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AN OPPORTUNIST PARTY

time is ripe for a Public Own-The time is ripe for a Public Own-nship Party in the United States. It all include old-time Populists, pro-ressive Democrats, Reform Republi-as, Trades Union leaders and Oppor-nist "Socialists"—men like Joe raker, Prof. Parsons, Tom Johnson, olden Rule Jones, Brisben Walker, jeut. Gov. Coates, Victor Berger, J. Wayland, and, in the state of Wash-Wayland, and, in the state of Wash-ton, such men as Judge Winsor and to. Cotterill. from the Populists; ex-syor Wood and C. E. Bowman, of Republicans; Editors Walker, the and Oldham, of the Labor Leadand E E. Lux and Joseph Gilbert, ocialists." Their platform will be:

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Their platform will be: "Public mership of monopolies," or "Public mership of public utilities." Such a party and such a platform all constitute state Socialism and will sheralded as the First Step to Demo-ratic Socialism. It would not be sur-ming if the new party should secure at a name that of Social Democracy, to gain for itself the prestige that great name has won in

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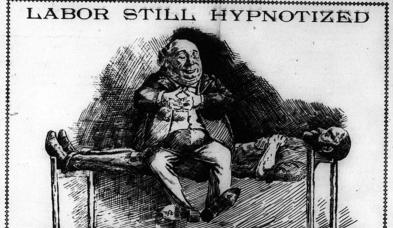
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may be that the Democratic Party It may be that the Democratic Party I assume a position sufficiently addred to attract and hold the elements are speaking of. If Bryan were not obstinate he might lead the new try—that is, lead the old party up the new ground. Certainly, there not room for another party beside Republican to represent large capism. And we Socialists, who are dents of history, know that no politparty can arise or remain which party can arise or remain which dents of history, know that no politiparty can arise or remain which
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atisfied the great b Socialist Party will remain true eadfast. They understand too the economic basis of our move-They know that the only way to political party which shall be per-



Mark Hanns, Chairman of the Joint Peace Committee of Capital and Labor. His very latest picture.

—From "The Comrade," New York.

manent and certain of success is to build it on the material interests of the build it on the material interests of the greatest class of modern society, that class which is being augurented with every year of capitalist development, the only class whose interests are diametrically opposed to those of the ruling class; in fact, the only class which will remain in existence upon which to build a political party to over-throw the tyranny of Capital.

will IT PREVENT?

The Chinese Exclusion Bill was before congress last week! The Capitalist employes in congress whom we know as statesmen and politicians talk big with patriotism and love for the American workingman.

Listen to Kahn, of California:
There is not a patriotic, loyal, liberty-loving American who does not desire to see the workingmen of this country, its hewers of wood and drawers of water, protected against this unique competition."

O, yes, Mr. K., there are several such Americans who desire very much to import the Chinese cheap labor and institute the unequal competition right away. Only they are a bit afraid of the "Labor Vote." And why don't they exclude the Japs, too? They are more dangerous even than the Chinese! But here's the point. All the exclusion bills they can enact will not prevent this "unequal competition." For you have not heard any one propose a law to keep American machinery from being exported to China, have you?

Chinese cheap laborers running American machines in Pekin will be worse competitiors.

being exported to China, have you? Chinese -cheap laborers running American machines in Pekin will be worse competitors than they would in Chicago. For a Chinaman will live on rice and rats in Pekin, which don't cost as much as rice and pork in Chicago. —The Capitalist friends of the workingmen will not pass an Inclusion Law forhidding. The exportation of machine for the property of the working the property of the property of

forbidding the exportation of machin-ery to China, so as to protect the work-ingmen of this country against this un-

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They talk about Foreign Markets to
keep the American workingman busy!
But Capital is building its factories in
China and Japan and India, to be run
by the cheapest labor in the world,
and the factories in Fall River and Chicago and Seattle will not be able to
market their goods unless American
labor in America becomes as cheap as
Asiatic labor in Asia, See?

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MAY DAY CELEBRATION

We have had another visit from Madden. He is beginning all over again to investigate The Socialist. He sent Inspector Wayland to find out all about us this week. This is the third time. First, the Seattle Postmaster investigated us and declared himself satisfied. Second, Madden himself investigated us by means of the evidence we sent him at Washington. Apparently he couldn't find anything to condemn. And now, Third, Inspector Wayland, the chiefspush in the Northwest, is investigating us in our own office. He found out all about us, what income we got from subscribers and what from advertisers, how we obtained our names for sample copies, whether the editor advertised his own business or himself in the paper, how many papers we distributed by messenger, how many subscribers we have for a year, for six months or for ten weeks, and finally carried off our mail-ing list and copied off 100 names.

mg list and copied off too names. We don't fear the Inspector's report. The truth is, we have an absolutely unassailable right to our second-class rates, and we can prove it to a thousand inspectors. We are not seeking to cheat anybody or to get what doesn't belong to us. But since we are acting in strict conformity to law, we expect and will have our rights like other publishers, and no man living, Maddein nor Roosevelt, nor any other, shall deny us our exact and equal rights under the law.

rights under the law.

