

Working Class Active Among The Finns

Montana Organizations Display Great Solidarity and Aggressiveness--- Attempts to Organize the English Speaking Socialists

The Finnish locals of Montana are forming a solid, substantial part of the movement that is destined in time to have a most essential effect on the state party.

Here in America the Finns have looked in surprise upon the dilletante character of American socialism; its superficiality, its sentimental, abstract theorizing, with a most monumental indifference to the practical problems of the working class that are at our door.

The Finnish Socialists stand for all that is best, most uplifting and most practical for the working class. They are most strenuous advocates of temperance because they see the havoc that drunkenness works, its brutalizing influences and its disaster to the intelligent progress of the working class.

CASUALTIES AMONG THE LABORING CLASS

Between thirty and thirty-five thousand deaths and two million injured is the accident record in the United States during the past year among workmen, according to a bulletin on accidents issued by the bureau of labor.

Patel accidents among electricians and electric linemen and coal miners are declared to be excessive while railway trainmen were killed in the

movement on independently. That is why the delegates to the national convention of the Minnesota Socialist party, characterized throughout the country for its howling impossibilism, came instructed to advocate the recognition of a temperance measure.

The Finns in Montana pay a large per cent of the state revenues of the party. They are advocates of constant organizing and supervising work done by the workers of the party. They pay their workers willingly and conscientiously for they know as a matter of course that nothing can be done without money to work on.

At Stockett over sixty names have been obtained of those who are ready to form a Socialist body. What is wanted is someone who will work there and mobilize this mass. We need the boomers Socialist. The Finns are alert to the need of local Socialist papers. Their practical minds see that the only class struggle that affects the working man is the one at his door, not the one in books.

The Finns have been the most aggressive advocates for the organization of labor and their right to display the ancient banner of labor, the red flag, and to wear their party emblems, that we have in this country. It was the Finns that enabled the United Mine Workers to organize Wyoming, and they didn't hide in the bushes to organize either. They marched up to their halls and they wore their red neckties. They have made a strenuous fight in Michigan with the authorities for the right to carry the red flag.

So all tongues and nations combine to remove the ancient curse of servitude. Workingmen of the world, unite. You have nothing to lose but your chains!

proportion of seven and forty-six one-hundredths per one thousand employees. The bulletin declares that much more could be done for the protection of the workmen if neglected, though many and far reaching improvements have been introduced into factory practices during the last decade.

It is pointed out that the possibilities for successful accident prevention has been clearly demonstrated in the experience of foreign countries.

"In granting," the bulletin says, "that underlying conditions in European countries are often quite different and that many of our in-

ustrial accidents may be the result of ignorance, reckless indifference or carelessness, the fact remains that an immense amount of human life is wasted and a vast amount of injury is done to health and strength, with resulting physical impairment, which has a very considerable economic value to the nation as a whole."

It is insisted that it should not be impossible to save at least one-third and perhaps one-half by intelligent and rational methods of factory inspection, legislation and control.

FRENCH SOCIALIST GAINS.

Two Parliamentary by-elections for the French Chamber, one at Charolles and the other at Villefranche-de-Rouessieux, took place on Sunday last, and in each case the candidate of the United Socialists was returned.

M. Ducarrange was elected Deputy for the former constituency, defeating M. Sarrien, the Radical candidate, and son of the ex-Premier, whilst M. Cabrol won the latter seat for Socialism.

If there are any persons abroad who have any doubts about the rapid growth of the Social-Democratic movement in Germany, the quarter centennial of the Berlin section of the party should put all such doubts at rest. Where the Social-Democrats had only 8,000 votes in this city in 1882, the year in which Social-Democracy was born here, at least as an effective political power, they are now polling 100,000 votes in the third class of voters alone, as against a bare 22,000 for all the other parties. The 35 Socialists in the Berlin city council virtually control the body, but their power is greatly restricted by national and state laws.

Members of Mexican Liberal Party

Pen Sketch of Victims of Mexican Despotism Aided by Russian Methods in America

(As I have seen them in prison) First-hand knowledge of the persons concerned is essential if one would write an adequate newspaper article dealing with facts in their lives. With this point in view, I cultivated every opportunity to talk with the Mexican political prisoners.

From these interviews, several incidents stand out as showing the character of the Junta leaders.

