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MOTTO: "He who does not work, neither shall he eat."

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## 75,000 SOCIALIST VOTES IN OKLAHOMA

The Socialist Party is in a campaign for 75,000 votes for Enfield for Governor.

You vote for Socialism when you vote for Enfield.

Comrade will you be one that will help put the Oklahoma Socialist vote over the 75,000 mark? With a united effort, we can go over the top! 75,000 strong.

The Socialist Party is coming to the front in every other state. Oklahoma must not follow the loyal Socialists of the United States, but be leading. We must be found among those who are in the front ranks doing our bit.

### ENFIELD CHALLENGES WALTON.

Mr. J. C. Walton,  
Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Dear Sir:

Inasmuch as certain socialists have violated the time honored principles of their party in that they have attempted to deliver the socialist vote of this state to the Democratic party, I challenge you to a series of joint discussions in which I will affirm the following points, to-wit:

1. That you are a Wilson democrat in the fullest import of the term and that your talk of Jeffersonian democracy is but for the purpose of concealing your war record in the hope that the radical voters of the state may support your candidacy.

2. That although you are called the friend of labor you utterly failed the working man in the hour of the acid test. Supporting Woodrow Wilson in 1916 and defending his administration thereafter, you lent potency to the draft act and whetted the claws and fangs of the espionage bill under the former of which the American worker was sacrificed for the damnable dollars of Wall Street in a most conscienceless manner and under the latter of which the real friends of labor were either whipped, tarred and feathered or given a kangaroo trial and locked behind steel bars.

3. That the Shawnee program was born in the Leader building in Oklahoma City; that it was written by socialists before the Shawnee convention; the said program and that the Leader had agreed to endorse your nomination and support your candidacy.

4. That your campaign prior to the primary was conducted by socialists and paid for by democrats; that the many nice things which you were supposed to have written for the working man, including your famous Forty-Two Facts for Farmers were all penned by socialists.

5. That the intention of the originators of the Farmer-Labor Reconstruction League was to use the socialist organization of this state under the label of the democratic party for the express purpose of making you governor and feeding themselves upon the spoils of such victory.

6. That the democratic ratification convention held in Packingtown, August 15th last, riddled your Shawnee program and demolished your Jeffersonian democracy; that when your platform was suffering death at the hands of the old-line democrats of this

state you made but a feeble plea for its life.

7. That you were against Gore in the primary election of 1920 and the voice of Gore democracy has not been heard in this campaign.

8. That you are acceptable as a candidate to certain oil interests and to the predatory plunderers of the people of Oklahoma.

9. That every man who votes for you in the hope you will or can relieve the suffering of the war rapped citizens of this commonwealth will lose his vote.

10. That you cannot put into operation your program if elected and that if you could and did do all that you say that you will do it would but serve to perpetuate the rule of the middle and upper class, leaving the homeless, landless, jobless worker where he is.

11. That your proposed soldiers' bonus is but a trick to secure the ex-service man's vote.

12. And last, but not least, I affirm that on the night of Aug. 15th you were locked in a hotel room in Oklahoma City with four of your socialist lieutenants who wrestled with you like the angels with Jacob until 2 o'clock a. m. before you would consent to give out even a terse statement to the effect that you were still standing up on the Shawnee platform.

I trust that you may undertake to meet these and other points of issue in this campaign. However, if for any reason you do not do so, then in the name of common justice to the voters of Oklahoma see if you cannot induce Ameringer, Hogan, Langston, Sheiden, Nagel, Welker or some of the other used-to-be-socialists to take up the gauntlet for you. They are all able speakers and used to be champions of the debating circles before they joined causes with the Wilson democrats. A good many folks over the state are wondering why you did not heed my challenge to you before the primary. Now show them that you are game. I am deadly in earnest. I hate to stand idly by and see this fusion deal consummated.

Yours for all the socialist votes possible for the socialist party.

O. E. ENFIELD.

### A SOCIALIST PARTY.

Here we are going into the midst of another important campaign and we find the same old forces at work to elect some good man to office.

In order to accomplish this end there are some few men who have been active socialist members playing in the cast. These men tell you that there is no socialist party in this state. There is a full state ticket in the field, a ticket composed of men and women fully qualified for the offices, true to the principles of socialism and loyal to the class to which they belong.

The socialist party is standing true to the cause of international socialism, are imbued in the faith that they will win, knowing the Capitalization has gone its limit and that socialism is the next step in the advance of civilization.

It is necessary to maintain our party organization in order to keep in line with the national and international organizations. And in order to function as a political party in the future it is essential that we get 5 per cent of the total vote

cast for governor in this election.

There is but little to be gained for the working class by helping elect some old party member to office. They both stand for the same capitalist system. The democrats are trying to destroy the socialist party as they did the populist party in 1900.

Do not be deceived; stand true to the socialist party and win for the workers.

H. M. SINCLAIR.

### THIS IS WHAT YOU SHOULD VOTE FOR.

Socialists are steadily increasing in number. They are gradually nearing the time when they have the power to make the exploiting industries collective property.

In the meantime, all of the good laws that are passed by congress and the state legislature are due to the increasing number of socialists. The rising strength of socialism scares these laws out of the capitalist parties—the Republican and Democratic parties—against their will. They make these concessions in an effort to stem the tide of socialism. Socialist officials will force more good laws through.

It follows that the way to gain immediate advantage, and the way to gain ultimate emancipation from social evils, is by voting the socialist ticket. If the socialist candidates are not elected, it will throw a sarce into the old parties and bring some good legislation anyhow. And if our ticket is elected, it will accomplish much more.

Therefore, from any angle of approach, it is to your interest to vote the socialist ticket for both immediate and ultimate reasons.

