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Socialism in **Jefferson Co.**

The Socialist movement in Jefferson county is showing wonderful improvement. Clancy and Basin are the strong centers. Sunday there was a local formed at Boulder. In and around Basin, which is a Heinze camp, there will be a strong Socialist vote. It is generally understood in Basin, by those who watch the political checkerboard. that Heinze and the Amalgamated are one, and that whatever moves Heinze may make in the future, will be to fill his political obligations with the great copper trust. Those sharing this idea, point to the fact that all of the machinery, such as concentrating tables, etc., that are now being placed in the new addition to his concentrator here, are transferred from the Amalgamated company's works in Anaconda. It is understood that Heinze will canvass the state in an automobile. A republican politician here stated that it would be propelled by kerosene power. It will be nothing short of a crime should the Socialists of Jefferson county fail to place a ticket in the field. Last Monday and Tuesday night, Mrs. Ida Crouch-Hazlett delivered lectures in Clancy to large crowds. She is an excellent propagandist. Many new converts were made, and supplied with Socialist literature.

On Wednesday, August 18th, an unfortunate wage slave named David Curley, was caught in the shafting, while oiling machinery, and so badly crushed that he expired a few hours later. The finding of the coroner's inquest was that he was compelled to work in an unsafe and cramped position. The servile corporation lackey, who acts in the capacity of coroner of Jefferson county, one Andrew Less. a furniture dealer at Whitehall, who is a sort of a town joke over there, entertained the jury and onlookers by asking puerile and evasive questions of those sworn to inquire into the sad death of their brother. On rendering their verdict, this limb of the law, who evidently possesses sufficient brains to equip the upper story of an ape, jumped to his feet, and exclaimed: "Gentlemen, you will have to change that verdict ; that man was not compelled to work there unless he wanted to." Such are the men whom the wage slaves elect to office. Had the accident happened in the Amalgamated mines in Butte, judging from the past, the jury of brother union men panelled there would have called it "gross carelessness." Socialists do not condemn the individual always, rather the system that make these conditions possible. There are no company stores here in Basin, nor the effects of bossism felt as in other places, on the contrary the miners and smeltermen here are of intelligent and good natured manner, well met.

Quite a number of men are employed in and around Basin. A property has a splendid concentrator, equipped with the best im- they may earn food for their little ones. proved machinery. Commenting upon the radical departures, in the

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meetings with a good attendance. The collections met the demands of the occasion. Comrade Lynch of The Montana News was there also and helped push things along.

Helena was the next date, on the 10th. Here Comrade Walsh's good-natured face was visible on the platform when the train pulled n. There was no complaint here about lack of time, although the word had failed to reach the secretary. When evening came we simdy marched down to the corner of Broadway and Main, installed a soap box, which Comrade Walsh mounted, and began to do business. A large crowd gathered and stayed to the end. Books were sold after the meeting, and we then adjourned to the office of The Montana News, where an after meeting was held by the Socialists.

The next point was Great Falls. Two street meetings were held ere, which were attended by large crowds, and received a lengthy and exceedingly fair notice in the Tribune. The Socialist ladies of ters, we thought the streets were best, where those who work for others may still walk or stand still as they see fit.

ind indefatigable worker. Comrade Rector, had done everything in progress notwithstanding the doctrine, "Let well enough alone," his power to have good meetings. For Saturday evening he had enunciated by an eminent man, now departed. Let well enough arranged some seats and a stand for outdoor meetings, but the nights alone is not in accord with any tenet that nature has vouchsafed to were so cool in the mountains that we thought best to hold the other disclose to our senses and, could and had our aboriginal ancestors Monarch is a little mountain town that is fast becoming a summer steps which lead to our present advanced state. Therefore we, of resort of considerable popularity for boarders and campers. This this day and year, must acknowledge this irresistible force of progresclass of persons is the most unprofitable ground in the world for the sion and steer our craft to avoid the whirlpools of dissension; we teaching of any new doctrine or science that requires thought. They should locate ourselves, as it were, by constant application to the ire people who never think-small trades and professional people, chart of reason. A study of the horizon discloses numerous craft who do not make as good a living as the well-paid laborer, and yet racing, without apparent purpose, along with this evolutionary curworking class. They are really the most ignorant class that our lop- disaster to the others, and all trusting to luck. Each is firing blank ages of over-work and under-pay, develop a certain sort of mental order? We hear much of "law and order." Does law, that is manacumen from the necessities of attending to their work and accom- made law, necessarily bring order? A machine which develops much plishing something that is necessary and useful. The large moneyed friction should be and generally is discarded for a better, otherwise the highest refinements of civilization. But this middle class have no the beast by the reasoning faculty, which applies reason, the judicial such influences to intellectual activity. They take their thoughts function of the mind. One's bank roll is now the measure of a man, from the tombs of the past, are afraid to lose their graft or their profit | but his stock of reason should be the governing factor. It is not the by any innovations, are fat, overfed, lumpish and stupid, and have purpose to suggest here a remedy for or to cast stones at the ills that to fish or move around, or read Opic Read, to get rid of their own beset us or to bemoan our conditions. The power of suggestion only insufferable companionship. These people looked with contempt on is invoked to induce those who are mixed in the fray to meet the pitiful limitations. It is needless to say that they did not attend the has forced us. This entire problem possesses greater significance neetings. Oh, no! they knew it all without ever learning anything. than "hours of labor" or "six o'clock closing" indicate, and the man All the discoveries of science will roll majestically over them while who forces discord to the fore, with his own selfishness as a reason

