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SOCIALISM AND ANARCHISM

The Socialist is the only anti-anarchist. The Capitalist is a natural anarchist. Walker's cartoon printed in this paper tells the truth precisely.

The individualist cannot trust evolution. He must lay violent hands on the course of events when they seem to him to be going wrong.

But the Socialist trusts evolution. He is too scientific, too sensible, too practical to fight against the stars in their courses.

Marx displayed his splendid intellectual penetration into social events when he nailed to the cross Proudhon, that father of anarchism, with his scientific "Poverty of Philosophy" in reply to Proudhon's speculative "Philosophy of Poverty."

The anarchist and the Capitalist go

hand in hand, both in mental method and in practical procedure.

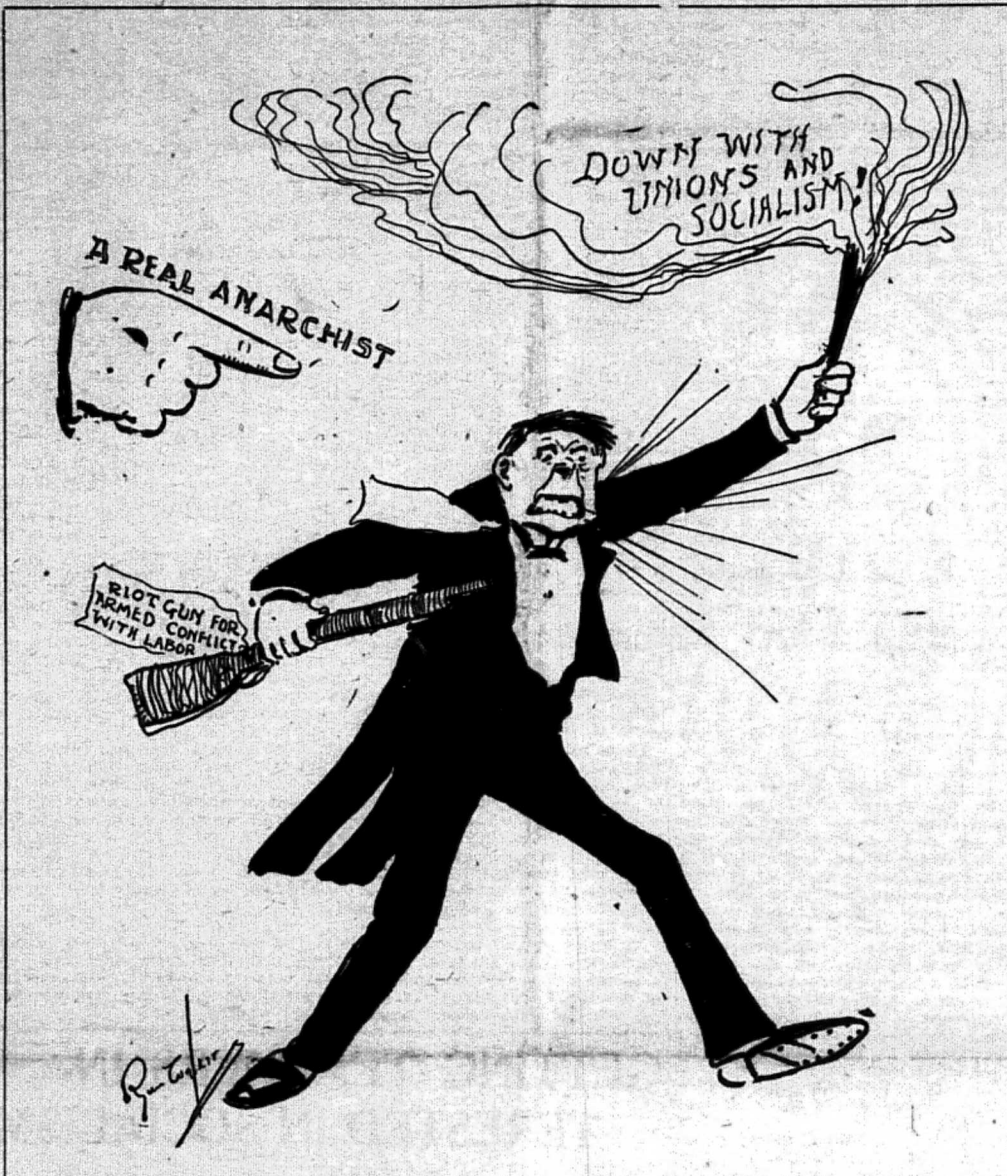
Their mental method is to discard facts, the Capitalist because a study of facts discloses he is fated to disappear and the Anarchist because a study of facts belittles his significance as an individual, impairs his egotism.

Both have the excuse of self-interest and are to that extent practical. But the Capitalist is preferable inasmuch as he contends for the preservation of his Class and hence has some social significance, while the Anarchist is a self-immolated unit whose only effect on society is to retard its normal progress by affording popular sanction to the consequent reactionary methods of Capital adopted to suppress the Proletarian Revolution.

The Capitalist may well cultivate the Anarchist who blindly plays into his hands. For the same reason, the Socialist should invariably antagonize the Anarchist, as Marx did first and last.

The Socialists of New York City arranged for the meeting at Union Square where Silverstein threw the bomb which killed himself and a bystander. The efforts of the Capitalist dailies to charge the crime to the Socialists were met by the counter charge of our comrades in New York and elsewhere that the Police by their brutality and tyrannical treatment of the crowds furnished the occasion for the tragedy.

We have actually put Inspector Schmittelkorb on his defense. He now says he never ordered any clubbing of the people nor any charge of the mounted patrol. Yet the fact remains the Police authorities of New York refused to permit the peaceable as-



semblage and parade of the Unemployed thousands of that city. That refusal was itself anarchistic, reveal-

ing a fear of Free Discussion such as tyranny always has. Why should not Wage Workers

gather in the public places of any city and freely and fully discuss the problems of bread and butter? Is it not

because they will charge the responsibility for their hunger and poverty upon the Masters of Bread who are the Masters of Society?

Why should not the unemployed demand that they be allowed to live in a land where Bread is plenty? Is it not that Masters always fear an uprising of their Slaves?

Such events betray the falseness of American claim to Liberty! The Police Inspector blurted out the brutal fact when a citizen waved at him the United States Constitution and quoted its famous passage: "The Right of the People freely to assemble shall not be denied."

That was a good object lesson for your anarchist and "Direct Actionist," whose Utopian hopes overlook the tremendous power of "Government," signified in the Club and the Gating. The Socialist Revolution means Political Revolution, the capture of that historically developed and very real machine of Life and Death, known as "The State," which now prevents the consummation of the Economic or Industrial Revolution which has now almost run its course.

There is no "Liberty" or "Constitution" which can prevail against that Club. The Slaves must get that Club into their own hands by means of the historically provided instrument, Manhood Suffrage. And they'll have to hurry up about it or that instrument will be withdrawn.

The Capitalists try to blame the Socialists with "sowing the seed which brings forth the bomb-thrower." Roosevelt recommends the deportation of all aliens who teach dangerous doctrines and the suppression of all citi-

zens who teach the workers that this Government is the Government of a Class and must be superseded by the Government of another class.

