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PARADE ARRANGEMENTS

For Music Hall Demonstration ARE COMPLETED.

Grand Marshal and His Aides Are Chosen--Monster Turn-out Expected--More Than Twenty Organizations Have Declared Their Intention of Participating.

New Organizations Send Delegates and Vote Funds.

SINCE OUR LAST ISSUE THE FOLLOWING NEW ORGANIZATIONS HAVE SENT DELEGATES AND DONATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE:
Brewers' Union No. 6 donated \$10, will parade.
Beer Bottlers Union No. 137, donated \$10, will parade.
Garment Workers Union, No. 98, donated \$5, will parade.
Beer Drivers Union No. 43, donated \$10, will parade.
Federal Labor Union No. 6482, donated \$5, will parade.
Amalgamated Wood Workers' No. 12, will parade.
Garment Workers Union No. 105, will parade.
Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators No. 134.
The Cigarmakers Union has donated \$10; Cloth, Hat and Cap Workers Union \$2; Womens' Socialist Club, \$5.
Comrade Wm. M. Brandt of Cigar Makers Union No. 44, has been selected as the Grand Marshal of the parade with the following aides:
Edwin Strauss of Garment Workers Union No. 98. Jacob Gobelman of Brewers and Malsters Union No. 6. Julius Rudolph of Beer Bottlers Union No. 137. Wm. M. Holman of the 11th Ward Club Socialist Party. Chas Weisman of Garment Workers Union No. 98. Louis Lotray of Core Workers Union No. 13. S. A. McInturf of the 16th Ward Club Socialist Party. Geo. Boswell of Core Makers Union No. 13.

Grand Marshal of the parade, with the following aides:
Edwin Strauss of Garment Workers' Union No. 98, Jacob Gobelman of Brewers' and Malsters' Union, No. 6, Julius Rudolph of Beer Bottlers' Union, No. 137, Wm. Holman of Eleventh Ward Socialist Club, Chas. Weisman of Garment Workers, No. 98, Louis Lotray of Core Makers' Union, No. 13, S. A. McInturf of Sixteenth Ward Socialist Club and Geo. Boswell of Core Makers' Union, No. 13.
Each of the organizations taking part will doubtless select their own captains and by the time the parade forms it will be thoroughly organized and ready to move without a hitch. Three fine bands will furnish the music for the occasion besides several drum corps, which will be furnished by the organizations marching, and it will be a soul-stirring trip from the point of beginning to the end when the marchers will file into the Music Hall to the tune of the Marseillaise.
A committee of three, consisting of Comrades Greenbaum, Hoehn and Hildebrand, was selected to arrange for the transparencies and banners and Comrades Dunn and Phil Mueller were selected to arrange for the torches and other illumination required.
Every organization taking part in the arrangement of the demonstration should make it a point to take part in the parade. The parade will be the most imposing feature of the entire demonstration.
Ten thousand may attend a meeting, many of whom have come to scoff, but ten thousand determined workmen in a parade means something, the capitalist class of this city would stand aghast and tremble in the enjoyment of their ill-gotten wealth. Let us use our power, and let us show the power we possess; it will brighten our own spirits and enliven those around us.
Those who miss the parade will miss an opportunity to show that they have determined to put an end to police outrages, to the assaulting of women and to the throwing into jail of workmen for the purpose of ruing their usefulness and trading their characters.
Those who fail to attend the meeting at Music Hall will fail to hear two of labor's most eloquent champions; they will fail to hear their interests represented by those who have studied economic conditions and who conscious of labor's wrongs point to the way of freedom. Let no workman purposely stay away.



BEEN PERSUADIN' FOLKS, HEY? WELL WE'LL FIX THAT.

the full product of its toil, free from the slavery of a profit taking capitalist.
'I wish also to call your attention to another of the company's schemes, worse even than the "chain gang" and the never paid for overtime. I might call it vulgarly "hot air"; it is the plain they have of telling every employe of the fine chances for promotion.
They start them in on six and seven dollars a week, which is the average wage paid, and by holding out ten and twelve dollars as a bait they get the luckless slave to work himself to death, constantly spurring him on with nice words of "praise," and telling him at the same time what a fine worker is John Smith, his fellow aspirant. Then comes a "promotion," he is given eight dollars, and then nine, and after a few months' more hot air and hard work he is given ten dollars, then eleven and finally he reaches the twelve dollar mark, a physical wreck, only to hold it a short while and be "laid off."
"During all the time of his hard work he has been breaking in cheaper men to do his work, and when he has worked himself to death his master throws him aside, worn out and useless, and repeats the same round with his ever hopeful successor.
The orthodox hell would be heaven compared to the lives led by these miserable slaves.
"I am frank to admit that I "bit." I was working for "promotion." I fancied the hot air of the superintendent was real interest, but I have learned a bitter lesson. They had a cheaper man for my place, and I was transferred to the warehouse, where owing to the extremely heavy work no one works for very long. I lasted a week and gave way for another slave who will soon either follow me or wear himself out.
"During the freight handlers strike in Chicago the Chicago branch of Butler Bros. sent their orders here to be filled, being unable to do so themselves. We got them out and scabbed on the Chicago freight handlers.
"Capitalism is indeed a blessed system, where everybody has a "chance," a chance to slave or starve.
"I hope your efforts in its destruction may bear early fruit.
Fraternally yours,
"IN SEARCH FOR A MASTER."

to the movement and discussion always "helps our cause. The petitions for our state ticket have been quite generally distributed with a request to return them to this office not later than August 20th, and I am expecting good results.
The report of this office for the month of July will be published in the next issue of the paper. Three locals, St. Louis, Poplar Bluff and Sedalia, have acted favorably on the constitutional amendments as proposed by the committee, and published two weeks ago. It is necessary for five or more locals to act before the matter can be submitted to the party of the State. Therefore I would request that some of you take it up that it may be disposed of as quickly as possible.
The matter of importance before us now is our petition for nomination of a State ticket, and I would urge the comrades everywhere to make it their business to secure signers.
Fraternally,
J. H. RATHBUN.

A SAVIOR OF MEN

(By Fred E. Irish.)
If I were Christ, and to me was given The power on earth, as 'tis in heaven, I should never rest till the world was free From crime, and famine, and misery.
I vow by all that is grand and good, By the tie divine of Brotherhood, That I could not sit upon Heaven's throne While men were starving on earth alone.
When the balls rang out on my natal day, And the world seemed blythe, and glad, and gay, I should fancy I heard beneath their tones, The echo of famished millions' groans,
I should mark the contrast so clearly seen, The homes of rich and poor between, Weigh well the sorrow, weigh well the mirth, And see it indeed 'twas "Joy on earth."
And then--well, then I would right the wrong, Avenge the weak, and confound the strong, And the system no longer should endure, Which exalts the rich, and degrades the poor.
I would do it, I swear, if I lost my crown, My place in Heaven, and won God's frown, And count it well, for I surely then Would be in truth a Saviour of men.

