

Women in The State Socialist Convention

BY MRS. R. ANNA GERMAN.

When the state convention of the Socialist party convened at Helena Montana on June 6th, 1904, there were in attendance four women delegates from several of the locals. This seemed rather an unusual showing in a state where women are not allowed full suffrage with man, however it is not surprising when you take into consideration that the Socialist's party is the only political organization in this country that recognizes woman as equal co-workers in all branches of honest occupation and education worthy of mention. Socialism stands for universal and individual freedom, and wherever voiced is the sworn friend of woman, for this reason with the great advantages it offers to humanity in general, if woman could but realize what this means for all concerned, how the yoke of oppression would be removed, and a thousand advantages over old and present unequal conditions established through the perfect system of cooperative commonwealth, she would waste no more valuable time and effort endeavoring to promote useless reforms, that are in fact no way reformitory in principle. She would take the stand for liberty, right and justice, where the greatest good will be secured for the greatest number instead of the dominating few, where the wealth producer rather than the wealth abuser may enjoy equal opportunities.

The following are the names of the women delegates; Mrs. L. H. Pierce, wife of acting state secretary. Mrs. W. H. Pierce is president of the Woman's Socialist Guild of Butte, Montana, and was nominated for clerk of the Supreme Court on the Socialist state ticket, but declined in favor of Jno. Peters of Carbon county. Mrs. Pierce is a small, elderly woman with a pleasant face, which is highly intellectual, a splendid type of the true American wife and mother.

Mrs. Ruth Scurlock was the delegate from Canyon Ferry, Lewis & Clark Co. She is a Montana ranch woman, quoted as a stock raiser, she is a large, rosy cheeked and good looking woman with the wholesome appearance of one who has been a close associate with the purity and freedom of out door farm life, she is slow of speech and retiring in manner though serious and thoughtful and displays a clear practical knowledge of right and justice when she does speak. Mrs. Scurlock's appearance at the convention afforded the observer, who was fortunate enough to know the circumstances a glimpse of the good old days when both men and women attended state gatherings for the purpose of promoting better conditions for the country and their fellow men, for honor, and not wholly for the sake of the almighty dollar. This brave woman told the writer that in as much as she had not expected to be elected to the state convention, she had made no preparations for the care of her three children during the several days absence from home of which her trip to Helena would necessitate, and in consequence there was no alternative left for her but to bring the little ones along and true to the convictions of duty both to home and humanity, she loaded a camping outfit into the prairie schooner and with the babies comfortably stowed therein, she drove to the outskirts of the capitol city and pitched her tent, thus making it possible to look after her household as well as attend the convention.

Mrs. E. Maggie Jackson was del-

egate alternate from Silver Bow county, she is the wife of Evan O. Jackson, who was nominated for Attorney General on the Socialist state ticket. Mrs. Jackson is a small, feminine looking woman but, proved herself not lacking in the true pluck and spirit as she "capped the climax" for woman's rights when in clear, decisive voice she voted for a proposition in direct opposition to that of her husband. It was evident however, that this was no indication of a "house divided against itself" for, amid considerable laughter, the husband looked over and smiled his approval for the little woman who was earnest enough in the cause she represented to declare the truth of her honest convictions.

Fourth on the list of woman delegates to the state convention was Mrs. R. Anna German of Butte, Montana. Mrs. German was nominated for Superintendent of Public Instruction on the Socialist ticket, and declares that whether elected or not, she feels proud of being the first woman nominated on the state ticket of that political party, which alone stands for purity and equal rights to all mankind. Besides she especially approves of the above named state office being filled by a woman. Mrs. German is a firm believer in the public school system of this country, and does not hesitate to say that she hopes to see the day when the Star Spangle Banner will float over but one great institution of education and that the free public schools of our nation, thus,

welding indissoluble the universal brotherhood of Man.

As a politician, the writer's experience and knowledge of the political modusoperandi is very limited but, from what I have read and from the information gathered elsewhere, I should think that the old parties might have gained a clean object lesson, had they taken a peep into the recent state convention of the unsophisticated Socialists. While there were several animated arguments indulged in during the session, there was no instance wherein the chairman was not able to maintain order almost instantly while good humor and fellowship prevailed throughout. At no period during the session was that time worn prejudice for the presence of woman discernable. Indeed, several of the gentlemen—who had for many years participated in onesided politics, declared that it looked good to see them there.

In conclusion, permit me to say that the present adherence of Socialism are representatives of the future new man and new woman, who shall stand side by side, equal partakers in all that is worth living for; thus, taking every thing into consideration and, from a woman's point of view, the Socialist's state convention was decidedly a success.

T. J. Davidson of Helena who has been in the city for the past week in the interest of establishing a cooperative creamery, announces that he has about completed his work and believes that the same is an assured success.

