

CURTIS AS PRESIDENT AGENT FOR

Correspondent Is Hired to Poutice Up Taft's Record, Says Debs

BY EUGENE V. DEBS.

William E. Curtis has another record on Taft in the Record-Herald. It is very similar to the first, which was prepared for special distribution among labor unions.

Taft Used All His Power

In 1894, during the Pullman strike, Taft was on the federal bench at Cincinnati. Along with Judge Wood and Judge Grosscup, he used all his judicial power to imprison the strikers and break up the strike.

A Monstrous Falsehood

Of course, this is a monstrous falsehood. The deed which cannot remain unmentioned here is the fact that Taft has not been uttered.

Curtis Dodges Question

The question is, did Phelan regard Taft as the friend of labor and express his gratitude for having been looked up in jail? This is a question that has been dodged.

"Frenzied Office Seeker"

For the past six months Judge Taft has been a frenzied office seeker and while so engaged he has been putting \$1,000 a month in his pocket.

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VAST AUDIENCE GREETED HAYWOOD AT MIDDLETOWN

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Middletown, Ohio, May 4.—William D. Haywood spoke in Middletown under the auspices of the Central Trades and Labor Council.

CHILD IS KILLED BY FOUL BALL; SKULL FRACTURED

Pittsburg, Pa., May 4.—Charles Lee, 6 years old, was seated at the edge of the diamond of the Bedford avenue baseball park yesterday afternoon watching a game between two amateur teams.

TWO MEN UNDER ARREST CONFESS TO \$63,000 THEFT

Laredo, Tex., May 4.—The robbers of the \$63,000 from the Wells-Fargo Express company are in jail here and both have confessed.

BOY CROWDED OFF CAR; HURT

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ANTIMILITARISM AMONG SWEDES

Stockholm, Sweden, April 18.—Socialism here is being spread rapidly here and generally throughout the country.

Young People's Bund Effectively Agitates Among Soldiers

Large numbers of pamphlets and socialist newspapers are distributed in the barracks. The agitation which is carried on at the time when the recruits enter the barracks and again when leaving is so effective that it is difficult to get recruits as conscientious does not exist in Sweden.

Pass Representative Laws

A law has already been passed to prevent anti-militaristic propaganda and citizens unions have been founded against anti-militarism, but all this does not restrict the work of the "Bund."

Everyone Drinks Bottle

Everyone drinks his bottle of bottles of whiskey, and in the intermissions the nearly anonymous are well patronized.

Audience Howling Drunk

By this time fully half of the audience is howling drunk, and the enthusiasm is wild.

FLOCK OF 30 MEN ON JAC SHOW REGULAR SIGHTS

Kenneth W. May 4.—A flock of 300 chicken hawkers were seen today in the city.

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CHICAGO DAILY SOCIALIST

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THE HUSTLERS' COLUMN CONDUCTED BY H. G. CREEL

Circulation Decrease Last Week 497

The Convention Series is doing it, Hustlers. We're getting in between 700 and 1,000 short-time subs. every day. That means that the Hustlers are not devoting their usual time to liming up regular subscriptions...

Table showing subscription statistics: What the Subscription Hustlers Did Yesterday, Total for the day, 108.

RESOLUTION OF LOCAL COACHELLA VALLEY, CAL. Two additional Socialist locals have now definitely launched upon plans, AS LOCALS, to support the Daily, Local Toronto, Canada, recently took a share of stock and in a set of resolutions, published at the head of this column...

Whereas, the establishment and maintenance of a daily press is the most important and urgent work now before the Socialist Party of the United States, therefore, be it resolved:

- 1. That we now take up a collection for the purpose of making a first payment on a share of stock in the Chicago Daily Socialist.
2. That the financial condition of said paper shall be called UP FOR CONSIDERATION and action AT EVERY REGULAR MEETING of our local, and shall OCCUPY a PERMANENT PLACE in our REGULAR program until said paper shall be self-supporting.
3. That we invite and most EARNESTLY URGE EVERY LOCAL in the nation to TAKE LIKE ACTION.

