

DO WE HAVE RULE BY THE PEOPLE?

Paragraphs Taken From "The Spirit of American Government," by J. Allen Smith, LL. B. Ph. D., Professor of Political Science at the University of Washington. Published by the Macmillan Co.

Democracy—government by the people, or directly responsible to them—was not the object which the framers of the American Constitution had in view, but the very thing which they wished to avoid.

"It has been common," says a late Justice of the United States Supreme Court, "to designate our form of government as a democracy, but in the true sense in which that term is properly used, as defining a government in which all its acts are performed by the people, it is about as far from it as any other of which we are aware."

It is difficult to understand how anyone who has read the proceedings of the federal convention can believe that it was the intention of that body to establish a democratic government.

The long list of distinguished men who took part in the deliberations of that body is noteworthy, however, for the absence of such names as Samuel Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Thomas Paine, Patrick Henry and other democratic leaders of that time.

The preamble began with, "We, the people," but it was the almost unanimous sentiment of the convention that the less people had to do with the government the better.

The prevalence of such views in this convention reminds one of Adam Smith's statement, made a few years before in his "Wealth of Nations," that "civil government, so far as it is instituted for the security of property, is in reality instituted for the defense of the rich against the poor, or of those who have some property against those who have none at all."

From all the evidence which we have, the conclusion is irresistible that they sought to establish a form of government which would effectually curb and restrain democracy.

That it was not intended that the people should be given direct and complete control over the general policy of the government is clear from the fact that the Constitution was made so difficult to amend; for the right to control the political machinery implies, of necessity, the right to make such changes in it from time to time as are needed to make this control effective.

amendments, which were the result of the Civil War. They were proposed and ratified, as Bryce says, under conditions altogether abnormal, some of the lately acquired states ratifying while actually controlled by the Northern armies, others as the price which they were obliged to pay for the readmission to Congress of their senators and representatives.

Among the political reforms contemplated by this numerous class of proposed amendments may be mentioned a shorter term for United States senators and election by popular vote; direct election of the President and the abolition of his veto power; a shorter term for federal judges and their removal by the President on the joint address of both houses of Congress.

That the majority required to propose an amendment is almost prohibitive of change is shown by the record of popular elections, and the journals of representative bodies. From the presidential election year of 1828, the first for which we have record of the popular vote, down to 1900, the largest majority ever received by any candidate for the presidency was that of Andrew Jackson in 1828, when he had less than 56 per cent of the popular vote.

They appealed with telling effect to the dread of the European aggression. This induced many who had little sympathy with the proposed plan of government to acquiesce in its adoption, believing that some sort of a strong government was necessary for purposes of defense. It was also boldly charged that money was employed to overcome opposition where other means of persuasion failed.

But in government founded on the public will, this principle operates in an opposite direction, and against that will. There, too, they were still removable on a concurrence of the executive and legislative branches. But we have made them independent of the nation itself.

This being the case, it is hardly necessary to observe that the courts in England do not exercise legislative functions. The power to decide upon the wisdom or expediency of a law is vested in the legislature.

The federal judiciary was looked to, with its virtually permanent membership, to hold the entire structure of national politics in nice balance against all disturbing influences, whether of popular impulse or of official overbearance.

These first twelve amendments were all adopted during the infancy of the Constitution, and while it was still regarded as an experiment. But, though they had the effect of quieting public opinion and allaying the fears of the people concerning the new form of government, they made no important changes in the Constitution, leaving all its main features as originally adopted. The same may be said of the last three

is this an easy method of securing public liberty? It is, sir, a most fearful situation, when the most contemptible minority can prevent the alteration of the most oppressive government; for it may, in many respects, prove to be such.

As a matter of fact it is impossible to secure amendments to the Constitution, unless the sentiment in favor of change amounts to almost a revolution. Only at critical times in our history have constitutional amendments been adopted. During sixty-two years, from 1804 to 1865, and since 1870, no amendments have been made. The fifteen amendments were all adopted either during the turbulent period of American politics which immediately followed the ratification of the Constitution or during the reconstruction period after the Civil War.

This feature of the Constitution which nominally provides for amendment but really makes it an impossibility, is perhaps the best proof we could have that the Constitution as framed and adopted represented the views of a minority who intended by this means to perpetuate their influence.

Had it been attempted four years earlier or four years later, at both of which times the waves of democracy were running high, it must have failed.

Checks which prevent legal and political readjustment are a survival from monarchy and aristocracy and are not found in any full-fledged democracy. Constitutions which are really democratic contain only such checks upon the people, if indeed they can be called checks, as are calculated to insure the deliberate expression of the popular will.

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sign and weaker people, in order to establish new markets for the surplus goods which the people make, but are too poor to buy. They are gradually so invading and restricting the right of suffrage as to take away the right of the worker to a vote or to elect a representative.

