

## BILLINGS HORSE PLAY ON PRI- MARY LAW

**Mayor Foster Denounces the Bill as a Sham and Subterfuge—Remarks Precipitate Lively Discussion.**

Being attracted by a citizen's alliance non-union label circular, I dropped in at the city hall here on Friday evening to hear the merits of the primary law bill discussed.

The gathering was a very representative citizen's alliance one, composed of petty larceny bankers, real estate sharks, cockroach business men, 2x3 contractors and shyster lawyers, and a few, very few, working men.

W. M. Johnston, member of the legislature, Senator Yegen, Judge Goss, Attorney T. S. Hogan, and others spoke in favor of the bill, but not one of them in answer to my many questions, showed wherein the measure could benefit the workers.

Mayor Foster denounced the bill as a sham and a subterfuge, saying where the people had asked for bread they had been given a stone, and he would vote against the bill. Consternation among citizen's alliance organizers of meeting, J. H. Johnson, a corporation satelitte, in a long-winded, feeble, wind jamming speech, tried to, but failed utterly, to answer Mayor Foster.

Then as it were, a bombshell struck the meeting in the person of a local jeweler, Thomas Burns, late state secretary of the Socialist party of Oregon, who in the ablest and most convincing speech of the evening bitterly denounced the bill as destroying the secrecy of the ballot, furnishing an employer's blacklist as the product of and for the benefit of the corporations and corrupt politicians. The conduct of the "elite of Billings" in their coyote-like interruptions of Burns was, to put it mildly, disgraceful. But Burns could not be scared, nor upset in his arguments, and his cutting retorts in response to sneering questions will long live in memory of those who were present.

His sallies about love of old parties for workers, Spike-club Roosevelt and his pal, the infamous Sherman Bell, the Northern Pacific senators, the local water and lighting franchise grabbers, gave the citizen's alliance audience something to ponder over.

Indeed, Burns' effort was so stinging and telling that the local blacksmith dentist, W. A. Allen, in replying thereto went beyond all bounds of decency and nearly came into a fight with Attorney T. S. Hogan, who pleaded for fair play for Burns.

The union-hating, Russified, local rag, Gazette would not report Mayor Foster's speech, and falsely reported Burns' "Take warning ye 'elite of Billings,' ye members of that social leper institution, the citizen's alliance, ye mental prostitutes of the press, be merry while you can. Your day of reckoning is at hand, for the government of tomorrow, 'Socialism,' will wipe you out of existence."

A. J. MacDONALD.

A woman in Kentucky laughed herself to death over a funny story. Capitalist politicians should be more considerate and careful in their story of friendship for labor, as it is impossible to tell the incalculable harm that may follow.—Toledo Socialist.

## DEPUTIES SHOOT DOWN STRIKERS

The deputies are shooting the strikers at Pueblo, Colo. The latest contemptible method of lowering the wages of the smelters is to reduce the time to eight hours, and then reduce the wages to correspond with the time. The poor wretches live near the margin of existence on what they receive now. A reduction of one-fifth the means of life is calamitous for them. But so large are the masses of the unemployed now, that the capitalists can dole out a pittance of work and wages to immense numbers. They are thus fresher, and consequently more productive than if they were working ten or twelve hours a day.

Since the Amalgamated company has adopted this plan of lowering wages in Colorado, this is probably what is meant by the much-heralded "benevolence" of establishing eight hours a day in the smelters of Montana. Rogers made his boast in 1903 that he would make Montana the "lowest cost copper state in the world." Now the warring with Heinze is over, there is no obstacle in the way to prevent his carrying out his intentions.

## HAVRE RESOLUTIONS

Havre, Mont., May 6, 1906.

Whereas, Our brothers, Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, victims of a capitalist conspiracy and imprisoned in the Boise jail, Idaho, falsely charged with murder and other crimes, and, Whereas, They have been publicly declared guilty by the mine owners' association and their tools, the press and the state officials previous to trial, therefore, be it,

Resolved, By the working men and citizens of Havre that this is a conspiracy to crush organized labor in general. At the whole proceedings from beginning to end are unconstitutional and contrary to the elementary principles of justice, and that we regard such tactics as equal to those perpetrated in Russia. And be it further

Resolved, That we deplore the fact that places of honor and trust are placed in the hands of unscrupulous and contemptible cur and that we declare our fullest confidence in the innocence and integrity of the officials of the W. F. of M. And that we hereby pledge our moral and financial support for the defence of our kidnapped and persecuted brothers, and in evidence of the stand taken, be it further

Resolved That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the governors of Idaho and Colorado and the public press.

LLOYD L. LEITH, Sec.

The Independent and other such sewage Russified sheets are probably able to derive a great deal of consolation from the evidence of how much effect their vomitings have had on the popularity of Comrade Goriky. When he spoke in the Grand Central Palace of New York it required 200 policemen to handle the crowds, and the doors had to be locked before 8 o'clock.

## JUDICIAL MURDER AT BUTTE

**Civilization Disgraces Itself By  
Choking Old Man to  
Death.**

The so-called civilization of Montana has again disgraced itself by brutally murdering an old man with one foot in the grave, under the name of justice. And the crowd joked and had a holiday over it, and the papers aired the revolting spectacle of a commonwealth doing what is called criminal in an individual. Judicial murder is one of the chief evidences that we are not yet out of barbarism. When society knows nothing more to do with its unfortunate members than to take their lives it confesses that it is impotent, ignorant, and vicious. All criminologists and students of alienist conditions agree that crime is the result of an abnormal or diseased mental condition. One has but to read the account of Miles Fuller's life to see that never since his infancy had he been surrounded by normal social conditions. He was simply the victim of the beastly social conditions that capitalism throws around the individual that has no chance to start out right, and not sufficient strength of character to overcome the obstacles. Capital punishment is only a brutal admission of governmental incompetency. Even in the case of those whom decent social conditions could not reform experts on the subject favor segregation under healthful conditions, and with pleasant employment. A place to dig in the ground, and raise vegetables, to be removed from the curse of bitter competitive contact with his fellowmen—this is what society owed Miles Fuller, but it choked off his breath at 66 instead. Victor Hugo says that in the Twentieth century the gallows will be gone. The aspect of that Butte crowd of barbarians, from the court officials down, does not augur a speedy fulfillment of the prophecy. As long as capitalism lasts, or the system of production by individuals for profit, crime must increase from the principle of self protection, and venal courts will murder a few helpless offenders while the murderers of thousands under the name of industrialism will go free and be exalted as the great ones of the infamous system.

The street car men at work on the construction gang in Helena have won their point in regard to the rides to their work. A special car now takes them to and from their labor. Boys, a little sticking together does that much good, a better lot more of it will do a whole lot better. Now is the time to organize. The golden summer is here. In union there is strength. Little Walker is shaking himself smaller every day for fear you will. Get a move on. What are you here for, anyway!

## SAMPLERS AT EAST HELENA WIN THEIR STRIKE

**Are Granted the Eight Hour Day  
With the Same Pay as for  
Ten Hours.**

The samplers have won out in their demands on the company in the smelter at East Helena. They have been given eight hours at \$2 instead of ten, which they had before. The Helena dailies, as was to be expected, are not stating the matter correctly. The men did not go back to work until their demands were acceded to. Ex-Governor Hauser went out to East Helena, and tried to make the men think he owned the whole works. Governor Toole went out and spread himself around the place also. It is safe to say that neither one of them would have been allowed to say a word to the men if the company had not been completely satisfied with what they would say. It is a pretty state of affairs when the managers of a company have to send back to New York to find out whether they can obey the state law or not.

