

FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

National Secretary, J. Mahlon Barnes, 205 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

The National Executive Committee has been called upon to set a date for the next meeting by correspondence.

Advices are at hand to the effect that January 22, 1936, "Bloody Sunday," will be observed by Local Clubs, Mass. and Allegheny Co., Pa.

The state secretary of Oregon reported that Comrade Ramp had resigned as a member of the National Committee by a referendum vote of 14 to 34.

The report of the Committee to the National Convention on "State and National Program" has been forwarded to a referendum of the entire party membership early in the new year.

Notes for National Lecturers and Speakers for the coming week are: Teofil Petrella, Dec. 5, Ashabua, Ill.; John W. Slayton, Dec. 31, Elma, Pa.; Jan. 1, Erie, Pa.; 2, Olympia, Wash.; Tacoma, Wash., Seattle.

The Texas vote on referendum "B" was held at the Comrade's Club on Saturday, Dec. 20, 1935. The following were the results: First amendment: yes 65, no 35. Second amendment: yes 77, no 23.

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of the interested comrades in order to prevent the war.

At the same time the parties of the revolution should be urged to elect the Secretary of the Bureau, and a Bureau of the International Socialist League to be held in Moscow, there after as possible for the purpose of setting the most appropriate measures to be taken by the appropriate National Socialist movement, and the working class to prevent the war.

Letter From Comrades Wentworth and Gibbs.
Worcester, Mass., Dec. 14, 1935.

We, the undersigned members of the National Committee from the state of Massachusetts heartily endorse the appeal by Comrades Wentworth and Gibbs in behalf of a referendum for the Russian revolution.

We also urge the adoption of the plans suggested by Comrade Gibbs in his letter of the 12th of November, 1935, and that some of our best members be engaged at once to address meetings throughout the state and to raise money in behalf of the Russian revolution.

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AN ARGUMENT FOR THE I. W. W.

To the Socialist!
Dear Comrades: Will you kindly allow me space in your valuable paper for the discussion of a question which seems to me of vital importance to the I. W. W.

In the near future the members of our party will be invited to express themselves either for or against this industrial organization, and I sincerely hope that they will consider well before casting their vote on this important question.

For the workers fighting class, other than the I. W. W., I am in favor of this new economic movement because I believe that the working class in order to achieve their emancipation must be thoroughly organized and led by the political and economic field.

The present attitude of the S. P. toward the trade union movement seems to me to be absurd and ridiculous. The trade union movement is a class movement.

We encourage economic organization, but persistently refuse to point our fingers at the political and economic field. We encourage economic organization, but persistently refuse to point our fingers at the political and economic field.

"But" I hear some well-meaning comrades say, "We will lose votes by this action." Suppose we do? Is our mission as a party to win votes?

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FOREIGN
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MASSACHUSETTS
The Socialist Party of Massachusetts has held a meeting at the home of Mrs. J. W. Cutting, 699 Washington Street, Boston, on December 10, 1935.

GENERAL
The "Social Democratic Herald" says that "of the nine laws the Socialist Party of the U.S. has passed in active enforcement, eight were for the benefit of labor."

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

In the next issue of THE SOCIALIST there will begin a series of articles by Comrade Herman F. Titus, entitled "Reform Socialism and Revolutionary Socialism." This series is intended to treat fully and clearly with the essential differences between the municipal ownership reform and independent movements, now taking shape throughout the country, and the Socialist Party. The articles will take up each phase of the question involved and present the principles and tactics of the Socialist Party, from the standpoint of Revolutionary Socialism. They will afterwards be published in pamphlet form, available for wide circulation.

Comrade Titus has considered the matter very carefully because it appears to be essential at this time to define with unmistakable clearness the revolutionary Socialist position upon current political and industrial questions as distinguished from the reform and opportunist positions. While complete details cannot be given at this writing, it is not too much to predict that this series will prove of great educational value and of interest to Socialists and non-Socialists alike.