STATE COMMITTEE

At the last meeting of the local quorum, charters were issued to locals at Grandin and Cuba which adds two more clubs to the Missouri organization. I have received letters from the secretaries of both the new clubs announcing their intention of putting out full county tickets. No better course could be taken by a new club, as a campaign of necessity draws attention

THAT SPECIAL ISSUE. WILL BE GOTTEN OUT THURSDAY, AUGUST 14. COMRADES SHOULD PUSH ITS SALE IN THEIR WARD CLUBS AND IN THE TRADES UNIONS. IT WILL BE A GOOD ONE AND NO WORKING-MAN SHOULD BE WITHOUT A COPY. MAKE THE ISSUE 25,000. WILL BE ONE CENT A COPY

Go Up the River -- ON -- AUGUST 31st -- WITH -- ST. LOUIS LABOR. Boat leaves foot of Locust Street at 9:30 a. m. Stops at North Market Street at 10:00 o'clock and lands at Alton coming and going. Tickets 25c each. Save your money.

STRIKING MINERS

Through Judge's Order MUST NOT BE FED.

Federal Judge Keller Issues the Most Sweeping Injunction Yet Sent Forth--Capitalists Use Desperate Means to Offset the Effects of the Strikers Defense Fund.

Secretary Wilson May Be Summoned to Answer the Injunction.

THE CAPITALIST COAL OPERATORS OF PENNSYLVANIA AND WEST VIRGINIA ARE MAKING USE OF THE POWERS OF GOVERNMENT TO BEAT DOWN THE COAL STRIKERS, TO THAT END THEY HAVE ALREADY ISSUED INJUNCTIONS RESTRAINING THE PURCHASE AND DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLIES, THEY HAVE FORBIDDEN THE ASSEMBLING OF STRIKERS, BROKEN UP THEIR MEETINGS AND ARRESTED THEIR SPEAKERS.
MOTHER JONES AND MANY OTHER UNION OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED FOR ESPOUSING THE MINERS' CAUSE. THE TROOPS HAVE BEEN CALLED OUT AND ON EVERY HAND IS SEEN THE POWER TO THE CAPITALIST GOVERNMENT, UNLESS THE WORKERS UNITE UPON THE POLITICAL FIELD THEIR STRIKES WILL ALWAYS BE MET BY THE SAME WEAPONS.

The hand of the capitalist government is pressing hard upon the striking miners of Pennsylvania and West Virginia, and nothing is being left undone to break up the Miners' Union and compel the men to return to work.
The injunction is being used to its utmost, Federal Judge Keller, of Charleston, W. Va., having recently issued the most sweeping order of this nature yet declared. Under its provisions G. W. Purcell, member of the National Executive Committee of the United Mine Workers; W. B. Wilson, National Secretary; Mother Jones and Chris Evans have been ordered to discontinue the purchase and distribution of supplies to feed the strikers.
Fifteen warrants have already been issued under this order and many of the prominent members of the Miners' Union are expected to be among the number who will soon be compelled to answer the "injured dignity" of capitalist hireling Keller.

Such an injunction is without parallel in the history of these capitalist outrages and shows plainly the extent to which the capitalist class will go in order to compel the slavery of the working class.
"Government by injunction" has been a very much used term in recent years but the large number of workers have failed to realize its full meaning and they have allowed capitalist politicians to fool them in voting the continuation of the system.
The time is now here for them to understand its significance and act accordingly. The injunction is never used against workmen except at a time when their demand for better conditions or higher wages imperils the profits of the capitalist.
This fact alone should solve the question with those who think at all. Simply stated the injunction is used to protect profit, and it matters not which political party of capitalism has control of the government, whether Democratic or Republican, the capitalist always has resort to the injunction whenever his profits are likely to be attacked.

The judges of the courts, the clerks, the sheriffs and all other officers of government are merely the agents for the carrying out of the wishes of the capitalist.
THE WORKER'S DUTY.
The plain duty before the working class is the capture of the judges, the clerks and the sheriffs.
Instead of electing to office men upon capitalist tickets, who will appoint capitalists to office under them, labor has the power and it is its duty to elect men upon working class tickets.
THE PARTY OF LABOR.
The Socialist party exists as the party of labor and it is to the standard of this party that the coal strikers should rally. If they should use the power which they possess to make this possible, government by injunction would come to an end.

WOULD IMPEACHMENT DO?
The miners officials have declared that they will try to impeach Judge Jackson, who recently failed to sentence Mother Jones through fear, and obtain his removal from the bench.
But this method would fall short even though they were successful. Judge Jackson is not a man peculiarly hostile to labor, he merely reflects the opinions of his class, the capitalists, and in issuing his injunctions he merely protects his interests and those of his fellows.
If Judge Jackson were removed, his place would be filled by one who would act just as he has acted, just as Judge Keller has acted, just as any other capitalist judge would act. The only solution of the injunction problem is working men in office, through the party of the working class, the Socialist party; all other parties are alike--

the supporters of capitalism, the upholders of the wage system.
LABOR EDITORS ARRESTED.
Wilkesbarre, Pa., July 13.--On Wednesday last, Charles J. Thain and John R. Mullery, editor and business manager of the Wilkesbarre "Courier-Herald," the local labor paper, were arrested on charges of criminal libel and brought before Justice Pollock.
The charges were brought in the names of twenty-two employes of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, one of the largest of the Coal Trust roads. The twenty-two complainants are, of course, mere catspaws for the Trust.
The "Courier-Herald" has severely attacked the Citizens' Alliance. Thain and Mullery waived examination and had the case continued to court. Bail for each of them was fixed at the enormous sum of \$11,000, \$5,000 on each case, in the hope, no doubt, that they could not get anybody to give bond and could be kept in prison. Bail was furnished, however, by Messrs. Corrigan and Gilligan, and the "Courier-Herald" comes out this week as usual, scoring the "Citizens" and defying them to bring more prosecutions.
The "Courier-Herald" is not a Socialist paper, but has shown strong Socialist tendencies.
MICHIGAN REFUSES OPERATORS PROPOSALS.
Contrary to general belief the miners of Michigan have refused to accede to the recent proposition of the operators which was voted down by a vote of 602 to 406. A new proposition was at once drawn up by the union officials which will be referred for indorsement and then offered to the operators. The miners refuse to agree to any settlement which does not abolish the present custom of having the miners push their cars when loaded from the place of loading. They demand that either mules shall be used or special men be employed for the purpose.

