

Editor Heath to Comrade Lynch

Editor Montana News: I have read Comrade Lynch's letter in your issue of May 3 with some interest. He says he did not wish to intimate that the Social-Democratic alderman of Milwaukee had introduced a bill to provide cheap gas for manufacturers, and I thank him for the explanation. I have before me the article by Socialist Ald. Welch to which he refers and it simply, in commenting on the work of the Milwaukee gaslight company to prevent legislation against its exclusive franchise in order to head off municipal gas, shows that the company cannot even expect the very active sympathy of its own class, because manufacturers also will benefit from cheaper gas. Comrade Welch has been too long a fighter in the class fight to let up one iota in that fight to curry favor with the enemy. He simply stated a self-evident fact. Undoubtedly, in getting cheaper gas for the working class the manufacturers would come in for their share in the benefits. That we cannot help. We want the workers to have their homes decently lighted, we want them to throw out the stinking kerosene lamps. We want to get to them the most modern light so as to help them in their task of perfecting themselves and enlarging their knowledge, for we know that an informed man will not submit to slavery as docilely as an ignorant, impoverished man. We are working toward that day when the worker will burst asunder his fetters—one after another—and stand forth the master of society. Before that emancipation, that "expropriation of the expropriators" can be reasonably possible, the army of debilitated, ambitionless, worked out, despairing wage slaves must be made over into a sinewy, resourceful, clear-visioned and fearless host, that will pursue the destruction of capitalism clear to the last possible ditch.

Comrade Lynch seems to take some things for granted. As to "opportunism"—all tactics are of necessity opportunistic. But lest this seem like a quibble, let me say as strongly as I can, on behalf of the Milwaukee comrades, that we are NOT opportunists any more than we are impossibilists. We resent the imputation of opportunism, as the word is used in Socialistic discussion. It smacks of deals with the enemy, of loose propaganda, of a dull comprehension of the class character of our fight. But this much we will concede; if by opportunists you mean the kind of opportunism advocated by Marx—then we are, indeed, opportunists—and so is every other international Social-Democrat.

Comrade Lynch misstates the so-called Berger case. He says "Berger's explanation" *** in substance is, to wit: We Socialists in Wisconsin understand that we are free to vote for a Democrat or a Republican, in case we have no Socialist running for office." Comrade Berger has said no such thing. Nor do the Socialists of Wisconsin for a moment harbor any such idea of their political "rights" or purpose. Comrade Berger's advice to the readers of his Wahrheit was, not to help a republican judge, but to support him negatively in order to defeat the re-election of a Catholic judge who was enlisted in the forefront of the Catholic fight on Socialism in this country, a fight which has selected Milwaukee for its first battleground. It was, at best, merely a question of tactics from the proletarian standpoint. It may not have been wise tactics, and yet it might have been if it had been regularly and industriously entered

into. For had the Milwaukee Socialists heeded Comrade Berger's advice and defeated Carpenter it would have checked the ardor of the Catholic fight on us and saved Milwaukee and other Socialist centers afterward from this meanist of all the various kinds of capitalist attack on us. The Catholic church was used by the capitalists to beat us in Massachusetts, and with that first taste of blood, Milwaukee was selected as the next point of attack in the determined fight to wipe out Socialism in this country. As I say, it was simply a matter of tactics, nothing more. Comrade Berger doubtless felt that the proletarian movement in Milwaukee was sufficiently class conscious and safe to hazard such a temporary departure from our usual mode of fighting—under EXTRAORDINARY circumstances, and as suited to this ONE occasion, when, through a combination of circumstances, we had felt unable to put up a judicial ticket. In this we were doing no more, and much less, than has been resorted to as effective proletarian tactics, time without number, in the Socialist movement abroad. And Berger's editorial was a suggestion to his readers only. Our English paper, the Social-Democratic Herald did not go into the matter at all, as the party had made no decision in the matter. No good came of the editorial in the Wahrheit, as it was not made a party matter nor an actual campaign made against Carpenter. Evil did come of it, as it gave personal enemies of Comrade Berger, men like Maily, Chase and Trautmann, their opportunity to unworthily score against an opponent. I might add here, parenthetically, that the Maily fight on Berger began at a national committee meeting, where Maily, aching to be a boss in fact as well as in inclination, asserted that as national secretary he was also national chairman. Berger turned on him and said: "What! You national chairman—you are only a hired servant of the party." Anyone who knows Maily's temperament will not have to be told of the feeling he entertained for Berger from that time forward.

I am consuming a good deal of your space, Comrade Walsh, and will try to answer Comrade Lynch's other points more briefly. His charge that the movement in Germany is sterile strikes me as picturesquely absurd and also as a sort of pollparrotting of some DeLeon fulminations. I wish we might have more of that sort of "sterility" in this country! If we had we would be in Washington today—or would be in an out-and-out conflict with capitalism to prevent it from usurping the rights of government for which it no longer had any warrant in the number of its votes cast. That story of the German Vorwaerts advising workmen to raise their hats to the emperor is on a par with the out-and-out lie peddled by DeLeon that Debs was robbed of his railroad passes in a Milwaukee hotel. We will have to have your proofs first, Comrade Lynch.

Now a word about the charge that we in Milwaukee oppose industrial trade union organization. All stuff and nonsense! On the contrary—and it may be news to him out in his neck of the woods and dependent on A. L. U., papers for his information—there has been a fight on for industrialism in the A. F. of L., for several years. Industrialism, like anything else connected with unionism must be an evolution. That evolution is at

work every day. The brewery unions are practically industrial. The typographical union, in which I hold a card, is practically industrial, its inner agreements between branches of the trade, even including the machinists, are of the industrial order. I could instance others. These will suffice. I am wondering where Comrade Lynch could have been all this time. What dose he suppose the Socialists have been doing in the A. F. of L., all these years? What is it that has made Gompers and his entire retinue of plute-worshipping trade autonomy beneficiaries so uneasy and so hysterical? A monarch only gets uneasy when his throne begins to tremble. But Comrade Lynch has thrown in his influence with the fellows who are trying to split the trade union movement, to the end that the Socialist strength may be drawn out of the A. F. of L.,—as much as is foolish enough to be drawn off—so as to remove Gompers' cause for uneasiness! Great tactics, those! It comes just in time to give Gompers a breathing spell and a chance to get a firmer grip on said throne. We of the A. F. of L., do not thank you a little bit for trying to spoil our fight, Comrade Lynch. As to my belonging to a union that fosters certain alleged abuses—I BELIEVE IN MAJORITY RULE. What I cannot cure, I must endure, until I get the chance to bring about a change. It is my conviction, however, that the abuses hinted at are vastly less in evidence than Comrade Lynch likes to suppose. I am opposed to high initiation fees, the same as the average unionist is. But I am not opposed to high dues. The union must have the sinews of war and the men get it back in higher wages. What they accomplish is not for themselves exclusively. The non-unionist out-side benefits from it, as you must admit. And they escape having to fight for the better conditions. In 1901 the brewery workers in Milwaukee worked fifteen hours a day. Now they work eight and get an increased wage amounting to 25 per cent. The carpenters and other building trade unions were working from sunrise to sunset. Now they work 8 hours and have increased their wages 100 per cent. The bricklayers used to work 10 hours for \$2.50 a day. Now they work 8 hours for \$4.40.

