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Many Candidates in Party Referendum; Voting Starts

HERE are three candidates for the presidential nomination, two for the vice presidential nomination, 31 for the five positions as national executive committeemen and four for the national secretaryship on the ballots that are now being sent out to the 6,000 locals of the Socialist Party.

Balloting on these candidates will begin immediately and close alone, but with such means as March 1. It is expected that the results of this referendum will REVOLUTION IS THE ONLY be known at the party national REMEDY FOR DESPOTISM, cialist proposition. headquarters by March 10. WHETHER IT BE POLITICAL

At the last moment, when the OR INDUSTRIAL. ballots were about to be printed, Seymour Stedman, Chicago, paration for successful revoluwithdrew as a candidate for the tion we should abolish the pri-

various positions and their compel legislation allowing

FOR VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE:—George R. Kirkpatrick, Newark, N. J., and Kate Richards the murderers of humanity and

Newark, N. J., and Kate Richards O'Hare, St. Louis, Mo.

FOR NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN: — Adam Barth, Tacoma, Wash.; S. E. Beardsley, Shelton, Conn.; W. J. Bell, Tyler, Tex., Victor L. Berger, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Screel, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Lewis J. Duncan, Butte, Mont.; William L. Garver, Independence, Mo.; Winfield R. Gaylord, Milwaukee, Wisc.; George H. Goebel, Newark, N. J.; Job. Harriman, Los Angeles, Cal.; Morris Hillquit, New York City; Dan. Hogan, Huntington, Ark.; Fred W. Holt, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Fred E. Irish, Woodfords, Me.; John C. Kennedy, Chicago, Ill.; C. W. Kleihege, Lawrence, Kans.; T. E. Latimer, Minneapolis, Minn.; Arthur LeSueur, Fort Scott, Kans.; T. E. Latimer, Minneapolis, Minn.; Arthur LeSueur, Fort Scott, Kans.; T. S. McCrillis, DesMoines, Ia; And Malay New York City: San-O'Hare, St. Louis, Mo. ships of any kind, transports interi Nuorteva, Fitchburg, Mass.; William A. Prosser, Pittsburg, Pa.; C. E. Ruthenberg, Cleveland, O.; Kate Sadler, Milwaukie, Ore.; Herman Schlueter, New York City; A. M. Simons, Milwaukee, Wisc.; J. W. Siayton, Pittsburg, Pa.; J. W. Slayton, Pittsburg, Pa.; J. W. Slayton, Pittsburg, Pa.; John Spargo, Old Bennington, Vt., and John M. Work, Chicago.

FOR NATIONAL

FOR NATIONAL EXECUTIVE
SECRETARY:—Adopt Germer, Mt.
Olive, Ill.; L. E. Katterfeld, Everett,
Wash.; Walter Lanfersiek, Chicago, and Carl D. Thompson, Chicago.

tee, nearly all the candidates their rifles and ammunition in Listen: sent in statements giving their their homes. position on the question of militarism and preparedness. The statements received are as fol-

For President

By ALLAN L. BENSON. opposed to any addition danger of invasion than we have been at any other time in 100 years. I believe this danger, never great, will become less as the European belligerents proceed toward exhaustion. I bewhatever to our army and ForExecutive Committeemen war, first by alarming other pare for the extension of the eight pare for the extension of the eight in selling munitions of war to Europe, and they do not care that it means

not take boys from their homes into the army, nor can they be used to break strikes nor to attack any nation that is not far from home seeking trouble

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For Vice President

brotherhood.

CHICAGO, SATURDAY, JANUARY 15, 1916

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Treacherous Senate By LINCOLN PHIFER.

"This has gone far enough," Senator Stone. That ended it.

Mutiny had broken out in the senate. Under the prodding of the workers the dirty body actually criticized the capitalists.

A demand was made for an embargo on the shipment of war munitions to Europe. That was the So-

It was proposed that Americans be prohibited from going to Europe dur-ing the progress of the war. That was a Socialist proposition. As immediate steps in pre-

presidential nomination.

The names of those who have accepted the candidacies for the accepted the accepted the candidacies for the accepted the candidacies for the It was suggested that the govern-

residences are as follows:

FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE:—Allan L. Benson, Yonkers, N. Y.; Arthur LeSueur, Fort Scott, Kans.; James H. Maurer, Reading, Pa. BON MUCH DESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE:—BON MUCH DESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE:—BON MUCH DESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE:—Allan L. Benson, Yonkers, to the end that we may be prepared against hell's own

It was shown that Norway and Sweden had placed an embargo on shipment of war munitions. The

thousand rounds of ammunition, "The debate displayed unexpected

OTE.—An article in opposition to "preparedness" by George R was for just such emergencies that issue or be driven the veto was provided.

tack any nation that is not far from home seeking trouble.

By ARTHUR LE SUEUR.

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Ways the tool of the ruling class. America at the present time not only has a standing army, but the worst kind of a standing army, one of hired mercenaries. Our national defense force is mainly recruited from the submerged tenth" and is officered by trained aristocrafts.

A GUILTY PROSPERITY, MR. WILSON.

OU IMAGINE it a great thing for your administration, Mr. Wilson, that the panic is broken and a few criminals are making fortunes.

But it is a guilty prosperity, Mr. Wilson.

It rests entirely on supplying Europe with the means of murdering toilers.

Its hope for continuance lies wholly in being able to induce America to arm and finally begin the struggle for world conquest. There has been no effort whatever on the part of those in control of industry to revive

business by making things of real value. This is why you stand for preparedness. This is why the Kansas City Star and other papers of that ilk stand for preparedness. The masters will end prosperity unless you do and unless they do. The criminals in charge of things utterly refuse to revive business except on

the basis of destruction and conquest. You have surrendered to them. Mr. Wilson. It disgraces you that you have done so. In doing it you acknowledge that business is stronger than the government.

You have followed the example of your democratic predecessor, Buchanan, and admit

Your glory has departed, Mr. Wilson. You will soon go out, under a cloud.

Militarism Leads Straight To The Lynching Of Liberty.

By GEORGE R. KIRKPATRICK.

master for defending anything should multiply the profits of monopolized by his master? "prosperity" by 10 and suppose Capitalism rests on ignorance

The present cunning shout of the ignorance and guarantee the under capitalism, "our civilization" is most distinctly not intow defined and planned by the tended for the working class-

talist eless, deepens and no matter how abundant the files the workers' ignorance prosperity. equips for modalist-state operation and alism—alevery fifty miles or less of our coast, enlist every citizen between the ages of twenty and tween the ages of twenty and latest improved rifles and a to Uncle Sam.