WARNING.

The following warning which is issued by the Los Angeles County Council of Labor should be read by every workman. It reveals one of the old capitalist tricks which is being used everywhere to break up organized labor:
To Workmen:
Advertisements are being run in hundreds of eastern newspapers for the purpose of inducing Carpenters, Bench Hands, Millmen, Machinemen, Lathers, Plasterers, Hodcarriers, and in fact, Mechanics of all kinds, to come to Los Angeles, where they are promised steady work at big pay.
In conjunction with these advertisements, circular letters are being sent broadcast, in the hopes of getting men to come here in order to disrupt the unions of this city and to break a strike which is being waged against several planing mills.
Many of the merchants and manufacturers of this city have organized themselves into an Employers' Association, for the purpose of destroying organized labor. This Employers' Association hopes to so flood Los Angeles with workmen that the struggle for jobs will be so keen it will result in the disruption of the unions and consequently reduce the wage scale now being paid.
The mouthpiece of this secret organization is the notorious scab Los Angeles Times. This infamous newspaper is engaged in a bitter fight with the Los Angeles County Council of Labor and the International Typographical Union, and hopes, by aiding the Employers' Association, to

WITH HOPES OF ADVANCE BUTLER BROS. COMPANY WORKS SLAVES TO DEATH.

A Slave Who Could Stand His Driving No Longer, Writes of Even Worse Conditions Than Were Recited Recently in These Columns.

The writing up of the conditions at the Butler Bros. Co. in these columns a few weeks ago has borne abundant fruit. A copy of the paper containing the article was given to every man in the place, and with all it struck home. Some saw detailed conditions to which they were fully alive; others realized their slavery as they had never considered it before. Everywhere it met with the approval of the men. A great many of whom have since become regular subscribers.
The masters on the other hand were scared out of several good nights' rest and have set on foot a rigid investigation in an endeavor to find the slave who had the audacity to tell of his master's cruelty.
The following communication shows the appreciation of the men and reveals still further hardships. To the Editor:
The men at Butler Bros. wish to thank you for the article recently appearing in your paper concerning the conditions at that place.
As one of the 'slaves' who could no longer stand the treatment, I have been requested by several of the men to write you this.
The article told only too truly the horrible conditions and

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Editorial Announcements:
Communications must reach the office by Monday evening preceding the issue in which they are to appear.

Contributions and items of news concerning the labor movement are requested from our readers. Every contribution must be accompanied by the name of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of good faith.

Entered at the Postoffice at St. Louis, Mo., as second-class matter, in December, 1908.

A Chicago woman has recently opened a "home" for destitute dogs. She has no objection to destitute men and women, but the poor doggie must not be allowed to suffer.

This is one of the breeds of capitalism, the institution of a system which will give plenty to all will do away with such monstrosities.

A Chicago man has invented a machine by the use of which cattle can be fattened on one-half the corn or oats now used.

If he would only arrange it so as to extend it to the human family what a blessing it would be to the capitalist. The workers could live on half what it now costs them and the boss could cut their wages.

The Democrats had hoped to fool the working class on the trust "issue," but the Republicans beat them to it and they have fallen back on the tariff. My what a lot of fools the American workmen are getting to be. It won't be long before they get up an "issue" on whether or not George Washington told a lie, and they will doubtless get as many votes as they do now.

Great is the American voting king. Several capitalists, calling themselves Democrats, recently met in New York and laid down the "issue" for this fall's campaign.

The workingman, who, by the way, elect everybody who is elected, will be appealed to "stand by the party." They will be told how much the Democratic Party loves them and after they have put their votes in the box the Republican capitalist will hunt up his Democratic brother and have a good drink of champagne.

The daily papers tell of the formation of a world wide beef trust, of the pooling of the oil interests of Rockefeller, Rothschild and Nobel and the perfecting of an oil trust throughout the world.

The Socialist said these things would be fifty years ago, but they were pointed out as crazy.

The Socialist also says that several other things are coming to pass: One of them is the capture of the powers of government by the working class, the overthrow of the profit system and the giving to the worker of the products of his labor.

Under the circumstances it might be well to listen to what the Socialist has to say.

At the recent wedding of Miss Lily Oelrichs the bride wore a robe costing \$10,000. What sort of gowns did those wear who made it?

When the coal miner of Pennsylvania and West Virginia ask for sufficient wages to purchase a calico for his wife and daughter he is called a rioter and shot down.

When a half-witted girl who has never worked in her life spends \$10,000 for a wedding dress, the papers all over the country print column articles describing it minutely and holding her "virtues" up to be followed by the world.

On one side is law and order, on the other is riot. But then we must remember the class to which the \$10,000 dress belongs made the law, and as \$10,000 gowns can not be bought for lazy girls unless the coal miner is denied the right to buy calico, it is but natural that the law should be on the side of the \$10,000 gown.

The workers will wake up some day and make the laws themselves. Then there will be a different story to tell.

RUSSIA'S ANTI-TRUST CONFERENCE.
delegates to an international pow wow. It is proposed to take "common action to offset the trust evil."

From the standpoint of modern An international conference to discuss the trust question is the latest. Russia has sent an official invitation to this country and to all the European powers requesting them to send economic history nothing could be more absurd. Such proposals show

the absolute ignorance of modern governments, the complete imbecility of the present ruling class and its inability to understand and solve the logical outcome of its own system.

From such a proposal one would be led to believe, if we judge from the reputed intelligence of the ruling class, that the trust was the formation of an individual, which with his death or withdrawal must necessarily collapse.

It is upon this theory of individualism that the whole capitalist philosophy rests and the individualist naturally seeks to solve the trust problem in accord with his theory.

In such, however, he is doomed to failure for the logical development of modern industry directly refutes the individualist theory. And starting from a wrong premise the individualist must necessarily fail when he begins to deduct his conclusions.

It is at this point that the Socialist philosophy comes into play. The philosophy which sees in every phase of modern society the result of every phase which has gone before, a development, the result of the combined workings of every force in human history.

The trust is no exception to the rule, and the trust as it now is will still further develop in obedience to the same laws, until of necessity the present method of individual control of the means of production and distribution will give way to collective control.

Monopoly naturally follows competition. Men cannot fight forever; either one will be crowned the victor or the combatants will combine and cease struggling.

Such has been the case in the struggle for supremacy between the capitalists of society, and this condition has been greatly furthered, in fact made necessary by the invention of improved methods of production.

