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Mrs. Ida Crouch-Hazlett Will Tour Montana.

**A Woman of National Reputation Now Under Direction of Socialist Party of Montana
---Watch for Her Dates**

Mrs. Ida Crouch-Hazlett of Denver, Colorado, is in the state and will make a tour of the same in the interests of the Socialist party of Montana. In fact her tour will be practically the opening of the campaign, if there is any such time as when the Socialists open a campaign. As a matter of fact the real opening of a Socialist campaign is the next night following the closing of the polls of an election.

After she finishes her speech-making in Butte and Anaconda, which work she commenced in that vicinity last week, she will make a tour of the state, speaking at the following places: Clancy, Canyon Ferry, Helena, Great Falls, Monarch, Stockett, Sand Coulee, Neihart, possibly into the Judith Basin country, making Lewistown, Kendall and Gilt Edge, and probably after that back to Marysville, East Helena, Boulder and Basin.

The state committee is making an effort to have her speak in as many places as possible, and as the expense proposition is to be handled in a manner that will be light on all the comrades, it is to be hoped that every local in the state, where she may be permitted to speak will avail themselves of her services. Mrs. Hazlett speaks on the streets as well as in the halls, and commands great attention wherever she goes. The Butte Miner in speaking of Mrs. Hazlett has the following to say:

"Mrs. Crouch-Hazlett is an experienced woman in unionism and well known in labor circles throughout the United States. She is a member of the American Labor union and an honorary member of the Leadville Federal union. There is no doubt that the lecture will be interesting, for Mrs. Crouch-Hazlett is recognized as one of the ablest women orators on the American platform. She is of a pleasing appearance and of the intellectual temperament.

"She has been in Colorado during all of the recent troubles there, and her lecture will be based on what she has seen and known from personal experiences. She was in Telluride, Trinidad, Victor and many other towns in the strike region while the worst of the troubles were going on.

"Mrs. Crouch-Hazlett has been prominently connected with the woman suffrage movement for some time and is an ardent worker in all that pertains to women's clubs. For five years she was one of the national organizers of the Woman Suffrage association and has been in all of the state amendment campaigns since Colorado admitted the women to vote. She is a member of the Denver Woman's club, the largest club in the national federation."

Mrs. Hazlett made the race for congress in Colorado two elections ago and polled a very large vote. Her easy way in presenting the wage workers condition and pointing out how to gain relief is deeply interesting to her listeners and always commands the closest attention from an audience.

Let every Socialist be up and doing now on this lecture tour and assist this accomplished woman in her efforts to arouse the wage slave from his lethargic stage. Watch for the dates in the News and have all arrangements made about two weeks in advance that a good crowd may be assured and no disappointments to experience as has been the case in the past.

What Labor Got From Congress After Electing "Their Friends."

For years the American Federation of Labor has volunteered suggestions in governmental matters, and has pleaded for and demanded laws calculated to benefit the workers, the great majority of the people, says the Cleveland Citizen.

But the federation might as well have petitioned the man in the moon to send down a shower of milk and honey, as to request congress and the various state legislatures to grant labor a few immaterial concessions.

For ten years Andred Furuseth has been stationed at Washington to attempt to secure the enactment of laws in the interest of labor. Here is what he reports as the result of the efforts of himself and half a dozen others, to receive recognition at the hands of the con-



MRS. IDA CROUCH-HAZLETT, SOCIALIST ORATOR

stitute known as the Platt amendment; this was finally adopted by the house. This bill will admit to United States territory anywhere any Chinese who is a citizen or subject of any other country than China. It will admit to United States mainland territory from the Philippines all the subjects of the emperor of China. More than that. If China shall denounce the existing treaty made in 1894, then after December 7, 1904, there will be neither treaty nor law to prevent Chinamen from coming to this country from anywhere.

Eight-hour Bill.—The house passed the bill and the senate is now occupying itself going over the same ground gone over for five years, having hearings on the bill. This is preparatory to burying the measure.

Anti-Injunction Bill.—The bill to abolish the use of the injunction in labor disputes passed the house; it was amended in the senate committee so it was worse than nothing. (This bill was killed in the senate on Thursday).