Not but that they who have been way everyth and under all circumstant and faulty armor plate ing class.

To Decart and and under all circumstant and funds in the proudly shows its class power and its class defiance to the rulling class.

To Uncle Sam.

switt growth of the working biggest, finest, best things in and Carl D. Thompson, Chicago.

In response to the request of the national executive committeness. The national executive committeness of the reduction of the relationship of the national executive committeness. The national executive committeness of the relationship of the national executive committeness. The national executive committeness of the relationship of it would be promptly vetoed by the working class; President Wilson." Sure thing. It is that it must either onfuse the

Why should there not be an em- the old, old trick will be turned lowship.

war, first by alarming other peoples and causing them to arm against us, second by giving the American capitalist class a greater temptation to try to conquer markets by force of arms.

pare for the extension of the extension o times of peace and flattered, bled and robbed in times of war. In the present war, and in the ample naval authority for the statement that the invasion of continental United States could be resisted without a navy. Mines have for 17 months defended both the German coast and the German navy. Mines do not take here a capitalist class.

By W. J. BELL.

VERY Socialist, whether a canockets. The longer it lasts, the more money it will be in their placets. The longer it lasts, the weaker Europe will be, and the easier into pale-faced stubidity, lickwill it fall a prey to them when they order us to attack.

This is why they are giving the long to the workers and busy to keenly, deeply and comfortably enjoy;—a working class too cunning to bleed itself will it fall a prey to them when they order us to attack.

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This is why they are giving the strength of the capitalist class.

The supreme war is the class

And the supreme issue is-

too stupidly brutish to blush while they hurrah for their "banner year of prosperity" dripping with the blood and become Chinafied?" That is an tears of crucified Ignorance, too argument insulting even to the stupidly brutish to blush while mind of a new-born babe. HY SHOULD a chattel phrase, "Defend our civilization," does not confuse metric, and daughters of the poor for safe. And without justice—why the slave "prepare" his not in the least Suppose we blush while they sweat two mil-century of injustice? also the workers should then fits, too stupidly brutish to now will throw the working lion school-age children into pro- A decision for "preparedness" opposed to Militarism.

I stand by the Anti-War Manifesto and program adopted by the National Committee last

Not that there was any danger of the senate really doing anything for in the ignorance of the workers and in the bayonets for the workers and blush when they beseech high the aven for more of the same the god of war and of the capture workers. and in the bayonets for the they might have leisure and worker.

The present cunning short of the enjoyment of lined say and jackels of groan, helpless as sheep before means for the enjoyment of lined savager and jackals of wolves. the ruling class for "prepared-workers would swiftly learn, at carting class for me Nor mass" is intended to perpetuate the point of the bayonet, that confine civilization for me. Nor the ignorance and guarantee the under capitalism "our civilization for me. The ignorance and guarantee the lander capitalism "our civilization for me." was no in the present crisis in the wield's affairs.

f am for explication, strong learn what "preparedness" preor civil a don for the working pares for. Look also, with very h s. Tracis why I shout to all "Defend our civilization?" The workers of all the world, site now refuse! In the proud The to seemen your masters, ing class every destructible. day he works ers, for the constant of your ignorance, leads straight on to the lynching tour concert and your misery. "Danger of invasion?" Concivilization are the science, the sider our water barrier of two literature, the music and the thousand to five thousand miles, the ruling cross that it must fellowship of the world; and the and then coasider the vast dif-"It is certain that even should the either confuse the issue or be senate and house pass such a provision, destroyed by the working class; indestructible under all circum."

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bogy-man profitably frighten Chautauqua tension of the workman's compensathe European belligerents proceed toward exhaustion. I believe that for this nation greatly to strengthen its army and pure would be likely to bring war, first by alarming other recoples and causing them to arm "Defend civilization?" Civiliaudiences into "uranimous vote organizations; favoring State and zation has been my favorite to keep the flag flying" and fight rederal eight-hour labor laws, mater-

country, are surely civilized as our own country, and if we are no more civilized than they are, then with such splendid temptations as Canada, Mexico,-and Panama-we are just as likely to become invaders as those other "great Christian countries" are. And if all this be true, then it must also be true that even the most advanced portions of the civilized world are really managed by commercial buccaneers, political pirates, bond-lusting thieves, a lot of national and international eggsucking ruffians, all of them keen for opportunity as marauders cunningly masked as 'Christian statesmen and great business men." And if this is the situation why indeed should the working class have anything to do with "preparing" these groups of scoundrels-in-control for further ruling, robbing and raping the world?

"DANGER THAT we shall

every five years they conscript Give the multitude justice and by poverty five hundred thous- everything worth saving will be tution, too stupidly brutish to ers to shackle us for another

I refuse to be confused. Look at Europe and learn what "preparedness" prepares for. Look at Colorado and Calumet and West Virginia and special care, at the unholy brutality and cunning of the assassins of the sacred rights of must surely realize that the preparedness" of militarism of liberty.

Assemblyman I. A. Shiplacoff, the first Socialist Representative in the New York State Assembly from the other vice presidential candidate, Kate Richards O'Hare.

For Executive Committeemen

So, thru an occasional death of an occasional death of an occasional death of the initiative, and call it "preparedness"

Therefore, confuse the issue; of fellowship, the big, deep, and call it "patriotism"—and lawship.

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Therefore, confuse the initiative, of fellowship, the big, deep, international, human-racial fellowship. ing for proportional representation in 000 Socialist voters in New York State THE "YELLOW man" is a are entitled to more than one rewith 'which' to presentative; bills favoring the ex-

CUT OUT THE PETITION BELOW AND PASTE IT ON RULED SHEETS OF PAPER. WHEN YOU HAVE FILLED IT OUT SEND IT TO THE REPRESENTATIVE OF YOUR DISTRICT IN CONGRESS.

START THE NEW YEAR BY CIRCULATING THIS PETITION TO CONGRESS!

We Want Congress To Adopt Rep. Meyer London's Plan To End The War In Europe

LONDON'S RESOLUTION BEFORE BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS IS AS FOLLOWS: Whereas, the people of the United States, while

neutral, cannot be indifferent to the fratricidal con-flict which is devastating Europe; and Whereas, the longer the war is continued the more does the code of physical force replace every other

I REFUSE to be confused.

code of human conduct; and
Whereas, the war has brought about a state of
fear in the minds of millions of American people,
which menaces the normal development of this nation,
and beclouds the real issues which confront our

generation by the artificial issue of "Preparedness' against an unvisible and unnamable enemy; Whereas, a declaration by the national legislature of the greatest neutral nation in the world in favor of an immediate conference of neutral nations will strengthen the hand of the President of the United States in his efforts for international peace; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled that the President of the United States be and he is hereby called upon to convene a congress

of neutral nations, which shall offer mediation to the beligerents, and which shall sit in continuous session

until the termination of the war; and
Be it further resolved, that it is the judgment of
the Senate and House of Representatives that a
durable peace can be established if the following principles shall be made the basis of discussion in said congress of neutral nations:

First-Evacuation of invaded territory.