But how they are searching for some weak spot in our armor. You would think they would let us alone after all this searching for these six months, since last November, and nothing found. We expect Madden himself will come next with a searchlight and a microscope to see if he can't find a millionth part of an inch deviation from some ruling or other of his Great Department.

But now, here is the point. It will take him at least a few weeks longer to complete this third investigation, and we are sure to keep on with our present rates till after May 1. In this interval we are going to make a special May Day Effort, or a Madden Effort, if you please. We ask every subscribe to The Socialist to help us celebrate the International Labor Day on May

If we can pass the Five Thousand mark on that day we will agree to enlarge the paper one column to every page and lengthen the columns from 19 to 22 inches. This will be the fourth enlargement in two years and will make The Socialist as large as any Socialist paper in the country, with one

exception.

We enclose in this paper a subscription blank and request every wellwisher to get at least one new subscriber for The Socialist before May 1.

Make it a yearly, if possible. If not, then six months, But at the least, send
to cents for 10 weeks. Some of you will fill out the whole blank of five names.

Please attend to this immediately, if not sooner. If every one of our present

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Please attend to this immediately, it not soomer. It every one or our present 2,500 subscribers will-make this special effort as a Memorial of Madden we shall have a May Day celebration which will be worth while.

He refused to take Wayland's watch, you know—the gold watch the subscribers to "The Appeal" presented to Madden as a memorial of his attempt to suppress that paper. But this Memorial we propose of 2,500 new subscribers he will be obliged to accept and carry through his mails for the next year.

Now, Comhades and friends, it is up to you. The subscription list of The Socialist has never yet gone backward for a single day. Every week it has been larger than the preceding week. In the next two weeks, we look for the biggest increase in our history. We believe the friends of this paper will stand by it now. We offer no premiums, except the best work for Socialism we are capable of and the above-promised enlargement.

SOCIALISTS MOB THE KING

So flaring headlines tell us in the Capitalist dailies.

But read the account and see who vas guilty, the King's government or the Socialists

The Socialists in Belgium are very strong and are conducting a great cam-paign for Universal Suffrage. Some Spanish Deputies participated in a great demonstration held by the Socialists in favor of Universal Suffrage The royal government interfered and ordered the Spanish Republicans to leave Brussels. The King automobiled along the street near the railway station where the peoples' representatives of a friendly nation were being expelled for advocating Universal Suf-

The excited people cried in his face, "Long live Universal Suffrage" and waved the Red Flag of Human Brotherhood in his face. And that was all the "mobbing of the King" there

A riot occurred in the evening and the dispatch says the Socialists stoned the house of a Catholic deputy. We don't believe it was the Socialists at all who did it. Anti-Catholic excitement is sure to bring on a riot any where-but the Belgian capitalists behind the government there want to get up a prejudice against the So-cialists just at this juncture so as to defeat the Socialist campaign for Universal Suffrage.

We echo the sentiment, "Long live Universal Suffrage," and all honor to Belgian Comrades for their fight for human freedom. Down with tryanny, and Capitalist exploitation everywhere!

CHIEF MISSIONARY QUAY.

The senior senator from Pennsylvania proposes to christianize China by wholesale process. All the missionary societies ought to call in their preachers and support Quay's amendment to the Chinese Exclusion Bill. Here it is:
"That nothing herein contained shall be construed to exclude Chinese Christians."

"How many Chinese will that nendment let in?" inquired Mr. Mit-

chell.
"I hope it will have the effect," re-plied Mr. Quay, "of Christianizing the entire Chinese empire."
Imagine it! The Coolies becoming Christians by the millions in order to get a chance to work for lower wages in America than American working-men!

in America than American working-men!
That is a proposition worthy of a genius. As a Christian, Matt Quay was always a rival of Rockefeller. But this stroke rives him the highest prize. Christianize China and solve the American labor problem at one stroke of the congressional pen! Introduce every year a million Chinese workers, a million Christian Chinese workers, a million meek and lowly Christian Chi-nese workers, into the American labor million meek and lowly Christian Chi-nese workers, into the American labor market, and certainly the labor prob-lem would be solved. Mark Hanna's Conciliation Committee would no long-er have a thing to do. Every Ameri-can workingman would be on his knees begging for a job. Strikes would be unknown. Perfect harmony would pre-vail between Labor and Capital. And that other great American problem, how to Christianize the American workingmen, how to ret the

And that other great American problem, how to Christianize the American workingmen, how to get the working class to attend church, which agitates the ministers so frequently, would be in a fair way of solution. For the profit of being meek and lowly and frugal and industrious and Christion, would be borne: in upon the most obtuse mind of the American working class by daily witnessing the successful career of his Chinese Christian rival.