- The articles will appear under the following chapters: I. Two Kinds of Socialism. II. Principles of Revolutionary Socialism. III. Principles of Reform Socialism. IV. Tactics of Revolutionary Socialism. V. Tactics of Reform Socialism. VI. Crisis in American Socialism. In addition to the foregoing there will also begin early in January a series of articles by Arthur E. Fowler, of Seattle, entitled "The Capture of China by Capital." Comrade Fowler, who will be remembered as cartoonist for THE SOCIALIST, while it was in Seattle, is primed with information for this series. He is coming to the Socialist Party, and has original ideas on what all this means to the workers of the world. Comrade Fowler will probably illustrate his articles with some of his inimitable pictures and readers of THE SOCIALIST are earnestly recommended to read them.

Besides these two articles THE SOCIALIST will continue during the year 1906 to follow the same course which has made it unique in its line and a Socialist Party in the fullest sense.

OUR BOOK DEPARTMENT

A glance over the advertisement of the Progressive Book Store will show several additions to the list of books which can be secured at very low prices. We shall change this list constantly, so that our readers should watch it carefully every week.

The first edition of the book list which we had printed about two months ago is exhausted and a second edition, revised and enlarged, is being prepared. Of course, we cannot attempt to give, either in The Socialist or the separate book list, the names of all the books we have in stock, or can procure upon request. If you want to know anything about a certain book, write to us and give us a change of your order.

In answer to inquiry, we will say that "The Progressive Book Store" is in connection with The Socialist and for the sole purpose of helping to provide an additional source of revenue for the paper. Whatever profits accrue from the sale of literature, toward supporting the paper. There is on a main street and although only established about three weeks a good patronage is being received. A full line of Socialist and radical literature is carried and displayed, and all the current monthly and weekly magazines are on sale. The store is run by The Socialist force, so that we have plenty of work to do to keep both paper and store going.

Then the mail order business is increasing most encouragingly. During the past week orders for books have been received from Ohio, Indiana, Kansas, Pennsylvania, Montana, Washington, and Nevada. The profit from these orders also goes into The Socialist. We are working these side lines (book store and mail order) because something had to be done to relieve the burden of expense on The Socialist, and which has been very heavy to bear this year. We are glad to be able to say that the outlook is brighter for several months past than we have had for some time. Our faithful friends, The Socialist, will feel glad to receive greater usefulness through an extended circulation.

SPECIAL COMBINATION

During the remainder of December, and the month of January, we shall send, postpaid to any address, for \$1.00 the following four 25-cent books: War of the Classes, by Jack London. Mass and Class, by W. J. Ghent. Poverty, by Robert Hunter. Modern Socialism, by Chas. H. Vail.

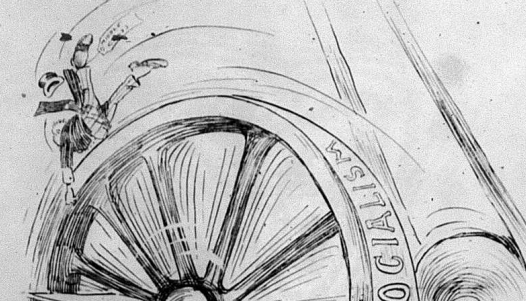
The usual price of these four, with postage, is \$1.20. We send them and pay postage for \$1.00.

Party News

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and encouragement to the Russian revolutionists was held in Paris Monday evening, December 11, in the Salle de la Grande, the largest hall in the city, with the purpose of over 4,000 people present, many being turned away. Several speakers addressed the meeting, Comrade James making the greatest hit. Resolutions were adopted, and encouragement to the workers of Russia were adopted unanimously.

In the recent relation-foreign affairs in the German Reichstag, the prime minister spoke in a very provocative tone, and to the effect that the nation to read on the talk of the German eagle. Later in the week he declared that Germany would never allow the name to be mentioned in his reply. Bell showed up German aggression in all parts of the world, and threatened that the German classes made the workers' fathersland intolerable they should be exterminated. The next day, in the French chamber of deputies, James responded by a magnificent denunciation, showing how Germany was demoralizing the state, and how she was slandering before the royal palace, and German and English workmen were being persecuted. The day after the two countries would be criminal folly.