What a farce is this so-called government by the people! Toole and the whole state house gang wait for orders from New York.

Workingmen, you sling away your votes in this stupid style! The socialists, at least, do not have the blood on their hands to show that they are partners in the crime.

The firemen are still working twelve hours a day. Think of that, you slaves of the furnace! If the smelters of East Helena were organized solidly they could stop such brutal exploitation. Organize, organize, organize, and then vote the way you organize. Some time you'll see it. There is no other way.

The trade unionists have held a meeting in St. Paul to discuss ways and means of launching a new political party. Must the stupid American working class be dragged through the shambles again and again of attempting to control government on the basis of capitalistic exploitation? There is no basis of political control for those dependent on others for a chance to live except that incorporated in the socialist movement of the world, and the working class will never see this so clearly as when they attempt to control things by any other plan.

European workers know this. American workers commit the same blunders over again about once in every so often.

## THIS IS ROTTEN CON- TENT

**Joyful Joyce Can't Learn Any  
More—A Genuine Happy  
Hoiligan.**

"I don't own nothin', I don't owe nothin', I don't know nothin', and I don't want nothin'."

An individual by the name of Wm. Joyce, at Monarch, Mont., to whom a sample copy of the News had been sent, returned the paper with the following note: "Do not send this sheet to me any more. I have no room for it. A paper that will go on with such lingo is no good." It is just such mutton heads as this that have been the balk on the wheel of progress since the beginning of time. Joyful Joyce is an intellectual sluggard. Science and investigation have no charms for him. He is stupidly unconscious of such a thing as the evolutionary process. What was good enough for his father is good enough for him. "He don't want no change." Economics may repose in the silent sanctuaries of the universities. Smith, Mill, Ricardo, Marx are nothing to him. Society will never work out its problems through his assistance. Such people don't want any socialism. They want anarchy, war and murder.

## Hauserlake Company Fleeces Their Men on Short Time

The Hauserlake gang is again distinguishing itself. See how easy it is to make money, you toiling sheep that are told to work and save. This latest device beats any saving a working man could do in a thousand years. Here it is:

Inducements are constantly being made for new men to come out and go to work on the dam. With their first pay they are taxed \$2 for poll tax and \$1 for hospital fees. If they

## THE SOCIALIST PRESS AROUSSES PUBLIC SENTIMENT

**They Forced the Hearst Papers to  
Come Out in Favor of Moyer  
and Haywood.**

What caused public sentiment to be aroused in the Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone case? Nothing more nor less than the socialist press of these United States of wage slavery. The democratic press, such as the Hearst type of democracy, was forced to come out somewhat, and speak of the murderous plots of the mine owners, but not a word out of Hearst and the Commoner, until the socialist press comes forward and volunteers to lay bare the infamous scheme of the mine owners, and then when public sentiment was turned in the direction of reasoning, then the democratic press of the larger calibre, aspirants to get to the pie counter, then they ventured out, but not until the horny-handed sons of toil commenced to awaken from their lethargy did the democratic press awaken. The horny hands of toil can, if they so will it force anything in the bounds of reason, but it must be done by a political co-operation. As long as the Western Federation only federated as laborers they did not worry the capitalist mine owners, but when they commenced to federate on the political field, then the mine owners commenced to conspire to destroy them. No trouble so long as they were democrats or republicans, but when they changed their political view to that of socialism, then the trouble began. Then they became murders. Then it was when the capitalists commenced to lay plots.

But, gentlemen, we have come to stay. You might just as well lie down. The socialists don't want to destroy anything, they only want to change the mode of procedure. The socialists are going to proceed to give that what belongs to him who produced it, and that is what hurts the capitalist. So long as the workers were in the democratic or republican parties, where there were no demands but high and low tariffs, there was no consequent trouble. But as soon as the producing class espouse a party of their own, then they, the laboring class, become incendiary. The socialists have come to make peace on this old earth, to make it a pleasant place to live. Then men and women will be better prepared for what may come.

M. L. BAKER.

## VIOLATES THE CITY FRANCHISE

**Helena Railway Company Has No  
Right to Haul Any  
Freight.**

The Helena Light and Railway company, in its sneaking way, is again attempting to violate the conditions under which it holds its franchise. It has been hauling timbers and heavy materials through the streets. This is in direct violation of the city ordinance, which grants them the right of transportation for passengers only. They were notified by the union to cease violating the law under pain of injunction, and the past week no freighting has been observed. A nice outfit of law breakers these capitalists are that the workingmen allow to run their government. As long as the capitalist class runs the government, they'll run the industries, and as long as they run the industries they will violate law for profit. This is why we want socialism—so that the workers will own the industries and run them, and own the government and run it; to stop graft; to give an incentive to make honest men, so that the lordly, bulldozing parasites will either work or take a hike. And that's what we're voting for, too.

## SAN FRANCISCO HORROR

The city of San Francisco at this date is a unique and peculiar illustration of idiocy, incompetency and dastardly slavishness on the part of San Franciscans generally. The presumption is that the common sense element that should have risen to the height of the emergency and taken control of the town were suddenly demoralized by the abject cowardice of a mayor that was supposed to have some backbone allowing the military satrap, Funston, and his minions to run everything and everybody, and, if the facts were known, killed more people than the earthquake and conflagration combined. "No questions asked, but shoot," was the password of the military monkeys of San Francisco.

During the great Chicago fire, when the merchants were convinced that their warehouses were doomed to destruction, they invited everybody in the vicinity to help themselves to provisions or anything that could be utilized. But militarism is always out for blood. The gang that raped the Filipinos are in control and human targets are their business.

If Mayor Schmitz were competent he could have mobilized an army sufficient to erect a fireproof breastwork to windward of the fire area and controlled the conflagration in a few hours. But the spectacle of a city loaded to the roof with provisions and provender of all sorts would rather see them consumed by fire than the people to take and use them, is an inexplicable attribute of capitalistic militarism.

However, it all harmonizes with the antecedents of capitalism on the Pacific coast, where the commission brokers, in their mad raids upon the consumers of fruit and to keep up prices, throw whole carloads into the bay.—Cleveland Citizen.

## LAI D OFF STREET CAR SCABS

**Little Walker is Shaky for Fear  
the Men Will Organize  
Union.**

The Helena Light and Railway company could only get six men to scab and take the places of the strikers on the construction gang, and it laid all of them off Monday night. It has discovered that a man so devoid of honor as to scab against his striking brothers isn't much good anywhere, even on a construction gang. And the scabs have found out that even the big company has no use for a scab, but despises him, and holds him in utter contempt, and kicks him out when it is through with him, and says, "Get out, you scab."

Little Walker is getting warm under the collar. He's got to make a showing to the bosses, and those pesky slaves that the Lord intended to keep him in clean white collars are talking of organizing. Organization is the nightmare that paralyzes the little Buttinsky in his dreams. Street car men, line up with your class like men. Summer is here. Those cars have got to run. Now is your time. Protect yourselves and your class. Organize! Organize! Organize!

The workingman who is about half a socialist might be compared to the woman who is about half virtuous. (Mable is responsible for this.—Ed.)

To illustrate how thoroughly business operations are organized under the capitalist regime today, San Francisco will be rebuilt with system. Rockefeller has cabbaged the whole deal of course. The Leonard Deneen syndicate will do the rebuilding, and reap the profits, and the statements comes that John D. heads the combination. Gigantic combinations such as this, to erect a municipality are simply the forerunners of the greater combination, of the people, who will erect their own cities. This privately owned combination, while working on symmetrical and efficient lines, will curse the common weal by its power and incentive to give the minimum of value for the maximum of profit. The historians of the times to come will denominate the service of the age of capitalism as the most disgraceful, tawdry, and inefficient of the epochs of human history. When the city hall of San Francisco was destroyed, it was seen that what were supposed to be and what should have been granite pillars, were simply thin veneers of stone over some concrete mixture. Graft, or rather profit, everywhere. Beauty, sincerity of work, noble art, stability, and satisfying human service sacrificed on the ignoble altar of gain. Some day the curse will be lifted, but it will only be when the people come into their own.

