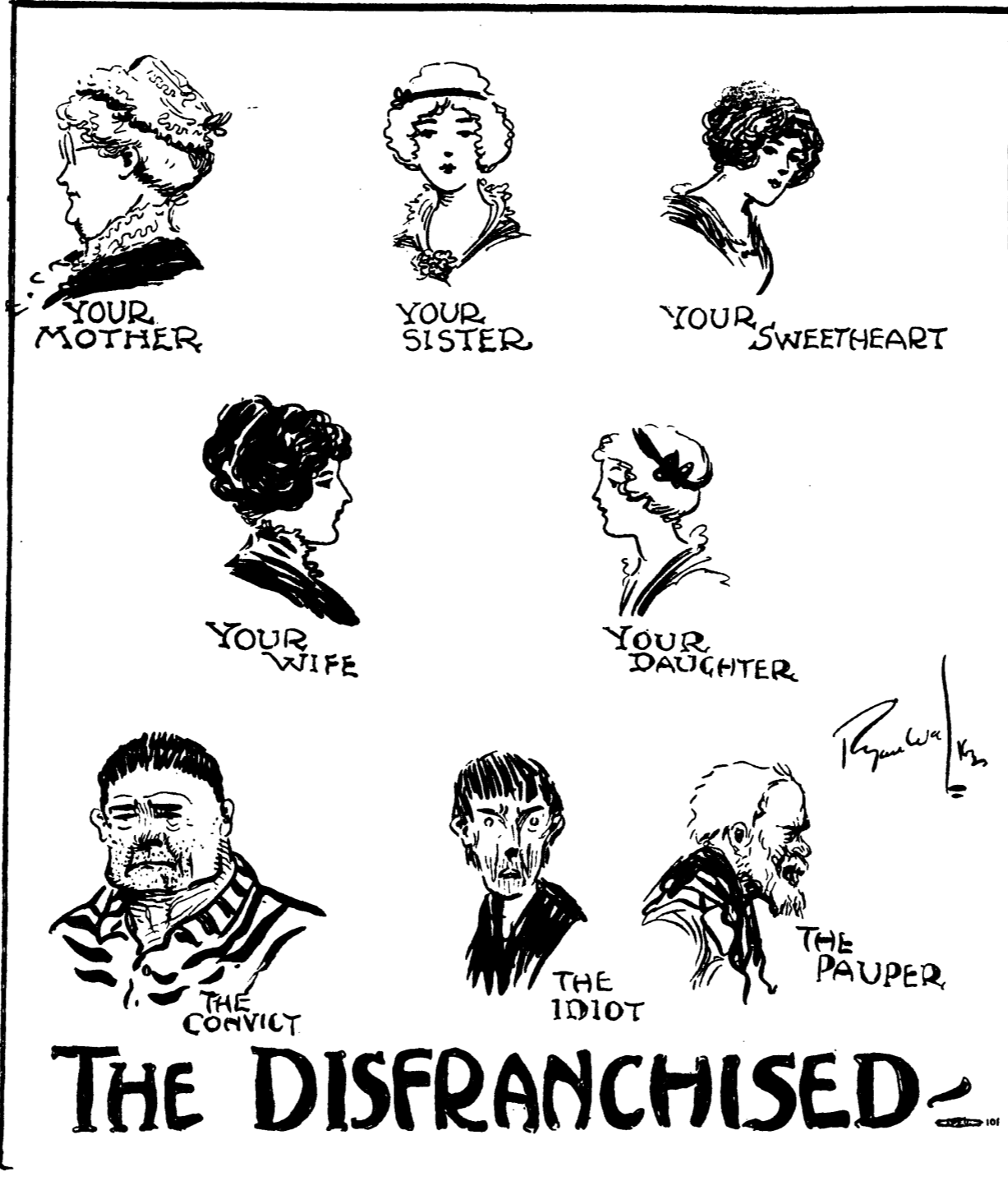
"I demand a showdown before election whether or not the Democrats are for or against compulsory arbitration. The Republicans have made no definite stand, but they appear to favor it. To compel men to sit quietly while there is an investigation and the employers are gathering strike-breakers is the same as compulsory arbitration, and that appears to be what Hughes wants."

"Another important thing is that, while this is not an eight-hour law, thousands of Democratic and Republican politicians are taking pride in giving an eight-hour day to labor. This is paving the way for recognition of eight hours as the standard day and the recognition of the power of Congress to legislate in the matter of hours of work.

Every Socialist Woman A Campaigner

Women! Are you willing to speak each week thru the Benson leaflets, to ten or twenty-five persons in your neighborhood? If so, advise Bertha Hale Brown, care of the Socialist Party, 803 W. Madison St., Chicago, how many leaflets you will place carefully each week and these leaflets will be sent you free of charge. The Socialist Party National Executive Committee has appropriated out of the Woman's fund, \$250 to pay for literature for the use of women who will do the work of distribution. Let your orders come. Already two millions of the Benson leaflets are going weekly into the hands of American readers.

Women, come forward! Make October the banner month in the history of the American Socialist Party. The big work of Socialist education never has been done and never can be done by speakers. The distributors are the true campaigners. Get into line! Theresa Malkiel, Anna A. Maley, Bertha Hale Brown, Socialist Suffrage National Campaign Committee.



THE SOCIALIST Party stands for the universal ballot. In its struggle to secure the suffrage for women it does not lose sight of the fact that millions of men are now disfranchised; that all the powers of the plutocracy are directed toward robbing the worker of his right to vote. This is done in many and devious ways. One of most hard fought battles ever waged in this nation was the recent struggle in Oklahoma against the democratic disfranchising schemes to rob thousands of the right to vote. As a direct result of the efforts put forth by the Socialists this plot was exposed and defeated. In its platform this year the Socialist Party, under the heading "Political Demands", declares for the following:

Unrestricted and equal suffrage for men and women. The immediate adoption of the so-called "Susan B. Anthony Amendment" to the constitution of the United States, granting the suffrage to women on equal terms with men. The granting of the right of suffrage in the District of Columbia with representation in Congress and a democratic form of municipal government for purely local affairs. The Socialist Party is the only party waging an unceasing and consistent campaign for the rights of "The Disfranchised".

Women, a World to Win!