Second-Liberation of oppressed nationalities. Third.-Plebiscite by the populations of Alsace-orraine, Finland and Poland as to their allegiance or independence.

Fourth-Removal of the political and civic disabilities of the Jewish people, wherever such disabilities exist.

Fifth—Freedom of the seas.
Sixth—Gradual concerted disarmament.
Seventh—Establishment of an international court of arbitration, with the commercial boycott as a means of punishment for disobedience.

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master fraud of the masters. It results in the thing it is said to prevent. The only war in which workers should enlist is the "class war", the cause of all other wars.

We should oppose with action any effort of our government to force us to fight the workers of any land. Action means revolution at an opportune time. An opportune time is when the masters send us at each others throats, and we should then seize the opportunity to fight our real enemy—the masters.

This should not be with words

"submerged tenth" and is officered by trained aristocrats.

Our standing army is a standing menace to our democracy at home, and is questionable effectiveness against any attack from without.

Any nation, class or individual that is defenseless, however, will soon be easilized or cease to exist. All history bears witness to this fact. There is no known exception.

A nation or a class that wants to story free, must have great power of fresistance. It must be prepared to fight for its freedom at any tir.

Docility and non-resistance will soon reduce any people or any class to the level of the Chinese and Hindus. Moreover, any man who is unwilling, or not ready, to fight for his wife or his daughters, does not design the course of the despised of the beautiful solely by loot.

"And the supreme issue is—under the law they ought to have been hung a year ago for the traitors which they are. But they will not be even criticised. This has gone far enough," said Senator Stone. That is defenseless, however, will soon be even criticised. This has gone far enough," said Senator Stone. That the workers of the house represents them and belongs to them. The house represents them and not president, and editors, and of the people. Our own officials are the out of the cause of the house residue. The workers on the out of the workers in that war.

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REFAREDNESS" is the "submerged tenth" trained aristocrats.

Candidates In Party Referendum Voice Views On Militarism and Preparedness

to belong to a class or a nation.

themselves and the common weal.

workers, add to their power of resistance and aid them in their struggle for existence.

We want to abolish hunger, want and misery—as a part of this preparedness. We want comfortable his mess and protection in old age and sickness—as a part of this preparedness. We want healthy and harmoni
"knichts."

from within, It will forever abolish the misuse of public military forces, as well as armed private thugs.

And last but not least this will be a "preparedness" by the entire nation, militant and prepared, not by a capitalist class or by insidious clerical forces arming quietly all kinds of "knichts." sickness—as a part of this preparedness. We want healthy and harmoniously educated men and women—able

NO ABLE bodied man or woman The working class of the United by Charles of Miner intervention of the task of the varieties intervention of the task of the task of the varieties intervention of the task of the varieties intervention of the task of the varieties and the varieties intervention of the task of the varieties of the varieties of national service will be a varieties intervention of the task of the varieties of the united products of military stores; brothers everywhere, have nothing to hope for, but everything to fear, in a publication of General Staff Theories of Defense, as applied to finance, included the varieties of the varieties of the united products of military stores; brothers everywhere, have nothing to hope for, but everything to fear, in a publication of General Staff Theories of Defense, as applied to finance, included the varieties of the varieties of the varieties of the united products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military Education, by a class of the United products of military stores; but the products of military stores; but the products of military stores; but the united products of military stores; but the united products of military stores; but the united products of military stores; but the uni the factory worker, or the clerk in foreign enemies. city offices and stores—it will teach

E most orgalient "top-of" to the educa-Tie American Socialist

Official can of the Socialist Party of the United States.

of our party.

It is not enough, however, to oppose militarism and war. Our platform and

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NEWSOFTHEWEEK

liere is all the week's news worth while boiled down for workers so busy fighting for Socialism they do not have

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6.

Dr. Charles II. Parkhurst, discredited pastor of the Madison Square Presbyterian Church. Brooklyn, shown to have been vice president of bankfupt American Candy Co.

British House of Commons passes first reading of government bill for compulsory military service by vote of 403 to 105.

Organized labor in huge congress vigorously protest against measure by vote of 1,938,000. Three labor ministers in abinet, Arthur Henderson, William Brace and George H. Roberts, resign. General election predicted. President Wilson urges alliance of all countries in western world in apeech before second Pan-American Scientific Congress.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7. Italian steamer strikes mine on Albanian coast and rinks; 200 lives lost.
Two killed and two hurt in strike at Youngstown Sheet and Tube Works at East Youngstown, Ohio.

I AM, therefore, in favor of a "preparedness" that shall protect and unite the bulk of our nation, that is, the working people.

For that purpose we must train the bodies and minds of all our young folks,—not only those of the few select who have a chance to attend academies and universities. We want all of our people to be able to defend themselves and the common weal.

Moreover, such preparedness will absolutely guard the national independence until such time as we shall have complete disarmament and world's peace by international agreement, but it will be useless for aggression. It will protect the working class against further subjugation and enslavement at home until all class distinctions are abolished.

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Our defense must be democratic and industrial. We want a preparedness that will develop the faculties of !the workers, add to their power of resist-THIS kind of preparedness will not

"knights."

fathers and mothers—as a part of this preparedness.

In short, I refuse away by any hysteria caused by this world war. We Socialists are more op-

school district. And every young man should be educated work of the self-same Militarism in times and young woman should be educated work of the working in an advoung woman should be educated by should learn how to ogreate an advantages of the working countries, we want to the working countries, we want to the working of this self-same fine the profine at automobile, an aeroplane or woman should sale them to strict the self-same fine the search of the working of the self-same fine the search of the working of the self-same fine the search of the self-same

By LEWIS J. DUNCAN.

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formulated, in the interests of the employing class. Every Socialist should e opposed to it. The Socialist party has expressed its position on this subject. I am in accord with the action

J. L. ENGDAHL... Editor propaganda should be positive and WALTER LANFERSIEK... Business Mer. Constructive, along lines which extend RYAN WALKER, ... Cartoonist the principles and institutions of Published every Saturday by the Socialist Party National Office, 803 West Madison St., Chicago III

The Socialist Party in the United States must present a corresponding itarism. I am opposed to Militarism leads to wars and against War, essentially along between nations. I am opposed to

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serve to have a wife or daughters. an immersely democratizing influence Any man who is unwilling to fight for upon the college boy, besides giving his class or nation, does not deserve him advantages that he could not get from books.

