

SOCIALISM IN OTHER LANDS.

Edited by Robert Sattler. Africa. The Algerian Federation of the Socialist party of France now publishes a monthly Socialist magazine, called 'The North African Socialist'.

SOCIALISTS FOR PEACE. Stockholm, Oct. 2.—Hjalmar Branting, leader of the Socialist party in Sweden, went to Christiania the other day to lecture before the students of the university. Since the breach between the two nations he is the first Swede invited to that institution in an official capacity and also the first to be received with officialism in the Norwegian capital.

Denmark. The Danish Juvenile Socialist Federation held its first annual congress at Vejle, Jutland, recently. Thirty-two delegates were present, representing 1,720 Socialists in the provinces of the north. These clubs form the nucleus of the new federation and there is no doubt that it will soon grow and triple its membership during the ensuing year.

Great Britain. One hundred and sixty miners were killed at a mine disaster in the Wingham mine near Durham.

Russia. Dispatches from St. Petersburg report that the peasants throughout the Wiatka province refuse to pay taxes.

Germany. The Emperor intended to visit the city of Coburg, but there was one obstacle that had to be removed first, namely, a huge sign in red color over a little umbrella shop, owned by a poor widow, who is not a Socialist.

SOCIALISTS AND THE HOUSE OF LORDS. The new labor movement in England with its Socialist representatives in the House of Commons is preparing for a genuine fight on the House of Lords.

SOCIALISTS IN RUSSIAN UNIVERSITIES. The Russian students are once more showing their revolutionary character. It will be remembered that they were closed two years ago because the students were all working with the Socialists.

Moscow district have organized and are anxious to follow the example of the Lodz laborers, who have gone on a strike.

SOCIALISTS GET GUNS. Warsaw, Russian Poland, Oct. 14.—A consignment of several thousand revolvers, purchased by the Russian government in Berlin, recently fell into the hands of Polish revolutionists.

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PAST OR FUTURE—WHICH SHALL RULE?

Political parties but reflect industrial conditions. They arise to represent certain interests, certain industrial classes.

When during the middle of the last century chattel slavery was giving way to the wage system in the Southern States of the Union,

When at the close of the eighteenth century the feudal system was finally giving way to capitalism, all the old factions and divisions

To-day we are in the midst of a similar situation. Capitalism is in its death throes.

It is therefore inevitable that we should see old party lines dissolving, changing, reforming.

In such a time as this the party that represents the interests of the rising class can alone preserve its organization and increase its strength.

THE PARTY THAT IS TO-DAY ACTING AS THE TOUCHSTONE OF AMERICAN POLITICAL LIFE, BREAKING UP OLD COMBINATIONS AND FORMING NEW ONES, IS THE SOCIALIST PARTY.

It is fear of Socialism that has driven Gompers out of his pure and simple claim policy into his present floundering antics on the political field.

All these forces seek and fear the Socialist whip that is scourging them into action. All seek alike to ignore and belittle the master forces that are driving them hither and thither.

Even those who like Hearst and Bryan are seeking to use and exploit the Socialist movement, even as they and their class have never and exploited all things connected with the workers for ages.

Fearing the future, all these parties hark back to some supposed golden age of the past. They claim to be Lincoln Republicans or Jeffersonian Democrats.

There need be no disagreement. All alike represent Americanism. But it is the Americanism of the past.

THE AMERICANISM OF YESTERDAY AND TO-DAY IS CAPITALISM, THE AMERICANISM OF TO-MORROW AND THE FUTURE IS SOCIALISM.

In their time Lincoln and Jefferson fought for progress. They fought for the success of the rising competitive capitalist. They did not seek to force the society of their day back to the semi-feudalistic conditions from which it sprang.

To-day those who invoke their names are trying to crowd the giant monopolistic industries of to-day back into the little competitive stage of a generation ago.

Let the dead past bury its dead. The past and the present are fixed, save as the present can be used to influence the future.

THE FUTURE HAS YET TO BE WRITTEN. IT BELONGS TO THE WORKERS. THEY HAVE ONLY TO ENTER IN AND OCCUPY THEIR HERITAGE.

CORRESPONDENCE.

LET SOCIALISTS BE OUTSPOKEN

In one of the latest issues of the Chicago Socialist, Comrade M. C. Fitzhugh, enters a protest against the outspokenness of some of our lecturers, urging in the contrary that we be reserved in method.

THE MERCANTILE CLASS.

The Socialist is frequently confronted with the question, What are you going to do with the merchant class?

COMRADE PHIL ENGLE SICK.

Comrade Phil Engle of Detroit, Mich., is sick and confined to the Cook county hospital in Chicago.

A SOCIALIST REPLY.

Comrade Wm. A. Cunnea, Candidate for Municipal Judge, Answers Bar Association.

October 13, 1906.

The Committee on Municipal Court Candidates.

Gentlemen—You have been fit in passing upon my candidacy for the Municipal Court to say I am "not believed to be of sufficient professional standing, ability or experience for the position."

Opinions or "beliefs" emanating from the Bar Association or its committee, as to fitness of candidates for judicial honors have been so universally discredited by the legal profession and the voters of the community that but little, if any, attention is given their commendation or condemnation.

The three talons of Tooley Street had as much weight in influencing British parliamentary action as the Bar Association committee on candidates upon regular elections.

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Perhaps I have taken your critique too seriously. I realize the extreme indelicacy of sounding one's own praises.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE. The women have only to demand and they shall receive, according to the Chicago Record-Herald.

FALL RIVER AND NEWPORT. I visited Fall River and Newport to-day. Fall River is known as the largest cotton mill town in the United States, and as the city of foreigners.

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CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

Eleven members were present at last Sunday's regular meeting of the campaign committee.

The finance committee reported the net proceeds of the Brandt Park rally at \$529.83. Tickets netted for 1,500; get out and unnetted, 1,950. Probable net receipts, \$900.

The speakers committee reported 12 meetings closed up and 28 listed. Good meetings are being held at 419 State street.

The financial report of the campaign committee showed balance due speakers of \$260.04. Thus far the meetings show an average cost per man of \$13.54 per week. It is estimated that fully \$500 more will be necessary to close up the campaign without a deficit.

A small leaflet defining the "Legal Rights of Watchers" was ordered printed. The need of a complete roster of watchers was urged.

One thousand hangers were ordered printed for the Eighteenth Congressional District.

The Kerngold letters were received and placed on file.

The Joliet communication was referred to the State Secretary, who was authorized to proceed without financial responsibility.

The H. Anzlewski letter was ordered returned without action. Adjourned to meet Sunday, Oct. 21, at 9:30 a. m.

CAPITALIST POLITICS IN THE UNION.

As has been foreseen, the attempt to take the unions into politics by picking best men among their enemies is bearing the organizations all to pieces.

The Illinois Federation of Labor is also torn by contending factions that threaten disruption, and the coming national convention of the America Federation at Minneapolis threatens to duplicate the famous Minneapolis convention of the Knights of Labor, which marked the downfall of that great organization.

The whole matter is still in the courts. Whether De Loon will succeed in capturing the organization and thereby reviving his almost exhausted income, it is impossible to state at present.

The whole matter is one more proof of the crooked intriguing of this man, who has done more than any other individual to retard and confuse the Socialist movement of the United States.

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