The discovery of steam and electricity, the invention of labor-saving machinery, both manufacturing and farm, the division of labor and the improved means of transportation have all tended to completely change the system of production and distribution and make necessary larger and ever larger industries for handling it.

The trust being a logical development cannot be destroyed by any edict and will cease to be only when it has developed into the next stage.

Under the trust system production has become social while distribution has remained individual. It is the correction of this which makes the trust problem and it will be settled only when the distribution has become social or collective, in keeping with present methods of production.

Such schemes as those proposed by Russia will be the laughing stock of the future society. They mark the transition period between capitalism and Socialism.

The triumph of the working class furnishes the only solution of the trust problem.

COMPULSORY ARBITRATION IS OPPOSED. New Zealand Trades Unionists Have Inaugurated War Against It—A Capitalist Folly.

According to the San Francisco Chronicle, the trades unionists of New Zealand are agitating for the repeal of the compulsory arbitration laws of that country, on the ground that they are administered wholly in the interest of the employing class. No more could be expected, so long as the government is in the hands of capitalists. Superficial observers in America have for years been booming compulsory arbitration as a solution of the labor question, in sublime ignorance of the fact that strikes are only evidence of the existence of such a problem, and not the problem itself.

As well might a physician treat a smallpox case by the application of a plaster to each individual pustule, as for a statesman to attempt to legislate away the cause of industrial discontent by concealing its surface symptom, the strike. New Zealand, "the country without strikes," has just as much of a labor problem now as it had before the passage of the compulsory arbitration laws, which, in the hands of capitalist administrators, have but served to bind labor more securely to the chariot wheels of capitalism, inaugurating a species of servitude but little removed from chattel slavery, inasmuch as penalties are provided to punish those laborers who refuse to continue at work under conditions dictated by government arbitrators.—Saginaw Exponent.

SPEAKERS ARE CALLED FOR.

National Secretary Greenbaum Deluged With Requests For Labor Day Speakers.

National Secretary Leon Greenbaum has sent out a circular letter calling for the names of Labor Day speakers. The national office has been deluged with requests for speakers and is unable to fill them.

The Socialist is being recognized as the most capable Labor Day orator.

One of the best ways to capture the heathen is to put a good party paper into his hands once a week from now until election. Read our campaign offer at the top of the first page, and take a few of them in tow.

A FATUOUS CRAZE.

Socialist Editors With No Knowledge of the Labor Movement Praise American Labor Union and Denounce What They Call "Gomperism."

(Editorial from the St. Louis "Arbeiter-Zeitung," July 24.)

The reorganization of the Western Labor Union into the American Labor Union induces various Socialist papers to fly off the handle and inaugurate a war against "Gomperism," i. e. to denounce President Gompers in a most childish manner.

Why? Because Gompers is not a Socialist and because he does not bring about a Socialist regeneration of that body.

Especially our younger editors of various Western papers, the "Idaho Socialist" among others, are producing "marvelous" arguments thereby developing a lack of knowledge concerning the aims and objects of the labor movement that might enable them to do some other useful work, but certainly not to Socialist editorial work. Strikes and boycotts are denounced as useless and trades union action is ridiculed in a manner that is nothing short of contemptible.

Instead of pouring their "wisdom" upon the wage workers these gentlemen editors should step down from their high thrones, get among the rank and file and work quietly and sincerely in the trades union movement. By doing this they will soon get rid of their gloomy theories and self-conceit. Indeed, some of these people are worse than patent medicine fakirs.

Gompers has his shortcomings; he has made mistakes, and is still making them. He likes playing to the gallery and does many a thing that cannot be considered satisfactory. Against all these we may argue, we may protest, but to foolishly denounce him is unmanly.

Unsocialistic, childish, foolish; it is not the part of Socialists to believe or expect that one man, Gompers, can revolutionize the American Federation of Labor and make it Socialistic. If Eugene V. Debs or even Karl Marx would stand at the head of the A. F. of L. today, the character of this organization could not be very essentially changed, neither could the progress of the movement be much influenced thereby.

To all those who expect the triumph of Socialism to be brought about by and through the high officials in the labor movement we will kindly say, and without any ill feelings, that their silly hopes are the result of their own neglect of duty in the labor movement. Instead of marching and fighting among and with the rank and file and spreading the doctrines of Socialism among their fellow workers on the economic battlegrounds and assisting them by advice and deed, they fall into phantastic dreams and foolish denunciations.

In 1894 the Chicago convention, with the help of the Socialists, defeated Gompers and elected McBride as president of the A. F. of L.—by making this change the progressive and radical elements in the A. F. of L. jumped from the frying pan into the fire. That experience should have proved conclusively that progress depends on the members not on the leaders of the A. F. of L. The central bodies of the trade unions in St. Louis, Milwaukee, Cleveland, etc., belong to the A. F. of L. (whose president Gompers is)—but this does not and cannot hide the fact that in said local central bodies the spirit of Socialism is as strong and as much alive as it can be in any Western or American Labor Union.

The change must come from below, not from above. We must imbue the masses of the union men with the principles of Socialism. The rank and file once imbued with the true Socialist spirit it is only natural that the conservative leaders can no longer remain. With the fall of the conservatism of the masses the conservative leaders will fall.

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING.

Important Business Requires the Attendance of Every Precinct Organizer—Last Meeting Before Music Hall Demonstration.

The general committee meeting of Sunday, August 3, should be attended by every precinct organizer in the city.

It is the last meeting before the Music Hall demonstration and every comrade should learn his duty for that occasion. The various committees selected at the last meeting will report, plans for future work will be outlined and the whole campaign situation. Remember that Aug. 16th the Music Hall demonstration will be the beginning of the hottest fight ever seen in St. Louis. From then on the town will be kept in a turmoil and the energy of every comrade is needed to bring it to a successful issue. Without the work of the men in the precincts nothing can be accomplished. Remem-

NOTES, NEWS AND COMMENT.

By PEXTON BOSWELL

An English shipbuilding company has offered to advance wages to its men in the shape of shares of common stock. The object is to make the men more interested and devoted to their work. Will workmen allow themselves to be baited in this manner when by a proper exercise of the ballot they can bring about public ownership, so that each worker would have something equal to a million of stock—the right to work and enjoy the full product of his labor?

The British conquerors of South Africa are distributing literature among the Boers for the purpose of making them satisfied with their condition. All the literature put forth on the subject, says a dispatch, urges the wisdom of the Boer participating fully in the enterprises of the British capitalist. What else is left for the Boer to do, pray? He is now in the great treadmill of modern industry and he has got to keep step or bear the consequences. But never mind. The Boer's ancestors came from a country where, at the present time the Socialists are asserting strength. Make a wage slave of the Boer and his blood may announce itself in a more dangerous way.

