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LET US BUILD.

By Eugene V. Debs.

We have heard and still hear a great deal about "the reds" and "the yellows" in the Socialist party. I know a good many of both, and so far as I am able to discern, they are very much alike. The actual difference between them, were it fire, would hardly be enough to light a cigarette.

We are all Socialists. We all stand for the same thing. Are we to be forever divided into angry factions and spend a large part of our time and energy in making faces and calling one another "reds" and "yellows" in contempt and derision?

A vast amount of good energy is turned into bad blood over things that either amount to nothing at all or that are beyond the range of academic discussion. The matter of sabotage is a case in point.

The weapons and the tactics of the workers in the daily struggle, the hand-to-hand fight on the industrial field, will be determined from time to time in the progress of the struggle itself, and the question of sabotage—which, by the way, has absolutely nothing new about it except its name—can be safely left to the workers engaged in the struggle on that field.

The Socialist party is a political party, and it is not its business to decide what weapons the workers shall choose, or what tactics they shall employ, in their struggle on the economic field.

In the idle discussion which has been devoted to syndicalism, direct action, sabotage, etc., enough energy has been wasted to double our party membership and quadruple the power of our press.

Let us now unite our efforts to build the party and make it strong for the great work there is before it.

If we mean to destroy capitalism we must develop the power of our class, and we can only do that through the class-conscious unity and the energetic and harmonious co-operation of our forces.

The Socialist party has undoubtedly its weaknesses, but these will not be remedied if we spend most of our time vainly lamenting or searching each other for further weaknesses to absolve us from our party duty and make our despair complete.

We have traveled with the Socialist party these sixteen years past, and with all that may be justly charged against it, it is today beyond question the most vital force in the class struggle of the United States.

What we need above everything else at present is a period of united and energetic party building. Too many of our locals are weak and non-progressive for the want of the active support that loyal members should give them. Most of our papers and periodicals are in the same condition for the same reason.

We are all needed to make a party, and as long as we are agreed on fundamental principles and the final goal, we can safely concede to one another the limits of toleration in the discussion of our conflicting opinions and in carrying forward our diversified activities.

The Socialist party, it should be remembered, is a political party, and there is room enough in it for every one who subscribes to

its principles and upholds them in good faith, but there is no room in it for those who either openly sneer at political action or who avow it falsely to mask their treachery while they carry on their work of disruption.

The Socialist party, if it is to fulfill its mission, must ever be the revolutionary party of the working class, rigidly uncompromising so far as its principles are concerned, true to the interests of the workers in every phase of the struggle, clean and above-board in all its methods, and it must preserve its character and integrity inviolate before the world. It must avoid alike political opportunism and industrial anarchism and steer straight ahead if it is to safely reach its destined port.

Let us have a period of united, energetic, enthusiastic party building and press building throughout the country! The party needs it, and we need it, and it will be to the infinite good of both. It will mean new strength and fresh inspiration for us all.

It is only when we unite and work together in the true spirit of Socialism that we can do the best and overcome the worst there is in us.

The national party is in debt, and its activities are seriously impaired for the want of funds. Let us pay off this debt, replenish the treasury, and set the party machinery going at full pressure!

Let us build! Build ourselves and each other in the building of the party.

KNOW YOUR LOCAL CONDITIONS.

How many Socialists are prepared to talk intelligently on the industrial conditions in their own neighborhood?

Do you know what wages are paid in the nearest factory and what grievances the workers there have?

What kind of schools do your children attend? What would Socialists do to improve them if they were elected?

How is the business of your city or town conducted? How many men or women have you in your Socialist local who could step in and run one of these offices?

What interests control your local press? Have you ever exposed these in your meetings?

What evenings do the unions meet, and where? Have you found out what they are trying to get and how the Socialist party can help them?

A discussion on these subjects at the next meeting will do more good than a hundred fervid speeches on the battles being waged in some distant state.

St. Louis comrades are making great preparations for their annual fall festival and county fair at Reichert's Grove, August 24.

The Missouri Socialists have begun an active fall organization campaign. State Organizer J. A. Fox is touring in the southeastern section of the state, while W. E. Garver is touring the western section.

It used to be said in olden days, All roads lead to Rome. Now we can say that all roads lead to the organization of the working class.

SECRETARIES AND MEMBERS, TAKE NOTICE.

Special voluntary assessment stamps are being sent out this week by the National Office. This was authorized by National Committee motion, reported last week.

Those who do not receive stamps through the regular channels, may send for stamps to this office.

These stamps call for 25 cents each, and the proceeds are to be used to pay off the present indebtedness of the national organization.

The proceeds of the stamps may be sent directly to the National Office, where they will be properly credited.

SOCIALIST ETHICS.

The following ethical rules which govern the Young People's League of Los Angeles might be considered by a number of older individuals with beneficial results to the party organization:

"A Y. P. S. L. member isn't a good Socialist,

When he becomes a general knocker to all acts of the Y. P. S. L.

When you can hear him say, "The Y. P. S. L. never benefited me in the least."

When he blows his money for "shakes" and permits himself to be suspended for non-payment of dues.

When he attempts to use the Y. P. S. L. to promote his own personal and private benefit.

When he does not respect the Y. P. S. L. members and does not wish to be respected.

When he is bringing up arguments at the business meetings for the sole purpose to hear himself prate.

When he draws comparisons between members and classifies them as "such and otherwise."

When he is not abiding by the rule of the majority.

When he uses profane language to exhibit his intelligence.

When he becomes a fanatic and dispenses with conventionality.

"He is the one who is always too busy to act on a committee, but has ample time to obstruct; never has time to help, do some work up at the League; never knows whether the lady or gentleman next to him is a member of the League, and neglects to introduce him to the gathering; he is the member who is too narrow to ever see beyond his selfish interest."

The Connecticut Socialists are making hustling summer campaign. The following speakers are now or will be touring the state: R. R. McCaleb, La Crosse, Wis.; Phil. Callery, private secretary of Mayor Lunn of Schenectady; S. E. Beardsley, state secretary; W. A. Jacobs of Milwaukee, and George Speth of Massachusetts.

The Socialists have won a seat in the German Reichstag from the district of Zauch-Belzig by a vote of 17,107, against 16,599. The successful Socialist candidate is Comrade Eweld, who has been the party candidate for the same office for 20 years. This is the way the Germans do things. They take a good man and continue him as a candidate until he is elected. They exercise the same policy toward those who make good in administrative positions of the party. Having secured efficiency, they retain the officials in their positions.

Labor's World-Wide Battle Line

DOING THINGS AT ST. MARY'S, OHIO.

When the Socialists took hold of the city of St. Mary's, Ohio, in January, 1912, the city's affairs were in a deplorable condition. The city had owned its water and electric light plants for 20 years, and the old party administrations, not believing in public ownership, had actually done their best to discredit these industries. The city employes were working 12 hours per day and at a low wage. The electric light plant was \$2,000 in debt and 9 cents per kilowatt hour was charged for current. The city water plant was in about the same shape and the common people were paying high rates while corporations were getting their water supply almost for nothing. The Socialist administration elected included Scott Wilkins, a mail carrier, mayor; Ralph Burton, an engineer, city clerk, and a painter city auditor. The president of the Council was a common laborer, while the Council itself was composed of two machinists, two cigar-makers, one railway clerk, one grocer and one retired farmer.

One of the first acts of this working-class administration was to reduce the hours of the city employes from 12 to 8. The firemen were raised from \$50 to \$60 per month, engineers from \$60 to \$65, linemen from \$50 to \$60. The superintendent of the municipal plant was raised from \$90 to \$100 per month. This increase in wages had an immediate effect on employes working in private enterprises. The prevailing wage in the city had been \$1.35 per day, and this now has been raised to \$1.50.

A flat rate was made for all water used, with the result that one manufacturing industry that had been paying \$12.50 per month for water had to pay for its first month's water supply \$403.16. The result was that the water was no longer wasted, and the plant reports 25 per cent decrease in the quantity of water pumped. The price of the electric current was reduced from 9 cents per kilowatt hour to 7 cents. The debt of the electric light plant has been wiped out, and a surplus of \$15,000 accumulated.

