





Poet's Corner

TO THE COMRADES. Forward Comrades, forward, Our day is drawing nigh; The dawn that we have dreamt of Is reddening all the sky.

International

Even in the backward nation of Serbia socialism is taking firm root. At the general election just held one socialist was elected to parliament to voice the demands of the working class.

National

The National Executive Committee will meet at National Headquarters Friday, July 10, at 10:00 a. m. The socialists of Texas will meet in mass State Convention at Waco, August 11.

Women's Clubs

SOCIALIST WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB The Socialist Woman's League of Chicago has outlined a series of lessons for study clubs. These lessons will appear in The Socialist Woman, two in each issue, for the convenience of clubs that wish to meet twice a month to study.

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ROUTES FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.

The following is the outline drawn by the National Executive Committee for starting the speaking campaign. Both candidates will begin at Chicago: Sunday, Aug. 30—Chicago, Ill. Monday, Aug. 31—Indianapolis, Ind. Tuesday, Sept. 1—Terre Haute, Ind.

The final figures from the recent election in Belgium show that the socialist vote had increased more strongly than the returns at first indicated for the same territory.

Following the example of King Edward, President Fallieres, of France, is also going to visit the king of butchers, the Czar of Russia. And following the example of the Labor party of Great Britain, the socialists of France are protesting against the action of Fallieres. But it will have no effect.

At the special election for member of Parliament in Dewsbury, the Liberals won, securing 5,500 votes, the Conservatives 4,000 and Labor 2,450. Ben Turner, the well known socialist cigarmaker, was the candidate of the Labor party. The Liberals lost heavily and the Laborites increased, as did the Conservatives.

The British government proposes to wipe out one-third of the saloons in the United Kingdom or a total of 32,000, within a period of 14 years, compensating those whose licenses are revoked. The Labor party is supporting the scheme on the ground that the unrestricted starting of saloons is unwise and for the reason that the agitation will bring the people to a realization that their plan of municipalization of the liquor traffic is the only logical and proper solution of the problem.

The elections of the Cantonal Legislature at Basel, Switzerland, have ended in a big victory for the socialists. Before the election the Grand Council consisted of 51 Radicals, 28 Socialists, 30 Tories, and 11 Catholics.

RELATING TO THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC

Relating to the liquor traffic the Socialist platform contains the following plank: "Resolved, that we believe and recognize the fact that one of the most sinful and degrading blots on humanity and one of man's worst enemies is the present liquor traffic in this country."

The Wisconsin state convention, held in Milwaukee June 13th and 14th, was the largest ever held. The capitalist papers criticized it for lack of discipline, but gave it credit for being large and enthusiastic in the extreme.

Charters have been granted by the National Office to locals in unorganized states as follows: Clifton Forge, Va., 5 members; Rawhide, Nev., 15 members; Dodson, N. M., 6 members; Elkins, N. M., 7 members; Covington, Va., 5 members; Omaha, Neb., (Jewish) 13 members; Grady, N. M., 7 members; Fremont, Neb., 13 members; Laurel, Neb., 11 members; Wayne, Neb., 9 members.

The state legislature of Oklahoma adopted a primary law on the 28th of May, which was first published on the 12th of June, and provided that petitions containing one thousand signatures of qualified electors properly sworn to, had to be filed, by minority parties on June 25.

Comrade A. C. Meyer, of Copenhagen, Denmark, member of the Folketing, which compares to our congress, will visit this country for a lecture tour beginning about August 1. Comrade Meyer is a machinist by trade and has been an active advocate of unionism and socialism since 1876.

The general election in Japan has been concluded and the government has been triumphant. The socialists made a start by contesting three districts for members of Parliament, but were defeated. In one district they came within 300 votes of winning the seat.

FREE SPEECH AND RIGHT OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLAGE. This right is being tried out in contests between Socialist locals and the authorities at a number of places, notably Philadelphia, Pa., Patterson, N. J., New Castle, Pa.; Johnston, Pa.; Springfield, Dayton, Cincinnati, and Columbus, Ohio; Indianapolis, Ind.; Petersburg, Va.; Colorado Springs, Colo., and Los Angeles, Calif., and a number of other places.

THE STATE CONVENTION OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF ARIZONA will be held in the City of Globe, August 1. The state convention of California will be held August 30 at San Francisco. The state convention of Georgia will be held in the City of Augusta, Wednesday, July 15.

THE STATE CONVENTION OF MISSISSIPPI will be held at Hattiesburg, beginning Monday, June 29. The state convention of North Carolina will be held July 6, at Winston-Salem.

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LESSON V. LOWER STATUS OF BARBARISM.

I. Subsistence. 1. Progressive tribes—Invention of pottery by women. 2. Non-progressive tribes—Women subjected too much to make inventions.