Political Program And Summary

BY HENRY LYNCH, TRAVELING SOLICITOR

The information is given out that Mitchell rendered his decision, in favor of the company at Red Lodge, due to the "bringing in of new conditions, other than those incorporated in the 'Helena agreement,'" in that Mr. Smethurst, the duly elected checkweighman, was not, at the time of his election, an employee of the company. The miners of Red Lodge, look upon this as ridiculous, as the same claim might be made by the company. were Mr. Smethurst, or any other man to succeed himself as checkweighman, for the reason that he was an employee of the miners, and not the company.

The Socialist movement in Billings and Yellowstone county, might be amplified by more aggressive work, on the part of the comrades there. Last spring, a Socialist ticket was placed in the field with Comrade Roberts, as candidate for mayor, and although little work was done, Mr. Roberts polled 85 votes, mostly by voters not identified as Socialists, who are disgusted with the old party corruptionists. The Socialists of Yellowstone county are shaping up for the fall campaign.

"The main point is not to worry!" That's the way the Sweet Grass county comrades put it, so sure are they of victory this fall. This is keenly apprehended by the republicans. In a three cornered fight, the Socialists will surely win, but it is anticipated that republicanism and democracy, will unite in name, as well as in principle; party shib-

boleths will be hurled to the winds and the redemocrats will whoop 'em up for the perpetuation of graft. The editor of the Yellowstone Leader, published at Big Timber, notified the mayor that there was a Socialist-Anarchist in town, representing the Montana News, and that steps must be taken to dispense with a program of fireworks that might occur after twilight. Were it in Livingston, preparations would be made to call out Hogan's fire department for a run through a Socialist public gathering, to put out a pile of ties ignited for the occasion. The editor in question, works the democratic end, suffers from an epizootic siege of Heinzeism parts his hair in the middle, lest he become topheavy and unbalanced, and is really graceful. He boldly asserts that Heinze is a "prince" not "tight" like Bill Clark, and that if you are there with the political dope he, (Faug) will come through superbly.

As in Carbon county, the farmers of Sweet Grass county, are taking to Socialism. A meeting of the farmers will be called at Big Timber on June 11th, for the perfection of plans for a cooperative store. Comrade Blake, an old railroad conductor and blacklisted out of the railroad business is an aggressive worker in the cause of Socialism.

A new system has been inaugurated by the Northern Pacific, to get rid of blacklisted employees, which artfully circumvents the law against blacklisting. When an employee in the train service is detected of hav-

ing a "bad record," he is called to headquarters for examination on signals, placed under a rigid test in the "dark room," and invariably is released from the service of the company, under the pretext of being "color blind." Perhaps the marked wage slave, at some time in his career, might have aligned himself with the wage slave class, and through a labor organization have endeavored to add a mite to his scant wages; might have violated the ordinary book of rules requiring 15 days notice before leaving the service of the railroad; (his dismissal requires but 15 seconds) or he might have incurred the enmity of a tyrannical superintendent. Think of it! After putting in years of his life to qualify himself along certain lines of work, he is denied the right to earn for self and family, even though he is compelled to give up approximately 83 per cent of the wealth he produces. An advocate desiring a change of this dastardly system is termed a boor in society.

A gentleman of quick step, medium height, busy in appearance, and wearing a confidential air, boarded the "Missouri limited" at Livingston, took charge of the train, collected the cash fares, checked up Mr. Conductor and left the train at Helena, as secretly as he boarded it. He was the collector and is rated one mark above the conductor, in point of honesty. He was seen in conversation with another worthy, at railroad headquarters in Helena. The other worthy was the "spotter" one degree higher in the confidence of the company than the collector. The business of these "trusties" is to detect each other in stealings, and at the same time steal all THEY can, before they are caught.

Now the relationship of the employee, and waste of labor under a distorted system: The collector is employed to watch the conductor; the spotter to watch the collector; the railroad detective to watch the spotter; the auditor and general manager to watch the foregoing, and the stockholder—the legitimized thief (not the poor devil, out of work, who steals a ham to feed to his family, and gets a year for it) he watches his dividends, and incidentally the legislatures, the courts, the pulpit and press, that his stealings are conserved, and the masses of the people—well—they just watch themselves being robbed (and they like it) under a lying, thieving, hypocritical and damnable system that will be eliminated only through Socialism.

the Local Candidates have been nominated, we intend arranging another such meeting.

The three clubs in Greater New York are about to organize a Central Committee, the first meeting of delegates to be held on June 17th. After we are once thoroughly organized we will begin to do some good effective work and then there will be no end to it, and will wake the sleeping young element out of their slumber, and educate them to realize that a class struggle is on and make them enlist in the already large army of Socialist workers. Clubs of this kind should be organized wherever there is a field to agitate for Socialism, and we will be proud when the Young Peoples' Socialist Clubs of this country can meet in a national convention, as the Young Peoples' Clubs of Austria did on May 1st, at the same time

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HIRELING OF MINE OWNERS ASSOCIATION BLEW UP THE INDEPENDENCE

Colorado Anarchists in Power Can Secure Services of Despised Human Beings to Commit any Criminal Act Know to Man, But They Cannot Bribe the Dogs--Facts and Truth Suppressed.