And the men who did these things for St. Mary's are members of the working class who are not supposed to know anything about business.

PATERSON STRIKE ENDED.

After 22 weeks of struggle, the striking silk weavers at Paterson, N. J., have gone back to work without having gained any concessions from their employers. The strike developed a wonderful class solidarity and was continued with grim determination until hunger and distress drove the poor slaves back to their tasks. The strike, however, has not been without a value, for it has developed a Socialist party in Paterson which is giving the corporations more uneasiness than was ever felt at any hour of the strike. The workers were clubbed and imprisoned simply because the civil power was in the hands of the employers. Had the workers themselves been in control of the city government, things would have been different. The Socialists have perfected an organization in each one of the eleven wards and will hold a convention August 4th to nominate aldermen, justices of the peace and constables.

One man at the summit of a mountain feels like a pigmy; but that same man, knowing that he is marching with a million others, feels himself a giant, and is one.

Have you paid your dues this month?

THE FIRST ENCAMPMENT IN THE NORTHEASTERN STATES.

The Socialists of that part of New York state in the neighborhood of Schenectady have decided to hold an encampment. Delegates from Albany, Troy, Schenectady, Mechanicsville, Ravena, Rensselaer, Rotterdam Junction, Guilderland, Green Island, Watervliet and Cohoes met at Schenectady and outlined plans.

The meeting will be held August 10, and it is believed that this will be the first of many such encampments in the northern states. The southwestern states have been holding encampments for years.

"THE FINNS DO THINGS."

The Minneapolis Finnish local is about to celebrate its tenth anniversary. In these ten years the membership has grown from 20 to 255. Besides having contributed thousands of dollars for propaganda work, the local has acquired a lot and hall, now valued at \$20,000.

A MUNICIPAL LAUNDRY.

Cincinnati again lays claim to our attention in the matter of municipal activity along unique lines.

A first-class, up-to-date laundry in one of the public bath houses is operated by the city, under the jurisdiction of the department of public lands and buildings. Upon certain days during the week it is thrown open to the public, and the installation of power washing machines, dryers and mangles makes the family washing far less of a burden and drudge upon the already overworked housewife. Further, the ridiculously small charge of 10 cents for every four hours' use gives a financial advantage to the one who knows the absurdity of the saying, "It costs nothing to be clean."

We are told that the "expense of operating this laundry exceeds the revenues derived from it, but on certain days during the week it is used for the purpose of laundering the towels, etc., for the various city departments, thus eliminating laundry bills which were formerly borne by the city."

WIDER USE OF THE COUNTRY SCHOOL HOUSE.

The Socialists in the outlying districts of Ithaca, N. Y., hold their meetings, lectures, socials, etc., in the remodeled school building. They are the only group in town public spirited enough to take advantage of the recent ruling of the school board to throw open the building as a social center.

Theirs is not an isolated case. It bears out the experiences of comrades all over the country.

The case is interesting because of the fact that only recently three Socialists were elected to serve upon the school board. One of their first official acts was to restore the dilapidated school house, neglected by former administrations, to its proper condition. To extend the use of the building to all citizens was logically the next step.

The Socialists of Cleveland, Ohio, have nominated a full city ticket for the municipal election this fall, headed by Joseph E. Robb, as candidate for mayor. A vigorous campaign will be waged and the comrades have started right by making an effort to get every Socialist in the city on the subscription list of The Party Builder.

THEY HOLD THE FORT.

The comrades at Edgewater, Col., are evidently made of the right stuff. Comrade Kirkman writes:

"We put a ticket in the field three years ago and ran a close second. The following year, fearing defeat, the old parties fused, and after the count we needed five votes to elect a mayor and about fourteen to elect the board. This past April the old outfit discovered their interests were identical and the wets, dries, Democrats, Republicans, Bullmoosers, etc., began to love each other. Efforts were made to fuse with us on a 'union ticket,' etc. Nothing doing! After the count we took everything at the nice total of 29 average to the man. It was due to sentiment, protest, and an effort to dislodge the old 'gang.'"

Then the fusion gang pulled off an amazing stunt. It was a desperate game, but it didn't work.

"The holdovers left town or resigned, and the old board attempted to appoint their successors, but we 'qualified' and defeated their plot. Then they refused to turn over offices or property and we brought mandamus proceedings to get books. We won (in court at that), and to date have been getting along very well."

THE SEATTLE RIOT.

The news dispatches in the capitalist press have acquainted our people somewhat with the riot in Seattle which occurred following an address by Cabinet Secretary Josephus Daniels, and in which the Socialist headquarters were wrecked by a mob of drunken soldiers and sailors. The riot was incited by editorials and news items in the notorious Seattle Times, and the finishing touches were added by Secretary Daniels.

Seattle has a strong Socialist organization, and the Socialists are "coming back" now at the Times and its capitalistic following with telling effect. In their protest they have the support of the mayor of the city and the governor of the state, both of whom have issued proclamations promising that the rioters shall be punished and justice rendered to the Socialists. Such outrages always increase Socialist sentiment and unify Socialists. It seems to be having this much desired effect in Washington.

MRS. HYNDMAN DEAD.

Our Socialists familiar with the English movement will regret to learn of the death of Matilda Hyndman, wife of the veteran Socialist, Henry M. Hyndman, which occurred at London, July 1. The Hyndmans have been actively identified with the British Socialist movement for more than 30 years. Throughout the last 20 years Mrs. Hyndman had taken an active part in the organization work of women within the Socialist movement. Among the Socialists of England she had long been known as "The Mother of Socialism" and her home for more than a generation was a sort of personal headquarters for the Socialists of the world.

"GREAT SOCIALIST GAINS."

A special election to fill a senatorial vacancy has just been held in the Hallettsville, Texas, district. E. R. Meitzen was the Socialist candidate. He carried the precinct by a vote of 94 (Socialist) to 89 (Democrat). He also carried six other precincts in the county. The returns are not all in, so the total vote cannot be given, but it is estimated that the Socialist vote of last fall is quadrupled.

Without organization we would be a mob at the mercy of the ruling powers.

Information Department

111 NORTH MARKET STREET, CHICAGO

PURPOSE

To collect, classify and make available for the members of locals and officials of the Socialist Party all possible data and information on economic, political and social problems. To assist the Socialists elected to office with such information as may be required in their official capacities on Municipal, State and National Problems of Administration and Reconstruction.

CARL D. THOMPSON, Manager

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EIGHT MILLION WORKERS WITHOUT THE BALLOT IN UNITED STATES.

SOCIALIST PARTY MUST ACT.

We are told that there are eight millions of the adult population of this nation, mostly belonging to the working class, who ought to have the right to vote, but who are shut out.

A part of this vast number are excluded because, being foreign-born, they are not as yet naturalized. Another large section is excluded by reason of extreme residence qualifications, poll tax provisions, race, sex or other absurd restrictions.

Eight million adults shut out from the right to vote—in this "land of the free and home of the brave!" And the evil seems to be growing worse.

Here is a task for the Socialist party. We are compelled to take up this fight whether we will or not. Otherwise the capitalist class will beat us finally by simply disfranchising enough of the working class to keep themselves and their plutocracy in power.

Every Socialist movement in Europe has marshalled all its energies in its heroic struggle for universal suffrage. They are winning the fight. We Socialists in America cannot afford to lose what they have so valiantly fought to win.

The Information Department has undertaken the task of gathering the necessary data to help the party launch a nation-wide, aggressive campaign against the evils of the restriction of the suffrage. To this end we are gathering, and ask the comrades everywhere to help us gather, all possible facts and information on, (a) the poll tax provisions, (b) residence restrictions, (c) naturalization, and (d) race and sex restrictions. Already considerable material has been secured. A host of earnest and capable comrades have volunteered to assist the party in the fight.

A special committee here at the national headquarters is working through this department, assisting the comrades in securing naturalization. Other committees are at work in other cities. One should be formed in every large city in the Union. The state secretary of every state organization should see to it that his state has a naturalization bureau. The committee and the Information Department will lend its assistance whenever needed.

This week we present a few preliminary considerations, submitted by Comrade Moses Oppenheimer, one of the many who are deeply interested and who volunteer their assistance. We shall follow this up from week to week with other communications and with facts and information which we hope the Socialist and labor press and the comrades everywhere will use to the limit.