Under this sub period of Barbarism industry developed to a wonderful degree by women, wherever woman had sufficient freedom to initiate it, and wherever the natural environment offered materials, and created needs. Where woman was too much subjected to exercise initiative in enlarging subsistence and invention, tribes have not progressed. It is estimated that, as compared with 60,000 years for the periods of savagery, 20,000 would have been occupied by the lower period of Barbarism.

QUESTIONS.

1. Upon what did progress depend? Ans. Upon the enlargement of subsistence, the freedom of woman, and inventions. 2. In what did progress in government consist? Ans. In development of the tribal system.

LESSON VI. MIDDLE PERIOD OF BARBARISM.

I. Subsistence. 1. Progressive tribes—Eastern hemisphere—domestication of animals, that gave meat and drink; pastoral life. Western hemisphere—cultivation of cereals by irrigation; village life still communal and matriarchal.

QUESTIONS.

Who is supposed to have domesticated the first animals and cultivated the first gardens, and why? Ans.—Women, because they were left to attend the fire and look after the children when the men hunted, and thus had the time and opportunity for new discoveries.

REFERENCES.

Morgan's Ancient Society, Chaps. 2, 3, 4 and 5; Engle's Origin of the Family; Tactus' Germania; Ancient Society, Chaps. 5 and 6; Fisk's Discovery of America; Schoolcraft's American Indians; Ward, Pure Sociology, page 383; Bebel's Woman Under Socialism, Chap. I.

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To Members of Organized Labor and Sympathizers The Delineator, The Designer, The New Idea, The Standard, Martha Dean and La Belle Fashion Magazines and the Butterick, Standard and New Idea Patterns PRODUCTS OF THE Butterick Publishing Co., of New York Which firm recently secured a Temporary Injunction against the Anaconda, Montana, Typographical Union ARE PRODUCED BY SCAB LABOR!

ON NOMINATIONS.

I suggest that the plan of nominating members of the Executive committee be changed rather than the plan of election. It seems to me the fault lies there. Why not require ten locals in three different states to make a nominee eligible?

At the convention of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance now in session in Amsterdam, Holland, it has just been decided that the next congress shall be held in England.

The attendance at the World's Woman Suffrage congress is pronounced by far the largest of any yet held, delegates being present from twenty-three different nations. Among these are enfranchised women from Australia, New Zealand, Finland, Norway, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho.

SOCIALISM IN CUBA.

The Socialist party in Cuba is about 4,000 strong. Considering that it was organized only a little over a year ago, this is "going some." Senor Cendoya, the organizer, was appointed strike leader in the great strike of cigar makers here last winter.

COMRADES WILL ASSIST FREEMAN KNOWLES.

Jim Kirwan came down from Terry bearing a check for \$100, the Terry union's donation to the Knowles defense fund. At least four other unions are ready to make donations whenever the funds are needed and all of the socialist locals are taking voluntary contributions for the fund.

SOCIALISM IN CHINA.

A socialist revolutionary movement seems to be gaining ground in China. It first came publicly forward with a definite program a little over a twelvemonth ago, and is the direct result of the modernizing of popular education. Its three great principles, according to its leader, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, are these: The principle of race struggle in China, the principle of the people as sovereign, and the principle of socialism. It is held by these new agitators that the opening up of China to modern ideas and methods will result in the appearance of the same social problems as exist in Europe, the conflict of capital and labor, the questions of land value, and a system of local administration immensely complicated in an empire of 400 millions.

THE ELECTIONS OF THE CANTONAL LEGISLATURE AT BASEL, SWITZERLAND, HAVE ENDED IN A BIG VICTORY FOR THE SOCIALISTS.

Before the election the Grand Council consisted of 51 Radicals, 28 Socialists, 30 Tories, and 11 Catholics. Now 43 Socialists, 41 Radicals, 23 Tories, and 18 Catholics will attend to the internal affairs of this important canton.

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PERSIA HAS COME TO THE FRONT WITH A SOCIALIST PARTY.

Persia has come to the front with a Socialist party. In Persianese it is called Mudschohid, but the name doesn't worry the "reds." They have issued a manifesto at Tiflis calling upon the socialists of the world to make a vigorous protest against the governments of Russia and Turkey, which are charged with supporting the bureaucracy and the bourgeoisie of Persia in its efforts to suppress the revolution agitation.

**State Department**

W. C. Officer of Hunters Hot Springs sends \$1.00 for the campaign fund.

Go out and get ten orders from your socialist neighbors for the Debs and Hanford envelopes—\$4.50 a thousand.

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Now is the time to sell the "Machine Politics". They are a photographic exposure of the methods of the old parties, written from an economic basis. The book is in story form and highly interesting. Sells like hot cakes—\$1.50 a hundred.