new railroad will be constructed from Basin to Boulder smelter (12 less it can be measured in an extra big hunk of beefsteak. One of the the cause of social ills by evolving a remedy. miles), which insures additional employment. At least twelve mines most interesting points on the trip is Belt. There was a feeling that are being worked in this vicinity, working more or less men. Note- this capital accursed town was well nigh impregnable. No headway many other forces or elements that go to make the problem that is worthy among these is the Eva May mine, otherwise called the for Socialism had ever been made there. The man to whom we sent demanding a solution; then we have the greatmovement known by "priests' mine," owned by a number of Catholic priests and bishops. our bills and word of the meetings, one Grogan, never came near, some as co-operation, by others as Socialism. All these are creatures Like other clerical mining ventures in this Rocky mountain region, never distributed the bills at all, and it was learned that he was a of conditions, elements of evolution and necessary to that solution. the Eva May has thus far been a non-producer. Thousands and bound hand and foot company tool. To such depths of degradation Why these elements should not intermingle for the sake of the good thousands of dollars have been sunk in the mine to no purpose. The does the infamous capitalist system reduce the manhood of men that cause 1 do not know. Widely separated camps beget factions and

methods of serving God, by the present day immediate workers in chair and commenced to talk. Presently a crowd of about 150 was reasonable manner, all vital questions, then we will not be so likely

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It is evident to every man that there is an unfortunate misunderstanding running riot amongst the people of the world regarding the conomic situation, and because of that misunderstanding a very disastrous wrong is being done to all alike. All classes must acreat Falls had engaged the Carnegie Hall, but in that citadel of knowledge that something is radically wrong. This being true, is it capitalism as many of the poor wage slaves are afraid to be seen in not the office of good common sense to ascertain, by a non-partisan, hall at a meeting they wish to attend, because of the company spot- unprejudiced investigation, what it is that is wrong? The conditions existing, and to which attention is called, are part and parcel of the evolutionary development of man, and we, individually and collec-The next appointment was at Monarch. Here our good friend, tively, are being swept by this tide of evolution upon the current of neetings in the hall, which we did on Sunday afternoon and evening. enforced such a doctrine, science could not now record the successive have a grotesquely exaggerated opinion of their superiority to the rent, each without chart or compass and reckless of self and wishing ided system produces. The workers, even under their disadvan- shots but holds lead in reserve. Is this safe? Is it conducive to ass develop a certain culture from their association with the art and power is wasted and progress retarded. Man is distinguished from Socialist agitator, and I may say that I gracefully and complacently question fairly and squarely to the end that we may all begin to locked with equal contempt upon them and felt ashamed of their realize the inwardness of this social fact or contract into which nature they sit placidly by and say the earth is flat because it looks so. for so doing, is casting a firebrand where cool common sense, fortified "What to them are Plato, and the swing of Pleaides?" Nothing, un- with a broad, unselfish, unbiased knowledge of life would dissipate

We have the Citizens' Alliance, the unions, the unemployed and factional or class hatred and useless, senseless war. It is up to us Although only a few were in sight on the streets, I mounted a to meet frequently, upon neutral ground, to discuss, in a sane and the vineyard of Christ, due to the development of commercialism, an gathered around. They listened with interest, and took everything to impugn each the motives of the other. Let us meet as friends and orthodox Socialist here has delved somewhat into scripture, and dug I had in the way of literature. The Socialists seemed to be as thick eliminate, as far as possible, from our councils men whose interest in four nights that a local could have been organized. I found a good behalf this is written, desire peace, but they also demand progress, St. Mark, chapter 10, twenty-first verse. Then Jesus beholding friend, D. E. Sullivan, who will help, us out in our meetings here- through exact economic justice for all. They believe that the head and the heart are greater than the gun and lead in the uplifting of The meeting at Neihart was one of the most complete little man and the solution of our many troubles. The strike, the boycott,

up references to the rich young man asking of our Savior what he should do to be saved, in the year I:

him, loved him, and said unto him: One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsover thou hast, and give it to the poor, and thou shall have treasure in heaven; and come, take up thy cross, and follow me.

Verse 22. And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved; for he had great possessions.

Verse 23. And Jesus looked around about, and saith unto his disciples: How hardly shall they that trust in riches enter into the kingdom of God.