Socialist and labor press, please watch and copy.

MILLIONS OF WORKERS CANNOT VOTE.

"The figures of the census of April 15, 1910, now available, ought to stir the Socialist party to vigorous and persistent action. These figures show that at present there must be within the United States at least four million foreign-born white men of voting age, aliens as to political status, who are excluded from the franchise. In their overwhelming majority they obviously belong to the working class. The

tables of the census show plainly that the bulk of those aliens reside in the industrial centers.

"With the increased trouble and expense of naturalization and the influx of the 'new immigration,' this state of things grows worse from year to year in a progressive nation. The census has no figures as to women of the same category. But from the ratio of female immigrants and from the obvious fact that women scarcely ever seek naturalization, it is perfectly safe to assume that as many millions of foreign-born women are voteless as there are such men.

"Thus we have an average of about eight millions, mostly workers, shut out from political action at the ballot box.

"Resolutions which I have prepared and which I urge the party to adopt strike directly at this evil, demanding adult franchise for men and women who have resided at least one year in the United States and declared their intention to become citizens.

"This demand seems radical to those unfamiliar with conditions. Such a franchise arrangement has been in force in nine states in various forms for quite a length of time. It existed in Wisconsin, too, but was done away with recently, to my sorrow.

"You can look up the details in any handbook or almanac.

"I believe some experienced and competent statistician should be retained to get the figures from the census in all their startling details as to industrial states and cities, comparing the present census with the previous one, thus showing the startling progress of the evil. The results should be set forth by some forcible writer and given the widest publicity possible. Our political action cannot be much more than impotence incarnate as long as we permit fully half of the army of the workers to remain weaponless, politically.

"I append a copy of some summary tables from the recent census, showing the magnitude of the problem.

"A campaign for adult franchise will not be child's play. It will probably take decades before we succeed. But the greater the difficulties, the greater the need of action without loss of time."

Foreign-Born White Males 21 Years of Age and Over.

Division	Immigration	Naturalized	Per cent naturalized
The North...	5,511,869	2,526,749	45.8
The South....	368,913	157,854	42.8
The West....	766,035	349,514	45.6
United States	6,646,817	3,034,117	45.6

In this table "The North" includes New England, Middle Atlantic, East North Central, West North Central. "The South" includes South Atlantic, East South Central, West South Central. "The West" includes Mountain and Pacific.

The Following Table Shows Place of Origin.

Division	Immigration	Naturalized	Per cent naturalized
N. W. Europe	3,310,930	2,151,421	65.0
S. W. Europe	815,253	165,595	20.3
N. E. Europe	807,866
S. E. Europe	1,008,339	201,738	20.0
American (not U. S.).....	648,373	286,809	44.2
All other countries ..	54,470	14,017	25.7

MOSES OPPENHEIMER.

Even birds of a feather flock together. Surely, men of an idea ought to get together.

TYPICAL QUESTIONS.

Q. How much wheat was raised in the United States in 1911 and 1912. A. In 1911, 621,338,000 bushels; in 1912, 730,267,000 bushels.

Q. How much did the farmers get for the entire crop? A. The "farm value" of this wheat, as stated by the Department of Agriculture, was, in 1911, \$543,063,000; in 1912, \$555,280,000.

Q. How much did the farmers of the United States pay for machinery in 1911 and in 1912? A. The total value of farm machinery manufactured in 1909 (the latest figures we have) was \$146,329,268.—Abstract of the 13th U. S. Census, 1910, p. 507.

Q. What was the increase in number of employes in the postoffice department when, (a) the postal savings business, and (b) parcel post business was undertaken? A. (a) For the first three months, January 1 to March, 1911, none; from March, 1911, to July 1, 1913, gradually increased to 188. The present additional force is 167. (b) No increase in the number of employes and no appropriations were made for paying additional salaries.

Q. What was the increase in payroll? A. (a) The total increased appropriation was \$229,980. Not all, however, is being used, as the actual working force is now only 167. (b) No additional payroll was incurred.

Q. What was the increase in the amount of money handled by the department? A. (a) The money on deposit at the beginning of the present fiscal year was \$35,000,000. (b) The sale of special stamps amounted to \$13,707,213.91 by the 1st of July, 1913.—From letter Third Asst. Postmaster General, July 28, 1913.

Exploitation of Labor in the Coke Industry.

Q. I have been told that the men working in the coke industry in Pennsylvania are getting only \$2.50 for attending five ovens, while Mr. Frick gets \$30.00. What information can you give me to substantiate this? A. It is not possible to give you the figures in just the form that you have requested. The census reports do not furnish complete data upon matters of this kind, and what is given only shows the aggregate and the average in each case. They do not give data as to the individual salaries of the owners or superintendents, nor do they give their personal incomes. However, the figures given are bad enough. They are as follows:

One hundred forty-six coke establishments in Pennsylvania turned out a total product (1909) of \$51,816,000; the cost of the materials was \$33,762,000; there were 15,331 wage-earners employed; these were paid \$8,436,000 in wages.

In addition to this, \$943,000 was paid for salaries of superintendents, etc. Deducting the cost of materials from the total value of the products, \$18,054,000 added by manufacture.

This latter figure on a conservative estimate represents the amount which the workers should have received. In other words, 15,331 wage-earners received in wages \$550 per year. They should have received \$1,178 per year.

This is on a very conservative handling of the figures of the census report. For it should be noted that the total value of the product above mentioned is estimated by the census report as the value at the factory. Clearly, the market value must have been much in excess of that. Furthermore, the amount paid to labor includes not only the wages of the ordinary workingman but the big salaries of the high officials, which in some cases reach as high as from \$10,000 to \$40,000 per year, and even more in some of the larger industries. They therefore constitute no real part of the expenses of operation, but are merely so much of a share of the profit or plunder of the concern.

Therefore, on the most conservative estimate, based on the showing of the census figures themselves, the working man in the coke industry is exploited out of \$620 per year, receiving less than half of what his labor actually produces. (See Socialist National Campaign Book for 1912, pages 155-257, for explanation of the use of the census reports; and see, further, Thirteenth Census of the United States, 1910, volume IX, on Manufactures, page 1081, "The Coke Industry in Pennsylvania").

Q. If all the wage-earners in the United States were class-conscious, and voted for Socialism, how large would the vote be? A. There are 29,073,233 persons above ten years of age employed in gainful occupations in the United States. About 5,000,000 of these are under 21 years of age, which would leave 25,000,000 adult workers (male and female) engaged in gainful occupations. Many of these are disfranchised, of course, but if all could vote and voted for Socialism, the total would somewhere about 20,000,000. The total vote cast at the last presidential election was only 15,000,000; Wilson was elected with 6,292,000 votes.

Q. Taking the I. W. W.'s definition of a worker, how many such workers are there in the United States? A. About 9,000,000 of these workers may be classed as unskilled laborers. The census report gives 5,580,657 as employed in "domestic and personal services." In each of the other classifications there would be a small percentage of what would be called unskilled labor.

Lyceum Department

The Lyceum Department is a combined subscription agency and lecture bureau, run not for private profit, but for the special purpose of securing for the Socialist party in its propaganda and organization work the advantage of the fact that **THERE ARE A GREAT MANY OF US**. Full particulars furnished on application.