The first meeting was with Manuel Sarabia only. It took place at the time when Sarabia's removal to Arizona had just been ordered and was then expected to take place any day. Because of that, the authorities allowed him special privileges. The friend who was with me and I were allowed to see him in the prison waiting room—a narrow, bare room, one side of which was formed entirely of bars—white-painted to be sure yet unmistakably gratings. The interview took place in the presence of three deputies, but they remained on the other side of the room, one reading, the others talking together, and let us shake hands with Sarabia, and talk with him with little restraint. This gave us a good opportunity to study the man to secure whom the Mexican Government has gone such lengths.

He was short, lithe and slender, yet with an easy grace of speech and manner that in spite of his dark blue prison suit—very like a workman's blouse and overalls—showed him to be a man of education, refinement and intelligence. His brown eyes looked at us clearly and honestly, and his smile was singularly winning. He appeared to be very young—probably not five and twenty.

His command of English was excellent, there being only a little slip now and then when he wished for "a soon trial." Perhaps it was not a strange desire, as he had been in jail which he had passed, it was not of December (1907.)

In spite of the hardships through which he had passed, it was not of himself that Sarabia wished to talk, but of the people, for working on whose behalf he is now imprisoned—really by the Mexican Government, held though he is in the United States.

"The stories of Mexican well-being and prosperity that have been flooding American papers and magazines have people who write go to Mexico and are entertained," he explained, his sensitive, expressive face flushed with earnestness. "They are shown the

SERIOUSLY INJURED AT DEPOT.

Roy Clancy, a 17-year-old boy from Livingston, met with a very serious accident in the railroad yards in Bozeman last Tuesday morning about 1:30 o'clock. The young man, with a companion, was stealing a ride on a freight train and in attempting to alight while the train was in motion, he slipped and fell partly under the train. His arm was badly crushed and he received injuries about the head and body.

When doctors were summoned, an unfortunate misunderstanding arose as to whether the case should come properly under the jurisdiction of the city, county or railroad, and before any medical aid reached him he was taken back to Livingston by his companion on passenger train No. 5. When he reached Livingston, it was found necessary to amputate the arm and he is still in a very serious condition.

Livingston is 25 miles away, yet common sense and humanity could not actuate the Bozeman authorities to do the remedial work that was necessary. Bozeman is almost the oldest town in the state and assumes the airs of being the most civilized. But the capitalist city governments are not established for the good of humanity, but to further and protect the exploitation of capitalism.

If your business to The News has not been attended to, write again. We find that much mail and business has miscarried in the recent confusion. But we shall soon have matters in first-class shape.

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death, but to talk of his own achievements was beyond his power.

I had questioned him about the arrest of himself and his companions here in Los Angeles. "We did not try to fight the detectives," he told me. "We only tried to call out to let the people know what was happening to us. We thought that the men wanted to kidnap us. It would only take five hours to get us over the line into Mexico."

"We did not even have a pistol in the house. We knew that men were watching us but we never thought that they would do anything without a warrant."

During the four years that they have been the United States, no one of these so-called "criminals" have ever owned a deadly weapon.

Messrs. Magon, Rivera and Villarreal, and public speakers. Librado Rivera was a lecturer in a Mexican college. R. Flores Magon is an able lawyer. None of them, however, feels himself apart from his humblest follower. "Intellect," says Villarreal, "is only an attribute." One day, in his hearing, a woman was denouncing another whom she had met. "And she was horrid and common and altogether shocked," "Oh, no," he protested, gently, "nobody could be all that!"

These men have been imprisoned for over a year. During that time they have had neither exercise nor a breath of fresh air. Although they are untried, their photographs have been taken for the "Rogues Gallery," and they are forced to wear prison clothes. For months, except for the little fruit that their friends were permitted to bring them, they had only the coarsest of prison food. No complaint has ever passed their lips. "We are better off than the other poor prisoners," they say. "We have our fruit and they have nothing."

Their pleading is never for themselves but for their fellow countrymen; for the Yagups robbed of their lands and driven into the sea; for the little child slaves that toil all day in fields or factories, and for their comrade Liberals who, like Manuel's cousin, Juan Sarabia, the brilliant young vice-president of the Junta, are dying by slow torture in the below-sea dungeon of San Juan de Ulua.

