

ORGANIZATION

Of More Importance Than A Large Vote.

Charles L. Breckon Urges Necessity of Building Up Movement.

Editor Iowa Socialist:

Having now put in three weeks in the campaign and out upon the road as a Socialist organizer and agitator it occurred to me that a few words of observation might not be amiss and might aid the comrades and the cause for which we are all laboring. While the meetings I have held have all been characterized by a very good attendance and an evidence of deep interest in the movement they have seemed to me to prove one thing very forcibly, and that the need for a much better and more concrete organization. It has almost come to be a hobby with me that we are far more concerned at this time in the building up of our organization than in the mere question of getting voting adherents. Economic development is going to furnish us plenty of votes, but only a knowledge of our historic mission and a courage of convictions that is as deep as it is enthusiastic will enable us to build an organization for political power that will be the track that shall convey the aroused proletariat to the object of his devotion—the co-operative commonwealth.

The country and the city seems full to overflowing with a mighty host of men who are inquiring the way out of their economic slavery. As great a variety of opinions are held as there are different individuals inquiring. Nothing but the most concrete organization will ever effect their education in the class conscious, revolutionary scientific truths of the class struggle. I am more than ever persuaded that every speech and every leaflet should be a plea for membership in the organization—intelligent membership that shall know what it wants, how to get it, and what to do with it when it gets it. A membership that will not shrink from one jot or tittle of the revolutionary phase of our world-wide battle. Whatever else we may have we cannot succeed and not have this. If the splendid truths of our philosophy spell anything they emphasize the fact and power of organization. If one can chase a thousand and two put ten thousand to flight what can be accomplished in Iowa with a dues paying membership of ten thousand and a live local in every township and ward of this splendid state. The typewriter that I am operating as I think these thoughts does its work so beautifully and so perfectly because it is organized mechanics and every part of the whole responds to the touch of each part. One single part, however infinitesimal, failing and the whole machine becomes useless. So with our Socialist party organization, each part of the whole must perform its function in perfect time and harmony. There is greatest of economy in this. One dollar going out through the channels of the organization is far more effective in the accomplishment of the work that must be done than five times that amount indiscriminately distributed individually and without plan and organization. Every breath of our great exploiting system of capitalism has been drawn and every success that has come to it has been the result of a carefully worked and concrete organization. Let us pattern after those who today own the world and for whose possessions of private property the world lies in a spasm of anguish and suffering poverty. Capitalism has been a success because it has been perfectly organized and in the completing of that perfect economic organization it has builded for the co-operative commonwealth. If there is one distressing feature that the organizer and agitator has to meet that is a little harder than all the others it is the lack of knowl-

edge of the proletariat of the power and necessity of his organization and a dreadful lack of devotion to it. Come, you noble comrades, rally to the meeting of the local. If the meetings are dull make them lively by coming in with two or three new members at each meeting and be there with some live suggestions that will look to the elimination of the things of which you have complained. Get your wife and children to sign applications and bring them into the organization. Make the meetings of the Socialist local the feature of your social life in the neighborhood in which you live. Get a big list of subscribers to The Iowa Socialist, the state paper.

Another thought. It costs money and energy to have a speaker in your city. Make his visits there bring you the largest possible return for the investment. Get the last man out and get him where you can do something with him and convince his reason while you shall also inspire his zeal.

The inspiration of a large crowd and the hurrah of an outdoor meeting is a pleasing fact in the propaganda of Socialism. But what we want is converts and to get them men's minds have got to be convinced and their reason must be appealed to. I am fully aware that street meetings do not carry any expense for hall rent, but are you not also aware that one-half the audience in a hall will contribute twice as much in the collection as upon the street. Then the further fact, when a body of men are comfortably seated in a hall where there are no disturbing local excitements their minds are in far better condition to be persuaded and to become convinced. Then, too, the speaker is at a great disadvantage upon the street. He must strain his voice and throw away more physical power in one and a half hours upon the open air of a noisy street than he can get back in fifteen hours. Not only that, he is imperfectly heard and half understood and the result is that all kinds of interferences come in to thwart the very purpose of the meeting.

Comrades, shall we not be the children of light instead of darkness; shall we not find the better way of doing our work and thus making your efforts and the efforts of the speaker and the general propaganda move forward all along the line.

The meetings I have held in Iowa have been full of enthusiasm and the aroused proletariat is much in evidence. If the old party liars think they have the workingmen voters of Iowa in their pockets let them follow the agitator and organizer in his rounds and note the mighty underground swell that is everywhere apparent, from farmer to city worker and back again. Comrades, the fields are white to the harvest. Shall we use the improved tool of production in gathering this harvest, or shall we use the methods of the sickle and the cradle and forget the steam thrasher and the self-binder.

I am proud of Iowa. Let her workingmen prove their right to freedom by themselves striking some intelligent blows all along the line.

Today the battle and the organization and tomorrow the victory.
CHAS. L. BRECKON.

Child Workers Are Many.

Washington, Sept. 14.—According to census figures just published every fifth child in the country between the ages of ten and fifteen years is a bread winner. Of these juvenile wage-earners every third child is a girl. There are 1,750,178 children regularly employed. This is an increase of 33 1/3 per cent in ten years. Alabama has the highest percentage of child labor, finding work for 27.2 per cent of her children, while Massachusetts has the lowest, having only 0.5 per cent of her juvenile population at work.

Let it be said to the credit of the administration that under its beneficence the children have been "fully employed."

PRESSING NEED

Of the National Organization is Funds.

Debs Writes Eloquenty of This One Element of Weakness.

Comrades and Friends: We are in the heat of the greatest Socialist campaign ever waged in the United States. The conditions of the country all combine to give us our long sought opportunity to organize our propaganda on a national scale and build up a militant national party of the working class.