Government to Build Three Naval Vessels.—The naval committee of the house reported in favor of building one war ship by the government in government naval yards; the house amended the bill to build three. The senate struck all out, and none will be built in the navy yards of this country.

Ship Subsidy.—An amendment was introduced in the senate to the ship subsidy bill which prohibited the employment of Chinese on vessels receiving a subsidy. Through the efforts of certain senators the amendment was defeated and the bill passed the senate. Should it pass the house in this shape these ships will continue to employ the cheapest men to be obtained, on the proposition that they are paying the highest wages in the world.

And this array of acts leads the Citizen to observe:
"We have long opposed the policy of lobbying for labor laws, or asking for favors from the old-party politicians, or volunteering information to those who deliberately snub the working people. Such a policy never seemed very dignified, or calculated to increase one's self-respect.

"It has been our opinion that where the working people desire concessions they have the power to secure them without begging. They have the ballot in their hands, and, being the vast majority, they can turn down the Hannas and Johnsons and place their class in power, and conduct the affairs of government in the interest of that class.

"But after mature reflection we have come to the conclusion that the policy of petitioning for concessions from the enemy, disgusting as it may seem, is quite necessary. It is apparent that the working class requires continuous object lessons—every day, every hour—to make it understand that it has nothing to expect but scorn and contempt from the capitalist class, the child of its own relation.

"Yes, labor must be given its fill of object lessons. It must have ocular demonstrations that its pleadings for favorable laws are spurned, that the powers of government are against it in strikes and lockouts, the class struggle is not a theory, but a condition!

"When labor has learned its lessons well, probably it will cease to worship a Hanna or a Johnson, will overcome petty prejudices, and stand up for labor at the polls as well as in the union rooms.

"Then it will not be necessary to run after the politicians. There won't be any further use for them."

To all of which we say Amen! This writer saw the labor committee at the Kentucky legislature last winter, after two months of honest, unremitting effort, turn with disgust away from Frankfort, with their minds fully made up that there was nothing to be gotten from the old parties. Out of this disappointment grew the independent labor movement of Louisville which will compel legislation in the interest of labor or lay those on the shelf permanently who stand in the way of it. And by the same token the committee that went to Galveston is undoubtedly wiser if not richer.

The Copper City Described by a Staff Correspondent of the News ---The Brand in Evidence.

Anaconda, Mont., July 30, 1904.

Police Judge Comrade McHugh has kindly given me the use of his official desk on which to write a few inspired eulogies on the Copper City.

A book could be written and not exhaust the subject, because, from a Socialist standpoint, this is a wonderful city. There is probably not in the United States another exactly like it.

It is a "one company town." The Anaconda Copper Mining Co. may be said to own the city body, soul and breeches. The Anaconda smelter, the largest copper smelter in the world, provides the only industry of any magnitude in this locality. It employs practically the entire working population. Thus it controls the jobs, therefore the lives, of most of Anaconda's citizens. A brewery, brickyard and some smaller institutions give work to a few, but the company owns them also. A first rate lighting service, water works, electric line, all belong to the company. After smelling sulphuric fumes all day the wage-slaves might perchance go and eat a first-class meal in freedom from the everlasting "Copper City"—but the company, in its love for its employes, has provided them with the handsomest hotel in the state. I sized the imposing structure up and concluded that it must belong to Rockefeller. So I hied myself to a cheap working class restaurant, and ate my supper in the consoling thought that one two-bit piece was not going directly into "the coffers of the rich." But upon investigation I found the name "Anaconda Copper Mining Co." ineffaceably stamped on the knife and fork I ate with. The employes are urged to buy at the company department store—and you bet they buy. It may be thought that if the poor wage-slave does not like this state of affairs he can in the last moment of desperation take to the tall timber. But there is no tall timber. The smoke from the smelter has killed every tree within five miles.

Could capitalism devise a more model city?

The middlemen here are being driven slowly to the wall, the wage-slaves are being thoroughly instructed in class-consciousness and Anaconda will be in line for Socialism long before the "free cities" get their eyes open. Indeed, it would have been at this time overwhelmingly Socialistic had not the company railroaded Socialists by the score. These conditions exist, not because there is more capitalism here than in other cities, but because capitalism is more concentrated and has seen that it is to its advantage to control the city in fact as well as in theory.

