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## BEFORE YOU VOTE

BE SURE TO PONDER THIS COLUMN CAREFULLY.

**Humbuggers Come Out Bold—Aldrich Not Ashamed of Archbold Letters, Not Surprising—Hillquit and Hopp, Twin Performers—"Labor Laws" at Rest.**

Sherman, the Republican candidate for Vice-President, telegraphed to his home city, Utica, to give Kern, the Democratic candidate for Vice-President, a "rousing reception." Time was when the politicians of the seemingly opposite parties met, shook hands and had a good time AFTER election. Now they meet, shake hands, and puff one another BEFORE election. They have grown confident that the people are there only to be humbugged.

The Demo-Republican press has taken no notice of the Panama revelations made by the "World." An X-ray apparatus, that would reveal the share of the \$40,000,000 loot that went into the pockets of each of these now silent papers, would explain the whence of the wherefore.

Senator Aldrich should henceforth be known as Sibley No. 2, or "Me-Too Aldrich." When the damaging letters between Sibley and Archbold were made public, Sibley hastened to declare he was not ashamed of them; now that the announcement is made of letters to be published that passed between Aldrich and Archbold, Aldrich hastens to say in advance that he never wrote a letter to Archbold of which he would feel ashamed.—Nobody doubts that The Sibleys and the Aldriches are beyond shame.

Why should Hughes feel indignant at Chandler's not answering the charges Hughes brings against Chandler? Does not Hughes know that he should "preach Republicanism" and not be "personal"? Does Hughes forget that, when he ran against Hearst, he objected to Hearst's "personalities"?

The letter left behind by Carnegie's chum, the multimillionaire suicide Otha M. Hartzel, to the effect that he had "too much money and too few friends" will undoubtedly be made the text for sentimental Socialist orations. A text it should be for sound Socialist argument. While gathering wealth, to-day, man is compelled to so narrow his horizon that he may acquire money, but becomes a dried stick.

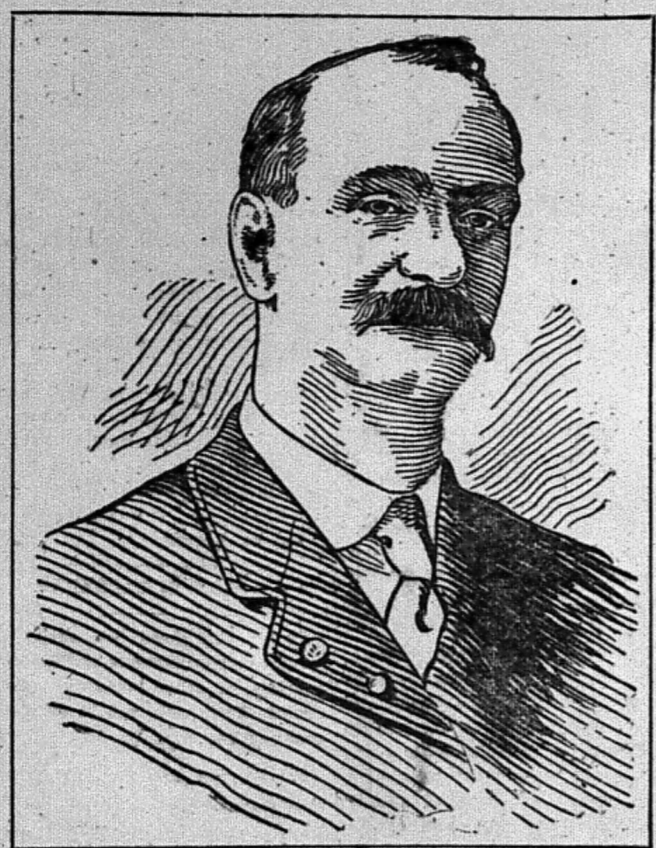
How superfluous is the announcement that Standard Oil has its fingers in the Panama Canal! More to the point would be some announcement of the enterprise in which Standard Oil has not its fingers.