Active campaigns for woman suffrage are being waged by the Socialist Party in South Dakota and West Virginia, the two states where the question goes to a referendum this fall. Several women speakers have been sent into both of these states and are now carrying on an active campaign. Six leaflets, with a total circulation of one million, have been published by the national organization for distribution. These are "Votes for Women", by Mary Beard and Florence Kelley; "Motherhood and Suffrage", by Eugene V. Debs; "Women and War", by Meta Stern Lilienthal; "A Working Woman to Working Men", "You Women Who Vote" and "Women a World to Win!", all three by Anna Agnes Maley. The last of these is republished here as follows:

BY ANNA AGNES MALEY. IN THE summer of 1913, the ice workers in Cincinnati went on strike. For many days the city was without ice. The people suffered. The death rate mounted. At last the mayor ordered the board of health to seize and operate the ice plants. He assured the timid board that if necessary, every policeman in the city would be sent to enforce the order. Until the strike was settled, the city of Cincinnati was in the ice business. It proved that it could do the work efficiently. A private company had endangered the health of the city. Is there any good reason why Cincinnati should not have served notice on the company that thereafter the city would handle its own ice—any good reason why every city, every state, every nation should not engage in all lines of business that affect the common life?

The Socialist Party urges all working men and women to go first into the business of politics—to gain political power and to use that power to put themselves into the business of producing their own food, clothing and shelter. It urges all women to win the ballot that they may for their own protection go into politics in good earnest.

VOTERS make up political parties. Political parties elect governments. Governments make laws. Laws control life, and life for most of the people is labor. Today's law permits one man to own a shoe factory which is operated by hundreds of workers, just as the law of fifty years ago permitted him to own an awl and a needle which were used by himself. Now the man who owns a shoe factory owns all of the shoes made by his workers. He pays the workers, in the form of wages, a very small part of the value of the shoes they produce. The bulk of the product goes to him because he owns the factory. Of course, the workers could wear more shoes than they do, but their wages will not buy them. Armies and navies must be supported to conquer and hold foreign markets, in day and the recognition of the power of Congress to legislate in the matter of hours of work.

which are sold a part of the goods that our home workers are too poor to buy. European governments, obedient to greedy capitalists who want wider markets, have put most of the strong men of Europe into the business of killing. They have seized factories and railroads and whatever else is necessary for the common people who want fuller life, could put all able men and women into the business of producing the things that are necessary to abundant life for all. They could seize factories and railroads and whatever else might be necessary to the business of living.

WE MAY learn something of what is possible by examining a bakery which was run upon a co-operative plan in Vienna before this wretched war began. The building, which was owned by the workers in the bakery, was well lighted and ventilated and was kept clean and wholesome. There were bathrooms, laundries and reading rooms for the use of the workers. Only the most improved machinery was in use there. After all necessary expenses had been paid, the profits were divided among the workers. There was no idle power who collected from the workers most of the product of their toil. The workers were themselves the owners. They paid men for doing things—not for owning things. In such an enterprise each worker may be paid according to services rendered. Where there is no idler to clobber up most of the product, there is a comfortable living for all the useful workers.

Do not forget the schools were once run for profits and only by private owners. Now the public in the business of educating the young. You complain that your child cannot go to school—that he must go to the factory. That is not because we have public schools—it is because we have not public factories. Your poverty is due, not to the fact that there is some measure of socialism in the school and the post-office but to the fact that there is no socialism in the mill and the factory. The school door stands open to receive your boy. The hand of want pushes him into the factory.

PAY NO heed to those who claim that socialism would permit you to own nothing. The socialist program demands that each for himself shall have opportunity to own a home, clothing, food and all that is necessary for his personal happiness. It demands that the people together shall own mills, mines and factories—the sources of food, clothing and shelter. It has been well said—"Socialism holds that all should own some property—not that some should own all property."

The world for the people—this is the goal of socialism. The ballot is the weapon with which we must win that goal. Fight for the ballot. You have a world to gain. Those of you who won't hear him on his great tour can get his heavy artillery, his shrapnel and his machine-gun stuff in

Campaign Crackles

By CRACKY. THE SOCIALIST Punch Cards seem to have had the punch. Punch cards, looking like a meal ticket whose owner has been broke for a month, are still coming in from all over the country.

Comrade Helen Keller can neither see, hear nor speak, they say. However, she can see the need for campaign funds, hear the call for financial assistance, and her money speaks loudly her enthusiasm for the cause. Her contribution of \$100 for the campaign fund was received at the National Office last week.

Not to be outdone, Comrade Morris Hillquit sent in his check for the same amount. Whether that amount represents his daily wage, or not, we cannot say, but Comrade Rufus Weeks gave \$50 to the "one day wage fund."

Judging from the "one day wage fund" contribution, some comrades work for 25 cents a day. If they do, their contribution means more than a day's wage from a \$5 a day man, so we appreciate it just as much.

The "one day wage fund" idea is a popular one. Instead of giving the usual bazaar, a Chicago Catholic Church is levying on each member, a compulsory assessment of one day's wage. Must be the workers were not liberal enough purchasers of raffle tickets and dance numbers under the old scheme of extortion.

A Comrade from Columbus University writes:—"I have never voted, except for a socialist, because I never voted at all until I saw the big issue in politics. I could get up no enthusiasm as to whether to vote for Tweedledum or Tweedledee." His enthusiasm to break the heads of both Tweedledum and Tweedledee is evidenced by a generous contribution. That is the secret of socialist success—socialists are enthusiastic about socialism. Otherwise they are not socialists. What is the measure of your enthusiasm?

South Slavic Socialist Organization, No. 30, Brecky Hill (Mulberry), Kans., sends in seven contributions, averaging \$3.43 a piece, a total of \$25, all returned on two punch cards. The young folks help, too. The Syracuse, N. Y., Y. P. S. L., turned in a bunch of 25 and 50 cent gifts. Not large gifts, but they count up when everybody pays.

Every concession has a come-back. Congress passed the 8-hour law for railroad employes. Now the roads demand that the increase in the rate make the workers "pay the cashier." It was ever thus—and always will be until the people control congress the year around instead of for a little while before election.

"I'll not vote for any bill with a pistol at my head," bawled a congressman when the 8-hour law was being debated. What a government! Some day congress will legislate for the people without the necessity of "pointing a pistol at the head." Socialists know what they are voting for. Most of their opponents do not. There is a lot of encouragement in that.

Mr. Wage Worker, are you \$410 richer than you were two years ago? And is your family, if you have a wife and three children, \$2,050 better off than in 1914? No? Then there must be something wrong, for the national wealth, we are told in Democratic campaign advertisements, has increased \$410 per capita in the short space of two years. Yes, something is wrong! Just another proof that our recent prosperity is top-heavy. If every voter did something with his head besides taking it to the barber's every so often, the Democrats would get about one per cent of the votes in November—the votes of the capitalists whom they let gob onto the \$410 per capita wealth increase. One guess as to who would get the rest of the votes.

Orders for Benson leaflets No. 1 and No. 2 cannot be supplied. Get your order in at once or you will miss more than the first two. Omaha Local sends in its campaign contribution of \$25 in a lump.

As an evidence of sacrifice, note this from an Aberdeen, Wash., comrade's letter:—"I sent \$1 about a month ago (to the Debs fund), also \$1 to the Olinger fund at Everett, Wash., and \$2.25 to the Ferguson fund of this, the Third District of Washington, and now I am repeating the operation after being out and earning."