William Giffels of Neihart was in the city yesterday, returning to his home from Denver, where he represented Belt Mountain Miners' union at the convention of the Western Federation of Miners, says the Great Falls Tribune.

Mr. Giffels states that, immediately following the fatal dynamiting at the Independence station, the mine owners and officers employed bloodhounds to follow the trail of the assassin who had discharged the dynamite. From the place at which the assassin had been concealed, the dogs followed the trail rapidly to the home of a man known to be in the employ of the Mine Owners' association. They were called off, and again placed on the trail. This time they again followed it to the same house. This time, the front door was open, and the dogs entered the house, by the front door, and followed the trail through the house and out at the back door. The dogs were then called off.

The Western Federation of Miners incorporated a recital of these facts in its statement to the public, offering to prove them, but the Associated Press, for good reasons, was compelled to decline to send out that portion of the statement.

The man to whose home the dogs followed the trail is the one who was accused of blowing up a train carrying non-union miners. The case dragged along for several months, and was dismissed after the Mine Owners' association got control in the Cripple Creek district. Mr. Giffels believes the strike would have been settled if the dynamiting at Independence had not occurred. He states that after a committee from the federation had waited upon the mine owners, the prospects for a settlement seemed bright. The owners admitted that the work of non-union miners was not satisfactory and had offered to make several concessions. The federation was anticipating a speedy settlement of the troubles; then the dynamiting occurred, and everything was up in the air.

The federation has decided to submit to the public a statement supplementary to that already made, and it will be prepared in a few days. Mr. Giffels believes it will command the support of the public for the federation.

Movements of Socialists

National Headquarters, Socialist Party, William Mailly, Nat'l Secretary, Chicago, Ill., June 22, 1904.

Contributions have been made to the National Campaign Fund since last report to the amount of \$27.96; previously reported, \$86.98; Total, \$114.94.

The National Quorum was called to meet at National Headquarters, Chicago, Saturday, June 11th and a report of the meeting will be sent to the press and all local secretaries. Definite plans for the campaign will be announced as a result of the meeting.

From every quarter of the country comes requests to the National Secretary for speakers and literature. Judging from the interest aroused by the national convention and the nomination of Debs and Hanford, a remarkable campaign of education is beginning. There must be no state left without its electoral ticket in this election and to accomplish this the national campaign fund should be swelled to the limit. Every Socialist should not only dig down himself on the half day's donation during the third week in June but every sympathizer within reach should be reached. Thousands of workers will contribute if they are approached in the right way and

their attention called to the importance of assisting the party of their class in this great battle. The reader of these lines who has not yet got a contribution list should write to his state secretary, or to the national secretary, if the state is unorganized. Orders for the printed report of the national convention proceedings can be sent direct to the National Secretary with the surety that orders will be filled promptly. This is the only complete report of the convention published anywhere and its historical value should be appreciated by everyone. Price, paper cover, 50 cents; cloth \$1.

When the Secretary of the Down Town Young Peoples' Social Demo-

cratic Club of New York City sent in the donation of \$5 to the National Organizing Fund two weeks ago, he said: "Our Club is the youngest of the three clubs of this kind, having been organized on June 27, 1903, and during this period of one year we have done some good work for the party. The greatest success was the mass meeting on April 6th, at which Comrades A. M. and May Wood Simons spoke. These two lecturers were on a tour under the direction of the National Committee. There were at least 3,000 persons crowded into the Hall and several hundred could not get in at all. The entire meeting was arranged by our Club. After all

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W. C. Phelps, of Lewis & Clarke.
- For Attorney General—
E. O. Jackson, of Silver Bow.
- For State Superintendent of Public Instruction—
Mrs. R. Anna German, of Silver Bow.

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Heinze's exit from the mining and political ring in Montana will mean sad faces to many cheap lieutenants.

It is a cinch that no such platform as that one adopted at Chicago, will get through another National Socialist convention.

The Worker of New York appears to be one of the strongly revolutionary Socialist papers of the east. Most of them are rather prone to be conservative.

There appears to be two sides to the Chicago Socialist trouble. The News will soon have an article giving both sides of the affair by one who is on the ground.

The Western Federation of Miners has again declared for Socialism; it would be better if the membership of laboring wage slaves would vote the Socialist ticket.

The whole trouble in Colorado is due to the fact that the laboring mules who voted a forty thousand majority for an eight hour law voted the old partyites into power. A little more bull pen and bayonets and you fellows will begin to awake.

The Butte Local expects to secure the services of Comrade Spargo of New York to lecture on the streets for some time during the summer months. It would be well for the comrades of the state to have him make other points than Butte. In conjunction with the Butte comrades it is very probable that such arrangements could be made.