By controlling all the sources of social revenue, the possessing class is able to silence what might be the voice of protest against the passing of liberty and the coming of tyranny. It completely controls the university, the public school, the pulpit and the press, the arts and literatures. By making these economically dependent upon itself, it has brought all the forms of public teaching into servile submission to its own interests.

Capitalism is the enemy and destroyer of essential private property. Its development is through the legalized confiscation of all that the labor of the working class produces above subsistence wage. The private ownership of the means of employment grounds society in an economic slavery which renders intellectual and political freedom inevitable.

As an American Social-Democratic party, we pledge our fidelity to the principles of the International Social-Democracy as embodied in the united thought and action of the Social-Democrats of all nations. In the industrial development already accomplished, the interests of the world workers are separated by no national boundaries.

The Social-Democratic movement, therefore, is a world movement. It knows of no conflicts of interest between the workers of one nation and the workers of another. It stands for the freedom of the workers of all nations; and, in so standing, it makes for the full freedom of all humanity.

The Social-Democratic movement owes its birth and growth to that economic development of world-process which is rapidly separating a working or producing class from a possessing or capitalist class. The class that produces nothing possesses labor's fruits, and the opportunities and enjoyment these fruits afford, while the class that does the world's real work has increasing economic uncertainty, and physical and intellectual misery, as its portion.

Between these two classes there can be no possible compromise or identity of interest, any more than there can be peace in the midst of antagonisms of R. A. Dague's Pamphlet, "What is Socialism? What is Capitalism?"

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war, or light in the midst of darkness. A society based upon this class division carries in itself the seeds of its own destruction. Such a society is founded on fundamental injustice. There can be no possible basis for social peace, for individual freedom, for mental harmony, except in the conscious and complete triumph of the working class as the only class that has the right or power to be.

The Social-Democratic program is not a theory imposed upon society for its acceptance or rejection. It is the interpretation of what is, sooner or later, inevitable. Capitalism is already struggling to its destruction. It is no longer competent to organize or administer the work of the world or even to preserve itself. The captains of industry are appalled at their own inability to control or direct the rapidly socializing forces of industry.

Into the midst of this strain and crisis of civilization, the Social-Democratic movement comes as the only saving or conservative force. If the world is to be saved from chaos, from universal disorder and misery, it must be by the union of the workers of all nations in the Social-Democratic movement. The Social-Democratic party comes with the only proposition or program for intelligently and deliberately organizing the nation for the common good of all its citizens.

To that end that the workers may seize every possible advantage that may strengthen them to gain complete control of the powers of government and thereby the sooner establish the co-operative commonwealth, the Social-Democratic party pledges itself to watch and work in both the economic and political struggle for each successive immediate interest of the working class, for shortened days of labor and increases of wages; for the insurance of the workers against accident, sickness and lack of employment; for pensions for aged and exhausted workers; for the public ownership of the means of transportation, communication and exchange; for the graduated taxation of income, inheritance, and of franchise and land values, the proceeds to be applied to the public employment and bettering the conditions of the worker's children and their freedom from the workshop; for the equal suffrage of men and

women; for the prevention of the military against the free administration of just popular government, including: 50 initiative, referendum, proposition, 50 sentation, and the recall of all their constituents; and for every other advantage for the workers that may be wrested from the capitalist system, and that may relieve the suffering and strengthen the hands of labor. We lay upon every man elected to any executive or legislative office the first duty of striving to procure whatever is for the workers' most immediate interest, and for whatever will lessen the economic and political powers of the capitalist and increase the like powers of the workers.

To this end we pledge ourselves, the party of the working class, to use all political power, as far as it shall be entrusted to us by our fellow-workers both for their ultimate and complete emancipation. To this end we appeal to all the workers of America and to all who will lead their lives to the service of the workers in their struggle to gain their own, and to all who will nobly and disinterestedly give their body and energies into the workers' cause, to cast their lot and faith with the Social-Democratic party. Our appeal for the trust and suffrages of our fellow workers is as once an appeal for the common good and freedom, and for the freedom and blossoming of our common humanity. In pledging ourselves and those which we present to be faithful to the appeal which we make, we believe that we are but preparing the soil of the economic freedom of the whole man.

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WHEREAS, These fellow citizens, the working class, are in no wise responsible for the present conditions, and yet under the law can be punished for lacking the means of support; therefore...

Ald. Melms asked for suspension of the rules and the immediate passage of the resolution. And then a funny thing happened. The foxes and wise-guys of the old parties held that the state law governed such matters and that the council lacked authority to act.

WHEREAS, A great deal of suffering is now forced upon the many working people in this city, because of the lack of employment due to the industrial crisis...

RESOLVED, That the Board of Public Works be and is hereby empowered to secure the use of suitable buildings of a sufficient number, and to equip the same as free municipal lodging-houses...

The "Gypsy" Ward license bobbed up again later in the meeting. The committee on license recommended that the Seidel resolution be indefinitely postponed.

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such dives, and every vote cast for the recommendation of this committee is a vote in favor of unclean saloons. The neighbors want to get rid of this man, and I am not going to fight here any longer...