I have said the company owns everything worth owning. There is one notable exception. It does not directly own or control in the smallest degree the Socialist county and city officials. This is the one ray of light shining through the darkness. It does a Socialist heart good to find amid the absolute capitalist despotism in the city a few comrades valiantly holding aloft the banner of the working class. And this condition is what makes Anaconda unique among cities. The company has for years completely dominated the industrial and political affairs of the city—yet the Socialist party is in power. This is explained only by the fact that the company was not fully awake to the situation or it would not have permitted such a thing to happen, especially in the city. Its control of county politics has never been complete and is daily becoming less. The Socialists were elected on a labor ticket, and the company was thereby caught off its guard. However, it was not slow to grasp the situation, and soon after the election the blue card system was commenced. Comrades who had taken any prominent part, or who had been heard to express Socialistic sentiments, or who had been detected trading at Socialist stores, were notified that their services on "the hill" were no longer needed. Thus they got the radicals out of town and forced the others to cease open activity. Some who had imagined they were Socialists sneaked back into the old parties. Peace be to their ashes.

When, after such a wholesale deportation of the active spirits, Socialism wins again in Anaconda it will be the signal that the social revolution has burst.

The city is admirably situated and well laid out. Streets are



EUGENE V. DEBS, SOCIALIST PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE

gressmen who have adjourned for the summer and are now busy fixing up their fences for re-election:

The Chinese Exclusion Bill.—The senate committee on immigration reported an effective Chinese exclusion bill; a combination between democrats and Pacific coast republicans, assisted by a few more, compelled the house to adopt what was substantially the bill recommended by the senate committee; the senate adopted a sub-



BEN HANFORD, SOCIALIST VICE-PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE

wide and kept clean by a Socialist street department. The street car line, used principally by the employes, runs to the smelter, a distance of three miles. The motor cars rival the inter-urban trolleys of the east in size and power, but not in elegance (they were built for

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ing to the laboring men and farmers to take up the study of this important subject, sure threw a harpoon into the tender hide of Archbishop Messmer. As a result the Rev. tore things up around his pulpit the next Sunday morning and declared that a man could not be a Catholic and a Socialist. Neither can a woman sing to the Catholic choir any more, Father Messmer. But the fight is on and after it has been finished by the ushering in of a co-operative commonwealth Messmer and his kind of grafters will go down and out and the church will live on, based upon true christian principles.

The Boulder Sentinel says: "Watch the Sentinel for clean, untarnished editorials," and the next editorial reads: "Keep the initiative and referendum in mind, first last and all the time." Strange, how these anti-trust, Heinzeized, labor-faking, riff-raff following papers and loud-mouthed satellites have turned to a Socialistic principle. If you are sincere why not adopt or approve of the Socialist platform in its entirety? Why fool around on just the initiative and referendum? The Socialist party is in the field with a ticket and platform worded in a manner that he who runs may read, and see for himself that it stands for all the anti-trust party claims to, and more. It stands for the full product of toil to the creator thereof. Is not this demand just? Watch all of these fakirs, including office holders, "labor bodies," anti-trust, expelled Socialists, and a thousand other Judas Iscariots who would scab the job of crucifixion if given an opportunity.

This paper has no regard for the labor politician fakir, and it will be our duty to cut the hide off of him in large chunks in the near future. He is a moral degenerate to start with and we will attempt to hue him down to his true colors. The lime light of exposure will be thrown on him and honest union men will have an opportunity to see him as he is. God hates a traitor. He is worse than Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Christ for thirty pieces of silver. No self respecting citizen has any use for him. He is the same to a corporation or money ring as is the scab in time of strike. Used because they have to use him to further their aims and purposes and kicked out when not wanted.

The Butte Evening News wastes a great amount of space trying to get the editorial wage slaves on the Clark papers to write something on the initiative and referendum. In quoting to these papers the attitude of the democratic party according to their platform adopted at Great Falls, the News appears to overlook the fact that it has been characteristic of the democratic party to adopt any old thing if it would assist them to get into office. The democrats adopted the populist platform, it adopted 16 to 1, and it has adopted the republican position on the gold standard. In fact, it will adopt anything to get in office.

