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## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE CALIFORNIA COMRADES.

It is with reluctance and regret that I write this letter, but subdued silence on my part, in view of recent developments in our party, makes it absolutely necessary for me to disclose certain facts, which in my mind are doomed to disrupt the California Socialist party. Everything which is herein contained is given only with the desire to preserve the integrity of the Socialist party and without animus to any person or group of persons. Where names are given it is only to illustrate certain tendencies or to arrive at bona fide conclusions.

All old Socialists know how we have suffered under the domination of the rule and ruin policy of De Leonism, recently known as impossibilism. Our latest and most recent affliction may for the want of a better term, be called "Harrimanism."

What is "Harrimanism"? Look over the files of the California Social-Democrat and you will find such peculiar expressions as "Labor unions functioning in the Socialist party," "Labor unions merging with the Socialists," etc. What is really meant by such phrases?

Does it mean for union men to function through the Socialist party by being members of it? No, it means exactly what it says, for the labor unions to determine the policy of the Socialist party as labor unions, or to be more explicit, to make the Socialist party subordinate to the labor unions. You say you want evidence. You shall have it. As far back as the primary election of the recent Los Angeles campaign, twelve managerial departments were organized as suggested by Harriman and the managers of the automobile and financial departments were prominent labor leaders who were not Socialists. One of them joined the Socialist party after he took charge of his department, paid for the month of November last, but has not paid his dues since. However, I shall grant that these may be mistakes to be excused.

But the most glaring of all mistakes was giving preference to old Southern Pacific politicians who were not members of the party to speak for us from our platform and pushing aside old, competent, dues-paying Socialist speakers who were willing and anxious to educate the people on Socialism. However, let us be merciful, for it was all in the heat of the campaign and the guiding hand of "Harrimanism" could not be very well questioned under such circumstances. Why even the fact that speakers were paid, who proclaimed themselves from our platform that they were not Socialists, nor even dues-paying members of the party, should I presume be disregarded for "Harrimanism" proclaimed loudly "It will be done," and it was done.

Some will say, let the dead bury the dead, and I shall answer that if "Harrimanism" were dead I should agree. But the magic hand of Harrimanism is still with us. You want more facts, you shall have them.

Soon after the close of the Los Angeles campaign one of our good Socialist comrades was trimmed to make room for a position for another comrade who is now the Los Angeles County Organizer and a candidate for State Secretary-Treasurer (T. W. Williams). Again the adroit hand of "Harrimanism" played the trump card. I do not want to mention more names, but if detail information is desired I shall furnish it and am willing to back all my statements under oath.

Then came the editorship of the California Social-Democrat. The paper according to "Harrimanism" was a good Socialist paper but a poor trade-union journal. Something had to be done and it was done to change it to a trade-union journal and a personal propaganda sheet to boost "Harrimanism." "Harrimanism" gets its sustenance through publicity and duplicity rather than through education and truth.

John Murray, one of the present editors of the California Social-Democrat, told me in a personal conversation that he believed that a union man of one year's standing should enjoy all the privileges of the Socialist party irrespective of whether he is a member of the party or not. He said further that organized labor should determine the Socialist policy. Harriman has on several occasions intimated the same to me personally. At first I did not believe what he said. Now I am convinced that he wants to deliver the Socialist party into the hands of the American Federation of Labor. I can't help but believe it. He fought too desperately at the last meeting of the board of directors for the retention of John Murray as editor, a man who wants to boost trade-unionism at the expense of the Socialist party.

One more fact. The secretary of the last Los Angeles city campaign, who got his office through the power of Job Harriman, circulated a letter through this State boosting the present

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## SAN DIEGO INQUISITION

### WAR TO THE DEATH ON ALL SOCIALISTS AND INDUSTRIALISTS WHO FIGHT FOR FREE SPEECH IN SAN DIEGO.

By J. EDWARD MORGAN.

"Whom the Gods would destroy they first made mad."