The one man in the Liberal party whom the Mexican Government most fears is Ricardo Flores Magon. No means would be too vile for it to take to bring about his death. Through his native land his writings are all outlawed. Six times has he been jailed for papers and speeches against the tyranny of Porfirio Diaz. The first of these prison terms occurred when he was seventeen. The crime was a public speech criticizing the Mexican administration. The sum total of these terms of imprisonment is now forty-one months, and it is constantly increasing. Only one who himself has been in captivity can understand its weary, dragging days, its lack of air and exercise and sun, its constant mental and physical strain.

Magon has borne it all with resolutions unshaken. The two chief characteristics of the man are his perfect mastery over self, and his courage and devotion in the cause of the oppressed. He is a man who might be killed but never conquered.

"I love progress," he says, "I love liberty, I love fraternity and equality." For these ideals he has lived. For them, if need be, he will die.—Elizabeth Trowbridge

Man is Offered to Highest Bidder

Mechanic Out of Employment For Nine Months is Willing to be Sold

E. T. O'Loughlin, of No. 730 Carroll street, Brooklyn, secretary of the Park Slope Board of Trade, and a prominent member of the Brooklyn Economic Society has inserted an advertisement in the morning papers, offering to sell a man to the highest bidder. Mr. O'Loughlin declares that the advertisement was the last resort to produce a livelihood for a man who had been out of employment for nine months.

"This man came to me two days ago after he had tried to get work for over nine months," he said "and he asked my help. At one time and another I have obtained positions for men, and I suppose some one told him to come to me. At any rate he came. I said I saw no chance. 'Then sell me,' he said. I thought the matter over and decided to help him out. Hence, the advertisement. 'I am not going to give the name

"WRONGS OF CAPITALISM" IS THEME IN NEW MAGAZINE

The Progressive Journal of Education for January, which is now off the press, contains the first of what promises to be a notable series of articles on economics by Professor Dight of the University of Minnesota. The first of the series is an indictment of the present industrial system and is entitled "The Economic Wrongs of Capitalism."

Katherine E. Dopp of the University of Chicago has an article on "The New Education," and William Heard writes of "The New Movement in Spain." Professor Dewey has another article on "The Bearings of Pragmatism on Education," and A. M. Simons continues his sketches of American history with a chapter on "Why the Colonists Came to America."

Val Ormand has a powerful poem. G. O. Mudge treats of "The Esthetic Side of Education." Thomas J. Lloyd has an article on "School Discipline a Symptom of Failure." The lessons in Linguo Internaciona are continued. The new magazine are published at 168 Washington street, Chicago, and the subscription price is 50 cents per year.

INDUSTRIAL SACRIFICE.

The Manchester strike, which kept 100,000 men idle for seven weeks, cost the men \$18,000,000 in wages, and inflicted a damage upon the people directly concerned in the business of the district a large enough sum to bring the total up to \$40,000,000. And after all that sacrifice the men were only able to stave off the wage reduction for two months. The cut in their pay will begin on March 1, instead of anuary 1. It was a disastrous piece of business all around. A real war could be fought between small countries without costing much more.—Forsyth Times.

One thousand thousand men idle seven weeks. How much is sacrificed by the three or four million unemployed in a year?

NO "CANNED TALK" BY BEBEL.

That the Kaiser is not the only personage whose voice is popular with the phonograph companies is shown by the fact that one of these enterprises has offered the veteran Socialist leader, August Bebel, \$750 for a single speech in a machine, also guaranteeing him a royalty of one and a quarter cents upon every record that should be sold. Bebel promptly refused the offer, saying he did not care for that kind of popularity.

Hans Knudsen, a Danish engineer, has invented an apparatus for typewriting messages by wireless telegraphy. By his device a message tapped out on a form of typewriter on one place is transmitted to another form of typewriter at a place many miles away, and is written directly on the paper. As each key on the transmitter typewriter is pressed down a little pin corresponding with that particular key comes into contact with a traveling metal band and so starts an electric wave from the antennae of the wireless apparatus. This wave is caught by the antennae at the distant station, is communicated by it to the receiving machine and is recorded on paper as a letter of the alphabet. The inventor says that the same invention can be made to set type by means of the linotype machine.

