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"A FIRST CLASS FIGHTING MAN" "INDEPENDENT"

The Right to Free Speech Established In North Yakima -- Most Entertaining Account

in the State of Washington will remember that about one year ago the majority of the members of Local North Yakima, under the leadership of Front street." William Boyd, withdrew from the S. P. and allied themselves with a bogus organization calling itself "the Temporary Committee of the S. P. of Washington."

After the National Executive Committee and the Ntaional Convention of the S. P. turned down the pretenchell, Mrs. Ada Gatchell, O. G. Griggs, walk. John Spearman and others.

Experience, however, had not taught them anything, they still thought they knew more than those who had remained true to the S. P. and by their bunglesome methods lost the right to speak on the streets at any place where an audience could be collected.

Humiliation

Every speaker who came through iation of speaking on a side street to dred people or not speak at all.

gain the right of free speech, but be- the "Battalion of Correction." ing afraid to go to jail succeeded in doing nothing except to saddle a debt of \$50 lawyer fee upon the Local, \$25 of which Comrade Geo. E. Bromerwhom they employed for the occasion -was compelled to pay or stand the consequences of a lawsuit. He paid the \$25 on Feb. 13.

Insubordination

Besides this, in spite of explicit instructions from the State Committee to vote by blanket sticker, they borrowed money to pay the filing fees on several of the candidates who were of this number 47,000 took part in the desirous of capturing an office and strike of May 1st. were foolish enough to think that they stood a show of election.

All this had a demoralizing effect on the Local with the result that when I entered the city on Feb. 8th they had not held a meeting for some six weeks, with no prospects that they would meet again and only eleven members in good standing.

Reorganization

notified of my coming.

quite thoroughly but owing to the disrepute into which the S. P. of this city had fallen as the result of the aforesaid tactics, only twenty people the same length of time. attended the meeting.

With this condition confronting me, I called a meeting of Local members are taking place in all parts of the and other Socialists to be held in country. In this city many spies have Comrade Gatchell's grocery store on the evening of Feb. 11th, notified all true outside of the city: Socialists whose names and addresses I could obtain, and spoke Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday afternoon on Front street.

At this meeting four members paid up their arrears and seven applicants the different departments of the "Geywere accepted to membership.

Strong Local

New officers were elected and another meeting called for the next Sunday afternoon, at which time three more applicants were admitted to ership and other business of the Local attended to, after which I spoke briefly on the history of S. P. affairs in this state and city and concluded by recommending that Wm. Boyd, O. H. Warner and Geo. Dial be excluded from membership in the

The Local now has sixteen members in good standing on its roster, has introduced a system of permanent ad vertising and secured a hall for Sun day afternoon meetings at No. 11 South 2nd Street, which is a central

Free Speech Fight

With the Local organized and in fighting trim, I determined to test the right of free speech and accordingly went yesterday p. m., Feb. 19th, to the corner of 2nd and Yakima Ave-

Students of Socialist Party affairs ing almost through, I answered, "About ten or fifteen minutes." "Well," said he, "you may finish your speech today, but tomorrow afternoon, if you ordered me not to speak on that corwish to speak you will have to go to ner today, to which I calmly answer

> "All right," said I, "I will finish my morrow later."

I did so and announced to the audience that I would be back at the time was for him to arrest me. same corner, prepared to speak, the next day at 2 p. m.

About fifteen minutes later I met W. W. Robertson, editor of the Yaksions of this bogus organization these ima Republic, and he introduced me to people again made application to Lo- the mayor of the city, who asked me cal North Yakima of the S. P. which if I intended to speak again next had weathered the storm in spite of day. I informed him that I did, to forward and humiliated the aforesaid I am not going to, not even if I am their efforts, and as the result of the which he replied that I might speak valiant work of Comrade P. M. Gat- so long as I didn't obstruct the side-

(Translated by Joseph S. Biscay.)

Revolutionists Sentenced. (From "Dziennik Ludowy.")

St. Petersburg.-The trial of 14 solhere during the campaign of last year diers and 9 civilians charged with carwas compelled to undergo the humil- rying on revolutionary propaganda in the barracks of this city in 1907, was crowds ranging from one to two hun- finally ended and sentence imposed, as usual. Sixteen of the revolution They did make one attempt to re- ists were given from 3 to 8 years with

Condemning of Nitkin.

("Dziennik Ludowy.")

Odessa.--Qap. Nitkin of the Russian army was tried, and condemned to be shot, for spreading revolutionary propaganda among the soldiers and in the barracks. He deprived the authoriies of the satisfaction of putting him to death by committing suicide.

According to the published statistics of labor, there were 423 strikes in the Russian Empire in 1908; 89,089 men took part in these strikes. Out

Persecution in Poland.

("Dziennik Ludowy.")

Warsaw, Poland,-Anthony Lipski and Konstantine Szczudlo were condemned to death after the usual sham trial and hung, though they were in ocent of the crimes charged.

More practical means are being used by the authorities to rid the country of the revolutionary element. In the The Comrades Gatchells had been latter part of December the Kingdom of Poland (a part of Poland in which They secured a hall and advertised Warsaw is situated, is known by this name) was "cleaned" of about 1,000 persons, when the normal rate of of Yves Guyot. "cleaning" is from 30 to 50 people for

> The proletariat is beginning to answer in its own way. Many conflicts been killed as a result. The same is

"Order." Lock-Out, Starvation.

(From "Robotnik.") Lodz, Poland.-All the workmen in

er" plant with the exception of 30 were placed under arrest.

After starving the strikers for six veeks "order" was restored by the is tied up solid. execution method in which the bayonet played its part.

plant of Krushe & Ender when a 10 per cent cut in wages was announced. Some are loaded with grain, but un-Phose remaining at work were force to sign contracts and submit to the them.

ing as a result of the hard times. The "charitable" authorities have taken the matter in hand.

Demonstration of Unemployed.

("Dziennik Ludowy.")

Berlin.-The demonstration of "joy of the aristocrats at the visit of the royal pair" of England stirred up the roletariat and caused a monster dem-

The mass of unemployed had been roaded beyond description. Thousand were unable to procure work or food. As usual the workers stood the brunt of the hard times.

The two demonstrations took place nue and opened a meeting. I had almost simultaneously. When the carspoken about an hour when the chief of police came and asked me how palace of the Emperor, from all parts much longer I intended to speak. Be- of the city came a flood of humanity many, aged 69.

Arrested

ment of yesterday I went to the sam corner today and spoke for some time to a corporal's guard-the Salvation Army was out in full force and with much noise and little sense were holding forth on the opposite corner. They had the sidewalk obstructed, when a cop came up and asked if he had not ed "Yes."

"Well then, move on," said the man speech today and will see about to- of little intelligence and some authority. I told him that the only way I could be moved at that particular

"All right, then, come along with

Released

when the mayor of the city stepped bunch of little intelligence and some loose, and I was turned loose and I dues paying members in this state

carrying banners and singing songs. NO INSURGthis unwelcome parade and acted ac-NEWS cordingly. All the avenues leading to the palace were soon blocked by cordons of police and soldiers, who opposed the march of the unemployed. A fierce struggle took place. The police and soldiers used only the steel weapons. The unarmed people defended themselves as best they could, and tried to get by the officers. Many were arrested and several hundred wound ed. The people, finding it impossible to get by the force opposing them, re-

Their numbers swelled as others crowded from all parts of the city. As they increased in numbers they grew more and more threatening. The authorities realizing the danger, stationed battalions of troops in different parts of the city, who kept "peace" long into the night.