Funds must be raised for this campaign. The capitalist finances his campaign. You can't run yours in any other way. Think this out and square the matter up with yourself. The State Headquarters have got to be supported if we get any results.

The State Cabinet has levied an assessment of 50 cents per member upon the membership of the party for the purpose of paying the expenses of the delegates to the convention. See how bravely the membership comes up to this assessment. Don't restrict it to party members. Go out and ask every socialist you know to contribute 50 cents for our state convention.

Montana expects to carry on a vigorous campaign from now until election. Application has been made to the National office for Sol Fieldman, one of the best of the New York speakers, for the month of October. We have finally got track of Burgess. He has been up in Canada, and he is expected to work in Carbon and Park counties before many weeks.

Comrade Sholl of Dillon sends in a list of names for sampling. He says: "I just got home and read your message. I am truly glad to learn that you are still interested in Beaverhead county yet. Perhaps there is some show to do something yet. To tell the truth I am pretty nearly discouraged. It seems as though the members of the local here are asleep or not interested in the emancipation from wage slavery, for I can't stir them up to do anything. I have been trying for some time to get them together and take some steps and see if we couldn't get a county ticket in the field so that we will be entitled to a judge at the polls, so as to have some knowledge of how the vote is counted. As for my part I am willing to do all that I can to help the cause along. Any time that a speaker comes to Dillon remember that my door is open to them as long as they can put up with my accommodations. I will surely do my part distributing literature, so send it along."

Don't you think those who think enough about socialism to vote for it in Helena should feel it their duty to contribute \$10 apiece to the campaign? There are 150 socialist votes in Helena. There are not half a dozen workers. Weak sentiment has never won a single battle.

The following letter comes from Portland, Oregon:  
"Ida Crouch-Hazlett,  
"Editor Montana News,  
"Dear Mrs. Hazlett:—Someone, I don't know who, subscribed for the News for me last year under the name on the enclosed card. I enclose a dollar for renewal—not because I am a socialist but because I am a woman and like your "sand", and because I want to know all sides of things in these days when so much is covered up in the ordinary channels of information. Please continue the subscription under the name on the card and that will save you the trouble of change and I shall get it just the same.  
"Yours very truly,  
"ELEANOR F. BALDWIN."

The following refers to the preparation of Eureka for Comrade Latimer:  
Eureka, Mont., July 2, 1908.  
Mr. Jas. D. Graham,  
My Dear Comrade:—Yours of recent date received. Yes, I will get a hall and do all I can to make a good meeting here at Eureka. I am writing Comrade Bjorneby by today's mail to see if he is particular as to the exact date of the meeting.  
I think I can get a hall for any night, but probably we would get a better turnout on Saturday night than on any other night in the week.  
Louis was here today, and he will see what he can do on the advertising poster.  
I will write you again after the meeting if everything goes well. I find more and more of the would-be comrades and I think we can get a pretty good local if we only had someone to go ahead.  
Fraternally,  
S. R. GROW.  
Livingston, Mont.

Montana News:—Please be so kind as to put some facts about Livingston in your paper.  
The taxpayers of this city have come to find out the great mistake they made in electing Cunningham. The debts are increasing so fast and taxes are getting so high that people want to sell their property, if they could get any buyers, mostly at any price. The banks want cash. The city warrants even are at a big discount. They have a city engineer. They pay him a hundred dollars a month if he is not working; and seven dollars a day extra if he is working. They pay the street commissioner, a good republican, a hundred dollars a month the whole year round. On warm summer days he is riding around town in a buggy, and in winter he won't go out of the house.  
A GOOD SOCIALIST.

Personal charges were made, but as the letter was unsigned, we can not be responsible for them. We must know what backing we have before we go into any attack.  
Elmira, Idaho July 2, 1908.  
James D. Graham,  
Dear Comrade:—In reply to yours of the 21st will say that Local Elmira took no action so unless we can get a reply from each other in two days we cannot use a speaker on account of lack of information. We need an organizer in the county, but have only a dues paying membership and cannot tell how we can meet the expense. I cannot give you as full information regarding the dates we could fill as I would like. Some of the comrades spoke of four or six. We have four points that should be reached that are on the railroad, two on the Great

Northern, one on the Northern Pacific and one on the branch line out of Bonners Ferry. Any points off the road I do not know of at present.  
We have quite a number of voters that are not organized and I think a number of them are too short-sighted to come in if they were given the chance. If you can get a reply mailed Monday we could likely use Comrade Latimer the 14th or 16th. Should you be able to place him with us the points on the railroad are as follows: Hope and Sand Point on the Northern Pacific; Bonners Ferry, Elmira, and Sandpoint on the Great Northern; Copeland on branch line, three trains weekly. I do not know what days trains leave Bonners Ferry.  
Should we get a speaker for a tour of the county we could get matters arranged in detail.  
Trusting we will succeed in getting a speaker for four dates at least, I am yours for the Grand Revolution.  
M. C. ZORNER.