Well, Helena is to have a labor day celebration, and judging from one or two of the anti-trust appearance of the committee elected, it would be in order for them to secure Silk-sock Attorney Day to deliver the labor day address—the man that polled about four to one union votes on last election day against a union man. He may scab a little on that day in his talk, but that is no more than the union men do on election day.

The laborer, the farmer and the small business man are a trinity whose interests are identical.

Two eastern local papers reached our desk this week with the striking information that the fire in the packing house at Chicago a few days ago had been set by the union men. What fools some mortals be. The fire caught from a dynamo overheated by an unskilled scab running the same. These same kind of papers are still telling their readers of the union men blowing up the Independence depot in Colorado, when, as a matter of fact, the bloodhounds followed the perpetrator of the deed to the home of a citizens alliance and paid employe of the miners' association.

In Livingston the union men are planing to hold a blow-out of some kind, and they have invited a lawyer to make the address of the day. That's right, don't never have a laboring man, one of your own class address you, for he might tell you some truths. Get a parasite of a lawyer, a man who lives from others misfortunes, an absolutely useless article under a rational system. But union men still like to hear fakism and rainbow chasing from the class that bull-pen them when they want their legal rights.

The Dubuque federation of labor has declared against Socialism and so has the Catholic church. Both based on ignorance of leaders desire the perpetuation of the present competitive system. However, it would be an opportune time now for Hayes and Burger to bring in another resolution to the Socialist party on unionism or the raising of Gompers' salary.

Under Socialism those who labor will receive the full product of their toil. For instance, if a man makes about ten pairs of shoes in a day, those ten pairs of shoes will belong to him and his family, and the man who don't work can go bare-footed. The laborer under Socialism will have the advantage of all the improved machinery of today and much more.

The fact that the breweries are furnishing the prohibition party money to conduct their campaign is evidence that a reform party is a farce. If the prohibitionists were in earnest they would be with the Socialist party, because the liquor trouble or traffic can never be handled until you remove the profit part of the business.

The Socialist platform adopted at Chicago, May 5, 1904, has been concurred in by the referendum vote. Now let us teach Socialism until after election time and then we may spend a few of the long winter months tearing the matter up and getting things arranged for the next national campaign.

The First National Bank of Grinnell, Iowa, closed its doors on July 27, with liabilities to the tune of a half million. The depositors of that bank have waited for a long time to reap the reward of their voting, but it came at last. Just a wave of republican prosperity.

Roosevelt is holding daily conferences with his lieutenants at the present to discuss the numerous strikes over the country and their causes, etc. His message of high wages and prosperity does not agree with the striking conditions of the laborer.

Prison Labor.—The prison labor bill, to prevent prison-made goods from competing with the products of free labor, passed the house during the life of the last congress, but did not get a favorable report at the hands of the present congress.

We expected to give our readers a good report of the state committee meeting held in Butte last week, but it appears that the committee reporter has gone to sleep.

While something like a half million laboring people are out on strike for living wages and better conditions, Roosevelt is telling the people that prosperity is here. He is great on ignorance, eh?



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working people to ride in). Electricity is furnished in abundance from the works. Water is pure, clear and cold. The Montana hotel, recently refurbished at a cost of \$40,000, is the finest in the state. The public buildings and schools would do credit to a city twice the size.

Deer Lodge county is immune from sheriff's thugs for a while at least. Sheriff Morrar is a member of the local and a machinist. If forced to quell a riot we know what rioters he would go after.

Treasurer Denny, printer, and Assessor Leavengood, carpenter, one giving an example of how Socialists can administer public office. Comrade Leavengood raised the company's assessment to its proper figure, and, of course, got into a fight. I believe he won out.

Mayor Comrade Frinke, cigarmaker, is giving an administration that strikes one as being rigorously free from graft and boodle. Among other improvements he has converted what was once a pile of boulders, used as a dumping ground, into a level commons, where the people assemble in the evenings to hear concerts by the home band.

City Treasurer Tobin and Police Judge McMugh, blacksmith's helper, Councilmen Schwend, Jacobson and Adler complete the list of Socialist city officials. The police and street departments are under the direction of good Socialists.