## DEVELOPMENTS IN THE IDAHO WAR

**Interesting Letter From Comrade  
Wright—Carpenters' Union In-  
creasing in Membership and  
Will Demand Eight Hour Day.**

I am afraid there is something wrong with "The System." At least, it would appear so to an observer. In view of the fact that though the state of Idaho is being articulated by the "Statesman" and other papers, calling socialists, union men and fair minded citizens, "anarchists," socialism and unions not only hold their own, but are rapidly increasing. The carpenter's union of which I am a member, has an increase of from 25 to 30 in the past month, or six weeks, and will demand an eight-hour day with a minimum wage scale of 45 cents per hour, and they will get it. Other unions are growing in proportion. The socialist local has jumped from a membership of 49 the first of April to a membership of 72, May 1st, and applicants are coming in rapidly.

It is hard now to find a workingman who is not either a union man or a socialist, and generally they are both, knowingly. As fast as they come to a realization of what the dues paying system really means to them in politics, they come right in and co-operate. This is not merely local, but extends throughout the state, and Canyon county is full of them. Every time the capitalist press is spread out in Idaho, it makes socialists. They started out read hot, trying to make us declare war, so they could exterminate us, but we were a little too swift. We took their own weapons and came back after them, and now they would cry quits any old time. They accused us of trying to incite mob violence, but wound up by inviting tar and feather parties for any wild eyed, anarchistic, socialistic, unionistic emissary who should get off of the cars in Canyon county, and say our comrades must have a fair deal.

Several men in prominent positions were heard to say that they have gone a little too far. They over-reached themselves, and at the coming elections they will pay for their folly. Never has a state been so thoroughly canvassed. And the firm, determined manner in which the labor press has come to the front, shows that there will be something doing.

The capitalist press is full of distress columns, exposure of fraudulent officials, and so forth, thus proving the present system rotten to the core. Yet in a half-hearted manner and without consistency in their remarks, they editorially try to uphold it. It is a curious game to any one watching both sides, and would be laughable if it were not so serious. You may give the comrades the word of cheer that the integrity of Idaho will be upheld, by the workers. If there is any gun play, it will come from the capitalist side. If they shoot, it will be unarmed men they hit. We have a more potent weapon, one that will strike deeper and last longer—the ballot.

The last resort of a coward is suicide, and when they turn their guns on us for maintaining our citizenship, and demanding nothing but justice, they will be committing political suicide.

I. W. WRIGHT,  
Recording Secretary,  
Socialist Local, Boise, Ida.

## WANT AUTHORITES TO OBEY LAW

A strike is in progress in Lewistown inaugurated by the employees of the city to make the authorities obey the eight-hour law of the state applying to public work. The voters ought to be able to see what criminals the officials are that they elect upon capitalistic tickets. In all parts of the state they openly violate this law until forced to comply with its provisions. They should be thrown into jail without ceremony. But they run the government and of course they will not punish themselves. If these offenders were elected on socialist tickets they would either obey the mandate of the party, or be pulled down on a forced resignation. But under the capitalist scheme of controlling things the voter is helpless to have any influence over public officials who are supposed to do his bidding.

Since the Chicago library has declared "The Jungle" immoral, the publishers cannot meet the demand for the book.

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## DISGRACE TO INTELLIGENCE.

If there is anything that is a striking illustration on the ignorance and barbarism of this age that is called civilization, it is the pow-wow that Baltimore and the Baltimore papers are making over the babbling speeches of some priests against socialism. That there should be any such survivals of benighted and weak brained submission to authority on questions of scientific investigation is to burlesque the idea that we are living in an age of reason and the triumph of a developed intellect. What have the assertions of a priest, preacher or anybody else got to do with an industrial evolution that is going on under our eyes? Is the human race still plunged in such abysses of mental opaqueness that it cannot and dare not think for itself? What groveling brutes such individuals must be, who will surrender the only claim of man to his superiority in nature, the activity of the human brains. Religious leaders may suit certain persons with their ideas of the immortality of the soul, but to act as though their opinions on matters of science amounts to any more than any one's else is simply to take a position with the dark centuries of ignorance that ought to be gone long years ago. It shows that these mouthpieces deliberately turn their backs on all intelligent attitudes of modern thought. They insult the intellects of the people by such childish drivel. These addresses show no knowledge of socialism, or even an attempt to state fairly what it is. If the priests want simply to mislead a lot of ignorant people for their own purposes, it is the servile sheep who allow themselves to be led by such antiquated twaddle that are most to blame.

## HISTORICAL HUMBUNG.

Man Friday Raftery, the lack-of-independence editor of the Independent, is working over-time to try and push his perverted representations of history, economics and science down the throats of the working class. His latest contortion at distortion is a perversion on the Commune that would be ludicrous if it were not so near criminal in its perversion of facts. If there is any duty that is pre-eminently incumbent upon the passing generation it is that the record of events be handed down to the coming generations inviolate. A perversion of fact shows a deliberate attempt to misinform the young mind and the public in the interest of class rule.

This sycophant starts out by saying: "The industrial problems of the United States will be settled without passion and without weakness."

We should like to ask this modern Daniel come to judgment when in the course of human events the industrial problems of the world, which are the pre-eminent and fundamental problems, have been settled "without passion and without weakness" It is around the question of the division of the products of labor that the imbroilments of the entire past have surged. They will never be settled "without passion and weakness" till the working people learn their strength and do the settling themselves. And "justice," which Man Friday prates about, will never be dealt out till then. No "anarchistic element" had anything to do with the Paris Commune. Anarchists do not believe in government, whereas Paris was never so well governed in its history as during the two months of the Commune. It was the working men that held Paris against the treacherous traitors that called themselves a government. The only murders and atrocities that were committed were those committed by the "upper class" after they gained possession of the city. Capitalist historians have always frightfully per-

verted the account of this tragedy.

Lissagarey, a member of the national guards, and Benson of California, who was in Paris during the entire time of the Commune, are the only historians that have given anything like an unprejudiced account of the affair. Whenever the blood suckers of France get ready to oppose the collective workers again they will pause for awhile and think of the revolution and the Commune. The workers are greater than the grafters when it comes to matching strength.

## CHAMPION LIAR.

Champion-Liar-and-Corporation-Hanger-on-Raftery is doing his best to hold his job as editorial fetch and carry for the union-fighting Independent by writing all the puerile lies about socialism that he thinks his ignorant readers will swallow. This time he is "defining" socialism.

He says there are forty different sects of socialism. This is a lie. Socialism is the science of social development. It would be just as sensible to say there are forty different kinds of botany.

He says that Maxim Gorke includes free love under socialism. This is a lie. Even the eastern capitalist papers have found out and are admitting that Gorke was divorced from his first wife and married to the second.

He says in America there are socialists who are communists. This is a lie. Socialism deals with the long development of history. The life of co-operative business communities is only a method of living under the capitalist system.

He says every anarchist is a socialist. This is a lie. The two theories of society are diametrically opposed. It would be just as sensible to say every infidel is a christian. Any dictionary gives this information, but Raftery wants to lie about the matter to please the copper masters.