APOSTACY OF BURNS

From "Justice," London, Eng. organ of the Socialist Federation. One ministerial appointment we view with supreme satisfaction. It is doubtless any one of Mr. John Burns' warmest friends is most gratified by his accession to office than we are. As yet our condemnation of his betrayal of his class stands fully and clearly justified by this crowning act of treachery. Brazenly and unashamed, he puts the seal upon his treason, and accepts the reward of his recreancy. Years ago we denounced him when he ratted from the Social Democratic Federation and threw in his lot with the capitalist Liberal faction. We then declared our opinion that he had sold out to the Liberals, and from time to time cited evidence of his treachery to the working class, as, for instance, when in the house of commons he denounced Augustus Featherstone butcher; an infamous crime which even a mild Liberal-Labour man like Sam Woods condemned. But no; the great body of the working-class would not admit that Burns had done anything wrong. To abandon Socialism, that was nothing; the majority of working-men are not socialists; to desert and betray the Social Democratic Federation—the only which had made a public career possible for him—that was almost a meritorious act. Was not this the aim of the Social Democratic Federation a body of intolerant fanatics, putting principle before popularity, and the emancipation of the working-class before personal ambition? Burns was a good man, in spite of or even because of that. Now, however, we imagine that everybody will see the truth, and that, as a labor leader, his career has closed with his acceptance of the handsome salary which his Liberal employers have now given him.

A Lost Leader. While we cannot but rejoice that Burns should have at last received the price of his apostacy, and that, to the sight of all men, so that all may know him for what he is, it is impossible not to feel the pity of it all. What a sorry ambition for a man with Burns' opportunities to be a member of the Liberal time-server and officeholder, when he might have owned and gratified a great, stronger, and nobler ambition! He might have been the leader of a great, strong, united, militant working-class party. Such a position would have been worthy of the ambition of any man devoted to the people's cause. But that position can never now be filled by John Burns. I will devote on another, possessed of a greater sense of honor and truth, and who will give up the cause of his class, as far as Burns, he has decreed his own damnation, and the working-class movement is now well rid of him.

Paris, January 25. One more triumph for devils and sorcerers of the world! One wrong more to man, one more insult to God!

To Encourage the Others. How far behind their comrades of Continental countries in class-consciousness British working classes are is demonstrated by this crowning act of class betrayal in the career of John Burns. In no other country would such a career be possible. Not, it is understood, because the ruling classes there are less active or less eager to mobilize active leaders of the working-class, but because the workers themselves comprehend too clearly what any "honor" conferred upon one of their leaders by the governing class really means. Does anybody suppose, for a moment, that the likes of Liebknecht and Bebel, for instance, might not have had high office in the Imperial government of Germany? But the leaders of the German Social Democratic Party were too honest and too true to sell themselves to the enemy, and it is equally certain that anyone of them who had done so would have met with the reproach and contempt of the workers. It is only in England that a labor leader has been allowed to betray his class with impunity, and the price of his infamy has been actually regarded by those whom he has betrayed as an honor conferred on themselves. We hope, however, that that has been changed, and that Burns' recreancy will meet with such universal condemnation, as will deter any other man from following in his footsteps.

Worse Than Millard. The Alexander affair had not yet been forgotten in the International Socialist movement. We all know how the acceptance of office by Millard was denounced by the most active and best-known men in the Socialist Party of France. How it led to bitter strife and division in the party, and was at last made the subject of international condemnation and condemnation. Yet there was far more justification for Millard taking office than has ever existed for a professed representative of labor to take office in a capitalist administration in this country. No one doubts that the Republic was in imminent danger at the hands of the Cereals and Royalist enemy, and that the support of the Socialist Party was necessary, not only to enable the Waldeck-Rousseau ministry to retain office and defeat the reaction. For that reason Waldeck-Rousseau wanted Millard in the ministry. He wanted him there a hostage for the Socialist Party. But the most active of the Socialists repudiated Millard, and the international congress has decided that a Socialist is entirely out of place in a bourgeois ministry, and ought never to be in the ministry, which has always been circumstances, and with the consent of the party, and should build any more immediately the crisis is past or the party calls upon him to do so. Of course, none of these conditions apply to John Burns, who was repudiated by the party long ago.