L. E. KATTERFELD, Manager

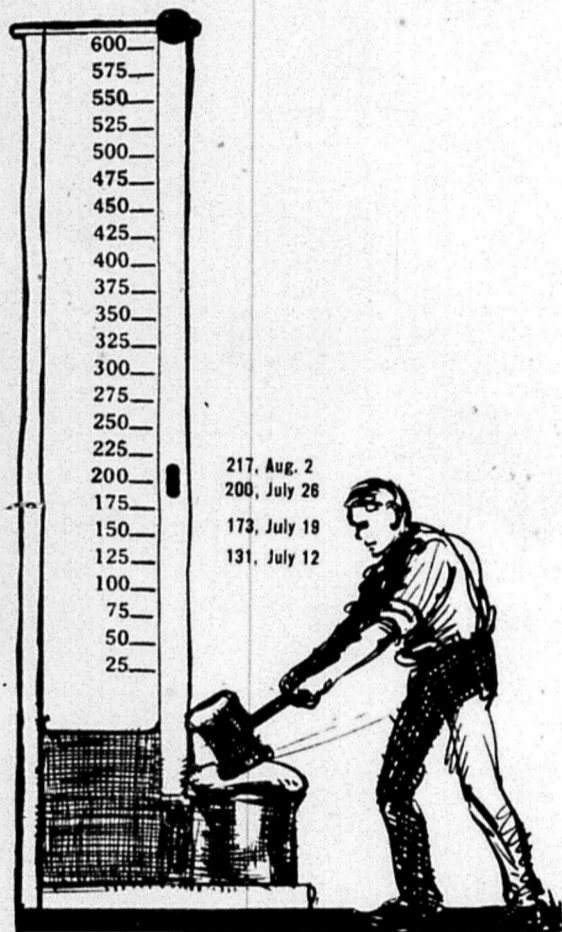
111 North Market Street

Chicago, Illinois

JIM WENT A FISHING.

Jimmie broke training for a couple of days last week and went fishing, which accounts for the slight improvement he shows during the week. He's promised not to do it again, but to practice faithfully from now on for that championship match in the fall.

His trainers say never, under any circumstances, to feed him anything but nice, ripe, and properly signed Lyceum contracts. We have a lot of promises here and applications and pledges, and it's pretty hard to keep Jim away from them, so we're sending out a letter this week to about 2,500 locals because we just know that there are hundreds of contracts to be had for the asking. Send 'em in and help to make Jimmie Higgins the world's champion.



THE RACE OF THE STATES TOWARD SOCIALISM.

North Dakota now stands third on the list. When we consider that this is threshing time and that therefore, many of the country locals cannot meet, what is being done by the comrades in the two Dakotas is nothing short of marvelous. Looks as though the "land" question isn't scaring these revolutionary farmers one bit. But then they've already had two Lyceum seasons up that way with lecture courses sprinkled all over the prairies, and they know what the Lyceum is.

(This list shows each week the names of the locals that send contracts during the week, the number of courses they take, if more than one, and the total number contracted for from each state.)

Alabama, 2; Birmingham; Arizona, 6; Arkansas, 1; California, 18; Chico; Colorado, 7; La Junta; Connecticut, 1; Delaware, 0; District of Columbia, 1; Florida, 3; Tampa; Georgia, 3; Augusta; Idaho, 7; Caldwell; Illinois, 9; Moline, Rockford (2); Indiana, 6; Muncie; Iowa, 8; Kansas, 1; Kentucky, 1; Louisiana, 0; Maine, 3; Maryland, 2; Massachusetts, 10; Michigan, 11; Holland; Minnesota, 4; Mississippi, 0; Missouri, 5; Montana, 6; Nebraska, 6; Nevada, 5; Tonopah; New Hampshire, 1; New Jersey, 5; Palisade

Park, Phillipsburg; New Mexico, 2; New York, 15; North Carolina, 1; North Dakota, 13; Bergen, Woburn (2); Ohio, 4; Oklahoma, 5; Oregon, 3; Pennsylvania, 4; Rhode Island, 1; South Carolina, 1; South Dakota, 7; Tennessee, 0; Texas, 3; Utah, 2; Vermont, 0; Virginia, 1; Washington, 12; West Virginia, 1; Wisconsin, 7; Wyoming, 3; Cody.

Reported last week, 200; received this week, 17; total to August 2, 217.

"THE PROOF OF THE PUDDING IS IN THE EATING."

(1) From California:

"Local Vallejo desires to impress upon the membership of the state the importance and all-round usefulness of the National Socialist Lyceum lectures to the Socialist movement.

"We had the Lyceum course for two years and the results in money, new members, and better interest of the old members have been so overwhelmingly in favor of the official, systematic lecture propaganda furnished by the Lyceum Department that we decided to take two courses this year.

"We urge every local to sign up for at least one lecture course. The guarantee this season is so low that no local can possibly make that an excuse for not taking it up.

"The most important point of the lectures is that they are official and that the speakers—unlike the usual 'free-lance' kind, who invariably mix other items in the talks—speak Socialism pure and unadulterated."

LOCAL VALLEJO,

FRANK FURLAN, Lyceum Secretary

(2) From Maine:

"The Lyceum course in Portland was a huge success. We had well-filled houses, and all the audiences were pleased with the lectures. Over 400 tickets were sold. We cleared \$20 on the course and distributed a large quantity of literature. It gave us publicity in the capitalist press and enthused our own members.

"When the National office sent us the offer for the season 1913-1914 Portland local lost no time in snapping it up. At the present reduced price it should be available to about ten locals in Maine, and our success ought to encourage them.

"All five speakers were corkers. No working man with average brains could fail to be deeply impressed with their unanswerable arguments."

LOCAL PORTLAND,

CLARENCE V. HOAR,

Lyceum Secretary.

Vallejo had the Lyceum two years; has already signed for two courses. Portland had the Lyceum two years; has also signed for two more courses.

Both have had it twice and found it good.

Each wants two courses for next season.

What could be better evidence?

THE PUDDING IS GOOD.

SEND THAT AGREEMENT.

All Act Together in the Lyceum.

In the National Office there are at present ten translator-secretaries, the heads of ten different foreign-speaking federations. Each is carrying on special work among the people of his own language. In many localities there are different language branches working entirely independent of each other. The Lyceum is one effort in which all can unite in one common purpose. Each nationality can sell sub-

scriptions for its own paper and give tickets to the lecture course as premiums with them, thus carrying on its own propaganda and at the same time helping the party as a whole to make good. Every one of the ten translator-secretaries is helping splendidly to get the branches of his own federation to co-operate with the English-speaking branches to make use of the Lyceum for their mutual strength.

A Jump Instead of a Slump.

The following letter just received from Selma, Cal., is only one of many that prove that on the whole the locals that had the Lyceum course did not suffer from the general slump in the party membership, but made a good, healthy increase instead.

"Local Selma, in Fresno County, accepted the National Lyceum course 1912-1913. At the time we accepted this local was very weak. At one of the meetings the proposition was turned down, but Comrade Christian Christensen, the then secretary, was very determined. On his own responsibility he called a special meeting, at which eight comrades responded. Comrade Christensen then got Dr. Steinwand, one of the comrades, to back him up financially—that is, to guarantee the course.

"It was a splendid success; it far exceeded all our expectations. The result was that now our local has 75 paid-up members and is still coming.

"We trust that all the locals in the state which can possibly do it will take up the Lyceum course, as it is well worth any effort that they may expend in that direction. The results are wonderful.

"What it has done for us it will surely do for others.

"Yours in the Revolution,
"MARIE C. CARLO, Sec'y.

Some Change Since Babel.

Practically every Socialist paper in a foreign language that is published in the United States is on the Lyceum list. That this is appreciated by the foreign-speaking comrades is proven by the hundreds of subscriptions that are sent to these papers during the Lyceum season. At present we have in the Lyceum catalog eight German papers, six Finnish, five Polish, two Bohemian, and one each of the following: Croatian, Danish-Norwegian, French, Hungarian, Italian, Jewish, Lettish, Lithuanian, Russian, Scandinavian, Servian, Slovenian, Slovak and Swedish. Branches in all these language federations should use the Lyceum to build up the circulation of their own papers. Wherever a branch is not strong enough to handle the proposition alone, a committee should be sent to the next meeting of the English-speaking branch offering to help. In many cases where neither is able to put on the Lyceum alone, they can do it easily by working together.

EDUCATE! EDUCATE! EDUCATE!

By C. B. Hoffman.

The world needs more light on Socialism.

It needs not only the bitter facts of economic slavery, of needless poverty, of vice and crime, which inevitably spring from the sordid, inhuman conditions to which capitalism condemns the workers, placed before it, but it also needs to know the cause of the age-long class struggle, and the historical development of the wage slavery of today.

The world needs to know that poverty is unnecessary and will disappear forever with the advent of Socialism.

Ignorance of economic conditions and laws is the only barrier to the inauguration now and here of the co-operative commonwealth.