He says one, Post (indeed) editor of one "Public" is the greatest authority on scientific socialism in America. This is a lie. The News will give \$50 if Raftery can prove by a single authority in any university in the world (and socialism is today taught in every first-class university in the world) that Post is even recognized among socialist thinkers.

Post tells somewhere how to go into socialism in a "lady-like" way so as not to hurt anybody's feelings. This suits Raftery because there's nothing "revolutionary" or "startling" about Post's "socialism." It suits him because it leaves the corpse intact for the parasite to feed on, and the parasite doesn't want to be disturbed. But there is a big set of fellows that it doesn't suit and these are the workers. They are going to tumble the whole set of capitalist parasites overboard head first. They are going to revolt, they are going to revolve. This is revolution. This is what the socialists are after, and Post isn't running them, and Raftery isn't running them, and they are getting beautifully more plentiful every year, parasites, grafters, liars and Rafterys notwithstanding.

He speaks of the "curse of socialism." It will both curse and annihilate all such systems as support him and his brother parasites. He has cause to fear it.

He says socialism is dominated by libertines and all sorts of other unmentionables. We challenge him to show that there is anything like the percent of these in the socialist party that there is in the party he votes with, which is probably the prohibition party.

Whenever Post becomes a leader of the Socialist party, as Raftery lovingly advises, we'll give Raftery a dinner.

## PRESSING NEEDS.

The readers of the News will see by last week's issue and the present one the amount of active field work that is being done in this state, and what is being contemplated for the summer.

The state secretary has over seventy dates made for speakers within the next thirty days, and a greater number will be made for July, Butte being slated for ten street meetings in the month of June. While this may seem to be an exceeding lot of active field work, it is comparatively nothing to what is needed.

Every day come calls for speakers, requests for work in unorganized districts. From unorganized counties, where no locals exist, come letters asking if a socialist ticket will be put in the field next fall, and how to go about getting a ticket up, or if the state organization intends taking steps to line them up for the fall campaign. Other counties that are organized want assistance. The nearer the approach of the election the greater the demands will be made upon us for speakers and organizers.

To all inquiries that come in we say we are in hopes of putting an organizer into the district in the near future.

When one looks over the work that is waiting to be done and the absolute lack of means to do the same, it is discouraging. There are twenty-seven counties in the state, and we are only able to make seventy dates in thirty days, on an average of less than three

dates to a county in the month. It is a shame to think that we are unable to take advantage of the opportunities that are lying all around us in this state to further our propaganda, strengthen our organization and advance its cause.

Not only in this state are we unable to grasp the opportunities, but throughout the entire country the condition prevails. The national organization is seriously thinking about dispensing with some of the national organizers, and this at a time when more, instead of less, field workers are needed.

This is something that all party members should consider carefully, and make an effort to remedy the same.

The dues coming into the state office are nearly 50 per cent less than last month, and the monthly reports from locals show that if all members in arrears would pay up, \$100 would be added to the state treasury, and \$50 to the national office. It is safe to say that what applies to Montana on the dues question is true to a great extent of the other states.

Now, comrades, get to work, pay up your dues, get the comrades in arrears to pay. Let every local start a crusade in getting the delinquents to pay up. Money is needed and needed badly right at the present time by both the state and national organizations to carry on the fight. The harder the blows we strike the system in the next few months the greater will be the results obtained at the next election.

There must be no let up in the fight. As we advance into the fight the greater will be the demands that will be made upon us and we must meet those demands or go down to defeat. The true revolutionist will meet the demands.

## MORAL MEN.

The Butte News has an attack of "home morals." It "wants to know" why the drama pays homage to the semi-penitent prostitute rather than the little woman crooning her baby to sleep. Don't ask such silly questions, Mr. Editor. The drama depicts the harlot because men pay more money to her than to the mothers. They place the mother at the wash tub, and adorn the harlot with diamonds. The men have the money and make society what they choose. And they choose to see the harlot portrayed on the stage instead of the mother. It is more interesting to them, their tastes run that way, and they pay for the sort of show their taste prefers. This is why actresses portray such parts. They are playing for money; the men have the money, and the men keep the harlots in society. Yet these are the people that are afraid that socialism will break up the home.

As one more instance of the "course" nature of the horse play the mine owners' association is attempting to practice upon a gullible public, the "Greek fire" that the detectives professed to have dug up on the confession of Steve Adams, is an explosive that must be used a few hours after its preparation or it will explode by its own combustion. Yet the official persecutors of Moyer and Haywood perpetrated the clumsy hoax of going and digging up the stuff prepared to blow up a train of strike breakers three years ago. If the criminals that compose the governments of Colorado and Idaho belonged to the working class, they would be sent to a lunatic asylum.

Ye gods and little fishes!

Here is Rogers' reply to the president's reflections on the Standard Oil methods of doing business: "We say flatly that any statements that the Standard Oil has or is now, knowingly engaged in practices which are unlawful, is alike untruthful and unjust."

They are throwing bombs in Paris. All over the world the working class are rising in protest against the system which oppresses them, and some day they will work out the freedom of the individual—peacefully, if they can, forcibly, if they must.

Russia continues its force of pretending to establish free government. It is as palpable and hypocritical as is the American fiction that the common people in this country have anything to do with government.

The American working men of Granite county are hard up when they have to import an aristocrat Dutchman to run their politics for them.

That irrepressible paper called "The Social Rebel," published at Parkersburg, W. Pa., is authority for the statements that the Standard Oil company is putting up an expensive brick building at that point to manufacture a substitute for lard from the refuse of the oil refinery. The company has large refineries here. This nauseous and poisonous mixture will then be sold to unsuspecting human beings to eat for food. And yet that vile criminal, Rogers, says with fiendish audacity that Standard Oil never knowingly commits any crime against the law. That would be impossible because Standard Oil makes the laws, and passes judgment upon them too.

## LINCOLN'S VOICE TODAY.

(Published by Request.)

I see in the near future a crisis approaching that unnerves me, and causes me to tremble for the safety of my country. As a result of war, corporations have been enthroned, and an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign by working upon the prejudices of the people until all the wealth is aggregated in a few hands, and the republic is destroyed. I feel at this time more anxiety for the safety of our country than ever before, even in the midst of war. God grant that my forebodings may be groundless.

"Monarchy itself is sometimes hinted at as a refuge from the power of the people. In my present position I could scarcely be justified were I to omit to raise a warning voice against the approach of returning despotism. It is not needed nor fitting here that general argument should be made in favor of popular institutions; but there is one point with its connections, not so hackneyed as most others, to which I ask brief attention. It is assumed that labor is available only in connection with capital; that nobody labors unless somebody else owning capital, somehow by the use of it, induces him to labor. Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor and could not have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital and deserves much the higher consideration. I bid the laboring people beware of surrendering the power which they possess, and which if surrendered, will surely be used to shut the door of advancement for such as they, and fix new disabilities and burdens upon them until all of liberty shall be lost."

"In the early days of our race the Almighty said to the first of mankind, 'In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread,' and since then, if we except the light and air of heaven, no good thing has been or can be enjoyed by us without having cost labor. And inasmuch as most good things have been produced by labor, it follows that all such things belong of right to those whose labor produced them. But it has so happened, in all ages of the world, that some have labored, and others have, without labor, enjoyed a large portion of the fruits. This is wrong and should not continue. To secure to each laborer the whole product of his labor, as nearly as possible, is a worthy object of any government."

"It seems strange that any man should dare to ask a just God's assistance in wringing bread from the sweat of other men's faces."

"This country with its institutions belongs to the people who inhabit it."

(These are Abraham Lincoln's own inimitable words in his message to congress, 1861, and on pages 498-500 of H. J. Raymond's "The Life, Public Services and State Papers of Abraham Lincoln," published by Derby & Miller, New York, 1865.)