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WOMAN AGAINST WOMAN The Woman's National Anti-Suffrage League of Great Britain of which Mrs. Humphrey Ward, the famous English writer, is president, going to enormous pains and expense to "educate" the British public that women do not want to vote, do not know enough to vote, and should not vote. This is the reaction of bourgeoisism. These antediluvian women and men are the modern Mrs. Partingtons trying to sweep back the ocean of progress absolute brooms. The female of the human species has many times heretofore in human stood by the side of her mate, as in all other animal species without question of quality she as voter assisted in the government of nations and cities, been honored on the boards and faculties of great universities as in ancient Germinia, Pompeii, Egypt, and in numerous other nations and lands, under capitalist rule, woman stands in one of the most degrading relations to society known in history. That their abnormal statue will be cast aside is inevitable. And it is certainly the flaunting of a badge of shame that that would inspire any one with any claim to intellectual superiority to attempt to prolong and preserve an abortive situation that will disappear with the advance of the race. But the intellects of the world have ever been enlisted to fortify the established order under which they flourish. Advancing science, advancing need and advancing freedom will sweep away the walls of barbarous restraint that imprison woman's soul and proclaim the joy and power of free motherhood to the races yet to be.

The Wisconsin legislature, "the legislature with the Socialist," is making its influence felt among the various United States legislatures by its legislation in behalf of the working class. Already the Montana legislature has received two resolutions from it, one memorializing congress in behalf of a child labor law, and another providing for the direct election of United States senators. Illinois also joined in the demand for the change in the method of electing senators by asking congress to call a constitutional assembly to adopt an amendment to the constitution to that effect.

Floyd-George, chancellor of the British exchequer, has decided not to address any meetings in the future at which women are present. This is the result of the noisy demonstrations the suffragettes have decided to make at every meeting at which the government ministers speak.

WILL ESTABLISH SAFETY STATIONS.

Carrying out its efforts to reduce the number of fatalities, the United States geological survey is about to establish rescue stations in the principal coal fields of the country, in addition to the experiment station now located at Pittsburg. It will be the purpose of the experts to teach the miners and mine bosses how to use the most approved apparatus for rescue. Government mining engineers will be assigned to the stations and will be ready at a moment's notice to go to any district. They will be equipped with oxygen helmets which will enable them to enter a mine at once even though it is filled with gas or smoke. It is the intention to have every station fitted up with an airtight room where gas can be generated. The coal mining companies have been invited to send picked men to these stations at which they will be trained by government experts in the use of the oxygen helmets. One of the stations may be established at Salt Lake to care for the Utah, Montana and Washington coal fields. At these stations not only will opportunity be given the miners to become familiar with the apparatus, but safety lamps of all designs will be tested for their general safety and ef-

iciency in the presence of the miners and mine owners.

FOLLY OF "CAPITALIST COLLAPSE" NOTION.

Word comes with the late dispatches that the Bank of England is raising the per cent. of interest. This means that investment is calling for capital. There are certain Socialists inclined to be sensational that strike terror to the unworried and give vast encouragement to the "right-away" "revolutionaries" by assuming the airs of surpassing prophetic vision, and solemnly announcing the impending "collapse" of capitalism because of no further opportunity to invest the surplus product created by labor in productive enterprises. That is, the contention of these preachers who have to deal in frivolities is, that the power of business concentration has proceeded so far towards an inevitable ultimatum, the industries of the world are so nearly gathered into great trust ownerships, and the element of competition practically eliminated, that the enormous surplus product produced by the workers is being applied with all-devouring rapidity to the acquiring and organizing of all existing industries, until we stand on the verge where all required productive machinery is made and installed, the owners can no longer consume the surplus in further investments, nor even in the wildest extravagance and luxury, labor cannot be profitably employed, and, to use a phrase-worn term of these croakers, "capitalism smothered in its own fat." In other words, the periodical panic has become universal and abiotic, and the wheels of human activity are stilled.

The intention of these emphatic and comfortable solvers of the evolution of economic systems is to apply Marx's explanation of privately owned industries being displaced by collectively owned ones to an immediate and catastrophic climax. Catastrophes accompanying changing systems there have been, are, and will be. But this does not affect the conclusion that the aforesaid line of reasoning is radically wrong because based on a wrong statement of fact. In other words, the complete conquest of productive forces and resources of the earth, as applied to human living, is still in the nebulous future. So far away are we from this possible culmination that it might be said we are still in the stages of barbarism. We have only commenced to conquer the earth. There are navies of air ships to be built, the earth to be girdled by electric transportation, industry and human life to be electrified, as it were, down to the most ordinary activities of everyday waterways to be cut, enormous irrigation projects to be developed, and the earth to blossom as a flower from shore to shore. There is no immediate indication that capitalism will abdicate because there is no more work to do, or that capitalists will cease employing the workers for profits. The argument from the capitalist side of the collapse theory is null and void.