Another worker asks the National Office for some "literature that shows up the capitalist system from a biblical standpoint." He wants to send it to some "half baked preachers that cannot see the truth." We suggest that he give the preachers the New Testament and tell them to read it. See what they can find in it, instead of reading out of it what they have been told is in it.

TWO MILLION!—LET'S MAKE IT FIVE MILLION! Two million (2,000,000) Benson leaflets are ordered of No. five for distribution on Oct. 1. That is big—but we want to see it bigger. We want to make it five million a week.

Will you help? Will you get your local to do its part? Get your order in for the last five leaflets.

WHAT DO WE STAND FOR? Can you answer all questions as to what planks form the 1916 Socialist platform? Get copies in handy form from the National Office.

AMERICAN SOCIALIST

Official Organ of the Socialist Party of the United States. J. L. ENGBAHL, Editor. Published every Saturday by the Socialist Party National Office, 803 West Madison St., Chicago, Ill.

Entered as second-class matter, July 21, 1914, at the post-office at Chicago, Ill., under the Act of March 3, 1879. BUNDLE RATES.—Bundle Rates One Year to one Address: 4 copies, \$1.80; 8 copies, \$2.50; 12 copies, \$3.25; 16 copies, \$4.00; 20 copies, \$4.75; 24 copies, \$5.50. Single Copies: 10¢. Rates of Any Issue: 1,000, \$5; 500, \$2.50; 250, \$1.00; 100, 50 cents.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1916.

"ANTI'S" FRIGHTENED. Theresa Malkiel waged such a vigorous campaign for woman suffrage in West Virginia recently, especially at Huntington, that several business men and other anti-suffragists got together and issued a call for the organization of the "anties" with the purpose of defeating the proposed woman suffrage amendment to the state constitution.

These exploiters of womanhood piously declare that granting women the vote "would be a menace to our institutions and the Christian civilization of the country." The appeal issue declares: "Let us get together and awaken the people to the urgent importance of arresting the further progress of this insidious movement." Of course this has resulted in creating more interest than ever in the cause of woman suffrage. State Secretary Edwin Firth, of West Virginia, reports that Comrade Malkiel is addressing record gatherings. Comrades Florence Wattles and Anna Agnes Maley will also be sent into the state soon.

BRAIN FOOD

By MAX SHEROVER. People are fooled whenever they are ruled. He who controls the press also controls the people.

Wall Street says: Let us direct the thoughts of the masses and they will willingly be our slaves. When the slave begins to do his own thinking he ceases to be a slave.

All the world needs to be free is to stop and think. All it needs to make it think is to cease to believe. All it needs to cease to believe is to begin to think.

The ability to reason is man's highest attribute. To refuse to reason is man's greatest weakness. Show me the leader a man follows and I will tell you what he is.

He who thinks not and thinks not that he thinks not is hopeless because he fools no one not even himself. He who thinks that he thinks and thinks not that he thinks not is worse than hopeless because he fools himself.

He who thinks that he thinks and knows that he thinks is a wise man indeed. If leaders are bad their followers are worse.

FREE FORD AUTO TO AGENTS. Here's an opportunity to earn big money—\$6 to \$12 a day, with easy work, all your time or spare time and obtain a Ford automobile free besides. A strict agent from the shoulder business proposition. No visiting or guessing contest. We are a certain number of General Agents to introduce into every home our famous ZANOL Pure Food Products, Non-Alcoholic Food Flavors in tubes, Toilet Preparations, Perfumes and Soaps; 500 other light weight household necessities.

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ATLANTIC BENSON PACIFIC

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Something different from anything else in Socialist propaganda. Joins the written with the pictured words. Written and pictured so that any man or woman who toils MUST get the Socialist message. Pictures by one of the great Labor Cartoonists of the country and text opposite each picture by Charles W. Ervin.

Built up in such a manner that it compels thought and holds the interest from start to finish. Brief, but not a fact vital to the workers, ignored. The Socialist message HUMANIZED. Shows the workers WHAT they've done. HOW they are done. WHY they are done. HOW they could put a stop to the present robber system. Fourteen pages with fourteen phrased and pictured punches.

Read what some of your comrades say about

U

We are hearing many good things about YOU. Here are some of them:

"The booklet YOU strikes me as the cleverest bit of propaganda that has come to my notice for some time. YOU has a story to tell and in plain language, tells it. The illustrations add greatly to its simplicity and logical arrangement, and the cost places it within reach of every worker thruout the land. To the authors I can but say, Well done! Only do not neglect giving us more of a similar kind." (signed) James H. Maurer.

"I have read YOU and am delighted with it. It is one of the best things in Socialist propaganda pamphlets. Plain in language, direct in appeal, and telling in effect. It is attractively gotten up, and the marvel to me is how you can manage to sell it at one cent. I sincerely hope that it will circulate by the millions and that you will issue many more of the same kind." (signed) Morris Hillquit.

"YOU is perhaps the best thing of its kind that has been turned out in this country. I am glad to hear that it is having a big sale—the bigger the better." (signed) Allan L. Benson.

"YOU is a cracker-jack, and so is the penny propaganda idea." (signed) Fred D. Warren.

"U" will make Socialists where YOU personally have failed. Let the workers read "U" and they will join with you to overthrow capitalism and make a free world.

"U" has been published to sell at

1 cent

Workers who can't afford to buy a five or ten or 25 cent book will buy "U" It is within the reach of all.

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All Records Broken

SO FAR, in spite of all handicaps, and in spite of the fact that we were over a month and a half late in starting we have organized and are conducting the greatest campaign the Socialist Party has ever had.

Up to the last accounting we had raised as the campaign fund just about \$1,000 more than had been raised up to the corresponding date in the campaign four years ago. And that was by far the biggest campaign up to that time.

Up to the week ending Sept. 24th, we will have published and put out over the nation five million seven hundred thousand of Benson's leaflets alone besides 180,923 of Ameringer's, "Socialism, What It Is and How to Get It"; thousands of Maurer's, thousands more of Work's and more thousands of the women's leaflets. No less than ten million pieces of Socialist literature of one kind or another have been put out during these first few weeks of the campaign.

All Records Broken. This breaks all records, we believe, for literature distribution for the early part of the campaign.

Plans are under way and the machinery is all organized for a tremendous drive with the Benson leaflets during the last five weeks of the campaign. We will easily reach a total circulation of sixteen millions (16,000,000) of these leaflets alone besides all the rest of the literature.

Besides the literature, at least twenty speakers in addition to the presidential candidates are either already in the field or arrangements are being made for them. Every one of them is smashing away at capitalism every day. Undoubtedly many more will be called into action before the campaign is over.