The leading manufacturers and all employers of labor in the United States are being lined up now by the citizens alliance and asked to sign an agreement—accompanied with a forfeiture of a \$5,000 bond—that on and after election this coming November they will not hire any

more union men. All hail to the work of the citizens alliance! If that organization can't make Socialists then Socialism can't become a fact. A few more of these moves and the fellow who cries out against "politics in the unions" will sink into insignificance.

The Van for Montana

It is very probable that all the Socialist Locals of the state of Montana have received a letter from our state secretary Wm. H. Pierce before this, asking them to furnish the state office with the information of what each Local can do toward equipping the Van and also what they can do in regard to keeping it in the field, and it is to be hoped that the responses will be many and liberal.

The Van should be put in the field among the farmers in the thickly settled portions of the state, not later than July. It's work means wonders to the cause, and the result will be shown on November 8.

The Montana News would be pleased to hear from the many comrades over the state favoring the Van, and your letters published in the columns will reach many of the other comrades that otherwise would not know that you were on earth.

Let us hear from the comrades from the different Locals, with short letters of how to equip the Van and how to sustain it after it is placed in the field.

Where is Judge Cheadle At?

Those who listened to Judge E. K. Cheadle deliver his address at Gilt Edge the 13th, at the Miners union celebration, will, if they stop to think, be constrained to ask themselves the above question: Where is Judge Cheadle At?

Mr. Cheadle is supposed to be a republican and is the present incumbent of the office of district judge at the hands of the republican party. But after a few preliminary remarks in the opening of his speech he plunged into the advocacy, in no unmistakable terms, of the initiative and referendum? And the question arises how can a republican advocate the initiative and referendum? And yet, why should Judge Cheadle, a man whose intelligence places him above the average, err with the ignorant and unread in economics by advocating a measure that has proven useless under the present form of government. The initiative and referendum has failed in Ohio, Oregon and Colorado, and must fail in every other state so long as the present system exists. Did not the initiative fail in Chicago where the people voted to take over the street railways, etc?

He favored the referendum as a safeguard against bought legislation by corporations, and yet in the opening of his address he contended that there were not two classes, but only one.

As to the gambling law he contended that the law could not be enforced until the sentiment of the community was back of it, and that at the present it was not, but that if any two men in the county really desired to close gambling they could do it. Now we all know better than this. First, if it be true that the sentiment of Lewistown is in the majority, in behalf of having a "Midway Pleasance" on Main street then God pity the morality of Lewistown. But such is not the case. The people have elected a lot of useless officers who will not do their duty, and until such time as officers are put in these offices, who will do their duty, no two men can stop gambling.

This whole procedure was too well proven in the first start of any real trouble in this county, when A. T. Harvey and J. H. Walsh called on the county attorney and asked for a warrant of arrest of J. D. Waite on a charge of bribery. Messrs. Harvey and Walsh insisted on the case being brought direct in the district court, but Judge Cheadle had the same brought in a lower court, where all remember the Kangaroo proceedings. The votes were bought and paid for, and the proof was hushed up in the trial by the county attorney, who draws his salary from the tax payers.

Does this require more sentiment? Another one: The proceedings on the Al. Murphy bond have been carried through for its collection and we find on the court records that the writ of execution has been returned by the sheriff, not served. Why is this? Does it need more sentiment? These people are good for this bond and why has it not been collected as it should have been? Does the sheriff and county attorney need more "sentiment" in order to attend to the duties of their offices, which is their sworn duty.

Another one: Whiskey was bought of three druggists in this city and not a single loophole left for them to get out at. None of them had a license; one case was tried before a Kangaroo jury and acquitted; the other two cases have never been tried and the county attorney has charge of them. Does this need more "sentiment" back of it, or does it need a county attorney who is not afraid to do his duty?

As to the ladies who called on the Judge, in his official capacity, probably knowing little about the law, ascertained that were they to proceed with the warrants of arrest for some person for gambling, a second arrest might follow at their own residences.

Possibly the Judge's address was a good one considering that a political campaign is coming on, and that he was talking to an audience of laboring voters, and whose votes he will need this fall to defeat the Socialist laboring nominee. However, his use of the word agitator, repeatedly uttered in a sneering way, will not have much impression with the thinking people, who understand the meaning of the word agitator; neither will his attempted argument to show that there are not two classes weigh heavy in the scales of reason, when he admits that he will not argue the question as to how much of the product of labor belongs to the laborer. And yet, following this assertion he claims to not believe in confiscation nor anarchy. If labor is not to receive the full product of its efforts, and this is what Judge Cheadle with all other republicans stands for, then he must believe in confiscation. If you are laboring and do not receive the full product of your toil, some one must receive it, must they not? Then he who receives that portion of your labor, whether large or small, must have confiscated it, has he not?

Such is the present system, and he who believes in a continuation of the same cannot be opposed to confiscation.

And in conclusion let us say that the sentiment has nothing to do whatever with the closing of the gambling in Fergus county. When the people elect men to office who are not owned body, soul and breeches by the Fergus county bank, men who are clean and untrammelled; men who will do their duty; men who are not sworn deputy sheriffs while under bonds on a criminal charge; men who have the moral courage of natural manhood; then gambling will stop and stay stopped according to the state law of Montana.