Now has the time arrived. The workers everywhere are moving toward Socialism, and the people of all classes want to hear what Socialism is and what it proposes to accomplish.

The crowds that attend our meetings are enormous and the enthusiasm intense, and at these meetings many new supporters are won to the party and the movement.

The party is in excellent working order, the members in excellent spirit and the outlook is all that could be desired.

There is but one element of weakness in our campaign.

WE LACK FUNDS!

The harvest is ripe for the reapers but they come not.

Comrades, there ought to be a

Special Campaign Edition

We have made arrangements with the State Committee of Iowa to get out a Special Campaign Edition of The Iowa Socialist of from 50,000 to 100,000 copies on Oct. 15. It will contain besides the state ticket the national platform, articles by prominent Socialists, several cartoons and the regular features which have made The Iowa Socialist famous. Six columns and larger.

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thousand speakers in the field from now until election day.

The people are hungering for the message of Socialism.

Now, right now, is the time to bring it to them in all its splendid meaning and awakening power.

To fail at this time is to turn our backs upon the supreme opportunity and set back the movement instead of pushing it forward with our united energy.

Comrades, the insignificant campaign fund of less than five thousand dollars is not creditable to us as a national party, nor is it eloquent of the fealty of our membership to the International Movement.

There are a million Socialists and sympathizers in the United States who will average a ten-cent contribution to the national campaign fund.

This would give us a fund of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS and this is what we should have, and with such a fund we could attack the capitalist strongholds all along the line and arouse and enthuse our rank and file while striking terror to the capitalist enemy and their army of political mercenaries.

Comrades, the money can be raised. It is simply a question of making a thorough canvass of every cross-road, hamlet, village, town and city in the land.

DO IT NOW.

Appoint a committee or go at it single handed and give every Socialist, semi-Socialist and sym-

thizer a chance to chip in a dime or more to the campaign fund to be used to send our speakers and spread literature to arouse the people and strike capitalism a body blow in November.

Comrades, everyone of us must count this year. Let not one stand back or wait for another to take the lead. If ever the time was when the best we had and all we had was needed by the Socialist movement, that time is now.

The badge we wear is not a decoration merely. It represents an obligation and no true comrade will shirk it in the hour of battle.

Every fibre in our bodies, every particle of our energy, every atom of our united capacity must be strained this year.

The battle is raging as never before and we must rally with our combined power for the assault upon the bulwarks of the enemy.

Let each and every comrade be a volunteer in the service of the campaign fund. Send what you can to the National Secretary, collect what you can and send that and then collect and send more, and for every penny you manage to turn in the propaganda will be strengthened and you will have added to the great working class victory awaiting us in November.

EUGENE V. DEBS.

Note.—All remittances should be sent direct and made payable to William Mailly, national secretary, 209 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. Contributions acknowledged in the Socialist press.

A Socialist Daily

At the national convention of the Brewery Workers in Indianapolis the plan to raise funds for a Socialist daily newspaper was acted upon by instructing the executive board to try to get the co-operation of other unions and to then report the result of their efforts and put the proposition to a referendum vote of the membership regardless of whether such co-operation by other organizations can be expected or not.

The reports of the officers to the convention were full of the class-conscious spirit and exhorted the members to stand by the principles of International Socialism, which this organization has long endorsed.

A motion to donate \$500 to the national campaign fund of the Socialist party was carried by an overwhelming majority.

The membership of the Brewery Workers' Union numbers over 33,000, so that if the proposition to raise funds for a Socialist daily by an assessment of one dollar per member is eventually carried a very large sum will be raised.

Unsafe But Profit Makers.

Chicago, Sept. 27.—Three big plants of the Pullman works were ordered closed today by Chief City Boiler Inspector Blaney, who found and condemned twenty defective boilers in the establishments. As a result 2,000 men who were about to be put to work will remain idle until the new boilers are installed or the old ones are put into satisfactory condition. The inspector said the boilers were in a dangerous condition and had been in use since 1884.

Special For The Special.

Every county ordering at least 1000 copies of the Special Campaign Edition may have its county ticket and township tickets, if any, printed in a prominent place in said edition. Send orders to J. J. Jacobsen, 1129 13th St., Des Moines, and have names of your candidates reach The Iowa Socialist not later than Oct. 10.

Change of Address

Owing to a change in the naming of streets in Des Moines, State Secretary Jacobsen's address is now 1129 13th street, instead of the same number on 12th street, as heretofore. Correspondents of the secretary please take notice.

Wanted—Workingmen, at 7th and Main next Tuesday evening.

YOU CAN DO IT

Distribution of Literature Important Work.

Hanford Points Out the Necessity of Reaching Everybody by Nov. 8.

The best work and the most important work in the Socialist movement is a kind of work that all can do. No matter what the things a comrade may be unable to do, each and every one of us can DISTRIBUTE LITERATURE.

And that is the most important thing in our movement. Every Socialist in the United States should distribute a book, a pamphlet, or a few leaflets and papers every single day between this day and election day. The people are this year more ready to read our literature than ever before. It will be a crime of omission on the part of our comrades if all those outside the Socialist movement are not supplied with means of enlightenment.

Let each comrade see that his nearest neighbor has some Socialist pamphlet, paper or leaflet. See that all the people in your tenement, all the people in your block, all the people in your township, have something to read on the subject of Socialism between today and election day.

If you work in a factory, see that every person in that factory has a Socialist leaflet at least once each week between this and the 8th of November. If you belong to a trade union, see that every member has some Socialist literature before election day. See to it that at every meeting of your union, every man is given a Socialist paper or leaflet.

Do not leave this work for some one else to do. DO IT YOURSELF. DO IT NOW.