"It has been my experience in life," says Senator Cockrell of Missouri, "that when a man is not certain as to what is the best to be done, silence is the wisest course." Therefore the foxy senator refuses to say just what the Democrats should do. It is indeed a time of uncertainty for that party. The Republicans seem to have cornered the available supply of ready made issues. And yet the political exigency devolves upon the Democrats to hatch up some controversy to amuse the people about election time. To let the Republicans have the field to themselves would be disastrous. It would cause the Socialists to pop up into dangerous prominence. Meantime the Senator and his Democratic confederates scratch their heads in perplexity.

Census Director Merriam says that in 1910 the United States will have 100,000,000 population and will then be a "world power." If present indications are to be considered, eight years from now all talk of a "world power" will be an anachronism. If Socialism keeps growing at its present rate throughout the world all talk of nations being "world powers" will have ceased. Every workingman is the brother of every other workingman in whatever country, and their interests will be identical. Socialism reaches across frontiers and seas with a loving hand clasp of fraternalism. The Socialist party is an international party having for its object the industrial freedom of the working class. It is already so powerful in Europe that rulers and parliaments are afraid of war.

TENTH DISTRICT PARADE.

All Wards in the District Expected to be in Line—Will Assemble at Headquarters, Broadway and Salina Street, Saturday, August 9th at 7:30 p. m.—Speaking Arranged.

The Socialists of the 10th Congressional District will hold a grand rally at their headquarters on Broadway and Salina street Saturday evening, August 9.

A parade will be one of the features and every Socialist in the district is expected to be in line.

The 10th Congressional District consists of wards 1, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 24 and action should be taken at once by the clubs in these wards preparatory to taking part. The parade will form at the headquarters at 7:30 and march over a line taking about half an hour, returning to the point of beginning. Comrade W. H. Halmon of the 11th ward will be the marshal of the parade.

Particular attention will be paid to the speaking which will be in the open air in front of the headquarters. Comrades W. M. Brandt, G. A. Hoehn, Jas. S. Roche and M. Ballard Dunn being the speakers of the occasion.

The comrades throughout the district should do their best to get out a good attendance.

The next meeting of the committee will be held at the headquarters on Tuesday evening, August 5. Every precinct organizer is requested to attend.

ber this and be on hand. Those who are not serving as precinct organizers should also attend in order to give advice and assist in the work which all admit is so necessary.

CLEVELAND, OHIO.

Cleveland, O., July 27. Meeting of Branch I called to order with Comrade Sailor in chair. The following officers were elected: Organ-



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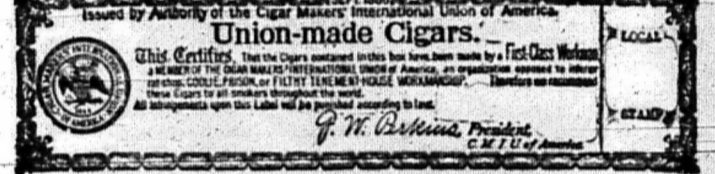
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THE MINERS INCREASED WAGE.

What It Means When Measured By the Operators Increased Profit.

United States Labor Commissioner Carroll D. Wright says that the anthracite coal miners estimate that they received last year about \$4,000,000 extra on account of the advance in wages given them, and that the coal operators put the amount at \$6,000,000. Mr. Wright also says that the net gain to the operators by the advance they made in the price of coal was \$10,000,000. Striking an average of the two estimates made of the miners' gain, I will put it at \$5,000,000. That had to go to aid in feeding at least 500,000 families at 5 months (100,000 families at 5 months per family is probably too small an estimate), which would be \$10 per month, or \$50 per family. That amount would not balance the increase in the price of the necessities of life; consequently the miners were worse off than before the advance in wages and cost of living.

I will estimate the number of operators at 100 (probably too large an estimate), which, at five to the family, would be 500 mouths to feed. Their gain was \$10,000,000. This was \$20,000 per month, or \$100,000 per family. Granting that, with their style of living, the general advance in prices cost them \$500 per month (\$2500 per family), more than formerly, they still have left \$9,750,000 of their gain, or \$97,500 per family. Do you not think the miners were very ungrateful to strike for another advance in wages after the very liberal (?) divide their masters had given them of the extra \$15,000,000 wrung from the coal consumers last year?

According to the above estimates 100,000 families were, as a whole, benefited by the advance in the price of coal. The total gain was \$15,000,000. One hundred thousand families received \$5,000,000, and 100 families received \$10,000,000. Under Socialism were such conditions to arise, each of the 100,000 families would have received an equal share, (granting the non-workers an equal division with the workers) or \$148.75 per family. This amount would have enabled the miners to have paid the increased cost of living and to put a few dollars by for emergencies.

My brother workman, which picture do you like best? Do you want that share of the wealth you produce to which you are justly entitled, to devote to the comfort, education and happiness of your family? You can never secure it by voting with the old parties, for they are both owned and controlled by the men who own the mines, the railroads, the factories and the money of the country. Not one in one hundred of the legislators they elect will ever vote for a law to do the working man justice. Our only hope lies in Socialism—the co-operative commonwealth. If you still adhere to one of the old political parties, let me ask if you ever thought deeply along independent political lines? Or along any lines save those laid down by your party leaders and your party papers? I ask you to throw party prejudices aside for a few weeks or months. Stop reading the papers of the capitalists and read the workingmen's papers. Put on your thinking cap; stir up the contents of your "think tank" and see what you can evolve from it. Study and thought made me a Socialist. So it will you. So it will an intelligent, unprejudiced man.

CARLOS GOOD.

PROSPERITY AT BEVIER.

Railroad Works Slaves at \$1.35 a Day—Capitalist Politicians at Work.

Bevier, Mo., July 27.—The Miners' Union here is going to hold a picnic on Labor Day. The different committees are at work to make it a most enjoyable affair, and everything points to a big success. Prosperity has struck the town. The railroad company is going to employ about two hundred men on the grade. But they are not willing to pay any more than \$1.35 for ten hours' work. Now that is hard for a coal miner, for he only works eight hours a day in the mines and receives about \$2.05. But that is not the biggest drawback. The heat is what kills a miner. We do not see sun from 7 o'clock in the morning till 3:30 p. m. Some people think that miners as a class are lazy or worthless; such is not the case. They as a rule cannot stand the heat. Nor can they stand the boss or foreman to tell them to hurry up or move on. The mine worker never sees a boss, while he is working. But after the job is finished, then he learns whether the boss is satisfied. If a boss keeps after his men he does not keep good men, a good man will not be dogged around. But the coal trust does not want men that have minds of their own. The man that will rush and kill himself when the boss is around and find a fine seat when the boss is gone is the kind they want. We do not believe that when a fellowman has a job bossing he is any greater than when he was using the pick or shovel.