According to recent information, there are 67,500 unemployed in Berlin. To this number has since been added 33,000 persons thrown out of work in the suburbs.

The municipal authorities are enleavoring to get exact figures on the unemployed problem without investigating the conditions of the homes. A call has been issued to those out of work to present themselves before various magistrates, where they will be counted, and statistics compiled.

Anti-Socialist Movement

("Dziennik Ludowy.")

London.-An organization has been formed here for the purpose of gaining control of the Socialist movement called the "English League." It has published the first issue of a paper named "The Anti-Socialist." The editors of this paper and members of the "league" are well known capitalists and aristocrats. Among the supporters are Lord Avebury and Hamilton and several members of parlia ment, also a Frenchman by the name

General Strike.

Buenos Ayres, Arg.-An original strike is on in this city in which the whole population is taking part. The strike is the result of the municipal authorities' endeavor to greatly increase the tax rate. The city presents a death-like aspect. All the cellars. warehouses are locked, and business

and all traffic is at a standstill. To make matters worse, the general public on strike against the government, joined the 5,000 workmen who went out previous to this and the city

The city is out of provisions, but the strikers are not suffering and seem to have plenty.

able to leave without crews to man

A HEARTY BOOST.

Editor "The Socialist:"

Dear Comrade:--I enclose \$2.00 to help keep "The Socialist" in fighting I am sure other Socialists, who have

the interests of the Proletariat at heart will come to the rescue. Comrade, let's all give a boost to

gether and see if we can put our pa-With this accomplished we can put the enemies of the Working Class to

Yours for the Revolution EMIL M. HERMAN.

spoke some more, and the right of and they have made up their mind Socialist free speech has been restored in the city of North Yakima.

Ellensburg Contest

The readers of "The Socialist" will emember that last August I was arcosts, amounting in atl to \$32.50, for compromise, he told me I might go. speaking on the streets of Ellensburg.

You will also remember that I didn't pay but that I appealed the Well, some time during the latter part of October I happened to have a speaking date there and was lensburg. I asked Comrade Henry called into the office of the city's le- Twilligear, who was one of my bondsgal adviser and he asked me what I men, and is the most active Socialintended to do with the case. I and ist in Ellensburg, what disposition if swered, "I am going to fight it." He said, "I would like to have the case settled and if you will agree to pay one half the fine and costs I think I can get it thrown out of court." said, "I didn't appeal with the intention of paying a cent and what is more convicted in the Superior Court. The authority by ordering him to turn me Socialist Party have sixteen hundred

ENTS HERE

Everett, Feb. 21, 1909.

The following resolution was passed

at a regular session of Local Everett

Whereas, In the "P.-I." of 21 Feb.

the "insurgents" of Seattle claim five

Locals that are backing them in their

fight with the regular organization,

cal Seattle is quite able to take care

but working inside the party trying

to build up and not tear down the So-

surgents" to count us out, as we are

first, last and all the time Revolu

Please insert this letter in your pa

NOTES

A Methodist church in Copenhagen

Denmark, is being used for a hotel by

the unemployed. During the twenty

seven first days of January 7,311

meals were served, while 2,695 have

used it as sleeping quarters and 1,161

as reading room during the day. All

In Hanover, Germany, the Socialists

twenty-five persons were wounded."

335.075, of whom 14.972 are women

reaching into the United States.

years will exceed any other like period in the manipulation of thumb-

Is it possible that the senate.

screws. But we shall see!

ecommodations are free.

in New Jersey:

National Committeemen

Association, with

over \$60,000 a year.

J. GRAYBILL,

Sec. Pro Tem

J. G.

tionists.

without a dissenting vote:

of free speech in every city and town of this state and that the Capitalist class will not get one cent out of us in fines or work nor lawyers one cent in fees."

After a little more parleying and that he would settle the matter with my bondsmen and let me know when to appear for trial. I heard nothing hero! more about the matter until about two weeks ago, when I was again in El-

any had been made of the case. Much to my delight he informed me that he and all other witnesses, the I jury and the city adviser had been paid by the city. The original cost being \$29.50, with the addition of the city's legal adviser's fee it msut have come to something like \$50.

EMIL M. HERMAN.

through its investigating committee, is interest of Capital. just beginning to find out that Rooseplaces!

as any surprise.

Last year there was a big parade of ten thousand unemployed, who We, Local Everett, declare that Lo-silently trampel the line of march through the principal streets of Seof itself and we are taking no sides, attle. Wouldn't it have been an eye opener if they had simply swarmed into the stores and helped themcialist Party. So we advise the "In selves? If they had realized their power they would surely have done it.

At the recent state election in Lower Austria the Socialist party cast 107,986 votes and secured only five 168,941 votes secured 43 seats. The Socialist Party is demanding a fair apportioning of the districts. The with certain capitalistic interests, which accounts for their success, and also accounts for the distrust held for them by the revolutionary element .-"Cleveland Citizen."

PROFOUND

have been holding great demonstrations for the right of universal suf- of the upper set have outdone every frage. A few weeks ago on one of band of conspirators in any age. They let us remove the obstacle and clear these occasions the demonstrators had have resorted to this diabolical game: the way." a collision with the police, who used a collision with the result that about the head of the revolutionary or fight if many workingmen can be convinced ing group of patriots, the mass of of the correctness of this argument it whom were willing to lay down their will greatly assist the Hotel and Res-Tre following officers have been lives for Russian freedom, the officials taurant proprietors in Seattle. elected by a recent State Referendum killed off rivals and oponents in their own class and then killed off the poor the interest of those wage earners emlingbeck, Orange; Recording Secrethey were striking a deadly blow for tary, Frank Hubschmitt, Paterson; Fi-liberty. Investigations in Paris and pagolal Secretary, Frank Power, Jer- St. Petersburg reveal the astounding in the new local Socialist headquarsey City; Treasurer, William Morton, facts that Azev, with the full conni-Kearney. Fred Kraft, Ridgefield, and vance and co-operation of Gerasimov, Henry Carliss, Newark, were elected the chief of the Russian secret police, the purpose of its organization for and other powerful officials, planned the assassination of Grand Duke Ser-1 le largest Labor Union in the gius, Von Plehve and a number of oth- needed the application was turned world is the German Metal Workers' er prominent tyrants. Azev would a membership of pick the most sincere terrorists to afford to give no semblance of assistdestroy the high officials and then re- ance to an association intended to opport them in advance to the police. At the beginning of tre year the association had a surplus of \$2,154,000 in The terrorists would obey the instructions received, kill the officials and its treasury. The organization pub lishes a weekly journal at a cost of then be pounced upon by the police ident and that another very prominent and dragged to death. It appears that among its organizers was J. C. Con-Aver was given permission or orders by the secret police to remove any ob-The law providing for male suffrage jectionable person he desired except in Sweden has been upheld in both the Czar and his ministers. The serouses of the Swedish Parliament cret police even conspired against The measure secures the right to vote to all male inhabitants over twentylatter thereupon denounced Azev to the central committee of the revolutionary group as a traitor to their Lafargue, he had drank from the lips The Brewery Workmen of Chicago cause. Azev was summoned before of Dr. Adler and Hyndman, in short, have declared the beer, imported from the committee, but disappeared be-Pilsen, Bohemia, unfair. The Brew fore the horrible details of his treason ropean Socialist Movement in which ery owners of that city have refused could be verified. Now Russian revolutionists throughout the world are a consequence a boycott was declared searching for Azev and it can well be extending over most Europe and now imagined what his fate will be. Mean- in Local Seattle of the Socialist Parwhile the exposures that are taking ty, this organization declined the honplace are not only creating a pro- ors of counting this man as one of its When one thinks of Taft's taking office, it almost seems as if we were rope is compelled to gasp in astonishreally inaugurating the Oligarchy ment at this new phase of Russian (such is his vulgar fatness and his crime.-"Cleveland Citizen. embodiment of cruel oppression). It gives one the feeling that the next four

> Local Seattle is holding inevery Sunday night at the ing any new member into this body of ple, plain, ordinary liars, new headquarters, 711 Olive. "stalwarts" he became one of the ed. EMIL M.

