















### Socialist News Review

#### ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF LOCAL ST. LOUIS SOCIALIST PARTY.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 31, 1907.

##### RECEIPTS.

Membership dues .....	\$694.65	Notary fees .....	14.00
Membership dues at large .....	41.25	Telephone rent .....	38.00
Primary Fund collections .....	491.70	Stationery .....	15.05
Donations Nat. Campaign Fund .....	10.50	Campaign collections refunded to Ward Branches .....	98.15
Donations Russian Revolution .....	5.00	Supplies .....	8.50
Donations Moyer and Haywood Defense .....	70.10	Wagon sign .....	5.25
Donations Local Camp. Fund .....	635.70	Cuts .....	1.50
Coll. at Party meetings .....	95.69	Telegrams .....	3.30
Supplies .....	15.24	Attorney fees .....	75.00
12th Cong. Com. balance .....	15	Western Miners' Defense Fund .....	80.00
11th Cong. Com. balance .....	4.36	Labor (special editions) .....	263.25
State Quorum, for rent .....	60.00	Coin cards .....	7.00
Prosecution Fund .....	6.00	Speakers .....	81.00
<b>Total receipts .....</b>	<b>\$2103.34</b>	Express .....	6.36
		Witness fees .....	3.00
		Belleville bazaar .....	5.00
		Chicago Daily Socialist .....	3.00
		Binding .....	1.35
		Party sign .....	1.50
		Eighth Ward refunded .....	1.00
		National Organization fund .....	11.50
		<b>Total disbursements .....</b>	<b>\$2074.19</b>
		Balance .....	\$ 29.15
		Less deficit Dec. 31, 1906 .....	11.06
		<b>Balance cash on hand Dec. 31, 1907 .....</b>	<b>\$ 18.09</b>

##### DISBURSEMENTS.

Membership dues, to State and National Secretaries .....	\$485.00
Socialist Party Primaries .....	320.00
Postage .....	77.67
Printing .....	271.75
Rents .....	153.00
Russian Revolution .....	5.00
Janitor .....	12.00
Mimeograph supplies .....	25.56

**ST. LOUIS COMMUNE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE.**  
Will meet ever Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at headquarters, 212 South Fourth street. Every member should attend.

**VICTORY IN FREE SPEECH FIGHT.**  
The Socialist Party of New York has won its fight for free speech. On Tuesday General Sessions reversed the magistrate's decision and sustained our right to hold street meetings without asking a permit. Details will be given next week.

**TWO SOCIALISTS ELECTED IN ONTARIO.**  
Comrade A. W. Mance reports from Toronto, Canada, that the candidate for mayor on the Socialist ticket here received 3,770 votes instead of 1,900, as first reported. He reports that two aldermen were elected on the Socialist ticket in Berlin, Ont.

**A VALUABLE PAMPHLET.**  
"The New Emancipation" is a pamphlet which ought to be found in every American Socialist's library. The ideas it contains are new and true—and that's a rare thing to say of any book! Get it and lend it. It will do you good and do your neighbor good. Price only 5 cents. You can buy it at this office.

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**NO MAILING PRIVILEGE FOR "THE RED FLAG."**  
"The Red Flag," edited and published by May Beals at Abbeville, La., has been denied the privilege of using the mails to send out the January number. A. M. Travers, acting third assistant postmaster general, charges that it contains two obscene articles. Of course we know what that means—to tell the truth and call a spade a spade is, if done by a Socialist paper, obscene.

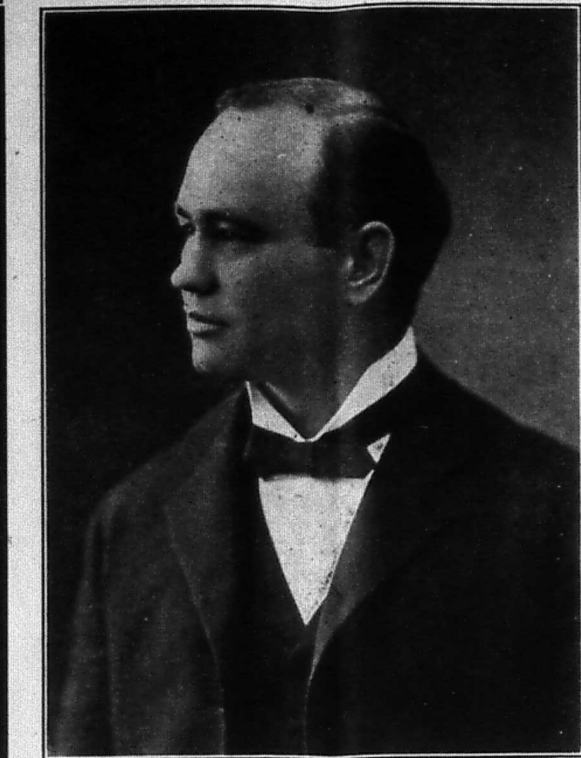
**TEXAS IS DOING THINGS.**  
State Secretary Bell of Texas writes as follows: "We hope to get a chance in a few days to send you a list of locals to date, and when we do so it will warm the cockles of your heart. Have sent out sixteen charters already this month, adding about 220 members to the roll. The thing is turned loose here, and with an assistant, we are only able to attend to about half of the correspondence that comes in daily. We are snowed under, that's all."