All honor to Quay! Let him take the highest seat allotted to Christian statesmen!

THOUGHTS, By Your Uncle.

Socialism in UTAH.
Sunday forenoon, the 30th, went by street
cas must consume to South Cottonwood, where
some comraded estered to organize a branch
of Murray Local. After some argument and
lengthy explanations five applications were
finally filled out and a branch organized and
shows term to the convention where Cotton
organized and delegates to state convention chosen. One or two persons, who had been counted on as Socialists and members, refused to join after I had explained that to join the Social ist party they must sever all connection with ist party they must sever all connection with all other political parties. If they should write to "The Appeal" that I refused their applications, I presuffne that would be the signal for more jawing and calling names about "dissensions."

Monday evening spoke again at Salt Lake. Charge applications were on hand and these

Eleven applications were on hand, and those Eleven applications were on hand, and those present were accepted. In view of the numerous faisehoods circulated by the money-plank "Socialists," the following resolutions were adopted unanimously in the hopes that the views of the entire local might offset the underhand work of the few refusers to accept the class struggle:

Resolutions.

Whereas, Certain persons calling them-selves Socialists have seen fit to issue and-publish by means of the capitalist press and

publish by means of the capitalist press and private letters certain statements reflecting upon both the members of Sait Lake Local and Comrade George E. Boomer, National organizer for Utah; and,
Whereas, As said statements are wholly false and intended to prejudice Socialists elsewhere for the purpose of disrupting the Socialist party, be it, therefore, Resolved, That the members of Sait Lake Local hereby approve of the action of Comrade George E. Boomer in demanding and securing the repudiation of the distribution of middle-class literature at the Mills meeting; and,

ing; and,

Resolved, That Comrade Boomer, in demanding a strict adherence to the principles
of the working-class movement as laid down
by the national platform of the Socialist
party of America has our most earnest support and appreciation; and be it further
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Resolved, That all statements to the effect that Comrade Boomer ever denied admission of property owners to Salt Lake Local are unqualified falsehoods; that what he did say was that to carry out the meaning of the pledge of membership to "form a party of the working class distinct from and opposed to all parties of the propertied classes it was necessary to see that the control (majority membership) must never get into the control of property owners, and that when the latter did wish to join the Socialist party the must accept, unreservedly, and without any "fifs" or "buts." the propositions, conclusions and tactics as laid down by the working class. The local of Salt Lake again indorese the position as taken by Comrade Boomer, and warns the Socialists of the state and elsewhere against accepting without investigation statements and interviews of the half-dosen persons who refused to repudiate middle-class reforms of money planks, old-age pensions and altruism, and who now threaten, unless their reform schemes are allowed to dominate the uncompromising, international movement of the gard that Comrade Boomer ever denied admission vage-slave to forever abolish both big and wage-slave to forever abolish both big and little capitalist by abolishing the wage system, that they will start an opposition "Socialist" party. Not a single application has ever been refused by either Comrade Boomer or the Salt Lake Local because of ownership of property. Refusal for such cause alone would be iddott. But everyone, whether property owner or not, must acknowledge his recognition of the fact that this is not a reform movement in any sense; neither can the movement pause for a moment to lessen the distress of the small capitalist, whether by means of money planks or any other middle-class nostrum. The Socialist party is a party of the working class, and by virtue of that fact alone stands in opposition to the material interests of every other class in society, whether that class be composed of big or little parasites. This position must be accept this position and stand by it are not wanted. The movement would not be safe in their hands. The statement that pecusors were refused membership because of nowing momenty is it on dictions and in the country. capitalists by abolishing the wage sys sons were refused membership because o owning property is too ridiculuos and in sane for serious consideration. By raising this false cry the ex-members, Crane, Law

rence, Johnson, Stewart, and a couple of others, are trying to avoid discussion of the truth—that they refused to accept the ma-jority vote of the local that middle-class reorm measures would be abandoned.
ernally, SALT LAKE LOCAL,

Socialist Party of America.