It is not generous to question an opponent's good faith, but I cannot help noting Comrade Lynch's eulogium of the New York People as a paragon of guilelessness, while in the same breath he scolds about "petty bickerings, continued vituperation and personal hatred." Now, Comrade Lynch, where the wide world over can you find another paper so persistently crammed with bickerings, vituperation and hatred as the very sheet you eulogize? There is absolutely none other so miserable in this respect.

FREDERIC HEATH
Milwaukee, May 15.

Our summer campaign is now upon us and donations to the organizing fund are badly needed.

Socialist News From State Headquarters.

John P. Haley has been suspended from membership for two years by local Bozeman for allowing his name to appear on the democratic ticket at the recent election for treasurer of Bozeman.

Dates for Mother Jones are rapidly being filled; any local wishing a date, and have not applied for same, had better do so at once if they do not wish to be disappointed.

J. H. Walsh's dates are being filled rapidly; a few more dates on the Neihart branch should be booked.

There has been a large increase in the sale of due stamps for May, over any month this year. Comrades if you will keep this gait up, there would soon be a monument in Mon-

tana, that the Socialists would be proud of.

Get all the thorough Socialists you know to join the organization and see that your local secretary keeps a supply of stamps on hand.

We want to take advantage of the summer months to carry on an open air agitation in unorganized as well as organized districts. The co-operation of the local is necessary to have this done and the greater the sale of special organizing stamps the more work that will be accomplished.

Discuss the soap box method at your local meetings and see how much work along this line should be done in your vicinity this summer.

Three speakers could be kept at work during the months of June, July and August and then each place could only be visited once a month by a speaker.

Send to headquarters for your literature.

JAS. D. GRAHAM,
State Secretary.

Help to put the Socialist speakers into one hundred unorganized places by donating to the special organizing fund. Stamps for same can be had from your local secretary.

Has it occurred to the good brethren of the cloth in Massachusetts who are still orating so loudly and inveighing so pitilessly against Rockefeller and his dollars, that the ground on which their churches stand was stolen by their ancestors from the people to whom their God had given it? They must either admit that grand larceny of real estate or put up in defense the theory on which the Israelites justified the campaign of Joshua on the other side of Jordan, the massacre of the Cannanites, regardless of age sex, or previous condition of servitude, and the seizure of their lands and other properties. But our pious friends need not go back so far as the despoiling and extermination of the red men in New England and elsewhere to find lots of trouble in working on their theory. There are many churches still standing, and others that are the lineal descendants of churches whose building funds were, in whole or in part, the proceeds of lotteries. Harvard was helped in that way. But there is a still more troublesome truth than that awaiting the good men who think they have a grievance against Rockefeller's money. Much of the money that helped in the building of the churches and in their support in earlier times, it is said, came out of the slave trade. Have those brethren such a spite against their ancestors as to impel them to condemn all the old-time Christians who countenanced the robbery and extermination of the Indians, the operation of lottery schemes in the interest of religion, and the use of money made in the slave trade to erect houses of worship and pay the salaries of preachers? Let's all be consistent. If we must have the history of all the dollars that we spend, if they must be honestly earned by the man who tenders them to us, let us to the best of our ability, to free ourselves from condemnation due to those who knowingly accept the wages paid by those who earn wickedly.—Ex.

Remember our target! One hundred organized districts to be visited by Socialist speakers this summer.

Kansas is having some lively times on its own account. At a recent meeting of Local Wichita, a motion to go into executive session was passed and Comrade Wade Roscoe Parks, a member of the party in the state, was forcibly ejected from the meeting for insisting on his rights as a party member to see and hear everything that went on. In the melee which ensued Comrade Parks had his head broken and nose smashed. We are reliably informed, however, that this will not deter him from continuing his investigations.

—The Socialist.

Becker Says De Leon Opportunist

"Never compromise the truth to make a friend, never withhold a blow at error lest we make an enemy."

This has long been the motto of the fighting Socialist Labor Party, but abandoned by you in your address to members of the Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance.

For years you have fought for a class-conscious Industrial Union, you taught that a labor organization which rejected the ballot and used only the strike and boycott was a monstrosity and doomed to destruction.

You taught that the political party must dominate the economic, and now you invert your former position and teach that the economic must dominate the political.

You also come out squarely for the principle of "an economic organization affiliated with no political party."

Why no political party? Is there no revolutionary political party in existence today worthy of the support of a class-conscious political party? Then why not organize one? Is this an admission that after all these years of agitation by the Socialist Labor Party it is unworthy to be the right arm of a Socialist movement?

In other words, professor, you are tired of your uncompromising stand in favor of the principles of the Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance; you abandon them at the critical stage of its existence and adopt the role of an opportunist. I quote two paragraphs, word for word from the same issue of the People to show how absurd your reasoning is. In your address you say: "I am of the opinion that a motion to endorse the Socialist Labor Party would be illadvised;—it would be a challenge to a conflict with the only element in the Socialist Party upon which the Socialist movement can be safely built, the working class element—an element that is drawing nearer to us over the only bridge over which the Socialist forces in this land can march toward unity—the bridge of class-conscious revolutionary economic organization of which our own S. T. and L. A., is on the one side of the stream and the American Labor Union on the other, may be considered the piers. Consequently, if I am a member of your delegation I shall not make such a motion."

In the trade union attitude of the S. L. P., you say: "By the light of these facts we renew the party's declarations made in 1896 and 1900 in congratulation of the birth of the S. L. P., and all sympathizers the necessity of ceaseless propaganda in the interest of that body, and we expect of them, that they will join the local or mixed trade alliances, which may now exist in their several localities, and do all in their power to organize such alliances where none exist, to the end that the working class may be correctly organized on the economic field, and the structure of the Socialist republic rise unhampered by the crumbling influence of the Gompers form of unionism—happenings which are calculated to strengthen the arm of cool-economizing the working class of the land, as has been instanced on numberless occasions both on the part of the A. F. of L., and that caricature of the S. T. and L. A., the American Labor Union. The conduct of which resulted in the present Colorado outrages upon the working class.