Well, Mr. Roosevelt, what would you have us do? Shall we cease to proclaim the facts of social life? If it be true that the Proletariat is exploited out of half its product, shall we stop saying so, because it is dangerous to your class to have it said?

Are we to enact Galileo and the Pope over again? You ought to know, Mr. President, that the conflict of science cannot be suppressed by a dungeon or a bullet. If the Earth moves, Galileo's forced denial will not alter the fact nor prevent the fact from being recognized.

The Socialists are not responsible for the terrible fact of Wage Slavery and Exploitation, but they do plead guilty to the discovery of that fact and to the publication of that fact.

Is it that Awful Fact which is the Seed of Revolution, Mr. President. We did not sow it but we do seek to nurture its growth. You, Mr. Roosevelt, like your prototype popes of the past, seek to club and crucify a Fact. But the Revolutionary Fact will march on when you and your strenuous fellow priests of Capital have joined the dead hosts of valiant fools.

What will produce more Silversteins is more Schmittelkorbs, more Bingham, more Roosevelts. Suppression breeds rebellion. Even we Socialists with our clear vision and deliberate determination to keep our forces along lines of social and peaceful action, will not be able to restrain or prevent the upheaval of industrial indignation against the forces of tyrannical reaction.

You who try to suppress facts are responsible for the irrepressible new dynamite facts your coercion engenders.

THE NEW PLATO

On Socialism

The so-called "Funny Paper," "Life," contains not infrequently some keenest thrusts into heart of things, revealing the hypocrisy of present "Life" and telling wholesome truth. Here is one under the heading "The New Plato," which beats most Socialist papers.

Pausanias, who had long taken an interest in the State and the rise and fall of political parties, and who was present at the Symposium where Alcibiades disgraced himself by coming in drunk, has recorded a conversation between Socrates and Alcibiades which took place during one of their campaigns. And it would seem that Alcibiades, though pleasure-loving in the extreme, was nevertheless taken up with questions of the day, and desired to learn, though afterward he proved himself too rash in politics and hastened the downfall of the State. I met Alcibiades at a banquet given in the house of Callicles, said Pausanias, and while I cannot tell all that he related to me as having passed between him and Socrates, I will relate as much as I know. Now they were in Macedonia, reclining at ease under a plane tree, when a messenger brought tidings of a Socialistic movement in the deme of Paterson and Alcibiades was for branding all those who took part in the movement and depriving them of the rights of citizenship.

I should think, Socrates, he said, that no punishment could be too severe for these wretches, who stir up the common people to sedition and make it even dangerous to ride about the streets in a motor-chariot without being degraded by hootings, and certainly they should be prevented.

Your informant, Alcibiades, replied, Socrates, may have misled you as to the character of the movement, for if I mistake not he came straight from the Exchange, and it is barely possible that he might not have the truth of the matter for those who live by finance and this modern method of juggling may not know the truth of the matter.

their intellect alone or is there something else?

Something else. What is that thing?

I should say it was money.

And is it their money or the money of some one else?

I cannot answer that, Socrates, for, indeed, I do not know.

But would it surprise you, my friend, to learn that it was some one else's money?

That may well be.

And if some one else's money that it was the money of financiers?

I begin to see now, Socrates, what you mean.

And possibly this is why when Orators of Socialism talk no one reports their doings, so that in silence they may be organizing and changing the hearts of the people, although this is not reported because the Editors are in reality slaves.

By Jupiter, my boy, you are keen on the scent, yet we have not yet found out what Socialism is, and this seems important. Will you, therefore, ask, and I will answer, or I will ask and you answer?

As you will. Now a great many people think it a bad thing and a menace to all civilization. But I should like to know your opinion, Socrates.

I can only give you that, Alcibiades, by asking you some questions. First, then, there are multimillionaires.

So I have heard.

And I believe there are people who cannot support themselves. They—

are they not?—are in the majority.

I should say they were.

And can you tell me, my dear friend, what Wealth is?

Would I be wrong in saying that it is Labor, Socrates?

That is an excellent reply; and, yet, I should rather say that it was Work. Labor means working with one's hands under control, whereas Work means all effort, mental or physical. And Wealth really represents effort in all its branches, mental and physical. A day laborer may earn one dollar a day. An artist, painting a thousand-dollar picture, earns what one thousand men earn in one day, or one hundred men working ten days.

Now, Alcibiades, when a man has millions, what does he really control?

Work, of course.

Or what other name is there?

Why, I suppose you might say Men.

Yes—Men. Therefore, each multimillionaire really controls a vast ar-

my, and though his purposes and aims the mailing list.

are concealed, he directs his army and makes it do as he pleases.

I see that quite plainly, Socrates, and now let me ask you a question. Just how can he direct his army?

Surely, Alcibiades, you are entitled to know. He uses his army in many indirect and fortuitous ways to control the State, to administer injustice, to keep the people down, to advance the price of land and other necessities, besides controlling the papers. In the old days, Alcibiades, the man who owned an army was forced to maintain it. But in these days the owner of an army makes it pay its own dividends. That is why it grows so constantly.

But what, O Socrates, has all this to do with Socialism?

Only this Alcibiades, that all the armies owned by the multimillionaires are beginning to do something.

And what, pray, is that something? They are beginning to think.

And is this Socialism?

I should say you were right, Alcibiades.

Announcement

Next Week's issue will be six pages. This is a week ahead of schedule, but several good things on hand make it possible and an order from the Socialist Party of Oregon for extra copies containing the report of their convention makes it necessary.

In addition to the record of the Oregon State Convention the next issue will contain an able reply to and criticism of John M. Work's latest defense of his draft of a national platform, by Thomas A. Sladden, State Secretary of Oregon. This article states the Scientific Revolutionary Socialist position so clearly that it will be of great value as a propaganda document.

Next week will also contain a list of contributions to the New Press Fund brought down to date and a report of the work accomplished and still to be done.

Several other features of special interest in addition to the regular news will make next week's issue one of the best ever issued by "The Socialist."

Orders received during the next 4 or 5 days can be filled at the regular rates. After that it is doubtful if papers can be secured, as we run but few copies more than are needed for

the mailing list.

The Modern Robber Chief

Published at request of Ada Gatchell

Gone from the grove, has the bandit bold;

The pirate from the foam;

The baron fierce from his feudal hold;

Our thieves are nearer home.

No lance or broadsword in their hand

No blunderbuss they bear;

They seize the water and the land

They are reaching for the air.

With bribes and bonds and penned decrees,

With charters and with codes;

They grab the crowded city streets;

They grab the country roads.

In factory hive or field of wheat,

In mart or thoroughfare;

Their tolls and profits wear and eat

Through all we eat and wear.

The tollers pay they shave and clip;

The price to all they quote;

They have the merchant on the hip.

The wage slave by the throat.

They will not be denied,

Those robbers armed with vested rights;

And statute fortified.

When nations feel their human worth

And lose their craven awe;

These law-made robbers of the earth

Will perish by the law. —Anon.

Joke on the Socialist

Translated From Norwegian by Arthur Jensen.