The master brutes of San Diego and California are mad and are riding swift booted to hell!

Deeper and deeper are they digging the ditch into which they will eventually hurl themselves, beaten and damned and shorn of their power to curse the earth.

The fight for Free Speech in San Diego has demonstrated that the masters of the bread intend to stop Socialist and Industrial Union agitation at any cost.

City and county jails are filled to suffocation with hundreds of Socialists and Industrial Unionists who have dared Big Business criminals to drive them from a street corner dedicated to Free Speech by twenty years of agitation.

The show of solidarity by all workers of San Diego in the great parade led by union band playing the Marseillaise and surrounding the jails drove the master class to desperation. Thirty-eight indictments followed by Grand Jury charging criminal conspiracy. These were the first to go to jail for the right of Free Speech. Among the number indicted are Rev. G. W. Woodbey, the noted colored lecturer and writer on Socialism of national prominence; Harry McKee, of National Socialist Lecture Bureau; Kasper Bauer, well known pioneer Socialist of old Socialist Labor party activity, for years speaking and writing for Socialist party; also E. E. Kirk, Socialist attorney of San Diego; Mrs. Emerson, prominent speaker for I. W. W., and R. Gosden, of Prince Rupert, B. C., I. W. W.

For more than a month the Free Speech fight has raged with every phase of police brutality known to the American Cossacks. Man-handling; third degree atrocities and slow starvation have made San Diego the Siberia of America and the stench of the Pacific.

With the added brutalities the cry went up: "Fill the jails and the stockades." The jails are filled. Hundreds are to be confined in the stockades now being built by scab labor as union carpenters turned down the dirty job.

Jails in other counties have been filled by men arrested and jailed and beaten in San Diego for exercising the Constitutional right of Free Speech.—Freedom of Voice.

Something drastic had to be done to break the solid front displayed by these martyrs to Liberty. The street meetings outside the restricted district were attended by thousands. Public opinion was slowly coming our way. Its pressure was beating the enemy into the dirt. The city was being covered with literature telling our side of the story. Hundreds were coming from all points to assist in the fight. Victory was in sight. Suddenly the authorities changed their tactics. They determined to win out by sheer brute force.

While the usual Sunday morning meeting was in progress before the city jail the fire department was called out and the hose turned upon the crowd and the speaker, Mrs. Wightman, a noted evangelist who entered from the stand by the deluge poured upon her.

For a full hour hundreds packed themselves in a solid mass around Mrs. Emerson as she stood upon the speaker's stand. Bending themselves to the terrific torrent that poured upon them, they held their ground until swept from their feet by the irresistible flood.

Enraged at the show of solidarity of the great throng, they pulled up the hose to within a few feet of the speaker's stand and held the torrent full in the face of the lady and drove her by brute force before them.

By this time thousands had gathered from all directions. As fast as they drove them with the torrent of water they closed up from behind by the hundreds, mocking, reviling and crying that the world would hear of the infamy of the San Diego public "servants."

Maddened to frenzy by their failure to terrify the I. W. W.'s, the Socialists and their sympathizers, they turned the hose wantonly upon the crowd. Up and down, to right and to left, hither and yon, tugging at the hose and driving the people before them, while they surged in ever increasing numbers upon the police from every other direction.

So infuriated did they become at their failure to subdue and scatter the throng that they lost their heads utterly. An old gray-haired woman was knocked down by direct force of the stream from the hose and came near being trampled in the mud by the police maniacs. A mother was deluged with a babe in her arms. A young lady was singled out for the special vengeance of the brutes because she was selling Socialist literature.

For fully five minutes the hose was played upon her. For daring the hose and selling literature she was given eight months in the detention home.

Little Ruth Wightman, daughter of Mrs. Wightman, the evangelist, was swept from a chair where she stood under the protection (?) of old glory.

An awe-struck American patriot wrapped himself in the flag to test its efficacy against police outrage, but he was knocked down, kicked and jailed and fined \$30 for insulting the National emblem.