The antithesis is presented in the stock books of the Eva May Mining company in the year 1904:

The Rev. T. J. Meisner, D. D., L.L. D., Cleveland, Ohio, possessor of five hundred shares of Eva May mining stock (ground floor) ; the Very Reverend F. M. Kettinger, M. W., A. B., Baltimore, Md., one thousand shares Eva May mining stock (2nd floor, watered); the Most Reverend P. P. O'Shaughnessey, B. D., D. G., Oakland, Cal., five thousand shares of Eva May mining stock (3d floor, watered), etc., etc.

Two of the clerical stockholders visited Basin two weeks ago, and are said to be shrewd and excellent business men, well calculated to protect themselves against any technical stock jobbing turn, while on the other hand alert to take advantage of any mining trick, in this extensive category of competition. It is said that a meeting of the stockholders is called to convene in November, the name of the mine is to be changed to Saint Peter (for luck), stock issued on a tenth floor basis, and placed on New York 'change, developments pushed, and great things are in store for the vicinity of Basin.

H. LYNCH.

Review of the State Work

The Montana Socialist party began with the first of August a vigorous fall campaign. The state committee held a meeting and Comrade Kennedy, from Seattle, and myself were brought into the state and put to work. My first meeting was in the Broadway theater at Butte under the auspices of the Mill and Smeltermen's union. Another meeting was held in the Auditorium, and one for the Woman's Protective union. After that several street meetings were held at Butte. Comrade Kennedy began the Butte street meetings for the month, which have been a great success from the first.

On the 8th of August the state tour commenced at Clancy. Here I found the comrades somewhat discouraged, and not sufficient time for advertising the meetings. But we went ahead and held street

as bees around honey. I believe if I could have been there three or the question is regulated by graft or profit. The Socialists, in whose after.

affairs on the trip. There was not a hitch in the arrangements from lockout, blacklist and ostracism and the bull-pen do no good to beginning to end. The comrades met me at the train, the meeting anybody. was first class, the hall was full, they paid up their bills, and in the morning sent me on my way rejoicing.

The comrades at Sand Coulee sent a rig to meet the train at Allen. Things were fixed up here proper, also. In fact I began to think that every place was the best. A fine street meeting had been arranged, with seats and lights provided. An express wagon was made to do duty as a stand with a table in it and literature on sale. Everybody turned out, and for two nights the Socialists had their innings. While here the comrades sent a man from Great Falls to the city hall in Anaconda on Wednesday, August 31, at 8 o'clock see if they could not have a meeting there Saturday night, as it was going to be well-nigh impossible to make my trains for Helena Sunday and speak two nights in Stockett. Consequently there was but one meeting in Stockett, well arranged, the hall full, under the painstaking care of Comrade Salsen.

Saturday night proved to be bitter cold at Great Falls, but in spite of the unfavorable weather several hundred people stood in the street and listened to the gospel of freedom.

Sunday night, Aug. 21st, we had a great meeting at Helena on the street. There must have been a thousand people standing there for two hours. Comrade Walsh said their intent look haunted him; that he believed they were beginning to understand the proposition.

I got over to Hamilton for the meeting Tuesday and Wednesday evenings when the State Federation of Labor was convening there. There was considerable of a joke about the arranging of these dates. Of course it was a foregone conclusion that all the labor fakirs in the state, and the hireling political heelers, that bully and befool the laboring class to vote against their own class, should be there. The Socialist comrades engaged the opera house for the two nights. The local labor committee wanted them to surrender it for the convention : but the Socialists were well enough suited as it was, and so the ery comfortable spectacle was presented of the day sessions of the Montana labor convention merging into grand Socialist demonstrations at night, much to the chagrin of the Heinze automobile steerers. The meetings were immense successes. The big opera house was comfortably filled the first night, and packed the second.

The convention itself was a laughable illustration of the frantic efforts the old parties are making to control the politics of the workingmen. All their schemes of self-protection are nullified unless they possess governmental power. Yet at any mention of political action these velping tools of the oppressor rushed to the front like a bull at a red flag, and themselves kept the convention a good part of the time on political discussion. That's the way we like to see it working, brothers. All the truth wants is a hearing.

The efforts of the Direct Legislation League of Helena to gain the indorsement of the convention for its referendum bill show the

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Deer Lodge County Socialist Have Nominated an Excellent Ticket

The Socialists of Deer Lodge county met in convention at p. m. The convention was called to order by J. H. Schwend, chairman of the county central committee. P. A. Tobin read the call, after which Mayor Frinke was elected temporary chairman, and P. A. Tobin temporary secretary. The usual committees were then appointed, and adjournment taken until after the open air meeting on the corner of Park and Main, to allow the delegates the opportunity of hearing the address of Mrs. Ida Crouch-Hazlett. Mrs. Hazlett's meeting was an unqualified success, in point of attendance, in the interest manifested, and in the able, logical and convincing manner in which the speaker expounded the principles of Socialism. At the conclusion of the address, the convention reconvened and the different committees presented their reports. On the recommendation of the committee on credentials, Mayor Frinke was made permanent chairman and P. A. Tobin permanent secretary of the convention.