General Wood's Frankness.

ENERAL Leonard Wood knows his business. He showed that at Plattsburg last summer, where he conducted a training camp for embryo officers in the new army, which Congress is going to create shortly. He had plutes, near-plutes, hope-to-be plutes and upper servants of plutes under his guiding hand. He had them there for something else besides under his guiding hand. He had them there for something else besides under his guiding hand. They were expected to go out from the Plattsburg camp and arouse "patriotism" among the "common people" so that the very impressionable young, caught with the glitter and tinsel of a military career, would become the "privates" for these officers in the making to command.

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On December 6th, General Wood made a speech in New York. He made 'the before the New York group of his Plattsburg plutocratic pupils and their professional upper servants. He made it where you might expect he woulding a place where the younger sons of plutocracy are wont to gather—the assembly hall of the Harvard Club. The things that he said of real interest to the "common people" were of course at the said of real interest. to the "common people" were of course not reported in the press. They are, however, reported in the "Bulletin of the First Training Regiment" which is issued in the interest of "The Business and Professional Men's Military Training Camps" and is circulated among that class thruout the United States.

GENERAL WOOD made it very clear that the Plattsburg and other camps of this character are designed to train men for officers, not vulgar In short, I refuse to be carried privates. Said the General, "Men trained at the military colleges or non-away by any hysteria caused by this of the military colleges, with such training as that outlined in the Harvard course. away by any hysteria caused by this preparedness.

Thus preparedness must become a part of our early education by practicing calisthenics in our common schools at any price." War may be hell, but there are some things in this world worse than "hell." Real Socialists are willing to fight them.

WE PROPOSE that the public or this world word word and mothers—as a part of this preparedness.

In this preparedness must become a world war. We Socialists are more opposed to militarism than ever. But the Socialist party is not for "peace the provisional commissions for one year in the Regular Army. They would take no examinations except the physical ones. THEY WOULD HAVE THE REGULAR OFFICER'S SALARY WHICH WOULD ALLOW A MAN AT THE END OF A YEAR TO SAVE A CONSIDERABLE SUM OF MONEY willing to fight them.

WE PROPOSE that the public or the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who had made the better records at Plattsburg, could be offered to the men who

WE PROPOSE that the public school system be made a part of "preparedness" in the following manner: Every citizen should levote one year—between 19 and 20 to the service of his nation. Every citizen—male or female—may stay at home during the time, but receive for the service such pay as will be fixed by congressional this education.

By LOUIS B. BOUDIX.

TO SAVE A CONSIDERABLE SUM OF MONEY." And now read this statement of General Wood's about the mere private and non-commissioned officer. Don't content yourself with only reading it. Pass it around to be comes only in the hard, bitter school for powder. Said Wood to his audience of plutes:

"There are two possible solutions of the problem of getting enlisted men development of general military training. The hired army, or to come to some system of general military training. The hired army, or to come to some system of general military training. The list way would be EXPENSIVE beyond one's wildest dreams. A regular samp plus a trained citizens army would be sufficient for America's needs.

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We propose to make the public school system the center of our country's defense. For that purpose a workshop should be added to every school district. And every young man and young woman should be educated by young you

publication of General State of Defense, as applied to finance, industry, agriculture, diplomacy and military practice.

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C. MOBILIZATION OF MILITARY FORCES AND MATERIALS.
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4. The Nationalized Merchant Marine, to and Executive Secretary express addition to being a candidate for the national executive committee, is also a candidate for the presidential nomination, under which the ending his statement on militarism heading his statement on militarism of this nations. The entrance heading his statement on militarism and Preserved and all preparation for war between capitalist nations. The entrance heading his statement on militarism of this nation into armament company decision means that this war will end

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By G. W. KLEIHEGE.

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WENNESDAY, JANUARY 5.

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The ruling class will use all military powers to protect profits and suppress the workers. Every gun we make will be turned against us. of the way with every ounce of their dominate us or organize to overthrow trength until it is driven back into its lair and there dashed to death.

Teace and prespective for the slaves to fight for certain groups to dominate us or organize to overthrow the whole bloody business of imperial-murder machinery is made in government owned or nrivate plants.

Compats all religious dogma send 50c for each agnost us.

I am therefore opposed to all military "preparedness", whether the subscriber paper published. Don't delay. Send its lair and there dashed to death. but ful fee. They should fight it every inch

the private detective agencies while and nationalism. I oppose the effort the miners are unarmed, at the same instance passes a disfranchisement law making filing fees so high as to strangle working class political effort. Thus we have armed thugs to keep wages down and venal politicians to keep ling fees un Thus are our breed.

"for peace at any price".

It is conceivable that we workers may be forced to use other than in-tellectual weapons to free ourselves If so, so be it, but LET US FREE OURSELVES. If so, then force must be organized but it should be of, for and by the workers, and not of the

Only by a widespread knowledge of what capitalism is can we escape its evils. To the many this knowledge comes only in the hard, bitter school of averagings.

nfinite with clean. As Socialist can consistently advocate the principles of social revolution and at the same time give his support, directly or indirectly.-to militarism the most powerful agency used by the capitalist class in order to crush the uprise of the working class.

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Th By GEORGE H. GOEBEL.

AM absolutely opposed to Militarism. And just as emphatically against the so-called Preparedness-which is but a smooth word to accustom us to the idea of wholesale blood spilling.

When a false alarm of fire is raised in a theatre, it is a calamity indeed if there be not even one masterful personality to calm the tumult and stay the tragedy of lives crushed out in the unreasoning stampede of a crazed mob!

And just so it is the mission and stay the tragedy of site of the country. The business of the real foe that is in the unreasoning stampede of a crazed mob!

And just so it is the mission and should call the manufacture of ammunitions of war be taken over entire
Name of capitalism. It may be necessary to its existence, just as are unemployment and exploitation, but no Socialist argues that because capitalism cannot exist without exploitation and unemployment that we should cease our opposition to these. On the contrary, we concentrate all our forces in the attack upon unemployment and exploitation and stay the tragedy of lives crushed out in the unreasoning stampede of a crazed mob!