WORKINGMEN

By Arthur Jensen

Charles W. Eliot, president of litors of a weekly publication known of the modern "independent" working, week's existence man, the scab. He called the scab a

great masses of workingmen could be imbued with this new spirit of "inde-ence" forbid him joining hands with pendence," our masters would have easy sailing in all industrial disputes.

There is no doubt but that if the

as President Eliot should encourage this new method of expressing "independence. But the spirit of organization is in an opportunity of attacking it. the air. We all breathe it. Even Eliot's "heroes" are affected by it.

encouraged by the employing class. Capital recognizes that organization is a good thing—when organized in the lits last secretary.

Of late he has been particularly ac

A year ago last fall the master velt is the friend of the Trusts? Queer builders in this city showed great acwhat a stupid lot we vote into high tivity in organizing the "weak sisters" in the unions composing the Building Trades. The "Times," the "P.-I." and their nature cannot and will not sur-Among the senators who voted the "Star" published long-winded aragainst the Woman's Suffrage bill is ticles with big scare head-lines about Senator Nichols. It is interesting to the "tyranny" and "ring rule" prevailnote here that Nichols is or has been ing in the unions. These articles also Editorial in "The Socialist," August attorney for Chappelle of Red Light attempted to show that the men who 29th, 1908.) fame, so his opposition does not come were breaking away from the unions were "independent," "fair-minded" and "intelligent" American citizens.

> These newspaper stories were nothing but a part of a well concerted movement to take advantage of the industrial crisis and disrupt Organized Labor, if possible.

> So far, the employers of Labor have to do the "independent workingman" act. The Unions are still doing bush ness at the old stand.

But Capital is not asleep to the fact that if the Giant of Labor be allowed soats, while the Christian Socialists, to organize without hindrance, Labor will become a formidable power

Therefore new methods of fighting Organized Labor are being employed. Christian Socialists are in high favor Last year the conservative, "patriotic" citizen was chosen as the club with which to whip Organized Labor into submission. A new departure seems to have taken place. Capital seesm to be looking for material among the "Independent Socialists" and the direct actionists.

> A new organization has been formed in opposition to the Cooks and Waiters' Unions. It is called the "Ho-SENSATION tel and Restaurant Workers of the I. W. W." The goal of this new union is the Social Revolution.

"But," they say, as any true Anar-For cold-blooded, Machiavelian plot- chist would say, "the chief obstacle in ting, the murderous Russian officials the way of the Social Revolution is the Cooks and Waiters' Unions. Hence,

But for this very reason it is against ployed in the Hotels and Restaurants

A few weeks ago this organization applied for permission to rent offices ters. Nothing was known of its officers but sufficient was known as to action by the Executive Committee of the Party and badly as the money was down. It was felt that the Party could pose a bona fide Labor Organization

Subsequently it was discovered that one Henry Dworshack was its pres-

summer and attended a few Socialist meetings. He claimed to have been a member of the Socialist Party in va rious European countries. According to his own statement he had sat a the feet of Engels, Kautsky, Ferri and the events in the history of the Euhe had not played an important part were not worth talking about. When he applied for membership

members. When his application was before Local Seattle he demanded the took certain resolutions to Arlington floor and proceeded to make it clear and secured their adoption by the Lo that the Local couldn't run right un- cal at that place. less he run it himself. He was de- I wish to inform you that this state nied admission. He became an "In-dependent Socialist." Not being sat-and all those circulating the same teresting discussion meetings is fied with the distinction accompany- including yourself-are therefore sim-

rested, convicted and fined \$3.00 and when he was convinced that I wouldn't Harvard University, was the first to as "Suppressed Facts," which was place a halo of glory about the head "suppressed" or suspended after one

> Mr. Dworschack's energy was still anabated.

He all of a sudden became an ar dent union man. But his "independordinary union men. So he, with others equally "independent" organized It is therefore not to be wondered the Hotel and Restaurant Workers of at that such mouthpieces of Capital the I. W. W. Mr. Dworschack was elected president.

While J. C. Conahan is a member of the Painters' Union, he never loses

He has for years been as bitter an opponent of the regular organization Hence we see the dual organizations of the Socialist Party as he is of the of Labor. We see these organizations Painters' Union. He allied himself with the "Provisional Socialist Party" when it was organized and served as

ive assailing Organized Labor.

The careers of Messrs. Dworschack and Conahan again bring home the argument that "individuals who by render their personal preference for the sake of the organization are able to destroy all unity of action." (From

It shows that an individual who is morganizable in the ponucal organization of Labor is as unorganizable in the industrial organizations of Labor.

It shows that an "independent" Workingman is one who benefits or canizations of Labor by staying inde endent of them.

ANOTHER SCHEME FAILS

An attempt by the "P.I" Socialists o capture Local Seattle by force was made last Thursday evening.

The proposed attempt filled a column in the "P.-I." and the Socialists were thus unintentionally forewarned By 7:30 the hall was surrounded by a large crowd of people. There were in the crowd practically all of those who had gone off under the leadership of Brown and Parks. Besides these there were a number of Independent Socialists-many of them the same as those who had participated in the slugging of Comrade Stevens at the Labor Temple and some active ene mies of ours who had never made any pretense of being Socialists.

Anticipating this, the Executive Committee met early in the evening. and in order to prevent the intended riot, ordered that no one should be permitted to enter the hall except those who were entitled to take part in the meeting and members of other Locals who could show their red cards or were known here to be members of the party.

As soon as the door was unlocked the crowd attempted to rush in. A struggle began. While it was still the scene. Order was restored and those who had no business at a So cialist meeting were not admitted. Six former members of the Local who had not paid dues for some months were incidentally excluded.

Comrade McCorkle was elected chairman. The rules of order were suspended and the report of the Executive Comimttee read. It recom mended the indefinite suspension of the five members of the Local who took part in the plot to capture the Local by force. The suspended members were asked to retire, and after this was done the Local proceeded to transact routine business

"SIMPLE, PLAIN ORDINARY LIE"

North Yakima, Wash., Feb. 21, '09 The Socialist:

Have sent the following letter to E. J. Brown and wish you would pub lish same.

Seattle, Wash.

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SOME SOCIALIST PARTY NEWS

FOURTEEN HIGHEST

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 15, 1909.

To the National Committee.

Dear Comrades: I herewith report the votes received by the fourteen leading candidates for members of the National Executive Committee and the votes for candidates for National Secretary, resulting from the National Party Referendum uopn which the ballots were counted Feb. 10th. Also the result of Referendum C, 1908, which closed at the same time as the vote for National Officers. The National Executive Committee candidates are listed in the order of their votes. The first seven were elected:

A. M. Simone
 John Spargo
 4,083

 John M. Work
 3,344

 A. H. Floaten
 3,265

 Arthur M. Lewis
 3,028
 Lena M. Lewis Vote for National Secretary.

J. Mahlon Barnes (elected) ... 10,412
O. F. Branstetter ... 2,059
Seth McClellan ... 421
J. Chant Lipes ... 407
Each provision of Referendum C
was adopted by the following vote: Sec. 1, Art. VI.