Besides the speakers and the literature mentioned above we have rushed out in an unprecedentedly short time a campaign hand book of sixty-four pages. Twenty-five thousand of these are printed. That is over twice as many as were printed of the campaign book in 1912 and 1914.

Press Service Issued. Every week from eight to twelve pages of closely type written matter goes out from the National Office in the press service. Every writer of importance in the party has been pressed into action for this service. This press service goes to about two hundred Socialist and labor papers every week.

Over 300,000 Benson leaflets per week have been contributed to the Oklahoma Comrades and \$3,000 and over to the various states and congressional districts.

Nearly 100,000 Benson-Kirkpatrick buttons have been sold, moving picture films, pencil clips, Socialist tape measures and other novelties are going like hot cakes. A new line of campaign pennants—union made—has just been put in, and the Hithograph posters are nearly all gone.

Surely it is a full grown and a record breaking campaign. And the end is not yet! We have just begun!

The Latest from Nevada

By A. GRANT MILLER
Candidate for U. S. Senator.

The campaign is on in Nevada! I am making speeches at every opportunity now, where I can reach points from Reno by automobile. I talked to about 500 people on the street last night without any advertisement, it being the night following the convention of the three parties. The Socialist convention showed great earnestness of purpose and everybody is planning for a victory.

The republican and democratic conventions were marked by bitter fights and today there is a great deal of deep resentment especially among the republicans. It is certain that both of the old parties have named their weakest men. It is certain that I will be elected and it won't even be close.

On Labor Day I had a celebration at Virginia City on the old Comstock Lode, all to myself. All of my meetings have been well attended and very successful. I start out on a trip tomorrow and will soon start on the long swing around the Eastern and Southern part of the state. I bought a big six-cylinder car, and will take local candidates in each county with me; and there will be a pilot car a few days ahead to boost and advertise the meetings, and arrange day meetings along the route.

Our state secretary, Justus E. Taylor, expects to go in the pilot car. Walter Millard and Caroline A. Lowe begin work here soon, and we are very anxious to have another woman speaker.

We are planning the campaign with a view to securing at least 1,000 party members and build the foundation for capturing the state, from governor down, in 1918. It surely can be done!

Old Party Gold Brick Platforms Exposed

By CARL D. THOMPSON

What is the Difference?

Where is the Issue?

Table with 3 columns: SUBJECT, REPUBLICAN, DEMOCRATIC. Rows include Tariff, Preparedness, Woman's Suffrage, Civil Service, Conservation of natural resources, Budget System, Economy, Protection of American Citizens, Neutrality, Mexico, Monroe Doctrine, Rural Credits, Merchant Marine, Rural Free Delivery, Officials in the Territories, Pan-American Republics, Philippines, Business, Monopoly and Trust, Labor (a) In General, (b) Compensation, (c) Vocational Training, (d) Child Labor, (e) Eight Hour Day, (f) Wages, (g) Old Age Pensions, (h) Unemployed.

THIS COMPARISON APPEARS IN THIS YEAR'S CAMPAIGN HANDBOOK.

Big Debs Demonstration

By MAYNARD SHIPLEY.
At a recent meeting of the campaign committee of the Fifth Indiana Congressional District, plans for a big Socialist (or Debs) demonstration parade in Terre Haute were presented and discussed. It was decided to hold the parade on Saturday, Nov. 4, and a committee is to be selected that will prepare a definite plan for carrying out the project. It is expected that this will be the greatest political demonstration ever held in Indiana.

Debs Opens Campaign

Eugene V. Debs opened the campaign in the Fifth Indiana District Saturday, Sept. 16. This issue of The American Socialist went to press too early to get a report of the meetings that were held in Park County at Montezuma, Rockville, Mecca, Rosedale and Clinton. He resumed his tour of Park County, Sept. 18.

CAMPAIGN YELL.

Wilson is bad, Hughes is worse. Vote for Benson, Safety first!

S. B. Davidson.

The BIG PUSH is about to commence.

The preliminary battles have been bravely fought, but the great powerful irresistible force is now going to begin. Five volleys of the Benson campaign bomb-shells have exploded and have caused havoc in the old party prospects. Five more are to be fired. They will be better loaded than the first—not with poison gas but with destruction dealing shot—and as the lines are nearer and the aim more accurate the effect will be more certain. But there must be more bomb-shells and more bomb-shell throwers. GET INTO THE TRENCHES. IF YOU ARE NOT IN, AND IF YOU ARE ALREADY ON THE FIRING LINE USE MORE BOMB-SHELLS. NOW IS THE TIME TO FORCE OUR WAY TO VICTORY. Fire the bomb-shells now when they will HURT THE MOST.

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DON'T TAKE A CHANCE

When You Buy Your SUIT OR OVERCOAT

Let a Socialist Co-operative make it to your measure. Select your style and goods from Style Book and samples we send you on request. Give us your measure on blanks we furnish. Send it to us, and we will guarantee fit and quality. In sending for samples, indicate what price you wish to pay. Samples will be accordingly.

Our prices on Suits are—\$15, \$15.75, \$16.50, \$17.50, \$18.50, \$21.50, \$22.50, \$23.50, On Overcoats—\$15.50, \$16.25, \$17.25, \$19, \$20, \$22, \$24.75.

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SOCIALIST EXCHANGE

TAILORING DEPT. 2659 Fullerton Ave., Chicago

Extral Morgan contributes to socialist campaign fund! No, not Jay-pierp, but a comrade from Los Angeles who is trying to redeem the Morgan name.

From Comrade Buhler of North Ft. Worth, Texas, comes the second installment of \$2.50 for the campaign fund. He promises to send more next month if he can.

It will cost a lot less to "paint the country red" this fall with socialist peace literature than to paint it red a few years hence in the blood of a war the capitalists are making inevitable.

At a meeting of Local Fort Pierce, Fla., Comrade P. L. Goodwin offered to cover with a dollar every dollar that could be raised by the members. Four dollars contributed were thus turned into eight.

W. W. Whalen, secretary-treasurer of the Northwest Oklahoma Socialist Encampment Association, reports that the 13 three-days' encampments held were a great success. George R. Kirkpatrick, Socialist candidate for vice-president, addressed record audiences.

"If anybody tells you that our government is not fit to control industry, tell him that we Socialists agree with him—but we are not talking about that kind of government."—A hot shot from one of Benson's recent addresses.

Democratic Campaign Manager Vance McCormick says the democrats have but one task this fall and that is to make the American people think. What if the American people should think too much? Apparently McCormick believes there is no danger of that.

The international character of socialism, even in this country, is evidenced by any morning's mail at the national office. Letters are received in every conceivable language but all of them, when translated, speak the same message of comradeship, sacrifice, and enthusiasm for the cause.