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And just so it is the mission and stay the tragedy of lives crushed out in the truth that "We should cease our opposition to these. On the contrary, we concentrate all our forces in the attack upon unemployment and exploitation, but on the preparedness. Without exploitation, but on the preparedness without exploitation, but on the crushing as a basis, we should cease our opposition to these. On the contrary, we concentrate Democracy.
This will constitute the most stable preparation against militarism and war, the surest guarantee of world's peace.

By WINFIELD R. GAYLORD.
The world-war has proven: (1) that we live in an historical "war, against the whole damandle preparation of the most stable fint against the whole damandle preparation of the world-war has proven: (2) that an effective national resource ment (1) that we live in an historical "war, against the workers of America.

By WINFIELD R. GAYLORD.
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ism and preparedness in all its forms. full pay by his employer.

write and juggle words we thought to slavery exists.

By HERMAN SCHLUETER. AM opposed to any kind of Militarism. My program in this respect is; to the ruling system not a man and rot a dollar.

United States' recognition of Carranza.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8.

Ada Rahan, famous actress, dies.
British fortifying Suez Canal to stor raid.

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from without but a fully justified revolution from within, and it is to suppress that that they want military "preparedness", a huge army and plenty of ammunition. That and the profits that will accrue from making the furnishing:

"press and hypocritical politicians, "patriotic" (for profit).

the furnishings.

"A standing military force, with an overgrown executive, will not long be safe companions to liberty. The means the companions to liberty and the companions to liberty. The means to strike as one.

"patriotic" (for pront).

Unite into One Great Political Party. Organize into One Big Industrial Union. Train both arms to strike as one. Militarism is but a phase of capitalists.

Militarism is but a phase of capitalism. It is its ultimate working method. As the parent is autocratic in spirit so also is the child in method. As Socialists we fight the child. We are in capitalism but not of it, yet because we are in it we are swept along, living from and suffering by capitalism. because we are in it we are swept in Europe could maintain itself in a situation where no alarms of external capitalism.

By WALTER LANFERSIEK.

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AM opposed to military prepared-ness.

(James Madison.) The application is so plain, the facts so plain, the lesson so clear that I need only say, I agree.

AM absolutely and with all my might opposed to the present

By JOHN M. WORK.
AM OPPOSED to all phases of amilitarism and so-called preparedness. Economic justice is the only pre-paredness that will reach the spot. We should reveal the causes of war and the fact that military preparedness will be totally unnecessary if these causes are removed. Meantime, attack is not at all likely, and temporary loss in case of attack would be better than

Second: Democratic selection of all

officers. Third: Each such soldier to retain his fire-arm with a least two-hundred rounds of ammunition, furnished by the government, in his home. Fourth: The government to make all munitions.

Fifth: No part of the military force to be called into service by the government during strikes no sive wars against other nations.
Sixth: This military arrangement shall displace all present military forces.

By L. E. KATTERFELD. By L. E. MATTERFELLI.

OT A dollar for war, not a man or letter to us simply say, "Mail Particulars." WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER CO., Dept. J-148 Chloage, III. Thru the ability of those able to capitalist "preparedness" while wage

italism is not inevitable.

The capitalist system is rotten ripe It will collapse as quick as we are

Let us prepare.
Stop frittering away our strength on "reforms".

By CARL D. THOMPSON.

might opposed to the present militaristic propaganda that is going under the name of "Preparedness". I feel that the Socialist Party should use By JOHN SPARGO.

AM NOW, as I have always been, irreconcilably opposed to militarism. I regard it as the most pressing duty of American Socialists tooklay to vigorously oppose the singlets.

I militaristic propaganda that is going under the name of "Preparedness". I feel that the Socialist Party should use its utmost wisdom, tact and power in combatting it.

This, however, is negative. The best

All socialist and radical boys' organizations such as the Socialist Skouts, Boy Pioneers, Y. P. S. L. Juniors, Young Marxists, Boys' Senior S. S. S. classes, and independent groups are urged to send in the name and address of their Secretary and Organizer at once. Information regarding their plan for organization, origin, nature of activit be appreciated, as will ideas regarding the for.

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Office up to the time of preparing the ballot,
fan. 4, 1916. A complete list of all nomintions was published in The American Soinlist Dec. 25, 1915. Those eligible whose
names do not appear in the following lists,
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Ballots were shipped to the State Secretaries
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ACCEPTANCES. For Presidential Candidate. Allan L. Benson, Yonkers, N. Y.; Arthur LeSueur, Fort Scott, Kans.; James H. Maurer, Reading, Pa.

For Vice-Presidential Candidate. George R. Kirkpatrick, Newark, N. J.; Kate Richards O'Hare, St. Louis, Mo.

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Conn.; L. E. Latterfeld, Everett, Wash.;
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BY JEWISH BR., DOWN TOWN, NEW YORK: (Proposing an endorsement of the Zimmerwald conference. First published, Jan. 1, 1916.) Seconded by Elizabeth, W. Va.

BY NO. 1, LA CROSSE, WIS.: (Proposing to amend the National Constitution by striking out Article 6 of Section 2. First published, Jan. 1, 1916.)

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(ELECTION OF PARTY OFFICIALS.) SOUTH DAKOTA: E. F. Atword, bis. etc., lass been elected National Committeeman and re-elected State Secretary.

Letters from "American Socialist" Readers

RULES FOR THIS DEPARTMENT. The National Committee of the Socialis Party in providing for an Open Forun in The American Socialist ruled that: "Recommendation No. 6.—An open forum members or organizations on disputed points of party policy, views and tactics. No personal attacks or abuse or intemperate language shall be allowed. No communication in the Open Forum shall exceed 500 words."

Contributors to this department will fa-cilitate matters considerably by carefully observing this rule.

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By Local Orange, Mass.

"That the National Executive Committee be recalled, because of its failure to support the National Secretary in the Thompson-Korngóld controversy, and its departure from Socialist principles in holding secret ressions and plotting to hold persons in position contrary to the best interests of the party."

10 members in good standing.

11 Published for seconds, Oct. 9, 1915. Expired, Jan. 7, 1916.

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The second process of the control of

and vigorous campaign against war

and armaments. "3. That we are in favor of advocatagainst war; and urge the adoption of this means as an international working class action against war, unbe devised."

and urge other Branches and Locals to take similar action of a definite

"report" of the party nominations by referendum? Almost six solid pages national, revolutionary and free of the spirit of nationalism.—AARON FIS-FROM NEW JERSEY.—The following resolutions were adopted at a joint meeting of the Branches named, on pusher and short-haired feminist that

Is it any wonder Charles Edward Russell went bats in such a sphere of

mental influence?
I suppose we will get eight good

enough comrades for the jobs but probably not what the work demands. Some soap-baxer of national prominence, with not an iota of executive "3. That we are in favor of advocating a general strike as a weapon Secretary and so on thru the list. It ought to be clear to the "democracy fanatics" that it can't be done this working class action against war, un-less some better definite measure can less of representative bodies to be devised."