Mr. De Leon, you will build a bridge and put it over the stream of capitalism. On one side you will put a pier of solid foundation. The Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance.

On the other side you will put a caricature of solid pier and expect that such a bridge will withstand the floods of capitalism.

What is a caricature? Something that has so many peculiarities that it is ridiculous. Do you imagine, professor, that a good pier and a caricature of it will make a solid bridge? You are absurd in your opportunism, professor.

The true facts are these, when the Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance was organized you considered the time ripe. J. Mahlon Barnes had just delivered a speech written for him by Frank Gessner of Pittsburgh, and typewritten by Miss Rose Watkins of Dayton, O. This speech, "Trade Unions, their logical mission is Socialism," together with the large vote cast for him when he ran for the presidency of the cigarmakers union, caused you to think him sincere for the S. T. and L. A. Barnes came over a long distance and waited for the rest to follow him; very few came, then you opened up the columns of the People with the "Lapses Articles." This caused a revulsion of feeling toward the alliance and Barnes recrossed the bridge which wasn't burnt and made a successful retreat back into his position in the cigarmakers union. Thomas J. Morgon started the alliance of Chicago, and formed a district that met in his office, and even published a small sheet in its favor called the Socialist Alliance, but as it grew too slow he soon dropped it for some new fad.

Henierduyer, Bohn, Bennett and Hanford were bought off by the Gompers crowd.

Soft snaps in various capacities in pure and simple unionism, caused the abandonment of the S. T. and L. A. Only the class-conscious Socialists remained in it. A strike was won in Pittsburgh but the Alliance died soon afterward. And the loss of the Onleyville strike left only a shell of the former S. T. and L. A. You grew impatient, you wanted to see a large industrial union. As a strike organization the S. T. and L. A., was very small, but as an educator it was doing fine work, its growth was small but steady—on account of its clear cut revolutionary principle it could grow no faster than the workers became class-conscious.

Here is the American Labor Union, headed by men whom you time and time again exposed as grafters, labor fakirs, ignoramuses and crooks. Owing to their incompetence; they rushed their unions against the machine guns in the hands of the capitalist class, defeated at Leadville, Creede, Cripple Creek they advocated a republican in Idaho in place of Democrat Stuenenburg, and here in Colorado, an Adams in place of a Peabody, men who never profit by past experiences, but simply use one capitalist as a means of punishing another.

Feeling their unions dying they grew desperate. They would not acknowledge defeat.

Taking advantage of the Socialist sentiment evoked through the literature and speeches of former and present S. L. P., men, they called a conference in Chicago. But they required members, they were sure to get the Socialists if they used a Socialist manifesto, but to work with a political party. Ah, the republican and democratic wage workers would remain out. So they said we will make it "the economic organization of the working class without affiliation with any political party."

They set their hooks; one to catch

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"Spineless Joe Tool(e)" is too true to be funny.

To educate the workers to drink more booze ought to be an easy job.

Wm. J. Bryan is boosting Roosevelt, and Roosevelt is attending democrat club meetings.

Booze and education. Who ever heard of such a thing. An affinity like the devil and holy water.

If Socialism depends upon fakirism and fake leaders, then Socialism is a long ways in the distance.

John S. M. Neill, strenuous advocate of the open shop, up-to-date human butchering machine—the state militia.

Joe Toole and his man Friday of Livingston are getting up as good a militia as they can. In the event of a strike in Montana, Joe will be in a position to show his devotion to the men who elected him last fall. "I see him calling out the militia to protect the strikers and shoot down a few mine owners." Nit!

Mr. Morton will resign from the president's cabinet. The president may not accept the resignation; the trouble is over Mr. Morton's issuing rebates while vice-president of the Atchison railroad, which is no more a violation of the law than the president spinning around the country at the expense of railroad companies that furnish him special trains.

Keep the following two dispatches in mind, workers: Homestead, Pa., Jan. 2, 1905—A reduction in wages took effect in Carnegie's plant at Homestead today.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 2, 1905—Andrew Carnegie today announced through ex-president Gillman of the Carnegie institution at Washington, the gift of \$263,000 to the Maryland Institute School of Art and Design.

The Independent seems to be persistent in encouraging the organization of a militia company or cavalry company for Helena. If the editor—a wage slave of the Barry school—and the proprietor of the Independent are so desirous of organizing a few more up-to-date human butchering brigades, why don't they take the lead and get in? Why don't you fellows start the company? That is your place, in a militia company. John S. M. Neill you should get in at once. Don't be telling the worker what he should do. It is up to you and your man Friday to join.

The Bozeman Chronicle in its last issue gives its readers a short "patriotic" puff about the double organization in that city of the 20th century butchering machine—the state militia. It mentions about the people of Bozeman being "patriotic." Oh, yes! They sing "My country 'tis of thee," with a mortgage on 85 per cent of their homes. Did the editor, the preacher, banker

or the little business men join this "patriotic organization?" It is a ten to one bet they didn't. This "patriotism" is for the wage slave, the cheap clerks, and working mules in general to fill up on when the "fool dinner pail" runs a little short. "What fools we mortals be."

SEEN IN THE LIME-LIGHT.

A few new points of interest have developed in the organization of the "Workingmen's Educational Club" of Helena since our last issue. Every day shows more clearly that it is a pure fake proposition fostered for the gratification of the aims and desires of the labor fakirs.

To the arraignment of these labor fakirs in our last issue, one of the members, says that the News called the turn, and that he is willing to admit the truth, while the other fakirs still persist in denying the facts. Mr. Mackey, the king of fakirs, who is denounced by these associate labor fakirs at his back in the most vehement language is a prince compared to the double-back action, automatic labor fakirs of the Sanden-Canoll kind.

Sanden and Canoll are both on the board of trustees and when it came to securing bids for printing for this new organization, F. P. Smith was delegated this job; whether by orders from the board or not we do not know, but Mr. Smith who was fired out of the Socialist local some two years ago secured prices at the citizens' alliance offices; he never came near the News office which is the only printing office in the city owned by a typographical union man; the heads of all the other offices are members of the citizens' alliance or employers association and make no bones of it. This is one good start to show the union proclivities of the labor fakirs at the head.

The list of names who subscribed money for the fostering of this new "Workingmen's Educational Club," are nearly all citizens alliance men, and they do not go around the bush to tell you so. Their contributions are from \$25 to \$100; Democrat Conrad of Great Falls giving \$50. In fact this is an organization of open shop principles, first last and all thetime; it has caught in its drag net union men, workers in general and a few Socialists.

It is easy to see the purpose of the organization. The News said that if the workers were anxious to join an educational club the Socialist local met every Wednesday night at 22 Park avenue and all workers were invited, but this club does not answer the fakirdum proposition. The worker is always easily trapped if the game is worked on him away ahead of time.

