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Remarkable Proof that Votes for Socialism Are Not Thrown Away--German Socialists Never Yet Acquired tread. The fiend's name is Poverty William. Political Power, but Have Already in Old Age. And he carries with him a whip or scourge made up with means? You should read some of the reports and comments on the Achieved a Mighty and Beneficial and things—sharp and poisoned. And Workhouse system of England, or Reform--Vote for What You Want.

The article by Charles Edward Russell in the Christmas number of Hampton's Broadway Magazine, is reproduced herewith in substance in order to show what Socialism can do without winning a single state.

In a word, the Fear of Socialism has already abolished the Fear of Old

Age, so graphically described by Mr. Russell in this brilliant article.

In the same way, the Fear of Socialist progress and success would have secured far more for Mr. Gompers and his followers than all their threats and appeals to support Bryan. Had the two million voters in the American Federation of Labor been cast solidly for Debs and Hanford instead of thrown away on Bryan and Taft, there would have been no more trouble with njunction and Fines for Contempt, and Suppression of Picketing and

Nearly three million Proletarian votes for Socialism last election, on November 3d.

If we could now be saying that, the country and the world would be talking of nothing else.

If that were now true, Taft, and even Cannon, would now be promising to provide for the Giant Labor with Eight Hour Days, and Old Age Pensions, and "Fair Treatment" generally!

O, yes, Capital will be "Fair" to Labor when it sees Labor rising in its

Poor, foolish, divided Labor!

When will it learn that Karl Marx knew a thousand times more than Gompers when he said, sixty years ago: "Proletarians of all lands, unite. You have nothing to lose but your chains. You have a world to gain.

PASSING OF THE POOR HOUSE

By Charles Edward Russell

zine" for Dec. 08.)

Editorial Note.-They are abolishing the Poorhouse in Europe. Parliament has just passed the Old Age Pensions Bill, which has profoundly agitated England. Germany, France, most nations of the world are combining in a humane battle against

houses, with more than 80,000 perma- we know is to make sure against any nent inmates, in this country. Ac- such fate. To get a competence—scording to the latest Government rethat is the first aim of life as it is A Ghost that port their annual cost of maintenance also the last. To get a competence is \$37,306,135. This does not include any old way, but to get it; to inthe enormous property investment, sure against want in old age, to the interest on which, together with obviate that terrible chance, to pro-

vould afford every public pensioner in this country nearly \$100 a year.

Mr. Russell has been abroad study ing this great world-movement for us. He has written the first complete, and thus of other men's gold he heaps comprehensive article on Old Age Australia and New Zealand have all Pensions to appear in an American taken drastic steps in the same di- Magazine. It is a heart-pulling, abrection. Excepting our own, the fore- sorbing story for people who think.

Poverty in old age. We in turn must the same time to be in want-life has soon awaken to the necessity and no possibility more terrible than that. Fiend gets them after all. And that economy of pensioning the aged Poor. For most of us (and particularly in is an accurate picture of life as it Today there are some 2,500 alms- this country) the very first purpose

TO THE TEACHERS OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE

An election of vital interest to the teachers of the City of Seattle will take place December 5th next. Two members of the Board of Directors are to be selected through the votes of the men and women of Seattle.

This election is a so-called nonpartisan election. The Socialist Party contend that this is but a subterfuge of the commercial interests and their representatives and are sustained in this their contention in every election by the very action of the mouthpieces of the commercial interests—the daily press. You have undoubtedly noticed in former elections the ardent appeals to the business interests, but very seldom have you seen any propositions appealing to the interests of the teachers and other employees in connection with the schools. The only candidates representing the real interests of the schools this

year as well as in former years are the candidates of the Socialist Partythe candidates who are not hypocritical enough to say that they are nonpartisan. They come out boldly before the public appealing for the suffrage of the voters on the ground that they want better schools, better paid teachers, better conditions for both teachers and pupils, a more modern and progressive system of education, more personal freedom for the teachers, and a general improvement in our educational institutions,

regardless of how the carrying out of these reforms may effect the commercial and propertied interests.

We have nominated two candidates who are thoroughly familiar with the needs of the children as well as those of the teachers. Both have children of school age and both think and feel the thoughts and feelings of the Wage Earner

Mrs. Bessy Fiset is the wife of a prominent Seattle physician in West Seattle, and J. A. McCorkle is a prominent member of the Carpenters' Union and resides in the Twelfth Ward. Both are thoroughly familiar with the school system, know its needs and will consider only the interests of the teachers and the pupils and not the propertied interests.

Socialist Party, representing, as it does, the interests of the Wage Earner, be he school teacher, janitor, or street laborer, receives practically its sole support, politically, morally and financially, from the Wage Working Class and appeals to this class alone for its support. We recognize that it is impossible to also represent the interests of commercialism, and admit it. All other candidates claim to represent everybody alike, thus attempting to ride into office on false preter

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F YOU HAVE NOT YET REGISTERED THIS YEAR, REGISTER! For information regarding the campaign please address the undersigned

at P. O. Box No. 1908, and oblige

ARTHUR JENSEN. Secretary Campaign Committee.

vide for the evil days when man may work not, to escape the black shadow —that is the idea.

That's it; that's the situation. A frightful flend doth close behind us tim he lays on with that Scourge Man gets a glimpse of that Fiend and to help him along the path. It is of those doors be not upon them. anything to get away from that Flend anything. If he must climb over the necks of other men and trample upon them and strangle them or crowd them down into the subcellars and the rear tenements where the Fiend gets them in large numbers so be it. He must escape the Fiend. And if he must fight and claw, gouge and rend, wallow, snatch and snarl, so be it. And if he must trip other swift runners like himself, so that in the pride of their strength of a sudden they fall and before they know it the Fiend is upon them, so be that

The one grand, consecrated, allabsorbing, all-possessing, lofty, and eternal purpose in life is to get way from the Fiend.

Every man for himself

The Fiend's look is so fierce and the Scourge are so awful that many man after he has scrambled far out of the Fiend's reach continues to scramble and also to fight and claw. gouge and rend, wallow and snatch just as before, that he may make assurance ten times sure and feel at all times certain the Flend can never get bin. So he cheats a city out of the river. a traction franchise, or creates a ga menopoly, or swindles a community Dread of Penury by an electric-light deal, or issue watered stock and fictitious bonds about him a great wall over which the Fiend can never climb.

This is what the swift man does or the lucky. And the other men, unfortunate brothers of the swift or the To be old and incapacited and at lucky-why, they stumble in the running or die or get into jail or the really is in the midst of a glorious and perfect civilization. Amen.