The Secretary was instructed to bring this matter to the attention of the Socialists thru their party press, and urge other Branches and Locals is socialists thrusher party press, and urge other Branches and Locals is socialists. The reason that socialism appeals to the intelligent worker is that he ny" as long as their actions have to be recognized in its philosophy the un-

PLEA FOR EDUCATION. — It should hardly seem necessary to plead for more education for members of the working class, but we are sorry to say that such is the case. We are sadly in need of some standard for teaching our children the indisputable facts of Socialism that is facts that confirmed by the rank and f:le. and "reform" or "revise", some other movement will spring up, led by sane ex-party members and sweep us out of existence as we originally did the ultra-fanatical S. L. P.—E. H. LIE-BEL, West Haven, Conn.

> AGAINST PREPAREDNESS. Whereas it has become general knowledge that one or more of our

NOTICE. Local Omaha, of the Socialist publishing concerns, fost it will be compared by the contracted by the contracted

Paragraphs.

By EUGENE V. DEBS. (In The Rip-Saw)

The socialist is the herald of progress and the evangel of freedom, Neutrality, so-called, under capitalsm, is simply one more in its vocabul-

ary of myths.

Socialist internationalism as opposnational movement.

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his veins the red blood essential to the true socialist.

the working class.

Richard Ford and Herman Suhr are tripled by Uncle Sam's benevolent trust busting as follows:
till in prison in California to the "Wealth of stockholders of the old still in prison in California to the disgrace

dom.

Socialism is growing steadily in favor in spite of all attempts to misrepresent and discredit it. The fact that the whole exploiting power of capitalism is arrayed against it and calling it names shows clearly enough which way the wind blows.

the corporation was dissolved by order of the United States Supreme court in May, 1911.

"Prior to the dissolution John D. Rockefeller held 247,692 out of 983, 383 shares, or, roughly speaking, 25 that the whole exploiting power of capitalism is arrayed against it and calling it names shows clearly enough which way the wind blows.

which way the wind blows. An even hundred years ago the first that the same shares have a present that the same shares have a present market value of more than \$421,000,ocomotive was put into practical market value of more than \$421,000,comperation and from that day to this
there has been almost miraculcus in 000 on the price of \$1,700 a share for there has been almost miraculcus inthere has been almost miraculcus in-dustrial development, the results of dustrial development, the results of of fact the value of the old stock is which are in evidence wherever the locomotive whistle pr triumphs of civilization.

The carnage and desolation of Europe cry out trumpet-tongued and in notes of supreme agony and despair against the crime of "preparedness" as advocated by the imperialists, not now held by Mr. Rockefeller. for now held by Mr. Rockefeller. for militarists and jingoists to further intrench themselves in power and enlarge their domain of rapine and

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The pardo corre Quinlan is, neve 1 innocent man and every day ation will quicken the Lution and hasten the overthrow or the infamous system that has consigned him to a

000,000, compared with an original capital of \$25,000,000. That company now has \$50,000,000 stock outstanding, and it is believed that the other \$50,000 000 will be issued shortly as a 100 per cent stock dividend. Notwithstanding the increase from the original capitalization, the company is earning about 25 per cent on the larger stock issued. Anglo-American Oil at present has a surplus equal to about 100 per cent of its capitalization, which was increased by 100 per cent during 1913. Atlantic Refining Co. has a surplus more than four times its The reason that socialism appeals to the intelligent worker is that he recognizes in its philosophy the unfailing promise of his emancipation to stockholders.

This year the Standard Oil companies have declared cash dividends of ed to capitalist nationalism must be close to \$63,000,000, of which about the slogan in reorganizing the inter-\$17,500,000 was declared in the last quarter. Recent declarations show a few significant increases in the divi-dend rates, and the belief appears to and jeers without weakening lacks in his veins the red blood essential to Quite as essential to power as steam is to the locomotive is industrial organization to the emancipation of the working class.

Already two prominent producing companies, the South Penn Oil Co. and the Ohio Oil Co., and one marketing company, the Standard Oil of Kentucky, have

increased their quarterly payments.

The Chicago Tribune, in a special The true socialist never sees failure in anything. To his clear eye and understanding mind all temporary defeat is essential to final victory.

The Chicago Tribune, in a special despatch from New York City, shows how some of the big stockholders in Standard Oil have had their fortunes tripled by Under Standard Oil have had their fortunes.

of the administration that Standard Oil company, as expressed them there. We shall not rest in the current market value of until these two victimized leaders of shares, has more than tripled since the working class are given their free-the corporation was dissolved by order

dissolution price of the stock. proclaims the considered in excess of \$1,700, which is largely a nominal quotation, and \$2,000 is regarded as a more accurate

> however, that some of the stock is not now held by Mr. Rockefeller, for part of it has been turned over to the Rockefeller Foundation and other in-

"Fortunes of the other big Standard Oil men show correspondingly large increases. The value of the holdings of the estate of Charles Pratt boot-he can indeed: ness has increased from \$35,600,000 to \$89,700,000. The stock of C. W. Hark-indeed: ness has increased from \$29,000,000 to abject \$72,000,000. That of William Rockefeller, worth \$7,897,000 at the the dissolution, is now calculated to be worth \$19,890,000.

"The shares of the H. M. Flagler estate, worth \$20,587,000 in 1911, would have a value of \$51,850,000 at

charge hes and current quotations."

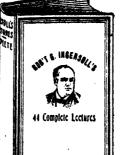
Of course, The Wall Street Journal easily finds "the reason for this seemingly inexhaustible supply of wealth", which it claims is due to wealth", which it claims is due to Standard Oil in the oil industry, which it has developed as has no other organization in the world." New Jer-ganization in the world."

The real reason is the failure of the

press is capitalist government at Washington but Pat to bust this trust. Standard Oil has shown that it is greater than the gov-ernment. Remember Ludlow and the Colorado coal strike, remember how John D. laughed in the face of Presisystem that has consigned him to a siving tomb for sympathizing with its victims and denouncing its crimes.

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AN APPEAL TO THE YOUNG. By H. J. HERRBERG. Peru, Indiana.

SOCIALIST READER

UR secretary received your letter and read it at our meeting and the comrades that were there arose and declared me to be the best one for getting subs. I am 72 years old, have been in the movement 15 years, and have sent in hundreds of subs to the different Socialist papers during that time. I am not objecting to doing my part in the movement, but would like to see all, we would be to see all, we would be to see all, especially the younger ones, get a hustle on them I don't say this to brag but just to let you know, so that you can urge the others to try and do something for the movement.