I cannot write it! I am too much aroused by the horror of it all to put it on paper. I have just rushed to my room to get to my typewriter to tell the story to the Labor Press of the world.

For hours I mingled my body and voice with the great throng. I tried to shout the meaning of it all to the wondering, bewildered thousands who gathered and were alike drenched by the maddened police fools.

Old and young, friend and foe, and even babies and cripples were swept down by the deluge. On-lookers were drenched while standing in their own doorways. Many pictures were taken by I. W. W. and Socialist photographers.

Comrades of America! We are marked for extermination on the Pacific Coast. The daily press is crying for the militia to line us up against a stone wall to be shot. "Horsewhip them into the bay," and such threats are openly made by the thugs of Big Business. We have many cases in the courts. We will sue the city on many counts. We need money immediately. Come to our assistance, come to us at once wherever possible. Red-blooded men and women everywhere, will you look toward San Diego, the battleground where Socialists and I. W. W.'s are threatened with extermination. We cannot turn back. We must go forward toward whatever awaits us at the hands of these brutes.

With money to make the fight we can whip them now, for they have gone beyond all reason in their desperation to drive us from the city and the State. Help us with your dollar. Lend a hand. LEND A HAND.

Later: Police raided street meeting Sunday night with drawn clubs. Men and women were knocked down and left with bleeding heads unconscious on the pavement. All who tried to rescue the women were beaten down and arrested.

Still later: Union man and Socialist kidnaped by police, thrown into auto, whisked many miles out of the city and told never to return on pain of death. I have been held for hours by the police and threatened with being put out of the way; where I will do no more agitating. Also threatened with indictment because of my efforts in raising funds for the defense of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone.

Any charge to keep me locked up where they hope to torture me into servility. We are all on the job. Comrades, who are not yet locked up. We must have immediate assistance. This is the greatest fight that the Socialists have ever encountered in the United States. All California is threatened with a similar war of extermination of the rebels.

Send all monies to Kasper Bauer, treasurer, Free Speech League, 335 Union Bldg., San Diego, Cal.

### ALL DOING IT NOW! (Getting Subs For Revolt.)

More subscriptions have been received in the past week than any week since REVOLT made its appearance. The real treat to our readers will be our MAY DAY number. We want to print and circulate at least 15,000 copies of that issue. We hope to make it an eight-page paper, with articles from the leading Industrial Socialist writers of this country. Our contestants have swamped us with new subscriptions in the last few days; but we like it and they like it, so why complain?

With donations and subscriptions rolling in we have great hopes for the future of REVOLT. With the help of our readers we will make THE VOICE OF THE MILITANT WORKER a power in the struggle of the working-class.

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## THE SOCIALISTS' OPEN FORUM OF PALO ALTO.

By OLOF ALMEN.

There was a general disgust among the Socialists of Palo Alto when last fall the State organization of the party left the track of Socialism to be captured and run by a few office seekers for their individual gain. One after another of our old revolutionary members left the local branch, one went even so far as to connect himself with another Socialist organization. Finally a motion was introduced to abolish the local organization altogether. This motion would have carried, had there not been a couple of members who dared to expect that the party some time should find it necessary to redeem itself and were willing to wait for this to happen. So it was decided to keep the branch alive with enough dues-paying members to constitute a quorum. Since then the branch has satisfied itself with voting on referendums and initiating a few of them.

You may find, if you please, in this case a case of economic determinism. As members of the Socialist party we had to pay monthly dues, part of which went to the State organization. By remaining in the party we were compelled to support such moves of our "leaders" as were utterly against what we considered to be the principles of Socialism and we decided to withdraw our financial support. The majority of our members were pretty well able to pay the dues, but we thought it possible to use the money to better advantage by keeping it in our own locality.

So the Socialists' Open Forum was born. Its purpose is the study of social sciences as well as the propaganda of Socialism. It is not necessary to be a Socialist in order to obtain membership in the new organization, and so far Socialists of different colors (S. P., S. L. P., and I. W. W.) and non-Socialists have been getting along pretty well together.