Haunts Mankind

It is no joke about that Fiend and that Scourge and the terror they inspire, as you will agree if for a moment you will stop to think of the isease vou t you could endure, or physical danger you could torture in the Poorhouse.

The Grave? or

The Grave? or the Poorhouse? It is even so. How many men and romen have laid hands upon themselves rather than endure this last atmost agony that life holds for any human heart? To have hung about one's neck this burning badge espised burden upon the public, the recipient of a grudged and scantiest charity, condemned to a cell not nuch-better than a felon's, to be confined in a prison like a criminal supposing life to have left in the leart one nerve not atrophied, death If we had the cold records of the ulcides that in the last one huncaused in Great Britain alone we should be appalled and amazed, awful doors fall upon them. To the defiance of sacred traditions. There they throw themselves into the State they have been servants berivers, or steal rat poison, or climb hadow of those awful doors fall not and supports them.

Condemned By Society

Well, then, how about wornout William? To the Poorhouse with

he name of that scourge is Life in visit some of the county poorhouse the Poorhouse when You are Old: of America. Then you would under and when the Fiend catches a vic- stand how black must be the crime of poor old William since society has until the victim dies. And you may decreed to take upon him a ven be sure that every time poor old geance so terrible. And you would also understand why William and that Scourge, he digs out; and makes his kind throw themselves into the the dust fly behind him. And he river, or steal rat poison, or climbs doesn't care very much what he does upon railroad tracks that the shadow

> But let them while they have work practice thrift and economy and be good, as we are, and then in their old age they will have a competence and be in no such straits. So you 14,000,000 Old say, being well fed and at ease. Only-what is the use of preaching the impossible? Even if under mod ern conditions the cost of living were not steadily encroaching upon the average income, there is no thrift average income of an agricultural ment help. laborer in England is about \$4 a Thus every person working for rent and food, imagine such a family accumulating a competence. You see the thing can't be done, it is impossible. We give poor old William no chance. For him the Poorhouse or

Begets Savagery

But the Poorhouse we have had has pursued us always; hence we must always scramble thus to escape The unfortunate and the outworn have always been condemned to poor old William's fate; hence Old Age has always inspired men to the conditions about us; hence they surance account was \$52,750,000, of facts we seldom really see because always must be the conditions about of which about \$4,200,000 was for we see them all the time. All your life long what has been the most of the world is the Survival of the world age pensions.

Whatever is, is right. The law old age pensions.

The average pension paid was: dreadful fate that imagination has pictured for you? The Poorhouse. Change Human Nature? And so on. For permanent invalidity

But now one nation after another For provisional invalidity face, or hardships you could undergo, arises to refute the old savagery of but the Poorhouse-ah, to the mere the Survival of the Fittest and to suggestion of the Poorhouse pertained suggest that Human Nature is not small to us, but we must remember, always a sense of degradation and necessarily akin with the tiger's. Be- first, that the difference between our horror to which disease and death cause here is one nation after anhave no pang! If there be hell on other convinced that the Poorhouse the relative cost of living is a fact earth it belongs to the idea of the is absolutely unnecessary, all the always to be reckoned with in mak-Poorhouse; the very dogs in the fear of it, worse than a madman's ing comparisons, and second, that street thrust out their tongues at the dream, and all the evil resulting Germany was the pioneer in these publicly branded and disgraced fall-trom that fear a wholly needless reforms and her cautious first steps ure that socitey has condemned to curse upon mankind. And so the nations, one after another (our own tions that have followed her. not being among them), are arranging to abolish the Poorhouse and all tors to the German fund: that thereunto pertains and to free the Poorhouse? poor old Man from one of his oldest and heaviest burdens.

How? By providing for all per limit of full activity an adequate support from the revenues of the State crime of Old Age, and by recognizing accumulated years not only as honof incompetency, to be a loathed and orable but as entitled to public re-

ward and support. tion in controlling ideas? Is it not important results than any battle, or than all the battles? No more Poorunfortunate, no more prison cells for those left alone in the world, no more into the rivers lest the shadow of cause they have been citizens; now on the railroad tracks that the in their old age the State requites Class 1..........\$27.50 a year

of selfishness and cupidity as the strongest motives among men. Where no man need fear poverty in his is in Germany, \$57.50 a year as a of mankind to be its blessings, and old age, no man need strangle his pension is no great sum; but it is an that the way to improve the race is fellow to escape the Fiend.

the Fittest doctrine and to question the necessity of maintaining this par ticular fear among the troubles of mankind was Germany. That was twenty years ago, and inasmuch as the experience of Germany has com pletely demonstrated that the Poorhouse is not sacred nor obligatory, and that men can be righteous without undergoing needless suffering, considered. The Government collects of work. Nothing but the Fiend and other nations are rapidly demolishing and cares for the fund from which an institution of barbarism and sub stituting Germany's discovery of an institution of civilization.

This new institution is called the Old Age Pension.

Probably few of us have noted how rapidly it has been spreading about

Age Pensions In Germany

In Germany the plan in its practiand no economy that will cope, with cal operation might be called a form the contingencies of accident, in of compulsory insurance under govfirmity, sickness, and privation. The ernment direction and with govern-

week. Just imagine a man with a wages or a salary not exceeding \$500 family to support, doctors to pay, a year must take out an old age and all the rest of it, putting by a or infirmity insurance policy on which competence from an income like that. he pays one-half of the annual pre-And if you think that his case is pe mium while his employer pays the he spikes and claws and things on culiar or confined to England, imag- other half. From the fund thus obine a family in an American city tained pensions are paid to persons with a weekly income of \$25, and all whom sickness or infirmity have inthese steadily mounting expenses for capacitated for work as well as to those attaining the age of seventy years. To each recipient of an invalid or old age pension, the Government makes an additional grant of its own.