The Montana News challenges Judge Cheadle, the republican party and its leaders with the democrat party and its leaders, or possibly more proper its followers, to turn two county offices to the Socialists—county attorney and sheriff—and we will guarantee you that gambling will be shut down here so close that you will think it a strictly religious town, and the shut-down will reach from the 400 tin horns to the cheap crap shooters of the "Nigger" tenderloin district.

Sentiment, bosh! The people did not elect these officers to fail to do their sworn duty. They elected them to do it, and they supposed that they would do it if elected; but the voter does not understand the strings of the bank ring that controls future elections of the old parties.

Those who have believed that Judge Cheadle was somewhat of a sentimental Socialist, and especially so after he delivered a Socialist speech at the Jeffersonian banquet, a queer incident we admit, can dispel their minds of any such erroneous thoughts after listening to him

wade through a speech of an hour's length composed of little but illogical and unsound economic conclusions.

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The executive board of the labor party of the state, composed of William Walsh, chairman; John S. Wyman, secretary; J. K. Smith, W. W. Welch, Frank Longstaff, H. Lidgate, Robert Miles, William Freeman and F. J. Pelletier, have issued an address to the members of organized labor in the state. It is easy to see that the above named men are all labor fakirs when they wind up by endorsing J. K. Toole. In addition to this the Helena Independent, edited by one of W. A. Clark's cheap wage slaves, says: "this is a very sensible course for the labor party to take." Sure it is, for if there is any boodle in sight for

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labor fakirs and grafters this fall in Montana, it is in the labor party, which is a close ally to the Heinze anti-trust, independent, "barrel, booze and boodle party." Go to it labor fakirs!

The Socialist local of Covington, Kentucky has published resolutions declaring against making the National Secretary's salary \$1 500 per

year and offer as a suggestion that it be \$1,000. That will strike all of us as being more in accord with true Socialistic principles and ideas. And further, if the National Secretary is worth more why is not his assistants and also the lady who sits at the typewriter all day? Each need three meals a day and a place to sleep. Make it \$1,000.

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MOVEMENTS OF SOCIALISTS

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that the Convention of the Socialist party of Austria was in session.

If at any time, before the Campaign is in full swing, we should be in a position to donate more money to the Organizing or Campaign Fund we will gladly do so."

Local Laurium, Mich., has expelled John B. Rasteller from the Socialist party because he accepted a local nomination on an Independent ticket and refused to withdraw as a candidate after being notified by the Local.

State conventions of the Socialist party are scheduled as follows: June 19, Wyoming at Laramie; June 26, Massachusetts at Boston (Annual Socialist Club Conference); July 4, Colorado, at Denver; Indiana, at Indianapolis; Iowa, at Marshalltown; Maryland, at Hagerstown; Nebraska, at Omaha; Oklahoma, at Oklahoma City.

George D. Herron's new pamphlet "The Day of Judgement," the royalty of which will go into the national campaign fund, can be had direct from the national secretary for ten cents.

J. H. Dingley, machinist, has opened a shop in connection with Oliver Jutras, and is ready to give all orders prompt attention.

Your attention is called to the advertisement in another column of the Claridon Hotel of Gilt Edge. Mrs. Looke is conducting a first class hotel and is deserving of your patronage.

The Kendallites are talking of celebrating the fourth in Kendall on a small scale. The best baseball material will be selected from Kendall and Gilt Edge to play a match game of ball with Lewistown. The Kendall fans say the aggregation will be fast company. They also suggest that Lewistown rooters bring along some silver if they desire to increase their wealth about 100 per cent.

The little editorial that appeared in thousands of old party papers all over the United States in regard to Debs getting \$10,000 a year from a railroad company, is one of these pathetic editorials composed by some hireling at Washington, D. C., and sent out to the brainless old partyite editors. It appeared verbatim in thousands of democrat and republican papers.

We understand that Father (?) Vermaat who spent considerable of his time telling how Fathers McGrady and Hagerty had denounced Socialism, is now rather quiet on that point. He can now turn his attention to boycotting the News and getting a few pin headed business men to withdraw their patronage from this paper. Well, go to it, the News is still here and no religious prejudice can ever blind the justice or truth of facts from our columns.

The Montana News desires to suggest a man for the Van who would be just the fellow in the right place. A man well grounded in scientific Socialism, revolutionary to the core, a good talker, either single handed or in a speech, one who never gets mad at his opponent no matter how trying the depth of his ignorance may be, a man who cares nothing about making money, in fact one who has become to realize the present economic situation too thoroughly to bother his head with the foolish Utopian dream of getting rich or making money, in fact a man just fitted for one place on the Van, and that is Comrade Arthur T. Harvey of Lewistown, who for some months past has conducted a series of articles in the News under the head of "The Class Fight."