A clearcut, uncompromising revolutionary platform was adopted, and then the convention proceeded to nominate a county ticket, as follows: State senator, J. H. Schwend; legislative ticket, J. W. Robbins, M. P. Tobin, James P. MacDonald, John E. Blomquist, John Hines and Tony Schey; sheriff, C. C. McHugh; clerk of court, P. A. Tobin : clerk and recorder, O. L. Jebe ; county attorney, passed ; treasurer, H. A. Denny; assessor, N. E. Levengood; surveyor, Wm. Welslev; coroner, C. B. Taylor; justices of the peace, James Devlin and Dan Job; public administrator, Chas, Stanton; constables, E. J. Heurvid and J. J. Sladich.

A county central committee, consisting of two members from each precinct and three at large was selected, and given power to fill all vacancies.

Comrade Ida Crouch-Hazlett addressed the convention and several of the delegates spoke on local issues, after which the convention adjourned.

With the above ticket, composed as it is of men to whom not even the faintest suspicion of capitalistic influence attaches, the Socialists of Deer Lodge county make their appeal to the working class. It is composed from top to bottom of class conscious union men, and under ordinary conditions the only element of doubt in connection with the result on November the 8th would be as to the size of the plurality of the vote in its favor.

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John W. Frinke, of Deer Lodge.

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C. M. Parr, of Silver Bow.

For Clerk of Supreme Court-

John Peters, of Carbon.

Henry Lynch, of Fergus.

Erik Olson, of Cascade.

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For State Auditor-

For Attorney General-

Instruction-

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Eugene V. Debs Ben Hanford

What good do boycotts and strikes do? It gives labor fakirs jobs.

The Boston papers announce the purchase by Heinze of mines in Mexico. He is spending some of the money he received from his Amalgamated deal.

In Maryland two brothers are opposing candidates of the two old fake parties for congress. This shows there is really no difference between the democrats and republicans.

Under Socialism, the butchers and cattle raisers will form a union with the consumers, and strikes, with resultant appeals for food to feed hungry children and women, will not be necessary.

Financial papers speak of the enormous prosperity of the southern states as measured by railroad earnings. How much misery amongst the poor child laborers of that region does all this prosperity represent?

Every one, whether Socialist or on the fence, should read Debs' reply to Grover Cleveland on the Chicago strike of 1894. The Appeal to Reason gives it in full. Debs shows Cleveland to be worse than bad and a tool of Wall street.

The greatest living scientist, Alfred Russell Wallace, writing from Parkstone, Dorset, England, last March, said: "Eugene V. Debs is a great man. With a few more such to teach and organize the people, the cause of justice must prevail."

THE MONTANA NEWS, HELENA, MONTANA people. The first to go under will be the banks that now hold the

bulk of the savings of the producers of the country. While the national bank circulation or money is secured by an equal amount of government bonds, the deposits of the people are not secured, and when a bank fails the people lose their earnings. The poss advocate a makeshift as a cure for this, but there is no cure short of Socialism. However, savings may now be deposited in the postoffice by buying money orders made payable to yourself in your own town. These orders cost very little and your are guaranteed against loss. The government is back of you, not a private bank, which speculates with your money. You must remember that when a bank fails you lose, and when a bank makes money by lending your money you do not share in the profits.

UNIONS AND CITIZENS ALLIANCE NOT A SOLUTION

It is with pleasure that we call attention to the communication, published on page one of this issue of The Montana News, signed 'Socialists." It is true that, in the exuberance of zeal, advocates of a cause are sometimes guilty of intemperance of speech and it is likewise true that speech, which slops over into abuse, produces the opposite effect from that desired and intended. Labor unions as well as Citizens' Alliances are the result of conditions grounded in social growth and are unconsciously spreading mortar to bind another tier to the social structure. That unions and alliances are not a cure for our social ills is self-evident. And it is self-evident that capitalism is not a system upon which human happiness and civilization may attain to even a modicum of perfection. The chaos of today promises something better for the future. It is not the destiny of mankind to forever slave and stint that a few may wallow in and stink with the perfume of wealth. Common sense tells us that to him who produces wealth belongs the wealth by him produced. Common sense tells us that the means of production and distribution of wealth belong to society as a whole, because society as a whole developed those functions. Common sense tells us that the monopoly of land cannot be rightfully alienated by society as a whole into a monopoly by a few, and common sense tells us that when a child is CORNER MAIN AND 6TH born into society that society should present to him, and owes to him, a free, untrammelled opportunity to make the most of the powers with which nature endowed him. One child has as much right as any other child to inherit the results or fruits of the accumulated wisdom and machinery of the world, because these things represent most successful "business man" and is rated in Dun's and Bradthe growth and production of ages. One generation of men has no street's agencies according to his holdings. The father's advice to right to curtail the freedom of coming generations by dividing the his son, "Get rich, my son, honestly if convenient, but get rich, and lands amongst a few of those yet unborn, and it has no right to bur- be previous in doing others for fear they may do you first," is the den future generations of men with debt or compel them to pay inter- golden rule of good business men. Business men are a body of men est. Law does not compel a man to pay, without his consent, the debts of his ancestors. We Socialists welcome the friendly discussion of sociology by all the various elements of society as suggested by the gentlemen whose appeal we publish, and we will gladly conform to the limitations by them suggested and for the reasons suggested.