Deadwood, S. D., July 1.  
Dear Comrade:—You have doubtless heard that I have been convicted in the federal court at Deadwood of sending obscene matter through the mail. I have been in jail for 25 days while perfecting my appeal to the court of appeals at St. Louis. I was sentenced to pay a fine of \$500, which I refused to pay, although one hour after my sentence the labor unions of the Black Hills telephoned me that the full amount had been raised and was at my disposal. I refused to accept this generous offer for the reason that it was not I that was on trial but the freedom of the press.  
I ask you to read the enclosed article from the pen of Eugene V. Debs and if you think my case a worthy one, in no way can you help me so much as to reproduce this article in your paper.  
Very truly yours,  
FREDMAN KNOWLES.  
On account of the lack of space and the length of the article we are prevented from publishing Debs' appeal for Comrade Knowles. Those wishing to aid in this case can send \$1.50 for a year's subscription to the Lantern, Comrade Knowles' paper, to Mrs. Knowles at Deadwood, S. D.

Seattle, Wash., June 30.  
Jas. D. Graham, Dear Comrade:—The U. S. mails seem to be as freakish as nature itself. Some of your April letters are just arriving. Had I received them in season I might have done just a little different, but I did the best that I could do under the circumstances. I do not feel that I have anything to regret. Of course I can see that there is an abundance of work to do that will have to go undone for a long time.  
I just reached home last night, and I find folks all well. I want to have a little rest and then I shall try to get into some territory in which I can do some good for the party.  
I have some very encouraging letters from some of the Montana places that I worked, but this will occur with almost any one. I am not greatly flattered with this.  
I have not been able to get your paper since I left Missoula. I wanted to give the Missoula people credit for their splendid work. Will you be good enough to send me copies of your paper for the past six weeks? I shall send you the money for a year's subscription as soon as I can spare the amount.  
I proposed to you to allow my account to remain in abeyance for a time, but if you so desire, I shall gladly make a report. Just let me know your desire in the matter.  
Kindly give my best regards to Mrs. Hazlett as well as to all the other comrades.  
Yours in the Social Revolution,  
D. BURGESS.  
2206 5th Ave.

Comrade Sauer of Phillipsburg writes of Miners' Union Day:  
"Comrade Duncan from Butte got here safe and sane, to address the Granite Miners' Union No. 4, W. F. of M., for the 13th of June, but we postponed the celebration to June 15th. The committee on arrangements did not like a socialist, outside of myself, and sure some of those fellows tried very hard to stop everybody they could from parading after a socialist speaker. Of course he spoke on the Labor question, and made no outright socialist speech. He surely made a crackerjack of a speech and he is the right man in the right place in the socialist movement. He is a very fine man and words can not describe him. \$25.00 was all he got but \$50.00 would not be an too much for such a speaker. Well, it is all over now, and I can stand a whole lot. Those ignorant fellows will thank me some day for being a socialist and leading them on to the co-operative commonwealth. No mail here yet, of any consequence, but we hope they will soon make connections. Nothing doing here at present, but you will hear from me again shortly."

We believe this is worthy of consideration:  
Mr. Jas. D. Graham,  
Dear Comrade:—I am a working

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In case you find my booklet of any value, I beg for your kind assistance to bring it before the people.  
I beg you to send me the addresses of the organizers or secretaries of the locals in your state, the addresses of the national and state organizers and speakers active in your state, and the addresses of the socialist and trade union papers in your state. Expecting your kind answer, I remain  
Fraternally yours,  
JACOB KLEIN.  
26 Fox St., Po'keepsie, N. Y.

The following from Williston, North Dakota, like the management of the party in most of the states, depends for its official work upon a man already overworked to make his own living. And it is almost among the impossibilities that he should get round to attend to the party business properly. The socialist voters of North Dakota should provide some way to get their party work done, and pay for it. All socialist voters are scabbing who expect others to do their work for nothing:  
"Dear Comrade:—This is to acknowledge receipt from you of copies of the Montana News several days ago, also leaflets today, and to thank you for the same. I am about starting for a trip to Washington and Oregon to be gone about a month and when I return you will hear from me. I am glad to note that the Montana News is to be the official paper of our state and I am sure you will get a little bunch of subscriptions from here. I assure you that I for one will do all in my power to bring it about. We have about forty-five in good standing in our local.  
"WALTER CROSBY."  
"Yours for Socialism,

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