Put your faith in print. Distribute Socialist literature, and you will get Socialist results. Distribute Socialist literature, and we shall have Socialism in our time.

BEN HANFORD.

Work at Reduced Wages

Chicago, Sept. 26.—Nine thousand men returned to work without union regulations of any sort today when three branches of the International Harvester works and the Pullman company opened their shops after a shut-down of two weeks. The men not only returned to their former places as individuals but also agreed to a reduction in pay from 10 to 20 per cent.

Before the shut-down the International Harvester works recognized labor unions but with the announcement of resumption of work today came the statement that the company would not renew its agreement with the trades unions and the plants would be operated on the basis of 57 1/2 hours a week instead of fifty-four with no increase in wages. The men accepted the ultimatum without serious manifestations of discontent and all the old employes who could obtain work accepted the new regulations.

The case of the employes of the Pullman company is different, inasmuch as the Pullman company has ignored trades unions since the strike in their plant in 1894. The Pullman company announced today that it would reopen its shops but at a wage reduction of from 10 to 20 per cent. Less than 2,000 former workers were given their former positions but these men willingly accepted the decrease in pay and several thousand former employes left the yards of the company bitterly disappointed because they could not return to work even at reduced wages. It is the intention of the Pullman company to have its plant in full operation by next Monday.

Providence is charged with a great many catastrophes which will some day be properly charged to Profit.

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EUGENE V. DEBS.
 Of Indiana.

For Vice President,
BENJAMIN HANFORD,
 Of New York.

CAMPAIGN JINGLES.

WELL DONE.

The cannibal ate his brother raw,
 'Twas rare in Savage Town,
 But 'tis the modern capitalist
 Who does us all up brown.

MEANWHILE CAPITALISM WORKS.

He thinks Socialism's all right,
 But is told "it won't work."
 So he votes again and again
 For the capitalist shirk.
 And the latter thus empowered
 And quite secure in his berth
 "Works" the poor ignorant sucker
 For all that he is worth.

DIDN'T HAVE THE PRICE.

The boy stood on the burning deck
 When all the others went;
 They said he staid on board because
 Of signs all 'round: "For Rent."

"THAT'S NO JASH."

There's a strenuous man in Wash.
 Who's under the G. O. P. lash;
 He would like to bust
 An "illegal" trust,
 But's afraid of his job by gash.

A STILL HUNT.

We thought it was old Diogenes
 As we saw him approach with a light,
 But 'twas only Alton B. Parker
 Who was out issue hunting that night.

"I TOLD YOU SO."

The polly-wog wails in a fit of despair—
 "I know I shall never have legs."
 Alas! but I fear they will never be chicks!
 Cries the hen on her nest of eggs.
 The caterpillar snuggles up in a ball—
 "You'll never see me with the flies."
 Says the man, "Tis nice, this Socialistic
 scheme.
 But 'twon't be, he's a fool who tries."
 But when all come to pass
 You'll see ev'ry jackass
 Of them up on their hind legs looking
 wise.

The "floating vote" doesn't necessarily float on water.

The doubtful state also becomes the damfool state before the campaign is over.

As a last resort the "full dinner pail" will have to give way to the full beer keg.

Many men discover when it is too late that the man who has always stood in their way was their own ignorant self.

Iron chains are not the only kind that bind and enslave. The modern slave driver knows a trick that is worth two of that.

The "position wanted" ads are not labeled "master wanted" but they ought to be.

The republican party is also a party of "working" men. Democratic party ditto.

Meanwhile those workingmen who haven't been laid off continue to make profits for the boss.

The laborer produces wealth for the capitalist and the capitalist produces poverty for the laborer.

It is reported that Bryan has a sore lung. There are democrats who would like to be assured that he hasn't a sore head.

Henry Gassaway Davis has contributed only \$50,000 to the democratic campaign fund. Uncle Hank wasn't born yesterday.

The only kind of bump of wisdom that the average man has on his cranium is the kind developed by the hard knocks of experience.

The capitalist politician believes that all men are born equals, but he acts on the assumption that most of them are born fools. Can you blame him?

The American voter may pride himself on being a sovereign on election day, but he cannot deny that he is treated like thirty pennies the day after.

The only way either of the old parties are apt to kill the trusts is by tickling them to death through their continual pretence of sticking a knife into their ribs.

However much he may harass the politician, General Apathy is less severe on the General Prosperity of the trust magnate than General Enthusiasm.

A million Socialist votes this fall and the republican party won't have to ask the democrats for an issue in 1908. The Socialists will have something to say about it.

The ratio that is bothering the politicians this year is not that which should exist between gold and silver but rather the proper ratio between dollars and votes.

The Harvester Trust and the Pullman Company have resumed operations under conditions which make it unnecessary to ask them how they stand on the 8-hour day.

If the scientists are still looking for the "missing link" we beg leave to call their attention to the thing that believes we can get Socialism through one of the old parties.

Whatever may be said of the extravagance of the republican administration in other departments, it must be confessed there was no unseemly appropriation for the busting of trusts. Let us give the devil his due.

Seven thousand employes of the Pullman Palace Car Company were laid off for an indefinite period last week. Many of them will have to go elsewhere in "side door Pullmans" looking for jobs. This is eminently fitting, however, since most of them do not believe that they should have what they produce.

The International Union of the United Brewery Workmen of America, in convention assembled, contributed \$500 to the campaign fund of the Socialist party. The employers of these progressive unionists will also contribute to the campaign fund, but it won't be that of the Socialist party. And it is suspected that their contribution will not be in cash either.

THE CAMPAIGN EDITION.