Comrade Schultz of Napoleon, O., where there is no branch of the party, sends in a subscription blank with twenty names of socialist contributors to the campaign fund. "Schultz's smoke house is known as Headquarters for socialists in these 'digging' for miles around," he adds as a postscript.

The first issue of the Benson leaflets had a circulation of 1,260,000. The total for the third issue numbered 1,650,000. We can make the sixth number 3,000,000 and the others still more—a total of 20,000,000 for all ten. HOW MANY WILL YOU DISTRIBUTE?

Comrades KNOW WHAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT. This means that you must be familiar with the party platform. The National Office is now turning out copies of the platform in leaflet form, as finally adopted by referendum of the party members.

You have been waiting all summer for the 1916 PLATFORM. At last the referendum is completed and you know what the platform is. Tell your neighbors. Copies in convenient leaflet form have been printed and are ready for distribution at the National Office.

The socialists use their campaign funds to educate voters to center their minds on the real issues; the old party money goes to entertain the voters with cigars, fire-works, electric calliope and bands that play "Pretty Baby" while oratory is employed to muddle the issues so the voters will think there aren't any to speak of.

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IN THE WORLD OF LABOR.

By Max S. Hayes.

WE REFUSE to lament at the financial downfall of "poor" Pat Calhoun, of Cleveland, San Francisco, New York and several other places. Calhoun's \$14,000,000 fortune has dwindled to a shoestring, according to his statement in a New York court. All his life the man had a craving for money and when he was at the pinnacle of his power he started war on organized labor on the Pacific coast and also inaugurated an era of graft that scandalized the country. Between the two expensive adventures he was crushed. He reaped as he sowed. The man could have been of some use to society, but who can regret the downfall of a capitalist cannibal?

THAT Labor Day stunt that was performed by several hundred strike-breakers from Chicago, St. Louis and other places on a New York Central train pulling into Cleveland, in which one was killed and several others badly wounded, was not altogether unwelcome. The only regrettable feature about the affair was that the thugs were not permitted to continue their amusement of shooting and blackjacking each other, and that those eminently moral gentlemen who employed the bands of criminals to take the jobs of honest men were not in the midst of the melee to get what was rightfully coming to them.

A RECORD that deserves more than passing notice has been made at Menominee, Mich., and Marinetta, Wis., twin cities, by Henry Ohl, jr., deputy organizer for the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor. Establishment of 1,000 new unions and the return of 1,000 strikers to various industries at an increased wage scale tells the story of the success of Ohl in four months' time. He is easily a leader among the men who do things right.

THE FREE Youth, printed by the Young People's Socialist League, has been debared from Germany. No reason is given by the authorities, but the fact that the paper denounced the war and militarism is sufficient explanation.

BECAUSE they attacked the militaristic plans of the government, two Socialist editors at Stavanga, Norway, were arrested and tried upon the charge of high treason, but they were found not guilty.

BRITISH railway workers demand an additional \$2.50 increase in wages to meet the high cost of living and because the government has not held down the prices of the necessities of life, there is some strike talk.

Pittsburgh Awakening

An intelligent insight into the labor problem seems to be dawning even in the minds of Pittsburgh social workers. This is found in a report just issued by the Pittsburgh Christian Social Service Union on the so-called "Strip," a narrow section of the city "overflowing with humanity."

Under "Hours" it is admitted that "in general, organized crafts are working 8 and 9 hours, and unorganized workers 9, 9 1/2 and 10 hours." Under "Poverty and Dependency," J. Byron Deacon, of the Pittsburgh Associated Charities, says that "Hospitals can and do cure disease in individuals; but hospitals cannot stamp out disease. Charity can and does cure dependence and other forms of social disease in individual cases, but it cannot stamp out poverty—and the sooner the public comes to realize it the better for all concerned. Behind the problem presented by the individual lies the social problem. The individual problem of the man who drinks drives us back to the social problem of the saloon. The problem of the lad who leaves school as soon as he is of working age to enter the ranks of unskilled labor, forces us to an appraisal of the practical utility of our system of public education; the plight of the boy or girl betrayed by the innocent natured desire for pleasure, brings us face to face with the fact that most of the recreational facilities of our cities and towns provided exist solely for commercial gain. The mother stricken with tuberculosis directs our attention to the dark, unsanitary tenement home—often the only kind of habitation available to the very poor. The paltry wage which makes the cost of maintaining the lowest standard of living compatible with decency and comfort a little more than the laborer can provide, opens the question of what constitutes a just division of the proceeds of labor."

We are glad to note that even in Pittsburgh the question of what constitutes a just division of the proceeds of labor has finally been opened. Pittsburgh capitalism has usually considered that a closed question. Soon Pittsburgh will learn that the proceeds of labor should not be divided up; that all the products of the working class should be kept by the working class. Then the greater share of the products of labor will not be turned over to a parasitic owning class. Then Pittsburgh will cease producing its Harry Thaws, and it will possess a virile, intelligent, charity-less working class.

THEY KEEP GETTING BETTER. Benson leaflet No. five has just gone to press. National Secretary Germer says, "That is the best one of all!"

Better get in your order for the last five leaflets, before it is too late. They are getting better every week.

WANTED! We Want 300 Agents at \$35 to \$70 a Week

NEW INVENTION—Just out. Needed in every home every day. Patent applied for. Just applied for. Nothing else like it. Supplies what every housewife has wished for for years. Perfected after long experimental work by mechanical experts. Low priced—anyone can use it—sell it—show it—work by mechanical experts. Low priced—anyone can use it—sell it—show it—work by mechanical experts. Low priced—anyone can use it—sell it—show it—work by mechanical experts.

\$300 Per Month. This little machine is a mechanical masterpiece. A child can use it. Just put knife in slot—turn crank—grinds automatically—draws blade to keep it sharp—sells at any house. Intely correct level for daily use. Nothing to adjust—nothing to change, nothing to get out of order—absolutely guaranteed—will last for years. Once they see it and use it, women will not do without for several months. One agent writes: "I was eager for me to learn to sell the Quickedge than it was to learn to tear open my pay-envelope in my former dollar-a-day job." Get out of the dollar-a-day class. Get this position, where profits start the first day.

No Experience Required. Just take one of the ten-second demonstrations upon the dullest knife in the house; the order is yours right on the spot instantly. No talking necessary. To argue, to explain, to simply sell it. And stays sold. Every customer becomes your friend. They tell others, your profits double and multiply. Leave one hundred on trial tonight. Collect the cash for every one of them next day. The machine will do its own talking. It is so easy to operate, no explanations or instructions are necessary. Secure your county now; free. Get started right now and

Make as Much Money Next Week as These Men Are Making Now

Only \$1.50. J. C. Lewis, of Kansas, says: "I have sold one hundred sharpeners in four days." Hobart Kerr, of Md., writes: "The women can hardly wait until they get home. Herbert Cain, of Ky., sold mine after supper." At the end of his first day, J. W. Gordon, of Pa., writes: "I have sold two dozen, and I sold to everyone I saw." Wm. H. Hines, of N. J., says: "I think it is great. I sold six in about one-half hour. The machine is a mighty fine proposition. I have simply sold it. (and I know what I am talking about.)"