THE COSSACK BILL PASSED! MOST HIDEOUS OF CLASS OUTRAGES! Nevada Sowing the Wind for the Mine Owners Against a Day of Reckoning. Mounted Police to be Supreme Over All Civil Authority.

Carson City, Nev., Feb. 7.—On Monday, Jan. 27, 1908, America entered upon a Russian policy of dealing with labor. The cossack bill for handing strikers and dealing with troublesome Socialist and labor agitators passed the assembly...

The frame-up was a shameless bulldoze—almost as bad as when Senator Nixon did all the filthy, buying work for the Southern Pacific in the legislature. He stood in the lobby and openly held up his fingers as an indication how his piling retainers were to vote.

In the morning several petitions were read from Hazen citizens, from the Rhyalite union, from the Buckskin union, protesting against the passage of the constabulary bill as class legislation...

Speaker Skaggs made a brave fight all through, surrendering the chair to take the floor against the bill. He moved to refer the bill back to the special committee for various reasons...

Mr. Hamilton made as strong an effort as he was able to. Hamilton is a member of the Federation, but has always opposed its Socialist tendencies...

DO THE PEOPLE RULE? (Continued from page 2.) of legislation is vested exclusively in Parliament. The courts cannot disregard a statute on the ground that it is in conflict with the Constitution...

It was designed as a check, not upon an irresponsible executive, as was the case in England, but upon the people themselves. Its aim was not to increase, but to diminish, popular control over the government.

Commercialized Smut. On the whole, Coventry (England) is much concerned with the annual Godiva procession. This "piece of elaborate, vulgar foolishness" as one paper called it...

The first Godiva procession, says an historian, "was held in 1067, in the licentious reign of Charles II. The speculation was not only agreeable to the depraved taste of that age, but proved in some respects profitable as an attraction whereby vast throngs of visitors were brought into the city."

Back to Christ Racine, Wis.: Comrade Harvey Dee Brown, who resigned as a Baptist minister at Kenosha to give his entire time to Socialism has started a series of lectures here...

Capitalistic Food. A French analyst some time ago amused himself by constructing a menu of the dinner of one who greatly daring, would dine at a cheap restaurant in Paris.

The Socialist movement seems to me sometimes like a great stream receiving tributaries from many sources. The main current is that of economic evolution; the inevitable passing of the capitalistic economic system and the awakening of labor to co-operative ownership and control of industry.

The Judicial Way. As associate justice of the supreme court of Patagascas was sitting by a river when a traveler approached and said: "I wish to use this boat."

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Very truly the Public, Chicago, says: "In one of his delightful novels of Southern life, George W. Cable acutely observes that any class which continuously injures another is continuously in terror of the class it injures. This human characteristic accounts, no doubt, for the clubbing of the procession of the disemployed at Chicago last week.

persecuted comrades have always given their whole service to the cause of Russian revolution and of international Socialism. Most of them, even before their election to the Duma, have paid the penalty of years of prison, exile, and hard labor for their revolutionary activity; while confined in damp and stifling solitary dungeons or exposed to the severe climate of Siberia, many of them have contracted that terrible disease, consumption. Immediate help is needed for all of them.

Lutheran Ministers Declare for Socialism. Kenosha, Wis., Jan. 30.—A favorable declaration for Socialism as an economic theory was the unexpected action of the semi-annual meeting of the southern conference of the Wisconsin branch of the Evangelical Lutheran Church which is now in session in Kenosha.

To Workingmen! Through your political indolence you have turned the powers of government over to your masters. They are going to use them with deadly effect. This is a lesson you men will have to learn through experience, it seems, and it is going to be a costly one.

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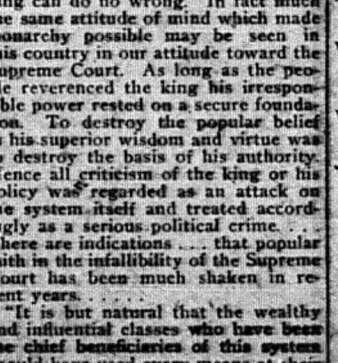
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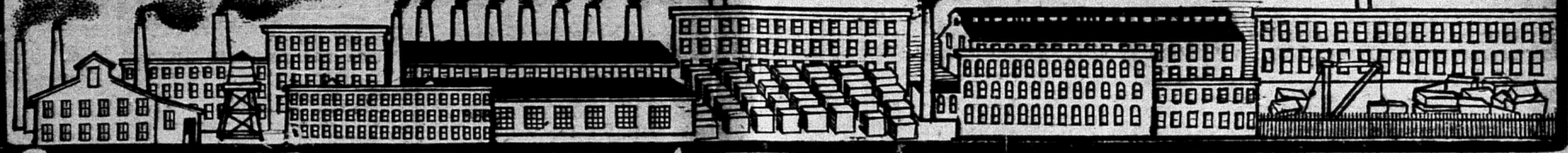
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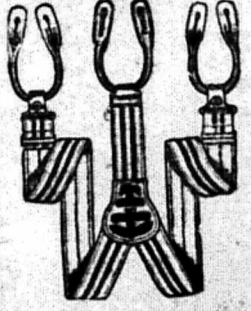
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8c

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worth at but a nominal price. Our well known guarantee stands back of every suit or overcoat.