Speaker Cannon could outrage the working class all he wished by acts of commission and of omission. The good church women of St. Clair, Mo., whose husbands' incomes increased in direct ratio with the number of outrages perpetrated on the workers—these good church women had no objection. But now that Cannon is charged with using the word "damni!" frequently, these good church women pelted the Speaker with lemons.

Either Mr. Morris Hillquit is crowding close upon the heels of Mr. Julius Hopp, or Mr. Julius Hopp is crowding close upon the heels of Mr. Morris Hillquit. Morris and Julius are both pillars of smoke by day and of fire by night, of the Socialist party. Julius has just perpetrated a play in four acts, with the fourth act so wholly disconnected from the preceding three that it can be and is actually omitted from the performance; Morris has just perpetrated a lecture on Immigration the whole of which is so utterly irrelevant to the charges, documentarily preferred against his party and himself that it might, as well have been wholly omitted, like Julius's fourth act. Who is the pace setter, Julius or Morris? Both their performances came off on the same night. As well say Julius ran for Congress, and Morris for playwright laurels.

Anti-immigration agitation is well calculated to conceal the real sore—capitalism. It draws the working class attention away from the real cause of its misery—the displacing of labor by machinery. To raise a hue and cry

## Candidates of the Socialist Labor Party



For President:  
**AUGUST GILLHAUS**  
(PRESTON'S PROXY.)  
Engineer, New York



For Vice-President:  
**DONALD L. MUNRO**  
Machinist, Virginia

### EMIGRATION AND IMMIGRATION

[Literally translated passage of report made to the Jewish Bund of Russia by its delegate to the Stuttgart International Congress. Published by the Bund Publishing Agency in Wilna, Russia, "Die Welt," pages 54 and 55. Can be obtained for 20 cents at the Bund's American headquarters, 196 Broadway.]

How necessary and important it was to have a clear Marxian view of the question of Immigration, was readily seen from the American resolution, submitted by Comrade Hillquit of the Socialist Party. Both before the Congress and, the first day, before the committee, that resolution was the only one that competed with ours.

As is well known, that resolution called forth great dissatisfaction among the European Socialists. We who have to deal with emigrating masses even at home, FELT AS IF CUT WITH A KNIFE by the division of the emigrants into those that are bona fide and those that are not. We are well acquainted with the examination which one must undergo upon his arrival in America, and with the tortures and hardships that that examination inflicts upon the immigrant. We know but too well that not only does the examination not keep out the emigrant, but what it does is to force the emigrant to submit himself all the more abjectly to the agent. All those defects in the American resolution were clear to all.

Both Taft and Bryan promise "prosperity" to the wage workers. Both Taft and Bryan stand for the capitalist system which spells for the wage workers the one word, Misery. There is no prosperity or improved conditions for the working class but beyond the grave of the capitalist system.

An anti-injunction law?—of what use would it be to the workers so long as the injunction using class are to do the interpreting of it? The legislative graveyard is filled with Factory acts, and "Labor Laws," that died from unconstitutionality, or lack of enactment.

## RENDERING HOMAGE TO THE S.L.P.

It is the familiar dodge with the wrongdoers in the Labor and Socialist Movement to pronounce the Socialist Labor Party a "disrupter." When their wrong-doings are exposed, when their false principles are torn to shreds, "Disrupter!" comes ready to their lips. Unable, of course, to make answer, conscious of guilt and of conviction at the bar of the International Movement, the wrong-doers who seek to turn the Temple of the Labor Movement into a house for merchandise turn to bay, like cornered rats, and yell, "Disrupter!"

The present campaign furnishes two striking illustrations of all that "Disrupter!" means on the lips of the adversaries of the S. L. P.

A few weeks ago the office of the "Vorwärts," the Yiddish organ of the Socialist party, was the scene of a violent discussion on the campaign of the 9th Congressional District. The discussion being at its height, a woman, prominent in the Comper style of unionism, happened to come in. Quickly she took a hand, siding emphatically with those who were grinding their teeth at the candidature of the S. L. P. candidate for Congress. After a violent tirade the woman sought to clinch her argument with the statement: "I care not how superior a man De Leon may be to Hillquit, De Leon is a disrupter. Wherever he is he disrupts. IF HE IS SENT TO CONGRESS HE WILL CREATE DISRUPTION THERE TOO!"