Comrade McMugh is an untiring worker for working class emancipation. He does not leave his Socialism at the door of his office, but incorporates it in his official duties. I will mention that not in any city in the United States can be found such a police docket record as appears on his books. As an illustration of the way he goes after capitalism with capitalism's own tools: Two young men were arrested, brought into court and tried on a charge of vagrancy. The record of the case reads: "Defendants arraigned and pleaded that they were looking hard for a master but could not find any. They did not own any land, tools or machinery, and we suspended sentence so they could go somewhere and find some one who owned these things and were in need of labor power such as these young men possessed and were anxious to sell." Is not that the proper kind of doctrine to go on official city records? Another "vag" that had been pinched is recorded as "a hard working wage-slave with a paid-up card in the Moulders' union." He was also allowed to continue his search for a master.

The Socialist party has some worthy representatives in the comrades who are fighting capitalism in the Copper City.

T. P. HUGHES.

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HAS THE PARTY BEEN OVE-ORGANIZED?

Letters come to this office every day nearly telling of the poorly organized condition of the Socialist party in Montana. This is an existing condition that is to be deplored, but cannot be helped, only by constant hustling and reorganizing.

It is possible that the party has been slightly over-organized in the past, and the present condition of affairs is telling more truly the real strength of the following or membership.

The Socialist organization is entirely different than that of any reform party or the old parties. To become a member of any party other than the Socialist, all that is necessary is to simply say that you are a member of the same and the cat hop is up; you are it. But in the Socialist party it is entirely different. You may declare yourself a Socialist, but you may not be one, and the party with its organization reserves the right to allow you to be a Socialist or to read you out of its ranks. To be a Socialist depends upon your understanding and knowledge of the economic question; you must understand the political turmoil of the country and realize what is meant by the class conscious revolutionary movement before you can become a Socialist.

Possibly we have organized too many locals over the state with too large a membership of men who listened to a speech and declared on the spur of the moment that they were Socialists. However, we learned that when the "Patriotic Spell" left them they were no longer Socialists, but vasculating renegades of the political riff-raff that finds its expected ideal realization in one of the old parties that promise everything on earth and give nothing.

Following this kind of organization we must expect the present lethargic condition to exist until such time that the machinery of the party is reorganized and placed on its feet again, so to speak. Socialists should not make the mistake of trying to get members into locals too soon. Membership of the local is not what we want—thorough understanding Socialists is what the movement needs.

The man who thoroughly understands the Socialist teachings should invite friends to attend local meetings with him, but do not make the mistake of insisting on having them sign the roll of membership, and upon which you assume that they are Socialists. No greater mistake could be made. Socialists are not made by becoming members of the locals. They are made by education.

Far better have a local with five members who are properly grounded on the movement, than to have one with five thousand who are not. Get the non-Socialist to study the question, and if he is a man of reason he will become a Socialist through education, and will become a member of the local through a class consciousness of the laborer's condition developed through the education.

Even with the lethargic condition of the dues paying members in the locals, a wonderful increase will be seen in the Socialist vote this fall. Too many are learning the farce game of the Daly-Clark kind, which is being kept up by the Heinze-Amalgamated crowd. In fact any man with horse sense knows that no multi-millionaire concern is going to do anything for the laboring or common class. Through their demo-republican, anti-trust, labor-faking parties they expect to detract the attention of the majority of the voters from the real issue and the party that stands for their own interests, and for forty years they have been successful in doing it.

But with all this and with the lax condition of the locals over the state the Socialists will roll up a vote this fall that will be a surprise to many. And in order to assist this work the Socialists should see that the locals are hereafter organized of stern, sound men whose ideas cannot be swayed by the hope of glittering rainbow positions in the state house or some county court house at the hands of a benevolent Heinze or Amalgamated.

According to the figures of the late labor report every working person in this country creates wealth to the amount of \$2,500 each year. Did you get your \$2,500 for last year's labor? Under Socialism the great useless expense now necessary to conduct the machinery of the competitive system would be wiped out, which would probably increase the above figures 100 per cent. In that event every laborer would create wealth for his own benefit to the amount of \$5,000 per year. In other words this would be \$417 per month or a trifle over \$16 per every working day. How would you like that, laborer? You are creating that amount of wealth now, but the rich are spending it while you skimp along on a small wage. You bet the rich can spend it. You laborers would not know what to do were you to receive such wages as \$16 per day, because you could not spend it. The rich can spend many times that amount every day. Vote the Socialist ticket and get the full product of your labor that you and your family may enjoy the pleasures of life.