GOVERNOR TOOLE DODGES THE REAL POINT AT ISSUE

Gov. Toole, in his Labor day speech at Great Falls, announced his platform for the coming state campaign, and it was good so far as it went; but he failed on the one great essential point, namely, "The collective ownership of the machinery of production and the means of exchanging and distributing, at cost, what is produced." He favors a direct primary law and the initiative and referendum, both being a part of the fundamental doctrine of Socialism, but these alone bring no relief; they may be stumbling blocks in the path of corporations, but corporations will continue to operate,, as now, the entire economic machinery upon which the people must depend for existence. Gov. Toole refuses to lead. He trails in the rear of pioneers who break the road and erect guide posts. He is found always somewhere near the rear of the procession, lingering with the politicians. He never fills the measure of statesmanship. Statesmen are architects of the social structure. They prepare plans which show all the structural sides or elevations drawn in accordance with the rules of logic. Statesmen sacrifice, if need arises, their hopes of self-aggrandizement that fallacies may not creep into or remain in the minds of the people. A statesman will delve into the future and fearlessly tell his people what he sees there. Has Governor Toole stretched his vision beyond a petty ambition to become a national senator or succeed himself in his present office? Tell the people, Gov. Toole, what you see beyond direct primaries and the initiative and referendum. Do you favor a continuance of the wage system and rent, interest and profit, or do you favor a system whereunder every child is born with and continues through life in uninterrupted possession of a full and equal opportunity to develop the best that is in him? One system represents a perpetuation of the present misery of the great masses and the other means happiness, economic happiness for all.

IS YOUR BOY READY FOR **SCHOOL OPENING?**

The time is short now; the wondrous sound of the school gong shall again ring out, calling the children of the land from delightful playground to the busy hum of the schoolroom. Is your boy ready? Has he the proper clothes for the occasion? We've provided well for it? This sale will simply strengthen the fact that nowhere else can good, trustworthy, desirable boys' clothing be bought as cheep as here as for instance:

> Boys' 2-Piece School Suits Double breasted made up of the latest fabrics styles you can't duplicate at the \$2.50 price

> Boys' Norfolk Suits made of the most desirable fabrics in the new fall shades as good a suit as you can buy for \$3.00 the price Boys' all-wool knee Pants for school wear 50c, 75c and \$1.00 Boys' 3-piece School Suits all wool, fancy Scotch worsted, casimeres, black or blue cheviots extra good values

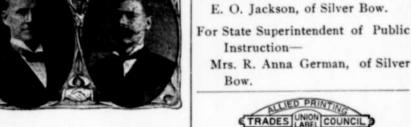
> Boys' long pant Suits in the newest fall and winter patterns single and double breasted styles for boys 12 to 20 years old;"the materials are strictly all wool mixtures and plain fabrics exceptional good values at the prices.... \$6.00 to \$14 A complete assortment of boys golf, yachting and Norfolk caps at low prices.

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duced by you. It is done through "business." "Business" means 'getting something for nothing," and the man who gets the most wealth for nothing in the shortest space of time is accounted the who operate toll gates upon the highway of exchange of the products of toil and take toll and look wise. Ninety per cent of these gates fail to operate long, but others butt in and in turn succumb, but tolls continue without interruption. However, Rockefeller is rapidly gathering into his great maw control of these gates and as this Juggernaut drives his automobile down this avenue of profit the gatekeepers are deposed, they wander away in sadness and wonderment, but insist, by voting the old capitalist party tickets, that they like it. They lay their troubles at the door of labor, failing to see the great monster above them crushing his victims. Socialism is the only force that can do things with the automobile aforesaid; it will substitute all the people for Rockefellerism and will destroy the toll gates. The highway of exchange will be free of profit and interest and rent, and life, real, true life, will begin its effulgent vibrations.

How easy the pencil skims over the paper when writing for Socialism. Easy because Socialism represents a true, scientific system of human order and association. We have begged opponents to pick flaws in the system because we wish to advocate only that which is ight, but no one has answered our appeal. Come forward, gentlemen, and discuss the merits of Socialism, tell us wherein Socialism is wrong, if you can. The pages of The Montana News are open to you at all times.

The Socialist says he is in favor of every human being enjoying



Socialism is not opposed to "law and order;" Socialism means law and order, that is to say: Socialism means law which is enacted by the people and for the people, and law so enacted will guarantee order because such law will be for the benefit of the people and not corporations.

The Montana News is receiving many compliments on account of its last week's issue. But that is nothing to what will be done when we get our new machinery. We will then double the size and improve the appearance of the paper. Come forward, comrades, with your subscriptions for stock. We are fighting your battles and cooperation always wins battles.