Will there be anything done by the official authorities of Fergus county toward collecting the Murphy bond before election?

The rejection of the present national platform by the referendum, should such be the case, will leave the party still standing on the Indianapolis platform. Possibly it would be best to reject the new one.

The People of New York appears to be fond of rubbing it in on James F. Carey. Possibly Carey did need a program for his guidance when in office, and that was his reason for favoring a program at the National Chicago convention.

The Catholic church priesthood of Wisconsin appears to be lining up against Socialism. Let them line up. It will be but a short time until their lines will be broken. Truth crushed to earth shall rise again, and the church of this country like the military of Colorado, is not strong enough to blot out the American spirit that abounds in the average citizen's breast with joy for freedom. On with the dance!

The fracas that occurred between the two miners of Gilt Edge lately seems to have been somewhat colored by the local contemporaries. From facts gleaned it appears that Fred Jones and another miner nicknamed "French Joe" got into an altercation by reason of the former extracting a bottle of barleycorn from the pocket of Joe. Words led to blows and Joe administered to Jones a drubbing. It seems as though Jones was bent upon a continuance of the quarrel and endeavored to provoke further trouble with "French Joe" the following morning when they reported for work at the mines. Joe refused to further argue the matter while on duty and inadvertently stooped over to pick up some material when Jones dealt him a cowardly blow with an axe, knocking him out and running away. Fortunately for Joe the force of the blow was thwarted by the handle of the axe coming in contact with his clothing. Deputy Sheriff Whitcomb was put on Jones' trail, and swore in as an assistant one Barney Hedigan, who was under \$1500 bond for a criminal charge. They were out a day and night without effect, other than bringing down a wolf and two coyotes. Quite a pleasant hunt, (wolf hunt) was engaged in it is said.

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Montana Socialists Have Nominated

(Continued from last week)

The auditing committee then re-
ported as follows:

Report of Auditing Committee

The committee appointed to audit
the books of the state secretary and
state treasurer, beg leave to report
as follows:

That we have audited the state
secretary's books from March 23rd,
date of transfer of accounts to the
present secretary, until June 6th at
the time of sitting of convention.

That owing to the absence of any
records, previous to March 23rd,
we are unable to check beyond that
date. On March 23rd, we find per
cash book a balance of \$54.01. The
receipts and disbursements of the
cash book corresponding with the
receipt book stubs and warrants is-
sued thereon, showing a balance by
the state secretary on June 6th 1904
of \$44.09 as follows: Balance in
Bank \$20.31. Cash in hand of
state secretary \$23.78.

We find this cash in the hands of
the state secretary, on account of the
state treasurer refusing to receive any
monies after May 22nd, 1904; the
state treasurer basing his action on
the ground of irregular procedure
in the handling of the state funds.

We find a discrepancy of \$1.37
between the state secretary's cash
account and the books of the state
treasurer.

We fail to find a cash balance
drawn off in the state secretary's
cash book at any time.

We fail to find any method of
handling the amounts due state sec-
retary, in the matter of dues owed
by the various locals of the state.

Against the cash balance of \$44-
09, we find an indebtedness of
\$42.28, money advanced by, and
accrued salary of state secretary
Pierce; an amount of \$10.50 due
the American Labor Union for liter-
ature sold M. W. Wilkins and guar-
anteed by the state Socialist Com-
mittee; an amount of \$20.00 due
the American Labor Union for liter-
ature sold T. A. Hickey and guar-
anteed by the state Socialist Com-
mittee; an amount of \$189.50 back
salary of P. J. Cooney, showing a
net deficit of \$218.19.

We find a very incomplete and
unsystematic method used in hand-
ling the accounts of the Socialist
party of Montana.

It is the opinion of this committee
that state secretary Pierce and state
treasurer Calder have exercised an
honest administration of affairs, in-
sofar as their power, and facilities
for the handling of the accounts
permit.

The auditing committee recom-
mends, to the state convention, in
body assembled that,
1st.—It thoroughly considers the
claims of Ex-State Secretary P. J.
Cooney, regarding the amount he
asks as back salary.

2nd.—That the state convention
take immediate steps to adopt a
more orderly and perfect system, in
handling the finances, of the Social-
ist Party of Montana, with a view
of placing and maintaining the
party on a substantial basis financially.

MRS. R. ANNA GERMAN,
Chairman.

C. E. WEISE,
HENRY LYNCH,
Committee.

On motion the report of the aud-
iting committee was adopted as
read.

Report of Committee on Consti-
tution and By-laws. Mr. Hickey
moves the adoption by section.

Sproule: "The State Committee
has met time and again and have
gone to a great deal of expense to
frame a constitution and by-laws
and we were told yesterday that the
state committee was entirely at the
disposal of this convention. If this
is so, and this convention is under-
taking to do work that the com-
mittee has done up to the present
time, and which has cost the Social-
ist party many hundreds of
dollars to do, I want to say that if
its work is declared to be simply
nothing at all and that this conven-
tion is to make a new set of by-laws,
I don't see a bit of use of this com-
mittee and would have that clause
struck out, as this committee is sim-

ply a useless expense to the party.
Comrades, we must act by the con-
stitution."