There's something else for you to take to the next meeting and read OUT LOUD. See that your organization is thoroughly alive to the situation. Make it YOUR business to see that the matter is brought up and discussed earnestly in YOUR local. You can help, and your local WILL help.

The latest additions to the 60-day repeat fund are noted below. Those on this list send in any amount, but agree to repeat in 60 days. Much debt on this fund, and Hustlers should all work to give it a generous lift.

When a Hustler orders subscription cards it's a sure sign that he's hot on the front of the profit system. And he's taking it of the best methods for its extermination, too. When the workers are reading and talking, the strongest supports of the plunderbund will have vanished.

He not only believes in the working class but wants others to know what his class interests are. He wants to see the working class organized and fighting for its own interests.

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Now come the donations. These are from workers who are especially interested in keeping the Daily in the field. These are the people who are the backbone of the party.

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all the time. I make this announcement: For every check or money order amounting to \$5 the comrades send me I will send them 12 nearly Appeal cards and make a donation to the Daily of \$1.00. The Appeal cards can be used any time. Thus you get the full value in Appeal cards and help the Daily at the same time.

Long live the Daily to far the pluses," writes C. W. Bowers, Pittsburg, Kan., as he makes good on his pledge of \$5.00. He has 500 cards to dispose of on this basis. First come, first served. Money back on the balance of the cards.

The list of names comes on deck "day after day" as ever. D. F. Shoup, Baldwin, has a donation to the Daily of \$1.00. The Appeal cards can be used any time. Thus you get the full value in Appeal cards and help the Daily at the same time.

The following Hustlers bring in two sub cards today: H. A. Boyce, of Carmen, Okla., sent me \$10 for cards, and in keeping with my promise I send you hereby my check for \$1.00. Please put in paper so Boyce will know I keep my word.

Birthdays: J. A. J. Logan, Kansas City, Kas., 10; E. D. Atkins, Kansas City, Mo., 23; H. G. Mack, Port Huron, Mich., 10; "Appeal Army Man," Batavia, O., 10; J. W. B. Brown, Prairie View, Kan., 15; H. A. Caton, Tinsburg, Ohio, 10; W. B. Eastman, Crookston, Minn., 10; W. S. McVicker, Port Huron, Mich., 10; W. J. Goodman, Grand Junction, Cal., 10; J. H. Harmon, Tyler, Tex., 10; W. W. Ehrlich, St. Louis, Mo., 10; Thos. Stiles, Martinsville, Ind., 10; F. P. Farley, George, Iowa, 10; Fred Vize, Reading, Pa., 10.

Anti-Socialists Shocked Again: Anti-Socialists in Erie, Pa., have received two shocks lately. First, during election, when the Socialists polled 85 per cent in votes, and now in the enthusiasm and large audiences that attended the May day celebration held at the Labor Temple. Even the Socialist papers were forced to come out with a statement that the audience was phenomenal.

Nominate at Linton, Ind.: The Socialists have held a convention for the township of Linton, Ind., Ind., which resulted in the selection of a strong ticket. The principal candidates are: State representative, G. W. Lackey; Douglas, Sheriff Jas. C. Cullay; Linton treasurer, T. J. Lee; Jassonville; chairman congressional district, Wallace W. Thompson; Harrison, Klenz; county secretary, J. G. Mitchell; Odon, congressional committee, Miss Letty Wadsworth; Ragland, county clerk, Charles N. Huddleston; Davis county, Edgar W. Wallace; Sullivan county, county chairman, Thos. Strong; Linton, county secretary, J. T. Lewicki.