The campaign is now on in the state to re-elect W. A. Clark to the United States senate. Tom Carter is for this; he wants Clark returned. He knows that if any such thing should happen that a good republican should be sent to Washington, Tom would show up like thirty cents. He knows that if Clark is re-elected he will still remain a shining star. The Helena Independent is laying for another \$150,000 blackmailing deal, and then again it will be for Clark. Carter being in control of the Record it is naturally for what every Carter says it is for. The sham battle will be played and the working mule will again be duped. Many of the small country papers over the state are trimming their sails ready for the W. A. Clark boodle campaign that they feel approaching.

Both of the capitalist papers of Helena are, or have been boosting the "Workingmen's Educational Club." Why? To get the workers, union men, open shop men, Socialist, in fact any old thing into the club that has a vote. Once in the social part of the program will be used to lead the workers into the political shambles of the capitalist parties. Don't make any mistake; they will fool many a poor wage slave.

The Socialist who has aligned with this organization, thinking that he will be able to capture it, has got another think coming. These citizens' alliance men are bright fellows, and it is doubtful if they have been trapped by a couple cheap labor

fakirs to put up the money for a cat in the bag. It is a cinch that they have drawn a lucky ticket already. The working mule is the fellow that is so easily fooled and again he must be tricked because of his opportunistic proclivities to grab something, and like the dog, let the bone that he now has, float down the river for a grab at a shadow.

The leaders of this new club—Canoll and Sanden—are democrats; anything to get into office constitutes a democrat, and that is all they want.

The News would suggest that the workers of that club, and especially the Socialist members, open the program with "My contry 'tis of thee, sweet land of fakiere," and don't fail to cross yourself and kiss the hand of your leaders before retiring. The Independent might make better headway too, if it would boost to get the workers into this new club, then educate them there for the militia.

A MILITARY SOCIALIST

The following letter that appeared in the last issue of the Red Lodge Gazette, and signed by a Socialist and member of the state militia, is given in full before any comment, that no misunderstanding can, or may arise. Under the head "A Pessimist and His Paper," the following appeared:

In Helena is published at regular weekly intervals a paper, or rather an attempt at one, which bears the magnificent name of "Montana News." Just why this name was selected for said publication is one of Nature's great mysteries that probably Solomon, in all his wisdom, was he alive, could not solve. It never was known to contain any news, and will probably keep up its reputation of the past. It is circulated throughout this state to a certain extent, and perhaps in neighboring states, if people are good-natured enough to receive it. Its ostensible purpose is to teach socialism, but the real object seems to be to make itself as obnoxious as possible, and it must be admitted that it succeeds remarkably well. The accidental reader of it generally fails to discover anything in the shape of news, which is very remarkable in these days of "patent backs" and editors with handy scissors.

This pseudo newspaper is conducted along the merry arena of journalism by a fat gentleman named Mr. Walsh, who has appointed himself the socialist autoer of Montana, and whose ukases must be obeyed.

I do not know Mr. Walsh personally, and never felt particularly sorry for it, but I have watched his career with a great deal of interest like we do that of all great men. His milk of human kindness is either unadulterated skim milk or else turned sour in early infancy. Pessimism is his religion and abuse is with him an accomplishment. His conception of an ideal socialist is one who has thrown decency to the winds, has a perfect contempt for the opinion of others, one who is eager to abuse everything and everybody, and has the nerve like Mr. Walsh to proclaim his own infallibility.

Perhaps I dare to suggest, Brother Walsh, that pessimism never promoted anything except gray hairs and insanity. Abuse is no argument, insults have no other effect than to make bystanders wonder who liquidates the dog tax in certain cases. As a socialist Walsh does not believe in the present system of waste. Why should he then believe his own belief by a flagrant waste of printer's ink, which he does himself every time when he sends his paper out laden with abuse?

You have two alternatives to choose, Mr. Walsh. Either correct the name of your paper and call it "The Montana Abuse," continue your tactics and drive good men out of the party, which has actually happened, and then boast of it like an Indian brave over his dangling scalps, or else cheer up and be rational, and if you necessarily must run a newspaper, run a clean sheet. If you do not run a "newspaper," don't kick because others give the news.

Another thing that I have noticed is that the editor of the Montana Abuse excites himself into impotent rage against Wilshire's magazine and The Appeal to Reason for no other cause than that both of these publications have cut their price to 10 and 25 cents a year, sowing the seeds of progress on a large scale amongst the people, whereas Brother Walsh, the self-appointed one, and in possession of the only true reliable

brand of socialism, dishes it up at one dollar per annum, or pretends to do so, if a person should be unpolite enough to tell the truth. Perhaps it is too bad to destroy Mr. Walsh's monopoly. As a paper of information and propaganda, "The Montana Abuse" is about as enjoyable and succulent as a piece of dry bone.

This autoer socialist reminds a person very much of the sign-board on a country cross-road that can show the road, but does not travel on it. His condemnation of "grafting" is well known, but it may not be generally known that he takes French leave of absence from his "principles" occasionally. A little while ago the Western Federation of Labor had something to be done, and it was decided to give the job to Walsh at the higher rate than others were charging in order to patronize a union shop. It is said that the "infallible" sneaked out and had the printing done at a leading paper that was on the unfair list, got it done cheap, was financially benefitted, and palmed it off as his own, done in a union shop.

The Red Lodge socialists fell in deep disgrace some time ago because of their failure to appreciate genius in the person of Mr. Walsh, who offered his services free in coming here and give a lecture with a lantern show. This was volunteered for a contribution of \$12.50 and all expenses. This in spite of the fact that Brother Walsh has himself declared that socialists who charged over \$3 per day for party services are grafting. It is said now that every time the name of Red Lodge is mentioned in Walsh's presence his blood gets several degrees warmer.

He can also boast of having experimented with every shade of political opinions in the calendar of mug-wumps, and Heaven only knows what is next on the list. BERNH. RYDBERG.

"A hurt bird always flutters." The author of the article has shouldered a duty for the above mentioned paper that the editor possibly did not care to bear at this stage of the game. Mr. Rydberg has flown into the rage of tossing the Montana News and Mr. Walsh these pleasant epithets, because he is the member of the Socialist party that "mustered in" when Spinless Joe Toole's man Friday, Adj. Gen. Alderson, was in Red Lodge looking after the interests of the capitalist butchering brigade.

Let us take up the letter paragraph at a time. In the first one he alludes to "news" not being found in the paper. That is true, judged from a capitalist standpoint. No news of boosting the state militia, and were such to be found probably the subscription would grow smaller and very fast. If you want what is generally understood as "news," and especially so as a member of the militia, you will have to take a citizens' alliance paper. There are lots of them, full of murders, wars, hangings, burning at the stake, rape, suicides, murders, wrecks, etc., etc., to the end of the chapter. This is all in the category of state militiaism.