The Lyceum Lecture Course under the direction of the Socialist National Committee is the most efficient means to spread the light, to create a feeling of cohesiveness and solidarity within the party, and to arouse enthusiasm, based upon knowledge, for the great cause.

Woman's Department

This department has charge of all propaganda and organization work among women. Its purpose is to make Socialists, unionists, suffragists, and intelligent voters of women, and to secure their active membership in the Socialist party. Address all communications to

WINNIE E. BRANSTETTER, General Correspondent

111 North Market Street

Chicago, Illinois

WOMAN'S COMMITTEE MOTIONS.

Motion "B." That Anna Maley prepare a plan of work for cities. Voting Yes: Fuller, Simons, Reilly, Kriger, Maily. Voting No: Maley, Lewis. Motion carried.

Motion "C." That in each language federation a committee of one be elected whose business it shall be to co-operate with the National Woman's Committee of the Socialist party in bringing about some systematic basis of work between all Socialist women, and also for the purpose of extending our propaganda to women of different nationalities. Voting Yes: Fuller, Simons, Maley, Raily, Kriger, Maily. Not voting: Lewis. Motion carried.

Vote on Sub-Committee on Foreign Relationship: Lily Lore, 3 votes; Theresa Malkiel, 6 votes; Rose Schneiderman, 3 votes. Theresa Malkiel is elected as one member of the committee, Schneiderman and Lore tying for second place.

Literature.

Motion "F." That the article "To You Who Were Out on Strike," by Pauline Newman, be published in uniform leaflet form. Voting Yes: Maley, Maily, Simons, Fuller, Reilly. Not voting: Kriger, Lewis. Motion carried.

This article is in the hands of our editing committee and will soon be in the hands of the printer. Price, \$1.60 prepaid; \$1.00 per 1,000 in lots of 5,000 or over, purchaser to pay freight.

Comment: In accordance with Motion "C" I am communicating with the executive committee of each foreign section asking that they appoint a woman comrade to co-operate with our Committee on Foreign Relationship.

Comrade Lena Morrow Lewis, who is organizing in Alaska, is not able to receive her ballots and return same before the vote closes. This accounts for the fact that she did not vote on any of the above motions.

MEN MUST UNDERSTAND WOMAN QUESTION.

Comrade Fred E. Irish, state secretary of Maine, writes us as follows:

"Replying to your letter of the 8th, or to that part asking for information and suggestions relative to your work, I will tell you frankly where I believe you should train your heaviest batteries.

"TRAIN THEM ON THE MALE MEMBERS OF THE PARTY. There is not more than one out of every ten among them who gives more than an intellectual adherence to the principle of equal rights for both sexes. Their ACTIONS, especially in their domestic relations, too often gives the lie to their public professions.

"The women sense this fact, and THEY WILL NOT COME WHERE THEY FEEL THAT THEY ARE NOT WANTED. When I took charge of the Maine state office a year ago last April, I doubt if there were a dozen women members in the state. Today there are nearly seventy-five and they are still coming! WHY? Simply because I have honestly and sincerely tried to convince the women that we WANT THEM and MUST HAVE THEM.

"They seem glad to come, pay their dues with a promptness that puts the average male member to the blush, are tireless workers, good executives, and altogether desirable."

WOMEN AND THE YOUTH.

The necessity for the formation of Young People's Socialist Leagues should appeal especially to Socialist women. Every woman's propaganda committee ought to be vitally interested in this work.

The way to reach the girls is through Young People's Socialist Leagues. It is difficult to make the average woman see the necessity of belonging to a political party, especially in those states where they have not got suffrage.

But, if you can reach the girl before she has yet become a wife or mother—when her mind is still in the plastic stage—you can make her realize what Socialism means for her future and for her children to come.

You can get her interested in Socialism by interesting her in the work which appeals to every young heart—the presentation of dramatic sketches, rendering entertainments, holding debates, giving dances, helping at lectures, etc.

They will join Young People's Socialist Leagues and thus get into this work, when they will not join the party. As they grow older, they can be brought into the regular political organization.

Every Socialist woman ought to see the advantages of forming Young People's Socialist Leagues and working in co-operation with them.

Are you going to raise money for your work by giving an entertainment? Get the young folk to help. Do you want to bring a woman lecturer to town? Let the girls aid you. Would you cover the town with woman's leaflets? Ask the boys to get into the work.

The only way to get the youth interested in Socialism is to let them have their own organization and work out their own problems. Aid them and they will aid you.

That growing son of yours ought to be attending local meetings. Take him with you occasionally. Don't let his father be ashamed of him in later years because of his ignorance of Socialism. Teach him the nobility of the working class struggle for emancipation. He can be made to see it perhaps easier than you think.

It is as necessary for every Socialist woman to join the party as it is for every man. No race can survive half slave and half free. Get the women into the organization and let them win their way to freedom.

State Correspondents.

OKLAHOMA.—Mrs. S. M. Stallard, state correspondent, and the state secretary are circulating every local in the state with a letter urging the distribution of literature. Fifty copies of "Why You Should Be a Socialist" are to be given to each rural local for free distribution, and a bundle sent to each city and town according to the population. The state office has just ordered 20,000 of this leaflet and 500 of the "Plan of Work for Women in Socialist Locals." Other states take notice.

KANSAS.—Zula J. Stallard reports a woman membership of 369. A sympathizers' mailing list of 231. New committee organized since last report, 8. Dora F. B. Mitchell, Kingman, has been placed in charge of the Seventh district; Pearl M. Griffin, Topeka, of the First district; Ella Baldwin, 916 N. Tenth street, Kansas City, Kans., Second district; Frances Sturgis, Emporia, Fourth district; Mrs. A. A. Marshall, Leavenworth, First district; Mrs. Albert Fugate and Mrs. L. B. Blandin, Hutchinson, Seventh district; Mrs. Julia S. Hobson, Sedan, Third district. These district organizers are doing a most important work in organizing the newly-enfranchised women of Kansas into precinct and district educational clubs.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—May Wolf reports a 32 per cent membership of women who are active in social and educational work. Special efforts are being made to interest the teachers of the District.

IOWA.—Dr. P. M. T. Hanson reports special work along the line of literature distribution. Each local in the state is to concentrate on one leaflet each month, this having a two-fold advantage, that of uniformity of work and a reduction of cost of leaflets, which may be purchased from the National Office at wholesale rates.

NEW MEXICO.—Mrs. De Roy Welch reports work in her state at a standstill owing to the extreme poverty prevalent.

MAINE.—Georgia J. Whitten, the newly-elected state correspondent, is taking up the work with great enthusiasm. Comrade Whitten is a very busy woman, but she somehow finds time for special work in her state.

OREGON.—Mary L. Ferguson, Edenbower, has been elected state correspondent.

"Capitalism is breaking down or crippling the home wherever it prevails, and poisoning society with the decaying fragments of what was the springhouse of life. The conditions created by capitalism are the conditions in which prostitution is multiplying. Some sections of capitalistic business are directly interested in vice and foster it. Because it is immensely profitable, the white slave traffic would speedily become a great industry if the state did not repress it; and where the state tries to grapple with it commercialized vice is corrupting the officers of the state."—Walter Rauschenbusch.

The Call of the Carpenter

More than 50,000 copies of this book have been sold within the year, but the field for it has scarcely been touched.

The National Office is now in position to fill all orders at the retail price of \$1.20 per copy, postage paid; or we will give it with *two annual subscriptions* to the PARTY BUILDER for \$1.25.

Locals able to handle the book in quantities of 10 or more at a time, should communicate with the Literature Department—

NATIONAL OFFICE, 111 NORTH MARKET STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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RECEIPTS

West Virginia Organization Fund. (Continued.)