Here is a challenge to you young Accompanying this people. Accompanying this letter from Comrade Herrburg was a list of 32 subs. Now let's hear from some of the young people. What can you do? We can report another small gain this week. The "ons" outnumbered the "offs" by 118, bringing the total for this week up to 41,380. We are going up, slow but sure.

ROLL OF HONOR

Thomas S. McGee, Wellington, Kans., is not

John Partridge, Paducah, Ky., comes in with

union delegates who intended to visit London, says a report from Berlin.

on the Money Question is out-lined in the following extracts: From the COMMUNIST MANIFESTO of 1848:

of 1548:
Demand 5. Centralization of credit in the hands of the State, by means of a national bank with State capital and an exclusive monopoly.
From the Platform of the SOCIALISTIC LABOR PARTY, NEW YORK, 1584:
Demand 5. The Government alone shall issue all money and such right shall not be delegated to any banking or other private corporation.

private corporation.

From the SOCIALIST PARTY Platform adopted by membership referendum,

a adopted by measures.
7, 1908:
The Government shall also loan money states and municipalities without reset for the purpose of carrying on public works."

From the SOCIALIST PARTY Platform adopted by membership referendum, May, 1912:

No. 6. The collective ownership and democratic management of the banking and currency system."

"The government also to establish employment bureaus: TO LEN! MONEY TO STATES AND MUNICIPALITIES WITHOUT INTEREST FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING ON PUBLIC WORKS, and to take such other measures within its power as will lessen the widespread misery of the workers caused by the misrule of the capitalist class."

will undoubtedly be entrusted with the responsibility of formulating the platform of the party for 1916—and submit it to a referendum vote. It will contain a financial plank in harnony with the above submitted by
the Committee on Banking, Bank
Credit, Currency and Money System

HENRY DUBB AS A PREPAREDNESS HERO









A Plea For A Minimum Wage Law

HERE can be very little doubt of the need of some method of fixing and maintaining a minimum wage. There may be differences of opinion concerning the methods to be employed for this purpose, but no one whose opinion is worthy of a moment's consideration will dispute the need.

The objection is often need.

The objection is often need.

Socialist movement.

For three days the delegates who met in Oklahoma City worked in lieve, an element of truth in this, but lieve, an element of truth in this, but it is not altogether true. Wages are, one thought in mind, and that was:

legislation.

Indianapolis, Ind.

1. C. Brack is another booster for The American Socialist in Alabama. He lives in Roundmountain and comes in with a list of five

Edmund T. Melms, the Socialist sheriff in Mitwaukee, sends in a club of four. One of these papers will go to the Mitwaukee Hungarian Branch of the Socialist Party.

Another club of four comes from Cary E. Norris, Zanestille, Ohio, where the comrades are marching on to victory.

Kalispell, Mont., is one of the cold spots in Montana these wintry days. But that didn't stop Comrade G. A. Brinkman from Bending in a club of five.

John Partridge, Paducah, Ky., comes in with

John Fartriage, Padacah, Nr., comes in wing a club of the property with its appalling to the construction of the property of t

EVOLUTION OF BANKING

Cular stress upon it, I feel that it is both pertinent and useful to direct attention to the bearing of this matter upon the remarkable decline in the birth-rate of our native American stock. Professor Walker, a good many years ago, and Mr. Hunter in more the Morey Overtion is not the Morey Overtion in the both pertinent and useful to direct at the total it is of unskilled workers, there is no such ward, the Scotch Socialist weekly, which is said to have printed an account of the meeting on Christmas precisely to this class of labor, where the danger of low standards of living is most union officials, which account was not union officials, which account was not approved by the British censor. Of recent years, have argued that the grave, that our immigrants come in competition of the immigrant with grave, that our immigrants come in course this will make the Scotch love the word of living is primarily such large bodies. competition of the immigrant with lower standards of living is primarily responsible for this. The argument is that the native American parents refuse to bring as many children into the world as they otherwise would.

Such large bodies.

It is one of the scandals of our time that these unskilled workers have been so much neglected by the American Federation of Labor.

HAVING SAID so much concern-

I am aware that the proposal which employees.
We Socialists make, to establish these Until the standards by legislation, regarded un-favorably by many thoughtful per-establishing minimum wages without sons, including, I am sorry to say, legislation, simply by the exertion of some of the prominent leaders of organized labor in this country, I am hardly be seriously considered. It does have that in this they do not belong to practical discussion. organized labor in this country, I am not belong to practical discussion.

present their constituents; that I
could get a verdict against them, in the labor unions to accomplish the favor of legislation to establish desired result—and the failure is minimum wage rates, from the rank universal, not at all limited to America There has been no discussion within the party on this subject and the comrades are not informed as they should be. The National Committee will undoubtedly be entrusted with

Those who oppose the proposition minimum wage rates, maximum work-to establish minimum wage laws, and laws limiting the hours of labor, object to the interference of the State force of law. Now, that experiment Credit, Currency and Money System of the United States.

Comrade Robert H. Howe, a member of the Committee has written a book "The Evolution of Banking" which with Evolution of Banking which or fixed by the magistrates, and that the limit the relations of employers and worked so well that in 1900 the system their employees. They point to the was applied to the whole colony. In fact that in England, centuries ago, that same year it was adopted by wages were established by statute, South Australia, and New Zealand, or fixed by the magistrates, and that of the Committee has written a poor "The Evolution of Banking" which every member of the party should the workers were greatly oppressed in consequence. It is always dangerous, think of it may be a give into the hands of think of it may be a give into the hands of think of it may be a give into the hands of think of it may be a give into the hands of think of it may be a give into the hands of think of it may be a give into the hands of think of it may be a give into the hands of think of it may be a give into the hands of the party should be a given by the magnitude of the party should be a give into the party should be a given by the magnitude of the party should be a given by the magnitude of the party should be a given by the magnitude of the party should be a given by the magnitude of the party should be a given by the magnitude of the party should be a given by the magnitude of the party should be a gi

Because of a belief that they would attempt to begin negotiations for peace if allowed to enter England, the British embassy has refused to issue passports to Danish Socialist trade union delegates who intended to visit

pair the welfare of the immigrant's children.

While I do not want to lay particular stress upon it, I feel that it is cular stress upon it, I feel that it is extreme. For the overwhelming mass late week's issue of The Glasgow Fortunation and useful to direct at-

VERY LITTLE more success has ing the need of a minimum wage standard, I turn now to the question concerning which there has been so much controversy, namely, What is the best method of establishing it?