Borgbjerg, Socialist member of the lower house of parliament in Denmark, can tell of a quite funny experience he had a short time ago in Odense, where he was visiting together with his better half. It was the anniversary of his wedding day, and he was celebrating it with a couple of old friends.

The day passed according to program, and at nightfall Borgbjerg left for Tejsens Hotel, where he had ordered a room for himself and wife.

Parker Williams Speaks

One of the best enjoyed of Local Seattle's propaganda meetings was held last Sunday night when Parker Williams member of the British Columbia House of Parliament, spoke for an hour and a quarter to a thoroughly interested and enthusiastic audience.

One of the features of the evening was the song "The Man in the Overalls" by the Song Club which has been recently organized by Mrs. Titus. The chorus was a decided hit, and it is hoped this chorus will be sung at all the propaganda meetings hereafter.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON, CONVENTION

PORTLAND, April 1.—We held our County Convention at Portland headquarters, 309 Davis Street, on Sunday and Monday, April 12 and 13. Readers of "The Socialist" who are members of the party are requested to be on hand at 10 a. m.

Our state convention has been held and will send complete report for next issue.

SLADDEN.

SOME LATE NEWS

Of the Socialist Party

COMING EVENTS.

The Executive Committee has arranged for the following dates for propaganda meetings:

Titus-Cotterill Debate April 5.

Brown-Smith Debate April 12.

C. C. Hale (formerly editor "People's Press of Albany, Oregon) April 19.

Special program in charge of Mrs. Titus, April 26.

Symposium, delegates to National Convention, May 3.

E. T. Kingsley, May 10.

Special program, May 17.

STATE NOTES.

TACOMA, April 3.—During March dues have been received on 1439 members.

Seventeen chapters were granted to locals and thirty-nine members at large admitted. 200 was the exact number in the increase of our membership. This should be brought up at least to 300 by new member admitted to locals.

The number of accredited delegates to the next annual state convention by the apportionment just made, which is based upon the dues paid by locals and members at large to the state office during January, February and March, is 151. Of this number, 13 are entitled to be elected by the members at large from their ranks.

For the three months named the members at large paid \$96.75 in dues on an average monthly membership of 129.

Local Spokane No. 1 and Seattle No. 2 are entitled to 8 delegates each.

The beginning has been made to assist the school teachers in this state by the adoption of a systematic method. A number of schools and also a number of names of teachers have found a place on the records to be kept for the purpose.

R. K.

EVERETT NEWS NOTES.

EVERETT, April 1.—Local Everett had a splendid street meeting Saturday night with Emil Herman on the soap box. Disposed of nearly \$5.00 worth of literature. Also had a fair hall meeting Sunday in spite of inclement weather.

Much progress is being made here commencing with Sunday, April 5, Local Everett propaganda meetings will take place at 8 p. m. instead of

2:30 as heretofore. We also abandon Normanna Hall and move into Fraternal Hall, which is three times as large and in a much better location.

We intend to have music and some singing to make our meetings more attractive. Our hall will cost us \$20.00 per month for Sunday evenings.

We are actively engaged in the preparatory work for the national campaign.

S. G. ROULEAU.

ANARCHISTS TRY TO CAPTURE

TOKYO, Japan, March 28.—"The Socialist Weekly" of this city, which has been edited jointly by Comrades Sen Katayama and Nishikawa, comes out this week, after missing a number, with the announcement that Nishikawa recently called a secret meeting of the party branch in Tokyo and passed resolutions expelling Katayama for refusing to adopt the anarchistic program of direct action. This action was taken without the knowledge of the five other branches of the party in Japan and was reversed by a larger meeting of the branch in Tokyo.

Nishikawa has left "The Socialist Weekly" and says he will be governed hereafter by his feelings and not by his reason. Comrade Katayama is still at the helm of the paper and will conduct it in advocacy of the principles laid down by the International Socialist Congress. The attempt of the anarchists to capture the party has signally failed, and the movement in Japan will remain in harmony with the world movement.

NORTH YAKIMA STILL IN LINE.

DISRUPTIONISTS LOST OUT HERE AND ARE NOW ABUSING YOURS TRULY AND MR. G. FOR DESTROYING THE LOCAL. There were seven went with the Mills-Hutcheson-Kennedy outfit and eleven or more who demanded the charter and records of the local, intending to retain membership with the regular party organization. Up to date the books have not been handed over to our new secretary, Virgil Sires, but we expect them to be.

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THE SOCIALIST MOVEMENT IN PORTUGAL

An Interview With Azedo Guecco of Lisbon—Translated From the Norwegian in "Gaa Paa" by Arthur Jensen, of Seattle.

It may be of interest to our readers to get a complete account of the social and economic conditions holding forth in the country from which the cable brings message of a new, horrible regime. For a considerable time a dictatorial government has ruled in this unhappy and impoverished land, and caused great discontent. The agitation against the king and prime minister Franco, the dictator, however, did not originate in a republican organization, consciously working towards a certain goal, but sprang from a number of disgruntled officeholders and monarchists, who were beaten in the game of politics. Let us view briefly the country and people in its relation to the movement, which alone will be equal to the task of bringing about order and stable conditions even in Portugal—the Socialist movement.

We are in Lisbon, the most picturesque capital in Europe. Rua Lazarus runs winding from the center of the city ascending the slope of one of the many hills in the suburbs of Lisbon. It is a narrow, crooked street, filled with refuse, cats and neglected children. Through its center runs an ill-smelling gutter; above, the narrow strip of the clear sky is almost hidden by washed linen, hanging out to dry, from one wall to the other.

Away up on the very top of the hill is a two-story, shack-like house, picturesque in its verigated wretchedness, but ready to fall and as hopelessly desolate as its surroundings. By the way of a stairway in the corner a dark kitchen is reached. A shield of tin decorated with two hands clasped, and a device with the word "Proletaria" imprinted on it, adorn its walls.

In a sideroom of about the size of an ordinary dining room, benches are arranged in a way which denote a meeting hall. A few photographs, portraits of men and groups, turned yellow, are decorating the walls. Some red bows are hanging there and in a corner a faded red banner is displayed. Through a door, another room is entered, containing a writing desk and piles of papers and periodicals. Below the open window, bathing in the sunlight with its crowded cluster of houses, lies Lisbon as a rose in full bloom.

Here is the home of the Socialist movement in Portugal's capital, no castle, as is readily seen, but a fire-side nevertheless, where the newly lit fire is smoldering and gleaming, on some day in the not distant future to throw its flames out over the land. Here the pioneers of the party meet, sometimes a little disappointed but never despondent, to organize the work of the future; now a lecture is being held, now conventions of small labor organizations; from here the party organ is issued, when it is issued from here the leaflets are distributed, whenever they have sufficient funds for paper and ink. It is as yet on a small scale, sprouting, homelike, so to speak. The owner has his residence in two little rooms in the rear, the editorial office is used for a playground by his children, and he, himself is most frequently found in the meeting hall with a jug of wine, playing cards with a couple of good neighbors.