The second paragraph is a statement without any reason. Mr. Walsh has never appointed himself the "Socialist autoer of Montana," and he has no ukases that must be obeyed. It is a case of being Socialists, not being followers after Walsh or any other man. If Walsh is right on the matter under discussion then the party will support those ideas, and if he is wrong the party will soon tell him. But, bear in mind, Walsh or any other comrade has a right to express himself upon all questions of this kind.

In the third paragraph, one is rather at a loss to answer such charges as "has thrown decency to the winds," in order to be a Socialist. If joining the state butchering brigade is "drawing decency from the winds," then Mr. Rydberg, you are welcome to have all the "decency" of this kind piled high on your shoulders until the "straps of rank" on the state suit of blue press your shoulders to your hips.

The next paragraph shows conclusively that the author of such statements must be of a capitalist mind. The News does not attempt to publish abuse, except that you turn the truth abuse. The flagrant use of printer's ink appears to be well liked by many besides myself and perhaps not disliked by any, only some of the bourgeois, and to which class you and the Gazette push belong.

The alternatives to change the name of the paper or not to change it, cannot be heeded. The name will remain as it is and if driving

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Shall that old debt be wiped out this month?

Anaconda, May 16, 1905.

Comrade John W. Frinke left this evening for Tacoma on the 6:50 train. A few comrades and friends went with him to the railroad station to bid him farewell and wish him joy and liberty of conscience in his new home.

Tacoma gains what Anaconda loses and he is and will always be in the ranks of the proletarian army of the world, fighting against wrong and injustice.

Comrade Frinke is of that type which is being developed by the economic conditions of our age, and as capitalism ripens more Frinke's will come to view.

For eleven years he lived in Anaconda, working every day at his bench, and outside of the members of his union (Cigarmakers) and athletic club very few people

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knew him. When two years ago he was elected Mayor on the Socialist ticket, his executive ability staggered the petty larceny business and professional men, and his administration has set a high water mark in this frenzied finance age. When we read every day of fraud, graft, boodle, defaulting, reorganizing, absconding, abscooting, rake off, divvy, swag, etc. that is refreshing.

It is an oasis in the desert to meet a man or woman whose soul is above percentage and what is there in it? At this time when the rear guard of all past human slavery and tyranny is beginning to debate whether or not some wealth does not stink too bad to be used for the honor and glory of God. And it is not Frinke's class that these sanctimonious hypocrites are pleading for. It is not for the little children in the sweatshop and factory, whose sweat and blood, and very many lives are being wrung out for gold, no it is for the Lawsons, Hearsts, et al. Middle class exploiters who are being squeezed out and are doomed to disappear.

Some bourgeois minded proletarians who worship conventionalities more than truth, thought that we should have presented Frinke with a silk umbrella or some other commodity, having exchange value. They do not know that he has what is priceless, above exchange, that is, manhood, integrity, the love and loyalty of those who understand him.

Intellect you can buy for a glass of whiskey; talent, ability, commercial and other kinds are in the market, but integrity which is interwoven in the very fibre of the soul as that of Comrade Frinke, all the wealth of all the Rockefeller's cannot purchase one strand of.

C. C. McHUGH.

May 18, 1905.

To the Editor:—The Board of Directors of the Comrade Co-operative Company have decided to discontinue the publication of the "COMRADE" with the April issue, on account of insufficient support. The unexpired subscriptions will be filled by the International Socialist Review. Chas. H. Kerr & Co. have decided to exchange share certificates of the Comrade Co-operative Company for certificates of their company upon payment of \$5.00.

The Comrade Co-operative Company will sell its stock of literature on hand at reduced rates during the next few weeks. Send for price list to 11 Cooper Square, New York.

Please publish this notice in the next issue of your valued paper. Fraternal Yours,
COMRADE CO-OPERATIVE CO.
August F. Wegener.

(Another good journal has gone by the way, which is proof of the "cheap literature" suggestion and

talk of many of the comrades over the country. The worker must learn that it is up to him to support the Socialist journals at a living price and not on the old capitalist theory, of cheap subscriptions, the deficiency to be made up by advertisements of Seab Postum or similar patent medicine fakes. The Appeal is sold at 25 cents per year which is just about two cents less than the white paper costs for the News in this part of the country. Wilshire's, now sold for 10 cents per year, is less, probably, than the cost of the white paper. The deficiency must be made up from fake advertisements, not even legitimate advertisements but fakes, like Seab Postum. This must naturally be part of the education of the "rank and file" of the Socialist party, before the journals can be made a success. The worker must learn that he must pay the freight, because if he don't he will be "bamboozled" out of it ten fold in the future.—Editor)

Charley Clark Sued in New York for Meals

A suit for \$398.35 has been filed in the courts here by a corporation owning the Rector's restaurant, against Charles W. Clark, son of Senator William A. Clark, of Montana. The defendant at present, is said to be Jerome, Arizona.

The complaint alleges that Clark visited Rector's on March 6, 1904, with a party of friends. He ordered an elaborate supper and contracted with the management for the use of the orchestra, for which he agreed to pay \$75.

Clark, the complainant says, paid for the supper, but neglected to pay for the use of the orchestra.

Clark again visited the restaurant March 8, 1904. He ordered supper for 12, with the orchestra accompaniment. This time it is charged Clark did not pay either for the supper or orchestra.

The bill for wines amounted to \$193.50, while that for food amounted to only \$29.85. The orchestra cost \$100.

This supper included 11 quarts of special champagne at \$12 per quart, 36 whiskies, one quart of claret at \$8, 20 drinks of brandy, and several quarts of ordinary champagne.

In last week's issue a notice was given in the items from state headquarters in regard to Butte local expelling S. A. Wainscott, who was elected at the last city election as a Socialist alderman, and that his undated resignation was filed in and handed to the city council. The capitalist council accepted it and then re-elected him. That was correct, for the capitalist parties want traitors to principles. Comrade Ambrose, nominated another

Socialist for the place made vacant by the acceptance of the resignation, but when the vote was counted, only one was recorded for him. S. A. Wainscott said: "I was elected by 1,200 votes. I think these are greater than the 13 votes of the Socialist local. This action is a vindication and I thank you for it. The local's action was a radical one. I'm from Missouri, and you've got to show me." Then the capitalist hirings applauded. But according to a little information from a Socialist of Butte there hangs a tale. It appears that this man Wainscott was a member of the local and also a member of about forty-some secret societies, and that upon this "popularity" it was believed that he could be elected. Such supposition, if true, was correct for he was elected. But the fruitless election of this kind of timber will serve to show the Butte comrades as well as all the rest of us, how necessary it is to get class conscious men for nominees. Election, is a secondary consideration. Socialism will not come through the election of scamps, rogues and traitorous characters of the Wainscott brand. It is a bad happening; for the party reelected Comrade Ambrose who is a credit to the party and the revolutionary working class principles. Better nominate a Socialist, and lose the election than nominate a would-be Socialist and win the election.