The amount of the pension is deermined upon the double basis of amount he has paid in premiums.

many in the Government Old Age and a piece of sublimated folly. They Labor's Demands was felt. always; therefore we must have it Invalidity Insurances more than four knew perfectly well that any such The Fiend with his Scourge teen million persons—from which as scheme would be ruinous to the na-

has proved more popular than the most obliging kindness. There is digent. there can be nothing else provided strictly old age pension, for the read also a certain order of mind everyfor them. The dread of Penury in son that the infirmity pension can where that regards every innovation be entered upon when the invalidity as of the devil and detestable, being, was enacted a great new principle prey upon their fellows, and to fight occurs and after the age of seventy it seems, quite able to see clearly and claw, gouge and rend; it has it takes the place of an old age pen that the way everything has been definite and inevitable claims not always driven them to push other sion. Thus while in 1907 there were done in the past is the best way ever merely upon its relatives, but upon men into the subcellar and the rear 110,967 persons receiving the straight conceived by man, and if anyone says tenement; it has always filled them old age pension, there were more there is a better way he is a scound-doctrine because more than any other with mean and vicious thoughts, and than 800,000 who were in receipt of rel and muckraker and let him die people in the world we have com inspired them to lead mean and vic- the infirmity pension. The total na- the death. All such minds in Gerious lives. These have always been tional expenditure in 1907 on the in- many perceived that the thing was

Of course these sums seem very country and Germany in respect to curse upon mankind. And so the have been far exceeded by the na-

There are five classes of contribu

1. On annual wages or salaries of \$87.50 the annual premium is 34 cents a week: 2. On annual wages or salaries of \$137.50 the annual pre sons that live beyond the average mium is 5 cents a week; 3. On annual premium wages or salaries of \$212.50 the annual premium is 6 In other words, by abolishing the cents a week; 4. On annual wages or salaries of \$287.50 the annual pre minm is 714 cents a week. 5 On annual wages or salaries of \$500 the

Benefactions under the act are somewhat restricted. Thus old age likely to be of far more drastic and pensions are paid to only those who have contributed for a least 1,200 weeks and the disablement pension houses, no more Fear of Poverty in to those who have contributed for is immeasurably preferable to all this Old Age, no more disgrace for the at least 500 weeks. It was thought that a wholly unrestricted pension scheme was too fearsome an experi dred years the fear of the Poorhouse throwing of old men and old women ment, the whole thing being at best so bold a leap in the dark and in

This is the scale of German pensions according to classes:

Class 2...... 35.00

Even in a country where living is there is that other school of though income, a man can live on it in Ger- to have the greater part of it live The first country to manifest a many, and very reform must have a in slums, crowded tenements, dark-practical doubt of the Survival of beginning, often of a timid and feeble ness, want, and insufficiency. These

Surplus Affords Model Dwellings

these pensions are paid, composed of ever made anybody work. That was the contributions of workmen and emperfectly clear, and consequently Proployers. It is thus in possession of ductive Industry would come to an an enormous sum of money. Much end, and what would the country do of this money it invests for profits then, poor things? in order to provide the pensions, but part of it is put into improvements for the benefit of workmen for the sole purpose of improving their health and thus keeping down the pension payments. Is not that a most curious and suggestive fact? As a matter of mere business the Government process of reasoning but driven there uses a part (and a very considerable part) of the fund at its disposal to by the rising tide of German S build sanitary homes for working vialism, which the Government, have men, hospitals for workingmen, andto fight tuberculosis among working. ing mind upon its army, desired to men. And largely from this cause stem. Anyway, the thing was don have come these excellent, airy, welllighted dwellings in which so many I hasten to reassure the timorou housed in the cities. And if this and conscientious investigation can Government has now found that to discover, it has not ruined the counprovide healthful dwelling is good try nor depleted the revenues, nor business because thereby it can keep impaired the national character. Pro being housed hap-hazard and so of twenty years the condition of the Old Age Pension had wrought no improved; he has more comfort, more other good but merely to force atten- health, more joys. And this has been mental housing problem, the world bettered situation. should call it blessed.

Germany, I need hardly say, did best the whole thing was regarded a little were attentively watched by In 1907 there were insured in Ger by the philosophers and wise men as other nations where the pressure of

as cheap, easy, and comfortable as it that seems to believe the miseries foresaw that if the Government up dertook to support men in their old age there would be no Incentive, and of course the world could not keep house without Incentive. How could it? Unless a man were reasonably and Hospitals sure that his declining years would be passed amid the horrors of the There is also another matter to be Poorhouse, he would never do a bit

> But the Government was no greatly impressed by these argum pelled to the pension idea by any

German workingmen are comfortably by declaring that so far as repeated down the Nation's sick list, how great ductive Industry has not been parais the accumulated wrong that other lyzed and there has been ample store workmen suffer and have suffered, of Incentive. Undeniably in the last ten in deadly environments? If the German workingman has very greatly tion to this vast vital, and funda- one of the greatest causes of his

Germany was the pioneer, but the the wages received by the pensioner not arrive at these humane improve results of her bold and hazardous efwhile has was at work and the ments without fighting for them. At forts to lighten man's burden of Fear

New Zealand, New South Wales, Vic tounding fact you can gather some tional character and an insupportable toria, Australia, Canada, France, Belthing of the proportions of the new drain upon the national revenues. guim and finally Great Britain have They not only knew it, but they all committed themselves to the new In practice the invalidity pension could prove it, and they did, with the system of pensioning the old and in

> The first time an old age pension was created. the State. That seems to us a strange

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TO ORGANIZED LABOR OF **SEATTLE**

Again various citizens come before you asking for your political support. On this occasion it is two vacancies on the Board of Directors of our pubic schools which are to be filled by the votes of the men and women citizens of Seattle.

This election is a so-called nonpartisan election. The Socialist Party contends that this is but a subterfuge. Here, as in all other elections, the daily papers are appealing to the voters to elect a "business Administration." What does that mean? It means that they want an "economical administration" of our school affairs. It means that they want to save money for the taxpayers. This in turn means cheap labor for work in connection with the schools. It means that the teachers will be paid low wages, that the school rooms will be crowded, that only the most necessary improvements will be made, that no new school buildings will be erected unless the need for them is a very urgent one; in other words, a "Business Administration" of school affairs means in good English that the commercial interests will be considered first, last and all the time, and that the interests of Labor will never be considered.

The only candidates representing the interests of Organized Labor are the candidates nominated by the Socialist Party, Mrs. Bessy Fiset and J. A. McCorkle. They come out boldly before the voters, appealing for their suffrage-not on the ground that they will give the Seattle schools a "Business Administration"-but on the grounds that they want better schools better paid teachers and janitors, better conditions for both teachers and pupils, and only Union Labor employed in the construction of school buildings. They encourage organization of the teachers along Trades Union lines. All of this and more they advocate, regardless of how the carrying out of these reforms may effect the propertied interests.

Mrs. Bessy Fiset is the wife of a prominent Seattle physician, and J. A. McCorkle is well known among Union Men as a prominent member of the Carpenters' Union.

If you have not yet registered this year you can register at the office of the Board of Education, Seventh avenue and Marion street, every day except Sunday and Thanksgiving Day until and including November 28th. This should be especially kept in mind by the women of the Working Class, as this is the only occasion during the year they have a vote.

Union Men and Women, are you going to vote for a "Business Adminis tration" with cheap labor, crowded schools, and school buildings erected by scab labor, or are you going to vote for high wages, for the teachers organizing along Trades Union lines, for Union Labor employed in the construction of school buildings, and for better conditions in general by voting for your own representatives, Mrs. Fiset and Mr. J. A. McCorkle.