The resolutions adopted by the Wisconsin federation of labor the other day at Green Bay declaring for Socialism and recommend-

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Movements of Socialists

National Headquarters, Socialist Party, William Mailly, Nat'l Secretary, Chicago, Ill., August 2, 1904.

Total half-day funds have been acknowledged in the sum of \$271.84. Previously acknowledged, \$1,238.47. Total, \$1,510.31. Regular contributions, \$505.75. Previously acknowledged, \$140.65. Total, \$1,956.70.

The Wisconsin state convention of the Social Democratic party, as the Socialist party is known in

that state, has been called for September 3rd at Milwaukee, and the capitalist papers are already trying to figure out what the Socialists will do in that state this fall.

The Texas state convention is called to meet at Grand Saline Saturday, August 6. A big Socialist encampment is planned for the same week.

Comrade Eugene V. Debs and the National Secretary have jointly mapped the schedule for the presidential candidate's meetings during the campaign. As arranged the schedule includes 62 meetings within 68 days, covering territory extending from Maine to California. This means that Comrade Debs will be on the road without a break from September 1st until the eve of election, when he will close the campaign at Terre Haute.

Comrade Debs will formally open the campaign at Indianapolis on Thursday, September 1st, and plans are under way to make the meeting a record breaking one in every respect. All the locals in Indiana are being invited to participate. Dates following Indianapolis are already arranged as follows: Sept. 3, Louisville, Ky.; 4, joint demonstration by Cincinnati, Covington and Newport; 5, Erie, Pa. (Labor Day); 6, New York City; 7, Baltimore, Md.; 8, Wheeling, W. Va.; 11, St. Louis, Mo.

Comrade Debs will then go

outh filling seven dates in the principal industrial centers of Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Arkansas and Texas; after which he will start west from Kansas City, for the Pacific coast. He and Hanford are booked for a monster meeting in the Chicago Auditorium on Oct. 17, the only meeting at which both candidates will speak together.

After Hanford has filled dates in the south and west he will return to the east, speaking in that territory until he makes Chicago for the joint meeting on Oct. 17. He will then go into the western states while Debs is in the east and finishing the campaign on the Pacific coast.

Except at a few important points, Hanford will not visit the same cities where Debs is booked. This will give more places a chance at one or the other of them. In the meantime all the cities and towns must not expect to get either or both candidates during the campaign, as it is impossible for them to visit all the places that want them. Locals should, therefore, prepare to use other speakers in case either of the candidates cannot appear.

Franklin H. Wentworth will fill dates in the middle western states from September 15th onwards. Wentworth is a brilliant speaker and any local engaging him can get out a large crowd and guarantee satisfaction.

John Spargo will begin his western tour in New York Aug. 28 and fill dates sufficient to get him to Montana the latter part of September.

John W. Brown will work in the middle western states from early September until the middle of October, when he will finish out the last weeks of the campaign in the eastern states.

John M. Work of Iowa will tour a number of middle western states under the direction of the national secretary from September 1st until the middle of October, when he returns to Iowa for the remainder of the campaign.

James F. Carey will work in Vermont, Connecticut and Rhode Island during August.

M. W. Wilkins will be in Pennsylvania and Maryland from August 15 to September 5, where he speaks at Lansford, Labor Day.

George E. Bigelow will return to South Dakota about August 15, and remain in that territory for a few weeks.

Harry M. McKee speaks in Tennessee continuously until August 23, when he will enter Alabama instead of Georgia as previously announced.

Charles G. Towner entered North Carolina July 23, at Greens-

boro, and closed at Charlotte August 1. He will spend one week in South Carolina and then enter Georgia, August 8, for a series of fifteen meetings.

George H. Goebel will work in the Pacific coast states for a few weeks longer before returning eastward.

All the foregoing speakers travel under the direction of the national secretary and inquiries regarding them should be addressed to William Mailly, 269 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.