Secretary Wilson of the agricultural department is planning a system of wireless telegraphy to prevent great forest fires. This is to aid the great timber owners who will receive the entire benefit. Why does not the government establish a telegraph system for communication to benefit the people? That would hurt the Gould monopoly, that is the reason.

It seems Montana unions are going into politics after all. Railway unions are indorsing some of their members for the legislature. We would like to know what these men can accomplish if elected. One is a democrat, the other a republican. They will both do as their parties dictate and the parties represent the great corporations. Will the wages of union men be increased? Will humanity, generally, receive anything out of the deal?

Socialism means the collective ownership of all means of production and distribution. Under Socialism every man may have a one man's product for another man's product. You see, the average production of wealth for every day in the year is \$10, for every man, woman and child in America. How much do you get of this? Just figure this out, you docile wage slave. You get a good deal less than \$2 per day. Where does the balance go? Answer that.

is not likely to be elected this fall that they can consistently vote for one of the fake parties. This is not good logic. A large minority vote for our ticket is better than a majority, it inspires the wavering ones with confidence and hope and commands the attention of the entire world. It is human nature to enjoy carrying slop to a fat hog. Fatten the party and you will witness the greatest procession of slop carriers the world ever saw. Socialism needs only a good safe ma- boot. Lincoln led the forces of negro emancipation. Debs is emanjority to establish its system.

In the course of time the world will have an industrial panic the equal of which has never been seen nor will such ever again occur. During that panic the middle class will be wiped out, leaving Rockefeller on the one side and all the people on the other. Socialism will their stomachs and backs the things they, themselves, produce. How quickly follow, because Rockefeller will not nor would it be in his is this done? It is done by and through the agency of rent upon

ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND EUGENE V. DEBS

Not many years before the election of Abe Lincoln, Lovejoy and Garrison began their campaign for the emancipation of the negro slave. They were opposed by the power of wealth just as are the Socialists today. They were rotten egged, and mobbed in the streets of northern cities and ostracized by the aristocracy just as are Socialists today. They established a propaganda similar to ours by schoolhouse and street agitation and pamphlets. They scattered the seed of revolution broadcast. There was no especial organization, they believing that a righteous cause needed only to be understood to be finally successful. Their cause grew and grew till, like a flash, the slave was taken from his master and his shackles struck from him. All this did not take many years. Lovejoy's press was destroyed at Alton, Illinois, in the year 1837, and Lovejoy murdered, just like the Victor (Colorado) Record was destroyed a few months ago and its owners deported. That overt act of reaction by the present day slave owners is the lighting of the fuse which will set good job and will receive all he produces, less the cost of exchanging the world ablaze and emancipate the wage slave by establishing collective ownership. The great Socialist truths are being driven into the minds of suffering humanity; from 100,000 mouths and millions of pamphlets are pouring from the great Socialist press into the four corners and broad expanse of the entire civilized world. It is an irresistable force which nothing can resist. The human family must

advance as a whole, as an organized force and predatory individual-Some Socialists think that because the Socialist ticket cannot or ism must be annihilated just as piracy upon the high seas was destroyed by the nations. Coming generations shall be given the opportunity to make the most of each unit. No privileged class shall stand in the way. Privilege shall extend alike to all. The Baers and Rockefellers with their churches, which are only paid agencies of one slavery or another, shall depart to their own particular hellish sphere of action or be sent thither by a vigorous application of the social cipating the entire human family.

The nap of the economic carpet all points in one direction and the rocking chair of wealth travels that way all unconsciously to the working classes, while they dig and starve their minds and deny power to give employment to but a very small percentage of the land, interest upon money and profit upon exchange of values pro-

a full and continuing opportunity to produce wealth to any extent he may at any time desire, and the Socialist further wishes the producer to reap the full enjoyment from the fruits of his own labor.

If it is wrong for the producer to receive all he produces, no more, no less, then Socialism is wrong. But if it is right for the proaucer to receive all he produces, Socialism is right.

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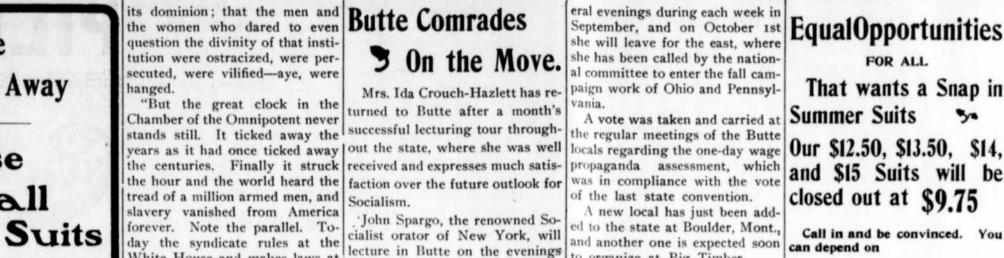
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Butte, Mont., Aug. 29. J. H. Walsh, Helena, Mont.

