

State Department

Socialism's Reply to Bishop Carroll

The address delivered by Ida Crouch-Hazlett, given Sunday night at Helena, in reply to the vicious malignings that have been made all over the state by Bishop Carroll against the socialists and their philosophy, will be published in full in next week's News.

Bundle orders of these will be forwarded at ONE CENT a copy.

Each local should take a bundle of FIFTY or a HUNDRED for special distribution among the Catholic laity. The Socialist party makes and has

made no attacks upon the church; but when we are slandered and falsely represented it is what every faithful socialist owes to the grandeur and truth of the ennobling social reform he has undertaken, to repudiate these unjust and unsought attacks by the superiority of our position, our logic, and our noble ideals. Send in your orders and send out this information so that Catholics, Protestants, and all working people may be instructed as to our true position.

Long Live Socialism, the Hope of the Hopeless

MISSOULA COUNTY SOCIALISTS ATTENTION!

While there is a large socialist sentiment in Missoula county our organization is very weak and an effort should be made to strengthen it as soon as possible, if we are to make any kind of showing in the fall campaign.

There is enough work to be done to keep one organizer in Missoula county for three months and if this could be done the Socialist party would soon assume a militant form.

An effort is going to be made to put an organizer into Missoula county for a few weeks at least. In order to sustain an organizer in the field, funds are necessary and there are enough socialists in Missoula county who, by donating from 25 cents to \$1.00 each month, can raise the amount necessary.

Therefore we request all socialists living in Missoula county who are anxious to have an organizer working for one month in the county to send contributions to help defray organizer's expenses to Fred Chunning, Box 306, Missoula, Montana, and if donations cannot be made at once, write Comrade Chunning how much you will donate and when payments of donations will be made.

A list of donations will appear each week in the Montana News.

Push socialism in Montana along by selling 10 half-yearly subs, \$2.50.

Comrade Topel of Bozeman sends in local special assessments and donation of \$1.65 from P. F. Colthart.

See if you can't find ten people in your town that will take the only labor paper in Montana at 25 cents for six months.

Comrade Lourens of Butte thus announces the vote: "Bourgeoisie, 5377; conscious proletarians, 838. Don't despair! Don't be discouraged! The ultimate victory is OURS!"

George Boomer's Dates
 Plains.....May 2
 Missoula.....May 3
 Butte.....May 4-5
 Bozeman.....May 6

Comrade Mabie reports collecting \$20.00 for the linotype at Billings. Speaking of Comrade Powers he says: "He is a man of method and some of his methods might with advantage be adopted by the other locals."

A letter is at hand from George W. Harris of Raymond, Montana, stating that he is isolated from all socialists but desires to become a member of the party; asks if there are any locals in Teton county. The letter was sent to Comrade Buzzell, who expects to organize this county later.

Secretary Mitchell of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' union of Great Falls sends an order for 500 withdrawal cards, and says an order for constitutions and by-laws is coming up later. Labor job work is what keeps the labor press going.

The following from John Peters, secretary of Local Red Lodge: "Enclosed find complete vote of yesterday's election. We were defeated but are still in the race. Had a hard fight to make and done the best we could and have no complaint to make except against some of the so-called union men who deserted their class to vote a capitalist ticket. I wired you last night."

A letter from Edwin Dew complains that he cannot get his papers. A letter was sent to the postmaster demanding the reason for the non-delivery of the News. Comrade Dew also refers to the butchering of his article in the paper. We can only say that this has been the rule and not the exception during the absence of the editor. It should be remembered that party service on the News is purely a donation from an overworked and inadequate force, and it is useless to expect accuracy under such conditions.

The idiosyncrasies of the ignorant mind to which capitalism dooms most of the human beings because of lack of means to get an education is perhaps nowhere so evident in the world as in the office of a socialist paper, devoted to work among the working class. An individual by the name of A. J. Davis, hailing from Gilt Edge, writes us to stop his paper as it has nothing in it but other people's

troubles and he has troubles enough of his own. He says he takes the "Argus" and the "Examiner", and they give him "lots of good news." Moreover, he queries with the ingenuous innocence of the idiot: "Who ever saw any industries built for the laboring man with riots and bomb shells?" He then branches out into what he evidently considers a beautiful and eloquent dissertation on the helplessness and immateriality of socialism, as follows: "Socialism is like unto a beautiful ship tossing upon the waves of the great ocean. It has no destination, no chart and no rudder and at any time some storm may arrive and it may be driven upon some foreign shore and cast upon some reef of rocks. (He spells it r-e-a-f) and be drowned by the murderous waves of the mighty deep."