Peter Courtland, of Mich., writes: "I received your sharpeners and opened it in a barber shop. I ground his shears and I got an order for one right on the spot." H. A. Hinkle, of Va., says: "I have examined it and find it a wonderful little machine. The workmanship is simply perfect." Frank King, Colo., says: "Sample received Saturday. Sold ten today to most every house."

Forest Webb, of Pa., says: "Went out Monday afternoon for about two hours and received one dozen orders. Profit \$12.00." H. T. Hines, of Pa., writes: "I took three orders first hour. When you sharpen an old, dull knife, it will save a shoe, in less than a minute, they sit up and look at Ray."

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This issue of The American Socialist goes to 55,000 Subscribers. Estimating at least four readers to a paper this means about 250,000 Readers.

The subscription list of The American Socialist has increased 10,000 during the last five weeks. We feel this is a great record as a starter in this campaign.

FOR FIVE WEEKS! The most exciting campaign in this year's presidential campaign will be the last five weeks before the election.

We want the Socialist message to reach the greatest number of workers possible during this five-week period. It has therefore been decided to make a phenomenal offer—an extraordinary offer in view of the present high price of paper.

THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST. FIVE WEEKS FOR FIVE CENTS! Here are three ways in which you can take advantage of this offer:

FIRST:—Go out among your neighbors and fellow workers and get them to give you a nickel for this five weeks' subscription to The American Socialist.

SECOND:—Or send in a list of voters in your precinct, or in your neighborhood, or a list of the members of your union, or some other organization, with sufficient to pay for sending The American Socialist to them for five weeks at five cents each.

THIRD:—Or send in your donation and we will immediately put voters on our list in the favorable Socialist districts; the Hillquit and London districts in New York City; the Berger and Gaylord districts in Milwaukee; the Debs' district; the favorable Oklahoma districts, Minneapolis and Nevada.

COMRADES! Help build for an arousing wind-up in this campaign, a finish that will look like a revolution to the plute politicians!

ROLL OF HONOR

That bunch of 152 ten-week subs that came from C. Swedback, of Burlington, Minn., looked like real business in the fight for Socialism. This comes from Comrade David J. Clark, of Concord, N. C.: "We heartily intend as members of the party to give our support to the American Socialist, because it is our paper, and, too, it's getting better each issue. It needs our support and must and will get it."

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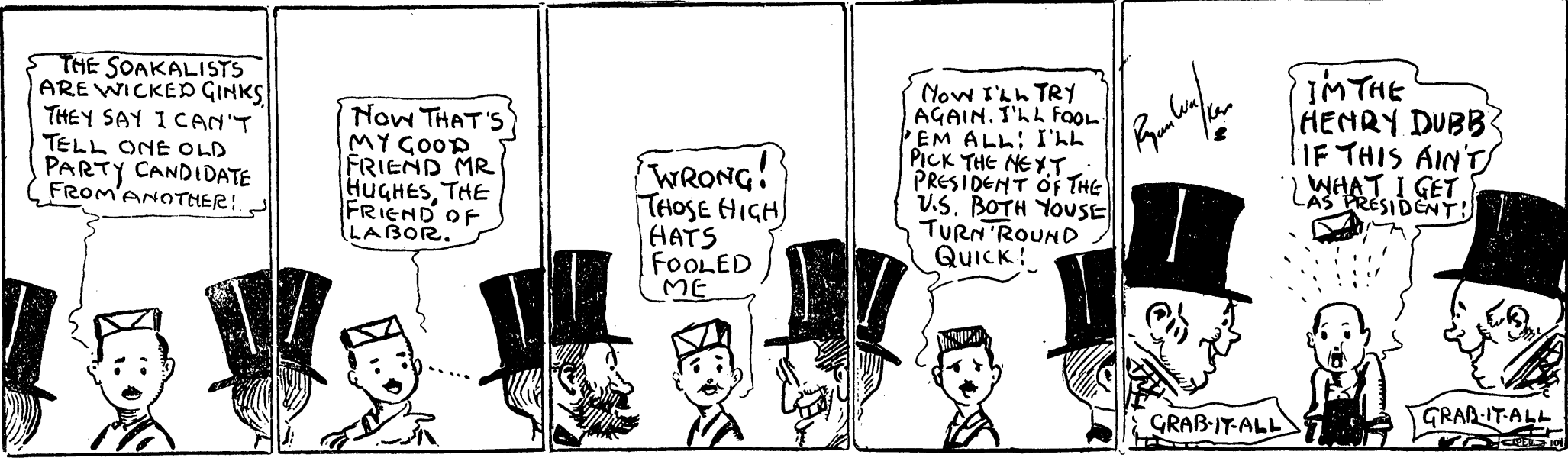
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Form with columns for NAME and ADDRESS. Includes fields for Sender's Name, Street No., and City.

NOTE.—Please write as plainly as possible. More names can be added to this list by cutting out the blank and pasting to a separate sheet of paper.

Henry Dubb Picks The Next President Of The U. S. On The Old Party Ticket

By RYAN WALKER.



to the embryo Socialist, so he orders the paper sent to a friend. Have you a friend who ought to be reading The American Socialist?

Comrade Charles E. Ware, corresponding secretary of Local Aberdeen, South Dakota, sends in a big bunch of 254 names to go on our list for ten weeks. All of these names are in Brown County, South Dakota. Just watch Brown County turn RED!

Comrade John M. Work, of Chicago, sends in a list of 100 ten week subs from Chicago and Urbana, Ill., where he spoke at the Twin Cities Chautauque. Comrade Work surely believes in spreading the message.

The Olympia, Wash., local voted \$10 to send The American Socialist to a list of voters for 15 weeks. Comrades Fred Sylvest and H. Meyer added \$5 each, making \$20 in all, which paid for 133 names.

Here is what Comrade William Herlet reports as being done in one ward in Erie, Pa.: "We have a plan of collecting five cents per week of those who are interested and with those five cents we purchase The American Socialist which we distribute free from house to house on Sunday mornings." At first the order sent in by Comrade Herlet was for 300. It has now been increased to 500 American Socialists each week. There'll soon be something doing in Erie.

Everything looks good—better than ever before! In the message that comes from Comrade Cary E. Norris, of Zanesville, Ohio, with a club of four subs.

"Yours for 8,000,000 votes" is the way Comrade F. S. Kidneigh, of Edgewater, Col., puts it. Let us all work to make his hope come true.