Dear Sir and Comrade: Enclosed you will find a clipping that one of the comrades handed me the other day and I thought it would be a very good article to my friends, that great clock is still print in The News if you see fit ticking-still ticking. Soon it will and have space for it. It is:

"But, says some one, is there any use in our making an effort? Are not all the bankers of this freemen's ballots, and the sway country, all of the trusts and great of the syndicate will vanish from corporations of this country, all America forever."-Extract from of the powerful forces of this speech delivered by John P. Altcountry, is not the fashion of this country, are not the drawing rooms and the clubs of this country now controlled by concen- good big subscription list. I am in the celebration and it is said he is a merger of atoms which are will be measured by their useful trated and corrupt wealth? Are sorry that Comrade Hughes did that the parade was the largest in a part of the everlasting universe; ness to society. they not growing stronger every not do better in Butte than he did the history of Butte. year, and do they not vilify and but I don't think that he went attempt to crush everybody that after the boys strong enough. does not submit? Can anything be accomplished in the way of 15 or 18 of the comrades in Butte Missoula Sept. 5th. curbing this great force and pro- that are going down into their tecting the American people?

White House and makes laws at the capital; courts of justice are its ministers, senators and legislators are its lackeys. It controls the preacher in his pulpit, the professor in his lecture room, the editor in his sanctum; it swaggers in the drawing room; it rules at the clubs; it dominates with a rod of iron the affairs of society. Every year enlarges its power; and the men and women who protest against the crimes that are being Debs, nominee on the national for its continuance and extension, this country-who talk of protect-

ing the American people-are ostracized, are vilified, are hounded and imprisoned. It seems madness to even question the divinity of the American Syndicate. But, again strike the hour, and the world will not see one million, but ten million free men rise up, armed not with muskets, but with geld in the Auditorium, Oct. 22, 1000

Well, comrade, your paper is all O. K. and I hope you will get a Much enthusiasm was manifested ture: they believe that, like them, of the highway and brakebeam,

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of the 23d, 24th and 25th of September at the Auditorium and the "little giant," Walter Thomas Socialism in the Schools Mills, will speak on Socialism at the Broadway theater on the afternoon of Sept. 25th. All should ever command the attention of avail the opportunity of hearing progressive thinkers. There are these two great and able champions of social economy.

Arrangements have been completed for the reception and ad- champions of our public school dress on October 3d of Eugene V. system, or who would not fight Socialist ticket for president of the yet the public school system is Inited States.

silver Bow county central com- lished and maintained by the pubmittee has been called by Chair- lic, why is it not equally proper man Holden for Wednesday even- for the public to establish indusing, Sept. 7th. All members are tries upon which the youth, so requested to be present.

labor unions in Butte and else- train a youth till his majority, where throughout the state on then turn him over to the tender Sept. 5th proved the mighty pow- mercies of a murdering system of

governor on the state Socialist atmosphere, water, fire, gravity, a Comrade Walsh, there are about ticket, was orator of the day at law which is harmony, and that

pockets for from \$2.50 to \$5.00 per question for location for the state piness, the nearer he comes to the ty. Well dressed, sleek labor My friends, let me cite you a month to help keep speakers in Socialist headquarters last Mon- paradise of kindred atoms that are skinners not alone engineered the parallel: George William Curtis Montana. Last night I read a let- day evening in Butte Local No. working out their several missions day's business but also did about and other writers of his day have ter from Comrade Hazlett where I. This time the points mentioned in trees, in worms, the lily, the all of the voting; there was nothdescribed the slave power back in she had a fine street meeting in were Butte and Livingston. Why sun and the moon. Socialists bethe 50's. They tell us that slavery Helena and the comrades took up this seemingly useless bone of lieve man to be a social being, proceedings; the delegates as sesat in the White House and made a collection of \$6.70 and turned contention bobbing up continual- that he thrives best, as does vegelaws in the capital; that courts over \$3.60 to Comrade Hazlett. ly? If the recent votes have had tation, in company with his felof justice were its ministers; that Now I think that was wrong. I no power to settle this matter, lows, and that the greater the har-

to organize at Big Timber.

Socialism in the schools will few men or women who are not Socialists to a degree. I know of none but Romanists who are not Socialistic. If it is proper to edu-The first regular meeting of the cate the young in schools estabeducated, must depend for a live-

The demonstrations of the great lihood? Why should the public that there exists for his sake, as

senators and legislators were its think all money that is collected what reason have we to believe mony and the closer the fellow- to the democratic convention the



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tained and developed till he is competent to perform his share of the labor of life and that the puber of the laboring classes to reg- economic slavery to struggle and lic, through its agent, the governulate happier conditions for them- partly starve and finally to drop ment, should bestow upon him a selves and their fellow mortals if into his grave a victim to the vo- life-long opportunity to utilize his they can only be brought to see racious man-hog? Socialists are proclivity. One of the fundamenand understand how to use this lovers of their kind; they believe tal tenets of Socialism is: No strength of the majority judicious- that man is the product of the one capable of laboring can live ly, and the principles of Socialism same great force from which without labor; drones of the stock alone can show them the way. springs all other evidences of na- exchange, of the pulpit as well as

Comrade O'Mally, nominee for well as for the regulation of the Primaries in Fergus Co.