Men's Overcoats---\$6.75, \$9.75, \$12.50 and \$16.75

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Formerly \$8.00, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00 and \$22.00

Men's Trousers---\$1.39, \$1.95, \$2.45, \$2.95 and \$3.45

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POLITICAL PATS!

These are the days of campaign pretense on the part of the old party politicians. Each one is making great promises, and if any of them slip in they will pay no more attention to carrying them out than other capitalist party politicians in office have before them. They do not have to carry them out—they do not have to keep faith with the people, for after election their party has no interest or concern in what they do—they are free to do as they damn please, and the people be damned. The Social-Democrats look at the thing in a different light from this. They believe in keeping faith with the people, for they are the people. No corporations lurk behind the scenes or finance their campaigns. So far as our party is able it keeps its representatives to the line, and it refuses to stand responsible for them otherwise. And this policy wins out. Our candidates, when elected, keep faith absolutely with the people. They voice the interests of the people, and stand unshaken for progress and everything that tends to make society better.

The Free Press city hall man, Ellis, who had a job as private secretary to Becker, evidently has his eye on one with Kelly, if Kelly wins. Slurring the Socialists is his

"method." Is that all the Press is for?

Dahlmann, of the Dahlmann Estate, and son-in-law of the meat trust, tosses a gob of mud in our direction. He says that in the selection of our candidates our party bows submissively to ring rats. If Dahlmann would take some of the money his father-in-law's meat trust is still stealing from the people through robber prices for a necessity, and go to school again, perhaps he would learn what the referendum is. He would learn that it is the most democratic way possible to pick out candidates or to register the will of the members of a party or the will of the people. If it existed in this country in governmental affairs the meat trust would

Government by Commission

"I am thankful that traction affairs in the city of Milwaukee have gotten into the hands of the railroad-commissioner of Wisconsin, an intelligent and efficient body of men, free from local prejudices."

"It is the best thing that ever happened in the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Company."

"The examination was undertaken by me and should be to the people, as it certainly was ably conducted by their city attorney."

John I. Brown in a *Threatening Interview* in the Milwaukee Free Press, Nov. 24, 1907.

not remain another day at the people's throats!

According to statistics put out by the Manufacturers and Dealers' Club of Milwaukee, which is organized to fight Prohibition, the amount of the salary of the president, vice-president and the entire cabinet for a year is collected from the beer drinkers of the country in one day, the tax on oleomargarine and renovated butter is enough to support the national soldiers' homes, while by midnight, Jan. 1, the smokers of cigars and cigarettes had provided for the salaries of the supreme court justices for the entire year.

Our Amusement Bulletin.

Fifth Ward Branch, Socialist Home, 382 Washington Street, schafskopf every first Friday, cinch every third Friday.

Feb. 8. Town of Lake Branch, grand mask ball, Huelsbeck's Hall, foot of Howell Avenue.

Feb. 9. Prize schafskopf tournament, Eckelmann's Hall, 3109 Lisbon Avenue.

Feb. 23. Eighth Ward Branch, prize card party, South Side Turner Hall, Second and National Avenue.

Feb. 23. Hungarian Educational Singing Society, theatrical performance and ball, Freie Gemeinde Hall, 204 Fourth Street.

March 21. Vorwarts Maenner-

A Brutalizing Practice!

A month or so ago the Socialist aldermen went after the police department for carting prisoners through the streets in uncovered wagons. They presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That from and after the passage and publication of this resolution it shall be unlawful to transport prisoners through the streets of the city in an uncovered wagon, and for each violation of this resolution a fine of ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be imposed on each of the officers in charge of such wagon and also upon the superior officer next above them.

The chief made all kinds of excuses before the committee and showed that it only happened once or twice. But since then it has kept up, and only yesterday reports were brought to this office of two uncovered loads of prisoners being driven down Chestnut Street. No wonder the chief did not want

chor, entertainment and ball, Barde Maennerchor Hall, Ninth and Winnebago Streets.

March 28. Jewish Section, grand ball, Liedertafel Hall.

April 12. Social-Democratic party concert by Socialist Singing Societies, Army Hall, First Avenue, near Mitchell Street.

the above resolution passed and got the old party aldermen to strangle it!