**SOCIALISTS AND LABORITES IN PARLIAMENT.**  
The Socialists and Labor members are encouraged at the result of their first tussle with the British government in Parliament. A vote shows that the government is supported by the very small majority of 49. The vote was taken after many speeches on a labor amendment, regarding which the king said in view of the lack of employment in the country the government could not recommend that it be passed. The Irish members, most of the unionists and a few radicals joined the Socialists and laborites, with the result that the amendment was defeated by a vote of only 195 to 146.

**MINNESOTA STATE CONVENTION.**  
A successful convention of the party of Minnesota was held at Minneapolis Jan. 12 and 13. The report of State Secretary Nash showed a healthy growth of the organization. The comparative statement of dues purchased from the national office covering the last three years is as follows: 1905, \$952.14; 1906, \$1,669.05; 1907, \$2,249.40. The full quota of presidential electors were nominated, together with the following state candidates: Beecher Moore of Minneapolis for governor, J. E. Nash of Robinsdale for lieutenant-governor, John LeFevre for secretary of state, John Kolu of Hibbing for treasurer, and A. W. Uhl of St. Paul for attorney general.

**FREE SPEECH IN ST. LOUIS.**  
At last Tuesday's meeting of the unemployed at Druid's Hall several outside speakers tried to make a free speech here out of Mayor Rolla Wells, claiming that St. Louis was the only city in the Union where parades of the unemployed workmen were permitted to have street parades. The gentlemen did not seem to know that less than three years ago the Socialist Party was engaged in a most serious fight for free speech, and that it was Mayor Rolla Wells who sent over one hundred policemen and detectives to Twelfth and Olive streets to brutally club men, women and children who had peaceably assembled there under the auspices of the Socialist Party. When driven from the streets by brute force the Socialists assembled at Druid's Hall and decided to continue the fight for the right of free assemblage and free speech, and they finally won out. Mayor Wells and his Kieley police chief were licked to a standstill, and the St. Louis Socialists have never been molested since. Thus even the mayor of St. Louis had to take a lesson from the Socialist Party.

**NO SOCIALIST SCHOOL TEACHERS WANTED.**  
A comrade reports the following from Rodondo, Wash.: "If you are a school teacher and a Socialist, do not entertain the illusion that you can proclaim yourself a Socialist and retain your school," is the admonition that Eleanor Maurer Herman hands out to members of her profession. At the beginning of the present school year she had been employed for three months. There was some little opposition to her among the patrons of the school, which she succeeded in eliminating after a few weeks of teaching. Persons connected with the county superintendent's office had designs on the school, however, and a deputy named Allen went to see what he



CARL D. THOMPSON,  
Socialist State Senator of Wisconsin.

could find that was wrong. He did not intimate to the teacher that everything was not as it should be. When the three months were completed the woman asked to be continued as teacher and secured the support of all but one of the patrons of the school. On account of the report turned in by Allan, however, she was dismissed and a niece of Allan placed in charge. During the fight she was supported by James Lund, clerk of the Rondondo school, who is also a Socialist. For this he was also removed, and was allowed no voice in the matter of hiring another teacher. The charge is made that Allan acted in true detective style and made a secret report to the board and to the county superintendent, which the teacher and Lund were not allowed to read.