Lectures have been given every Sunday night on a large variety of subjects, and to steadily increasing audiences. Our sale of literature is also increasing, including subscriptions to Socialist papers.

Space will, of course, not allow me to give a long report of what we have been doing. The general belief in this town seems to have been that the Socialists do not amount to much. Our old friend, Colonel John P. Irish, of Oakland, who by the way in several ways is a very liberal-minded old man, came here to disturb this pleasant belief. In a debate with Wm. McDevitt on woman suffrage, he told his audience that it was the Socialists who gave the women the ballot. The Insurgent Republicans had been used to credit themselves with pretty near everything from woman suffrage to the creation of this planet.

Recently John D. Barry of the San Francisco Bulletin shocked our highly educated citizens by a statement of still greater importance. He knew fairly well that he was speaking in a university town, where education is considered the principal business. But still he told his hearers that it is the Socialists who are educating the world. Mr. Barry—I should think he himself is more of an anarchist than a Socialist—is, of course, correct, but does it not hurt business to tell the truth in an educational center like ours? Francisco Ferrer did not carry dynamite in his pockets, neither does Mr. Barry, but you know what happened to Ferrer. Mr. Barry's address was in every respect a splendid one, at least to those who fully understood him, and our radical Socialists were certainly well pleased with the high esteem he expressed in regard to the fighting Wm. D. Haywood.

Prof. G. B. Sabine of Stanford University spoke last Sunday on the origin of dogmatic Christianity, and to-morrow (Sunday) Rose Markus of San Francisco—the "godless child" to quote Thomas McConal—will answer the question: "Has Religion been a promoter or a retarder of civilization?"

Most of the lectures are followed by interesting discussions, the Forum having among its members several good speakers. Especially Bernh. Gabine, of Stanford, who recently made himself known to the radicals of San Francisco by appearing as a speaker before the Liberal Club, can be counted upon to have something to say if our lecturers or anyone else show themselves too careless in handling the facts.

If I am expected to do justice to all I must also mention our musical talents. The key to the heart is song, notwithstanding the old notion that the way to a man's heart goes through his stomach, and Socialism might be sung into those who cannot be reached any other way. Miss Vallance Arnott is pretty well known among the Socialists, and does therefore not need a "writing up" in this paper. Recently we have made a new discovery in Miss Agnes Liberty, who has a brilliant voice and a thorough musical education. We must boost our singing.

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SOCIALIST PLATFORM OF BURLINGAME.

We, the members of the Socialist Party of Burlingame, California, proclaim ourselves an integral part of the International Socialist movement. We stand in absolute antagonism to the capitalistic system and therefore to every candidate representing that system.

We realize that if our entire ticket were elected in Burlingame we would be unable to give you Socialism until the nation became a Co-operative Commonwealth. In the meantime there are immediate needs which must and can be accomplished without compromising in the least our general plan, but would be an inevitable part of our ideal system of government.

Whatever plans we propose we favor their submission to a referendum vote of the people.

We also welcome the initiative and recall at all times in order to encourage the people to rule themselves.

A municipally owned plant for the making and repairing of our streets is one of our immediate necessities. A minimum wage of three dollars a day and eight hours, giving preference to the unemployed of Burlingame on all such work shall be our policy. Merit and ability, not political influence, shall govern the appointment of all employees.

We favor the public ownership of all public utilities as a part of the general Socialist program for the ultimate ownership of all the means of production and distribution. We favor the maintenance of a clean, moral atmosphere in order that our and our children may be reared as free from the taint of high pressure capitalism as possible.

Government in the past has been in the hands of the capitalist class, who have used it as a means of subjugating the worker. This is as true of the municipal as of the State and National Government.

The Socialist Party stands alone as the champion of humanity against dollars. It is the only party that is world wide in its organization and that has a universal program for the uplift of the human race.