We Socialists of Bevier are working to change this. By working for the Socialist party we find the worst men we have to deal with are the men who have pulls with one of the two old parties. The candidates for office come to Bevier and give these ward healers quite a sum of money. Such men do not think of their children's welfare; all they think of is "myself," and the present. There is some kind of a split in the Democratic party of Macon county, for I hear a great many of them say that they want to scratch their ticket this time. The old saying is when thieves and rascals fall out honest men get their dues. I stated that we would pay dues on 40 members last week for the month of July. Well, we paid on 60. Now that is getting up in the collar, as Comrade Thompson says.

ARRESTED FOR TALKING SOCIALISM

Politicians of Cleveland, Ohio, Seek to Hush Organizer F. G. Strickland—Tried on Friday.

Comrade Strickland, state organizer of Ohio, was arrested at Cleveland on last Thursday for having dared to speak on the street without a "permit." Strickland's arrest was the result of the conniving of several politicians and was done with the purpose of hushing him. Those who know him know the extent to which they will succeed. The trial came up on last Friday.

CARPENTERS TAKE ACTION.

Local No. 90 of Evansville, Ind., Sets Resolutions of Instruction for Socialism in Motion.

The following communication which is being sent by Carpenters' Union No. 90, of Evansville, Ind., to all the Carpenters' locals of the country, marks the beginning of a progressive policy on the part of that body and the Socialists in the Carpenters' Union at every point should do all in their power to secure its passage.

Mat Hallenberger, who signs the resolution, is one of the old fighters in the organization and much credit is due him for the stand it has so far taken in this direction.

Evansville, Ind., July 19, 1902. Carpenters' Union No. 90. Greeting: To All Whom It May Concern:

Brothers: The undersigned committee asks you to give the following resolutions your careful consideration:

The elevation of the working class must be inaugurated by the working classes.—Karl-Marx.

Whereas, The struggles of the working class are daily growing more acute in their efforts to obtain better conditions of life and, although every effort of the Trades Unions is being energetically put forth to secure the rewards which are so justly due those engaged in the production and distribution of the means of life, yet on every hand the effectiveness of our efforts are being assailed by our inability to respond to every call for financial aid, and by the capitalistic weapons of lockouts and injunctions and the conscienceless use of Federal Courts and troops against those quietly and justly asking for the enjoyment of a small part of that which is their due; and

Whereas, These struggles are surely and steadily resolving themselves into a struggle between those who control the machinery and those who do not, and therefore, although it may not be to our liking and choosing, has resolved itself into a political question, so that the time has arrived to declare our position in no uncertain sound; therefore be it

Resolved, That Carpenters' Union No. 90 hereby declares for the collective ownership of the means of production and distribution, and recommends to its members to unite with the International Socialist movement in conquering the political powers now controlled almost exclusively by the capitalist class; be it further

Resolved, That our delegate to the National Convention of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners to be assembled at Atlanta, Ga., in September of this year, be and is hereby instructed to advocate and vote for a declaration at the convention in favor of the collective ownership of the means of production and distribution, and political action in the Socialist party; and be it

Resolved, That we commend the action of the Executive Board, the Secretary and the Editor of The Carpenter in printing articles on Socialism, and request that such articles be continued and the principles of Socialism be fully presented in our paper; be it further

Resolved, That the Delegates from our convention to the convention of the American Federation of Labor be instructed to work and vote for a declaration in line with the foregoing; be it further

Resolved, That Carpenters' Union No. 90 cause copies of this article to be printed and mailed to all Local Carpenters' Unions in the United States, and further urge them to action on this line, to the end that we may become the masters of our lives; also that a copy be sent to our official paper, The Carpenter.

Respectfully submitted,
M. HALLENBERGER,
A. C. ROSE,
I. N. SANDERS,
GEO. ESSLER,
J. J. SCHOETTLIN,
Committee.

COMRADE MILLS' DATES CHANGED.

Walter Thomas Mills has been obliged to cancel all of his Northwestern dates and return to Kansas in order to catch up with the correspondents department work, and get things ready for the fall term of school.

He will speak at Denver, Colo., on Labor Day, September 1, and hopes to be able to remain in the campaign in the central-western states until after election.

He has had great meetings everywhere. The San Francisco training school and the Metropolitan Temple meetings there, together with his campaign speeches throughout the coast, and the week's institute at Los Angeles, have made a lasting mark on the propaganda work of the coast states.

The correspondence work has, however, entirely outgrown the present provisions for doing the work and will have his entire attention during the month of August, in preparing new lessons and revising old ones, and in putting things in shape for his fall and winter work.

All correspondence to him should be for the present addressed General Delivery, Kansas City, Mo.

WARNING.

(Continued from First Page.)

break up the unions of this city and thereby save itself from destruction. The advertisements and circulars sent out by the Employers Association are full of lies and misrepresentations. Do not be deceived by them. Help us circulate this warning by furnishing same to your local newspapers.

By order of the LOS ANGELES COUNTY COUNCIL OF LABOR.

J. A. GRAY, President.
LEMUEL BIDDLE, Secretary.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 1, 1902. Competition between wage workers for a chance to live is the means which they expect to use in beating down the organization of labor.

While bearing in mind the necessity of thwarting these schemes, it would be well for the workers to study a way by which competition for a job will be done away with.

LABEL LEAGUE MINUTES.

New Label Cards Ready For Distribution.

Waltham Hall, July 15, 1902.

The regular meeting of the Label League was held this evening with President Dave Kreyling occupying the chair.

On roll call all officers were noted present with the exception of the secretary, L. Stoll.

Bro. J. L. Malonsheck was elected temporary secretary. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The auditing committee made their report which was laid over until next meeting.

The printing committee reported that the Label cards will be finished by next Thursday.

On motion the bill of the secretary for three months' salary and postage to the amount of \$8.60 was ordered paid.

The newly elected officers were installed by Bro. Al Ronzey, who was appointed as installing officer by the president.

Income of the evening—
Brewers and Malsters No. 6.....\$14.00
Boot and Shoe Workers No. 25..... 12.00
Cigar Packers No. 281..... 2.21
Coopers No. 3..... 3.20

Total.....\$29.00

Expense of the evening—
To L. Stoll salary for 3 months as secretary.....\$7.50
To L. Stoll postage expense for 3 months..... 1.10

Total.....\$8.60

There being no further business before the body the meeting adjourned until August 5, 1902.