Every local and Socialist in Iowa should order a large supply of our Special Campaign Edition from State Secretary Jacobsen at once. The edition will be dated October 15 but will be off the press several days in advance in order that the papers may reach everybody by the 16th. The state committee estimates that 50,000 copies will be needed. Let us make the edition 100,000. Think of the inspiration of an organized distribution of 100,000 copies of a live propaganda paper on the same day. And think of the results! Read Comrade Hanford's article on the distribution of literature elsewhere in this issue and then act upon this at once. If there is a local in your town bring this up before it and see that enough copies are ordered to cover the town, and see to it that arrangements are made for distribution. If you have no local get your Socialist neighbor to help you, or if you are the original and only Socialist of your town do it yourself. The paper will be "hot stuff." It will be longer than the regular size and six columns wide; will contain the state and congressional tickets, articles by the best Socialist writers, cartoons; in short, everything that goes to make a first-class propaganda paper. Moreover it will be the cheapest that ever happened. 1000 copies, \$3.25; 500 copies, \$1.75; 250 copies, \$1.00. These low prices barely cover cost and are possible only because of the large edition. All orders must be sent to the state secretary and must reach him not later than October 10 to insure having your order filled. Don't fail to attend to this matter immediately. It is one of the largest jobs ever undertaken by the Socialists of Iowa and its success depends upon YOU.

FREEDOM.

Comparatively few people have any conception of what freedom really is. Many think that because they may go and come without interference from those in authority, they have freedom; yet at the same time they may have less of it than another who is prison.

It is a small matter, outside of Colorado and Russia, to keep our physical freedom; but nowhere are we safe from those who would subject us to some kind of mental bondage.

Strong-willed persons, not realizing either the wrong or the danger to themselves and their victims, like to show their power by tyrannizing over those of weaker will who come within their sphere of influence.

Friends, teachers, brothers, sisters, even mothers like to "show their authority" by dictation in the matter of choice of friends, religion, politics, dress, conduct and what not?

There are two results that ought to be seriously considered by the domineering and the domineered.

First, they who control have the responsibility of that control; to them belongs in great measure the effect, either good or bad, of any act imposed upon another. And no person is great enough or good enough to control another wisely or unselfishly.

Secondly, they who are controlled lose in will-power, character, and mental strength.

Would a mother be wise to hold her child constantly in her arms, lest in learning to walk he get many falls and bruises?

It is the same in the mental and spiritual realms; we MUST "paddle our own canoe," no matter if we are dashed to atoms on the rocks, if we would grow in wisdom and understanding, and get the benefit of life's lessons.

Others may tell us where the

rocks are located if they know, but they must keep out of our canoe and let us freely guide it, wheresoever we will—it is the only way for us to learn.

"There is guidance for each of us and by lowly listening we shall hear the right word," and "as there is no screen or ceiling between our heads and the infinite heavens, so is there no bar or wall in the soul where man, the effect, ceases, and God, the cause, begins. The walls are taken away. We lie open on one side to the deeps of spiritual nature, to all the attributes of God."

Therefore; let us brook no interference from relative, friend or foe, but follow the voice as it speaks in our own soul.

So shall we grow in beauty, strength and wisdom.

So shall we attain true freedom.

So it is also in the Socialist philosophy. We do not ask you to take our word for it—we do not want you to vote for Socialism because Tom, Dick or Harry votes that way.

But we DO ask you to read, think, find out for yourself what Socialism stands for.

To become a republican or a democrat it is only necessary to vote the ticket—you do not need any brains; but to become a Socialist you MUST use your thinker, and if you have not any, you will have to grow one.

We ask you to inform yourselves concerning Socialist principles, but we leave you in perfect freedom to accept or reject. There will be no coercion. We point out the calm waters of the Co-operative Commonwealth. If you prefer to dash your canoe against the rocks of rent, interest and profit, for which the old parties stand, you are at liberty to do so. But if you would be free, you must, for yourself, "prove all things and hold fast that which is good."

In whose interest will the public powers be administered during the coming four years? The trust and the capitalist class, or in the interest of the working class? Up to you, Mr. Workingman. Socialism or capitalism—take your choice. Remember your votes must decide this question.—Chicago Socialist.

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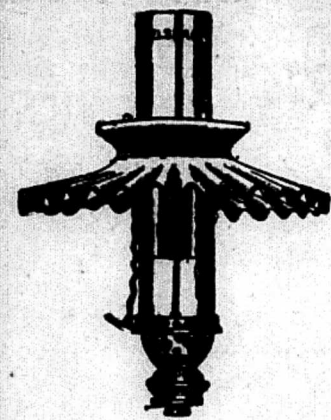
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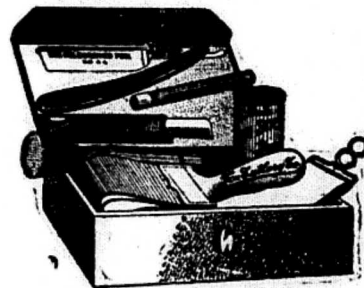


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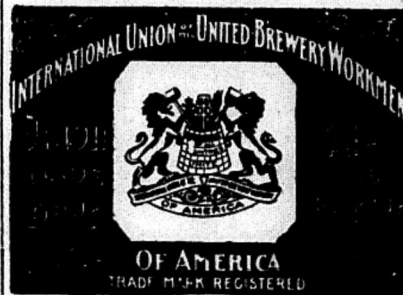
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Impressions

By the
Socialist
Laity

The Literary Judas

An article appeared in this week's Collier's, headed "Socialism and Literature," wherein the writer dwells conspicuously upon the abnormal ignorance of the American Socialist. We have, on different occasions, observed corresponding articles in the Hearst propaganda and others engaged in the unwholesome fear of losing their direct interest in the plunder and looting of labor. As ignorant Socialists, then, we may not dare express a highly exalted opinion in retaliation, but merely a stifled cry when prodded by the unfeeling critic's Athenian wisdom.