Stick a pin there.

The second illustration is furnished by Mr. Hillquit himself.

Unionism has learned that it does not suffice to unionize a town. It has learned that it does not suffice to unionize a State. It is learning that local unionism is worthless unless the unionism is planted upon a national and an international basis. This principle Socialism has long ago proclaimed. It is embodied

If Socialism is a "dream," or a far off thing, why is it that the capitalist papers spend so much time upon it?

To judge by the tone of the "Volkszeitung" reports of the campaign in the Ninth N. Y. Congressional District, they are written by the glare of Jonastic statistics. Herr Alexanderleben Jonas was the contriver, in 1899, of the miraculous statistics, by virtue of which working-men, who did not average \$500 a year, paid something like \$600 taxes. The reports and forecasts on the issue in the Ninth Congressional District, reduced to

in the motto: "Proletarians of all countries, unite!" Without the international unity of the proletariat there can be no effective local unity. The practical application of the principle is embodied in the motto: "Liberal Immigration." For that very reason capitalism seeks to promote national and race animosities. Much as capitalism needs the immigrant, the same as it needs concentration of production, it seeks to foment the notion that the proletariat of other nations have "a lower standard of living." The practical result of this manoeuvre, especially in a country like America where all races are represented, is to cut up the proletariat now in the country into as many hostile factions as there are nations. The capitalist manoeuvre is agreeable to racial vanities. The position of the International Congress is, of course, dead set against such a capitalist posture, and counteracts it by a posture that favors liberal immigration.

This notwithstanding, the S. P. has found its account in playing into the hands of capitalist chicanery. In two successive International Congresses the S. P. favored and introduced resolutions on immigration that were of such a shocking nature that they were hoisted out and were pronounced to be "in violation of the fundamental principles of Socialism" (Report of Stuttgart Congress, p. 234), and which the delegate of the Russian Jewish Bund referred to, even more emphatically, in his report to his organization, as having caused him to "FEEL AS IF CUT WITH A KNIFE," and well he may. (Report of the Bund, p. 54.)

For four years the S. L. P. has argued against, exposed and denounced this betrayal of the cause of Socialism; and the emphasis of the S. L. P. exposure increased this year when the S. P. national convention, to the tune of "the hordes of Asia and Europe," again ratified its disgraceful posture on Immigration, with

figures, read somewhat like this: "Out of the 29,192 votes registered in the District, Hillquit will poll 26,357. That being 6,165 votes more than registered, it follows—first, that none of the other candidates can possibly win; secondly, that Hillquit has 6,165 votes to spare wherewith he can enter the campaign in 1910 that many votes ahead of all possible opponents, and, consequently, having them all handicapped, making his re-election a foregone conclusion." Hasten! gesehen!

None should miss reading "The Inde-

### GILLHAUS IN RHODE ISLAND

Socialist Labor Presidential Candidate Informs Workingmen on Issues of Campaign—Scores His Opponents, and Shows How Labor Can Win.

Pawtucket, R. I., October 26.—To say that the meetings of the S. L. P. Presidential candidate, August Gillhaus, in Pawtucket and Providence were a success and end there, would not be doing justice to the man nor the meetings.

The Pawtucket meeting was held in a large playground before a large and attentive audience in the afternoon, the workers coming from the shops that close at 4 p. m. The meeting opened with the reading of the S. L. P. platform by the chairman, who then introduced Gillhaus, Preston's proxy. He began by saying that he was a workingman and that he knew he was to address a body of workingmen. He declared that the platform which had been read was built entirely for the benefit of the working class and that the labor problem was the only real issue which was now before the people of the country.

Gillhaus charged that the capitalist class had no use for working people except at this season of the year, when they were after their votes. He said: "We of the working class have a commodity to sell and if we want a market for it we must go to the capitalist class and beg them to buy it." When they have bought it, every muscle of our body and the gray matter in our heads belongs to them and we must make ourselves servile slaves."