J. L. MALONSHECK,
Secretary Pro Tem.
LEONHARD TOLL, Sec'y,
3543 Salena St.
ALBERT RONZEY, Financial Sec'y,
1210 North Sixteenth St.

PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION MINUTES.

New Cases Received and Old Ones Disposed Of.

St. Louis, Mo., July 23, 1902.

At the regular meeting held on the above date the following credentials were received: Minnie Tannert, representing United Garment Workers No. 59; E. Phillips, representing Electrical Workers No. 1; Simon Binkovitz, representing United Garment Workers No. 105.

At roll call the following delegates were absent: William Norton, F. C. Miller, Fred Stolle, Wm. Schweitzer, H. Halbring, Theo. Harbarth, Harry Steffens, Chrisl. Breidenbacher, Fred J. Albert, Fred Worthington, C. H. Pittus, C. W. Frazee, George Reeder, Gus Stramann.

The following cases were accepted by the President since the last meeting.

City vs. Charles Blake. Defendant, a member of Metal Polishers No. 13, became involved in a quarrel with his foreman, and was arrested, charged with assault and battery.

Dan Caughlin vs. Cooney & Buehler Construction Co. Plaintiff, a member of Sewer and Water Pipe Layers, while employed for defendants July 7th constructing a sewer, the said sewer caved in, and plaintiff sustained injuries for which he asks damages.

Barbers' Union No. 102 vs. J. Gross. The plaintiffs in this case ask the return of a sign. Said sign, the property of the said plaintiffs, had been loaned the defendant while he ran a Union shop. The conditions upon which the sign had been loaned were violated by defendant, and the plaintiffs ask its return.

Morris Paslosky vs. Gilmore & Ruhl Plaintiff, a member of Garment Workers No. 98; bill for balance wages of \$2.50.

The following cases have been disposed of since last meeting: State vs. L. S. Pearson. Dismissed. G. W. Brown vs. Eman & S-branke. Withdrawn by plaintiff. Fraternally.



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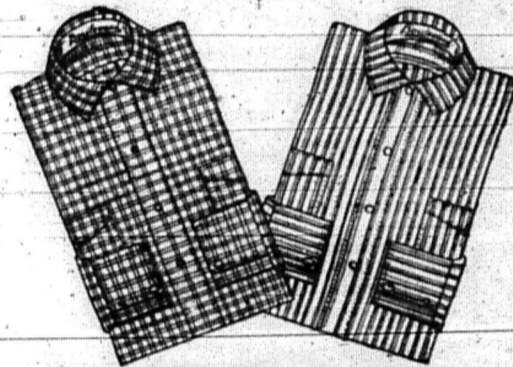
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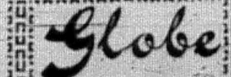
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Socialist Clubs of Missouri.

—What They Are Doing.

In St. Louis.

The wards throughout the city are making good progress with their precinct club organizations.

City Secretary Sanderson, acting under instructions from the City Central Committee, is continuing his work of preparing the wards for the organization of Precinct Clubs. Following the lead of the comrades of the First Ward, who organized their Ward Central Committee July 1st, the Eighteenth Ward fell in line July 22nd at Benton Hall, with a ward central committee organization.

The First and Sixth Precincts Clubs of the Second Ward met at 2116 N. Broadway Thursday evening. Plans were arranged for pushing the work in the precincts and building up the clubs.

Precincts Seven and Thirteen of the same ward, were organized Friday evening, July 25, at the home of Comrade Weitz, 3326 North Fourteenth street.

Comrade Weitz was elected secretary. The next meeting will be held at the home of Comrade Fred Preisling, 3314 Blair avenue, Friday evening, August 5.

The precinct organizers of the Second Ward will be selected as soon as possible and a ward central committee selected, meantime Comrade Steigerwalt will represent the ward on the city central committee.

Readers in the Second Ward should do their duty, join with the active comrades and help to build up the precinct clubs.

The Tenth Ward met at Southwest Turner Hall, Potomac and Ohio sts., July 24th, and, after a thorough discussion, the proposition to organize a Ward Central Committee was unanimously carried. The club had already prepared Precinct Organizers' books, containing a map of the precinct, the Precinct List of Registered Voters; also the Precinct List of Readers of Socialist papers, and when the Precinct Organizers lined up for the organization of the Ward Central Committee, the following named organizers answered to roll call: First, Wm. Lenhardt; Second, Julius Bitterlich, Jr.; Fourth, Wm. Ruesche; Fifth, W. A. Edler; Sixth, August Zimmermann; Ninth, Nick Berlingen; Tenth, John Schaefer; Twelfth, John F. Bergherm. The Ward Central Committee was organized by the election of John F. Bergherm, Organizer, and Julius Bitterlich, Jr., as Secretary, the election of Treasurer being postponed until next meeting. The Ward Committee ordered that a joint meeting of all precinct clubs should be held once each month. Arrangements were made precinct clubs.

The Tenth Ward comrades have adopted a very effective method of propaganda. They have ordered eighty copies of the St. Louis Labor a week for which they have taken subscriptions at ten cents from now until election. The papers are all sent to one address and the comrades deliver them to the homes of the subscribers. They have been very successful and have put out all their papers in this manner. They will increase the number in a short while, as they are pressing the limit.

The comrades in the Third Precinct of the Eleventh Ward will hold an agitation meeting and parade at Broadway and Bowen street Saturday evening, August 2.

It will mark the beginning of several such turnouts to be held in the near future and every comrade in the ward should do his best to work up a good crowd. Comrades Brandt, Dunn and Putnam will be the speakers.

The Seventeenth Ward met at 2511 Benton street, Joy 23rd, and unanimously voted for a Ward Central Committee, electing W. W. Baker, Organizer; A. J. Lawrence, Recording Secretary; Joseph Kroll, Financial Secretary and Treasurer, and J. E. Fitzpatrick, Literature Agent, and arranging for the immediate organization of several precinct clubs.

The Nineteenth Ward Club met at North St. Louis Turner Hall, July 27, adopted the Ward Central Committee plan without dissenting voice and organized the Ward Central Committee by the election of the following officers: Hermann Bueltmann, Organizer; Albert E. Sanderson, Recording Secretary; Fred Wehking, Financial Secretary; Henry Stueckemann, Treasurer, and Joseph Baumann, Literature Agent. After the Ward Central Committee adjourned, the Second Precinct comrades held a meeting and organized the Second Precinct Club by the election of Herm. Bueltmann, Organizer, and A. F. Tiedau, Secretary. They will meet Sunday morning, Aug. 3rd, at 3719 North Twentieth street, and enroll more members.