Philadelphia Police vs. Free Speech. A scarcity of news on Christmas eve probably inspired the sending out by the Associated Press of a dispatch reporting the interference by the police with a meeting addressed by Ben Hanford in Philadelphia. The meeting was held last Sunday to sympathize with the victims of the atrocity in Russia and to raise funds for the revolution.

From all that can be gathered from what appears to be exaggerated and high-colored reports in the Philadelphia papers, an officious policeman (with perhaps too much Christmas good cheer under his belt), took exception to some remarks of Hanford's in criticism of the national administration. There was some excitement at the policeman's treatment, and an accident was reported that gentleman sending for a police party to save him from the "bad people" who were one of their mob in the meeting. "Thou shalt not kill." There was no need of the patrol, however. The Philadelphia Record reports Hanford as saying:

"You're Gar Nicholas, and your 'King' Rockefeller are not men," he said. "You're a pair of grey or, rather, cannibals, for driving his life lived of the extra money he earns in a cannibal, eating his flesh and drinking his life blood. They live on the fruits of our labor."

"Look at the awful conditions in Russia," he said. "The Russian people are starving. What would these so-called leaders do? I suppose Hearsay would say, 'Give them more money.' But the Russian people say, 'There are no classes' and 'give them a wage bill' and your 'Waver' says, 'Give them more money.' Have honest men in politics, but they'll never stop in Russia until they have won all three in the land. It's their. Why, after all the persecution they have had it is a wonder there is a single Jew left. Bar out of all this should we cause a government for the people to care for them and be independent."

Warned up by his subject he the spirit of the revolution. His remarks were continued. "And you don't see any possibility of making an arm to the right? Why don't you? William sent an army to help his brother Nick. He didn't send his army away from his own land. So it is with England and France. They're afraid to send an army to help Nick. And you say, if it came to a vote, you'd vote for the Cereals and industry. Roosevelt, however, sent an army to help Nick. For he, too, has trouble of his own. They are afraid to send them away."

Can't Rely on the Navies. At this point Hanford referred to the sinking of the Knave. He said that what has been done since can be done again. "The next time we give up, but will take and use the boats against the tyrants. And I notice since

The members of The Socialist force with the comrades of the Socialist Party a happy and prosperous New Year. To all who have been our friends and supporters we express our thanks and appreciation and we look forward with pleasure to another year of co-operation with them and with their friends who shall join us. Comrade Titus joins us in this greeting and hopes before long to be back and actively at work on the paper.

The Socialist Party has passed through some trials this year and there are probably more trials in store for it. But whatever comes The Socialist will always be on the side of the Revolutionary side and will stand by its comrades in the party who believe in this. We look forward to an increased circulation next year and to this end we ask the continued support of those old and new friends who understand and believe in the policy of the paper. We also ask the support of those in the movement who may not agree with the policy of the paper, but who are broad and earnest enough to believe that all sides of party questions should be presented to the membership of the party. We hope to give better and more concentrated service to the party this year than ever before, and to help in our own way to the accomplishment of the noblest goal mankind has yet conceived of.

There is no better cause to work for, as there is no better cause to die for. So a Happy New Year to all the members of our class, the Working Class, and may thousands of them this year come to see the light of Socialism breaking through the darkness of their wage slavery.

"At the Live Oaks." A Christmas greeting to The Socialist. May the New Year be one of happiness and prosperity to all the comrades in the sincere and hearty wish of yours faithfully and fraternally, BRENHOLTZ.

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