## GORKE'S APPEAL TO AMERICAN AUTHORS.

Gorke has issued a magnificent and stirring appeal, addressed "Brothers in Arms, the Authors of Free America."

"Brothers in Arms: Why do I address my appeal to you? "Because in Russia the literary men are everywhere the first; they are the foremost to enter into the struggle for freedom and the foremost to go down into the dungeons. Men of art, men of intellect, aristocrats of the spirit, these are the only true kings of the earth."

"They first, before all others, ought to understand, feel the misery of a people thirsting for freedom."

"You, knights of the spirit, cannot regard with indifference the fate of my country; you cannot look unmoved upon the sufferings of my people."

"They are fighting for freedom; they are thirsting to drink from the cup of human thought which you, too, have filled with the wine of your art."

"The Russian government has kept the people chained, their bodies in the fetters of force, their minds in the dark bondage of prejudice; for centuries it has debauched the soul of the nation. But the people are alive; their soul lives. They rose. The government became frightened and yielded to their demands; they believed its promises. But the government has again deceived them. It promised them freedom; it has given them the death of thousands. It promised them a constitution; it has given them a burlesque of one."

"The douma has destroyed all their illusions, all their hopes; it has filled the heart of the people with still greater hatred toward the government. They know now that they must have a revolution in order that they at last shall be free, that at last they shall enter the family of free nations of the world and that they may join hands with their comrades all over the world for the glory of mankind and the triumph of the human soul."

"I should like to believe that all of you, both the veteran soldier for liber-

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## DENVER EXCURSION.

On account of the convention of the Western Federation of Miners, the Northern Pacific Railway will make a rate of \$32.00 for the round trip, Helena to Denver, dates of sale May 25-26. Final return limit 30 days from date of sale.

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## FIGHT AGAINST I. W. W.

A systematic fight seems to have been commenced by the other unions in Montana against the I. W. W. In Missoula the troubles there have been long and bitter, and finally culminated a few days ago in the unions affiliated in the trades council refusing to work with I. W. W. men. In Butte the I. W. W. had proposed to operate a co-operative saloon. Plumbers and paper hangers were called in to put the place in shape, when the trades council ordered all its craftsmen off the job, saying that Butte union men could not work for a co-operative concern. It is stated that no I. W. W. organizations will be represented in the approaching convention of the Montana state federation of labor. The cigar manufacturer by the I. W. W., bearing the label of that organization has been declared unfair by the international. It is difficult to see how the idea of evolution in method should be debarred from the union process.

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## Attention Party Members

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**BALLADE OF THE THIRD REVOLUTION.**

(By Frank Putnam.)

Thinly sown by the eastern sea  
Our forbears, challenging England's  
lord,  
Declared that God made all men free  
And backed their creed with fire  
and sword.  
The tax of a tyrant they abhorred,  
However he fixed it, low or high,  
For the Great Ideal their blood they  
poured:  
The Third Revolution now draws nigh.  
  
Three million black folk toiled in  
chains,  
Bred like brutes, like brutes opprest  
By many who thrived on their vast  
gains  
Attaint with hideous crimes half-  
guessed;  
Their yoke was bitter at the very  
best.  
Our sires in pity of their sad cry  
Struck off their irons in war's grim  
test:  
The Third Revolution now draws nigh.  
  
Today we stand like him of old  
Aghast at the Genii he had freed;  
Our Slaves of the Bottle, swol'n with  
gold,  
Sieve on City or State at need;  
Our children prish to glut their  
greed  
In mine and factory; their long sigh  
Has nerved our hearts for a new  
great deed:  
The Third Revolution now draws nigh.

Envoy

Prince, we mean to redeem our own;  
And evn as leaves in a whirlwind fly,  
So shall our despots be o-erthrown:  
The Third Revolution now draws  
nigh.

—In National Magazine.

**Women's Clubs**

(Continued from last week.)

**AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER?**  
(By Mrs. Margaret Palsgrove, of the  
Great Falls Woman's Improvement  
Club.)

International Socialism.

Let us bear in mind that when we  
have international socialism this profit  
system will be a thing of the barbaric  
past, and all useful things will be  
produced for use and best enjoyment  
instead of to make profit out of. But as  
it is now, it is asserted that peace is  
bloodier than war, that of all the peo-  
ple killed by accident in the mines,  
factories and mill, and generally, by  
land and sea, the majority are for want  
of proper safety appliances, and be-  
cause the employing companies prefer  
large dividends rather than provide cer-  
tain precautions and safety appliances.  
And what with exposure to unwhole-  
some atmosphere in the mines, factor-  
ies and mills, which also might be  
avoided or prevented if the employers  
were humane enough to have it so  
and take a little less profit, not to men-  
tion all the people who die of expos-  
ure and starvation, it has been figured  
out that in the late civil war not as  
much life was sacrificed as is now the  
case in time of peace, but under the  
scepter of the god of mammon.  
  
Although we might in a passing way  
glance at war with its excruciating  
sufferings and cost of life and limb  
for which the working and useful peo-  
ple mostly furnish the material, and  
without which class society would be  
about as comfortable as a naked bird  
on the ice.

War for Profit.

War in most cases is started some-  
what like this: The captains of in-  
dustry decide that on account of the  
enormous wealth accumulations in their  
vaults and store houses, that a rat-  
tling good war would be about the next  
best piece of business, and forthwith  
they pick a quarrel with another coun-  
try. Then a hub-bub is started  
throughout the land, and the conclu-  
sion is soon arrived at that the dig-  
nity of the country must be vindicated,  
and so war is declared, and the good  
men of each belligerent country are  
called out, away from beloved fam-  
ilies and home, withdrawing the loving  
protection from those who have the  
first and rightful claim to it, and leav-  
ing them to the casualties of a cold  
and unfeeling world. Poor, deluded  
brothers! They are made to believe  
that it is all for the country and the  
flag.

But in the big business world great  
supplies of various goods are bought  
and sold, and that part is having a  
wonderful boom,

But the main thing to those who rule  
the country is, was it a good stroke  
of business? Yes. Much goods sold,  
new trading stations and the system  
of exploitation generally established  
throughout the besieged country. And  
we are going to take hold of thou-  
sands of acres of good valuable lands.  
Yes, we call it a decidedly good stroke.

I will soon change the subject, for I  
feel that it is quite a strain on our  
nerves to ponder much at a time upon  
such deplorable facts. There is, how-  
ever, one more sad picture to which I  
feel compelled, in the name of hu-  
manity, to call your attention. It is  
the most deplorable of all. I refer to  
the white slave houses in the large  
cities. Young girls are kidnapped, and  
foreign girls who cannot speak the  
English language, are seduced from in-  
telligence offices with the promise that  
they would get work and good pay; and  
when they are entrapped they are com-  
pelled to live a life of shame. They  
are slaves in as true a sense as any  
black man or woman ever caught in  
the wilds of Africa. For whatever  
money is left over after their keep-  
ing is paid for, goes to the pocket of  
the victim's captor.

Eleven Thousand Girls.

It was said that during the Chicago  
world's fair, over eleven thousand  
young girls had mysteriously disap-  
peared, and that policemen and hack  
drivers were getting rake-offs in this  
ghoulish business, and that the mu-  
nicipal authorities, with a few excep-  
tions, were callous and indifferent  
concerning such matters. It is the same  
with other thieves, pickpockets and  
burglars, that, if they pay a certain  
percentage to the police and authorities  
they will not be molested.