The lowly conditions in which the party works, correspond to the party itself. It stands about where the Norwegian Social-Democracy stood in the early '90's, uncertain before the great field of a politically unorganized proletariat. The cause of the ill in the peculiar economic conditions of the country. Portugal is an agricultural, cattle-raising country and until lately has been comparatively untouched by the modern industrial system. Commerce has hitherto absorbed all labor power in the cities. The proletariat has therefore remained a farming and fishing proletariat, kept in dullness and ignorance under the whip of the Catholic clergy. During the period of imperialism, the country was stripped of its best elements. Anybody with a trace of ability in some direction was drawn towards the alluring colonies, towards Africa and Brazil where a wider field of action could be had. The weakest, the least developed always stayed behind, and their descendants are today the very people whom the state and church are striving to keep buried in mental darkness. They are sighing under the burden of heavy taxes and live under almost beastly conditions; in the mountain regions as cattlemen and on the prairie, as wine and fruit growers. Seventy-seven per cent. can neither read nor write, and one may travel hour after hour without seeing a school house. But churches are found all over and whatever lifeblood is left by the state, the priesthood sucks out of the blind, unhappy inhabitants.

When the Socialist movement as expressed in the "International" blazed over Europe, it also fired a few receptive minds in Portugal. But the factory proletariat, necessary for the thriving of the plant of Socialism had not been developed and the spark has been smoldering ever since until the last few years, when industry has begun to make its entry into the large cities.

The Socialist party has today 4,000 members in two separate organizations, one in northern and one in southern Portugal. Each one of these has its separate executive committee and separate press. The movement is strongest and on a firmer basis in the north, with Oporto as center, as this is much more of an industrial city than Lisbon, the capital of the south. Oporto has also had an able organizer in Witterbo de Campos, a man who for many years was the party's enthusiastic leader. After his death two years ago, the leadership was placed in the hands of Michael Jose da Silva, the young editor of the party's weekly organ, "A Voz do Povo," ("The Voice of the People"), a paper which is daily gaining foothold among the workers of the city and has already now 3,000 readers.

In the south the struggle goes on, with Antonio Perreira, Jose Alves and Azedo Guecco in the lead, the last one named being the most conspicuous, having taken active part in the movement since its earliest days, traveled extensively, and represented his country in most of the Socialist international congresses. His father, an Italian millionaire, came to Portugal and lost his fortune, upon which the son had to give up his studies, to make his living at manual labor. Guecco gained a position as an engraver in the service of the government, but was

discharged for political agitation and has since led an uncertain existence, until he now—56 years of age—manages the co-operative printing plant from which the party issues its literature. As a young man he inherited from an aunt a considerable fortune, which he disposed of by turning it all into the movement. A score of different weekly papers have been published through his activity but all met the same fate; suppression by the government. "The Proletarian," "The Idea," "The Protest," "The Workingmen's Protest," "The Torch," "The Revolution," etc., and last "May 1st," which Franco, then dictator, suppressed a few weeks ago, were all children of his mind.

Guecco and his comrades have a difficult soil to cultivate, as the industrial worker of Lisbon occupies a very low position socially and is vacillating between anarchistic and purely bourgeois tendencies. The Liberal party, in seeking to stem the tide of the proletarian class struggle, has organized a "non-political" labor organization. First acting as a sort of a death-benefit society, this organization now has its own organ, "A Voz do Operario," ("The Voice of the Worker.") It is establishing schools, forming co-operative stores, etc. The organization is beneficial as an educational institution and is at present under Socialist guidance. Alves, the Socialist, being the editor of the paper. Its membership has reached a number of 51,000, largely through late political events, an army to lead into the political organization of the working class, if Alves and Guecco be successful in gaining it for Socialism.

The trade-union movement is quite independent and far in advance of the political movement. Trades-unions in Portugal have a membership of about 60,000, 15,000 of these being in Lisbon. The great union of tobacco workers holds May day demonstrations in Lisbon and Oporto, which, regarding size, quite equal the demonstration for the 8-hour day held in several other countries. But the red flags are yet lacking, and the demonstrating proletariat has not yet learned to gain the 8-hour day, by sending its own men to the legislative assemblies. No representative of labor has ever yet sat in the parliament of Portugal nor in any of its city councils. The Socialist party has not even been able to place candidates in the field for election.

Azedo Guecco, while relating all this, stands at the window in the little house at the head of Rua Lazarus. He will soon be an old man, his hair and beard are gray. He is lively and eloquent; in spite of the many years of untiring effort in the cause, to which he has given his life, in spite of the many disappointments and his many personal sacrifices—he has been imprisoned repeatedly—his sense of humor is still rich and keen.

He stands by the window gazing out over Lisbon and says:

"Just look at the beautiful city bathing in the bright sunlight. And yet it contains so much want and misery. In nearly all those little red houses you will find walls naked, a mattress

GETTING TEACHERS INTERESTED IN SOCIALISM

Upon request by the state executive committee, J. E. Sinclair who is Principal of the Schools in Fall City this state, the following was submitted, and having received the hearty endorsement of the committee is here submitted for the earnest consideration of all the locals in the state and they are urged to act on suggestions contained in this article by Comrade J. E. Sinclair.

There are some six thousand teachers in the state of Washington. They are as a class, extremely ignorant of economic conditions, and as a result economic organization is unknown. They have no professional organization known as the State Teachers Association embracing about half the teachers of the state. This organization is entirely in the hands of the superintendents and principals, who to a very great degree represent the taxpayers. As far as the actual workers of the school rooms are concerned they are absolutely at the mercy of the representatives of the capitalist class and are totally unorganized.

Like the great army of other workers, the teachers are transients, moving from state to state and competing with each other in the sale of their labor power. Strangers in a strange land, they are assisted in finding positions by charitable teachers' agencies. These concerns tax the teachers five per cent. of their yearly salaries for their services—one dollar out of every twenty. In no other occupation are the workers robbed so neatly by the employment agencies. Of course the agent frequently finds it good policy to give a part of his commission to the employing school officers. Perhaps two thousand teachers in this state are paying this commission today.

Such is the condition of the group. Let us look at the individual. The average teacher is more satisfied in her work, more anxious to "succeed," and more alive to the necessity for new methods than is any other worker in the world excepting only the doctors. Among the branches that the teacher feels that she could teach much better by some other and, to her, undiscovered method is history. This is our opportunity. No person can help the teachers unless he understands economic determinants. His story is still taught from idealistic and biographical stand point. It is a dismal failure from a pedagogical point of view, and the teacher knows it.

How shall we Socialists make ourselves useful to these teachers and thus interest them in our cause? A study of the economic interpretation of history on the part of the teachers will be of incalculable assistance to the teachers and will drive them with irresistible force into the Socialist party. Organization on the economic field points in the direction of class consciousness. If any body of workers need a clear understanding of history and a powerful organization on the economic field it is the teachers. The tremendous impetus that

on the floor serving as a bed, a lot of dirty children, disease, poverty and hunger. The man himself feels unhappy, he sees his family suffer, but he does not know why. In the church he prays, to God and does not know that he prays with the rest of his class is master of the situation. How can you enlighten him? Give papers to a man who can not read? Preach logic to a man whom the priests have had under influence from early childhood? In the country, men live as cave dwellers, their food consisting of roots, and while they grow wine they quench their thirst with putrid water. During the wine harvest, the best season of the year, a farm laborer receives 2 francs (40 cents). When I go out into the country I find skeleton-like people living in picturesque but damp, poisonous huts.