American laborer! What sacred right have you to gaze upon beautiful gems of literature and things divine? Does the lily of the valley bloom for such as you, or the golden sun of heaven march in gorgeous splendor athwart the sky to warm your lifeless blood? Socialism is the conception of the world's greatest philosophers and scientists, not to be realized by the class conscious action of the ignorant and lowly American Socialist in overalls and brogans, but left to work out its own solution through the natural laws of evolution in the trustworthy hands of the wisdom-burdened capitalistic scribe. We notice in the aforesaid article a few quotations from Prince Kropotkin's "Memoirs of a Revolutionist," given with genuine reluctance, upon which this worthy literary judge fails to pass any opinion whatever, showing that somewhere within this wonderful intellect lies the limit to his mental debauchery and we of the ignorant wonder if not also to his mental incapacity.

True, we have no Milton today to paint in beautiful word-pictures the higher themes, no Shakespeare to word the great tragedies of life in inexhaustible vocabulary, only the tainted love of subsidized poetry and prose touched by the bloody finger of the profit monger in the field of literature which even the sparkling tears of a million babes wasting away the joy of childhood in our "too American" hell of capitalism refuse to wash away and leave our literature pure and wholesome and the bribed critic a grinning skeleton on the blistering sands of public sentiment.

All literature of lasting value and true worth receives its inspiration from the inward soul. Money only inspires fictitious allurements and dire literary rot which finally sinks the strongest intellect to the low level of mere criticism of the sublime.

In the dim light of the moon, sitting alone at midnight, Grey wrote his immortal "Elegy in a Country Churchyard."

What a condemnation to our present system, even as applied to the literary world and to those who seek glory for self alone through the sufferings of the "ignorant" by the mighty power of the press to sway the public will when we scan these lines:

"The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power,
All that beauty, all that wealth ere gave
Await alike the inevitable hour,
The paths of glory lead but to the grave."

And yet there are these critics among us, those debased by the love of worldly wealth, robbing their fellow man through perverted literary attainments, greedily hoarding their ill-gotten gains, boldly defying the grim reaper until at last he mows them down and future generations gleaming the

annals of literature strike the names of thieves from the scroll of honor.—Milo Mitchell Clapp.

The New Progress Up to date history has been taken up with problems of how men and nations may best fall over each other in the dark; life in 'the dark' is the sum of most historic questions. Yet these problems have no existence in reality; there would be no such questions in the light, as a ransomed and astonished world will one day see, while it laughs with the joy of the free. We shall not always make history in the dark; not always redirect our steps under the scourge of wrong and suffering. There will come a time when society will grow by an evolution that shall be conscious and deliberately chosen, predetermined and idealistic. We shall learn how to repent, how to change our minds and institutions, because the kingdom of the better is at hand; because something better than our best is inviting us to follow it. We shall learn that faith and growth wait always upon divinely perilous risks and social adventure. We shall come to so wholly center our minds upon achieving the free and the good that we shall at last find that there are neither ponds nor evils to think of; that these existed only in our low point of view and action. When we discover and accept the fundamental principle of our individual and social being, we shall find that most of the problems that are consuming our hearts and thoughts are childish fictions. We shall not be absorbed in the problems of finding and fighting our way through the underbrush, when we come out upon the world-highway of the common will to love.

The nations are saturated with the idea of a conflict that will change the face of the world, and the centers of power are preparing for the Armageddon battle, while every science is instinct with expectancy. We are politically and economically reaching a universal deadlock, in which industrial and national competition will no longer work, but will literally block the wheels of the world. It may be that we are actually coming upon the time when the fraternization of the nations, with universal co-operation in production and distribution, and with free individuality for all men and all peoples, will be the only way out of a world-crisis. Perhaps the kingdom of heaven is drawing near as our last resort, our only practical ideal, after the long night of failure to realize anything less than the highest. So full of heaven is our dust, so charged with messianic forces is our social atmosphere, so many kinds of voices are calling upon us to repent, that it would seem as if the world-making motive of love were about to liberate itself in combinations of faith for economic association and daring social adventure. And who dare say that the next great shock of civilization may not precipitate the revolution that is to disclose the world as the kingdom of love? Who knows but what the dynamic of love, which has been the hid force of the life and labor and history of the ages, may suddenly come to its undisputed reign in human life.—George D. Herron in The Conservator.

The Mother-in-Law The mother-in-law—that much abused object of newspaper jokes—is a serious problem in many homes. She is one of the

most pathetic victims of unjust conditions. Having labored during her best years for child and husband, she finds herself homeless, widowed and dependent during the last score years of normal life.

If she is a woman of any force or self-assertion, it will be hard for her to sink her personality in the home of another.

It will be hard to remember that her child is a mature man or woman. It will be hard, in short, to become a quiet, passive, self-effaced alien in a home not her own.

If she were guaranteed suitable employment, or were on a pension, she could live her own life in her own way and not interfere with the happiness of those she loves, as she is too much in danger of doing inevitably today.—R. A. Maynard.

"Arbitration Averts Strike—Employes of Republic Steel Company Submit to Cut in Wages." That is how a headline in a capitalist paper this week expatiates on the beauties of arbitration.—The Worker.

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Dubuque Local meets every Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock at Socialist Headquarters, 6th and Iowa streets.