Finnish Workingmen's Assn., Virginia, Minn.	\$ 7.20
Col. by Geo. E. Roewer, Jr., Boston, Mass.	3.00
Sixth Ward, Seattle, Wash.	9.50
Branch Campbell, Mass.	2.00
Finnish Branch, Sand Coulee, Mont.	3.70
Richard C. Pohle, Wakefield, N. Y.	2.80
H. T. Miller, Laurel, Wash.	2.35
Scandinavian Soc. Club, Rockport, Mass.	13.75
Danville Trades and Labor Council, Illinois.	5.00
Branch 22, Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
German Branch, Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Joseph Koch, Detroit, Mich.	2.00
Local Lake Charles, La.	1.00
Henry J. Huckle, Jr., East Allentown, Pa.	1.00
Col. by D. Weiss, Carbondale, Pa.	2.00
A. Nordland, DeKalb, Ill.	1.15
Amity Local, of Rossmoyar and Deer Park, Ohio	1.50
Eighth Ward Branch, Jersey City, N. J.	1.00
Local Southington, Conn.	2.00
S. S. Osasto, Eveleth, Minn.	4.15
Local Frontier, Wyo.	5.00
Local Aberdeen, Wash.	5.00
Local Fitchburg, Mass.	16.81
Total	\$567.08

Paterson Strike Fund.

F. W. Chase, Portland, Ore.	\$ 5.00
Wm. Acker, Chicago, Ill.	1.20
John Teeter, Dixon, Ill.	1.00
Total	\$ 7.20

Deficit Fund.

Branch 1. 12th A. D., Brooklyn, N. Y.	\$ 3.00
Herbert E. Phillips, Chicago, Ill.	2.00
F. W. Chase, Portland, Ore.	1.00
Daniel L. Powell, Jr., Detroit, Mich.	.25
W. P. Metcalf, Albuquerque, N. Mex.	.90
I. F. Kahn, South Bend, Ind.	1.00
Total	\$ 8.15

Woman's Committee.

Local Jack Wade, Alaska	5.00
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Information Department.

Frederick Anderson, South Carver, Mass.	\$ 1.00
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West Virginia Miners' Strike Fund.

City Central Com., Local Detroit, Mich.	\$ 5.00
Leo Mittelmeier, Erie, Pa.	2.00
Total	\$ 7.00

Servian and Bulgarian Fund.

Lettish Branch No. 2, Boston, Mass.	\$ 3.55
Bohemian Branch, Allegheny, Pa.	5.00
Local Deadwood, Alaska	10.00
Local Vallejo, Cal.	5.00
Local Rupert, Idaho	3.00
Local Jack Wade, Alaska	5.00
Total	\$ 31.55

PROPOSED NATIONAL COMMITTEE MOTION.

By Callery of Arkansas:

"I move that the action of the National Executive Committee in asking Comrades Warren and Simons to appear before it relative to the 'Coming Nation' controversy be rescinded and that no action relative to this affair be taken by the Socialist party."

The above motion has been seconded by Sinclair of Oklahoma, Stallard of Kansas, and Irish of Maine.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Chicago, July 29, 1913.

To the Executive Committee:

Dear Comrades:—In the report of the audit company there is a statement in regard to a chief clerk which implies that when I was secretary I did not take active charge of the office management.

This implication is the opposite of the truth. The auditors are not Socialists. Their original recommendation for a chief clerk was due to their lack of knowledge of the nature of our organization. They did not understand that slave-driving methods would have reduced the efficiency of the office instead of increasing it. They thought there should be someone watching the members of the office force constantly.

I, of course, took active charge of the office management, as every secretary must; but I did not use the mistaken and unsocialistic methods which they proposed. I take it that their withdrawal of the recommendation is due to an increasing knowledge of the nature of the movement.

Although by no means oblivious to my shortcomings, I am conscious of the fact that my administration of the office was highly efficient. Such undesirable conditions as have been handed to my successor were not of my making. If my advice had been followed there would not be any debts.

Fraternally yours,
JOHN M. WORK.

To the National Executive Committee:

Dear Comrades:—I transmit herewith the following resolution, adopted by the county convention of the Socialist party held at Philadelphia, Pa., July 20:

"Whereas, The Socialists of Seattle have been wantonly attacked and their property destroyed by a gang of civil and naval employes, apparently inspired by the 'red flag' speech of Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy. Therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we ask the National Executive Committee of the Socialist party to join our demand for an investigation into the matter with a view to securing the withdrawal of Daniels from the cabinet, if found guilty."

Fraternally submitted,
WALTER LANFERSIEK,
Executive Secretary.

OUR FINANCIAL CONDITION.

I want to send out a very hopeful note this week. Our financial statement, published in our next issue, shows that the dues' payment for July are \$126.15 greater than June. It can be stated with positive assurance that we are upon the up-grade again.

During the month we succeeded in borrowing \$1,000 from bank. Two other sources from which we expected to be able to make a loan, failed us, but it appears that we will be able to weather the storm nicely with the assistance of the special assessment now pending.

In addition to paying the running expenses of the office, the expenses of the N. E. C. meeting were paid, amounting to \$380.20; the Lyceum was loaned \$450 on account, and \$1,527.91 of the old Lyceum debts were paid. On national office debts we paid \$1,472.92 to sundry creditors and organizers, thus making about \$3,000 of the debt paid off out of our regular funds. The \$1,000 we borrowed was still in bank on August 1.

The call for funds for West Virginia brought us only \$567.08 to date. This fund will hardly exceed \$1,000, and the Executive Committee has planned for a much larger expenditure of money in West Virginia than the estimated receipts.

The Party Builder did handsomely during the month. Total receipts for subscriptions were \$722.47, which more than paid for the cost of issuing the paper. It promises to become a valuable asset of the party.

Six cents profit on one dollar is nearly nothing. But six per cent on a million dollars means luxury to a millionaire. It is all in the power of numbers. Join the party and help make it a million.

WOMEN IN JAPAN.

Comrade S. Katayama has contributed a well-written article to the German magazine, Neue Zeit, on the position of women in Japan. He shows how the introduction of western methods is changing the status of society, especially in relation to women workers. The number of women workers has risen from 269,378 in 1900 to over one-half million. This forcing of women into the factory life has greatly decreased the number of marriages and increased prostitution. In Japan the brothels are licensed by the police, hence reliable statistics are obtainable. In Tokio the police report that the number of prostitutes rose from 7,824 in 1900 to over 10,000 in 1910. Besides this officially recognized class of prostitutes there are thousands of others. Thus does capitalism destroy the home, not only in Japan but all over the world.

MARYLAND ADOPTS NEW PLAN.

The recent Maryland State Socialist convention adopted a unique plan of campaign by dividing the work of the campaign committee into sections of the state. One group will have charge of the campaign in Baltimore and vicinity, another in the territory surrounding Hagerstown, and the other in the vicinity of Cumberland. It is thought that this method will be more effective and can be carried on with less cost than that used in previous campaigns.

Rome conquered the world by using one nation to subject another. "Divide and rule" was the well-known maxim. It still holds good today. The capitalist knows it. He subsidizes the Democratic, Republican and Progressive parties and thus divides and rules. Join the Socialist party and cease to be ruled. Then only can you rule yourself.

The Socialists of La Salle County and Bureau County, Illinois, will hold a basket picnic Sunday, August 17th, at Starved Rock State Park. The morning will be spent in getting acquainted and sight-seeing. The afternoon program consists of violin solos by Master Israel Smith of Ladd; talks by Richard T. Proctor of Kewanee, Joseph McCabe of Peru, Ben Smith of Ladd, and George North Taylor of Streator.

FOREIGN LITERATURE FOR WOMEN.

FINNISH.

Wimmen Ain't Got No Kick, by Kate Richards O'Hare.

To Wives of Toilers, by Meta L. Stern.

Socialist Party and Woman's Suffrage, Lena Morrow Lewis.

Price of above leaflets, \$2.25 per 1,000.

Law and White Slavery, by Kate Richards O'Hare, 15 cents per copy.

Woman in Home and Industry, by Selma Jokela, 15 cents per copy.

SLOVAK.

Slovak Women and Their Duty. Price 5 cents; to branches, 3 cents per copy.

POLISH.

Votes for Working Women, by Meta L. Stern. Price 50 cents per 100.

BOHEMIAN.

To the Young Proletarian Woman. Price 5 cents per copy.

HUNGARIAN.

To the Wives of Toilers, by Meta L. Stern. 3 cents per copy; \$2.50 per 100.

Why You Should Be a Socialist, by Theresa Malkiel. Price 5 cents per copy; \$4.00 per 100.

GERMAN.

Leaflets are on the press; will be ready for distribution in a few days.

JEWISH.