Locals and comrades generally should understand that the national headquarters is not responsible in any way for any speaker not traveling under the immediate direction of the national secretary, and the use of the name of the national secretary or the national headquarters to advertise speakers not so traveling is entirely unauthorized.

Upon receipt of fifty copies of the convention report ordered by the central committee of Local Hudson County, N. J., Comrade Reilly, the secretary, wrote: "The report exceeded our expectations here. The appendix makes it a veritable handbook of party information." Orders promptly filled. Sent to any address, paper cover, 50 cents. Cloth bound, \$1, prepaid. Address all orders to William Mailly, National Secretary, 269 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

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Henry H. Rodgers, the Napoleon of American finance, is exposed to the multitude by the relentless pen of G. W. Lawson in Everybody's magazine. His article is not alone an indictment of Rodgers, but also of the system that has made Rodgers the monster of greed that he is. The thoughtless rail against this or that individual capitalist and blame him for all the wretchedness of the working class, although they are just as much to blame for the misery, want and degradation of labor as Rodgers, Rockefeller, or the host of lesser millionaires who reap the golden harvest from the toil of labor. The present system of industry, supported by all the people except the Socialists, is one under which man must compete with man to exist. All men must compete, from the humble day laborer, to H. H. Rodgers, who wields more power than any other man in the United States, it is a constant struggle in which the strong triumph. The system of capitalism is founded on the private ownership of the instruments of production, used to create wealth that is food, clothing, shelter, things which every one must have to live. The vast majority do not own any portion of the machinery of production—mines, mills, factories, etc., and have to sell their labor power to those who do, and if one wishes to escape the misery and degradation of wage-slavery he is compelled to own or control some of the machinery for the production of wealth. This ownership not alone insures against want, but also gives a commanding position in society, a position which can only be held by continual vigilance and daily combat with those who would possess themselves of the wealth and power. To better protect their interests the big capitalists have organized trusts, entrenched in these financial fortifications they resist the attacks of the herd of small exploiters, and occasionally sally forth and rob the camp of their enemies through the agency of Amalgamated or steel trust stock. The individual, no matter how great his mental power or vast his pile of dollars, is a very insignificant atom in society. He is controlled in his business actions by the economic conditions surrounding him, just as matter from the smallest particle to the largest plant is controlled by the law of gravity. If Rodgers and Rockefeller were dead their successors would be compelled to adopt similar tactics to those used by them, or go down in financial defeat, and thus yield the power to those who would use "business methods." The trouble is the system of distribution is wrong. As long as it lasts millionaires, who are but the product, will remain the monsters of greed they are today.

As illustrating, that the system and not the inherent depravity

of the individual is the cause of capitalistic tyranny, we give Law-
son's sketch of Rodgers, the man and capitalist:

"Away from the intoxicating spell of class-making this remarkable man is one of the most charming and lovable beings I have ever encountered, a man who many men or women would be proud to have for a brother; a man any mother or father would give thanks for as a son; a man any woman would be happy to know as her husband; a man whom any boy or girl would rejoice to call father. But once he passes under the baleful influence of the machine, he becomes a relentless, ravenous creature, pitiless as a shark, knowing no law of God or man in the execution of his purpose. Between him and the coveted dollars may come no kindly human influences—all are thrust aside, their claims disregarded in ministering to this strange, cannibalistic money-hunger, which, in truth, grows by what it feeds on."

Man must either be master or slave; to be master he must own some of the instruments of production; as the people must use these instruments to live, they are forced to come to him and others of his class and beg for the opportunity to labor. The latter or wage-working class are as truly slaves as were the negroes of the south or the serfs of feudal times; the form of slavery has changed, but the institution remains.