Cincinnati Socialists Nominate: Socialists held their convention at Cincinnati, and placed a complete ticket in the field for the coming election. Lawrence A. Zitt acted as the secretary, and Nicholas Klein as chairman of the county committee. Harrison, Klenz, county secretary, J. G. Mitchell; Odon, congressional committee, Miss Letty Wadsworth; Ragland, county clerk, Charles N. Huddleston; Davis county, Edgar W. Wallace; Sullivan county, county chairman, Thos. Strong; Linton, county secretary, J. T. Lewicki.

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Starting a New Party

Some of the trade union officials are now urging that organized labor start a new political party that shall be independent of all other parties.

In some ways this is a sign of progress. That labor is beginning to learn that the Republican and Democratic parties are owned, controlled and directed by the enemies of labor is something. To have announced this fact in a union hall five years ago would have been, in most cases, to start a riot.

Moreover, the Socialist knows that any independent labor party that really keeps itself free from capitalism must shortly become a Socialist party. There have been hundreds of examples of the truth of this.

But the Socialist also knows that this is a slow way to progress. He knows something of the difficulty of starting a new party. He knows the weary years of work that goes into the formation of an organization, the creation of literature, the training of speakers and workers.

Any party that is to be truly effective in the cause of labor must be national in its scope. A local party can have no effect on the great national questions that are really the most important ones to labor. Indeed, any truly labor party must be international, but this point we can pass for the moment.

It must painfully build up a press with writers and workers and readers. It must have a philosophy and set of principles common to its entire organization for those writers to expound and explain.

It must be able to reach into all portions of the country and possess the machinery with which to meet the requirements of hostile primary legislation, enacted in many cases especially to prevent the formation of such parties.

In all this work the unions themselves are poorly fitted for the purposes to be accomplished. No union can afford to make political affiliation a test of membership. This has always been the position of the Socialists, although they have frequently been misrepresented on this point as on many others. No union has the right or the power to compel its membership to become a part of any political machine.

These are but a few of the difficulties that stand in the road of any proposed new labor party. Yet they are insurmountable, and so plainly so as to raise the question whether those who are advocating this policy are not consciously seeking to make labor politically impotent.

A Rush at the Finish

There is still time to make the Convention series such a starter for the campaign that it will set the country talking. Ten thousand additional names before Saturday morning will mean that a vast multitude of working men and women will be watching the deliberations of the Convention and preparing to work for the success of the principles, platform and candidates there to be determined upon.

These names must be in by Saturday morning to enable them to be set up for the first number. This just gives time enough for every reader of this to go out and get ten names and send them in.

The whole great body of "Hustlers" is working. The "Appeal Army" is on the job, and things are doing.

From now on, moreover, every additional subscriber will give a lift to the Daily.

Remember these ten numbers are not to be simply reports of the Convention. They will be that, to be sure, and that feature will be worth far more than they will cost. But they will also be the best SHORT COURSE IN SOCIALISM EVER PUBLISHED. There will be propaganda articles from the best writers in the Socialist movement. There will be all the phases that have already made the Daily such a force for Socialism.

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THE MAN OR WOMAN WHO TAKES THESE TEN PAPERS WILL BE READY TO WORK FOR SOCIALISM DURING THE CAMPAIGN.

The first expense of this series is going to be very heavy. Several hundred dollars must be expended for stenographic reports alone. A still larger sum must go to provide each of the present subscribers with an eight-page paper for these ten days. These things are given to those who are now taking the paper without extra charge. In return they are asked to secure some additional subscribers for this special series.

Will you share, or must someone else pay for the extra good paper you will receive during this time? SEND IN TEN THOUSAND NEW NAMES THIS WEEK.

"Handling Labor"

Considerable commendation of employers is expressed by financial journals over the fact that the corporations of the country have exercised so much "diplomacy" in the way they have handled labor in the present panic. They point out that in other times of panic friction has arisen between labor and capital when the employer has cut wages, but in the present depression thus far there has been little or no difficulty experienced by the employer in adjusting the labor question.