He speaks then of the mental oppression of the people: "With such people the priests have their own way. Therefore an administration can always calculate on a majority in the parliament, regardless of party, as the priests are appointed by the changing cabinets. When an official is to be elected the workingmen ask: 'Who shall I vote for?' and the priests select the candidate agreeable to the administration, saying that he is chosen by God. No man has the right to vote unless he pays a certain tax. It must be proven that he is entitled to vote and as it rests with the priests and authorities to prove this, it is never proved unless they are comparatively certain of their votes."

When asked about late events and their effects on the Labor party, Guecco said: "The masses are on the outside, the country is as dead and dull as always. What is the use of getting excited anyway? What is the difference, whether the ignorant wretches are ruled by right or left, whether by dictator or president? Do you really believe that most of them suspect what a Republic means? No, it is not a rising of the masses as in Russia, it is only the Big ones who are playing. So much the better if they will play Republic here. It is a step ahead anyway, and here in the south, the Republicans to their best ability, even if they do kick at us. In the North, in Oporto, however, I believe that our party for the first time will place an independent candidate in the field. We may by doing this destroy the chances of the Republicans and we will get many a malicious word on account of that. But we must break the ice sometime and the Portuguese proletariat has a long road to travel before it reaches the point of development that our comrades in other countries have reached."

Once more the old party leader looked over the city, closes the window and says: "There lies a rose, you say? Yes, but it is worm eaten, the rose. In each of its leaves, in each of the little red houses sits a worm, gnawing. I will give my life to see my flower healthy."

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VALUABLE SUGGESTIONS.

1. That the State Secretary keep on sale or subject to his order the following works: "Class Struggles in America," by Simons; "Industrial History of the United States," by Connan; "Economic Interpretation of History," by Sellman; "Economic Foundations of Society," by Loria; "Socialism, Utopian and Scientific," by Engels; "The Communist Manifesto," by Marx and Engels; "Ancient Society," by Morgan; "Our Bourgeois Literature," by Upton Sinclair; "The World's Revolutions," by Untermyer; other works will suggest themselves. For instance Professor Smith of our own State University has written a book entitled "The Spirit of the American Government," that deals some delicious blows at the sanctity of the Supreme Court.

2. That a neatly printed leaflet or circular letter be gotten out describing several of the more important of these works and pointing out how they would be of service to the teaching of history. These circulars could be placed in the hands of all teachers above the fifth grade in the cities and into as many of the rural school rooms as possible.

3. That all locals be called upon to assist in interesting the teachers of their respective communities by appointing committees to interview the teachers and distribute literature among them. Copies of the Socialist Platform, the Weeks Pamphlet, and other pamphlets of a like nature are inexpensive and will be appreciated.

4. That the membership be called upon to discuss organization among the teachers and to assist them in every way to better the conditions of their daily toil.

5. That locals and members supply the State Secretary with lists of vacancies to be filled or with names of teachers capable of teaching history in a scientific manner.

6. That the State Secretary keep a record of such vacancies and such teachers and give such teachers all possible assistance in securing employment free of commission. Half the teachers who secure their places through the teachers' agencies receive no more information than the name of the school, the address of the clerk, and the amount of the salary likely to be paid. If the Socialists of the state will co-operate with the State Secretary we can give all this and more. Capitalist school officials frequently hire a teacher from an agency without knowing it.

The above suggestions are made not as Utopian lightning flashes, but as an attempt at reaching a section of the working class that we have singularly neglected and as an attempt to use any revolutionary material that may be at hand to the best possible advantage. The teachers of France and Russia have shown their revolutionary character. The American teacher needs but a touch of our fire.

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

State secretaries will oblige by forwarding a copy of the state constitution to the National office.

Charters were granted by the National Office to locals in unorganized states as follows: Lave, Nev., 5 members; Lincoln, Neb., 5 members; Camp, N. Mex., 8 members; and Manchester, Va., 8 members.

Negotiations are pending with the traffic association to secure the usual rate concessions made for delegates to all large conventions. As soon as definite information is secured it will be published and the method of paying mileage will be announced. In the meantime State Secretaries are requested to file a complete list of delegates elected, with addresses.

The comrades of Maine nominate their political candidate by referendum vote. Curtis A. Perry has been chosen as the candidate for governor. State Secretary W. E. Pelsey of 198 Lisbon St., Lewiston, has been re-elected.

Comrade George H. Goebel on April 10 will wind up a very successful tour of the New England States at Manchester, Conn. About a month later, Comrade George R. Kirkpatrick will start to cover the same territory.

Comrade Sladden, State Secretary of Oregon, reports: "Dues paid for month of February on 1179 members. Locals reporting, 47. Meetings held—propaganda, 23; business, 80. Flooded with work. Can't keep my head above water. This is the best I can do."

The progress made in increasing membership and new locals formed in Nevada, Nebraska, North Carolina and New Mexico, if continued, will shortly qualify them for State organizations.

In connection with National Committee Motion No. 4, Comrade Joseph M. Patterson has been requested to collect the desired data and he has accepted the commission. Motion No. 4 is: "I move that the Executive Committee make provision for securing the data necessary for a Campaign Handbook for the impending National Election."

National Secretary Barnes has submitted the following proposition to the National Executive Committee: "Proposition of the Workers' Publishing Society ('Chicago Daily Socialist') that the Secretary tender the National Office the top (fourth floor) of the building 180 Washington Street, for \$100.00 per month, possession at once if desired, without cost to May 1st. Heat and janitor service to be provided free."
 The floor space offered is about twice the size of the quarters as favorable as the present. The rent is the same. In any event larger quarters must be secured. The question is, shall the offer of the "Workers' Publishing Society" be accepted?

National Organizer John M. Work has just finished nine weeks' work in Utah and reports as follows: "We have organized thirty-one locals with three hundred and forty-nine members; added twenty-six members to existing locals; secured twelve members at large; made thirty-seven propaganda speeches; sold one hundred and seventy-one subscription cards; sold five hundred and sixteen books; and secured numerous names of Socialists in places not visited. Quite a number of the places organized had once had locals before, but they were entirely dead. Such places are often harder to organize than virgin soil."

A large proportion of any work done by an organizer will necessarily go to pieces unless it is properly followed up by the State Organization. The State Secretary and State Committee of Utah realize that fact. They propose to follow up my work energetically. In fact they are doing so right now. I therefore believe my work will have permanent value.

State Secretary Joseph MacLachlan—"Little Mac," as he is affectionately known among the Utah Comrades—co-operated with me with untiring activity and efficiency. The State Committee and a lot of other Socialist heroes and heroines lent me their cordial assistance. The Socialist papers kindly gave us the use of their subscription lists.

Utah is a fruitful field. Of the twenty-seven counties in the State, there are half a dozen which we are liable to carry next fall. I predict a steady growth for the state movement.