Levengood: "I make a motion
that the report of the committee be
concurring in and the committee
discharged."

Hickey, "Even if you do dis-
charge this committee, the time has
not been wasted because a financial
point has been brought out and re-
ferred to the members of this con-
vention, and that is this; that your
committee as fast as they possibly
can will be sluffed; they shall get
just as little pieces of business as
we can possibly give them. It is
state convention, they are going to
do the work for the party. (Inter-
ruption). When I say sluff, I say
a word in common use among men.
It means to put aside, to discard.
The committee has taken hold of
things, and the rest do nothing, and
result of the committee's meeting
secretly, the result of the great up-
rising of the masses is stilled by the
committee. It is not alone so in
Montana, but in other states. The
result in whatever state you go in
the United States, in which there is
a representative Socialist movement,
there the state convention steps in
and elects a ticket. There will be
about nine men tomorrow acting on
this. Most of us are going home
tonight, and Comrade Langford will
be all that is left. We don't want
to see that kind of business."

The report therefore of the com-
mittee on constitution was not read
as the convention had no constitu-
tional right to amend or change the
constitution.

Nomination for Presidential Elec-
tors.

W. H. Pierce nominates Holden.
Mr. Graham: "As Comrade Hol-
den was elected four years ago, I
believe in putting someone else up
who was with him before. I nomi-
nate Comrade G. F. Maybe of
Chico." Joseph Hoar was also
placed in nomination.

On motion the secretary was in-
structed to cast the vote for the
three men nominated. Carried.

Nominations for Governor were
next in order.

Brack nominates Mr. Sproule.
Schwend nominates John W.
Frinke.

Mrs. German nominates N. E.
Levengood.

Hickey nominates Geo. O'Malley.
Graham moves that nominations
be closed.

Sproule: "I do not underesti-
mate the honor, but am not a poli-
tician in the sense of the word put
forward here, and think the other
nominees more capable of filling
the position. I therefore ask to
withdraw."

Graham moves that they proceed
to elect by roll call. The party
having the majority of votes shall
become the nominee of the Conven-
tion. Sproule's resignation for the
nomination accepted.

FIRST BALLOT

Frinke,.....10
O'Malley,.....15
Levengood,.....12

SECOND BALLOT

O'Malley,.....25
Levengood,.....14

Comrade Levengood moves to
make nomination unanimous. Car-
ried.

Adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

Convention called to order at 1:30
by Chairman Holden.

Committee on Platform and Res-
olutions reported the following res-
olution unfavorable:

Whereas: "The Montana News
is the one paper in the state that
has unwaveringly held aloft the ban-
ner of class-conscious revolutionary
Socialism for the past eighteen
months, despite the unremitting op-
position of the capitalist party of
the state; therefore be it resolved
that this convention endorse the
Montana News, and call upon all
the comrades of the state to support
the News to the best of their ability."

Report of committee concurred
in.

Nominations for Lieutenant Gov-
ernor.

Ambrose nominates Comrade

Frinke. Mr. Walsh moves that in-
asmuch as Mr. Frinke was one of the
nominees for Governor and was not
elected, that his choice as Lieuten-
and Governor be made unanimous.
Seconded, and carried.

Nominations for Congressman.
T. D. Caulfield nominates Walsh
of Lewistown.

Olson nominates Sproule of Hel-
ena.

Sproule: "I was candidate for
this honor in 1902, and would there-
fore like to resign in favor of Com-
rade Walsh, and I move that the
nomination be made unanimous by
this convention. Carried.

Nominations for Secretary of
State:

Sproule nominates Comrade
Lynch.
Ambrose nominates Sproule.
Sproule resigns, and the nomination
of Lynch is made unanimous.

Attorney General.
Mr. Parr: I move that we pass
this. Carried.

Supt. of Public Instruction:
Walsh: "I have not yet placed
anyone in nomination. I wish to
place one, who will assist us to a
great extent in bringing our ticket
prominently before the public of
Montana. I am just going to say in
brief that I want to nominate as su-
perintendent of public instruction
for Montana, Mrs. R. Anna Ger-
man of Butte."

Sproule: "I move that the nomi-
nation be declared the unanimous
choice of this convention, as candi-
date for the office of superintendent
of public instruction. Carried.

State Auditor:
Sproule nominates Woolridge.
Purcell nominates Robert Hendry.
Some objection being made to
there being three nominees from
Fergus county, Comrade Walsh
offers to withdraw in favor of the
other two.

Hendry: "I could not think for
a moment of permitting Comrade
Walsh to withdraw in my favor, or
Comrade Lynch either. We may
not have so many Socialists in Fer-
gus county, and it may be possible
that they want some of us to allow
our names to be used for county
offices, and I would therefore like
to have my name withdrawn."