The Appeal to Reason mentioned re-  
cently the case of a sporting woman  
who showed data of having paid to the  
police of St. Louis \$25,000 for the pro-  
tection in her business of robbing her  
victims and visitors.  
  
Now, all these repulsive truths go to  
show that the dear but thoughtless  
people who are ever lauding and sing-  
ing that foolish lingo as to what a won-  
derfully enlightened civilized Christian  
nation this is, do not consider at all  
what they are talking about. Never  
was there a heathen god more cruel  
and more insatiate for human sacrifice,  
under whose scepter no sort of busi-  
ness could be too contemptible than  
the sway and rule of "god Mammon"  
six days in every week. But on the  
seventh day Jehova comes in for a  
certain amount of twaddle and flat-  
tery.

Worse Than Rome.

One has every cause to wonder if old  
pagan Rome and those bigoted Jews  
could have been more conceited with  
their degenerate religion of dead forms  
and ceremonies, and the empire more  
desperately wicked than this nation is  
today. Nineteen hundred years and  
more since the man of Galilee pleaded  
and preached for freedom for every  
man, and the practice of the golden  
rule toward every human being. Oh,  
never mind about our professions of  
religion, the main thing is that we  
let our light shine, not only to a small  
number of people, but to unite with  
other good influences valiant and true,  
so that the light yet may shine all  
around the world, and into every dark  
and horrible corner.

And inasmuch as we exert ourselves  
in behalf of a suffering humanity, and  
exercise our instrumentalities to  
evolve conditions to a sane and hu-  
mane standard, just so much will the  
world progress.  
  
Let us prove to be a powerful aux-  
iliary to the co-operative brotherhood  
of all mankind, to organize and es-  
tablish out of a bleeding, despairing  
humanity, a co-operating common-  
wealth, indeed.

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**Gapon Turned  
Traitor**

The newspapers now bring authentic  
proof that Gapon, the priest that led  
the working class of Russia into the  
massacre at St. Petersburg, has for-  
feited his life for his treachery to the  
revolutionary cause. Traitors to a  
righteous movement are well dealt with  
even though the punishment be most  
severe. The revolution of the working  
class in all lands against the unjust  
and hideous exploitation of capitalism  
can never be successfully achieved un-  
til the working class has the power to  
punish its traitors. The traitors, spot-  
ters, spies, detectives, that are now in  
the councils of union men should be  
summarily disposed of if the working  
class are to protect themselves.

Men who will do these things are  
the lowest vipers that crawl.

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Even the black races are coming to  
the point of vigorous resistance against  
the brutal, unjust and robber rule of  
the greed-made capitalists. The out-  
break in Natal is the result of con-  
certed action, with the cry, "Africa  
for the Blacks," as the basis of the  
movement.

"Knox is after the drug trust," so  
state the daily papers. Yes, Mr. Moss-  
back, he is a long way after it. So  
far, in fact, that he will never catch  
up with it until he lands in the co-  
operative commonwealth.

**International**

Tables have been compiled of the  
members of the Federation of Labor  
in Italy by which it appears that 120,-  
000 of the agricultural laborers of Italy  
have been organized.

Holland has just closed the twelfth  
national convention of the Socialist  
party, which was held at Utrecht. The  
reports showed an encouraging increase  
in members and finances. A resolution  
was passed declaring that economic and  
political activity are equally valuable,  
and that neither should be disregard-  
ed.

The Hungarian Social Democracy  
will have 120 candidates in the field  
for the legislature.

Thirteen members of the Young  
Men's Socialist Anti-Militarist league,  
who were distributing copies of the pa-  
per published by the organization, were  
arrested and their material confiscated.  
They were released after their names  
and addresses were taken.

The Canadian comrades are much  
put out by the exclusion of the Appeal  
to Reason from the mails. Even the  
attempt to get the Appeal by express  
has failed, the custom house officers  
having received orders to destroy the  
bundles. The socialist papers of this  
continent will soon be compelled to  
adopt the methods employed by the  
German comrades during the time of  
Bismarck's repressive laws.

General Zhanoff, the brutal Cossock  
officer who tortured Marie Spiridonova,  
was shot and killed at Tamboff. The  
revolting cruelties to which the young  
woman was subjected filled even the  
most bitter reactionaries with horror.  
So the twentieth century revolution  
goes forward.

Another vast demonstration of Lon-  
don's unemployed occurred at Hyde  
Park, May 14. Keir Hardie, socialist  
member of parliament, and Nicoll-  
Barnes, labor member, addressed the  
multitude. The meeting adopted res-  
olutions calling upon the authorities to  
recognize the right of all to work. Mr.  
Hardie promised that the labor mem-  
bers of parliament would do every-  
thing in their power to force the ques-  
tion of the unemployed upon the at-  
tention of the government.

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Fourth street, Laramie.

If any socialists at unorganized  
points in the above states wish to  
form a local they should consult their  
state secretaries as here specified.

**PROLETARIAT AWAKENING IN  
PARIS**

The proletariat of the world is learn-  
ing something of its power. Word  
comes from Paris that the naval au-  
thorities are constantly receiving  
threatening letters from sailors of anti-  
militarist views. It is said that men  
have been selected from among the  
seamen, engine room hands, and gun-  
ners on board of each battle ship or  
cruiser who have taken oath to render  
the ships useless by tampering with  
some vital part. Thus the working  
class of all trades is beginning a left-  
line line of action to keep themselves  
from being murdered by the greedy  
ambitions of the capitalist class. The  
working class have everything to lose,  
and nothing to gain in wars, unless  
they be waged for the emancipation of  
the working class against the domina-  
tion of the capitalists.

Send in your orders for bill heads,  
letterheads, cards etc., to the News.

**NOTICE  
TO CLANCY SOCIALISTS**

Local Clancy will meet at the home  
of Comrade Koetitz Saturday even-  
ing May 26, at 7:30 p. m. Every  
member is earnestly requested to at-  
tend, as business of importance will  
come before the meeting.

**National News**

Robert Bandlow, the well known so-  
cialist of Cleveland, has been nominat-  
ed as a candidate for congress from the  
twenty-first district of Ohio.

The fund that was given by Mrs.  
Rand for the establishment of a so-  
cialist school is to be put at the dis-  
posal of the American Socialist So-  
ciety of New York, for the founding  
of such a school. The preliminary  
work of organization is going forward.  
A large building has been leased at  
112 East 79th street. Library and  
reading room will be ready for occu-  
pancy July 15. Classes will begin  
October 1.

Comrade Arthur Morrow Lewis' lit-  
erature sales amounted to more than  
\$100 at five points in Arizona alone.

One thousand five hundred and forty-  
three dollars and fifty-eight cents  
has been paid to national organizers  
from January 1st to April 30th. Two  
hundred and eighty-one dollars and  
eleven cents was paid last year for  
the same period.

Five members of Local Sioux Falls,  
S. D. were found guilty of support-  
ing the Municipal League candidates,  
which announced as its platform pur-  
ity in city politics and had for its  
purpose the defeat of the present city  
administration and to place in power  
another capitalistic one. The members  
thus offending were promptly expelled  
by Local Sioux Falls.

The state convention of the Socialist  
party of Florida was held at Tampa,  
April 8. Twenty-five delegates were  
present with 57 votes. The conven-  
tion was in session only three hours,  
but a lot of work was carried through  
in that time. Candidates for one rail-  
road commissioner, one congressman  
and two supreme court judges were  
nominated.

The two leaflets issued by the na-  
tional office, one on the Mayer-Hay-  
wood case, the other on the resignation  
of Joseph M. Patterson, make valuable  
propaganda material, and should be  
pawed knee-deep over this nation. The  
leaflets cost \$1 a thousand.