Only members and locals in good standing can take part in party proceedings. County conventions will be called in a few months hence and only members with membership books as credentials, stamped up to the preceding month with stamps issued by the National Committee, Socialist Party of America, will have a voice in these conventions.

Idaho
 Comrade Philip J. Evans of Samaria writes for the dates for John M. Work in Onida, Co.
 Comrades of Moscow are thinking of reorganizing soon.
 Comrade James Farrell of Naples, a member at large, sends in dues for the balance of year and \$1.00 donation. Thanks.
 Local Pocatello has taken on new life and something will be doing there now.

Charter was issued to seven comrades of Pine this week. They sent in a donation besides the first month's dues. Thanks.
 I. F. Street of Payette, also J. H. Mickle of same town, have written about organization there. Comrade Street sent along a donation of \$4.00 besides \$1.00 to apply as dues on membership at large.
 Local Meridian sends \$9.50 for dues and Special Stamps.
 Several locals have already reported their votes for delegates.
 Local Coeur d'Alene orders eleven Special Assessment Stamps.
 M. C. Zornes of Elkhart reports two new members and sends \$5.00 dues.
 W. L. Sommers of Harrison sends in \$6.00 as dues.
 W. F. Bradley, Box 425, Boise, sends \$7.25 for dues stamps.
 O. E. Anderson and two other comrades of Burke donate \$1.00 each. Thanks.
 Ben Janson of Chesley, chairman of Nes Perce County Committee writes: "We have three or four more locals in prospect."
 Comrade John F. Hale, Castle Creek, wrote for suggestions on "how

to stir the comrades up a little." He got 'em.
 Comrade John Chenoweth of Middleton has just closed quite a successful tour of Canyon Co. Each county should organize their effort and send some one over the county to urge every comrade to "get busy."

We expect Comrade Henry Crab back from San Jose, Cal., about the middle of May and hope to put him on the road in Idaho for the balance of the campaign.
 Irl Shaw of Lardo writes: "Several members of the Local have asked me this question: 'How about a county ticket next fall? If you can give any information on that line please do so.' He got what we had.
 Local Orofino gets a charter this week with sixteen members, and W. H. Gleason the secretary writes: "We expect to have a large local here in a short while and already are making arrangements to build a hall and a reading room. (That sounds good to me.)"

Local Atlanta reorganizes this week with twenty-five members and the secretary, Wm. Brothers, writes: "There are about twenty more that we expect to get. The Plutes have laid down like curs. I have tried to get a debate with them but there is nothing doing. It appears to me that they all could get up and say 'God knows.'"

Comrade John M. Work, National Executive Committeeman from Iowa, commenced a five-weeks tour of Southern Idaho last Tuesday evening, 24th, at Emmett. He had a fair house for the place and all were well paid for their trouble that came to hear him. We hope the comrades that have his future meetings in hand will spare no pains in their arrangements, as it is not often they have such an opportunity to have the Class Struggle made plain to the wage earner. See that all know the time and place.

Secretary H. C. Schade writes: "Boise local is steadily growing. We expect to have a Socialist Headquarters here in the near future."
 THOS. J. COONROD,
 State Secretary.

Nominations are out for delegates to National Convention from Idaho. The names are as follows:
 Quincy Baldwin, D. C. Coates, John Chenoweth, A. W. Judd, D. J. O'Mahoney, E. L. Rigg, Lewis Sell, E. Untermann. Three are to be elected and from this distance it strikes me that the ones Idaho would make no mistake in voting for are Untermann, O'Mahoney and Judd. All stand for proletarian Socialism and all are capable of holding their end up in a discussion.
 E. B. A.

Washington
 All members' attention is directed to the fact that membership books have been distributed with due stamps attached to them for the specific purpose to deceive. These bogus books with bogus stamps will under no circumstances be recognized by party members. These counterfeit books and stamps are so near like the genuine ones that their spuriousness will only be detected by close scrutiny; the bogus membership books are different only in that on the outside the following appears: "Socialist Party of Washington" on the upper margin, and on the lower margin "Issued by the Authority of the Temporary State Committee, Socialist Party."

Ballots for the election of delegates to the National Convention should now be in the hands of the secretaries of all locals in good standing. Notify the state secretary at once if ballots for your local have failed to reach you. On these ballots the name "H. Hendrikson" appears; it should have been Emil Hendrikson.

The attention of every member is again directed to the special assessment stamps still remaining unsold in the hands of your secretary. Washington wants to send her full quota of eight delegates to the convention. Are we equally willing to bear our full quota of the financial burden? If not every one whose financial circumstances will allow of its payment responds, the income for the payment of the railroad fare of the delegates will fall far short of the sum necessary. Last report was the first and so far only local to report more stamps sold than the local members had. They sold fifty.

In future the names of secretaries of all new locals will be noted in minutes of executive committee meeting, and the names of locals in bad standing will be published in bulletin, thus enabling all secretaries to keep a list of all locals in good standing on file.

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STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
 Thirty-Three New Members-at-Large Admitted—Local Spokane Repudiates "Provisional Committee"—Six New Local Charters Granted.

TACOMA, Wash., March 29th 1908.—Regular meeting convened at usual time and place with John Downie in chair. Minutes of previous meeting were ordered corrected to include Local Winlock, No. 2 and Burnett, to whom charters were granted. On transfer C. C. Hale of Puyallup was admitted to the party as Member at Large.

On application 33 comrades were admitted member at large. William K. McNeill, Ambro S. Pack, Alf Lindman, John Lundstrom, Oliver L. Guy, Gus Lehman, W. B. Dryden, George Clark, Joseph P. Pace, J. L. Westefer, E. M. Reed, Carsten Thomsen, A. D. Cannon, Robt. Phuelet, W. M. White, James Whiting, Otto Wrasco, C. L. Whiting, John J. Meyer, Herman Johnson, Joseph McCann, W. J. Donahue, Carl Winter, M. C. Mortensen, Donald L. Goldbach, William L. Ludington, S. C. Peterson, John Pursey and Herbert H. Smith.

Six charters were granted to Locals Hayes, Darrington, Frontier, Port Orchard, Colville and Bremerton. It was ordered that Local Pacific County henceforth be known as South Beach.

Regarding application for duplicate charter for North Yakima, secretary was instructed to make further inquiry in regard to a lost charter.

Local Buckley informed the committee of their endorsement of resolution passed by Local Marble Mount published in minutes of February 23. Local Arlington tendered to the State Committee a paid-up Stock Certificate in the Charles H. Kerr Publishing Company. Secretary was instructed to thank the local and inform them that tender is appreciated.

Upon report from the secretary that he had refused to accept a tender from Bellingham as dues on the "usual" 8 members, secretary was instructed to request the presence of all Executive Committee men at next meeting to deal with this matter.

Action on several communications from D. Burgess was also referred to the whole Executive Committee.