The following sketch from the Real Issue, the Socialist publication of Oregon, strikes the nail on the head to a "t". The fit of the garment is perfect for the Montana News. Less papers and more booze is what is wanted. Possibly some of us Socialist editors will learn this if the Lord lets us live long enough. The Real Issue says:

The way in which the comrades are responding through the state to a call made in the Real Issue is not very encouraging. Subscriptions have been taken in Portland, but since its removal to the city not a single subscription has been sent in from outside Multnomah county. We are not too sure we know the reason for this lack of support on the part of the Socialists of Oregon. Comrade Robins complained of the same faults when printed in Grant's Pass; therefore we do not believe that it is because it is printed in Portland. There is one thing certainly sure, that unless the comrades desire a paper printed in the state giving state news and happenings in the Socialist Party no one is going to force it on them. Either they want it or they don't want it. One of the two things is certainly true, and this adventure is a final test of the recognition of responsibility to a great cause. The managers of the Real Issue are ready to desist or persevere. Whatever is for the best interest of the party suits them; the comrades will therefore manifest their desires either by letter or other wise, and oblige the manager of this paper.

OUR FASHION LETTER.

Pretty Rose Colored Boas For Evening Wear.

THE COVERT CLOTH JACKETS.

They Will Be Much In Evidence During the Coming Season—The New Sleeve and Shoulder Arrangements. Short Jackets Go With Plaited Skirts.

Very lovely for evening wear are the delicate shades of rose colored ostrich boas. The curl of the feather gives a wonderfully foamy effect that is eminently becoming. These sumptuous boas are quite the leading novelties of the season.

White panama cloth is to be very smart this season both for suits and separate skirts worn with silk waists. Panama cloth will also make the nicest kind of walking costumes both in plain color and in a figured design which is almost invisible except in certain lights.

The covert cloth jacket will be in evidence this spring in all the varying lengths. The only difference between the new jackets and those of last year is that in the recent models the bust is higher and the sleeves, which are of



MOURING GOWN OF HENRIETTA.

The tailored order, are set in the arm's eye with a square effect. The cuffs are stitched in tailor fashion.

The gown illustrated is a costume for the first months of deep mourning. It is made of lightweight henrietta cloth and crape. The underskirt is entirely of crape, and the pointed overskirt effect has a band of the same handsome material. Mouseline de sole is tucked into a tiny chemisette, and the fronts of the waist simulate a vest. Over this vest are bretele-like pieces of henrietta trimmed with crape, which are drawn into the waist with crape rosettes to form a girdle. The sleeves finish at the elbow with double ruffles of mouseline de sole.

CHIC STYLES.

It is the sleeves and shoulders that govern the new styles. Miracles can be accomplished with the new sleeve trimmings and the right shoulder arrangements. Epaulets that form the top of the sleeve are a favorite adornment of the up to date sleeve.

With these plaited skirts will be worn short jackets with rather long fronts.

Mohair of the new silky weave is to be very much worn. It is particularly good style when in a checked design. Pale green and white, rose and white, and coral and white are new blendings. Dozens of new girdles have come out. The linen craze has brought out inter-



BUNTINGHAM SILK WAIST.

esting developments in this line. They are embroidered in cotton matching the girdle linen in color.

In the trimming line very stunning is an edging of tiny balls which is used in conjunction with net or lace.

Petticoats are made with adjustable flounces both in silk and muslin.

The waist pictured is of a tan and brown mixture carried out in burlingham silk. The fronts are cut in four pieces, with a seam running from shoulder to waist line. The seam nearest the side is slightly gathered at the

bust. Over a vest of tucked taffeta is a shawl collar of the silk edged with a braided design which crosses surplice fashion at one side. The chemisette is of tucked white mull, and the sleeves are leg of mutton trimmed with rounded turnover cuffs.

ODDS AND ENDS.

The smartest kind of shirt waist can be made of two hand embroidered linen pillowcases.

A dainty brown parol is edged with three broad tucks of coarse cream linen. Coats of pounce come in many styles, wear having collar and cuffs of lace.



GRAY CHIP HAT.

They are mostly used for motoring. Batiste all overs are embroidered in ecru to match pongee.

A lingerie frock this season is not always one that will visit the tub.

The accordion plaited blouse is one of the season's assured styles. The sleeves are also plaited in the same fashion.

Jeweled lockets exquisitely carved, worn about the neck suspended from a long chain, are a fad.

A pretty new French slipper has a design of embroidery and beads running all around it.

Shaded leather belts and stocks fastened with hammered copper buckles are new.

The attractive hat seen in the cut is of gray chip simply trimmed with several shades of gray blue velvet about the crown. Where the hat folds and tilts at the side it is filled in with sprays of forgetmenots.

EVENING DRESS MODES.

White spotted tulle is the rage for young girls' evening frocks, and nothing is more suitable to the freshness of youth than this material. But it must be made over a vaporous skirt to give it a snovy effect. The most successful of these spotted tulle dresses have first an underskirt of taffeta covered with a second skirt of mousseline and then the tulle. On the bottom of the skirt is a wide Louis XVI. plaiting with a narrow ruching on each side



MOUSSELINE CHIFFON BALL GOWN.

and here and there a chou of white satin ribbon. The bodice is cut lower in front than in the back. The sleeves have a circle of pink roses above flouncings of tulle, leaving the arm bare beneath the roses. On one side of the decollete waist is a circle of roses and on the other a ribbon bow.

Invisible checked taffeta is very much used both for the elaborate afternoon toilet and tailor made gowns.

An attractive checked taffeta in framboise color is made with a skirt stitched down in panels marked by bands of white soutache braid and fits closely to the figure in the upper portion. Toward the base the soft silk is slightly draped in Louis fashion and caught up at intervals by tabs of embroidered linen over a full plaiting of the silk, creating a unique effect. The corsage is a semibolero cut up in broad straps, each bordered with a white braid passing beneath a girdle, forming a tabbed back.

The dainty ball dress pictured is of white mousseline chiffon mounted over a transparent rose underskirt. On the skirt are three flounces trimmed at the edge with a tiny string of pompadour rose velvet. The simple little waist is trimmed with rose edged ruffles, and the girdle is of rose liberty satin.