In the present panic the employers have cut wages practically only in those industries that are not organized and where no protest could be raised that would affect the employer.

In those trades that are organized the men have been discharged or the hours of work have been shortened. As a result the largest number of men the country has ever seen are out of work at present. Shops and mills are being kept in repair and running short time wherever it is to the employer's interest with greatly reduced forces.

Now the demand is coming from the employers that the wages of the organized laborers shall be cut and the next few months will be a period when the pressure will be brought to bear on the trade unions of the country.

Does He Really Know No Better?

The Socialists of the country in their clamor for "leveling" make much of the sufferings of the "unemployed." That too many industrious, deserving persons have lacked employment the past winter, and their families gone hungry, because they could find no work to do, is painfully true. But it is also true that not all the unemployed are anxious for work. A pastor in Chicago is just now acting as a voluntary employment agency. He charges nothing for his services. He has at his disposal positions for hundreds, and has advertised them widely—and has only fifty applicants for work. Philadelphia, last winter, undertook to furnish "jobs" in addition to its needed public works and provided temporary employment at moderate but living compensation—but most of the unemployed scornfully refused the temporary assistance because the price offered was not equal to current wages.—The Times, South Bend, Ind.

Wonder if there is an editor in the United States who is such a fool as to believe that even if he did write it himself? If there is we take pleasure in informing him that there is no pastor in Chicago with ONE position, to say nothing of HUNDREDS, for which he cannot receive thousands of applications. The same thing is true of Philadelphia. The notice that there are a dozen jobs anywhere means a riot call for the police to club back the starving hordes who fight for the chance to work.

CHICAGO

ADDRESS BY BEN HANFORD AT THE GARRICK THEATER, SUNDAY, MAY 3.

A man who had long resided in Chicago (he had never lived) died, and, as a matter of course, went to hell. But when he got there he did not know the place. He thought it was heaven—he found it so much pleasanter than Chicago.

Chicago—the place where all of Capital's dreams have come true. Straight down from the first to the seventh hell—then down, down to the bottom of the bottomless pit—there is Chicago. Chicago—an industrial penitentiary, the buildings and grounds of which cover hundreds of square miles. Inmates and keepers number more than two thousand thousand souls—many of them dead, all others in fever and travail. Chicago—the penal city. Rolling mill prisons. Factory prisons. Department store prisons. Reformatory prisons. Factory prisons full of children. Factory prisons full of women. Factory prisons full of men. Some of them trustful—but they can't escape. Prisons for all who work. All must work in prison. None can ever work themselves out of prison—in Chicago. All serving life sentences. Inmates and keepers, all must work—work, and hurry, in Chicago. Hurry or die—hurry and die—hurry to death—the capitalist devils can't wait—in Chicago. Primitive men utilized cliffs and caves for dwelling places. Chicago people dwell in cliffs and caves. Not those made by nature. Nature's cliffs and caves are not high enough or low enough or dark enough. So the Chicago prisoners made their own caves and cliffs—and made hell, foul and dark and poisonous. Chicago, peopled by souls that are dead, with hearts of lead, in their rotting flesh, hung on brittle bones. Chicago—where the buildings shake and the streets rock and the whole place quakes always—where they know no silence and hear no song—where there are noises ever, and never music sounds. Chicago—where most that is not crime or vice is humbug—status of plaster, pretense of marble; buildings of staff and sand, pretense of stone; putty and paint, pretense of iron and steel; men who are devils, sung-faced, clerical-clothed, pretense of virtue; pallid women, roused, pretense of health; bewitched women, hearts of flint; perfumed women, fine ladies, disguising the stench of them. The hands on the clock say the hour is morning—but they work all night in the night time, and there is no day in Chicago. Hurry, hurry to work, prisoners and keepers—hurry all! Go faster, ever faster. Don't lose the step. If you lose the step, you fall. And if you fall you die—in Chicago. Work, little child, work and hurry. Work, little girl, work faster. Wear crash and rage; mind not your withering, bending frame; work, little girl, and hurry. Your employer's little daughter—as your cheeks pale, so hers shall bloom. She shall be swathed in silk and fine linen, and clothed in lace; she shall be light and airy as a fairy—and as she older grows she will thank the only God she knows she is not like you. Work, child, work, and hurry. Work, woman, work, and hurry; faster, faster, or you will lose your place in the prison; work, work, work. Mind not your bruised and faded flesh, your aching, all but breaking bones; work, woman, work; faster, ever faster. Wear burlap and tatters over your shriveling form. Your employer's wife—she shall be a Juno, and arrayed in raiment that would shame a queen; every thread shall be washed and dyed in your heart's blood. Your employer's mistress—not Venus, with full round