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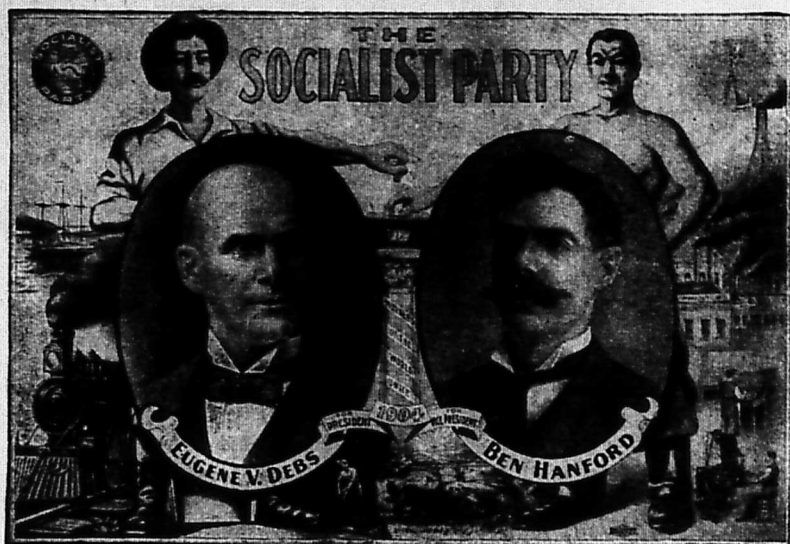
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National Headquarters, Socialist Party,
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CAMPAIGN FUND.
Total to noon, Sept. 24 \$ 906 31
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Total..... \$4691 02

Incomplete returns from the Arkansas state election held Sept. 6, show the Socialist vote to be over 1,000, against 27 in 1900.

The printed official bulletin for September contains full information about campaign supplies handled by the national headquarters. Copy sent upon application to the national secretary.

Comrade Herman Greulich, Socialist member of the Swiss senate, is visiting the United States as one of the delegates from Switzerland to the Inter Parliamentary Peace Union. Comrade Greulich has addressed party meetings in New York, St. Louis, Chicago, Milwaukee, Cleveland, Detroit, Kansas City and other large cities. He has also accompanied the other delegates to the Peace Union on their trip to different parts of the country. While in Cripple Creek a reception was given by the Citizens' Alliance, but Comrade Greulich signified his class consciousness by refusing to participate in the reception. He will return to Europe in October.

THE BREWERY WORKERS' DONATION.
The donation of \$500 voted to the Socialist party campaign fund by the United Brewery Workers' national convention came at a time when it was greatly needed, as bills for literature for the campaign were pressing the national office.

Of the convention's act Comrade Eugene V. Debs expresses himself as follows: "The action is immensely significant. It is a signal gun that sounds the new departure in unionism—the breaking up of the old and the building up of the new and progressive movement. This will be good news to our comrades and an example that others will have to follow. The plutes will see in this an answer to their Citizens Alliance, Sherman Bell, Colorado and injunction program."

In acknowledging the contribution, the national secretary said to the Brewery Workers' secretary, Comrade Zorn: "I suppose it is almost needless to say that we appreciate deeply the donation made by your convention. It came at a most opportune time and will assist materially in furthering the campaign for Socialism. Your donation was all the more welcome since it was unexpected, although the generosity of the United Brewery Workmen in all the struggles of the working class was a sufficient guarantee that they would not fail to do their duty this year. It is to be regretted that there are not more trades unions in this country so consistent and energetic as the Brewery Workmen in upholding by word and deed the principles of solidarity of the working class and the International Labor Movement."

NATIONAL CAMPAIGN SPEAKERS.
Dates for national campaign speakers travelling under the direction of the national headquarters for the week ending Oct. 8 are arranged as follows:

Eugene V. Debs—Oct. 2, Livingston, Mont.; 3, Butte, Mont.; 4, enroute; 5, Salt Lake City, Utah; 6, enroute; 7, Denver, Colo.; 8, enroute to Omaha.
Ben Hanford—Oct. 2, Baltimore, Md.; 3, enroute; 4, Huntington, W. Va.; 5, enroute; 6, Newport, Ky.; 7, Covington, Ky.; 8, Newark, O.

Franklin H. Wentworth—Oct. 2, Evans-ton, Ill.; 3, Milwaukee, Wis.; 4, Maywood, Ill.

James F. Carey—Oct. 1-4, Rhode Island; 5-7, Newark, N. J.; 8-9, Jersey City, N. J.
John Spargo—Oct. 2, Sheridan, Wyo.; 3, enroute; 4, Lamoure, N. D.; 5, For-man, N. D.; 6, Cayuga, N. D.; 7, enroute; 8, Minnesota.

John W. Brown—Oct. 2, Wilmerding, Pa.; 3, Butler, Pa.; 4, Franklin, Pa.; 5, Oil City, Pa.; 6, New Castle, Pa.; 7, Sharon, Pa.; 8, Toledo, O.

M. W. Wilkins—Oct. 1, Stamford, Conn.; 3, Danburg, Conn.; 3, Waterbury, Conn.; 4, Stafford, Conn.; 5, Willimantic, Conn.; 6, Putnam, Conn.; 7, Meriden, Conn.; 8, Norwich, Conn. Comrade Wilkins will enter Massachusetts on Oct. 10 under the direction of the state secretary.

E. E. Carr closes his work in Indiana at Martinsville, Sept. 29, and will enter Wisconsin Oct. 1. Another speaker will fill the Indiana dates contracted for Comrade Chas. G. Towner who will be unable to speak because of sickness. Dates are arranged as follows: Oct. 3, Westport; 4, vacant; 5, Richmond; 6, Marion; 7-8, Kokomo.

John M. Ray, in Louisiana—Oct. 2, Litcher; 3-4, New Iberia; 5-6, Lafayette; 7-9, Mermentau.

Ida Crouch Hazlett begins her work Oct.

2 at South Bend, Ind., speaking enroute to Pennsylvania. Dates arranged are as follows: Oct. 2, South Bend, Ind.; 3, Elkhart, Ind.; 4, Toledo, O.; 5, Lorain, O.; 6, Cleveland, O.; 7, Pittsburg, Pa.
Chas. Pergler, Bohemian organizer—New York City, Oct. 1-11.