Fraternally,

ARTHUR JENSEN, Box 1908. Secretary Socialist School Campaign Committee.

THE SOCIALIST PARTY

LOCAL SEATTLE **NEWS NOTES**

Three new applicants were admitted at the business meeting on last Thursday. They were Samuel Sadler, Jes sle F. Balmais and Kate B. Levis. These comrades hall from Philadelphia and are valuable additions to our membership, having already shown their desire and ability to work in the move ment and to make the movement what

encouraging to us, though it must and Samuel Sadler. somewhat dampen the spirits of those who claim that Local Seattle has but sixty members and does not grow.

The business meetings of the Local are growing more and more interesting and an increasing number of members ing. While this is less than a third of the total membership, it shows an increasing interest in the business affairs of the Local on the part of the control of the local on the part of the local on the local

creasing interest in the business affairs of the Local on the part of the membership.

If you could but realize the importance of the business meetings you would every one attend as often as possible. The Socialist Party is just ton during June, July and August, and the State Committee was able to and the State Committee was able to and the State Committee was able to

ings can be made intensely interesting ous service as speaker and organizer

weeks from December 13th to January 10th inclusive. Comrade Morgan will, speak in Labor Temple Hall on Sundays and on the streets as often as the weather permits. The Propaganda committee have offered him \$3.00 per day for his services while employed.

On Sunday, November 22, a protest meeting against the deportation of Jan. Pouren, a Russian revolutionist. will be held in Hall No. 1, Labor Tem-

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which actually finds and as surely removes the cause of disease. I have often cured Rheumatism, constipa-tion, Kidney and Liver diseases, Fephoid Fever in two and three treatments. No matter what your all-ment is, if there is a cure for it, it is in Chiropractic adjustment. Consultation and examination free. Dr. Sorensen, Rooms 208-209 Heussy Blk., 304 Pike Street. Hours 10-12

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Intention of dealing with him as a revolutionist. Pouren is now in the custody of the officials at Washington.

Nominations for the Scattle School Board were made at the last business meeting. Comrades Mrs. Bessy Fiser and J. A. McCorkie were the nomineas Both candidates are especially fitted for the position for which they were moninated, and if an aggressive campaign is carried on stand as good a show of winning as the other candidates. The platform adopted is the one used in the campaign of 1907, and it is a splendid example of Socialist principles applied to the public school system. The following comrades were elected as a campaign committee:

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OCHY and the other in Boston, only 185 the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the total number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the number of due stamps sold was 14,985, an average of 1,244 per month. From September 1st to August at 18, 1967, the number of due stam Six new application cards were presented at this same meeting. This is Arthur Jensen, Secretary; Mrs. Fise

OSBORNE PROTESTS

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what the members make it. That be and the State Committee was able to what the members make it. That being true, you've no right to kick if you
stay away from Local meetings and it
becomes what it should not.

That beind the State Committee was anie to
find work for me for only about half
of the time, as my reports to the
State Office will show, and I never ac
cepted an appointment in Washington only through the State Commit-Comrade Paul Turner, organizer of Local Tacoma, gave an interesting and educational address at Labor Tempel last Sunday evening.

We propose to have a continuance of good speakers to address our Sunday night meetings and the Local members should be on hand to take advantage of the five minute talks after the main speech. These meetings can be made intensely interesting our service as speaker and organizer of the state Committee and life of any individual, speaker, it must guarantee sustenance for that life. But this the Washington State Committee refuses to do, and in this respect ignores the fundamental fact in regard to the stability of organization.

if the membors will endeavor to put left their best into these five minute discussions.

and still voluntarily and gladly select this life of poverty without any hope of honor or reward, but dislike cussions.

my comrades. E. J. Lewis of Portland will speak in Labor Temple next Sunday evening. It is expected that he will also speak deavor to have William McDevitt unon the 29th and will be employed by on the 29th and will be employed by the Local for the following week, closing his engagement with the Sunday meeting of December 6th.

J. Ed Morgan, known to readers of "The Socialist" as author of "Colorado Breezes" and lately a speaker under the auspices of the National Office, is expected to work in Seattle for four weeks from December 13th to January amps are already out. However, at the annual meeting of the full State Committee I was placed on the State Speakers List without any objection. This meeting was held August 29th. The State Secretary of California assured me that I could be used continuously till election, working under a guarantee of four dollars a day and railroad fare. Notwithstanding the financial advantage of working under a guarantee in California, I de-clined to accept work here and pre-pared to go to Washington to begin work on September 10th as I had ple, at 2:30 p. m. The Russian government is seeking Pouren's extradition from this country on the ground that he is a common criminal, with the pense on September 10th, inquiring if he had made dates for me in Washington. Recaiving no reply to either letter or telegram, I reluctantly gave up the trip to Washington on the ed Special, and went to work in California. ed Special, and went to work in California. Furthermore, although I was a member at large in good standing, I never received a single report of the meetings of the State Executive Committee. The only communication I received from Kruege was a "roast" for my non-appearance which under the circumstances, was entirely uncalled for. As far as know there had always been com

Very fraternally yours for better or

still have.

rlete harmony between myself and the State Committee of Washington. I have always had the highest re-gard and most fraternal feelings for the comrades of Washington, and

J. B. OSBORNE.

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CAREY KICKS

ton Street. Boston, Mass., Nov. 13.

Massachusetts used to be at the Socialist front in Haverhill days. It has bequeathed us from those days some first class men, Carey, Chase, Wally for example.

some first class men, Carey, Chase, Mailly, for example.

But leaving out the Fitchburg Finns and their fellow workers, what is Massachusetts doing in the way of Révolutionary action now days? It conforms to an infamous Primary Law which breaks down the registered bounds of the Party organization. With the most compact industrial populathe most compact, industrial popula tion in America, what are you doing to win the Proletarian? What new blood are you developing in the Socialist movement?

You have a population four times that of the State of Washington, and a Socialist Party membership scarcely any larger, and that notwithstand-ing our high percentage of farmers in Washington and your high percentage

of Proletarians in Massachusetts.
What "The Socialist" meant to intimate about Massachusetts was this, You are too tame, the spirit of '76 has departed from you. You submit, you don't fight, the Capitalists are afraid of you, and therefore your Prole tarian army is not recruited.—Ed.

CAREY'S REPORT.

To the Annual Conference of the So cialist Party Clubs of Massachusetts:

Comrade Delegates:

The present Secretary entered upon the duties of the office August 19th of last year but does not include in this report the business of the few remaining days of that month. This report covers the period of one year, from September 1st, 1907, to September 1st, 1908, which practically includes the membership.