Lynch: "I think I would rather
have my name withdrawn in favor
of the two comrades in question,
and feel that I could better afford
to sacrifice myself."

Walsh: "There will be no fight
in Fergus county with us. I would
nominate from Helena, Wm. Phelps
for this position."

Hendry moves that the nomi-
nation of Phelps be made unanimous.
Carried.

State Treasurer:
Purcell nominates Olson of Great
Falls.

Sproule moved that nomination
be made the unanimous choice of
the convention. Carried.

Chief Justice:
Sproule: I nominate for this
office, Comrade Parr.

Parr: "I do not feel that it is in-
cumbent upon me at this time to ac-
cept the nomination at this conven-
tion, although I appreciate the
honor, and I think it advisable to
put some other party in this office
or else pass it. I therefore resign."

Hickey: "I believe Comrade
Parr is the one man who can put up
a successful fight in Silver Bow
county, and we cannot spare him
from the County."

Sproule: "You remember that
at the Bozeman convention, we
were censured for putting up for
this position a man who was not
considered qualified. Now, we
have a man we are not ashamed of,
and we would like to see him run
for that office; one who is legally
qualified for it, and we would like
this convention to express itself as
having confidence in our esteemed
comrade, and we would like to show
the people that we are ready at all
times to put up such a man."

Walsh: "The reason I did not
decline at the time I was nominated
was because a Socialist has no right
to decline. Every Socialist of this
state is a servant of the party, and
when we call you to duty, it is your
duty to come, and for my part, I
absolutely oppose the proposition
of considering the resignation of
Comrade Parr. He is the right

man for this office."

Woolridge: "I wish to say that
it is a great weakness in the Social-
ist ticket to not have a man it would
do to elect, and unfortunately the
party is weak in the legal talent at
present, for the lawyers are a little
shy of connecting with a new move-
ment. I shall be very disappointed
if Comrade Parr refuses to accept
the nomination, as we have no other
man so well qualified to fill that par-
ticular office."

Holden: "In Butte, we have
three judges and a county attorney
to elect. We made our call for the
County Convention to elect dele-
gates to the state convention. We
could at that time, and it was in-
tended, to elect our county ticket.
Had we nominated our county ticket
at that time, we should have taken
all the available candidates in our
local to fill those offices effectually.
We deferred action until the first of
June. They claimed that we had
sold out, as far as that is concerned.
We want to go before the public in
Silver Bow county with a full and
good ticket this coming fall, and we
have felt as though we have prior
claims upon Comrade Parr than this
convention, and had we thought
you were going to steal him from
us, we would not have allowed him
to come here. There will be a com-
mittee appointed here to look after
the state organization and fill va-
cancies in the future, and there will
be others to fill it without Comrade
Parr, and we hope you will not in-
sist in stealing him from us."

Hickey nominated Comrade Geo.
Kohl.

McHugh: "I do not agree with
the speaker that the Local should
have first pick. I claim that the
national should come first. I don't
think Terre Haute would have the
right to say they needed Debs for
constable. I believe it is his duty,
as with an army man to go where
the army calls him, and I am cer-
tainly not in favor of allowing Com-
rade Parr to resign. I think it is
his duty to accept this nomination."

Dr. Calder: "During the last
election, certain of the Socialists
thought that as they had a vote for
Judge, they would better not lose it,
and consequently they went and
voted for Judge McClernan. I had
had some talk with the Judge about
Socialism and he seemed rather fa-
vorable to it, so I went one day and
asked him to subscribe for the Appeal
to Reason. When I wanted to put
him down for it, he said: 'I will
not play the hypocrite any longer.
This is a renegade movement,' and
he would not subscribe for it. We
haven't a friend in one judge in
Butte, and therefore we want Com-
rade Parr."

Sproule: "If the comrade would
only forget selfishness and look to
the cause and the welfare of the
cause, Gentlemen, perhaps it would
be a little better. Now, I object in
the most serious way to your bring-
ing a gattling gun to slay all our
enemies, and then want to take it
back with you. We want to use the
very best timber in the country, and
if there are any left over, let the locals
use them up. Unless our esteemed
Comrade Parr has private motives,
or better ones than already given, I
object to having him withdraw. We
want to put on the state ticket a
man who is competent and qualified.

We want a man who is a lawyer,
and we have one here who is a gat-
tling gun too."

Walsh: "If there is a prospect
of Comrade Parr being elected in
Butte if put on the local ticket, it
might not be the best thing for the
Socialist cause in the state of Mon-
tana. If this man should be placed
on the state ticket and a man placed
on the ticket in Butte who is not
elected, it might show us the
real strength of the cause in that
city. When we get Socialism, we
will not have lawyers sitting on the
Supreme Bench, poring over the
musty pages of the records of de-
cisions to decide what kind of law
we want. We have to have lawyers
now, and this convention should se-
lect Comrade Parr regardless of the
Butte local trouble."

(To be continued next week)

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