PANIC AND SOCIALISM

Much is being said about the results of the panic or scarcity of money and lack of employment that is with us today.

The majority, in their investigations of the subject do not go beyond the things of the movement, but though they may not see, far-reaching results are obvious.

There is a wonderful current of unrest in this country at this time, and daily manifests itself in many ways. Politicians are asking, how many voters will the panic drive over to the Democratic camp?

What will be the result of it upon Roosevelt's popularity with the masses, so long a blessing to the workers? How will it affect the principles of government which Roosevelt has sought to put into operation?

What effect will it have upon the Democratic convention? Will it defeat Bryan, and produce a man recognized as more conservative?

All these are important in the just now, but other days are coming and the ultimate result is the one that should be scanned most closely because it is the one that will be with us when the show of lesser moment shall have passed.

A year ago, the number of Socialist votes in Concord was precious few. Today, if we accept the utterances or prophecies of those who thus believe, the Socialist votes in Concord are many.

Admitting that there is a change, it is pertinent to ask, what brought it about? In which question there can be but one answer and that is the scarcity of work.

The many men out of employment are dissatisfied, restless, and in their dissatisfaction and restless condition, they are careful to get no answer to their question. They are growing disgusted with those whom they think responsible for the existing order of things.

The big corporations are endeavoring to keep the public eye from shouldering the responsibility onto Roosevelt, and Roosevelt in an aggressive way is flinging the charge back onto the shoulders

and into the faces of the captains of industry, the big corporations. The laboring man is inclined to doubt both, and is going elsewhere, with his grievances, and the propaganda of Socialism is a wonderful balm to those who have nothing to lose but their lack of employment.

Here is another nut, you may take home and gnaw at—a man who once gets the Socialist bee in his bonnet never is a Republican or a Democrat again in the sense of a party man; he may tire of his news associates; he may tire of his new associates; he may have doubts as to whether or not the Socialist millennium will ever come; he may lose faith in much that is urged, but from the day he looked with interest and open eyes into the Socialist book of mysteries and promises, he is a political wanderer.

As it is in Concord, so it is in every city and town where there are many unemployed, and the ends which they are seeking are the same. They are seeking work, and industrial stagnation sought or seek, are not the ends they will find.—From Daily Patriot, Concord, N. H.

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Our women, backed by the local, should band themselves together in all of our larger cities and carry our literature to the women in bondage everywhere. They should first be canvassed with literature and then invited to the local.

In a number of our towns our women are holding parlor propaganda meetings, taking up the studies of history, economics, parliamentary law, and such things. These meetings are very beneficial, both in so far as gaining knowledge and giving practice in propaganda and official work is concerned. Neither men nor women will ever become active until given something to do, until allowed an opportunity for individual expression.

We shall never have a permanent society until every member of that society is granted a full expression of his individuality. It is well for the women of the local to prepare every alternate program for the local, and the children should be used on these programs as much as possible.