Adopted by Central branch March 31, 1902

- By Second precinct branch. By Third precinct branch.

By Third precinct branch.

By Fourth precinct branch.

By Fourth precinct branch.

By Fifth precinct branch.

By Fifth precinct branch.

This was the last meeting of the local for business purposes, as the new constitution requiring precinct organization goes into effect. Tuesday evening I visited the two branches of the Second precinct. They now have 30 members in one branch, and 11 in the other. By the time this a printed Sail. have 30 members in one branch, and 11 in the other. By the time this is printed Salt Lake Local, through its different branches, will have a membership of about 60. Every member understands that this is a workingmember understands that this is a working-class movement and is resolved to stand by that position, and they also see the necess-sity of keeping their dues promptly only up, that the city, state and national commit-tees may have funds wherewith to work. This is a little bit different than the situa-tion three weeks are when with a citytion three weeks ago when, with a claimed membership of 100, they had paid dues for but 29, and when numerous comrades who are wage-workers were withdrawing in discause of control of the organization by middle-class tactics and brok

by invasive and the provided and the provided as a special trip and reorganized them. Previously their membership had been an uncertain numer around 7 or 8. Reorganized them with 11 members, leaving out one old member who still did not think it right to sign away his individual liberty to vote for some "good" man on a Republican or Democratic ticket. He may kick. If he does, more "dissensions." Carry the news to Wayland.

Wayland.

Thursday I again attempted to get a meeting in Murray, where the opponents of the National Committee claimed a membership of 75. A half-dozen came, but as two proposed joining the West Jordan Local no organization was effected. Friday night went to West Jordan. There were four comrades research to the contraction of the property of the present that conjury to the absence of the large of the present that conjury to the absence of the present that conjury the prese present, but owing to the absence of the verpresent, but owing to the absence of the very one depended upon, and upon whom the arrival of the Mormon conference has exerted an influence that put political action in the shade that religious thought may dominate, it was impossible to organize Week Jordan. During the week Comrade Prate, a cleancut, energetic member, chosen by me to act in my absence, successfully organized the Second, Third and Fourth precincts, each with a far larger membership than had been anticipated.

To give you an idea of the two ele To give you an idea of the two elements that are always working to prevent a Socialist organization, I wish to present a few incidents. Ogden local, while being clear as to Socialism, is still so carried away with the idea of autonomy that its members are covering themselves with ridiculous faine-hood. For instance, before I got here they refused to recognize any representative of the National Committee. After all the time and expense of visiting the locals, of which two-thirds argreed to a state convention. Optwo-thirds agreed to a state convention, Og-den has been writing around the state, and den has been writing around the state, and has succeeded by falsehoods and misroprescritation in nearly killing whatever enthusiasm there might have been. For instance,
Ogden has been saying (always in my absence) that I get \$5 a day; that I will stay
here 60 days, and that if I am recognized the
National Committee intends to make Utah
pay the waole \$300. This statement contains two lies and one insinuation that leads
to falsity. Ogden also says that a clique
of three men sent me here, and, somehow
or other, amid the wonderful convolutions
of the femiline brains of its many women
members, is trying to lay the whole blame
on Secretary Greenbaum, and says "sho"
will get him removed.
What folly. When a local applies for a
charter and one is issued, that moment the
local agrees, in the absence of a state or
canization to direct supervision and oversight on the part of the national committee.
The right of the National Committee to go has succeeded by falsehoods and mis

The right of the National Committee to go into Utah is unquestioned, and Ogden not now be in the ridiculous position it is if it had even read the constitution it is sup-posed to uphold, which says that among the duties of the National Committee is "to organize unorganized states and territories." To talk about autonomy in the absence of a state organization is Idi

state organization is idiotic.

After I close my duties here, and if my efforts meet with failure, I will write my experiences from beginning to end, and those periences from beginning to end, and those combination of mediocrity, middle-class in combination of mediocrity, middle-class in cerests, desire for political office, and many ideas of aitionomy carried to ridiculous externics, united with the effect of preventing w strong working class organization.

tremes, united with the effect of preventing was strong working-class organization.

Queer, isn't it. Here's Ogden's secretary and organizer, after admitting that Stewart and Crame and Lawrence were swayed by middle-class interests, and that their platform was middle-class and not Socialist at all, now joining forces with them to put up a fight against the National Committee because that committee dared to say, "You must live up to the principles of the party as long as you hold a charter from it."

It is well. Middle-class reform and autonomatic opportunism have always gone arm

omistic opportunism have always gone arm in arm throughout the history of the world, and there is no reason why Utah should be an exception

and there is no reason why Utah should be an exception.