HERMAN

egitimate motion?

Letter of National Committeeman

Herman of Washington,

Dated Feb. 4.

Regard to the protests in the Bulle-tin of Jan. 23d by Comrade N. S. Baldwin against the submission of the motion made by Comrade Jensen and myself as quite childish and ridiculous

And is he so much better informed on the condition of the Socialist Party of Washington that he should assume to instruct us how to comment on our

ewn motion? Yes, Comrade Baldwin, we want har-

REPLIES

Yes	
No	. 5,72
Majority	. 14
Sec. 1, Art. VII.	
Yes	. 8,23
No	3,47
Majority	. 4,75
Sec. 5, Art. VII.	
Yes	10.15
No	1,81
Majority	8,34
Sec. 6, Art. X.	_
Yes	8,04
No	3,61
Majority	4,43
Sec. 1, Art. XI.	
Yes	6,73
No	3,42
	9.90

A complete tabulation of the votes on both counts will appear in the February issue of the Official Monthly Bulletin. Fraternally submitted,
J. MAHLON BARNES,
National Secretary

See Yes, Comrade Baldwin, we want harmony in the S. P., but not at the sacrifice of principle and when comrades, even though they be on the N. E. C., violate the S. P. constitution it is not only our right but our duty to call them to order even though we be accused of dealing in personalities. Editor's Note—As remarked last week in "The Socialist," no candidate gets a majority of the vote cast. And only two get over a third. Two of those elected get only one-fourth the

It is a question whether the first proposed constitutional amendment really carried. It did not receive a majority of the votes cast on that Referendum "C." It was so complex and blind, that many comrades simply passed it up, the result being, it did not get half the votes. In the absence of a plurality provision such as the constitution contains with respect to the election of the Committee, we doubt if this amendment can be declared carried by a mere plurality. constitutional amendment

PRIMARY LAWS AGAINST SOCIALISM

Box 52, Seattle, Wn., Feb. 21, '09.
Mahlon Barnes, National Sec. S. P.
Dear Comrade: Please submit the blowing two motions to the members

There is no constitution of the S. P. Of Alabama or any other state, instead of Washington, which was effected. We insist that the N. E. C. DID violate Sec. 4 of Article 12 of the National constitution.

There is no constitution of the S. P.

We would have taken similar action if it had been the S. P. Of Alabama or any other state, instead of Washington, which was effected. We insist that the N. E. C. DID violate Sec. 4 of Article 12 of the National constitution.

There is no constitution of the S. P. following two motions to the members of the National Committee.

That one-third of the cost of the litigation, resulting from the legal contest carried on by the Party against the filing fee system in the primary election laws of Minnesota, be defrayed by the National treasury.

Motion.

That appeals be sent out from the National Headquarters, calling for the financial support of all State organ-izations in the fight for the abolition of the filing fee system in the primary election laws of Minnesota, such appeals to be framed in a manner that will show the danger to the party throughout the nation if this attempt to disfranchise the Working Class be not thwarted.

Comment.

These motions have become necessary in order to bring to a successful end the litigation now being carried on in Minnesota for the abolition of the filing fee system, requiring the payment of a fee for each candidate phaced on the official ballot.

In Illinois attempts were made to introduce the filing fee system but they failed through the efforts of the Socialists.

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In the State of Washington a filing fee amounting to one per cent of one year's salary is required for the filing of each candidate, provided, however, that in no case shall the fee be less than \$10.00. This means that \$40.00 has to be expended to have the name of the candidate for governor filed while the three candidates for representatives in Congress are obliged to pay \$75.00 each. It amounts to about six hundred dollars for the state ticket and were all the names of the candidates for county offices and representatives in the legislature to be filed the cost for the party in this state would be many thousands of dollars.

At the election last fall we did not pay any fees for the filing of candidates for state offices. We refused to submit to the isw. A provision was discovered in the election laws allowing stickers to be used. We took ad-

OFFICERS THEREOF SHALL HAVE

Comrades of the National Commit-tee, it's up to you."

vantage of this provision. Stickers were printed and in some of the best organized counties they were used quite generally. But such an arrangement requires a much more thorough organization than is found anywhere in this country. To make it a success at least three persons should be at each polling place to supply the voters with stickers, etc.

The Socialists of this state were instrumental in defeating three consecutive measures providing for a primary election inwa and hast year the party fought the filing fee system successfully in the Superior Courts of three different counties, but when the last case was appealed to the State Supreme Court we were defeated. The expense of this litigation amounted to lover \$600, besides a great deal of energy.

Unless the fight in Minnesota is won we may rest assured that the fee system will be introduced in every state of the nation.

Therefore, the entire party is as vitally interested as is the party in

of the nation.

Therefore, the entire party is as vitally interested as is the party in Minnesota and it behooves the National Committee to give all the assistance possible to our Minnesota Comrades who have already expended a great deal of money and energy in this contest.

There is no doubt but that the filing fee system is a part of a well con-A resolution demanding the abroga-tion of the extradition treaty with Russia has been introduced by the So-cial-Democrats in the Wisconsin state legislature. This resolution has been favorably reported by the state senate committee to which it was referred. It will no doubt pass the state senate in a slightly modified form.

There is no doubt but that the filing fee system is a part of a well concerted movement to disfranchise the Working Class. Any such movement should be met with vigorous opposition from the Socialist Party.

Fraternally submitted,

ARTHUR JENSEN.

Member National Committee of Washington. The convention of the Socialists of Ohio will be held in the city of Col umbus, March 20th and 21st.

State Secretary Ringler of Pennsyl vania reports the expulsion of H. P. Rees and Adolph Rieckman by Local Philadelphia for having voted for other than candidates of the Socialist

By recent referendum, Franklin H. Wentworth, Carpenter St., Salem, was elected a member of the National Committee for Massachusetts, and James F. Carey, 699 Washington St., Boston, was re-elected State Secre-

At the last meeting of the State Executive Committee of Massachu-setts, 330 new members were added to the roll through charter applica-tions and members at large.

The National Committee is now vo The National Committee is now voting on Motion No. 3, which provides that ballots for National Executive Committee and National Secretary, shall also include a statement of the trade, occupation or profession of the candidate. Vote will close March 9th. myself as quite childish and ruleulous to say the least.

Since when has he become dictator of the National Committee that he should usurp the right to protest against the submission of a perfectly

By a vote which closed Feb. 16th, the National Committee indersed the interpretation of the National Executive Committee placed upon Section 5 of Article IV of the Constitution, that is, that five seconds in addition to the mover of a National Committee motion is required. They also decided tion is required. They also decided that the person or persons submitting a motion shall not be also considered

The International Socialist Bureau transmits information from the Social Revolutionary Party of Russia, that one Azef is and has been an agent of the Czar for the purpose of organizing terrorism which can be charged to the party; that after the above relations were discovered he disappeared and his whereabouts are unknown. The following warning is submitted:

NOTICE—The Central Committee of the Social Revolutionary party of Russia desires to bring before the Socialists of the world the news that Eugene Phillippovitch Azef, 38 years old, known under the names of "Tolstoy," "Ivan Nicolaieyitch" and "Valeutine Nousmitch," member of the party since its foundation, elected to carry The International Socialist Bureau

we be accused of dealing in personalities.

I ask you, Comrade Baldwin, if the N. E. C. should pass a motion not to send any lecturers or organizers into Alabama would you meekly submit to the insult or would you do as Jensen and I did, make a motion to rescind their action?