At the next meeting of the Federated Trades Council the following resolution will be introduced:

WHEREAS, In spite of the fact that the police department of Milwaukee is supplied with covered patrol wagons, it is still keeping uncovered patrol wagons in service, frequently using them to take prisoners through the streets to the police court, and

WHEREAS, This offense is the more reprehensible and brutalizing because of the fact that such prisoners on the way to trial are supposed to be under the protection of the law, which declares a man to be innocent until proven guilty; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Milwaukee Federated Trades Council hereby petitions the common council to take immediate action to prevent a continuation of this outrage by the police department.

ON CLANCY'S TRAIL.

It is now noised around town that there is a strong effort on the part of the underwriters to force an investigation into the efficiency of Chief Clancy, the perjurer king of the fire department. The way in which recent fires have been fought has caused no end of criticism. The latest to arouse suspicion of the chief's ability was the fire that wiped out the stone church of the Christian Scientists and nearly

swept away a big residence next door. Another case is that of the Dorestan fire on Third Street, where the chief lost his head and rushed in a third alarm—the kind of a fire that old Chief Foley, who used to call Clancy a pin head, would have handled with a single alarm. Affairs in the fire department get worse instead of better, and Clancy and the two commissioners, Schoen and Carpenter, who are running things, are stirring things up worse than ever. After Clancy escaped in court through the kindness of a crooked-minded jury, he and the two commissioners have renewed their czarism over the men, have increased the discharges for political reasons and have made more transfers than ever. One of the men discharged was told that it was because he had given some facts to the district attorney! The men in the department that the czars are down on are those who tried to get the Fletcher Bill through the legislature so that they could have the right to a trial before being discharged and losing all they had paid in to the pension fund. This was "wrong" of the men, but it was "right" for Clancy to take up a collection in the department to pay to defeat the bill.

If you are contemplating taking out life insurance take a look at the yearly statement of the North-

western Mutual Life Insurance Company which appears in this issue.

THE SENTINEL'S BREAK!

The Milwaukee *Sentinel* editor must be hard up for subjects when he writes a long editorial in praise of a labor fakir named Thompson, who made an ignorant attack on Socialism in the last Sunday's meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor. The fellow Thompson, according to the editorial, is a man after the editor's own heart. And who is Thompson? An ex-Democratic office-holder who has political reasons for not wanting the workingmen to learn anything about Socialism. The Republican editor feels the same way! An ultra Republican editor can be counted on to instinctively love the kind of a union man who so "leads" labor that the Democratic politicians are ready to reward him with a public job. Chicago used to be full of "labor leaders" who were holders of various small city jobs as payment for herding labor votes for the capitalist party bosses.

The breakdown of the attempt to force a deal national trade union movement under the present, just the time to reduce workingmen on the three regions of Madison to the unions. Robert's pamphlet on "Trade Unionism" is just the thing to read. A recent article Get literature for \$1 and get them where they will do the most good. Don't delay. Ask them this office.

The HERALD has made an appeal to new subscribers.

State Organizer's Department.

Wonders never cease. Every week something new breaks out for the advantage of Socialism.

STURGEON BAY. The comrades here will have a candidate for mayor and for alderman in every ward.

JANESVILLE. Some of our comrades met a great surprise here last week. The Pastor of the Cargill Memorial Methodist Church, the Rev. J. H. Tibbitt, preached a sermon with regard to the labor problem which was almost a complete endorsement of the Socialist position.

RACINE. The January number of the Index, which is published and distributed by the Racine comrades, is splendid.

KENOSHA. Though a bitter cold night, a good and very enthusiastic audience turned out to hear the lecture of Comrade Thompson on the 20th.

ASHLAND. Comrade Gauthier sends us the following, which is certainly very significant and encouraging:

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Comrades who desire information regarding the nomination of candidates in municipal elections, should write to the state organizer.

The Christian Socialist Comradeship at Racine and Kenosha. Comrade Harvey Dee Brown, who recently resigned his pastorate in Kenosha, in order to give his whole time to the cause of Socialism, has started with the co-operation of the local comrades at Racine and Kenosha.

Lake Shore and Fox River Valley Notes

Public meetings for the purpose of spreading Social-Democratic ideas will be held in a number of the cities of this district during February.

Almost all of the other cities with whom Manitowoc is in competition, cities such as Sheboygan, Fond du Lac, Oshkosh and Appleton, pay a salary to their mayors.

Do you know that as yet only a small proportion of the people of this country have any idea of what Socialism means and what Socialists want?

to make note of will be that of the Town of Lake Branch, which is going to be held at Huelbeck's Hall, Tippecanoe, head of Howell Avenue, Feb. 8.

The Socialist Maennerchor has arranged for a Sunday afternoon entertainment and ball, Sunday, March 15, at the Barden Maennerchor Hall, corner Ninth and Winnebago Streets.

The Jewish Section has arranged for a grand ball, to be held at the Liedertafel Hall, corner Seventh and Prairie Streets, Saturday Evening, March 28.

A very important masquerade ball for the South Side comrades

ROLL OF HONOR

An old German comrade, over 70 years of age, called at this office, and full of pride and pleasure over his reminiscences, tells us of the first Socialist meeting he attended.