There is one thing that worries me, and I wish very much that Wayland, with his superior brain and smaller mouth, would answer the query that will not down. Why is it, in the 5.00. miles I have traveled, and the hundreds of meetings I have held, and the thougands of people I have spoken to, the propertyless wage slave has been eager to embrace and accept the stern doctrine of the class struggle? Why is it no one but a member of the dying middle class object? Is it to be understood that "The Appeal" desires the middle class to be won and placated by hiding the real issue? And when nine-tenths of the comrades unitedly agree, and not one-tent holped, why should that be stamped as "dissension". Dissension and party splits are unavoid—

Dissension and party splits are unavoid-ble as long as "The Appeal" tactics con-nue. The moment a party contains mem-ers with opposing material interests, dissensions must come. The property owhers will desire reforms to ease their fast-vanishing holdings, and the wage slaves will de-mand an uncompromising, revolutionary pro-gram. The property owner will kick, the wage slave will insist, and, presto, another split, Such b.

Such happenings are not discouraging.

They are simply the natural workings of
the economic law. He who becomes disthe economic law. He who couraged at irresistible evolu-been a deep student. U

"UNDER PAY OF CAPITALISTS."

Pullman, Wash., March 30, 1962. ditor Seattle Socialist— Dear Sir: Please do not send me The ocialist any longer, as I consider it Socialist in name only. I have no use for a paper whose evident aim is the disruption of the Socialist movement. I very much disapprove of your persistent efforts to divide the Socialists into factions. Your advertisements of insurance and real estate sharks and other capitalistic schemes is pretty good evidence that you are under pay of capitalists, and your De Leon policy might suggest that you are under the pay of capitalists in more ways than one. Stop the paper to my address.

J. F. BAYMILLER.

This subserther threatned two or three ist in name only. I have no use for a paper

This subscriber threatened two or three This subscriber threatened two or three months ago to "stop his paper" if we consult three to criticize any Socialists. And we imagine the strew that broke his back now was our showing up of "The Appeal."

But why abuse us? They accuse us of being in the pay of the capitalists. Why not argue with us and show where we are wrong? Why call us names in true De Leon fashion?

By the way, dear readers, just recall how any lettres we have published calling us

many lettres we have published calling us all sorts of hard names, and then see if you can remember a single epithet that we have applied to our correspondents.

Now, what we want and invite is reasoning and argument. We expect many to disagree with us. But don't get mad and nasty, like Baymiller, in the above card; or even like Wayland in the quotation below. To call us corrupt or "green" is no argument. Point out just how "The Socialist" is not right.

right.

As to the accusation of our being in the pay of the capitalists, just write to any man in Seattle where the editor of The Socialist has lived for the last ten years, and ask him if he believes or ever heard of any one who believes that that editor could be bought for all the money in creation.

Further, point out a single line or statement in this name which cives evidence of

Further, point out a single line or state-ment in this paper which gives evidence of catering to the advertisers. These adver-tisers find it pays to advertise in this paper because the subscribers patronize them on their merits. We do not make ourselves re-sponsible for our advertisers, except to say that they are as good as any in their line, and, since we have to go somewhere, we will go to these and so make it may to advertise go to these and so make it pay to advertise in The Socialiat. It is the only way the paper is enabled to live and not be a burden paper is enabled to live and not be a burden to the party. This paper is now nearly two years old and has never called on the party for a cent, except in subscriptions. All this time it has been a powerful instrument for Socialism in this state and nation. In the opinion of the oldest and stanchest men in the party, the men who know what Socialism is and who have made the greatest sacrifices for it. The Socialist, as State Organizer Roche, of Callifornia, says, "is a thing to be proud of." Instead of disrupting M. LEITES

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the party, as Baymiller asys above. The Socialist is doing most efficient work to solidify the party, to give it a conscious purpose, to educate the members to comprehend the historic mission of the working class, of which the party is the champion and representative.

and representative.
In conclusion, we desire to call attention
to the fact that Baymiller's charge of disrupting, the party is but an echo of Wayland's own in this passage reprinted in last
week's Socialist: "Such papers must be simply fools, and the sustaining of such papers
by Socialists only injures the growth of the

ovement."

Another quotation from Wayland may help some of our patrons who think we are coin some of our patrons who think we are coining money hand over fist. Here it is: "In a Socialist paper at 50 cents a year, there is not running expenses until you reach a circulation of from 5,000 to 10,000 subscribers." As our subscription list is only about 2,500, you can judge if we tell the truth when we say that the paper has not paid expenses, and not a cent of salary has even been paid to those who have done the most of the work. While at it, the Baymillers might as well have the whole truth. of the work. While at it, the Baymillers might as well have the whole truth. The Editor of The Socialist has lost at least \$3,000 through his connection with the paper—and yet he is in the pay of the capital-

LATEST FROM BOSTON.