Gillhaus happened to make his speech standing under a spreading oak. He used the occasion to show how it was the labor contained in an article which gave it its value, and showed thereby that labor was the creator of all wealth. Pointing to the tree Gillhaus said: "All the way from the woodman in the forest to the wood-turner in the mill and then the sending of a table to the market and finally its shipment to the home, it is the labor crystallized in the table which gives it its exchange value."

Gillhaus attacked the immigration position of the fantastic Socialist party which it took at its national convention, and which its delegates at the International Socialist Congress espoused. He told the workingmen that

It is not Hearst alone that fuses, one day with Democrats, next day with Republicans. The prohibitionists are out after the same pattern. The prohibitionist candidate for Governor in this State seriously considers the advisability of withdrawing in favor of Hughes. Why not?

## SHUT THEM UP

S. L. P. MAN SETTLES S. P. CLAMORS FOR DEBATE.

Debsites Challenge Democrats, But Crawl Before Socialist Labor Party—Are Shamed into Argument and Receive Drubbing from Gillhaus and Markley.

Rochester, Pa., October 16.—The local Socialist party representatives came to a grievous end a few weeks ago when they were posing as the only party that was not afraid to debate the issues of the campaign. They sought to make capital out of the fact that the Democratic party would not give them a debate, and were strutting about with chests thrown out and heads held high as victors over the Bryan and Kern campaign club. But a wicked Socialist Labor Party man came along and spoiled all their rejoicing.

"It all came about in this way. The Bryan and Kern clubs of Rochester has issued a challenge aimed at the Republican party to debate on a certain night, but the Socialist party, eager for to shine in the limelight, took up the challenge, and were to have John W. Sayton to do the killing. As I happened to be down town the night of the affair and learning of the debate went up to hear it. After the meeting of the Bryan and Kern club, the S. P.-ites who had stocked into the hall demanded a debate. The Democrats stated that they did not intend to debate with the S. P. or any other party but the Republicans, to whom the challenge was issued.

Then three of the S. P.-ites in succession arose and insisted that the discussion should take place then and there, but as the Democratic chairman truthfully stated there was not much difference between the Democratic and the Socialist parties and suggested that the S. P.-ites elect Bryan now with their votes, as it was impossible to get Debs in right away. But the S. P.-ites demanded a debate despite these friendly allegations. When I saw the Democrats did not want to take up that matter, I asked for the floor and challenged the S. P.-ites to debate, stating that we of the Socialist Labor Party would prove that the Socialist party was not a true Socialist party, and did not represent the interests of the working class. Immediately those Socialist party men shut up demanding debates. They sat as still as mice, and when one of them referred to me as being in with the Democrats, a member of the latter party made a motion that as there were two candidates in the field claiming to represent Socialist parties, the hall be donated free of charge to settle the argument. I accepted for the S. L. P. and stated that Gillhaus could be here on Oct. 7th. The motion was carried and published in the daily papers, but the S. P.-ites, true to their kind, left the hall without even a reply.

The meeting was well advertised for over a week, yet not one more word of debate was heard from the S. P. contingent. They all denied that they would even be at the meeting.

Gillhaus came accompanied by Com. E. R. Markley on the following Wednesday. When the crowd began to assemble at the hall, I noticed quite a few of the S. P.-ites and their leader, George Kunkel of I. W. W. affidavit fame. As soon as I introduced the first speaker, E. R. Markley, Kunkel commenced taking notes, although I stated our position as to the challenge at the beginning of the meeting.

After Markley had given the Republican and Democratic parties their dues he started on the Debs party and exposed that organization. Up jumped the Marxian Wonder, Kunkel, and demanded the platform to refute Markley's statements. He was told by the latter to sit down and keep order. After Gillhaus had spoken, showing the fallacies of a pure and simple Socialist party, and the position of Preston as compared to Debs, we allowed the S. P. leader the floor. The audience stated that they would stay to the finish, although the hour was pretty late.

Kunkel produced the Communist Manifesto and proceeded to show why

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