W. A. Stulce, member of Local Sod-  
dy, Tenn., has been expelled from the  
party for taking part in the democ-  
ratic convention and accepting an ap-  
pointment as deputy sheriff.

A state convention of the Nevada  
socialists for the nominating of polit-  
ical candidates will be held at Ton-  
apah, July 4.

The usual summer crop of arrests of  
comrades for street speaking arrived  
in good form with the arrest of ten  
comrades in Pittsburg, Pa. The usual  
result can be announced, that all were  
discharged upon being given a hear-  
ing.

A banquet will be tendered to the  
delegates of the Pennsylvania state  
convention Monday evening, May 21,  
at 526 Federal street, Allegheny. The  
Pennsylvania comrades know how to  
do this thing up right. Those present  
at last year's banquet will not soon  
forget it.

The Los Angeles comrades report a  
most interesting reception given to  
Mr. and Mrs. J. Phelps Stokes. J.  
Stitt Wilson was present also. Mrs.  
Stokes, who was Rose Pastor, was a  
poor Jewish cigar maker girl before  
her marriage to the young, handsome,  
philanthropic New York millionaire.  
He has been engaged in the slum set-  
tlement work for a number of years.  
Mrs. Stokes is an accomplished writer  
and a beautiful poet. Her simple  
charm of manner in speaking is said  
to be remarkable.

Common Sense, the Los Angeles so-  
cialist paper, reports a remarkable de-  
gree of prosperity in its press situation.  
It has installed three platen presses,  
cutter, stitchee, a 37x52 two-revolution  
Campbell book and job press, with up-  
to-date equipment, the whole valued  
at \$3,500. Six men are regularly em-  
ployed in the press room. During  
March and April a volume of business  
was turned out in the publishing de-  
partment amounting to \$1,700. It is  
now planning to purchase a site and  
erect a large building to house its busi-  
ness and with a rental sufficient to  
pay off the investment, \$3,000 were  
subscribed in one week. That's going  
some for socialism in the West.

At South Bend, Ind., the police  
broke up a meeting of about 400 per-  
sons, who were listening to Comrade  
Gertrude Breslau Hunt's address. She  
had spoken at the same place the two  
preceding nights. But it was when ap-  
plications for membership to the local  
began to be taken that the police got  
busy.

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ing the fasco of the coal strike situa-  
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## State Department

No first class, well-read socialist pretends to be without the International Socialist Review. The News will give one year's subscription to it as a premium for twenty subscribers.

In order to keep your section of the community thoroughly posted on what the Socialist Party is doing in Montana during the campaign, and let the ignorant know there is some other party besides those engineered by the Amalgamated, each local should take weekly bundles of the News from now on till after election next fall. To any individual or local contracting for these bundles we will furnish them at the rate of \$2 for ten copies per week till after election. Larger bundles will be at the same rate. That is 100 copies a week will cost \$20 from now till after election. Order your bundles early so you can be educating your neighborhood.

Local Butte, No. 1, sends in \$17.50 on election paper account.

Butte takes the Italian speaker, Comrade Teofilo Petriella, for three days.

Comrade Selby, of Havre, writes: "Herewith find enclosed money order for \$2.50 on remittance of subs. The mass meeting was very successful. Comrade Titus made a good impression. We collected about \$22 in ready cash, and we have about \$30 to collect which has been promised. So you see the union men of Havre have done their duty in this instance. We received bill of printing which I have handed over to the secretary of the I. W. W., who will give it attention in due course. Comrade Coster of Glasgow was with us last Friday and again today."

Comrade A. J. MacDonald sends in from Billings two subs to the News, and two for the Appeal, also a call for a bundle of samples. These will go out on the next mail. Comrade MacDonald works, works, always works, for socialism wherever he is.

We have a request to send the News for the public reading room at Covington, Ky.

Comrade Hitchcock, of Karbel, Cal., sends in a communication that shows he has been rustling for the subscription list of the News.

Comrade King sends in a list of seven from Madison county. He is in hard territory, and is tramping around the country, and trying to spread the socialist idea. His financial report shows that he is just running even on collections and expenses, his expenses since he left Helena have been \$41.35, his collections from audiences and locals \$41.15. His sales of literature, pamphlets and subscriptions have amounted to \$14.15. The time covered is from March 26 to May 1. When we remember that Comrade King is doing this without any definite remuneration, but because he has cast his lot with the revolutionary movement of the world, we can appreciate the difficulties he is laboring under, as one of the social forces that are at work to make the changes of the future.

Comrade Kain, of Lacol Baxendale, was in after a book of stamps, and left the rest of a \$5 gold piece for the equipment fund. He states that Baxendale is going to do something for the News before long.

Arrangements are being made for a meeting at Rimini in the near future. Reports are that there are enough socialists there to effect organization.

According to the Montana state constitution three socialists can form a local at any point. If there are three socialists at any unorganized points they should send for a charter and organize themselves. In this way they can carry forward their campaign tickets, and assist the state party. Socialists should be active, and doing something. They should bring their localities into line. It is not sufficient

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gave a May Day demonstration here on May 1, in favor of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, and as it was the first celebration of its kind in Montreal, it sure was a good start. For weeks we have met in a conference and worked and planned to make this a success, and the results of our labor more than exceeded our most sanguine expectations.

"We held a big mass meeting in Empire hall in the afternoon from 5:30 p. m., and more than 1,000 people came to listen to the speeches, recitations and songs that made up the program. In the evening we held our parade, and we marched from 7:45 to 8:45 p. m., behind a brass band, and a big red flag with the legend, "Workers of the World, Unite," in French and English. It was surely a sight to see 5,000 men, women and children working in an orderly procession sing the "Marseillaise" and cheering the flag with never a semblance of disorder or retaliation to the sneers of the ignorant who lined the walks to see us pass. After the parade we held another big mass meeting at Empire hall, and an overflow meeting in another hall, and from this time on socialism must advance in Montreal and keep abreast with the world movement, for in the past we have been way behind. With best wishes for yourselves and the Montana News, I remain yours for the revolution."

Comrade Wilho Bowman, of Chicago, sends in application for a Finnish branch at Belt with Alfred Lamps recording secretary. The number of charter names is 21. Comrade Bowman is doing most excellent work in Montana.

If many comrades in Montana would bestir themselves to send us in as much job work as they send from Dietz, Wyo., pay day wouldn't be such a period of anxiety.

Comrade Baker of Livingston waxes wrathfully over the Idaho affair. Here is his latest outbreak:

"I have just been reading Comrade Debs' call to action. It is grand, and sublime. Nothing would please me better than to be present at the sham trial by the sleuths that are trying to destroy our comrades with hired murderers, to try to crush out organized labor. Will the laboring class permit our comrades to be railroaded to the gallows by a lot of red-handed scoundrels? No. I cannot yet think it. We must be on guard, as Comrade Debs says. The comrades have had a faithful man on the spot to watch their damnable plot, and the trial in the lower court. They don't go by law, only when it suits them. They are a lot of cut throats."