Another Great Strike Threatened.
A strike of 1500 brewery workmen and other employee has closed down the 25 breweries in Boston. The employers demand the exclusive right to hire and discharge men, and brewers, bottlers, engineers, firemen, drivers and coopers are out. Coal teamsters and bartenders will also probably strike in sympathy if necessary and all New England may be finally affected. The New England may be finally affected. The New England Brewers', Association, recently or. England may be finally affected. The New England Brewers' Association, recently or sanized to fig. the union, is behind the employers. The workmen have made a startling exposure of the articles of agreement drawn up between employers, which established a system of blacklisting against the men and provided for mutual support in measure of a strike. The master brewers attempted a repetition of the Cincinnati employed a repetition of the Cincinnati ensuport in the discharge clause denied the brewer, but the former refused to be duped and choked off the conspiracy. Unions of Boschoked off the conspiracy. Unions of Boschoked off the conspiracy is the strike which has every prospect of being won.

MAILLY.

GOODNESS AND EVOLUTION

In all parts of the world there are to be found earnest-hearted men and women, who are equally interested with ourselves in bringing about a state of Order and Brother hood in place of the Chaos and Strife of to hood in place of the Chase and Strife of to-day, with whom, however, we do not find it possible to agree, much as we may, and do, admire their carnestness and zeal. They seek to bring about a better social condition by and through the moral regeneration of the individual. They ignore the all-important fact that Society is not merely a large number of individuals; evolution has made it an organism, and each unit of the whole being interdendent units all the other. being interdependent upon all the units; each life being affected by the of others, this individual appeal and

must be, to a very large extent, shorting Forever preaching "Be Good!" they do regard entirely the fact that all the circum-stances of life, circumstances that are is separable from the essential qualities of one industrial system, conspire to make "Goodness." meaning by that term ris just living, impossible. or where the morality in telli or where the morality in telling a must be good or be damned if som mental wrong in Society itself, which dividually cannot alter, makes it im for him to be good? This I assert to of our present industrial system "System" only in irony, and more

"System" only in Irony, and more por "Chaos"—as is shall presently try to shall no my humble judgment, our friends aliak of solving the social problem by it dividual acceptance of an ethical whether rooted in thicological belief or wise, are acting as foolishly as if the tempted to build a cathedral from the downwards. They are "placing the cit fore the horse" with a vengeance! might just as well argue that the prin of Exrit were built from the asset is of Egypt were built from the ap base, as contend that moral reg base, as contend that moral regene must precede economic change. That view. Before you talk of rules of co make sure of the means of life. Before talk of ethics to a man feed him, since obvious that unless he is fed he will. In the surface of the control of the con-sumer of the control of the control of the vious fact, and that fact, in turn, is faint expression of a great and pre-cent of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the con-trol of faint expression of a great and pro truth which lies back of all social pro

lution which is but the counterpart of law which pervades the organic world. So of us are fond of calling ourselves Row tionary Socialists," and wheeneve we some good critte is sure to cry out: are wrong; you are opposed to evolution that is not true; precisely the contrait true. We are the only people who logic and consistently apply that, principle social science, There is no necessary tagonism between Evolution and Rerolut as any scientist will tell you. Revolution are the true contrained to the contrained cost of evolution. That is true alike of ganic and social evolution, and, after "Social Revolution" simply means that clail Evolution" has reached a stage whe clail Evolution is not only possible, but transformation is not only possible, but lution which is but the counterpart of transformation is not only possible, be evitable. We do sometimes hear men with a pessimism that is appalling, "t with a pessimism that is appalling, "this are today as they always have been and is ways will be," and having said so much the look abundantly satisfied that they have set tled the matter for good and all. Yet, it there is one fact more plainly written on the blood-stained pages of the world's history than another, it is that things have not is ways been what they are today; that the present form of society is the result of a long series of changes logically consequent upon each other, and all the signs of the time portend that we are on the even, any is the very smidst of, further great and its reaching changes.—John Sparzo.