It is the only party that remains true to its principles and absolutely refuses to compromise, fuse or in any other way ally itself with outside parties or factions to secure the election of its candidates.

It is the only party that holds that the education of the people in its principles is of primary importance and the election of its candidates to office a secondary consideration.

Being the only party with an ideal and a program, it is the only party capable of administering government with the idea of accomplishing a definite purpose.

Realizing that our ultimate program depends upon the capture of governments of the earth, and that we must first capture towns, cities, States and nations, we call upon you, the social unit, the individual voter, to study our philosophy, join the Socialist movement and help put Burlingame in the place where the progressiveness and the intelligence of her citizens demand that she should occupy the front rank of the Socialist municipalities.

The following is a list of candidates of the Socialist Party of Burlingame:

- Egbert Alexander, Trustee.
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- W. J. Wissen, Clerk.
- J. E. Murdock, Treasurer.

FURLAN FOR STATE SECRETARY.

Vallejo, Cal., March 15, 1912.

Dear Comrades:

Local Vallejo has instructed me to send you the following communication:

There is a decided lack of harmony in the Socialist movement of California at the present time. The workers are looking more and more to us for support, and we must stop the killing internal fights.

To do this we must elect a State Secretary who has not been connected with either one of the present factions in the party. We believe that the most important faculty for a State Secretary to possess is that of giving efficient administration, without participation in controversies between party members.

For this reason Local Vallejo urges the election of Comrade Frank Furlan to the office of State Secretary-Treasurer.

Comrade Furlan is thoroughly capable of performing the required office work, and clearly understands the scientific basis of Socialism. He has been our Secretary for the past two years, during which period more than 300 new members have been admitted to the Local, which has the largest proportionate membership in the State at the present time. Most of our losses have been through members, forced by economic causes to leave Vallejo, moving to other places, where they doubtless have continued their activity. Comrade Furlan managed our last city campaign, and has just brought to a suc-

cessful conclusion the series of National Lyceum Bureau lectures in this city.

Other candidates who have announced their policy take a stand which probably would continue the present factional fights. Comrade Furlan declares that, if elected, he will attend to the necessary work of the office and the rebuilding of the party.

With a man like Comrade Furlan holding the office of State Secretary-Treasurer, the party membership could feel assured that the influence of the office would not be used to compromise the Socialist party with any other organization.

For these reasons we give our support to Comrade Furlan.

Yours for the cause,

BERNARD FRIEDMANN,  
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CAVE OF THE WINDS.

Powerful Winds Blow Fiercely in Los Angeles. By GEORGIA KOTSCH.

REVOLT'S readers will no doubt be glad of an account of a regular propaganda meeting in Los Angeles. Los Angeles, which has been such a center of conflict and of interest; Los Angeles, a city set upon a hill which cannot be hid, the feeding ground of hungry Socialist politicians, where the political game was so nearly played to success. Comrades in other places will be glad of the inspiration of an intimate glance at our present activities, a knowledge of the deathless spirit of revolution which is now animating us, and seeing our good works they may be constrained to go and do likewise.

I attended the regular propaganda meeting Sunday evening, March 18. I confess I do not attend all the meetings, confining myself chiefly to study club work. Of course we have the grand meetings when politic to have them, when the big guns volley and thunder, but the big guns are mostly off junketing now and the children left at home are in untrammelled frankness showing the fruits of their tutelage. Of three meetings which I have attended in as many months, one was addressed by Mr. Wolfe, the burden of his lay being the possibility of getting himself, Cantrell and a few more of our brains into the legislature soon. Of course he was too modest to mention names, and really it wasn't necessary. The next was a woman's meeting addressed by three able women on the white-slave traffic, all of them, however, introducing God and the Divine plan as the reason why things should be as they should be.

I will describe the last meeting, it being freshest in my mind. I have not the pen of a Mark Twain or a Bill Nye; but I think a simple recital of things as they occurred may merit a place in your humorous column.