Enough applications have been secured for an Italian speaker to warrant placing one in the field. Comrade Teopilo Petre-
ll, of Newark, N. J., has been secured for this work which will include Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Pennsylvania. Dates will be announced next week.

Applications for a French speaker were very few and not sufficient to justify the expense of filling the few dates applied for.

DEBS' AND HANFORD'S TOURS.
Reports of Comrade E. V. Debs' campaign tour have been received as follows:

The Chattanooga News gave a long report of the meeting on Sept. 13, prefacing it by saying: "Eugene V. Debs, candidate for president on the Socialist ticket, and one of the most eloquent speakers in the country, spoke to a large and very enthusiastic audience at the Auditorium last night. He is possessed of a very earnest delivery and had his hearers with him from the start. Mr. Debs entered the Auditorium at 8 o'clock and was greeted with continued cheering. The speaker was introduced by Mr. R. B. Taggart, Socialist candidate for congress from this district. From the moment Mr. Debs began to speak his every word reached his farthest hearer and filled easily the entire auditorium. He spoke for two hours, dealing with almost every economic question at present before the public."

The day before the Atlanta meeting on Sept. 14, the local comrades received notice from the pastor of the Wesley Tabernacle, which had been secured a month previous, that the meeting could not be held there, because "Mr. Debs was not going to deliver a lecture, as was first supposed, but a campaign speech for himself as candidate of the Socialist party." As a result the local comrades had to get permission from the governor to use the hall of representatives in the state capitol, which was secured after some quibbling over an obsolete law. The late notice of change prevented a large meeting, but Comrade Wilk reports "he enjoyed a pretty good audience. The hall was well filled and a good many people crowded the galleries. No doubt we could have done better had we not been so shamefully interfered with. Comrade Debs' speech was grand and masterly. The report of the morning paper was a very unfair report of the meeting, both as to numbers and utterances."

Comrade Waldhorst writes from Birmingham, Ala., about the meeting of Sept. 15: "I have to report the greatest success with Comrade Debs' meeting in this city. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity and hundreds were turned away unable to get in the hall. The constant topic in the streets is the speech of Debs. You can hear about it on the cars and everywhere. Talk about enthusiasm! I had to pull Comrade Debs' away from the people to let him catch the train. Many followed to the depot to shake hands with him. The comrades of adjoining counties made application for a special train and club rates but the railroads would give neither, replying 'No club rates for a speech by E. V. Debs.' The United Mine Workers' band came from Brookside, free and unsolicited, although on strike since July."

The Birmingham daily papers gave exceptionally good reports.

Comrade Perrin reports the Little Rock meeting on the 16th: "The house was packed and jammed, no standing room even out in the corridor. Debs was lustily cheered to the echo. Many farmers had come to the meeting from a distance. Debs spoke for two hours and held his audience in wrapt attention."

At Fort Smith, Sept. 18, Comrade Dan Hogan says: "We had over 5,000 visitors to town on that day, and would have had at least half that many paid admissions to the park, except for a heavy rain which began to fall shortly before the meeting which was anyway a success. Comrade Debs was at his best, and many people who had been tottering near the brink of surrender did so. It was a great day for the cause."

Comrade Lowry writes that "the meeting was a success, despite the fact that the politicians furnished free liquor and used their utmost endeavors to keep the masses away from the park. Even the 'drummers' at the hotels say it was the greatest that they ever heard."

Ben Hanford has been also meeting with much success on his tour through Connecticut and New York and he reports enthusiastically about the growth of Socialist sentiment apparent everywhere.

At Jamestown, N. Y., Hanford spoke to

one of the best meetings of the trip and the press reports were lengthy and fair.

It is definitely decided that after the Chicago meeting on Oct. 17, Hanford will go through to the Pacific coast by way of Wisconsin, Minnesota and Montana, closing the last eight days of the campaign in California.

STATE NOTES

A local with twelve members has been organized and chartered at Prescott.

Geo. E. Bigelow, of Lincoln, Neb., will put in a week's campaigning in Harrison and Monona counties, commencing Oct. 1.

The special edition of The Iowa Socialist will be larger and better than ever, and is furnished at greatly reduced prices if ordered from the state secretary.

Frank P. O'Hare commences his Iowa tour on Oct. 13, and speaks as follows: Little Rock, Oct. 13; Rock Rapids, 14-16; Sac City, 17-18; Lake City, 19-20; Stratford, 21; Cambridge, 22.

After a successful trip for the national committee, John M. Work starts in Iowa Oct. 11, and will make the following points: Bussey, Oct. 11; Seymour, 12; Numa, 13; Mystic, 14-15; Centerville, 16.

It remains to be seen whether or not the locals in the Second, Seventh, Eighth and Eleventh congressional districts will want their candidate for congressman placed on the ballot. No nomination papers have been sent in so far, and this is the last call, both for congressional and state ticket.

Chas. L. Breckon's dates are as follows: Waterloo, Oct. 2-3; Dubuque, 4; Cedar Rapids, 5-6; Tamá, 7; Marshalltown, 8; Lacey, 10; Ottumwa, 11; Hilton, 12; Hite-man, 13; Avery, 14-15; Albia, 16; Sigourney, 17. He will speak at Keokuk Oct. 21. The interest manifested at his meetings has been something wonderful. Socialists should decline joint debates because we can't afford to furnish audiences for the old partyites.

J. J. JACOBSEN, State Secretary.

CORRESPONDENCE

Humboldt, Neb., Sept. 24.
Editor Iowa Socialist: I have been a good deal surprised at the number of old soldiers there are in the Socialist movement. Iowans are familiar with the big Socialist vote that comes from the precinct in which the Soldiers' Home is located at Marshalltown, and those who attended the Socialist state convention felt the inspiration that came from the presence of several of the veterans as delegates to the convention.