ST. LOUIS CAMPAIGN FUND.

Reported, week ending July 19th, \$115.70; list 250, Ward 25, P. L. Yerby, 10c; T. A. Lane, 25c; C. A. Burton, 25c; F. J. Blek, 25c; J. W. LaFever, 10c; A. C. Lindenmuth, 10c; H. A. Berry, 10c; A. D. Thurston, 25c; Letitia Roundtree, 10c; L. W. Quick, 25c; Jas. B. Finnan, 25c; C. F. Pledge 87, H. J. Steigerwalt, 25c; donation by C. S., 25c; total, week ending July 26th, \$120.30.

All holders of Campaign Subscription Lists who have not made returns on same for the month of July are asked to do so without delay, as the money is required for the current expenses of the campaign. The holder of Subscription Lists should make returns at least once each month.

The signers of Campaign Fund Pledges at the City Convention, who are delinquent in their payments on the same, are asked to pay up, as the funds are very much needed.

Amount reported at meeting of July 15th, \$19.15; list 352, Ward 19, Henry Stueckmann, A. F. Tiedau, \$1; Fr. Hedl, 50c; Fr. Gudt, 50c; John Pummer, 50c; And. Roszler, 25c; Theodore Kowalski, 25c; W. Kollchen, 25c; collection at first meeting, \$3.15; collection at second meeting, \$1.35; total in at meeting of July 29th, \$36.90.

In consequence of my whole-time being required for the duties of City Secretary, I have resigned the office of Secretary of the Tenth Congressional District Committee, and request that all holders of Tenth Congressional Campaign Lists (Headquarters Opening and Maintenance Fund), issued by me, who have not already made returns on the same, do so without delay to my successor, M. Ballard Dunn, Secretary-Treasurer of Tenth Congressional District Committee, with headquarters at N. W. Cor. of Broadway and Salena street.

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GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING AT DELEBAR'S HALL, BROADWAY AND ELM, SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 2 P. M.

MUSIC HALL DEMONSTRATION AUGUST 16TH.

ST. LOUIS LABOR EXCURSION, STEAMER HILL CITY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 31ST, TO RIVERSIDE PARK. TICKETS, 25c.

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SIXTH PRECINCT CLUB, EVERY WEDNESDAY, 2014 COLLEGE AVE.

EIGHTH PRECINCT CLUB, EVERY THIRD THURSDAY, 6213 PRESCOTT AVE.

NINTH PRECINCT CLUB, EVERY SECOND AND FOURTH WEDNESDAY, 4316 N. NEWSTEAD AVE.

SECOND WARD CLUB AT 2116 N. BROADWAY, EVERY FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY, EIGHT P. M.

TWELFTH WARD CLUB, (INCLUDING WARDS 13 AND 23) WILL MEET AT THE HOME OF COMRADE CROUCH, 2632B GAROLINE ST., EVERY SECOND AND LAST THURSDAY.

FIFTEENTH WARD, AT 21ST & FRANKLIN AVE., EVERY THURSDAY, EIGHT P. M.

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TWENTY-FIRST WARD, AT THE HOME OF COMRADE LYONS, 3619 LUCKY ST., EVERY TUESDAY PM.

WOMAN'S SOCIALIST CLUB, AT 22 NORTH FOURTH ST., ROOM 7, FOURTH THURSDAY.



NOTICE.

FINDER OF KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS WATCH CHARM EMBLEM LOST AT EBERSBACH'S GARDEN LAST SUNDAY, WILL PLEASE RETURN TO 22 N. 4TH ST., ROOM 10. LOST BY COMRADE W. M. HOLMAN.

CITY PLATFORM.

The Socialists of St. Louis in convention assembled, reaffirm their adherence to the principles of international socialism and declare the aim of the Socialist Party to be the organization of the working class, and those in sympathy with it, into a political party, with the object of conquering the powers of government and using them for the purpose of transforming the present system of private ownership of the means of production and distribution into collective ownership by the entire people.

Development of Industry. Formerly the tools of production were simple and owned by the individual worker. Today the machine, which is but an improved and more developed tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. This ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them.

Effects of Private Ownership. Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever-increasing uncertainty of livelihood and the poverty and misery of the working class, and it divides society into two hostile classes—the capitalists and wage-workers. The once powerful middle class is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competition. The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives to the capitalists the control of the government, the press, the pulpit and the schools, and enables them to reduce the workingmen to a state of intellectual, physical and social inferiority, political subservience and virtual slavery.

Domination of Capitalist Class. The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social system; the lives of the working class are recklessly sacrificed for profit, wars are fomented between nations, indiscriminate slaughter is encouraged and the destruction of whole races is sanctioned in order that the capitalists may extend their commercial domination abroad and enhance their supremacy at home.

The Working Class and Socialism.

But the same economic causes which developed capitalism are leading to Socialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wage-workers. And the active force in bringing about this new and higher order of society is the working class. All other classes, despite their apparent or actual conflicts, are alike interested in the upholding of the system of private ownership of the instruments of wealth production. The Democratic, Republican, and bourgeois public ownership parties, and all other parties which do not stand for the complete overthrow of the capitalist system of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist class.

Means to the End. The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the collective powers of capitalism by constituting themselves into a political party, distinct from and opposed to all parties formed by the propertied classes.

Duty of the Socialist Party. While we declare that the development of economic conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist system, we recognize that the time and manner of the transition to Socialism also depend upon the stage of development reached by the proletariat. We, therefore, consider it of the utmost importance for the Socialist Party to support all active efforts of the working class to better its condition and to elect Socialists to political offices, in order to facilitate the attainment of this end.

Municipal Measures. As municipal measures we, therefore, advocate: 1. The public ownership and operation of all public utilities, such as

street railways, gas and electric plants, telephone systems and all other industries which the powers of the municipality permit it to acquire; the revenues to be applied to the increase of wages and shortening of hours of labor of the employees and to improve generally the condition of the working class of this city, but under no circumstances shall any part of said revenues be applied to the reduction of taxes in favor of the capitalist class.

2. The abolition of the contract system on all public work, such work, to be done under direct supervision of the city and under union conditions, with a minimum wage of two dollars per day of not exceeding eight hours.

3. Inauguration of public works for the employment of the unemployed.

4. The enactment and strict enforcement of laws protecting all workers in stores, shops and factories.

5. Compulsory education of all boys and girls up to the age of sixteen years; the city to provide all books and school supplies free and food and clothing where necessary.

6. Application of the principles of direct legislation (the initiative and referendum) and the imperative mandate to the conduct of all public affairs.

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