The lower floor of the Labor Temple auditorium was half filled, Mr. Harrack in the chair. Men in the seats were studiously absorbing mental pabulum from outspread copies of the Social-Democrat. The speaker was a man who has spent almost a lifetime in a Baptist pulpit and has only lately given it up to follow his convictions into the Socialist party; a sincere man to whom much credit is due and for whose hardihood in allowing himself to be persuaded to address a Socialist meeting allowance is to be made. He spent fifteen minutes telling us that he could tell us nothing and then proceeded to do it in a kindergarten lecture on "The Gospel of Socialism." Where the company was congenial the audience resolved itself into little sociable groups and lonesome individuals; under the soothing clerical intonations, composed themselves for a quiet nap. Old ex-church-goers lapsed into the old habit as naturally as a New Year teetotaler slides off the water wagon. The gist of the talk was the declaration that we have in our hands the little white paper which is the magic sesame that will open freedom's door. In it alone lies our power to emancipate ourselves. He believed it thoroughly and so do thousands here. Why shouldn't they? It is what they have been taught.

Preceding his talk the speaker asked the audience to stand and sing "America." Exemplary sheep that they are, trained to follow the leader, they stood and sang as atrociously as Socialists do sing, "My Country 'Tis of Thee." In the question period a timorous inquirer ventured to ask whether economic organization is not as important as political. He was assured it was not. Our power to capture the government lies in the ballot. The first five-minute speech was by a single-taxer, who, as usual with his breed, had to be sledge-hammered from the platform. It is only when the stones cry out that I get desperate enough to break womanly silence in meeting and this was such an occasion. Being a sufferer from acute stage-fright, my performance fitted with perfect harmony into the general badness of the scheme of the meeting. I tried to call attention, however, to labor legislation in Massachusetts which was used against the workers until they got together on the economic field and developed power to compel a start toward better conditions; to the fact that our ability to work is the only thing we have that the capitalist cares for and that so organize that we can give or withhold this ability as we see fit in our road to power; to the English situation where, after sending men up to Parliament these years, the workers are poorer than they ever have been

ATTENTION COMRADES!

Revolt Subscription Contest.

The object of this contest is to increase the usefulness of REVOLT. To put REVOLT on a safe basis we must have more readers. Those that are interested in the necessary work that "The Voice of the Militant Worker" is accomplishing are determined, and they have resolved, that REVOLT will not suspend. The burden of publishing a paper by wage slaves, that toil for a master every day, is a heavy one and we want you to share the joy of bearing it. Some of our kind friends have enabled us to give suitable prizes to those who send in the most subscribers between now and May the 1st.

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and are literally driven to industrialism; to labor laws in California that women shall work but eight hours a day and that women in stores shall be allowed to sit when not busy, which laws are not observed because the workers in California are not organized in sufficient strength to compel their enforcement; to the damage done the past week in Germany to our prize saying, that by political action we can keep the policeman's club off of the worker's head while he organizes, the great strong Socialist party of Germany being unable to protect the strikers from being killed. I fully understand that our labor legislation is not passed by Socialists, but it is lobbied for by them and crowded over by them and forms a large part of the subject material of their addresses. I am as anxious as the next one for any and all immediate ameliorations of the lot of the toiler, let them come as they may, but I sort of have a leaning toward means that seem to bring results.

Comrade Holston, shrewd in politics and a lawyer withal, followed. It was easy for that combination to show that I was all wrong; that the only trouble is that the Socialists have not unseated the Kaiser and filled the Reichstag brim full of Socialists; that Massachusetts Socialists have not elected Socialists; that English Socialists have mixed up with laborites (certainly not a thing for Los Angeles Socialists to sneeze at) and have not filled Parliament with simon-pure Socialists. He voiced a species of political impossibilism.