The southern slave owner did not invest money in the negro slaves for their beauty or the pleasure of having them around; no, he bought them for their labor power; their ability to work and produce wealth for him. Out of the wealth thus created he fed and clothed them in health, and, as a matter of business, saw to their wants when ill. The wage-worker sells to the capitalist, that which made the chattel slave valuable to his master, labor power; like the chattel slave he produces wealth, which the master takes, and receives a wage, the equivalent of the food, clothing and shelter supplied by the slave owner to his chattel. The principal difference between the wage-worker of today and the chattel slave or serf of former times is, he can quit his master when he desires; but he cannot stay quit, as necessity will force him to hunt another job and master. He pays dearly for his privilege to quit. If the chattel slave could not quit neither could the master fire him in times of industrial depression. The fact that each slave represented a large sum of money forced the masters to take good care of the slaves. But our capitalists, not having any money invested in the wage-workers, do not care what becomes of them. When times are bad they are laid off, and if they starve to death or die of disease it is a matter of supreme indifference to the rich; as there are always others eager to take the vacant places whenever the great industrial plants start up again. Wage salvery with the right to quit is a step in advance of chattel slavery; but the working class can never be free until the right to labor is assured every man. And for that labor each must receive the full equivalent. These rights can only be assured to all the people by Socialism, which will make every citizen an equal owner in the mills, mines, factories, railroads, land—all the means of producing wealth, and thus reward labor the full product of its toil.

The favorite reason given by certain priests and prelates for their hostility to Socialism is "that they believe it would destroy the home."

Yet the actual condition of a vast majority make homes impossible—in the true sense. That marriage among the rich are nothing but sales of a woman's body is well known; and even among the working class few marriages are free from the dollar influence. The majority of women are influenced by the economic conditions surrounding them, more than by love, in making their choice; accepting the first opportunity to leave the mudgerly of factory or store, or to escape the petty tyranny of some would-be fine lady, who tries by such means to impress on the lover's mind her social superiority. Married under such conditions, love, the only true base for happiness, lacking, is it any wonder that divorces equal one-fifth of the marriages in some sections. Capitalism, which is the cause of the majority of divorces, also looks after the children with loving care, illustrated by the fact that 11,859 boys under the age of 16 years are working in the coal mines of America, while hundreds of thousands slave long hours in the cotton mills of the south and east, breathe the foul air of their sweatshop factories in New York and Chicago, or stunt mind and body in arduous toil in factory, shop and field. Yet our critics say that it is Socialism which would destroy the home. The census gives some figures showing the number of families who own homes in the United States. Out of 16,000,000 families only 4,700,000 own their homes. Capitalism has left about one-fourth of the families in possession of homes, but the priests say Socialism would destroy the home; 2,196,000 families pay the bankers for the privilege of living in mortgaged homes; 8,365,000 families live in rented homes; and in tents, dug-outs and caves 800,000 families dwell. The census also quotes tables to show that the number of homeless people are rapidly increasing. This is a proud showing of the care of the capitalists for our American homes. Socialism would provide every family a home and remove the necessity of the children slaving in factories, mines or shops, and place them in school to become healthy, intelligent citizens of a truly civilized republic. But the priests say Socialism would destroy the home, when the fact is the greed of the rich under the capitalist system is destroying the homes of our land. This cursed system of greed and draft follows the unfortunate worker to the last, even the wretched shelter of a New York slum is denied him and his family if the rent is not forthcoming to satisfy the insatiate maw of the rich. Sixty thousand four hundred and sixty-three wretched families were evicted in New York City during 1903; thrown out to seek the shelter of doors, only to be greeted by the "move on there" of the police; hunted from alley to alley, or, exhausted, seeking fitful repose on the benches of some city park. Yes, Socialism will destroy such homes as these and give every worker a house as good as those enjoyed by the middle class families of the present. Nature's law of love will be the only reason ilies of the present. Nature's law of love will be the only reason for marriage, and the children of such unions will never have to slave in mines, mills or stores creating profits for a horde of greedy parasites to squander in debauchery or bribery, by the construction of churches and endowing of colleges, the alleged followers of the lowly carpenter of Nazareth, to support their ungodly system.

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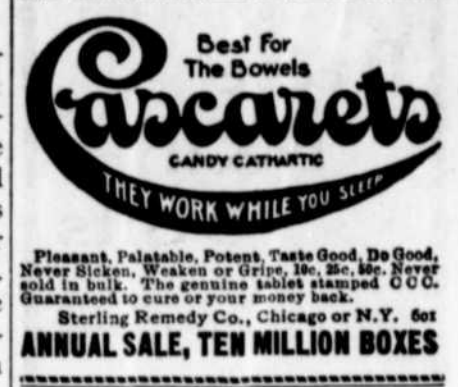
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