A more plausible source of danger and "collapse" comes from the working class side of the existing productive system; at the extreme other end of stupendous and awe-inspiring problem the proposition. And this is the great, of unemployment. These hungering hordes in the midst of vast productive industries are a menace whose increasing ferocity is alarming the appropriators of labor's products with an icy and unreasoning terror. This army of unemployment is increasing worldwide and besieging the gates of every nation. Its horrible nearness, its sufferings, its physical plagues are undermining the very foundations of existing society. They are urging concessions, paltry and shameful though they be, from governments and institutions. The working class, both in the pit of unemployment and without, are forced to action by its existence. It is only the conscious resistance of this working class and united action on a program of its own that can turn the tide of production to the commonweal. The functions of concentration truly is being performed by capitalism, but not in the interest of the workers—in other words of Socialism. This is a task that the workers must do for themselves. God is on the side of the heaviest battalions.

WHERE SOCIALIST VOTES GO

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 26.—Great excitement has been caused here by the discovery that scores of votes cast for the Socialist party at the last election were divided between the old party candidates. This fact was brought out in a recount being conducted by a joint committee of the Legislature. The Socialists are highly indignant and declare they will make trouble for the election officials. The "Post Dispatch" prints the following account of the affair: "In the returns of three precincts of the Second Ward counted Saturday by the joint committee of the Legislature it was found that 68 Socialist votes had not been counted for the Socialists at all, but had been divided between Painter and Gmelich. In the Sixth Precinct Painter was

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credited with 19 Socialist votes and Gmelich with 8; in the Seventh Precinct Painter was given 7 Socialist votes and Gmelich 4; in the Eighth Precinct 17 Socialist votes were counted for Painter and 1 for Gmelich, making a total of 43 for Painter and 25 for Gmelich. "These votes were taken away from Painter and Gmelich by the counting committee, leaving Painter with a net loss of 18 votes as against Gmelich. "The entire Socialist vote in the three precincts was counted for Stone. "In three other precincts of the Second Ward counted Saturday Painter and Gmelich 'broke even.'" Let your local buy five dollars worth of sub cards. You can easily sell that many cards here and there, and even to give away a card now and then is an easy way to make a Socialist.

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National

MESSAGES OF TEDDY
That Carl Marx was right when he told the workers that the government was but a committee to do the bidding of the capitalists is proven by the following quotations from the letter of President E. C. Simmons of the National Prosperity association.

Women's Clubs

THE SOCIALIST PARTY NEEDS WOMEN

The Socialist party needs women members. It recognizes this, and at its last National Convention appointed the National Socialist Woman's committee.

and means of international exchange of experience and information concerning the Socialist work among women. The office of the "Eleichert" (Equality), the organ of the German women Socialists was elected to be the International Center of Exchange.

organizations would temporarily be of greater use. Our German Comrades have achieved a great deal in separate organizations, but they never liked it, and considered the enforcement of such separation makes an impediment to their growth.

An interesting phase of the work of our German sisters is the organizing of the servant girls. It started in Nurnberg in 1906 and found enthusiastic support all over Germany.

1. Every woman comrade ought to belong to her respective party organization. Politically women should not organize separately from men, but wherever separate educational organizations have proven to be of value they should be continued.

2. Separate meetings for the instruction of women in the theories of Socialism ought to be arranged.

3. The amount of dues should be decided by the district organization; it is, however, recommended that women should pay less than men.

4. Women should be proportionately represented in the executive organizations; one woman should always be elected.

5. The central bureau of women will be continued, to work in conjunction with the executive committee of the party.

I recommend to our comrades to pay special attention to paragraph four. If our party organizations would do likewise, they certainly would encourage the interest of women in Socialism.

Let us follow the example of our comrades in Germany. We have already our Women's National Committee, but that committee can achieve but little, unless it find support among the members of the party.

Women comrades of the Eastern states, our sisters in the West are far ahead of us. If we are ready to work, the Women's National Committee can be of great use to us, for it can supply us with leaflets and with an organizer. But it will do so only if the women of ours and neighboring states will prove their interest in the work by responding in one or another way to the small beginning of special work among women started at our last national convention.—Daily Call.