You may answer that there is no controversy in the S. P. of Alabama. We answer neither have we any controversy that concerns the N. E. C. It is not because we need National lecturers or organizers in Washington that we moved to rescind the action of the N. E. C., but because we don't believe the N. E. C. should be allowed to ally themselves with non-members of the S. P.—some of whom are not even Socialists—and especialy when their avowed purpose is to destroy a powerful, active and militant organization working in exact conformity with the national constitution of the S. P.

We would have taken similar action if it had been the S. P. of Alabama ty since its foundation, elected to carry out several enterprises for the ben-eft of the party, member of the "fight-ing section" of the Central Committee, has been convicted of having had re-lations with the secret police of Rus-

MAYOR OF STOCKHOLM CON-

Bellingham, Feb. 16th.

The Socialist, Seattle.
Comrades: Enclosed find a piece freely translated from Rockford (III.) edish Socialist." I keep the pape and find sometimes something worthy a place in your paper. If you like it and it does not infringe on Comrade Jensen's monopoly, I shall be glad to have the privilege of sending it. fact that the N. E. C. passed a motion not to send any lecturers or organizers into Washington for the present. into Washington for the present.

There is no getting away from the fact that their action was based upon letters received from Socialists and non-Socialists, most of whom are not Yours for the revolution, FRANS BOSTROM.

(From "Svenska Socialisten," Rock-

members of the S. P.

There is no getting away from the fact that this action was taken without consulting the State Committee of the S. P. of Washington. And finally there is no getting away from the fact that Sec. 4. Article 12, reads: "In states and territories in which there is one central organization affiliated with the party, the state or territorial organization shall have the SOLE JURISDICTION of the members residing in their respective territories, and the SOLE CONTROL of all matters pertaining to propaganda, or ford, Ill.)

The city mayor of Stockholm, Sweden, and representative to the lower house of the Swedish Riksdag (congress), Lindhagen, has announced himself as a full-bedged Socialhimself as a full-bedged Socialist and thereby increased the Socialist strength in the house to 34 members. In joining the caucus of the Socialist house members he only formally, so to say, signed a pledge that for a long time back has been the criterion of all his political actions. The mayor has a reputation for integrity and ability almost beyond criticism and the lamentations of the capitalist press—conservative as well as liberal—attests in the most forcible manner the extent of the Socialist victory. It matters pertaining to propaganda, organization and financial affairs within such state or territory; their activity shall be confined to respective organizations, AND THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE OR —attests in the most forcible manner the extent of the Socialist victory. It is not the accession to the party of this one man that makes the triumph so great, but the fact that he, the leader of the ultra-liberal sentiment in Sweden, by this step, admits that liberty's only hope rests in Socialism. Seeing that Copenhagen already has a Socialist mayor, it is not hard to understand the chagrin felt by the reactionaries in the Scandinavian countries over this new tribula-NO RIGHT TO INTERFERE IN SUCH MATTERS WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THEIR RESPECTIVE STATE OR TERRITORIAL ORGANIZATIONS."

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SUGGESTIVE DISCUSSION

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 16, 1909 To the National Committee

Comrades:

Herewith Is submitted National Committee Referendum No. 3, Motion No. 3, by James F. Carey, National Committee member for Masachusetts. The motion was supported by the following members of the Committee: Perrin, Ark.; Bule, Colo.; McLevy, Conn.: Cubp. Md.; Williams, Minn.; Barzee, Ore.; Jensen and Herman, Wash.; the amendment by Comrade Berger was supported by Comrade Jensen of Washington, Lacking the necessary support it is not submitted.

MOTION NO. 3.

"That all future ballots for National Executive Committee and National Secretary shall include in addition to the name, the trade, occupation or profession of the candidate."

I do not know that my motion cov-ers all that I wish but it will at least call attention to the need of giving the members some information con-cerning the candidate, for National

formation will aid the members in se-lecting occasionally a working man or woman upon the National Executive very first cursed our movement, and which reached its logical development when at the first congress of the old later when consist of 2 lawyers, 2 professional witers, 1 millionaire (so referred to), 1 min lister, 1 business man, make it a subject for humorous reference by those militant workers outside the Party, and salould these militant workers outside the Party, and salould these militant workers decide as they will eventually to go into politics on the basis of class in terests the intellectual front our party would present would be awesome. I have no objection to the incoming of so-called "Intellectuals" into our party and no complaint against the committee, but if the Working Class are to emancipate themselves, lets give them a chance.

This is my first motion as a member of the National Committee and as 1 am not a candidate for re-election it may be my last chance to call the attention of the members to the fact that our Party is among other things a "Man building machine" and that in this particular it may be dimproved."

COMMENT BY C. W. BRAZEE OF OREAL OF OREGON.

Vote will close March 9th.

Fraternally submitted,

"If the Socialist Party be a non-"propertied". Working Class move-ment, the party would present itself better to every one if its management were assumed by members selected from its own class.

Be the selection as it may suit the

from its own class.

Be the selection as it may suit the members, the propertied class members who are allied with the party certainly can well afford to give the Proletariat every opportunity to so present the party to the voters.

There are no reasons for the suspicions of the Proletariat, by the propertied members within the party who desire the overthrow of the profit system; while there are reasons (and good ones, too.) for suspicion of the propertied interests within the party by the non-propertied members when our national platform is made up of Reform Propertied Class measures.

We do not destroy property or wealth when we place human interests above property interests; we simply set a guard about it so it will not be destroyed. Let us not fear the overthrow of the profit system, as all wealth or property would remain for use. Let us rather fear the consequences if it be not overthrown and the people come to their own.

Comrade Berger says the cure for democracy is more democracy. Let's make the same application in the management of the party."

COMMENT BY IRA CULP OF MARYLAND.

1 second this motion for the above reason, though I am opposed to it for insulted the Socialist Party of this following reasons: Education, general and specialized, is worth any thing, and Socialists know that intelligence must precede emancipation, it will help us to solve the problems of life, those of emancipation as well as all others, and certainly those best acquainted with the processes of Cap. acquainted with the processes of Cap-italism are the best fitted as teachers Class.

count.

How many articles are written to convince those classes that they are only servants after all and that when Capitalist development is completed Capitalism will have no use for them, and now it is proposed, if possible, to raise class distinctions among the dependent class, so that the intelligence of the intellectuals shall not be available in the work of emancipation.

late national campaign he was on the pay roll of the Republican party. While we do not need the services of the National Organization in order to carry on our campaign of organization and education, we nevertheless consider it an injustice to the party in this state to exclude us in this manner upon the mere protest of non-

is a discredit to strike for freedom, "intellectual" as well as industrial, and that the "intellectual" and the stringgle, or that the "intellectual" in the stringgle, or that the "intellectual" is more likely to seab than the other. The "intellectuals" are no more the servants of Capitlaism than other workers upon whose votes the Capitalists must depend for their power and privileges. It seems to me it is about time for the kettle to quit calling the pot black.

I believe in the broadest possible training of all for this struggle along the lines indicated by me a year ago, but I do not believe in permitting of forcing such distinctions as are aimed for by this motion.

I believe I have as mercilessly criticised at least one member of the N. E. C. and I shall do the same for any official Socialist who I think abandons the Working Class struggle, but once in the party all should stand absolutely upon the same rights and privileges without regard to mevious con-

"I am opposed to Comrade Carey's motion as offered, and equally so as amended by Comrade Berger. It is a manifestation of that absurd, "Anti-Intellectualism" which has from the very first cursed our movement, and which reached its logical development when, at the first congress of the old International the precursor of our movement, and which reached its logical development when, at the first congress of the old International the precursor of our movement, and the first congress of the old International the precursor of our movement, and the first congress of the old International the precursor of our movement, and the first congress of the old International the precursor of our movement, and the first condition of the streets leading.