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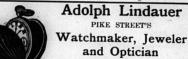
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Mr. J. T. Oldham was expelled from the Socialist Party at once, after the last election, for advocating the support of Capitalist candidates. He is editor of a fresh labor paper, the B. T. C. Bulletin. The last issue is largely devoted to "cussing" The Socialist. It is hard to guess why he is so frothy. For this paper has always supported the Building Trades most heartly. For this paper has always supported the Building Trades most heartly. The only criticism we have passed was for strying to sell out the union vote to the Republican party. We called that a blunder and a crime. And so it was. Everybody can see that now. Oldham's article admits all The Socialist charged. The committee of the B. T. C. consented to an arrangement with the chairman of the Republican Candidate for mayor. Their president actually got the money in advance, and, when they failed to deliver the goods, because the Socialists defeated their scheme, he failed to return the money the next morning at 0 colcok, as he agreed to do. For this failure the B. T. Council expelled him. What we said was that the whole committee was equally guilty with Baker in seeking to deliver the labor received the consideration to a Capitalist candidate.

But the Socialist Party washed its

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But the Socialist Party was the dishands of Baker and Odham before it
knew anything about the money transaction. Treason to the working class
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g. we almost forgot to say that what nam is really after in all this O, we almost forgot to say that whis Oldham is really after in all this screaming about the Socialists is to get the support and votes of the anti-So-cialist faction in the unions to keep him in his present office. He has lost standing with the Socialists. He is now bidding for the other fellows.

LABOR POLITICS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

British Columbia is to hold a Labor Convention April 14 at Kamloops. It was called by District Association No. 6, Western Federation of Miners, in the following words: "We do hereby is sue a call for a convention (for political purposes) of delegates from all Trades and Labor Unions, Single Tax Association, Socialist bodies and other reform organizations in the province whose aim is to improve the social condition of the people by the ballot."

Its declared purpose is "to unite and harmonize all labor organizations and reform bodies in the province for purposes of political action.

We note that the B. C. Socialist Party Executive Committee did not feel at liberty to send a delegate without a referendum of the party, but recommended locals to send delegates, with the understanding that they were not to commit the party.

The Vancouver Independent (labor union paper) approves the convention, also the Rossiand World, and many unions and independent labor party branches are efecting delegates.

It is a good sign that organized labor is coming to see the need of political action. It is also a good sign that the Socialist Executive is unwilling to recognize this convention. Labor must unite at the ballot box, but it accepts the Socialist thas studied the lason: The Socialist has studied the lason: British Columbia is to hold a Labor

unite at the bullot box, but Socialists cannot unite with it until it accepts the Socialist program. And for this reason: The Socialist has studied the labor problem in the most exhaustive and scientific manner and has discovered the only solution possible. He would be a fool to give up all he has learned and go back to the A B C. The delegates at Kamloops will, most of them, be honest men, honestly seeking a way out of their difficulties. What they ought to do is to take the full uncompromising Socialist position, demanding the abolition of weapting, and way out of their difficulties. What they ought to do is to take the full uncompromising Socialist position, demanding the abolition of weapting, and way out of their difficulties. What they ought to do is to take the full uncompromising Socialist position, demanding the abolition of weapting way was a way with the second the call of the second the condition of the second the conomic class struggle. The British Columbia workingen will be the leaders of the continent.

Cowley speaks on the streets three times a week in Seattle now, and Flannigan is an interested listener.

Adopted at Indianapolis, July 31, 1901.

The Socialist party, in National convention assembled, reaffirms its adherence to the principles of International Socialism, and declares its aim to be the organization of the working class, and those in sympathy with it, into a political party, with the object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collective ownership to the entire people.

and distribution into collective owner-ship by the entire people. Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by the indi-vidual worker. Today the machine, which is an improved and more devel-oped tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. This ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them. Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is respon-sible for the ever increasing uncer-

production and distribution is responsible for the ever increasing uncertainty of livelihood and poverty and misery of the working class, and it divides society in two hostile classes—the capitalists and wage-workers. The once powerful middle class is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competition. The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives to the capitalists the control of the government, the press, the pulpit and schools, and enables them to reduce the workingment to a state of to reduce the workingmen to a state of intellectual, physical and social infer-iority, political subservience and virtual

slavery.

The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social system; the lives of the working class are recklessly sacrificed for profit, wars are fomented between nations, indiscriminate slaughter is encouraged and the destruction of whole races is sanctioned in order that the capitalists may extend their commercial dominion abroad and enhance their supremacy at

abroad and enhance their supremacy at home,
But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to Socialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wage-workers. And the active force in bringing about this new and higher order of society is the working class. All other classes, despite their apparent or actual conflicts, are alike interested in the upholding of the system of private ownership of the instruments of wealth production. The Democratic, Republican, the bourgeois Public Ownership parties, and all other parties which do not stand for the complete overthrow of the capitalist system of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist class.

The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the collective powers of capitalism, by constituting themselves into a political party, distinct from and opposed to all parties formed by the propertied classes.