The following resolution adopted unanimously by Local Spokane was ordered made a part of these minutes:
Resolutions of Local Spokane
 Whereas, Local Spokane after strong opposition had decided to co-operate with a certain "provisional committee" and Secretary to assist him in ousting our present State Committee, and

Whereas said petition was circulated for signers to present to our National Secretary, calling for a referendum of the State of Washington to elect a new State Committee, and

Whereas, said petition was circulated freely without regard to the National Constitution or the Amendment thereto under which they were working, and was sent to said "provisional state secretary" without being verified by the Local, and

Whereas the "official bulletin" published by said "provisional state committee" has been proven beyond all doubt to stray far from the truth, and has been distributed as a party bulletin illegally in the Local and where objection had been taken to this arbitrary method, has been mailed to members without even asking permission of the local, and

Whereas the charges placed against our present State Committee date back two years before its birth, and

Whereas our present "provisional state committee" have proven themselves treacherous and disastrous to the Socialist movement by placing candidates in the field in opposition to the Socialist ticket we, Local Spokane, believe their object is and can only be to further divide the working class, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that Local Spokane protest against the counting of all names on above-mentioned petition until they are turned over to the local and verified to and all illegal names erased, and that we cease to further co-operate with our present "provisional state secretary" and committee, and be it further

Resolved that we send a copy of this resolution to our National Secretary, State Secretary and "provisional secretary."

(Signed) Chairman of Session, W. F. Ludwig, Secretary E. Stephens.
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Primary Laws
 National Secretary Has Collected Data and Advises Executive Committee to Collect Funds to Fight Pernicious Laws in Minnesota and South Dakota.

Data have been collected relating to primary laws in the several states and their effect on the political activity of the Socialist Party. One of the most obnoxious laws is found in the state of Louisiana, involving a filing fee of \$250.00 for a candidate for Congress, and the entering of a completed ticket for party offices would entail an expense of several thousand dollars. As yet this law does not affect our party, since it is applicable only to parties polling ten per cent. of the total vote.

The Iowa law is extremely exacting in the matter of primaries, conventions, certificates and unwieldy political machinery, but involves no direct monetary offering.

The law in Minnesota provides a filing fee of from \$5 to \$20 for each candidate at the primary election, and from \$5 to \$50 at the general election and involves an expense of probably \$2,000.00 to place a full State ticket in the field.

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Propaganda meetings every Sunday at Egan Hall, 8 p. m.

Executive committee meets at headquarters Tuesday, 8 p. m.

Women's Educational Club meets every Wednesday evening at room 49 Holyoke Building, Entrance at Rear of Frederick & Nelson's, on Spring St.

Polish Propaganda Club meets the first and third Sunday afternoons in each month at Socialist Headquarters.

Scandinavian Propaganda Club meets every Tuesday evening at Local Headquarters.

DISCUSSION MEETING

PAPERS have been received from several nominees for delegate to the national convention, and will be read at the Discussion meeting at local headquarters on Saturday night. Refreshments will be served and it is expected that it will be a very enjoyable occasion to Socialists. There will be no admission charged.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

The Executive Committee, at its regular weekly session on last Tuesday night, decided to have a special program at one of the Sunday night propaganda meetings each month, at which an admission of ten cents would be charged. April 26 was selected as the first date, and Mrs. Titus was elected a committee of one to have entire charge of the program is sufficient guarantee to local Seattle and its friends of its excellence, and as is to be expected, she is already at work on some novel features.

Have you paid your dues?
 NEW CHAIRMAN FOR PROPAGANDA MEETINGS.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee held last Tuesday night, Comrade E. B. Ault was selected as chairman for the April Sunday evening propaganda meetings.
 The committee directed that he should make a ten-minute talk every Sunday night in inviting members to join the local.

COMMITTEE TO RAISE FUNDS.
 Owing to the fact that the collections have fallen off at the propaganda meetings, and that the last dance and entertainment resulted in a loss, it has become necessary to raise \$50 by next Sunday to meet the local's current liabilities. Comrades Mrs. Titus, Kabooki and Arthur Jensen have been appointed a committee for this purpose.

TITUS-COTTERILL DEBATE
 Personally and by open letters in the daily newspapers, George Cotterill has been challenged to meet Dr. H. F. Titus in public debate, at Egan Hall next Sunday, April 5.

Whether Mr. Cotterill will ignore this challenge is still an open question. There are many members of Local Seattle who believe that he will not and an interesting debate on a question yet to be announced is expected for tomorrow evening.

In the event that Cotterill does not accept the challenge, Comrade Titus will speak on "Socialism and Anarchism." The fact that the Capitalist press is manifesting a disposition to charge to Socialism numerous acts of violence recently committed because of police oppression in many cities makes this topic most timely, and the fact that it will be dealt with by one who is unquestionably one of the Socialist party's most able speakers will undoubtedly fill Egan hall to overflowing next Sunday night, and you will have to come early to be sure of a seat.

Miss Muriel Window, always popular with Socialist audiences, will sing.

MEETING FOR WARD POLITICAL WORK.

Because the local headquarters is now being used by the Polish propaganda club on Sunday afternoons the meeting tomorrow afternoon of the Second ward party members and sympathizers has been postponed until Monday evening, April 6. The ward members and sympathizers will meet on Monday evening, April 13.

A few copies of John M. Work's "What's So and What Isn't" about Socialism, regular price 15 cents; to close out, 10 cents each. A popular reply to popular objections to Socialism.

THE WOMAN

We all know what a task it is to remember history. The question of how to make children remember history is one most discussed among the educators and various expedients have been tried without avail, for by the time they have left it for a few years, it is all jumbled in their minds.

Why? Because there is no connecting event. The children have discovered the connection of time of history, but it is to the endowment of the ruling class. Therefore it is kept out of the schools and away from the minds of the young generation.

Now I want to give in a few simple words as clearly as I can the growth of private property. To show it I must take you back to times that are new to us, and the names applied altogether unusual.

I begin with the Gens. Though I shall not take it as an example other than to give you an idea of the human race at the time of which I write. The Indians were an example of the early Gens. The gens collectively taken formed the tribe and over the tribe there was a chief.

The gens were a community living in common and at this period lived upon what they hunted or tilled by rude means of cultivation. Therefore there would be no surplus supply of goods. The main function of their society was to secure to each his individual freedom, and interest in the collective property. The gens had no means of controlling a subject class or protecting personal property in the means of life. The marriages were made from one gens to another; one could not marry with his or her own gens. The children belonged to the mother and their descent was traced from her side, for after marrying the man belonged to her gens. She owned all the household goods, which made her a superior being to the man.

But of course the gens don't stop here but continues in development just as our industries of today. They begin domesticating animals and tilling the land to a greater extent. Wars begin between neighboring tribes in conquest of territory for their herds and fields. Up to this period there was no use for slaves so the captives were either killed or adopted into the gens. The children belonged to the lands. Through the continuous warring there developed military leaders who soon began to appropriate the plunder of vanquished tribes to themselves. Heretofore the woman was the property owner, but now appears a new property which does not belong to the woman.

The new wealth of cattle, slaves and surplus goods belong to the man and under the former law of the gens it falls to his gens, the first relatives on his mother's side. His children are disinherited. Now to prevent this he wrests the authority from woman and the children's lineage is traced from his side. They become members of his gens. Also the wife now leaves her gens to become a member of his. Whereupon she loses all her property rights and becomes entirely dependent upon the man.