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breast and rosy lips, shall compare with them. They shall have the beauty that was yours, and your sister's, and your daughter's. In a year and a day you shall die, but when they are gorged with their cannibal feast they will pray God for hosts for more, and thank their Holy Ghost they are not like you. So work, woman, work; but hurry, faster, faster, ever faster. Work, man, work. Hurry. Your keepers watch! So bend your back, and hurry. The head is heavy—never mind. This a load of gold—and gold is God—God of your masters, God of your keepers, God of your city of death. Chicago—the sun may shine over, it never shines upon Chicago. Always covered with a gray-black pall of poison. Chicago—where only the robbers and skimmers live; where the workers and doers die. Chicago—where profit blights like a pestilence. Chicago—where inmates and keepers live on the hell-broth brew from the witches' cauldron; toads, and Crotales, lizards, orphans, children, women, men—all steeped together in the venomous pit, cursed by the forked tongue of the fanged and crowned and taloned hag. Chicago—where railways steal part of the lake's fish, and the rest of the rest, Chicago—where the rulers sold the people's birthright for a mess of pottage—and then they stole the pottage. Chicago—city of saloons, dives, brothels, dens and joints. Chicago—city of Godless churches, dedicated to the worship of devils and dollars. Chicago—where Justice, with handaged eyes, was slain in her own temple with her own sword. Chicago—place of the levee—where the soiled woman dies to live. Before she reached there she worked long hours for a pittance bare to keep her body alive, but the Lord of the Factory made her sell her soul for the right to work. And now on the levee, weak unto death, she still must tribute pay to the Lord of the Land. Worse still. The strongest men in this prison town, its finest, bravest, best—guardians of its peace—its magnificent police—this poor woman, before feeding her child from her trade of death, must pay tribute—black-mail—to the noble excretors of the law. Oh, that monsters in form of man could steal the babe's milk from the withered breast of its famishing mother! But this in Chicago, where the seed of truth was sown in this soil, and employed. Into the cells of the bottomless pit, into the prison with its two millions of souls, there penetrates even a ray of light from a single Star of Hope. Here in this hell a working class wakes. Maimed and mangled, battered and scarred, broken and twisted, almost deafened, they listen; almost blinded, they see—and their look is upward. They listen to the gospel of Brotherhood, and they look for the Star of Socialism, and even the prisoners of this penal colony love, and grasp each other's hands—and they are going to make this Bedlam blossom as the rose. Long since the seed of truth was sown in this soil, and employed. Wherever that seed falls there that seed will grow—even in the noisome gardens of Cannibal Capitalism. But, oh, my soul, how long the time! But there shall yet be rest for the weary—even in Chicago, Chicago—where men work like horses, live like dogs, and die like paupers. Even in Chicago the heavy laden shall find relief; the naked shall be clothed; the famished prisoners fed; they that mourn shall be comforted; and the souls that thirst shall drink of the water of life, and love—and Love is Life. In the Chicago that is to be.

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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

EDITED BY MARIE JAYNE

Woman, the World Is Waiting for You

The statement cannot be disputed that the liberation of the laboring class is being retarded today by the indifference and oftentimes, the antagonism of the women of the laboring class.

Man's evolution and growth to an analytical, logical state of mind has been a slow process. He has expended his greater time striking at effects while he has tenaciously defended the institutions and conditions that produced those undesirable effects.

He has not only denied the inevitable law of cause and effect, but has presumed that he is greater than nature—that he can establish social laws that will set aside natural laws.

The female exercises the right of initiative throughout the animal kingdom, as she exercised this right in human history down to the time when her will and freedom were subjected in behalf of property rights.

The subjection of woman was the greatest mistake ever made by man. The property class has ruled both church and state, and it naturally followed that church and state declared in favor of woman's subjection, and woman, through her material dependence and hypnotized mental state, became a helpless, deficient, dependent.

Instead of woman taking a negative position, she should have taken the initiative in all things, purposing the race into being and it is this long period of inactivity that enables her to make the move just what she herself, and a subject motherhood means a subject race. When women amount to little, then amount to but little more.