What would you properly be willing to give in twenty or thirty years, for a souvenir that may remind you of the campaign of 1908 in the city of Milwaukee, and which would show that you were one of the "Advance Guard of the Socialist Movement," one of the "Pioneers of the Socialist Movement."

Below find a list of comrades who forwarded three or more new subscribers during the last week:

- ROLL OF HONOR. R. C. McCrory.....10 R. B. Bowen.....8 J. A. Collier.....5 Wm. Russel.....5 J. T. Salm.....3 S. C. Currier.....3 E. Rahnke.....3 C. D. Thompson.....3 A. Kahn.....3 Ed. Aurory.....3

AT THE THEATERS.

DAVIDSON In "Classmates," an American play by W. C. Demille and Margaret Trumbull, Robert Edson comes to the Davidson Theater Sunday night for a brief engagement of five performances, including a Wednesday matinee.

ALHAMBRA B. C. Whitney's company of fifty people will be seen at the Alhambra on Sunday and during the coming week in the musical extravaganza, "Isle of Spice."

CASTIGATES THE "LEADING" CITIZEN. "We don't want democracy in Milwaukee; we have no desire to have self-government in our city," declared the Rev. Frederick Edwards after an address on "Civic Efficiency" by Dr. Graham Taylor, member of the Chicago school board, delivered at a banquet of the Social Economics Club in the Plankinton House last Saturday night.

Workingmen's Sale. Stumpf & Langhoff begin their semi-annual sale of men's clothing and furnishings, Saturday, Feb. 8.

where it was a prime favorite, for months. Absolute novelty is claimed for the construction and the chorus numbers are said to be marvels of stage invention.

A wonderful little pamphlet, "The New Emancipation," 70th Ave. Sec. 1, will come about 6 cents. This office, 25 for a dollar.

"Isle of Spice" has been seen in Milwaukee at popular prices. The usual matinee.

James J. Corbett, champion heavy-weight prize fighter of America, and ex-champion, seeking to regain his laurels of the prize ring, is gone.

service as leading man to May Irwin, in a burlesque on "Camille." After that, Corbett went back to his trust company, and, being a club man, and known as a clever amateur boxer, and later a fighter with a world reputation.

At the New Star Theater, commencing matinee Saturday, the Reilly & Wood's Show opens a week's engagement.

An aggregation of talent has been assembled to complete the roster of the Bon Ton Extravaganza Company, which plays at the Gayety for one week, beginning Sunday afternoon.

At the Crystal next week Nan Engleton & Co. in the comedy sketch, "How the Widow Was Won," will have first place.

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"As I listen to the men of this city who have acquired all the advantages of education, I have come to the conclusion that they have no desire to obtain a civic government. It seems that they would rather be ruled by a saloon keeper; that we could get along with theft, drunkenness, and crime, rather than with schools and proper education."

"With businessmen, democracy is not desired, in fact, it is a ghost that continually haunts his life. We don't want to hear of successful administrations. What we want to see in Milwaukee is successful individuals; a successful brewer or a successful banker."

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LIVING WAGES FOR TEACHERS! The report furnished by the capitalist press of Tuesday night's school board meeting were characteristic of the kind of tommyrot usually dished up by these purveyors of fake news. The impression was given out that the only important subject that came before the board was the rule relating to the teaching of German. From the standpoint of the employees of the schools, however (which includes the teachers, janitors, mechanics and other workers in the employ of the board), the resolution from the committee on finance recommending a 15 per cent increase in salaries was the most important, and it received the least consideration.

WHEREAS, Some time later said janitors were granted an increase of 10 per cent with the implied understanding that an additional 15 per cent would be granted later; therefore RESOLVED, That an increase of 15 per cent be granted to all janitors in the city schools.

At Tuesday night's meeting of the board, however, Pieplow was obliged to come out in his true colors. Although Director Welch succeeded in having a sufficient sum set aside in the budget to provide for the increase asked by the janitors, Director Pieplow refused to sign the resolution of the finance committee, under the pretense that he desired to consider the matter at the same time that the teachers' salaries were being considered.

DEFINITIONS OF SOCIALISM. A theory that aims to secure the reconstruction of society, based on wealth, and a more equal distribution of the products of labor and capital (as distinguished from property), and the public collective management of all industries. Its motto is "Everyone according to his needs." (Standard Dictionary.)