With a membership of 3,210, of which 1,605 are square, I would remembership (3,210) paid dues regularity it would enable the State Office to keep two State Organizers in the field and this without further increase in membership.

J. F. CAREY.

During the year previous, from Sep-

mandair report for that period.	The Market
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September 1st, 1907, the debt of	of the
Party was as follows:	
M. W. Wilkins\$	40.00
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All bills contracted during the past year have been paid.

WASHINGTON

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Secretary's report was read in relation to the Burgess controversy and on motion adopted as the report of this the outgoing State Executive Committee to the incoming State Committee which is to meet at twelve o'clock noon; the secretary was instructed to lay this report before the new state committee together with his financial report for the period beginning with July 1st and closing Oct. 31st, and to make other reports necessary and which will tend to give a clear view about the work ieft unfinished at this time and in this unfinished condition must be taken over by the new committee.

Secretary was further instructed to communicate with the law firm of Parker & Brown of Seattle in relation to legal services rendered and not rendered, but paid for in the opinion of the Executive Committee.

Adjourned sine die.

Fraternally submitted,

R. KRUEGEER,

in the case of J. B. Osborne versus City of Seattle.

Adjourned sine dle.

Fraternally submitted,
R. KRUEGER,

New State Committee

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 15th, '08. At 12:05 p. m. the State Secretary

called the meeting of the newly ele ed State Committee to order and read the call for the meeting: Upon roll call the following State Committeemen were found to be pres-ent: Anna Steele, of Seattle; A. H.

ent: Anna Steele, of Seattle; A. H. Barth, of Tacoma; E. E. Martin, of Silverdale; Wm. K. McNeil, of Sedro-Woolley? W. W. Smith, of Eyerett, C. L. Whiting, of Snohomish; Tom Russell, of Wilkeson; L. W. Longmite, of Yelm; Frank Bostrom, of Bellingham; Al. Roeder, of Granite Falls; Emil Hendrickson, of Seattle; J. W. Morris, of Arlington.
Found to be absent were: Ada Gatchell, of North Yakima; A. Jonas, of Aberdeen, and C. C. Hale, of Puyallup.

Party of Washington.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 15th, '08.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Downie with T. F. Burns and E. C. Johnson present.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Secretary reactives aread in relational skeletors and saken to the chair, but Comrade Steele pointed out that in her opinion a serious mistake had been made in her election to this position and asked to be allowed to resign. Com-

Secretary.
Objections being raised afterwards

however, by the Chairman that the action may be rescinded.

Motion then was made to rescind and to defer election of permanent secretary until after the so-called rgess controversy had been heard. was so ordered.

Secretary Krueger then asked to be allowed to lay the former State Executive Committee's report before the State Committee at this time conting out that personal letters to ered in any sense as being officially before this body, that, however, a copy of this letter would be made a part of the old executive committee's report and thus would officially come before the State Committee. It was so ordered.

The old Executive Committee's report was then read, going into all the details and giving all phases leading up to said controversy, and which have been a factor to continue it and to prevent a settlement so far in this controversy. On motion report was adopted. Under the misconception that charges had been made in this report a slight controversy arose and various motions made. Chairman ruled that no charges were officially before the committee, only a report from the committee which has gone out of existence upon certain matters and that all motions were out of order.

A motion to table the whole matter was then made and carried.

Committee again proceeded with The old Executive Committee's re ton Street.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 13.
Editor "The Socialist":

Dear Comrades—

My attention has been called to the following paragraph appearing in your issue of Nov. 7th inst, under election news sub head "Chicago Drops."

Massachusetts, which has lately been showing considerable laxity, especially in organization, shows some losses."

As to laxity in organization, 1 sub mit the enclosed from annual report of State Secretary. Also during the two months since the annual report of State Secretary. Also during the two months since the annual report of State Secretary. Also during the two months since the annual report of the state Committee on the downward bound car for five years, reaching our lowest point is at year, when we received for governon 1,421; this year, with 35 towns to hear from, we received for governon 1,421; this year, with 35 towns to hear from, we received for governon 1,400; this zal loss, but when one sees how our vote each year in Massachusetts in the state of the state Secretary and the delay of the state Secretary and the state of the state Committee of the state Committee of the state Committee which has a gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committee which has gone out of excitation of the state Committe

mittee relative to funds with which to carry on their work.

With relation to free lancing in with relation to free lancing in the state upon motion the following ruling was made and ordered strict-ly to be enforced: A free lancer is understood to be a person, whether a member of the party or not, re-puted to be a speaker on Socialism, who offers his or her services as such speaker, asks for dates direct from locals or individual members, and is a speaker without credentials from the State Secretary. To employ such speakers locals are prohibited under penalty of expulsion from the party. Secretary Treasurer's report for July, August, September and Octo-ber was received; the Secretary's request for an Auditing Committee was referred to the State Executive Committee.

The following resolutions were adopted, and ordered sent to the National office with a request that same appear in the National bulle-

Whereas, Walter Thomas Mills was by referendum vote of the Socialist Party of the State of Washington expelled for supporting an anti-Socialist candidate in British Columbia, and

Whereas, Said Walter Thomas Mills was allowed to speak and represent the Socialist Party during the late campaign in the State of Missouri, Wisconsin and Minnesota under authority of the Socialist Party organiz in those states, and

Whereas In the State of Wisconsin, our candidate for president, Comrade Debs, was forced to appear on the same platform with Mills, thus involving the National organization, Whereas, The action of the Sc

cialist Party in the State of Wash ington was thus disregarded, inter-fered with, nullified and flouted by the State organizations in said three Whereas, The National Constitu-tion expressly forbids "any member

in any state under any pretext from interfering with the regular or or-ganized movement in any other state," and

Whereas, The State organizations of Missouri, Wisconsin and Minnesota by endorsing said Mills, known to be an expelled member from the Socialist Party of the State of Washington, did thereby endorse his Fusion and Compromise tactics in British Columbia, and

Whereas, The National Constitution expressly declares that "no state or local organization shall under any circumstances fuse, combine or compromise with any other political or

Therefore Resolved, By the State Therefore Resolved, By the State Committee of the Socialist Party of the State of Washington, That we regard the action of Missouri, Wisconsin and Minnesota in employing Walter Thomas Mills to represent the Socialist Party on the Platform, well knowing him to be an expelled member in the State of Washington, as a violation of the spirit and letter of the National Constitution and as destructive of the Integrity of the National Constitution of the National Constitution and as destructive of the Integrity of the National Constitution and Section 1988 of the National Constitution 2018 of structive of the integrity of the Na tional organization, and

Resolved, That we call upon the State Committees of the three states named to repudiate their action in employing Mills and thus endeavor to square themselves with the Na-tional Constitution and relieve their states from the charge of endorsing Compromise and Fusion.

was taken Reassembled and called to order at 6:20 p. m.