NATIONAL OFFICE PRESS SERVICE.

### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY, 1922.

The coming elections to Congress will be fought in the midst of a concerted onslaught of the profiteering interests against the toiling masses.

As soon as peace was concluded with the hostile powers of Europe our industrial magnates declared war against the workers of America.

Employers throughout the country, themselves organized in powerful associations, launched an "open shop" drive, with the object of depriving the workers of the right to organize and reducing them to a mass of incoherent and helpless units without defense or protection against the aggressive greed of their masters.

While the enormous fortunes "made" by the American profiteers during and after the war are amounting to heights that baffle human imagination, the very industrial free booters who appropriate these fabulous fortunes from the toil of their fellowmen, out the meager wages of their workers and increase their work hours under the pretext of "deflating" the cost of commodities.

In this sordid campaign against labor the American capitalists have the full support of the subsidized press and all departments of the government.

By a series of crushing decisions the nine old men, without mandate from or accountability to the people, who constitute the Supreme Court of the United States, have

nullified the Clayton Act, the only comprehensive piece of Congressional legislation ever enacted for the protection of labor in its struggle against economic oppression, limited the rights or organized workers to recruit new members; paralyzed the effectiveness of their struggles by practically outlawing the use of pickets in strikes; delivered their union funds to the mercy of the employers, and set aside the law for the protection of young children from greedy exploitations in mines, mills and factories.

At the same time inferior courts of the United States and judges of state courts all over the country have perfected their government within the government, a government unsanctioned by the constitution and repugnant to all fundamental conceptions of freedom and democracy—the arbitrary and tyrannical government by injunction, which reduces workers engaged in industrial disputes to the condition of outlaws.

In the momentous struggle which the workers on the railroads and in the mines have been forced to wage for the preservation of their very lives the President of the United States has gone the length of openly siding with the railroad magnates and coal barons, and calling upon the state executives to drive the revolting slaves back to their tasks by brute force.

In the executive departments of the government as in the courts, in Congress as in the state legislatures, in the press as in the schools of the country reaction is rampant and militant, oppression is brutal and triumphant.

This menacing situation cannot be attributed solely to the new Republican policy of "normalcy." It began under the Democratic administration of Woodrow Wilson, and is supported and maintained by both old parties alike. It is practical operation of the dictatorship of the capitalist class which dominates the Democratic party as well as the Republican party. There is no hope for the workers of America in either of these interest-controlled parties. Their only salvation lies in breaking up the whole bipartisan Democratic - Republican citadel of profiteering capitalism, to take over the political government and industrial management of the country and to administer them for the people—with special privileges to none and justice to all.

This is the great task which the workers of America must perform for their self-preservation, for the restoration of civic liberties and for the well-being of the whole people.

This is also the ultimate aim of the Socialist Party, and it is in furtherance of this aim that the Socialist Party enters the Congressional Campaign of 1922, upon the following program

1. Socialization.  
Public ownership of public utilities and natural resources, especially the railroads, mines, steel works and other basic industries which have attained the extent of national monopolies, with ample provisions for representation by the workers in the management of these industries.

2. Labor.  
A normal forty-four hour work-week, or less in cases of emergencies; a minimum wage based on a decent standard of life and a system of government insurance to take care of all workers in periods of sickness and unemployment, during old age or invalidity and to compensate them for injuries sustained in the course of their work.

without contribution on the part of the workers.

The enactment of suitable constitutional amendments to prohibit the labor of children in any industrial, mercantile and agricultural pursuits; to guarantee to the workers the absolute right to organize, to strike and to picket; to prohibit the issuance of injunctions in labor disputes and to deprive the courts of the usurped power to nullify laws on the alleged ground of their unconstitutionality.

3. The Farmer.  
The taxation of all farm land not cultivated by owners to the full amount of the rental value; the extension of ample government credits at low rates of interest for the organization of co-operative farms, provided with modern machinery; a comprehensive plan for the elimination of farm tenantry; the establishment of public elevators and cold storage plants.

4. Civil Rights.  
The immediate restoration of full freedom of speech, press and assembly, and complete amnesty of all persons imprisoned for the expression of political belief or opposition to war or for labor union activities during the war. The rigid enforcement of the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments with reference to the Negroes and effective legislation to secure to the Negroes full civil, political, industrial and educational rights.

5. Imperialism and Militarism.  
The recognition of the governments of Russia and Mexico; the immediate withdrawal of military occupation of Hayti and San Domingo and the surrender of all arbitrary and lawless exercise of dominion over these republics. Rapid reduction and ultimate abolition of all standing armed forces.

The Socialist Party presents these political demands to the voters of the United States, and more particularly to the workers, as measures intended to rescue the government from the intolerable control of the greedy profiteering interests, essential to true democracy, to free the producers from tyranny and exploitation and the consumers from unbridled extortion and oppression, to pave the way for a government based on true political and industrial equality, social justice and world peace.

The Socialist Party pledges itself and all its candidates who may be elected to Congress to use all of their power for the realization of this program, and on this ground it asks for the suffrage and support of the American workers.

### DEBS ON THE FOSTER KIDNAPING.

Terre Haute, Indiana  
August 26, 1922.

"William Z. Foster,  
Chicago, Illinois.

"Dear Comrade Foster:  
"My brother has read of your brutal and shameless persecution with feelings of deepest indignation and resentment and wishes me to write you as follows:

"If I were not confined to a sanatorium under treatment I would at once be with you and tender my services in any way in my power. The miserable wretches in Colorado and Wyoming, especially the capitalist hireling who masquerades as governor of the former state, who so brutally