**OPENING OF NEW SOCIALIST HEADQUARTERS.**  
In spite of the severely cold weather the new headquarters were crowded with comrades last Sunday evening to "have-a-look" at the new home of the St. Louis Socialists. The opening ceremonies developed into a first-class entertainment with a fine musical program. Comrade Wm. Brandt acted as chairman. Comrade David Allan, city organizer, had somewhat of a surprise in store for the comrades by securing for the evening a first-class piano—certainly something new under the sun—a piano at the St. Louis Socialist headquarters. Comrade H. Siroky, his son Edmond and Miss Anna Sadlo played several pieces with such artistic finish and precision that several encores were called for. Comrade Julius Bitterlich, Jr., sang several songs and was ably accompanied on the piano by Comrade Miss Ella Fries. Comrade Louis Volkert was called upon to render a song, accompanied on the piano by Miss Ella Fries, which was roundly applauded and resulted in the demand for an encore. Then the speaking exercises began. Comrade Otto Paul, state secretary, spoke briefly on the encouraging outlook of the Socialist movement in city and state. Comrade G. A. Hoehn spoke of some of the happenings in the local Socialist movement and gave many amusing, and yet grave experiences, in the old Socialist headquarters at 324 Chestnut street. Comrade Miss Ella Fries sang the Marseillaise, and after the taking up of a collection for the Removal Fund Chairman Brandt declared the meeting adjourned, and the comrades left with the pleasant impression that the Socialist Party of St. Louis has finally secured headquarters of which every comrade may feel proud.

**FROM A NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBER FROM NEW YORK.**  
The following is reported from national headquarters: Wm. W. Arland national committee member of New York, submits a communication from the state secretary of New York, containing resolutions upon which motion of Comrade Lee is based. The instructions in the letter are as follows: "Each of the New York national committeemen will please submit the resolution direct to the national committee, stating that the same is a joint motion of the three members."

"I herewith inclose copy of letter to me from the secretary of the state committee of this state, and I am forwarding same to you solely because I am so directed. I am much surprised to learn of this resolution of the state committee, for while I can not quote the exact language of the same, our last state convention adopted a resolution declaring against the holding of "unity conferences." Personally I am not in accord with the proposed motion and shall vote against it. I have seen the farce of too many attempts at unity between the Socialist Labor Party and the Socialist Party, and I have too little faith in anything that may come from the ranks of our ancient enemy to believe that unity between the two parties is possible or desirable. To my mind there is one way, and one way only, whereby there can be unity between the parties, and that is by the members of the Socialist Labor Party joining our ranks as individuals. Even then it will be hard enough to work shoulder to shoulder with, and to count as comrades, men who have slandered and injured us to every depth to which language or actions can descend. The Socialist Labor Party is dead, and I am not in favor of a post-mortem. Certainly I am not in favor of chaining ourselves to the corpse."

**BERGER'S MOTION ON THE "S. L. P. UNITY PROPOSITION"**  
As to the question of Socialist unity, Comrade Berger, national committeeman from Wisconsin, moved that the sections and members of the Socialist Labor Party be invited to join our party individually or in sections, and make their applications to our respective locals. Such members and sections to pledge themselves to accept our platform and tactics. We are absolutely opposed to so-called "unity conventions," fusion conferences, pow-wows of any kind. Past experience has taught us that such conferences do not tend to bring about unity, but usually create bad blood. This would be especially dangerous in the case of the Socialist Labor Party. The leaders of the S. L. P. will simply reiterate their old hackneyed phrases against the American Federation of Labor and "craft unionism." They would demand that we indorse the semi-demised I. W. W. And they will also preach in favor of a monopoly press—that is, in favor of giving the party pope or the party cardinals a monopoly of the party paper and shutting out all other opinions. This fact had a great deal to do with the ruining of their organization. Our party is infinitely better off by having different shades of Socialist opinion represented in the various party papers. We are willing to accept the members of the S. L. P., however, in spite of their past record and the dubious outlook for their behavior in the future. We are willing to accept them hoping that the most of them are willing to learn by reading something besides a few impossibilist leaflets and to learn also by practical experience. And hoping further that our party will grow so much in the future that it will be able to give them the opportunity of both reading good literature and getting

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practical experience. However, a unity convention or a unity conference would undoubtedly degenerate into a sort of "talkfest" to the supreme enjoyment of the party tautologists on both sides, but to the great damage of the organization and the cause. It would even be possible that by clever maneuvering with "revolutionary" phrases their handful of Marxian theologians could catch enough of our green and impossibilist members to give the S. L. P. another lease of life for six months or a year. That happened as a result of the first I. W. W. convention. Besides, judging from the conditions of Milwaukee—and Milwaukee is supposed to be one of their chief nests—the S. L. P. has not members enough to man a unity convention. Comrade DeLeon might have to apply to us to lend him some champions, and this would be a very awkward situation for both sides. We want no unity conventions. But we want every member of the S. L. P. who will accept our platform and our tactics. And the others we don't want.—Social-Dem. Herald.

**COMMUNE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS.**  
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