WHAT LITTLE more success has attended the efforts of the unions to protect the rates of wages and the hours of labor in those occupations in which it is difficult to organize the workers owing to fluctuations of em-What I shall say under that head will apply equally to the establishment of maximum hours of employment. ployment, as in the seasonal trades, or to the well understood and inevitable difficulty of organizing female

> Until the unions have shown much establishing minimum wages without legislation, simply by the exertion of

organized labor have had a chance to vote on the subject they have supported the proposition.

In 1896 Victoria, Australia, elacted a law providing that for certain trades joint boards of employers and employees be formed with power to fix

consequence. It is always unigerous, they say, to give into the hands of think of it may be judged by the exportance of Manking", cloth wages and hours of labor.

What the workers in the What the workers in those countries "The Evolution of Banking", cloth bound, 200 pages, 8 full page illustrations, price 50 cents. For Sale by the National Office of the Socialist Party, 803 W. Madison St., Chicago, Ill.

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Perience of Victoria. In 1902, by an oversight, parliament dissolving without passing a continuing act, the to past history overlook the important out passing a continuing act, the to past history overlook the important fact that the workers now hold a very mediately there was such an outcry of the socialist Party, 803 W. Madison St., Chicago, Ill.

THE experience of these countries affords the best answers to the various objections which are offered against

minimum rates of wages and maximum hours of employment are now fixed by law. And that appeal, unquestionably, supports the demand for guide, it appears that the minimum for Socialism!

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I HOLD, then, that society, for its obtained by economic action, by the volume of poverty with its appalling consequences, should establish both minimum wage standards and maximum hours of employment.

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The Northwest Side Y. P. S. L., Chicago, is just moving into new headquarters of its own.
It is to be used by the Party during the comfine Algermanic 'Cempaign, and his results are expected.

This is the first contest for a congressional seat made by or on behalf of our party. It is hoped to make it are expected.

Detroif, Mich., held a big Supper-social, Dec. 4. Comrade O'Brien of Canada was the rincipal speaker. A mock-trial made a big

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KRUSE LECTURE TOUR. Announcement of details on the eastern state's tour has gone out to all leagues capable of taking date, and great interest is manifested. Quick action necessary, as dates may be limited.

BOY'S ORGANIZATION.

By EMANUEL JULIUS.

In the Appeal to Reason. "Oklahoma for Socialism in 1916!" This slogan, painted on a huge ban-ner, faced the 350 delegates who at-

Long and bitter experience has convinced the workers in every industrial of the imperative necessity of establishing, by some means, not only maximum hours of leave of the maximum standards of wages, but also, and particularly, maximum hours of leaves of the resistance of the wage-carner, it is important that both the minimum wage and the product and every industrial solutions and devitalisation of the wage-carner, it is important that both the minimum wage and the maximum working day be established. Excessive hours of toil mean expensive flower in the cardination of the wage-carner, it is important that both the minimum wage and the maximum working day be established. Excessive hours of toil mean expensive flower in the cardination and devitalisation of the wage-carner, it is important that both the minimum wage and the maximum working day be established. Excessive hours of toil mean expensive flower in the cardination and devitalisation of the workers, their carly breakdown, both flower flower important causes of the most important causes of ministration of laws directly. That ministration of laws directly. That power they now have. The appeal should properly be made, it seems to me, to those countries in which Australasian colonies affords any for Carried where it becomes almost indescribable, there is good reason for the conclusion that when the votes are counted next that when Non-Socialists Are Rare.

the maximum than the minimum wage generally recognized in any given locality does in this country. The average wage is invariably a good deal above the legal minimum.

The delegates coming trom every country in the State, appeared continuity in IT IS argued that legislation is deal above the legal minimum.

quite needless, that the results can be more readily and more efficiently the more readily and more efficiently the second of a minimum wage that the establishment of a minimum wage the second of the work. "He made promises and pleases prosaic piece of literature and is treated as a sort of "necessary evil." But which were unlawful.

to demanding the retention and con stant enlargement of the public do main, the program says that land now in the program says that land now in the possession of the State or here-after acquired through purchase, re-clamation or tax sales shall be rented to landless farmers at the prevailing rate of share rent or its equivalent. The payment of such rent, however, must cease as soon as the total amount i rent paid is equal to the value of the land, the tenant thereby acquiring course this will make the Scotch love for himself and his children the right

> MILWAUKEE CONTEST TO GIVE US SECOND CONGRESSMAN? We may have another Socialist in congress before long. The possibility is Winfield R. Gaylord, of Milwaukee, Wis.

According to the returns Gaylord, Socialist, was defeated by William J. Cary, socalled "nonpartisan" by only a few votes. The Socialists were not satisfied with the count and contested

are expected.

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And the foregoing figures are, a yet, by no means complete. Man locals haven't sent in their report and are still to be heard from. Thes figures are not up to the minute. The cover only the period about the middle of December. And the way the lecture take, and the enthusiasm and ene getic preparation put forth by the comrades thruout the country, make it safe to predict that close to a hal million persons will have heard the message of Socialism delivered by some of its ablest exponents. It wil mean that tens of thousands will be that the new parliament made it the first order of business to re-enact the law.

"OKLAHOMA FOR SOCIALISM IN of sufficient significance so that it 1916!" CONVENTION SLOGAN.

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of sufficient significance so that it 1916!" CONVENTION SLOGAN. may point the way for any occasions upon thousands of books will be sold arising in the future, as they will and many more distributed into eager certainly do.

Among the allegations made in behalf of the contestant. Gaylord, and ranks of the Socialist Party.

This is what the lecture course is accomplishing for the locals that are which it is claimed by his counsel are supported by the evidence, are:
That Gaylord received 9,546 legal votes and Cary, 9,182; that the certification of the local among the live ones?

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fication by election officials that Cary received 9,911 votes is unlawful.

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"He did not account, by statement, for all money received and disbursed, used for political purposes while a

"The violation of the corrupt practices act forfeits his right to hold office."

The Maley-Goebel course is taking a fine hold. The eastern states have

Enthusiasm was great and the comrades here are all satisfied with the results attained. MEMPHIS, TENN.-Total attend-

ance, 495; new members, 79; literature ST. LOUIS, MO.—Comrade Seidel

Oklahoma Socialists have just an covered a secret campaign being carried on by the bankers of that state "The testimony shows him to be laws. The Socialists have the bankers on that state against proposed changes in the vsury laws. The Socialists have the bankers on the run and the relative to the run and the run

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