### MURRAY KING'S REPORT.

Enclosed is financial report until I reached Norris, also seven subs for the News, picked up in my travels. I am working down here in the most barren field I have yet encountered in Montana. Socialists are conspicuous for their almost total absence. Have been tramping around the country in all sorts of weather to locate them, but have found only a few. Don't expect a very thorough report from me this time, as I am sick from the effects of getting wet in a rain storm on my way to the Easton mine yesterday. After leaving Norris, spent a day and a fraction trying to locate socialists in vicinity of Meadow Creek. Found one who wants to become a member-at-large, George N. Brown, a farmer, address Meadow Creek. Did not collect any advance dues from him, but if you will communicate with him and send him an application blank, he will join. Found two others who are practically socialists, and obtained their subscriptions for the News. One of them, J. B. McDonald, who will be a great help to us in the vicinity, helped me get up a meeting, but although I personally placed bills in almost every house in the neighborhood, the meeting was a failure, as to attendance. Didn't attempt a meeting at Jefferies, as mail would cost \$5.00, but put in my time looking up socialists and found two whose names you will find on the sub blank. Virginia City is a hard layout. Not a genuine socialist, so far as I can learn, in town, but there are a few Pops who may be worked over, and up at the Easton and Pacific mines (only mines being worked here) are bunches of socialists. Held a meeting in one of the bunk houses at Easton mine last night, and judge from results that the socialist sentiment is comparatively strong in the miners' union here, but that for reasons best known to themselves the boys are mainly non-committal. Found two militant socialists. There are some active socialists in the Pacific mine whom I will see if the weather permits. If I find a local impossible, will try to induce a few to become members at large.

Lena Morrow Lewis writes us from Bisbee, Ariz.: "I am this far on my way to Montana. I believe Comrade Barnes is to get me to Denver by June 1, but as to when or how will route me to Montana I do not yet know. My first five

days in Arizona were at Yuma, Phoenix and Tucson, and literature sales were \$40.10. By all means I want to sell Untermyer's "World's Revolutions." I have a special lecture on that book. I have sold large numbers of the "American Farmer" in California. Mr. Lewis and I have always furnished the money to buy the literature, and attended to the shipping of it, and let the locals have it at cost price, and the state get the benefit of the propaganda. I have ordered 50 "Evolutions of Man" to be sent me to Globe, Ariz., for next week. I don't think there has been a month in the past year that Mr. Lewis and I have not had on hand from \$50 to \$150 worth of literature at wholesale prices."

Mrs. Lewis and her husband are experts at the sale of high class literature, and if there is anything that Montana needs it is literature.

Comrade Medonald is making things buzz in Billings. May 20 he sends in a bunch of nine subs. He is one that realizes that a party organ cannot live without continuous revenue, and he does his share as a socialist. He says Billings is fruitful soil for the socialist propaganda, and only needs stirring up to produce abundantly.

A comrade over at Trout Creek has got some notions going as to how to spike the guns of the enemy. He is planning ahead as to how to beat the other fellow's game, and until the working class do that they are nothing but wage slaves and miserable underlings. Here is what he says:

"Will you kindly give me a few pointers concerning the party in this county? Is the county organized? If so, who is county chairman? If organized, is a ticket to be put out this fall? You see we are to have a regular bone-pulling match here this fall. The "Plainsites" and "Thompsonites" are striving for the location of the county seat, and the privilege of filling the county offices, and incidentally bleeding the working class. While they are fighting over the "bone" I have a sneaking notion that we can slip in and get some of the meat. It is worth trying at, any rate, and is an opportunity also for propaganda work. We'll just quietly let McGowan and Ed. Donlan run their circus and we will put up a side show, which I hope will become the attraction of the day. Please give full instructions as to party organization."

Dean, Mont., May 13, 1906.

Editor Montana News:

Now that Teddy, the trust buster, and J. Ogden Armour have denied what Upton Sinclair has expressed in "The Jungle," that meat unfit for human food was sold in the Chicago market and manufactured into food products, I wish to state that I can prove that a cow had a calf in the ear the day we entered Chicago, and was sold in the open market. Ask any stockman if such meat is fit for food. I see by the papers that Teddy has busted the beef trust twice, and now is going to bust it again. What a farce.

Yours for the revolution.  
JOHN HUDSON.

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### FIELD WORK.

A letter from James O'Neal states that the state secretary of Ohio has requested him to remain in that state until after election. Consequently, we shall not be able to have his services in Montana this summer.



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A recent letter from Ben Wilson states:

"I am at last in a position to report to you definitely regarding my tour in Montana. I will leave here Friday for Ogden, and will fill dates through Idaho as far as Idaho Falls again, which will keep me occupied until June 6. Make the opening Montana date June 8. I will enter the state from the south via Oregon Short Line from Idaho Falls."

Word is received from Secretary Barnes that Lena Morrow Lewis, who is now in Arizona, expects to make the fight for free speech in Denver, and will probably arrive in Montana some time the first of July.

Comrades Mr. and Mrs. Graham and Hazlett went out to Clancy Saturday evening, May 19, and held a street meeting. A large crowd was in attendance, and the occasion proved one of the best socialist meetings that the party has ever held in Clancy. The republican postmaster, in front of whose store the meeting was held, pulled down his blinds and left us in darkness as early as possible, and the speakers did not fail to draw the attention of the working men to the incident. A collection of \$4.15 was taken up, \$2 in subscriptions for the News, and 25 cents worth of literature sold. After the street meeting a meeting of the local was held in the office of the hotel. New officers were elected as follows:

A. Carlson, organizer Paul W. Koeltz, secretary; Yew Roberts, literature agent. A meeting was appointed for next Saturday evening.

The following dates have been arranged for John Collins of Chicago. Collins begins work in Montana at Billings, June 2:

Bridger, June 3; Silver Tip, June 4; Red Lodge, 5-6; Roberts, 7; Joliet, 8; Billings, 9; Columbus, 10; Dean, 11-12; Big Timber, 13; Aldridge, 14; Fridley, 15; Livingston, 16; Chestnut, 17; Bozeman, 18-19; Belgrade, 20; Norris, 21; Butte, 22, 23, 24; Anaconda, 25-26; Basin, 27; Clancy, 28; East Helena, 29; Helena, 30; Great Falls, July 1, 2, 3; Ft. Benton, 5; Havre, 6-7; Chinook, 8-9; Glasgow, 10-11. These dates are subject to change.

The following are Wilson's dates. It is expected that Wilson and King will combine and form a double team on this route:

Dillon, June 8; Butte, 9, 10, 11, 12; Anaconda, 13-14; Basin, 15; Boulder, 16-17; Clancy, 18; Helena, 19, 20, 21; East Helena, 22.

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It is the intention to get Comrade King out of Madison county as soon as possible and put him into Fergus county. It is expected that he will have a two weeks' trip there, and be through in time to join Ben Wilson in Butte June 10. The Meagher and Fergus county route is the way, dates later:

Lenape, White Sulphur Springs, Garnett, Moore, Lewistown, Kendall, Mallen, Gilt Edge, Grass Range, Cottonwood, Lewistown, Harlowtown.

Mrs. Hazlett's dates are as follows: Townsend, Friday and Saturday nights, May 25, 26; Traverse Creek, 27.

### An die Deutschen in Montana.

Wir sind jetzt mehr als je bestrebt, den Deutschen Montanas eine Zeitung zu liefern, die im wahren Sinne des Wortes eine Zeitung ist.

Die "Staats-Zeitung", etabliert im Jahre 1885, erreicht die große Mehrzahl der deutschen Familien im Staate, aber wir machen es uns zur Aufgabe, alle Deutschen zu erreichen. Die "Montana Staats-Zeitung" ist die einzige deutsche Zeitung im Staate, 12 Seiten stark, inclusive des "Sonntagsheftes," und kostet nur \$2.00 per Jahr, oder \$2.50 nach Deutschland ohne Sonntagsheft und \$3.00 mit Sonntagsheft. Probe-Exemplare werden frei an irgend eine Adresse versandt. Man abonniere auf dieselbe und trage dazu bei, daß die deutsche Sprache, die die Eltern uns gelehrt haben und die wir hoch schätzen sollten, auch den Nachkommen erhalten bleibe.

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