Secretary reported on conduct of Secretary reported on conduct of campaign in particular with reference to stickers. Total cost regardless of postage and express was \$219.60. Counties who have ordered their county ticket provided for with stickers have received bills to the amount of \$124.50. Secretary was instructed to solicit for funds from counties in particular who have used the state stickers only.

A general discussion about conduct of campaign brought out the fact that a campaign conducted as the one just closed, can not possibly bring the result by all Socialists desired. Upon motion it was ordered that in future all state or national campaigns must be conducted in complete harmony and unity of action in all counties, and to that end all future campaigns of a like nature than the

Secretary's report as to irregularities in the nomination of candidates for county offices in several counties, resulted in a motion instructing the State Secretary to demand an explanation from locals in these counties or from the county committees and to initiate proper proceedings with a view of disciplining the rullty ones.

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Socialism --- A Working Class Movement

By Jas. D. Curtis

The means of accomplishing an end are often so closely connected with it as to deserve as much consideration as the end itself. One who attempts to grow fruit by giving the plant light without heat, then heat without light, meisture without nourishment, then nourishment without moisture, will gather no crop but experience; and he who advocates an unscientific method of instruction is more dangerous to education

who advocates an unscientific method of instruction is more dangerous to education than an open enemy.

These facts, so evident in ordinary affairs, seem to be wholly lost sight of by some Socialists, who hold that so long as they believe in the co-operative commonwealth they may without criticism advocate methods which have been condemned by experience and rejected as worthless and dangerous by a vast majority of those in the International Socialist movement.

"THE INTERNATIONAL."

No one can deny that the Socialist movement as it exists today consists in an attempt on the part of the working class to emancipate themselves through political action. Otherwise such expressions as "class struggle," "class conscious," "solidarity of the working class." etc., have no meaning whatever. Hence while member of other classes are invited and ever welcomed, the main appeal is made to the working class on the ground of their material interests.

At this juncture, however, a number of Socialist, whose motives, by the way, no one questions, propose that, since Socialism will benefit all, and will ultimately abolish economic classes, we appeal to all classes equally.

It may be noted here that many of them actually make the main appeal to the capitalist class.

capitalist class.

They hold that to appeal mainly to the working class is in opposition to universal brotherhood, narrows the movement and greatly hinders its growth.

They also regard all criticism as "personalities," and their general plan, as far as they may be said to have one, is something like this: Let all march along together, each comrade or group of comrades advocating whatever they please, appealing to all, admitting all, until by continued accretions the workingman-capitalist party which they constitute will be very much larger than the capitalist-workingman party which opposes them. Then, having Socialized the public utilities and industries "a step at a time," there will not be much left to do but for some one to mount the steps of the capitol and proclaim the co-operative commonwealth.

THE MODERN METHOD.

Contrast this with the well-defined plan of organizing a class conscious army of workers, knowing well what they want and how to get it, virile in character, impregnable in position and vigorous in action. A force well prepared for the most determined struggle (peaceable, let us hope) that the world will ever see.

This is no child's play. There is a strenuousness in it which characterizes all struggles for freedom. There is a strong sentiment within which does not spend itself to receive probabilities.

in voicing platitudes. Why is the Socialist movement founded upon class lines, and why is the main appeal

Why is the Socialist movement founded upon class lines, and why is the main appeal made to the working class?

The answer is dual in its nature, relating on the one hand to the character of the capitalist class who may join the movement, and on the other hand to the character of the working class who must join the movement.

Those who call or may call themselves Socialists either belong to the working class

or belong partly or wholly to the capitalist class. For convenience we may with justice term them the exploited Socialist and the exploiting Socialist. Let us contrast their characters, remembering that the exploiting Socialist, whose influence is cut of all proportion to his numbers, might easily give character to the entire Socialist move-

ENVIRONMENT TELLS.

Whether we believe that "environment makes the man," we must certainly admit

that it exerts a tremendous influence. Hence we find:

1. The exploiting Socialist is constantly beset with powerful temptations, social, domestic, financial and political, to break or weaken his allegiance to the Socialist movement. Some of them are so subtle as not to be recognized. His immediate inter-

ests are with the enemy.

The exploited Socialist, on the contrary, is constantly surrounded by conditions which tend to intensify his loyalty to Socialism. "He has nothing to lose but his chains," and they are always in his sight.

2. The exploiting Socialist is apt to be individualistic and to attach much importance to emptylist tendentes little.

ance to capitalist technicalities.

The exploited Socialist has climbed with his fellows, and not over them, and hence feels more the spirit of interdependence. He has an instinctive dislike for technicalities

feels more the spirit of interdependence. The mas an instinctive distinction technical and quibbling.

3. The exploiting Socialist is more apt to fuse and compromise. His very his is a compromise. He cliags to old party tickets. He will not throw away his vote. You can find his name on the old party tickets of this county, and I venture to say in every county in the land. Remember, I am speaking of him as a class and of the technicalities

of that class.

The exploited Socialist is much opposed to compromise. He almost invariably votes the Socialist ticket and could not get on an old party ticket if he wanted to.

4. The exploiting Socialist is not likely to fully realize the class struggle. One cannot realize what is not real to him.

The exploited Socialist realizes the class struggle every day.

5. The exploiting Socialist is apt to distrust the working class, and doubt the expediency of its attempting to achieve its own emancipation. Hence he frequently does not believe in democratic Socialism.

The only hope of the exploited Socialist is in his own class. Otherwise he is hope

Those who imagine that I have been drawing comparisons unfavorable to the capitalist class, and especially to Socialists belonging to that class, are mistaken.

Imagine, in the war of the rebellion, a wounded Federal soldier on the field of battle. Roughly binding up his wounds, he crawls into the swamp, whence after days of suffering, he is forced to secure human aid. Crawling along in the darkness, he suddenly sees a light. A quick terror seizes him. He attempts to retreat. But, hark! He hears the low murmur of negro voices. Stumbling to the door, he raises the latch and falls across the threshold. Ah! did the soldier think the character and intellect of the negro superior to that of the white man, or was it the environment of the negro and his knowledge that the soldier was fighting his battles that made the chances so great that he would be loyal?

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Let full credit be given to Socialists who, noble traitors as they are to their own class, have so far neglected their immediate interests, or recognized their larger interests, as to come to the relief of the working class. Many have done immense covide and representations have seculficed much seculfications.

interests, as to come to the rehef of the working class. Many have done immense service, and many have sacrificed much.