I remember that some years ago Massachusetts Socialists did do considerable electing and Mark Hanna came in with the economic power at his disposal and there has not been much doing in Socialist politics there since. I have also been under the impression that the Socialist groups of England have been as conscientious as the average and have hewed about as close to the line as their conditions would admit. They got Socialists into Parliament in the only way they could get them in and, with I believe two exceptions, they have been assimilated after they got there. The case is complicated by the fact that the English workers have to eat. They have gotten to the point where even capitalist papers admit they can not live on what they get. Though this comrade may be willing to suffer by proxy through them to that end, they can not afford to starve longer while trying the doubtful experiment of stocking Parliament with Socialists. They are dealing with a horrible fact and not a theory and they are dealing with it in the only effective way.

The "most unkindest cut of all" was when the next speaker, an I. W. W., objecting to the ballot altogether, accounted for my mistaken attitude in still clinging to its legitimate use, by referring to me as "the young lady," thus focusing the quizzical eyes of the old-timers in my direction.

"Hooray for Bill Haywood," yelled an untutored voice in the rear of the hall and a bunch of us clapped vociferously.

By this time the Sabbath calm of the congregation was so disturbed that we were prepared for the climax when Anton Johannsen took the floor and laid about him with pungent, sweet profanity. I couldn't exactly gather from his remarks where he was going but anybody could see he was on the way.

The meeting closed with another reckless attempt at song. This time it was, "In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea." A sprightly lady near me, in view of the milk and water propaganda, suggested that a more suitable closing hymn would have been "The Milkmen's Chorus," "Shall We Gather at the River."

AN ACTIVE REVOLTER.

Palo Alto, March 12, 1912.

Dear Comrades: Enclosed find \$2.50 for REVOLT. I will send you a little every week that I possibly can. In haste. Yours in Revolt, JENNIE ARNDT.

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ers as much as Madame Tetravini has been boosted.

Let me also say in conclusion that our organization has been fairly well treated by the local press. The Daily Times seems to consider Socialism just as important as the Men and Religion Forward movement. The editor-in-chief is even a member of our organization and stands, in fact, a great deal nearer to the principles of Socialism than do some of our self-admiring party "leaders."

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE CALIFORNIA COMRADES.

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County Organizer as a nominee for State Secretary. My conviction is that he is unfit for the office. He is a good platform man but absolutely lacking in the necessary executive ability. Still if he is elected Harrimanism and the domination resulting from it will absolutely throw the Socialist party in convulsions in this State. Let us prevent it. Let us one and all stand behind the present State administration which is absolutely opposed to the policy of Harrimanism.

The present State administration stands for a constructive Socialist policy, a policy opposed to fusions, mergers, deals with any other organization. An administration which stands for the closest co-operation between the Socialist party and the labor unions, each performing its own distinct work but not meddling with one another either in management or in policy of the peculiar functions for which each was organized. Harrimanism is interfering with party integrity to such an extent that we may as well abolish all our national and State constitutions, all rules of party conduct, and finally be ruined on the rock of inefficiency. The question is, Shall the Socialist party rule or shall we be destroyed by Harrimanism? You must answer and your judgment is final.

Now I am not making rash statements which I cannot back up or prove. I know intimately the most of the old Socialists of this nation, this State and this city. As to my personal integrity as a Socialist I can refer to Comrades Simons, Unterman, Berger, Lewis J. Duncan—present Mayor of Butte—and some of the prominent German comrades of Los Angeles. I am more or less well acquainted with all of them.

Yours for Socialism, A. W. HARRACK,  
Member of the Board of Managers of the Social-Democrat.

Ed. Note.—We are too crowded this week to publish an answer to that part of the letter that boosts Meriam.

PROTEST MEETING, BUILDING TRADES TEMPLE, SUNDAY, MARCH 31, AT 2:30 P. M.

To protest against the lawless acts of the police of San Diego in preventing free speech and the unlawful arrest of Single-Taxers, Socialists, unionists and others in San Diego.

Speakers: J. Edward Morgan, in behalf of the Free Speech League of San Diego; Austin Lewis, of Industrial Socialist League; Mrs. Fremont Older; Hugo Lentz, and other representatives of organized labor.

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