Vote will close March 9th. Fraternally submitted,
J. MAHLON BARNES,
National Secretary.

HERMAN WRITES STRONG

National Committee Motion to be Submitted When Supported by the Requisite Number of Members.

Mahlon Barnes. Dear Comrade:

Please submit the following motion to the National Committee:

That the S. P. of Washingtonlong as they comply with the requirequences if it be not overthrown and the people come to their own.

Reform tactics continue starvation principles, while revolutionary tactics mean plenty for all.

The course for the course for the national constitution—receive the same consideration from the N. E. C. as any other state in the Union.

COMMENT.

It is evident that the motion submitted by Comrade Jensen and myself The "Times" would give them all a on Dec. 28, 1908, is not to be put to a vote of the N. C. I feel that the ac- "Socialist" would give them a big "I second the motion of James F. tion of the N. E. C. in their session of Carey; not because I am in favor of it, but that the question may be discussed; and upon this motion please submit the following comment with the in Washington the National Organization send no Organization s ing to the nature of the controversy having some sense when they come tion send no Organizer or Lecturer to I second this motion for the above that state for the present," grossly

italism are the best fitted as teachers and leaders in overthrowing it.

The usual objection to the educated classes is that they are the well fed and coddled workers who are making possible the real Capitalism of today. If the theory of economic determinism is true, these are seeing the inevitability of Socialism on that account.

Several years ago he was expelled from the S. P. in Seattle for conspiring with others to deliver the union above to the Republicans in a municipal campaign and it is stated upon good authority that during the late national campaign he was on the count.

manner upon the mere protest of non-

are to do so.

Which division of the Proletarian truthfully say that their action did on an equal social footing, regardless

the violation of the National Consti tution by our N. E. C.

Fraternally submitted, EMIL M. HERMAN. National Committee Member from Washington.

SEATTLE NOTES

is Local Seattle a "Suppressed Pact?" Not if we know anything about it. We are still up and doing. The "P-I." has so far been unsuccessful in its effort to capture the Socialist Party.

Those comrades and friends who at tended the entertainment given in the

Those comrades and irrelus wild at tended the entertalnment given in the new Local headquarters, Saturday, Feb. 13, will appreciate the fact that Local Scattle is still wide awake. All our friends together with our friends' friends are again cordially in-vited to another blowout given tonight

official Socialist who I think abandons the Working Class struggle, but once in the party all should stand absolutely upon the same rights and privileges without regard to previous conditions of servitude."

COMMENT BY JOHN SPARGO OF NEW YORK.

Wield to another blowout given tonight (Saturday). We expect to surpass ourselves on this occasion. There will be musical numbers, some fine vocal selections, recitations, dancing and will be charged. These affairs are held mainly for the purpose of getting acquainted with one another.

up of a collection does not constitute begging, as long as it was not used for the personal benefit of the person doing the collecting.

Judge Gordon recognized the au-thority of DeBruler, who is State chairman of the Republican Commit-tee, and therefore Gordon's superior, and promptly dismissed the case.

The Party still has a room for rent in the new headquarters. It can be had at a very reasonable rate.

Time and regard for the editor forbid me saying any more.

ARTHUR JENSEN,

NOTES

You should see The Seattle Sur day "Times" of February 14th! Just think, 188 pages of Seattle's greatness, of Washington's majesty and the supremacy of the Pacific coast!

In spite of the literary flights which accompany the full page illustrations, the paper is full of articles on Desti tute Children, Charitable Institutions, Poverty of the Farmer, and innumer able Hard Luck stories. (And yet the Socialists are the only knockers.) sop of charity and pass on. The enough dose of Surplus Yalue to go to their heads, and trust to their to again.

The government is going to have a grand exhibit at the A. Y. P. E. All the governmental developments, inin close relation to the wage workers will be the warships and the demonstrations of the sub-marine, which will show you just how you can be blown skyward if you so desire.

Oh, yes, there is one more thing too. There is to be-a collection of pictures showing the method of con finement, treatment, and labor of con victs in the United States peniten tiaries. All wage workers should see that. It may be a foretaste of the joys to come.

Col. Blethen is telling about new clubs for desirable, sturdy young men of the intellectuals shall not be available in the work of emancipation.

I am opposed to asking any questions of the members of the Proletarian army, and demand only that one of their servants shall always act in harmony with the principles of the class struggle, or be removed for failure to go so.

I am opposed to asking any questions of any size. The club houses are to be known as the Armories and their comforts are to be free for all who meet the requirements. It is the only place, evidently, where men can congregate the side of the club houses and their comforts are to be free for all who meet the requirements. It is the only place, evidently, where men can congregate which are being founded in all fown

which division of the Proletarian army furnishes the spies and scabs on the labor unions? Assuredly not the intellectuals. It is claimed that it is not the purpose to make invidious distinctions or discriminations or to raise prejudices; then I say it (this bottom) has no purpose. The Capitalist class could get nothing into the Socialist plan of campaign that would suit them better than this motion. It will raise suspicions and divisions mong the Proletarians, which is the only way the movement can be checked or destroyed. I would expect that kind of a motion from a Capitalist spy and union disrupter, but not from James F. Carey, the uncompromising Socialist.

The working man that will allow himself to be overawed by any one will never become a Socialist. That reason is weak. It sounds like an S. I. Pite's talk.

There are so many fings at lawyers, writers, doctors and preachers and intellectuals in general that one will think that the workers couldn't use or employ intelligence at all in their work of emancipation; that it

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EXTREMES MEET

in Seattle and Washington seem likely variable Rule of Practice applicable to effect a union of forces. There is a without regard to unforeseen and unreason. Both extremes are Utopian.

actual life fit this mental scheme of force facts to fit theories.

We call this Utopian because it con controlled by such Utopian motives, his preconceived scheme of things. as the history of Christianity proves. cal project must be constructed on lute annihilation of the Wage System this fact, as the Proletarian Political But he does not act impossibly, but Party is in all lands

ist is equally Utopian. He too ig- conditions, if only for a season nores actualities. He tries to make In a word, the true Socialist is prac to America in spite of the terrible nize common sense fact of Race Antagonism. Or because Utopian extremes have certainly Marx and Engels urged Proletarians of all lands to unite, the Impossibilist Burgess and Sadler clasp hands.

"Opportunists" and "Impossibilists" | accepts that pregnant appeal as an inadjustable conditions; instead of rec Utopians are those who build in ognizing the Spirit of Marxism, name their minds a scheme of things as ly, the derivation of theories from they ought to be and then try to make facts, not the irrational attempt to

It was the Impossibilist Utopian The Oportunist Utopian just now is again who voted to strike out all statemuch in evidence as the "Christian ment of a Program of Demands from Socialist." His mental "scheme of the Socialist Party Platform at the things" assumes the "Brotherhood of Chicago Convention last May, 'He Man," and he calculates that Social wants "the whole thing or nothing." ism will be furthered by appealing to He is opposed to spending any ener-the innate brotherliness of men. He gy in securing better school houses or really dreams of seeing the rich capi- relief of the Unemployed or a shorter talist lending his aid to the establish work day. He wants only "the aboliment of the Co-operative Common tion of the Wage System," that and wealth. He pictures the beauties of that only. That is impossible at presthat new system, where the Spirit of ent. He knows it is impossible for Jesus will be practicable, and expects years to come. But he continues to to get effective support for the Prole- call for it right now and for nothing tarian Revolution from those bene eise. That is why he is called an ficiaries of the present order who can impossibilist. He will not work for be shown the superior ethics of Fu-the immediate Possible at all. He prefers to starve his children rather than advocate free meals for them. structs a Utopia as the basis for hu- He is a Utopian, vainly and foolishly man motives. Men are not ordinarily trying to make the world as it is fit