Lafayette, de Kalb and Rochambeau did much for America, but the revolutionary war could never have succeeded except as an American movement. The Socialist movement likewise, deeply indebted as it is to other classes, can only hope to succeed as a working class movement. No other class has the same motive for action and no other class can furnish the legions required.

A NEW PHASE OF THE QUESTION.

We now come to another phase of the study of character, one receiving little at-tention usually, but of great importance—how would the character of the working class

be affected by self-emancipation?

If I were a Republican or a Democrat I might write here a very beautiful and affecting eulogy on the character of the working class, but being a Socialist, I realize that the character of the working man is just what his environment has made it. He is subject to the same law as his more fortunate or unfortunate brother. (Take your

He is not accustomed to rapid thought, lacks initiative, having always had his work mapped out for him, lacks education, is suspicious of leaders, and, in short, is just what a man with a master is likely to be. He does not even know that he has a

master.

Remember, I am speaking of a class and not of exceptional individuals.

THE END AND THE MEANS.

Now, I have heard Socialists, and some of them high in our party, say: "I don't care how we get Socialism, so that we get it." Never was a greater mistake made. Before going further, note again the first sentence of this article: "The means of accomplishing an end are often so closely connected with it as to deserve as much consideration as the end itself." Listen: Medical Student—"I don't care how I get my diploma so that I get it." Teacher—"I don't care how I get obedience so that I get it." Hypocrite—"I don't care how I get honor so that I get it." But these cases are comparatively unimportant compared with the manner of getting Socialism.

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I do not want Socialism to come through any but the working class. As a parent I have compared the sturdiness acquired by self-achievement with the flabblness of children whose every desire is anticipated. As an instructor I have compared the growing manilness of the boy who "didn't want to be told" with the general worth-lessness of the boy who is always at his teacher's elbow. Great good-fortune given to a man for the asking makes him a beggar, and given without the asking generally makes him a fool.

Let no one delude himself. The capitalist class are not going to give anything to the working class either for or without the asking.

On the contrary, the working class must organize on the lines laid down by Revolutionary Socialism, educate themselves, learn to hold together, learn self-control, learn to plan and create, learn how to select wise and honest leaders in whom they may have confidence, and then when this invincible organization is completed, before its irresistible force the immovable gives away, they have won, the prize is theirs.

And then, as they stand erect and self-contained, no longer menials but each master of himself, stronger for his exertions and tenderer for his sufferings, some philosopher may kold up his hands and say: "Verly, what has been gained in character seems greater than that for which we fought."

Members of the capitalist class are unfitted by their environment to give character to the Socialist movement, and the laws of evolution demand that the working class shall free themselves.

Comrades, our movement is founded upon these two principles. Beware how you

Comrades, our movement is founded upon these two principles. Beware how you attempt to thwart evolution. Study the matter carefully and that which seemed narrow before will be found broad enough for all. You will no longer chafe at restraints beyond which you do not easy to go only the serve to go only which you do not care to go.

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THE CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT

By Lulu Ault

lively in the Circulation Department. feeling. The Mailing List, the pet of the house, is swelling up with pride and subs; Oliver, the Standard Visible Typewriter, has been singing more than usual of late; the "Card In

dex" is getting over its fit of the "blue devils;" and the Circulation Manager is almost happy. N. B. I think a few more subs ing. will make her quite happy, try it and see. She's a terrible one for subs

tions that have been coming in since

-never seems to get enough.

It seems that this last campaign and terrible system under which we regard to party funds to continue to proposal of old age pensions seem now are forced to exist in this "land of the free and the home of the brave," plenty all around, starvation in our midst. So, in order to learn more about it, they enterthe fee and the home of the brave," plenty all around, starvation in our midst. So, in order to learn more about it, they enterthe fee and universal education would have seemed two centuries ago. The world moves. It about it, they subscribe for "The Socialist."

One of our best subscribers gave up what he termed "the price of a bottle of patent medicine" for a years renewal to "The Socialist." "The socialist" medicine must taste rather good to him, judging from the way he takes it.

The following are some samples of RECEIPTS.

July—Dues, \$224.28; supplies, \$11.05; literature, \$7.80; miscl., \$355.42; total, \$599.55.

The following are some samples of letters that have helped to liven up the Circulation Department.

Send in some more, Comrades.

They are always welcome you know.

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Dear Comrades:
Enclosed you will find \$1.00 in money order for which renew my subscription for "The Socialist" for one year.
Hoping to send you more subs later on, I am, Yours for the Revolution.

\$107.58: total, \$428.18.
October—Dues, \$403.71: supplies, \$31.50: literature, \$53.65: miscl., \$77.06: total, \$565.92.
On hand, \$485.58.
Total Receipts—Dues, \$1,188.79: supplies, \$91.50: literature, \$110.97: miscl., \$809.32: total, \$2,200.58.

on, I am, Yours for the Revolution

JOS. MYKOL. Dear Comrades

Dear Comrades;
Enclosed find Express money order for \$1.00 for subscription to "The Socialist" for one year.

I am a "Substitute" mail carrier and that last issue of "The Socialist" was all right. I passed it on to several of the mail carriers.

Yours fraternally.

M. S.

Enclosed find \$2.00 to apply on support of the paper, "The Socialist."

JOHN HEITZMAN.

I think this is a good time to send the price of a bottle of patent medi-cine (\$1.00). Note that I enclose a

HOWARD TUTTLE.

Washington

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journed subject to call for next meet-Fraternally submitted,

R. KRUEGER.

State Secretary

Summary of Secretary-Treasurer's Report From July 1st to Oct. 31st, 1908. Seattle, Wash., Nov. 15th, '08.

RECEIPTS

EXPENDITURES.

Cash on hand Nov. 1st... \$ 563.08
In funds as follows:
Delegate Expense Fund... \$115.20
Organization Fund... 160.40
Literature Fund... 92.86
General Fund... 194.54
Fraternally submitted,
R. KRUEGER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

CHANGE THE SCHOOL SYSTEM

By Bessy Fiset.

In the public schools today the children of the working class out number all other children two to one. There fore, it seems reasonable to expec that the courses of study adopted are those which will prove to be most beneficial to two-thirds of the children attending school.

But is this the case? Not at all.

Children of the working class are taught only those things which will develop them into pliant and useful tools of Capital.

Add to this the fact that, owing to insufficient accommodations, the children are crowded into rooms of suitable size for only one-half as many and that one teacher has at leas double the number of children she should have in order to give them proper attention, and it is readily seen that the children are not being edu cated under ideal conditions.