Leaflets are being prepared by the Jewish translator.

Down With the Hands is a general leaflet published in Jewish with special emphasis upon the woman question.

COMRADES! PREPARE FOR THE CRISIS!

Read This! Have Your Secretary Read It! Then Act on It!

TODAY 3,500,000 women have the ballot in ten states! In a short time women will vote everywhere. Put that in your pipe and smoke it—if you have one!

Now, ARE WORKING WOMEN TO USE THEIR VOTES AGAINST THEIR OWN CLASS? That's the question for YOU to solve. That's the crisis facing the Socialist party: A BIG UNEDUCATED WOMAN VOTE!

See here, you comrades in Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma, New York, Kansas, New Jersey, Colorado, and everywhere—why not get busy at once to interest every woman of your vicinity in Socialism?

Since 1907, THE PROGRESSIVE WOMAN, now our greatest and most virile educational monthly magazine, has been reaching the woman with the message of Socialism. The Progressive Woman is the medium through which YOU can reach the women!

Why not dig down into your jeans or your purse for One Dollar to GET 10 COPIES OF THE PROGRESSIVE WOMAN FOR SIX MONTHS?

The August issue of The Progressive Woman has a strong, attractive, two-colored cover illustrating a stirring, thought-provoking article, "DOES A WOMAN SUPPORT HER HUSBAND'S EMPLOYER?" by Josephine Conger-Kaneko. You will order extra copies when you've read it! Articles on the high cost of living, the first chapters of a powerfully human story called "A Little Sister of the Poor," a department on hygiene and the home, and other features. You'll like 'em.

The Progressive Woman is doing a great work among women and men. It hits straight home. It makes folks wonder why the duce they haven't been Socialists, and etc.! It will put every Socialist wise on the Woman Question!

Vote One Dollar out of your local treasury—take it out of your change—or get others to chip in—and send it to The Progressive Woman for a bundle of 10 for six months! Get the copies into the hands of women, and thus work to achieve the slogan of The Progressive Woman: HALF A MILLION SOCIALIST WOMEN VOTES IN 1916 and a 50 PER CENT WOMAN MEMBERSHIP IN THE SOCIALIST PARTY! That will make the crisis fade away!

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: One year, 50 cents; four years, one dollar; clubs of four or more, 25 cents.

BUNDLE RATES: Ten or more at 2 cents per copy; 25 copies one year \$6.00; 50 copies one year \$12.00; 100 copies one year \$24.00. How many?

Write now to The Progressive Woman, 5445 Drexel Avenue, Chicago, Ill. Do it! This means YOU!

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS.

LOST AND FOUND—The person who lost his vote last November by voting for the capitalist class may recover same by making application for membership in the Socialist party and paying for this ad.

CLEANING—Let the Gold Dust Twins clean your soiled linen. The Socialist party hasn't equipment for laundry work.

SOLICITORS for THE PARTY BUILDER in every Socialist local in the United States.

FEMALE HELP WANTED—Housewives, shop-girls, factory girls, laundresses, stenographers, teachers, domestic servants and professional women, to canvass every city in the United States with Socialist leaflets for women.

PERSONAL—FOR MEN ONLY—Is your wife a member of the Socialist party? If not, why not?

COLLECTORS can earn great satisfaction by getting delinquent members to pay their back dues. Socialist Local.

The State Committee of the Socialist party of Connecticut will hold its semi-annual meeting at New Haven on Sunday, August 17. All Socialist officials in towns and cities throughout the state are expected to submit a report to this convention. This applies also to party officers.

George F. Parsons, who is working as special organizer in West Virginia, has completed his work in Kanawha county and invaded Fayette county. Since entering the latter county he has organized a local of 36 members at Lenz Creek and one at Whitesville with 18 members. He hopes soon to have a county organization. When Comrade Parsons left Kanawha county the local executive committee elected Comrade A. D. Lavender in Parsons' place. Lavender will continue to perfect the organization. State Secretary Kintzer reports that the party membership has increased rapidly, and that many locals that had lapsed in their membership are now reinstated.

The second semi-annual financial report of the Socialist party of Canada shows an increase of 78 in the number of locals and 2,129 in the membership.

J. Stitt Wilson and Ben F. Wilson have been spending two weeks in an extensive tour of the state of Utah. Very enthusiastic reports of their meetings are being received.

State Secretary T. W. Williams has just submitted his annual report for the state of California, ending July 1. It shows the membership to be approximately 8,000, a gain of over 200 for the year. While this gain is very small, it should be noted that had the other states of the Union shown a like gain, we would now have a dues-paying membership of more than 130,000. It should be remembered that for a period during the year just closed the California movement was torn asunder by a state-wide conflict over control of the state organization. The California movement is now harmonious and is beginning a great organization campaign. J. Stitt Wilson having finished his term as mayor of Berkeley, is about to begin an organizing tour of the state. Other organizers are Stanley B. Wilson, Ruth Coward, Jesse Molle, Maynard Whippley, J. S. Cato, Howard H. Caldwell and George Boswell.

Recently during a debate in the French Chamber of Deputies a file of clerks entered and piled bundles of petitions around the president until he was completely hidden from sight. The petitions were against the three years' army service and numbered 730,000 signatures. The petitions had been circulated by the members of the Socialist party.

Foreign Literature and Supplies.

Application for Membership Cards, in French, 50c per 100.

National Platform, in French, \$1.50 per 1,000.

National Platform, in Lithuanian, \$1.50 per 1,000.

For literature and supplies in the foreign languages mentioned below, write to the Translator-Secretaries, names and addresses of whom are as follows:

Bohemian—Joseph Novak, 111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

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Hungarian—Armin Loewy, 111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

Italian—Joseph Corti, 111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

Polish—H. Gluski, 111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

Scandinavian—N. Juel Christensen, 111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

South Slavic—Alex. Susnar, 111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

Jewish—Jacob B. Salutsky, 111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

Slovak—Paul Bruchtel, 111 North Market Street, Chicago, Ill.

SOCIALIST PARTY SUPPLIES FOR SALE BY THE NATIONAL OFFICE.

(Prices marked below are for lots of 1,000—or more—unless otherwise stated.)
 Application for Membership Cards, \$2.00.
 (In lots less than 10.)
 Celluloid Party Emblem Buttons, \$7.00. (In lots less than 10, 1c each; single buttons, 5c.)
 Charter Applications for Locals, \$5.00.
 Charters for Locals, \$20.00.
 Charter Mailing Tubes, \$30.00.
 Delinquency Notices, 25c per hundred.
 Gold Plate Screw-backed Party Emblem Buttons for Men, 25c; \$2.00 per dozen.
 Gold Plate Party Emblem Pins for Women, 25c; \$2.00 per dozen.
 How to Conduct a Local or Branch, \$5.00.
 Ink for rubber stamp outfit, 10c per bottle.
 Membership Dues Cards, \$5.00.
 National Constitution, \$5.00.
 Party Emblem Cut, 7/8-inch size, 20c each; 1 1/2-inch size, 30c each.
 Plan of Work for Women in Socialist Locals, \$5.00.
 Pocket for Membership Card, \$10.00.
 Political candidates' Resignation Blanks, \$5.00.
 Receipt Book, 40c.
 Red Flag Pins, 25c; \$2.00 per dozen.
 Rubber stamp outfits, No. 3, with letters, figures, punctuation marks, ink pad, type holder, tweezers, and bottle of ink, \$1.25 per outfit.
 Solid Gold Buttons for Men, \$1.25 each.
 Solid Gold Pins for Women, \$1.25 each.
 Moving Picture Film, "Opening the Campaign at Riverview Park," for rent.
 Stereopticon Machine, the Victor, with electric attachment and carrying case, \$42.50 each. Acetylene attachment and prestolite tank, \$15.00 additional.
 Stereopticon Slides, "Study Socialism," 25c each.
 Transfer cards, \$2.00.
 United States Constitution, 5c each.
 Watch fob, with Debs' and Seidel's pictures, 25c; \$1.00 per dozen.

Socialist Pennants.