The Straight, Middle-of-the-Road The cold fact of Scientific observation Scientific Socialist never loses sight is, men in the mass are controlled by of the Proletarian Revolution as the their self interests and any practi- only way of Emancipation, the abso-

takes advantage of every possible On the other hand, the Impossibil- present gain to improve Proletarian

life fit his pet scheme of things, in- tical as well as revoluntionary. He stead of taking men-as they are. Be- has no Opportunist Utopian hopes concause the Japanese are fellow men, trary to the observed facts of human he actually joins hands with the Chris- experience nor any Impossibilist Utoptian Opportunist in welcoming them ian "logic" which refuses to recog-

met in Washington when Mills, Brown

DISCOURAGED

A reaction has followed the enthu siasm of the elections. Many fairweather Socialists are discouraged be It was only a fad, not even equalling cause the Socialist Party vote was so Populism and people were pect. Locals which ran up their memagain. The votes cast for National officers of the Party during January the number cast in 1908, though the membership rolls figure up nearly double. There is plainly a reaction

report a general feeling of discour- ist Movement, which the Capitalist to Socialism, while the older comrades are buckling down to fresh endeavor. The Capitalist editors too own ashes more alive than before.

much less than they were led to ex- scared preceding the last election. They paid too much attention to Sobership last fall are now falling away cialism. It has had its day. So say those whose hope is father to their thought. are only a few hundred in excess of It is the Utopian Socialist alone who is discouraged, or the untaught So-

feel correspondingly encouraged and

assure us Socialism has had its day.

cialist. The Scientific Socialist, the and a falling away, both in numbers one who is acquainted with Socialist literature, pever loses heart. This is Organizers and lecturers on the field the surprising thing about the Social-

The Proletarian who has studied history, who knows his "Communist Undesirable Manifesto" or his "Socialism from Utopia to Science" is as calmir or Utopia to Science," is as calmly con-Citizen fident of victory as the predestinarian Christian is sure of going to heaven; and for the same reason, he knows the "Power behind Evolution" is on his side. "Economic Determinism" forms the analogue of "Predestination," only it has a scientific basis. The Wage Worker who has read Marx and Engels is aware that his class has a mission in Society which no power can annul. It is more irrevocable than any laws of Mede and Persian Because Machinery is here and the Capitalistic Class is here and Surplus Value is here, therefore the Proletarian millions are here and will conquer their "right to Life, Lib-

erty and the Pursuit of Happiness," just as certainly as Ten are greater than One.

The Scientific Socialist is the one

Defeat never defeats him. All the Christian aphorisms are litwork together for good." "The blood His Comrades sweep on to victory. of the martyrs is the seed of the Discouraged? We know not the church." Put in more modern phrase: meaning of the word.

ho knows this. He cannot be dis-"Look every man in the face and tell It is this rational co

erally true of him. "God and one this scientific conviction, which makes are a majority." "Truth crushed to the Marxist serene under all apparen earth shall rise again." "All things reverses. He smiles while he dies

"P.-I." MOTIVES

The Republican organ of Seattle is the Motive actuating this great capiagainst the regular Socialist Party in est Trust on Earth, in this determinthat city.

It is an unparalleled situation. aper, now controlled by the Standard All business communications should be addressed to TRUSTEE PRINT. Oil interests, is printing columns each week, all aimed to disrupt the Socialist Local.

The "Post-intelligencer" has desigsult with Mills, Brown, Parks, Day and others who are moving heaven Hunt is no Socialist, yet he attends all meetings of the Local and has that the public generally and even Capitalist tools and emissaries. Yet the other dallies have got the idea such is the fact. that the Socialist Party must be a mob of thugs.

This practice has greatly encour aged all the malcontents and enemies of the organization and frightened off all the weak-kneed.

Hunt even superintends rival meetings held for the purpose of opposing the Local. He gives a whole column to meetings of a dozen or so, gathered together by his own advertising. and reports them as being attended by 30 or 40, engaged in the righteous attempt "to overthrow the Titus dynasty."

These "P.-I. Socialists" include the M. I. Socialists (Mills "Independents"), the B. I. Socialists (Brown "Imbeciles"), the D. I. Socialists (Day 'Insurgents"), besides several other brands. They are all grist for the Standard Oil "P.-I." mill to grind into feed for the gullible public hungry scious Socialists."

eading and organizing the fight talist paper, representing the Great ed attack on the Socialist Party of Seattle and Washington? Remember that last week, this paper openly demanded the expulsion of practically every prominent official in the Social ist State Organization, especially nam ing Krueger, Herman, Wagenknecht Ault, the two Tituses, Jensen and Calnated a special reporter, Hunt, to con- laham. Remember this demand was made at a meeting in E. J. Brown's and earth to break up Local Seattle. Hunt, the reporter of the "Post-Intelligencer," a man who never pretended to be a Socialist. It seems incredalarming stories read like reports of ible that even Reform Socialists could a great war in progress. So much so be found to be so openly managed by

> The question, Why the "P.-I." goes to this trouble to down Revolutionary Socialism in Washington, is easily an-

In December last, this Republican organ had a leading editorial calling attention to the fact disclosed by the Election Returns, that the State of Washington had cast the highest per centage Socialist vote in the United

That is "the Nigger in the Wood pile." Revolutionary Socialism is dangerous to Rockefeller. Reform Socialism is not. Washington Socialism is Revolutionary and it is gaining votes faster than any other State.

That is precisely Why the "Post-Intelligencer" is engaged in waging war on the present State Socialist organization in Washington

IT IS TOO SUCCESSFUL. And the "P.-I." is using the M. I.s and the B. six weeks faithfully. When we get a for anything against these "Class Con- I.s and the D. I.s to pull the S. O. chestnuts out of the fire.

Now the question arises, What is "What fools these Mortals be!"

AN ANSWER

By Tom Sladden

"Would you allow Japanese labor to crowd out white labor on the Pacific Coast?" is an inquiry addressed to the "Oregonian." Certainly the "Oregonian" wuld prefer that it should not. But is white labor efficient? Will it continue to be efficient? The crux of the question is here. It needn't be addressed to the "Oregonian." But the "Oregonian" will address it to the representatives of white labor, as far as it can reach them

· Is white labor efficient? In these few words are concealed a world of meaning. It is an effective way the "Oregonian" has of concealing its real meaning. We will try and strip it and leave it in its nakedness. What it means is this: Is white labor as Cheap? What that old reprobate, in that intellectual den of debauchery topped off with a tower means is: If we, the capitalists of the United States, can get as much work done by Japanese, Chinese, Hindoos, or monkeys for that matter, by working them long hours and feeding them on slaughter house refuse, as we can by hiring American citizens, then we, the capitalists of these United States, are going to hire them and you brave American citizens can crawl off and starve, your children can go to the factories, your wives and daughters go to-the devil.

Reduced to a matter of efficiency that is what it means—nothing more-nothing less. What applies to the Japanese applies equally well to the Hindoos, for if efficiency is to be the only bar then it comes down to the simple struggle of Anglo-Saxon against Asiatic; who can do the most work on the least amount of food? The "Oregonian" talked differently a few years ago about protecting our poor, weak, inefficient baby industries from European competition. It is all right to protect millionaire manufacturers but it is wrong in the eyes of the "Oregonian" to protect the honest toiler and secure him so that he can bring up his family as haman beings should be.