Now there arises another difficulty. The daughter of wealth must carry her property to her husband's gens. To prevent this there is an exception made. It is lawful for the daughter to marry within her own gens. You see there is a dominating class growing, who arrange matters for their convenience. This class of rulers continues to grow in power as wealth accumulates in the hands of a few through inheritance and exploitation of the less fortunate. As the distinction of class grows more definite and exchange of products covers a wider range of territory, a new arrangement was necessary. These wealthy families of the gens, already a privileged class, combined outside the gens and thus formed "The State," for it placed all the gens under a combined rule. Heretofore debt and credit were unknown but now the small farmer wrenched from the protecting bonds of the gens was left to the mercy of the state and debt took from him even his children in slavery. If this did not satisfy the amount he himself was sold into slavery.

And woman? How did all this affect her? Man became jealous for fear his own blood might not inherit this power and to prevent any possibility of it being his blood, woman became under his entire subjection. Heretofore she had been free and had passed into the pairing form of marriage herself, but now to gain for himself all possible range of license, the monogamous marriage came into being. Under this form of marriage she was bound to him for life. She was his to kill or barter at will and for disloyalty to her marriage vows she was threatened by all the vengeance of man and the many Gods of that day.

This was the beginning of the sacred institution that we have been taught from childhood to reverence beyond all things.

Does it not seem strange that so vital a part of our lives should be brought about entirely through property rights? You may say because I discuss this question openly that I am an advocate of free love. I am not. I only ask that my children may have the right to mate with the ones they love with no thought of property or property rights to hinder them. You say they are free, they can if they wish. They cannot. Look about you at your half-trained little ones—half trained because you have not the time nor strength to force obedience and think to yourself whether or not you would advise your daughter to marry for love or property.

All who are interested in the woman's question and have anything to say along that line we will be more than glad to hear from. Also we will be glad to answer any question you wish to ask.

Address all writing and questions to Mrs. Floyd Hyde, 855 E. Sixty-seventh Street, Seattle.

WOMAN'S SOCIALIST EDUCATIONAL CLUB.

The Woman's Socialist Educational Club has changed its headquarters and has now taken up its abode in Room 49 Holyoke Block, First and Spring Streets (Entrance on Spring). The Club met April First at 7:30. The entire meeting being taken up with organization and business work—the exception of the last half hour which was devoted to study—Mrs. Burgess ably presenting the lesson.

Mrs. Engold has been given full charge of the work among the Swedish women and all Swedish women should notify her in order that they may come together in a social and profitable way.

We give below the circular letter presented by Mrs. Lampe for approval, which was unanimously accepted.

Dear Madam:— This circular is to bring to your attention, and to enlist your cooperation in a movement which should and does appeal to every woman in the most forceful manner. Throughout the world great changes are taking place, old ideas are being supplanted by new ones, old forms have given place to others better adapted to present conditions. Among the most radical and far-reaching of all is the activity of woman.

And today the women of England, France, Germany, Russia and Finland have organizations which are raising the feminine portion of those countries into the vanguard of enlightenment. The spirit has spread to America. Already in New York, Milwaukee and Chicago, working women are taking an active part in the study and discussion of the great questions. Such an organization is being perfected in Seattle. It is known as the Women's Socialist Educational Club, and is an auxiliary to the Socialist party. Its aim is to give the working woman of Seattle an opportunity for a better understanding of these new changes, and the effect it will have upon her.

Too long has it been said that woman is brainless and can not reason. The reaction has set in; the great wave of intellectual advance among women is sweeping the world.

Here is your chance to join us. This will take some of your time, but it will be most profitably spent. It will make you study, teach you to think and exercise your reason. Here you will meet other earnest women like yourself, you will find teachers to direct you in the study of those subjects that you want to and should know, which will make you a broader woman, a better mother and more perfect comrade.

This club meets every Wednesday evening at 7:30 p. m. in room 49, Holyoke Building, entrance on Spring St. You are invited to attend.

MRS. EMILIE LAMPE, Organizer.
 P. S.—Members of this Club are not obliged to belong to the Socialist party.

The Young People's Socialist League will hold its first meeting on Sunday at 11 a. m., at Socialist Headquarters, rear of Carpenter's Hall—entrance off Westlake avenue—All those having children and wishing to have them attend can either bring them or notify the secretary of the Women's committee and they will be called for.

BESSIE FISET, Secretary.

Farewell Seattle
 This grafting town I'm going to leave, To tramp the roads, I do believe; For 'tis a fact I'm awfully tired, Of this e're berg, so much admired.

For two years past, a wondrous tale; Prosperity that ne'er could fail, In this great town on Puget Sound, Where suckers from the East abound.

No Moore sits in the Mayor's chair, Miller's the man by whom we swear; Chief Wapenstein is on the shelf, So others now can get the pelf.

I've tramped this town from end to end, My bum condition I cannot mend; So for some place I'll go in quest; Where I will be a welcome guest.

But if I find, as I expect, That to a jail I'll be elect; Then I will surely find a home, And o'er this land no more will roam.

HINCKY DINK.
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Headquarters Provisional Committee for the Socialist Party of Washington
 Ira Wolfe, Secretary, 4086 Second Av. N. W. Seattle, Wash.
 N. W. Seattle, Wash., March 16, 1908.
 E. Stephens, Spokane, Wash.
 Chief Lar for "Pope Titus the First," Savior of the Socialist party (????). I have heard of you before. If I am not mistaken you are a new resident of Spokane. Suspect that you went there with these resolutions in your pocket, and had hard time to get 5 or 6 men together to adopt them. Am glad you succeeded. Am sending a copy of the decree to each of our organizers to use in their work. The lies you have told there will be the means of getting many a comrade on line up with us to dethrone the ring that has usurped the delegated powers of the Socialist party and used them to boost a private news paper. Many thanks to you for these statements. Please come again.
 For Socialism in spite of you,
 IRA WOLFE.
 Editor's Note.

Local Spokane passed a resolution unanimously which Wolfe did not like but which was sent to him by Stephens, secretary of Local Spokane. The above was Wolfe's reply. Except for a letter like the above which occasionally falls into our hands, we should not know the Mills remnant was in existence. In Seattle we never hear of them, while the regular party organization is pushing things and progressing all along the line. Such letters as the above of Wolfe's can have no effect but to help the regular Socialist Party of Washington in Spokane or elsewhere. We hope all those so-called Socialists who possess the spirit of this Wolfe letter and who like that sort of thing will continue to flock by themselves, and not merely a "Provisional Committee." By all means let them become permanent. Even their "provisional" organization has helped the regular party, which has never been more successful than at present, both in spirit and in members.

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A Cartoon

A cartoon in a recent issue of a union paper called "The Trackman" is worthy of comment. In the center of the picture is a figure entitled the "Courts" and on one side Labor and on the other Capital. On the side of Capital the ear of the Courts has been abnormally developed until it can hear the slightest whisper while on the side near Labor the ear has shrunk until it can hardly be seen and Labor's loudest cry cannot be heard.

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