Comrade A. F. Green, of Cleveland, Ohio, sends in a list of 24 of those 15 WEEKS FOR FIVE CENTS.

PROMINENT SOCIALIST DEAD. Comrade Ino Acree, a pioneer in the Socialist movement at Owenton, Ky., passed away August 3, at the age of 79. He was the oldest Socialist in Owenton, Ky., and had been nominated only few weeks before for Congress in his district. For many years he had been a tireless worker in his town and county and was a familiar scene to see Ino Acree with a bundle of Appeal to Reason and other Socialist papers distributed to them among the Henry Dubbs who looked upon him in a great many instances as a cranky old Socialist.

ADDRESSES WANTED. Will the comrade in HILLSBORO, KANSAS, who ordered Benson leaflets and other literature on September 7th kindly send his name and full address to the National Office immediately. No name was attached to the letter and it is impossible to send out the literature for that reason.

We also have an order for Benson leaflets signed J. S. Johnson, but no town and state is given. Will the comrade please supply this at once.

MOVING PICTURE FILMS READY. The moving picture films advertising our presidential candidates are going fast. We have received and already shipped more than enough for the first order.—have placed a second and are now getting orders for a third run.

We can supply any number now, so send in your orders as fast as you want them. Price, \$2.50 per film.

If every member of the party would order and distribute only fifty leaflets a week it would make a total of 5,000,000. We are putting out less than 2,000,000 so far. Somebody isn't doing his part. Is it you? Is it your local?

Send in your order for these last five weeks,—only fifty cents per thousand.

All individuals or firms sending any articles or other publicity intended for publication in the "Weekly Issue" of Passaic County, N. J., are informed to discontinue same. The publication of the "Weekly Issue" has ceased since 1915.

PRACTICAL TALKS TO THE Y. P. S. L.

By WM. F. KRUSE National Secretary Y. P. S. L.

DON'T LOOK FOR WIND-MILLS. There was once a young fellow who read a great many stories about the days of chivalry, and of the counts and no-accounts who roam at random thru the pages of the novels which deal with the balmy days "When Knighthood Was In Flower." And he used to gaze out of the window, wappy-eyed in his dreams of those glorious days.

"Gee," he would moon, "I wish I was born in those days. Then there was some excitement, then a feller had some chance of being a somebody."

The poor nut didn't know his periscope was busted. He does not realize that he is living in one of the most exciting and fightingest ages that the world has ever seen. And there are a lot like him, mooning around for moth-eaten romance to give them an excuse for drawing their breath. Not many are in the Y. P. S. L., but there may be a few. To them these lines are penned.

The master class of this age is more exacting in its demands, and more onerous in its exploitation than any in all the world's history. Their exploitation has been carried to such a point that it cannot be longer continued without rebellion on the part of the workers. And the masters, shrewdly foreseeing the coming crisis, are preparing to withstand it. Their military designs have been put across, and the military machine lies in readiness to lay its claws upon the people.

The Y. P. S. L. can, perhaps, do comparatively little in breaking down this phase of the masters' power. But when the master class attempt to foist their rotten scheming into the hearts of the nation's youth—when they attempt to introduce military training into the public schools, then is the time for the Y. P. S. L. to get down to brass tacks and fight the measure tooth and nail.

Yipsels! Be On Your Guard! Such attempts have been made in several localities. All Yipsels are warned to be on their guard, and to keep a sharp look-out for any attempts to introduce this system into their local schools. The first step in the opposition to such a plan is to arouse resentment among the scholars. This can best be done by personal work and by the distribution of literature. Convince your fellow pupils that the introduction of the often harmless looking "drill" is but a step toward the militarization and complete subversion of our liberties.

The standing army of this country was supposed, before the adoption of the recent increase, to consist of a hundred thousand men. In spite of all attempts, and in the face of the best efforts of lying advertising men, it was impossible to drag anything like this number of men into the service. Then, in the draft of the Hay-Canham bill as it first passed the House, this number was increased to add forty thousand more. Not content with this, the Senate raised the total to a quarter of a million. Now you know, and Congress knows, that if you cannot beguile even a hundred thousand, doubtless a similar effort to make the number possible get a quarter of a million there. The powers-that-be never intended to raise that number of men on a free voluntary system.

Here Is The Fight. Conscription was what they were after, and conscription is what they are going to get unless the workers wake up pretty fast. Added proof of this is offered when we consider that the plans of the Army Board called for 250,000 but for a million men, one half of which were to be regulars and the other half in the Continental Reserve. The former Secretary of War, Mr. Garrison, tried to put over only one-half of this program, but it was so raw and so much against the ideals of the American people that his retirement followed soon after the publication of his plan. The American people, at least that part of the people that works for a living, does not want conscription and does not want militarism.

But the masters are crafty. Failing on the one side, they seek another to make their plan go. Their next point of attack is the public school system. They realize that the psychology of the present American is not such as to make him a very fertile prospect for a conscript "leather-neck." So not having the right kind of Dubbs among the old folks, they are trying to raise them among the young. Military training in the public schools is nothing but the scheme of the masters to beat the independence and the manhood out of our boys, it is the scheme of the munitions profiteers to turn Young America into docile submissive spineless cannon fodder—lumps of slightly animated clay whose philosophy of life is the drill sergeant's command, who are satisfied to be used to beat

Send Words of Cheer to Dutch Socialists

Adolph Germer, national secretary of the Socialist Party, has just called the Social-Democratic Labor Party of Holland, which is to hold a grand national demonstration in favor of full adult suffrage, abolition of property qualification and sex qualification, on Sept. 17th, as follows:

Social-Democratic Labor Party, Genestestraat 10, Amsterdam, Holland.

Fraternal greetings and good wishes from American comrades to gathered masses for adult suffrage. Even seas do not separate us in our cause.

Adolph Germer, Secretary, Socialist Party of America. It is felt that this will be a great inspiration to our brave and loyal Dutch comrades of both sexes to know that the Socialists of the great republic of the United States send them their great undertaking.

of our martyred Catenesi, and from these indications it would seem that they are carrying out their trust creditably. There is an extensive anti-militarist organization even within the Italian Army and all the efforts of the jingoes have not sufficed to stamp it out. In Italy and several other countries the Y. P. S. L. has a special fund which is applied solely to carrying on the socialist propaganda thru the army, and our comrades go to great lengths in order that their efforts may be successful.

The news dispatch abroad with grave intimation regarding our International Bureau, but the time will come when an exact knowledge of our movement will belong to every paper. The Y. P. S. L. is standing firmly by its principles all over the world, and this speaks well for the coming day.