Down at Greenfield, Mo., I found four union veterans and one ex-confederate who are active Socialists. The oldest of the union veterans, Comrade Wilkins, is 83 years of age. He is an active old man with a mind as clear as a whistle. He spends his time working for Socialism. He says that it keeps him young; and it is a literal fact. If he curled up in a chimney corner and did nothing he would surely die very quickly. Socialism gives him an object in living. He is certainly spending a beautiful old age in working for the cause.

At Anthony, Kas., there is a remarkable man. Captain James S. Fain is the most active Socialist in the community. In the civil war he was in the scouting service. His duty was to penetrate the confederate lines in Kentucky and Tennessee and enlist the union sympathizers and guide them out of the rebel country to the union army. He and one other scout are the only ones in that desperately perilous service who survived to tell the tale. Like all real heroes he is modest, but when you can overcome his modesty with questions he can tell you actual experiences that will

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to 8. This week..... 49c

make you "see things at night." He has a letter from Edwin M. Stanton, secretary of war in Lincoln's cabinet, commending him for his services in the highest terms. He, too, is spending his latter days in working for Socialism. The Kansas prairies are dotted with Socialists to whom the first hint of Socialism came through his kindly voice. He carries the back end of his buggy full of Socialist literature, always ready for business.

In other places also I have met many a veteran who has taken up the new and concluding struggle for human liberty by enlisting in the Socialist party.

JOHN M. WORK.

Waterloo, Iowa, Sept. 20.

Rain at Waterloo, but about 400 people crowded themselves into Eickleberg's hall and people were turned away for three-quarters of an hour after the meeting commenced. Hundreds of people who went to Lincoln Park to hear Prof. Kirkpatrick talk on Socialism were disappointed because of the rain. It was estimated there would have been an audience of 2,000 if it had not rained.

Prof. Kirkpatrick talked two hours and a half. He showed that there was something wrong, what was wrong and how to right the wrong. He handled his message in a thorough workman-like manner and his arguments were logical, forceable and especially clear. There were but few men in the hall who did not understand that there are two classes—the capitalist class and the working class—and how absurd it was for the workers to vote their enemies into power and then protest to them against unfair and unjust conditions by striking to secure larger profits for themselves and thus making the profits of their masters smaller. It came out so clear how impossible it was for capital and labor to go hand in hand unless the workers would be content with cheap food, cheap clothes, cheap shelter, cheap furniture, the cheapest and poorest of everything, letting your side partner, capital, live in riotous luxury. Not content with the surplus which your labor produced, but must also corrupt the minds of the sons and prostitute the bodies of the daughters so that they, too, can be coined into profits. He showed that the Socialist was an abolition party and would abolish this cannibalistic, brutally cruel system by substituting co-operation for competition and run the government for all of the people instead of running it for a few. He asked them to vote for their own class, the party of the working class, the Socialist party; for president, Eugene V. Debs, the union fireman, and for vice-president, Ben Hanford, the union printer.

The cheering and applause that followed the mention of these names was great. Even those who stood in the doorways on the street below applauded.

It was deplorable that we could not secure a larger hall, but on account of the scarcity of the divine right, the almighty \$, we could do no better at that time. But the workers in Waterloo are beginning to realize that this is their fight and they are the ones that must settle it, because the other fellow absolutely will not. The Socialists' campaign barrel is not full, the trusts not having contributed anything as yet, and we have no "Davis," so we have to pay our own way. E. D. HAMMOND.

Sioux City, Iowa, Sept. 26.

Editor Iowa Socialist: Enclosed find capitalist press account of our convention, which is wholly untrue with the exception of ticket and platform. I went to the editor of the Journal and tried to have him correct the statements made, but it was useless—they are too class conscious. The ticket was not filled out at the convention, not because we did not have material to

use, but because we did not know of all the offices to be filled. The filling of the ticket was left to the executive committee, which is here given in full: For representative in congress, J. W. Wilson; for clerk of the district court, Ernest Price; for auditor, C. J. Hawley; for attorney, Oscar E. Bild; for recorder, John W. Bennett; for supervisors, W. C. Jett, of Salix, and John Tangborn, of Correctionville; for justices of the peace, Wm. Ahlberg and Johnson Crayne; for constables, H. F. Betow and A. M. Greene. The convention was called to order by J. W. Wilson, in the absence of a regular county chairman. J. M. Maus was chosen as chairman and Miss Carrie Jaeger acted as secretary. The committee on credentials, W. C. Jett, J. W. Wilson and A. M. Greene, reported that all members in good standing be entitled to voice and vote; other Socialists a voice, but no vote. The committee on platform, J. W. Wilson, J. M. Maus and Max Brodkey, arranged a short platform right to the point, which was adopted. There were twenty-four delegates and as many more onlookers. There were no speeches made at the convention. Everything was harmonious. J. W. WILSON.

LOCAL NOTES

The distribution committee is getting into working order.

Charles L. Breckon, formerly editor of the Chicago Socialist, will speak at 7th and Main Sts., next Tuesday eve, Oct. 4.

From the reports of those selling tickets, the Grand Opera House will be crowded when Debs lectures there on Thursday, Oct. 13. Tickets for sale at this office. Come early and avoid the rush.

STOCKHOLDERS NOTICE!

Dubuque, Iowa, Sept. 28, '04.
Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The Iowa Socialist Publishing Company will be held at Socialist Headquarters, 6th and Iowa Sts., in the City of Dubuque, State of Iowa, on Monday, the 3d day of October, 1904, at 8 o'clock p. m.

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