There is certainly culture, knowledge and understanding. The cheerful idiot is sublimely unconscious that there is such a thing as historical evolution; does not know that the science of economics is taught in schools today; that all the great scientists and literary men of the world are socialists; that the bomb and the riot is what every line of socialist teaching is framed to displace, and is the socialist's greatest argument against the aimlessness of capitalism.

No, this man is wasting his time taking a socialist paper. It takes brains to be a socialist.

Comrade Comerford of Norris undergoes a resurrection again and sends \$10.00 to square himself, the surplus going for special delegates' stamps. He says, "Some of the boys have come back, and we will start the ball rolling with fresh vim. If you can send a speaker some time in May it will help us reorganize the local. I am very glad to see that a local has been organized in Whitehall. Please send me the name of the secretary. I find that the empty dinner pail tends to set the owners of the pails to thinking for themselves."

Comrade Powers of Local Billings sends in \$16.50 for due stamps and special stamps. He writes to ask if a socialist can act as judge or clerk of election. He was informed by the state secretary that he most certainly could, with the following information: "The city council appoints socialists to election positions through no love of the Socialist party. We have fought the city councils and the county commissioners all over the state to get them to recognize the socialists as a political party, and every socialist we get appointed as judge or clerk of election is just that much of a victory for the Socialist party. The only way we can protect the socialist interests at the ballot box is by having socialist judges of election."

The following letter is from Comrade J. E. Bush of Zortman to the state secretary: "Enclosed please find \$10.00 and a list of 32 names as charter members to our socialist club. Please send charter and full instructions how to organize. This is a union camp and I think will make a good showing this fall. There are about 500 people here. The fare to the railroad is \$5.00, from either Dodson or Malta. I would like very much if Mrs. Hazlett could make us a talk the thirtieth of June. That is Miner's day and they always celebrate, and many of them have expressed a wish to hear her. I think we could raise a little money, enough to more than pay expenses. Please pay balance of money to the News and have it sent to me and oblige."

A letter from Mabie: "April 8, 1908.—It is five o'clock in the afternoon and I am seated on a rock beside the trail on the ridge between Deitz and Carneyville, with Carneyville, Deitz, Sheridan and Fort McKenzie all in sight. The snow Big Horn mountains are in front of me to the south. The grass is starting green at my feet, insect life is stirring, the meadowlarks are warbling all around me and the glorious sun is sending down a flood of light and drying up the ground after the storm. I ought to be as happy as the larks and yet I am blue as hell with a fresh fire on. O, curse this spectre of capitalist want and misery that haunts a man both night and day and robs life of all pleasure except the pleasure of battle. My trip down here is an utter failure. None of the mines are working over 6 or 8 days a month and want and destitution are plentiful. The union is helping some families to keep them off the county. Came out from Sheridan to Deitz last night with Bill Dick, intending to talk to the miners' union, but the meeting was put off. Union meets tonight in Carneyville and will see what I can do. Arthur Morgan left Sheridan the night I got in there and I missed him. I may start back tomorrow night. Write me next at Livingston. Now don't get discouraged at this move. I believe we can make it some way but you may as well know the situation. FRANK."

We have a subscription card in from Rexford with no name on. If the sender wants his paper we will have to have his name and address.

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George Baker, one of the Lombard machinists, came in to headquarters this week, bought a sub card and left \$2.50 donation for the good cause, also arranged for some job work.

We have the report of Comrade Chase for work in Montana. National Secretary routed him to this state at the rate of \$7 a day to cover all expenses and salary. On the completion of his tour the state owed him just \$2.05. Pretty good work. He reports a large and successful meeting at Fargo, N. D.

We have received the following letter from the general secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Whiteita, Kansas. It speaks for itself. The young men of the working class can see how much this organization cares for truth and justice for the collective life:

"Mr. James D. Graham,
 Business Manager Montana News,
 Helena, Montana.
 Dear Sir:—For the past several months this Association has received, gratuitously, copies of the Montana News regularly. As general secretary of this association I wish to make the request that this paper be discontinued. All publications which reach our reading room table pass through my hands, and a copy of the Montana News has never yet been put into the reading room. I trust you will therefore desist in sending your paper.
 Yours truly,
 A. G. PEARSON,
 General Secretary."

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WANTED—SALESMEN

The News was pleasantly surprised last week by a visit from Arthur Harvey, the well-known socialist substantial from Lewistown, and his bride. The young couple have been absent a few weeks on a honeymoon tour and were on their way home. Mrs. Harvey is from a socialist family and is herself a pronounced socialist, so that politics will be no source of disagreement in this new family.

Wanted—Salesmen; good men, who are hustlers, can make good money handling the Phoenix Fire extinguisher in Montana, Utah, North and South Dakota, Wyoming and Idaho. Wide-awake men are now making from \$50 to \$200 a week. For particulars write or apply to G. E. White, general agent, 326 Allen street, Helena, Mont.

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