There are 5,500 locals of the Socialist Party in the United States. Less than 1,000, less than one fifth of the entire number, have ordered Benson leaflets. If every local ordered and distributed just 1,000 it would make a total of 5,500,000 every week. Some locals are distributing as many as 20,000 per week. Somebody is shirking. Is it your local? Order for the last five weeks at once. Fifty cents per thousand. Orders must be in on or before Sept. 27.

BERGER RECALL DEFEATED. The referendum started by Marion County, Indiana, to recall Victor L. Berger from the national executive committee because of his views on national preparedness has been defeated by a vote of 11,042 to 7,970. The vote by states will appear in the next issue of the official business supplement of The American Socialist.

WARNING. If you want to get into the biggest game ever played in the history of America ever pulled off and reap the biggest harvest of votes on November 7th,—get into the big—last—five weeks drive. Order a bundle of the Benson Leaflets and get them out. Fifty cents per thousand. Order for the last five weeks. Must reach the office on or before Sept. 27.

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ITALIAN YIPSELS ARRESTED. That the vigorous anti-war propaganda carried on thru the International Bureau of the Y. P. S. L. has drawn blood is evidenced by the haste with which the military authorities in Italy have tried to suppress it. On the front page of our capitalistic contemporary, "The Chicago Daily News" appears a news dispatch dated "Rome, Sept. 12", and announcing the arrest of our comrades Morara and Prinotti, officers in the Italian young socialist movement; and the confiscation of about 50,000 special anti-militarist pamphlets intended for secret distribution in the army. These comrades are the successors

Must Prove Our Worth.

Get busy among the young folks themselves, but whether you succeed there or not, carry it further. Get the help of your Socialist Party organization, of your progressive labor unions, and of any Peace Societies or Woman's Clubs that may be available. Get them all to form an Anti-Militarist Committee, arrange meetings, break into the papers, distribute literature—do everything you possibly can to force the authorities to abandon their stand. If you show them that a large part of the community is against the plan they will have to give it up. Work like blazes, never admit that you are beaten, use every resource that you can—in short, raise Hell for the sake of Peace.

This is the sort of action that means progress for the league. We have just about passed the stage where tea-parties and neck-tie socials are the boundaries of our existence. We must get out into the public work, we must prove our worth. This is the sort of thing that has built up the European Young Socialist movements, it will do the same for us.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPT.

Organization — Education — Solidarity. WILLIAM F. KRUSE - - - Director

To reach the nation's youth with the message of Socialism and to bring them into the organized Socialist movement through the Young People's League. Address all communications to: Socialist Party Young People's Dept., 432 W. Madison St., Chicago.

YIPSEL NEWS NOTES. The past week has seen two Y. P. S. L. State Conventions pass into history, and of these the Yipsels of Terre Haute left the movement better than they found it. The Indiana Convention was held at Terre Haute, Ind., on Sept. 15-16-17. Six officers represented at the meeting. The records showed an increase of 20 per cent in membership, and a goodly number of new organizations. A new league was organized at Anderson on the night of the convention, and the news, sent by telegraph, caused great enthusiasm. The Yipsels of Terre Haute were too busy with the job of sending Debs to Congress to be represented, but they sent a message of sympathy to the convention, and that the Yipsels immediately rented the vacated headquarters for their own use.

The Massachusetts Convention was not one whit less successful. One of the finest things about it is that while the last year's meeting was held in a hall, this year's meeting was held in a hall. The Yipsels immediately rented the vacated headquarters for their own use.

The help given by the young people in this campaign is now assuming considerable proportions. The Syracuse, N. Y., Yipsels recently collected \$10.10 on the campaign subscription lists and punch cards, and sent it in to help the good work. But they can get still more. Collect money for at least one more Yipsel. Send in your contributions for the Blum Defense Fund to the National Office—QUICK.

YIPSELS COMING ACROSS.

The appeal for help for our imprisoned Yipsel comrade, Rudolph Blum, one of the leaders in the recent Westinghouse Strike in the Pittsburgh region, is already meeting with the response of the loyal Yipsels.

Scarcely had the appeal been printed than the Douglas Park League took up a collection of Four Dollars at their business meeting and sent it in. Close on its heels came a message from across the continent, in Seattle, Wash., where a newly organized league donated two dollars from its meagre treasury.

This is a start, humble the it be, yet it IS a start. How much will your league help it? How much will YOU, personally? Blum is absolutely innocent of the charge. But he is a rebel, and that is an unforgivable crime in the eyes of the masters. Furthermore, he is a YOUNG rebel, that is the most dangerous kind—a Yipsel—therefore they are determined to settle him for good. They will settle him unless you help.

Blum is a mighty good Yipsel. What has happened to him this time, may happen to you the next time that you go on strike. Come across, now Yipsels, and help us free our comrade.

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Big Things In The Campaign This Week.

1,650,000 Benson Leaflets. Benson and Goebel monster meetings in New York City, Boston and New England States.

Kirkpatrick with Benson in monster meeting in New York City, after that big meetings in other Eastern cities. Moving Picture Film Ad. of Socialist Candidates going out.

100,000 Campaign Buttons sold out. New Order of 25,000 more placed. Maurer Leaflets going out. Several New Leaflets on the press. Millard in Nevada.

Theresa Malkiel in West Virginia in Woman Suffrage Campaign. Jacobs in Nebraska. Caroline Lowe in Nevada. Garver in Colorado.

Mary L. Geffs in South Dakota working in the Suffrage Campaign. Nearly twenty other speakers being routed.

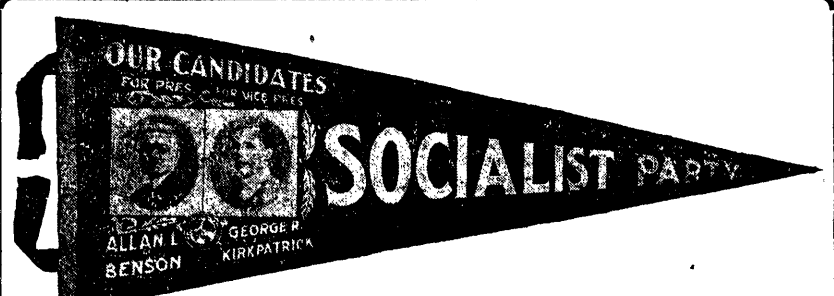
Campaign Book ready for shipment. Socialist Pennants with pictures of Candidates ready.

AT LAST THE PLATFORM!

The referendum on the proposed party platform is finally completed. The last discussions have been held. The last votes have been taken. The last reports have been received and the results counted. And now the decision of the voters is announced and the platform placed before the public.

No sooner was this finished than our presses began to turn out copies of the adopted platform and these are ready for immediate distribution. They can be had from the National Office in handy four page leaflet form. Send orders to National Office, Socialist Party, 803 West Madison St., Chicago.

The 1916 platform, as adopted by referendum, will be published in The American Socialist, next week.



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