SPAIN.

Last Sunday was a great day for the organized workers of Madrid. It was the day of the inauguration of their "Maison du Peuple." This has been accomplished by 28,000 trade unionists and a handful of Socialists.

SOCIALISTS DEFIANT.

St. Petersburg.—At the opening of the Duma the Vice Speaker read Emperor Nicholas' response to the telegram offering congratulations upon his birthday. All, with exception of the Socialists, rose when the response was read.

SOCIALISTS AND THE CONGO.

Emile Vandervelde, the Belgian Socialist leader, who has just returned from a visit to the Congo, delivered a telling speech in the Belgian Chamber last week. He denounced the forced labor and exploitation of the Congo natives, and announced that the Socialists would oppose the Colonial Budgets until these abuses were rectified.

GREEKS WAKE UP.

Athens, Greece.—With the appearance of the "Future," a weekly paper just started in this city to propagate Socialist ideas, it may be said that the Socialist movement has at last taken firm root in classic Greece, and it is thought that within a short time a powerful Socialist party will be built up.

Up to the present the political parties of this country have existed only because of the desire of certain prominent individuals to be elected to the Boule (Parliament), and their petty quarrels and jealousies have brought the country to the verge of general ruin. With the appearance of a Socialist party in the field, new lines will have to be drawn and exciting times are in sight.

About six months ago a Socialist paper called the "Worker" began publication in the city of Volo and is gaining constantly, both in circulation and influence. The "Worker" has published a Greek translation of the Communist Manifesto. The Socialist propaganda is also assisted by the literary weekly, "Ruma," which has opened its columns to contributions by Socialist writers.

WISCONSIN NOTES

The Social-Democratic members of the Wisconsin legislature are now engaged in drafting the bills which they will introduce at the present session. The Social-Democratic measures which were turned down by the last legislature will again be presented, with some new demands added.

The high school and debating societies of Wisconsin seem all to be discussing Socialism, if we may judge by the number of applications received at this office for information to be used in such debates. In this connection, the good which Socialists can do in such debating societies, is something which is not sufficiently considered.

The Rhinlander comrades have divided their city into ten distribution routes. One comrade has charge of each route. Socialist papers are left for one week at each house and then exchanged. After some weeks of such distribution subscriptions are solicited.

WEEKLY BULLETIN

The proposed National Party Referendum submitted by Local Lima, Ohio, and first published Sept. 12, 1908, has received indorsements from the following locals: Fostria, Ohio; Aline; Okla.; Murvarine, Iowa, and Aztec, N. Mex.

Charters have been granted since last report by the National Office to locals in unorganized states as follows: Danbury, Redwillow County, Nebr. 11 members; Omaha, Nebr., (Italian) 12 members; Griffin, Spaulding County, Ga. 10 members; River View, Va. 5 members.

By recent referendum Jos. E. Voss, Jackson, Tenn. has been re-elected a member of the National Committee and S. Friedman, 176 South Main St., Memphis, has been elected State Secretary.

Comrade Victor L. Berger wishes it to be stated that he recently failed to vote on several National Committee motions owing to illness by which he was confined to the house.

The International Socialist Review has taken a new start and is breaking all records. It is addressed no longer to the "superior few"—if there be such a class—but to workers who wish to change things. Its circulation has jumped from 4,000 a year ago to 25,000, and contracts have been made which insure this figure being exceeded every month during the coming year.

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THE DREAM OF DEBS

Jack London's latest story, bearing the striking title "The Dream of Debs," will appear exclusively in the January and February numbers of the International Socialist Review which hereafter will be sold by newsdealers generally. The story is of what may happen thirty years from now.

Besides Jack London's story, the Review will contain Joseph Cohen's Study Course, his subject this month being "Socialist Economics." I. M. Robbins has a valuable article on "Lynch Law," in which he continues his study of the "Economic Aspects of the Negro Problem." Edlington Moot, a new writer of great promise, tells of "The Education of the Devil," in which the working conditions of printers are graphically described. There is more than the usual variety of news and short articles.

By a recent referendum, C. W. Barzee, 154 East Eighteenth street, Portland, Ore., has been re-elected a member of the National Committee, and Thomas A. Sladden, 209 Davis street, Portland, was re-elected State Secretary.