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parties formed by the propertied classes.

While we declare that the development of economic conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist system, we recognize that the time and manner of the transition of Socialism also depend upon the stage of development reached by the proletariat. We, therefore, consider it of the utmost importance for the Socialist party to support all active efforts of the working class to better its condition and to elect Socialists to political offices, in order to facilitate the attainment of this end. As such means we advocate:

1. The public ownership of all means of transportation and communication and all other public utilities as well as of all industries controlled by monopolies, trusts, and combines. No

monopolies, trusts, and combines. part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the reduction of taxes on property of the capitalist class, but to be applied wholly to the increase of wages and shortening of the hours of labor of the employes, to the improvement of the service and diminishing of the rates to the consumers.

2. The progressive reduction of the hours of labor and the increase of wages in order to decrease the share of the capitalist and increase the share of the worker in the product of labor.

3. State or national insurance of working people in case of accidents, lack of employment, sickness and want in old age; the funds for this purpose be furnished by the government and to be administered under the control of the working class.

4. The inauguration of a system of public industries, public credit to be used for that purpose in order that the workers be secured the full product of their labor.

5. The education of all children up. part of the revenue of such industries to be applied to the reduction of taxes

their labor.

5. The education of all children up to the age of eighteen years, and state and municipal aid for books, clothing and food.

6. Equal civil and political rights for men and women.

7. The initiative and referendum,

proportional representation and the right of recall of representatives by

right of recall of representatives by their constituents.

But in advocating these measures as steps in the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of the co-operative commonwealth, we warn the working class against the so-called public ownership movement as an attempt of the capitalist class to secure governmental control of public utilities for the purpose of obtaining greater security in the exploitation of other industries and not for the amelioration of the conditions of the working class.

THE RED FLAG

THE RED FLAG.

A Stery of the First of May.

"I give you my word of honor I'll hang myself with my own hands if these cussed Socialists anaage to holet their flag on the coming first of May."

The chief of police made the above remark to a clique of friends assembled around the table in a room reserved for the bourgeois and pillars of state in the principal hotel of the little town of X. He said the words in so decisive a tone as to exclude all doubt in the minds of his hearers as to his meaning.

But in split of his earnest tone of voice he saw some skeptical looks on the faces of the assembly. The Socialists had proved themselves always too fosy for the police, and every first of May the red flag was found

and every first of May the red flag was found floating defiantly somewhere. One time she was waving proudly from the tower of the city hall; another time she was found note-ing from the lightning root of a factory chim-ney; at others from the ruins of a castle which ornamented a hill outside the city gates. Somehow the first of May was al-ways a day of misery and danger for the

"I-know your zeal for your duty, my dea Mr. Richter," said the druggist Maier, as h threw a glance of sympathy toward the chie police, "but let me tell you that there is medicine against a rope, so you had bet-

no medicine against a rope, so you had bet-ter bet a basket of wine."
"No. I leave it by the rope," cried the chief. "I'd like to see who is master in this

Now began a busy night for the patrolm All the roofs of the public buildings were amined; the doors locked and guarded. amined; the doors locked and guarded. All house owners were cautioned to watch their premises on the night before the first of May to prevent the smuggling in of that revolutionary, throne-upsetting emblem. The public places and parks had a special patrol for that night; not a tree was left un-

watched.

The morning of the first of May came—a clear, beautiful, sunny May morning.

The police chief received the reports from all posts that all was quiet during the night and nothing suspicious was seen; so the police triumphed.

About 10 a. m. the chief went to the hotel for his breakfast and found his friends already assembled. Just as they were drinking to his success there commenced in the market place cheering and laughing, with a lot of groams for the police. The people called the attention of each other and pointed in the air. Something out of the way must have happened.

"What is the matter there?" cried the chief; and with a foreboding sensation in his breast he ran out into the open with the other. Sure; folled again. There was that awful, treasonable red flag. Up to a height of 400 feet the crimson folds floated proudly, bidding deflance to all police, from a balloon right over the market place. About 10 a. m. the chief went to the hotel

ly, bidding defiance to all police, from a bal-loon right over the market place. Everybody looked. They all cheered and guyed the chief, whose autocratic rule was not appreciated. The flag could not be con flocated. All the police could do was to clench fists and heap blessings on the So-

But another surprise awaited the chief After coming near fainting from anger, he went back to the hotel, where he was handed a package with the message that it was left for him. He opened it and found—a

rope. He made no use of the rope after all, for he thought it, was, better to break his word than his neck, but he learned the lesson that the police is powerless against a public demonstration of the people's will.

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