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BECKER SAYS DE LEON

AN OPPORTUNIST

(Continued from page 1)

the demo-republican worker who is sick of Gompers, another to catch members of the Socialist Party, another caught you, Mr. De Leon, for reversing all positions formerly held by you. You now say the S. T. and L. A., must give up the S. L. P., it must be swallowed up in this industrial monstrosity, born with one arm, the economic one, depending on the strike and boycott, you call upon the members of the S. T. and L. A., to aid in the abortion. Will they do it? Yes, the majority of them will, a small minority will remain true to the principles of true industrial unionism when this monstrosity has run its course.

As for you Mr. De Leon, here is your opportunity carried away by your hatred of the American Federation of Labor, against whom you have carried on an impotent war; you abandon former positions, you consort with men whom you have called crooks and fakirs, in fact you have sacrificed your manhood upon the altar of opportunism in the hope of smashing the A. F. of L., something you can't do, but will come as a result of the capitalist class warfare when they tire of their labor lieutenants, and the rank and file through Socialist education form a true industrial union, affiliated with a classconscious revolutionary party, with its right arm the Socialist ballot, and left arm the strike and boycott, while the body will reason for themselves and refuse to let such opportunists as you Mr. De Leon, together with Simons, Underman, Haywood, Moyer, O'Neil, and other men who mislead labor by opportunism.

Workingmen of the world unite! Throw over the intellectuals, educate yourself, a crucial no opportunist, for at a critical time he will desert you. Put none but workingmen on guard. Remember a truth spoken ungrammatically is better than a lie clothed in the finest of grammar. Repudiate De Leon and with it, opportunism.

Yours for Socialist Industrial Unionism,

J. CARLOS BECKER,
Gen. Del., Denver, Colo.

A Military Socialist

(Continued from page 2)

"good men out of the party" if you mean men who belong to the militia—then the News will do all in its power to drive "good men" like you Mr. Rydberg out of the party, and the quicker you get out the better; not only for the party, but for yourself, because you do not belong with the proletariat class. The News don't kick because "others give the news." That may be news, for a paper owned by a Socialist, and edited by a hireling, to dish up boosts for the militia.

As to Wilshire's and the Appeal we have no back step to take. While they have done a great amount of good the News has pointed out time and again how they have been the means of putting other publications out of business. The Comrade of New York is the latest to be added to the list.

There is no such organization as the Western Federation of Labor, and no such work was sent to this

office. All the printing done for Carbon county was done right in this office. Further, there was no leading state paper in Helena on the unfair list. One should be reasonably careful before printing absolute lies.

In the next paragraph, it appears that had Mr. Rydberg cared to be even honest he could have ascertained the facts in the matter of Mr. Walsh lecturing in Red Lodge and charging \$12.50 and all expenses. This matter was all handled by the state secretary and circulars that explained the whole matter were sent there. The facts in the case are: The \$12.50 includes all advertising matter, express prepaid; this is an average of about \$3 for each place; where the gas is used another \$3 expense is added; the railroad fare so far has averaged a little over \$3 for each lecture; the trunk containing the machine weighs 170 pounds and costs 50 cents or 75 every time it is taken to and from the halls or opera house. This is not counting mailing of songs, tickets, laundry on the road, etc. A close figure was made at the time of starting this lecture tour that about \$3 should be returned to Mr. Walsh clear for each lecture, but so far he has not done quite that well; and then when out on the road a man has been hired part of the time in this office at \$4.50 per day. Subscriptions have assisted.

The last paragraph appears to have formed the trinity of lies for the two above. Mr. Walsh was never anything but a Populist and a Socialist.

Let us see now, comrades, what kind of a bourgeois crowd this is at Red Lodge, and whether the News is correct from a Socialist standpoint or not. Some time ago Geo. W. Burke purchased a printing plant, with the assistance of a few of the Socialists and started the publication known as the Gazette. Mr. Burke's name flies at the head as editor and manager, but as a matter of fact Mr. Linke is editor. Who is Mr. Linke? He is the man that edited the paper last campaign at Bridger that boosted Glidden for the lower house, and circulated the report that Alex Fairgrieve had sold out to Meyer of Kissing Fame, and who has a standing order from the court to kiss all the women and girls he desires in Carbon county. That must be the right interpretation of the court's order for he was found guilty and no fine was placed upon him.

The Gazette does not bear the label. Why? The label is used in the town by the republican open shop paper on all job work. Is the Gazette an open Socialist state militia paper?

The News at this time is unable to answer why the union label is not on the paper. Possibly because Editor Linke is not in good standing with his union. It looks to the News that after this bourgeois gang of little business men have been successful in practically disrupting the miners' union organization of that town, and one that was always liberal in assisting Socialist speakers, that Mr. Rydberg has aligned with the state militia, that Mr. Burke has hired an editor on an assumed Socialist paper who started the damnable story of Comrade Fairgrieve's selling out to Kissing Fame Meyer, that this Wisconsin in Montana should be re-organized.

Mr. Rydberg if you don't like abuse you might do well by setting an example. Let us argue the points in the case. It is not whether this paper shall change its name, or a half dozen other foolish rambling charges that you have made. The question at this time is upon the point whether

a militiaman can belong to the Socialist party; whether a paper edited along the capitalist lines by a hireling and defamer of Socialists, shall be listed among the Socialist publications. The question is have such men a right in the organization and should not the charter of Red Lodge be revoked, and an organizer sent there to re-organize the place on class conscious lines with working men as members?

How many soap boxes are you figuring on visiting your district this summer?

Citizens' Alliance Hiring A Known Criminal

The following dispatch of May 20th to the Butte Evening News tells of the class of people who are employed by the property class during strike trouble:

Walter Kenley, the desperado, who attempted to lock Sheriff Bell of Cripple Creek and his entire force of deputies in the county jail while he and his companions made a raid on one of the Cripple Creek banks, is the same man who acted as the confidential agent for the Mine Owners' association at Telluride a year ago, and practiced the most atrocious cruelties upon the miners of that district under the direction of Captain Buckley Wells, manager of the Smuggler Union mine, and now adjutant-general of Colorado.

Kenley and his two companions James Warford and John Chapman, were today placed in solitary confinement in the county jail because Sheriff Bell was forced to go to Denver on business. The desperadoes have succeeded in fooling nearly all of the deputies, and they are not safe outside the dungeon.

Had the Weapons.

They will be charged with highway robbery, attempt to kill and other crimes. The three men had 12 revolvers, one riot gun, one shotgun and two rifles. They carried seven of the revolvers upon their person when captured. The remainder of the arsenal was found hidden a short distance from the sheriff's office.

For two years Kenley was a deputy sheriff at Telluride, and when he had outlived his usefulness there, he was made deputy sheriff at Cripple Creek.