A subject motherhood has filled our world with war, crime, insanity and imbecility. Instead of woman taking a negative position, she should take the initiative and her talents should be developed to their highest capacity that she may transmit these powers to posterity.

Woman lost her freedom and her individuality when man assumed absolute property control, and she will never be liberated and she will never be free until she again becomes industrially free and independent.

There is a first movement in the world's history that is essential to the woman's right to an economic independence, and the first that has set forth a scientific method by which this right might become a practical reality.

Four or five millions of women today who are sold into bondage and slavery by the marriage state—no homes and support for their husbands and helplessness when they are widowed, are to be given an opportunity to free themselves from this state.

No movement can become a universal and permanent success until women become imbued with woman's greatest duty, to woman, and every one who has learned the message of Socialism to the human race should be putting forth every possible effort to carry this message to every woman who is ignorant of it.

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For Home Dressmakers



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Capitalist Press Conspiring

By Robert Hunter.

One day I sat in Berlin at lunch with a group of American newspaper correspondents.

They were talking with enthusiasm about the German working man.

They marveled at his political power.

They outdid each other in telling stories of what he had accomplished.

Their praise of the German leaders was unstinted. Their contempt for the reactionaries was unbounded.

I asked them why they did not send to the American papers the story of working-class action.

"Our papers don't want it," they answered.

In disgust, these men were sending news of court scandals, rumors of war, libels on labor leaders, lies about Socialist defeats.

Now what does this mean?

It means that the entire capitalist press is conspiring to keep the American workingman in ignorance.

The newspapers have stopped printing political news from Europe because every hour the Socialists are winning great victories.

The European working men are fighting a magnificent battle. They are winning new rights. They are forcing reforms that will bring revolutionize economic conditions. Their leaders are the most brilliant in the parliaments of Europe.

In dismay their capitalist opponents are granting reforms right and left in the effort to allay the discontent of the workers.

But how many American working men know anything of what their brothers in Europe are doing?

They are dependent for their news upon capitalist sources. They support a capitalist press which either lies about the European movement or ignores it. Their pennies go to build up great journals to be used by the enemy.

They leave the editors of their Socialist and labor press to starve while they add millions to the circulation of a press whose whole interest it is to keep them in ignorance and to weld more perfectly the chains that enslave them.

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GERMAN UNEMPLOYED

Owing chiefly to a depression in manufacturing and building in Plauen, Germany, there are many persons there of both sexes out of work. Their number is estimated from 2,000 to 3,000, is sufficiently large to engage the serious attention of the remaining population. The unemployed have held meetings to consider the situation, and various means were discussed to alleviate the growing distress. All looked to the authorities for relief.

It is urged by the unemployed that the local factories should not be allowed to operate in the legal closing hours, on the ground that it is necessary in some factories to work overtime the extra labor should be given to the authorities. The petitioners were petitioned by

the unemployed not to tax those out of work. It was asked further that the extension of old streets or the laying out of new ones projected for a later time be begun at once. It is not unlikely that these improvements will be started earlier than planned, not so much as a result of the formal demand of the unemployed as from the desire of the municipality to help such deserving inhabitants who are for the time being without means of support.

This assistance has lately assumed such a tangible shape that a bulletin has been posted to the effect that the unemployed may present themselves at the office of the city building commission. Those who have lived longest in this city will be given the preference in the assignment of work.

See also...

TO THE MILLOR

Visionary Dream. As a laboring man I was somewhat surprised while reading the last message of President Roosevelt to find that the president had labor under the hallucination that the so-called "common people" can be led to operate in the same manner as the aristocrats in the good things of life. He accuses the Socialists of being visionary dreamers, and thereby endangering the stability of the country.

To My Country. Let us not let the vaunting of the patriot leave the oblivious to the needs of the nation.

To Theodore Roosevelt. In your last message to congress you took occasion to say that every fair-minded patriot should protest against the growth in this country of that evil thing which is called "class consciousness."