You brave American citizens who have been the food for came on every battlefield, you whose strong arms have transformed a wilderness populated by naked savages into the garden spot of the world, ose hard work in the last century has made the United States the foremost industrial nation on earth, you today are being too well fed and must make as much profits for your masters as they can make "whose life is misery, and fear, and care; whom the morn wakens but to fruitless toil," you must either come to a rice diet and become as efficient a source of profit as a Chinaman or a Hindoo, or get off Harvey Scott's and Rockefeller's earth.

But will we? Mark you, pen wizard of an intellectually bankrupt class; there are many factors which go to make and must be considered in cheapness.

Two hundred thousand Asiatics working for ninety cents a day and one hundred thousand soldiers to keep order at an average expense of \$5.00 a day for every soldier and their keep will stand the capitalists of the Pacific coast \$3.40 a day for Aslatic labor. It will not take the head bookkeeper of the "Oregonian" many minutes to figure out the profit on a venture of this kind. When white laborers get hungry, the Pacific coast will be a dangerous place for Asiatics and newspaper editors of the "Oregonian" stripe. British Columbia last winter was the handwriting on the wall. At that time the struggle for an existence will be at its height.

The editorial bungler that wrote the paragraph at the head of this article regarding efficiency, is not as efficient himself as he might be; for while he clearly points out the struggle for an existence on one side he ignores it on the other. When Asiatic labor has driven out white labor and when white labor, driven like a rat to a corner, does turn, on that day it will be Black Friday for Capitalism and the "Oregonian."

No. Mr. Editor, you need not ask the representatives of labor to take heed, it is getting time for others to take heed and the rumbling voice of the giant awakening should be sufficient warning.

The working class are demanding legislation, their demands are igeon-holed in corporation-owned legislatures and buried in committees. They are demanding protection, their voice is weak but their arms are strong, their numbers legion, and if their weak voice is not heard their strong arm will be felt. Ninety per cent of the people of the Paicfic Coast are echoing the cry-no more Asiatic immigration, and the ten per cent of manufacturers, business men and newspaper pirates had better take warning

With Asiatics in your mills you had better put Asiatics behind your guns. And seeing that the "Oregonian" believes in Asiatic efficiency the best thing for labor to do is to make a start by allowing the "Oregonian" be sold to Asiatic instead of to American workingmen.

If the Anglo-Saxon working man would quietly lie down and allow himself to be degraded and his standard of living reduced, then Anglo-Saxon labor would be unfit to survive. But the American laborer whose Saxon moor would be until to survive. But the american moore strong right arm has stricken the shackles from the black slaves will rise in his might, his voice will be heard in the counsels of Nations and labor triumphant will survive the degenerate Capitalist exploiters and their chattels, their hired intellectual bootblacks an editorial prostitutes. THOMAS A. SLADDEN.

THE WOMAN

By Bessie Fiset

For the Progressive Woman to de velop into the Socialist Woman is what is to be hoped for, but for "The Socialist Woman" to drop down to "The Progressive Woman" is sad!

Dates arranged by the State Woman's Committee for the southern part of the state-Yelm, Aberdeen, Elma, days owing to the fact that Comrade Hattie Titus is sick with the grippe, and will be unable to start out at the appointed time.

The Woman's State Committee has been doing a lot of general work in the way of organization among the Locals which have been interested in the Woman's Work. We would like to office, advertised and engineered by keep this going if possible, but if the Woman's Committee is to bear all the expenses of such work it will be an impossibility, for we simply haven't enough of a reserve fund. Of course if all the Locals were really interested in this branch of the work and took even one dollar's worth of stamps it would boost things along greatly. Please don't any Local think that be cause you can't dispose of six or seven dollars' worth of stamps that there is no need to try. We will be grateful for anything, for we're not proud if we are good looking!

> I hope you all realize that Lent is here and to be in style we must mortify the flesh-at least to the extent of doing without sandy and the theatre and automobile rides-in fact the things we are in the habit of doing without. However, we might emulate the hypocrites to this extent: That we spend say one half hour a daynot in prayer-but in good solid study Suppose we constitute ourselves into so many study clubs of one, and take up Vail's "Socialist Movement" as a starter, and work at that for the next chance let us go over it with some other comrade, getting fresh views and practicing the art of expressing our own views

I say so many things in fun that lots of people think I can't be in earnest, but I really am in sober and yet enthusiastic earnest right now. Think this thing over and decide on doing it (whether you happen to be a man or a woman), then write to Comrade Eleanor Herman, care Box 52, Seattle, telling her you have your club started ready for its first meeting. If you have no copy of Vail's "Socialist Movement" send in twelve (12) cents in stamps to cover price of book and postage and a copy will be sent you by return mail. Then get down to usiness and work at it. Make yourself absolutely familiar with the Revolutionary character of the movement and why it has to be such. Get the contents of that little book so firmly planted in your mind that nothing can joggle it out and so that you will be able to apply the Law of Surplus Value at any and all times!

At the end of the six weeks-when Easter comes along and you have the pleasure (?) of gazing at the animated Fashion Plates - made possible by Surplus Value-you will be about ripe for a good paper on the "Socialist Movement."

It is impossible that we can form classes for the study of Scientific Socialism all over the state, but it is certainly possible for every woman in the state to take up this individual study for herself, and when once this firm foundation is laid you will be in a position to appreciate the very best thought in the movement and none but the best.

Let Comrade Herman have your name right away, whether you have the "Socialist Movement" or have to send shall look forward to the end of the six weeks in the hope that "The Socialist" will have a fine, clear paper on "The Socialist Movement" to publish, written by one of the women comrades who has done this work for

It is going to be a great day when the Socialists quit their soap boxing stunts and agree that finally they have stirred up enough class con sciousness in the minds of the workers and lead the whole bunch to the polls to vote and stand pat for what belongs to them and, if that won't do, to go in and naturally take it.

Can it be done? It must be done! But it will take agitation, agitation, agitation! Education, education, education.. ORGANIZATION, ORGANI-ZATION, ORGANIZATION! Then in auguration, inauguration, inauguration of Socialism. Are you willing to do your share? If you are get down and attend to business!

How about it, Mr. Wage Worker? Did you let that boy and girl of yours go to school last Friday and salute Old Glory? I'll bet dollars to dough nuts you did!

Poor old Abe! Maybe be is getting flag, I'm thinking.

The Nation's Pride is coming home They say there is a Socialist Local herewith \$ on almost every battle ship, and that Presidio at San Francisco every week. It will be interesting to note how soon measures will be taken to stop this Revolutionary sentiment.

THE ANSWER

Although the readers of "The Socialist" have barely learned by this time of the dastardly attempt of E. J. Brown and his confreres to put the paper out of business, the reply has been prompt and gratifying. Certainly our old supporters do not want to see the paper go out of business, and they have proved their good faith by their good deeds as the following list shows:

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Every mail brings more responses. Even many who have in the past given us no support are disgusted at the open alliance between Brown and the "P.-I." and are doing their part to put that combination out of business.

Comrades, "The Socialist" is the center of the attack of this opportunist - capitalist cabal. They feel that if they can get rid of this paper the Revolutionary Socialists will have no adequate means of communication and defense and nothing will stand in the way of the "P.-I." Socialists capturing the party.

This week we were forced to pay more than \$100.00 in addition to the regular expenses, alt on account of Brown's dirty trick. Most of this will have to be raised before the next issue of the paper. Let's see if we can't get it out on time.

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