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BALANCE SHEET JANUARY 1, 1908

ASSETS	
United States and Other Bonds, market value.....	\$ 70,246,257.70
Loans on Mortgages.....	121,740,637.11
Secured by First Liens on Real Estate, vral security 63,460,570.00	
With Fire and Other Insurance as collateral security 63,460,570.00	
Loans on Company's Policies secured by reserves thereon.....	30,211,831.71
Premium Notes secured by reserves on policies.....	365,876.02
Real Estate (including home office building).....	2,293,123.69
Deposited in Banks at Interest (no deposit in trust companies).....	1,488,205.09
Cash on Hand.....	187,859.71
Accrued Interest and Rents.....	3,733,917.85
Of the \$5,456,792.59 Interest earned on Mortgages in 1907 only \$13,456.01 or less than 1/4 of 1 per cent was due and unpaid January 1, 1908.	
Due and Deferred Premiums (less loading).....	2,551,537.19
Total Admitted Assets.....	\$232,819,246.07

LIABILITIES	
Present Value of Installments not due.....	\$ 1,198,853.27
*Death Claims and Endowments unadjusted.....	778,631.44
*Including Losses for which no proofs had been received December 31, 1907.	
Dividends Due and On Deferred Premiums Not Due, etc.....	638,098.55
Unpaid Accounts not presented, etc.....	226,247.22
Reserve on Policies, Actuaries 4 per cent, American 3 per cent.....	198,802,267.00
Reserve for Annuities.....	819,478.00
Surplus Accumulations held to meet semi-tontine contracts.....	22,506,242.00
Reserve for Payment of Dividends in 1908 and for contingencies.....	7,849,428.59
Total Liabilities.....	\$232,819,246.07

1907 RECORD	
Insurance in Force Jan. 1, 1908 (paid for) \$881,563,592	
Increase of Insurance in force (paid for) 62,311,313	
Assets Jan. 1, 1908.....	232,819,246
Increase in Assets.....	11,717,532
Income During 1907.....	43,642,591
Increase in Income.....	1,709,262
Dividends Paid in 1907.....	7,911,285
Increase in Dividends Paid.....	544,860
Payments to Policyholders in 1907.....	23,569,719
Increase in Payments to Policyholders....	1,659,341
Increase in Mortgage Loans.....	11,817,582
Increase in Loans on Policies.....	8,343,787

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Town Topics by the Town Crier.

He can, like Kelly can!
The son-in-law of the meat trust is probably only used to personal dictation.
Have you noticed also that the capitalist parties, both of them, and their factions as well, all have the same idea—that of getting a lawyer into the mayor's office. Society suffers enough from foxy lawyers without our having to have one at

the head of the city to look out for the various special interests instead of the interests of the people!

It seems that His Honor, David S. Rose, has lost all his ill-gotten wealth—and he had no other—in mining speculations in Twin Buttes. And the way Dave is now trying to touch up his old friends for campaign purposes is one of the touching spectacles of the campaign.

Supt. Pearce's gum shoe attack on German in the schools, fell by the wayside.

We suppose Beggs' secret friend Kelly will have the gall to parade the "great improvement" he forced in the street car system of Milwaukee as campaign thunder. But the street car system is worse than ever!

Do you notice the Beggs line up of the old parties! With Kelly as mayor and Bechtner as comptroller

on the Republican side, or Rose as mayor, a Rose man as Comptroller, and Graebner as treasurer on the Democratic side—what possible show would there be for a municipal light plant, or for eventual municipal electric light in our homes? Graebner, you may remember, stood for the Beggs franchise-grab in 1900 and made speeches in favor of it, but was afraid to vote for it because of the tremendous indignation of the people of his ward.

And now the goo-goo Kelly campaign has really opened. Kelly has lost no opportunity the past year and a half to whine against his first assistant, Price, who got a job in his department as part of the price of victory exacted by the Becker kids, but now with tearful eyes Kelly tells about how valuable his staff has been and that he would be at a loss to get a better one! He couldn't do without them, no, he just couldn't. He could not do without Clint or Ben, and he couldn't do without Madge! Oh, shudge!

Graebner was a pretty decent sort of a fellow until 1890, when he came out against compulsory education. That was the turning point. From that time on he became a professional politician and began to make a business out of his religion. The man has now completely lost the idea of making a living and must have an office to live. His latest move simply shows that he thought that by tying up to Rose that he would have a better show to keep a public job, for he doesn't care in what way he gets his hold on the public crib. With all the highpaid offices he has held in the past he ought to have made enough to retire and give the public a rest. But his greed is insatiable, as was shown in his disgraceful effort to line his own pockets with city interest moneys.

W. J. Turner is cordially hated by organized labor for his tricky injunction work. The old fox wants to be a judge!

Kelly says he intends to base his campaign on the good work his department has done. Lard! The most conspicuous activity of Kelly and his assistants has been recreation to duty and absence from the office to lobby at Madison. A worse bunch of political busy-bodies would be hard to find.

TO OBVIATE BREAD RIOTS!

Milwaukee Must Provide Honorable Employment for Those Out of Work.—Trades Council Acts—To Petition the City. Papers Still Suppressing the Facts.

It is a condition that confronts Milwaukee. What is Milwaukee going to do? All the finer promptings of humanity, all the higher feelings of citizenship and brotherhood cry out against inaction by the city when thousands of the bone and sinew of the city's builders are in distress and their families in peril. It is now up to the aldermen, and the workers should back the old party representatives into a corner out of which they will be unable to wriggle.