The Republican primaries were of the kind to be expected from the nearer he approaches harmony that "very respectable business Another vote was taken on the the nearer he approximates hap- element" which controls the paring to disturb the serenity of the lected by the ring were elected without opposition.

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DR. G. A. WILLETT Je DENTIST 🐆 On the Lewistown delegation THOMPSON BLOCK, ROOM 9 Main St. opposite



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sops that the capitalist class is throwing to the workers to make them think they are moving toward greater freedom. As though the referendum would do any good with the capitalist and his fish in control.

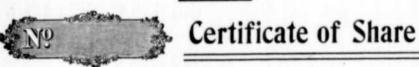
The next meetings were at Stevensville. The band here is small, but it is composed of as earnest workers as there are in the state. Every man is a good man and keeps up his end of the movement. The meetings here were also very encouraging.

Missoula really carried the banner, if such could be said of any one point, in regard to enthusiasm, numbers and doing things right up to the top notch. The Missoula people are making the fakirs quake.

At this writing there remains but Anaconda on the state route. Never before in my experience have the people shown such desire to hear the Socialist doctrines. The crowds have been uniformly excellent. The plan of the state committee to have the work done without expense to the state, but as a source of revenue, has been universally concurred in, and in most places the collections left extra of reward; living a joyless life, money in the hands of the locals.

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A Few Reasons Why 5. I am a Socialist.

When one or several individuals, men or women of brains and conscience look at their surroundings and prevailing conditions and become dissatisfied with the imperfections and the injustice that prevails, turning their vision into the future

the improved tomorrow, they have generally been met with ridicule or hostile criticism and often with contempt and hatred. Men have walked the path of duty without a thought are carried out on a scientific scorned by their contemporaries, lives that the world called a failure, but history has recorded as a success. Almost every improvement that we enjoy today, socially or otherwise, our civilization in short, is the combined results of the faithful workers of the past, the once hated benefactors of the human race. And history repeats itself. It is so of ignorance, is mocking the hudifficult for the shallow minded of man race struggling in a dark valtoday to see in the every day agitator or the "crank" a reformer, the man who plants the seed of progress, 1904. the torch bearer of civilization, the creator of new facts for the betterment of the future which we and our decendents are to reap the benefit. Thus we see the enemies against

the new era, shooting their poisoned arrows of slander and lies against vain attempts to associate truth and strangle justice. It is a remarkable fact that people who have never read beacon light to success instead of a line on the subject or never spent a detriment. Let decent people five minutes in a thoughtful consid- have the best there is in life just eration of Socialism, feel themselves for a change! The Socialist party qualified to give their opinion about stands absolutely for the sacredsomething that they know absolutely ness of property, advocating that nothing. They condemn Socialism without knowing what they are condemning, presenting their absurd views as sober arguments. Now I would like to turn the searchlight of truth on some of these so called arguments and give a few reasons why I measures, when brought into genam a Socialist. My first reason is eral use will make this a real re- combe's. that I am absolutely opposed to di- public and dethrone that juggling viding up the wealth that has been humbug, the professional politiproduced or is being produced cian as we have him today. Our whether it be in equal or unequal present representative system has shares. Yet this is what men are a monarchial principle caked into being forced to do today. Is there it, a relic from the past. We dele-

longs to him who can successfully Sir: I received a letter from Mr. Lynch the other day and have outwit his less shrewd fellows. Formerly every man's hand was lost it and have forgotten his first raised against his neighbor. This name; so write you the camp has has changed. Today every man's shut down and there is no chance mind is raised against his neigh- to sell the cards left with me. bor and used as a weapon to carry have done and am doing and will off the price, it matters not how do all that I can for the cause, but much poverty, unhappiness or de- have to keep the wolf from my spair is inflicted. It is a war of own door first. If the camp starts minds for the purpose of appropri- up will try and sell them. As ever ation of what either somebody has yours, DOC MONROE. produced or succeed to get away

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priation, speculation or peculation Anaconda, Aug. 27. scale that study and practice alone 25th at hand. I am broke myself can give; and human conception just now, but will send you \$10 of justice are so distorted that next month about the 7th, when I crime becomes honorable. Great get my \$83.33 from this bourgeois misfortunes like the Iroquois thegovernment. The ruling class ater fire or the burning of the pays me this for helping to keep General Slocum are the direct rethe proletariat in subjection. If sults of the present financial anthe working class would once unarchy, as are also 95 per cent of derstand that the ruling class of all other crimes. The demon of this age, like the ruling classes of greed, enthroned on the pedestal previous ages, are using the government to keep the workers in subjection, there would be lev of despair. The present syschange in the government. The tem of competition is wasteful as exploiter of today-the capitalist well as immoral; instead of fightneeds more police, more soling each other we should subdue diers, more judges, etc., than did and utilize the forces of nature the feudal barons or slave owners. K and make this world fit to live in. Yours for economic as well as Nature's Sphinx will never give political freedom, up its secret until a co-operative

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