Partner of Horn.

He is the famous partner of Tom Horn, the Wyoming cattle rustler, who has a record of having killed half a dozen men, and finally swung from the gallows in Cheyenne, a year ago for the killing of a 12-year-old boy.

Kenley first sprung into fame when he wrote Tom Horn a letter while the latter was confined in the jail at Cheyenne, saying that he was ready to come to the rescue of Horn if the latter would say the word. He would guarantee to deliver Horn from the jail.

Would Lynch Him.

The attempt to reduce an entire town to his mercy by incarcerating the sheriff and his force while he and his companions robbed a bank came near being his last act for the outraged citizens formed a vigilante committee last night and sent a member to the sheriff asking him to retire to his home. The sheriff at once armed a score of men, and threatened to kill any one who would lay hands upon his prisoners. The vigilante committee still threatens the prisoners.

Three Desperadoes.

Kenley's partners in the attempted holdup of the entire town were James Warford and John Chapman. All three of the men had been confined in the county jail up to a week ago, and it is believed they formed their plot while they were prisoners. Kenley and Chapman were incarcerated on a charge of holding up an assay office. Warford, also a deputy sheriff, was charged with a double murder on election day, November 8 last, when he killed two men at the polls. The cases against Kenley and Chapman were nolleed by the district attorney. The jury in Warford's case disagreed and he was allowed to go.

Hold Up the Sheriff.

No sooner were the trio out of jail on Monday last when they sent word to Sheriff Bell that they would call for the guns which had been taken from them. They came for the guns on Tuesday afternoon. Kenley was the only one to enter the sheriff's office where he had previously served as a deputy. The other two men went into a saloon nearby where they would be ready in case of need.

Sheriff Bell was suspicious the

moment he saw Kenley coming into the building. When the desperado entered the door he looked into the muzzle of the sheriff's revolver. Kenley was armed to the teeth, having two Colt's revolvers in his pockets. The sheriff did not discover this until later, however. When Kenley saw that the sheriff had the drop on him he attempted no demonstration.

Sheriff Bell ordered his under sheriff, Tom Underwood, to place Kenley in the jail. Underwood started out with his man. When they were outside the building Kenley drew a gun and pointed it at the officer, and said he would not go to jail. Sheriff Bell, being still suspicious, followed his officer and the prisoner. Kenley saw him coming, and whipped out his other revolver, and both officers were covered.

The officers were forced into an abandoned shed by Kenley, who kept them well covered. He saw other deputies coming from the sheriff's office in his direction, and while the two officers were huddled in the shed he ran for the saloon, where his companions were waiting.

The sheriff and his deputies hastened to the jail, where they secured Winchester. The three desperadoes by this time had made their way to a Florence & Cripple Creek train, which was going to Victor.

Posse in Pursuit.

Sheriff Bell appropriated a Low Line electric car and 20 men quickly jumped aboard. The posse was formed as the car followed the train. The sheriff distributed the weapons, and told his men that the desperadoes must be captured. The electric car made a run over the hills such as it never made before, and as the station of Anaconda was approached the three fugitives were seen leaving the train. At the same time the sheriff's posse left the car. The desperadoes fled to a point where they were protected by a deep railroad cut, and here a pitched battle ensued. The posse was fired upon, and the sheriff ordered his men to fire in return.

Warford was slightly wounded in the head. Seeing that there was no chance to get away, the men threw up their hands. When they were taken, into custody Warford had three guns, Kenley two and Chapman two.

The three men are now in the county jail, and the talk of lynching is still rife upon the streets. Sheriff Bell stated this evening that he had no doubt but that the men intended to look him and his deputies in the office and then proceed to rob the town and banks.

Kenley has come to be known as one of the worst men in the state. He is the man who raised such a storm of protest by his mistreatment of miners who were arrested at Telluride.

Floaten's Record.

A. H. Floaten, an old man, who was the manager of the largest mercantile house in San Miguel county, is one of Kenley's victims. This old man was dragged out of his bed and was made to walk barefooted for a distance of three miles through the snow and ice because of his sympathy with the strikers. He was repeatedly struck over the head with a gun by Kenley. Kenley acted as a spotter for the military, and he was always extremely brutal to the men he arrested. When he refused to confine his action to the orders given he was allowed to go, but immediately secured a place with the mine owners at Cripple Creek. When the warfare came to an end Kenley was out of a job, and a few days thereafter is said to have held up an assay office.

He hated Sheriff Bell because the latter, as his late employer, refused to allow him to go without bail, but held him as all other prisoners in the county jail.

In the report of the state secretary this week, you will note that John P. Haley of Bozeman, has been suspended from the party for two years for allowing his name to be used by the democrats of Bozeman for city treasurer. The case is this: The democrats had no man the name, so laid in wait until late in the game, and nominated a Socialist; it was too late for the Socialists to file another nomination, and as a result the party organization has suspended an unfaithful member for an act that is in direct violation of the constitution of the party. This shows that the democrats will do anything to get into office or assume to win. Talk about bribery and W. A. Clark buying a seat in the United States senate, they will even steal the Socialists to run on their tickets if they think there is a possible show of electing. However, the party stands ready to always throw such members out of the organization. They are unworthy the principles of the Socialist cause.

The following table shows the official Socialist vote by states and each state's percentage of the total vote:

State	Debs vote	Per cent.
California	29,535	8.911
Montana	5,529	8.705
Oregon	7,619	8.45
Nevada	925	7.633
Washington	9,975	6.952
Idaho	4,949	6.818
Illinois	69,225	6.445
Wisconsin	28,220	6.373
Florida	2,337	5.945
Utah	5,767	5.674
Kansas	15,494	4.773
Minnesota	11,692	4.005
Ohio	36,260	3.619
Wyoming	1,077	3.507
Nebraska	7,412	3.298
South Dakota	3,138	3.093
Iowa	14,847	3.056
Massachusetts	13,591	3.025
North Dakota	2,017	2.874
Connecticut	4,543	2.384
New Jersey	9,587	2.232
New York	36,883	2.23
Maine	2,106	2.182
Missouri	13,008	2.027
Louisiana	995	1.836
Indiana	12,013	1.762
Michigan	8,941	1.721
Pennsylvania	21,863	1.604
Arkansas	1,814	1.557
Vermont	859	1.478
Rhode Island	956	1.408
Colorado	4,304	1.352
New Hampshire	1,090	1.211
Maryland	2,247	1.001
Texas	2,287	.985
Kentucky	3,602	.825
Alabama	853	.783
Mississippi	392	.672
West Virginia	1,574	.654
Tennessee	1,354	.557
Delaware	146	.332
Georgia	197	.143
Virginia	218	.122
North Carolina	124	.059
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