The Milwaukee Federated Trades Council took the initiative last Wednesday night, when it passed ringing resolutions calling on the city to do its duty without flinching, and in such a manner that the workers will be saved from the necessity of taking insolent charity. It asked the city to undertake at once necessary public work of a sort that will create employment in as many lines of craftsmanship as possible. The resolutions are printed herewith.

At the same time the Trades Council arranged for the selection of a committee of one hundred, representing the workers of the city, to take the resolutions to the city hall at the time of the next council meeting, and to present them formally to the mayor and the president of the board of aldermen. The resolutions will be presented by Bro. Frank J. Weber, business agent of the council. The committee of one hundred will assemble at the headquarters of the trades council, 318 State Street, at 3:30 p. m. of the Monday on which the next aldermanic session is held. They will then proceed in a body to the city hall. The committee of one hundred will welcome any volunteers who may feel that they ought to help in going to the city hall to present the petition.

On page three of this week's paper you will find a report of the meeting of the aldermen last Monday and it will give you some idea of how the old party aldermen would like to side-step the unemployed problem. We must not allow them to block the relief that is so much needed. We do not want to see bread-riots in Milwaukee, if

WHEREAS, under the present economic system the working people of this country cannot receive and do not receive the full value of their product, and since their numerical strength makes them the chief producers of the country, they are not able to buy back with their wages what they have produced, and

WHEREAS, an artificial over-production is thus created, and we have a so-called panic or industrial crisis about every fifteen or twenty years since capitalism has obtained full sway, and

WHEREAS, the working people of the country are not responsible for the coming of the panic or crisis, yet they must stop work and many of them must go ragged and hungry and become tramps, although willing to work, and this danger confronts 15,000 workmen in Milwaukee, who are out of employment today, and

WHEREAS, moreover, all the

they can be prevented. Inquiry at the different labor offices indicates matters getting worse so far as the getting along of the hordes out of work and no change for the better in the matter of employment. Everywhere it is either no work at all or short time, or time about. The brewery workers do not remember such a winter. One of Milwaukee's largest industries is beer bottling, but some idea of the work situation may be had from the fact that the beer bottlers are putting in not over ten days a month! Sec'y Hamann of the Beer Bottlers' Union, says that the men on an average put in from eight to ten days, and none over ten a month. The other brewery workers fare scarcely any better. The wise handling of the situation by the brewery unions has been well shown in the present work crisis. All men fare alike. None are absolutely out of work. The men are employed time about, some working one week and others another, and so on. Reports from the malt houses show a bad situation also.

From Machinists' headquarters report comes that there is no let-up whatever in the situation. Only

necessaries of life are more expensive than ever before, under these conditions there is great danger that thousands of our fellow citizens, some of them the brawn and the sinew of this town, will have to leave their families and seek work elsewhere with the chances that they will not find any employment; or if they do not leave town, that they will be compelled to accept the humiliation of private or public charity, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Federated Trades Council, as the representative body of organized labor in Milwaukee, respectfully demands that the city of Milwaukee shall do its duty toward its working people who are its citizens and its taxpayers—for even the poorest of them are paying taxes whenever they pay rent—and alleviate to the utmost of the city's ability the fearful hardships that are the result of this enforced idleness; furthermore, be it

matters grow worse, for the men out of work are getting more and more pinched. They are about at the end of their resources—and what will follow if the city does not relieve the situation can be well imagined. A starving man knows no law!

The employment agencies are besieged. Men are walking the streets looking for work. Hollow eyed,

THE FEDERATED TRADES COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

RESOLVED, that we respectfully demand of our aldermen and city authorities that they push to the utmost capacity all the public works on streets, sewers and parks, in accordance with the resolution introduced by Ald. Seidel, and passed by the common council and also issue emergency bonds to the amount of \$500,000 for the purpose of building school houses and bridges, thus employing labor of all kinds and every description and making it possible for the working people to stay in this town and support their families and do their duty as citizens and taxpayers, thereby avoiding the breaking up of families or the humiliation of private or public charity, and finally, be it

RESOLVED, that a committee of one hundred be appointed to deliver these resolutions in person to the mayor of Milwaukee and the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee.

workless men are to be seen everywhere, and back out of sight is the suffering in the homes where the bread earners can get no bread.

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Week Commencing Sunday Matinee
February 9

BON-TON Extravaganza Company
Matinee Daily—Ladies' Mat. Thurs.

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Four Nights and Wednesday Matinee

ROBERT EDISON

(Management of Henry B. Harris)—in
CLASSMATES

An American Play by W. C. DeMille and Margaret Trumbull.
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Famous for MUSIC, FUN AND BEAUTY!
20 Whirling Song Hits & Unique Scenes
Organization of 50 People
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WEEK OF FEBRUARY 10
NAN ENGLETON CO.
Comedy Sketch "How the Widow Was Won"
ADMISSION 10c Reserved Seats 25c