Triangular felt flags, with an exact photo-reproduction of the Socialist Emblem. In two sizes and grades. Large size for decorations at meetings, homes, parades and general campaign purposes. Small size for wear on coat lapel, or as book-mark. 11x26-inch size, 50c and 25c; 2x5-inch size, 10c. In quantities of 100: large (25c) size, \$17.00; small size, \$5.00.
 Pillow sets, 75c each.

Record and Account Books.

Complete set for 100 members, \$2.00.
 Complete set for 200 members, \$2.50.
 Complete set for 320 members, \$3.00.
 Complete set for 640 members, \$4.00.
 Combination Account Book only, for 100 members, \$1.25.
 Combination Account Book only, for 200 members, \$1.75.
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THE SOCIALIST YEAR BOOK.

An Arsenal of Facts.

This is a book of 352 solid pages of information, divided into seven parts.

Part one—The Socialist party platform and history.

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CIRCULATION REPORT

FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 13, 1913.

Last week	Off	On	Total
7,949	0	1,412	9,361

The above figures will doubtless make you feel as good as we do, for this is your paper. The figures show that while you added 1,294 subs the previous week, you actually increased them to 1,412 this week. Indications now are that the next report will show a gain over this one and jump the circulation past the 10,000 mark.

The paper paid for itself this month and turned nearly \$300 clear cash into the national treasury, where it was used in liquidating some of the party indebtedness.

If each of the 6,500 locals will get on the job, and hustle for subs during the month of August, we'll pass the 20,000 mark right in dog-days. Suppose you ask every Socialist you know to ask every Socialist HE knows to subscribe for The Party Builder. PASS THE WORD ALONG. While the month of August lasts, the subscription price is 25 cents per year, and 10 cents for three months, in clubs of 10 or more.

ON THE FIRING LINE.

Dayton, Ky., local contributes a list of 18.

G. L. Hoglan, of Story, Wyo., starts a list of 10.

J. Tarkivinen starts a list of 20 at Superior, Wis.

Alpine, Cal., begins with a list of 11.

Charles P. Dyoe starts the good work at Ramsey, N. J., with a list of 16 subs.

Ethel J. Shafer, secretary of the local at Omaha, Neb., sends another list this week.

D. W. Harris, literature agent of Beaver Falls, Pa., sends a list of 15.

Milwaukee contributes another list of 20 this week through Comrade John Szaka.

Chickasha, Okla., local sends a list of 10, all but one being Socialists who are not party members.

Two lists in one day came from Erie, Pa., one from W. C. Sly and the other from Chris Sauers.

W. W. Gamble has started to put Denver, Colo., on the P. B. map. His first list is eight.

O. M. Rust sends a list of 13 from Hansen, Idaho. Rosedale, Ind., is a new postoffice for the P. B.

Comrade G. L. Adams sends a list of 40.

W. B. Corbin of Troy, N. Y., sends two lists, one containing six yearlies and the other ten quarterlies.

Belden, N. D., through Comrade W. J. Husa, will get 15 per week hereafter.

H. A. Shultz starts the P. B. going in Flushing, Ohio, with a list of 14.

The Twenty-fourth Ward branch of Chicago has started hustling for the P. B. The first list is seven.

Hohawk, N. Y., is a new local on the P. B. list. First consignment, 10.

J. J. Frank sends two lists from Purcell, Okla., one of yearlies and the other for three months.

E. J. Cody sends a list of 13 from Douglas, Kans., 12 of whom are Socialists not members of the party.

Mrs. Catherine Babbitt sends a list from Lockland, Ohio.

L. M. Cayton is in with a second list from Liberal, Kansas.

O. V. Daily sends a list of four from McWillie, Oklahoma.

P. T. Reding sends a list of 12 from Tacoma, Wash., and promises more later.

Comrade C. Feichtner sends a list of nine from Wausau, Wis.

Another list comes from Cleveland, Ohio, through Secretary C. E. Ruthenberg.

The second list of 10 comes from Snyder, Okla., and was received this week. It was sent by Oles Stofer.

A list of five comes from Milwaukee through S. Ameringer. He thus testifies to the loyalty of the great Ameringer tribe.

Comrade Clinton Simonton, one of our well-known public speakers, sends a list from Allentown, Pa.

Comrades M. C. Stewart and Ray E. Kellogg each send a list from Los Angeles, Cal., aggregating 33 names in all.

Eldon, Mo., has a new local that goes on the P. B. list this week with a total of four, sent by J. M. Gilleland.

Rev. E. E. Wornom of Vancouver, Wash., says: "The secretary of the local has turned over the work of securing subscribers to me and I am sending herewith \$5.00 and a list of 25."

H. Clifford Wright, secretary of Brunswick, Md., sends a list of four and says: "We are making arrangements for a large list of three months' subscribers."

Jos. Higgins sends us a list of nine and says: "We have just organized a German branch with 45 members. I will send more subscribers in a few days."

The Bohemian local of St. Louis, Mo., sends a club of subscribers to The Party Builder. The letter is written in Bohemian. These comrades may have a hard time reading an English paper, but they have shown their loyalty, anyway.

Accompanying a list of 20 subscribers is the following comment: "Allow me to send my best wishes for the steady growth of The Party Builder, and also to say that the comrades here in Rhode Island like the paper very much."—Mrs. R. A. Mudrack, Providence, R. I.

The Scandinavian comrades gathered a list of 25 subscriptions, all of them for a year. The local did not even retain the commission of 5 cents per name, and sent the full 25 cents for each sub. When it comes to doing real party work, the foreign comrades have some of them distanced.

One of the office comrades called on a back-slidden member of his ward branch last week and gave him a warming up and at the close of the evening came with a check for \$2.00, back dues and a subscription for the P. B. "Go thou and do likewise."

Comrade J. T. McClellan of Highway branch, Jacksonville, Fla., sends a list of 20 and adds the following comment: "I am much pleased with The Party Builder, and I think it exactly meets the needs of the present situation. You will hear from me again."

E. A. Sperber of Hamilton, Mont., sends a list of 40, 28 of whom are Socialists and not members of the party. At the conclusion of his letter he says: "The names I enclose are nearly all Socialists who ought to belong to the party, and they will join if the proper effort is made to get them."

Last week the Ninth Ward branch of Milwaukee asked for a special list of subscription blanks, and said: "The quicker you send this consignment the sooner you will hear a big noise." The noise arrived this week, consisting of a list of 84 of the Ninth Ward Milwaukee Socialists who will hereafter read The Party Builder.

Most of the boys say: "Here is the money. Send The Party Builder to the following list." Money talks loud and long, but we would like to know what you think of the Builder. The Party Builder is only a child as yet and you know children are fond of praise. But if you have any criticism, send that along, too.

Reports from many locals are coming in which read like the following: "I am working to send in 100 Party Builder subs. All of them will be members of the party who are in arrears with their dues." If all of the members of the party who are in arrears could be on the subscription list of the P. B., we would have more than 100,000 circulation and there would be no party debt.

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A. L. Kunz, secretary of Leavenworth, Kans., sends a list of 100 subscribers, and says: "This list contains the names of Socialists only. The names we check-marked have been members of the Leavenworth local, but are not in good standing now. At our last meeting we elected for each ward a collector, and we are going to make an effort to reinstate all of the old comrades whose names we are sending for The Party Builder."

C. H. Hummel, of Pueblo, Colo., sends a list of 21, and says: "I think every party member should get at least 10 subscribers, at 10 cents each. I tried 25 people and got 21. It is no trick at all to get them. I hope the comrades will take hold of The Party Builder and build from it the greatest weapon for the cause the world has ever known. I will have another list in the near future, and intend to start other comrades working."

Local Tolesboro, Ky., through its secretary, sends a list of 20 subs, and commenting thereon, Comrade Grigsby says: "These are all declared Socialists and so located that they might become members of Local Tolesboro and lend a hand in our propaganda work, if you will be able to inspire them with the spirit to take part with all the vim that ought to be displayed by true Socialists. If we were able financially to keep an efficient speaker in the field during the coming campaign we would have a fighting chance to carry this county." We rise to remark that if even one-half of the Socialists of this country were dues-paying members of the Socialist party we could supply that speaker to Tolesboro and let him stay a month in the county. The Party Builder is here to help you to get Socialists to join the Socialist party. After that is done, the rest will be easy.

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