This system affects the teachers in the same proportion, as is proven by the nervous break-downs on the par of so many teachers toward the end of the school year, and it is impossible for any teacher to give the best of even Capitalist instruction under existing conditions.

Are we going to sit still and do nothing to bring about a better sys-FDMOND PELUSOFrench and Italian Translator an army of class conscious men and thought, and having healthy bodies. making possible the accomplishment of their complete emancipation?

Some of the things Socialism stands for will be found in the Seattle Socialist School Platform, as printed else-

Socialism Did It

man for himself. Other nations are beginning to see that this idea does not pay, that the crowded tenement too much, the prospect of pauperism is not a valuable inspiration, fear is not the most wholesome element in Sunday at 2 p. m. to form such a party. human life.

Probably in all this you have not failed to observe that the Poorhouse is used to some extent as a symbol for the whole idea of want and misery in old age. In our country the number of persons who actually reach a veritable Poorhouse is not large; but the number of persons who reach a condition of helpless dependence upon charity is very large. Besides those whose declining years are spent in some benevolent institution, there are still more whose daily bread is a gift from strange hands. In the best conditions this kind of almsgiving and almstaking is precarious and demoralizing; in the worst conditions it is something sad to think of. To abolish it altogether and to create in Things are beginning to get rather dollar note herein, to cure that tired its stead a system whereby the aged are supported without loss of their self-respect and dignity and without subjecting them to the exigenciesoften very grave-of private charity has been proved wherever it has been tried to make for national health and

increased happiness.

Every man for himself. There was a time when the doctrine was applied literally to education, and when those children were taught whose parents were able to buy teaching for The cause of all this liveliness, or good feeling or whatever you choose to call it, is the number of subscriptions that have been company in since the subscriptions that the subscription is subscriptions that the subscription is subscriptions that the subscription is subscription. order with child within its borders a full and A. H. Barth in chair and all members competent education. The change An Auditing Committee to audit of thought in regard to old age that has unbandaged a few more eyes and the books of the Secretary-Treasurer is indicated by these pension laws is the people are beginning to get very was elected to consist out of Arthur much interested in this wonderful state Secretary was instructed with State Secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with proposal of old are reprinted to the secretary was instructed with the secretary was instructed wi is a beautiful idea, that having begun to recognize its duty toward those at the outset of life, the world should now glimpse something of its duty toward those who have almost fin ished the course. It is also a memorable illustration of the fact that whether we like it or not men are drawing more closely together and every day finds a wider recognition of the great community of interest, obligation, duty, and welfare,

> Notice, you bourgeois readers, this writer's one significant admission that this "beautiful idea" is not due to benevolence but to the Capitalist Government's "DESIRE TO STEM THE RISING TIDE OF SOCIAL ISM," the Proletarian Revolution which means abolition of the Wage System and Destruction alike.-Ed "The Socialist."

Sunday Night at the Labor **Temple**

ANOTHER **PARTY IN** SEATTLE

ANOTHER PARTY IN SEATTLE. Last Sunday the "Independent So cialist Party" was launched in Arcade

Hall, Seattle. It is composed of Bryan Socialists like E. Backus, its Secretary, and Taft Socialists, like J. T. Oldham, who was on the Republican payroll in the campaign just closed, and Populist Socialists, like Judge Winsor, who was the chief speaker at the Arcade Hall meet ing; and all the other various brands of Socialists in Seattle grouped under the common name, Anti-Titus Social-

The circular letter of Secretary Backus called for the organizing of a 'large and respectable" Socialist Party in Seattle, and the following letter appeared in the "Union Record," the organ of the Seattle Labor Unions. Notice that Bryans defeat was a "disaster" according to the "Independent Socialists."

Backus' Letter.

The defeat of organized labor in the recent campaign is attributed to two causes: First, a deep-seated distrust of the Democratic political leaders, and, second, a lack of careful preparation, tem? Or are we going to unite in a education and organization. That we demand that our children be given the may not suffer another such disaster it Independent thing I ever saw." best education possible so that, instead is advisable to begin now to construct of a multitude of parrots, we may have a political organization that shall be four sciences," the erudite discoverer capable of independent the working people, and shall be only living human being who has ever financed and controlled by them only.

the program of International Social the local Socialist mevement. ism, the political labor movement of the world.

and consumption-breeding slum cost hence over 200 workingmen have taken ing to convene in Arcade Hall next from Abraham Lincoln. invited to participate.

Such a movement must be democratic and practical.. Come and take charge of it.

E. BACKUS. Temporary Secretary.

The formation of this organization ompletely exposes the character of Party in Seattle and fully justifies the resolutions passed by Local Seattle to until all but about forty or fifty had Party those who have been twice expelled by State Referendum until they Fusion principles. Mallory and Parsons and many others who belong to the expelled faction are all in this new Fused "Socialist Party" which proposes in its circulars to organize other Locals in this State and even ambitiously suggests a national organiza-

The application blanks which they circulated at their meeting were marked thus: "Issued by the Temporary Committee of the Socialist Party.' Undoubtedly they will catch by this false representation many an innocent workingman, who will suppose he is joining the Socialist Party, just as they did last year when they attempted to run a rival organization, until the National Convention turned them

The following account of the m ing has been contributed by one who attended:

ON THE DEMOCRATS?

The course of the "Red Special" seems to have left a blue streak .-Bryans "Commoner."

LAUNCHED IN THE FOG

By Arthur B. Callaham.

The Independent Socialist Party was aunched from the ways in the Arcade Hall last Sunday afternoon at the hour of four.

The weather was propitious-it was foggy all day. An Independent Social ist travels best when he can't see where he is going. Also, muddleheads bite best in uncertain weather, and the crew thrives on muddleheads.

Mr. Parsons presided.

The name of Mr. Parsons will be re called by those who have been mem bers of the Socialist Party for as much as two years. Mr. Parsons, along with George Washington Scott (christened after the father of his country in allusion to that hatchet business) was a member of the state committee then They were so dreadfully Independent that a sufficient number of Lovals finally demanded a referendum on the question of the removal of the Independent gentlemen. No question was ever raised as to the constitutionality of the demand, but Mr. Parsons and Mr. Scott were so Independent that they refused to submit it. But the next state convention did submit it, and it carried. Mr. Parsons and Mr. Scott took their Independence and retired to private

"An Independent Socialist," Arthur Jensen sagely observed, "is the most

Mrs. Irene Smith, "the lady of the exclusively devoted to the interests of of the invisible female sun, and the seen more than one sun while sober Such organizations have won notable graced the occasion with one of her victories in Europe and Australia, and scholarly addresses. She said, among their success may easily be duplicated other things, that the working class ought to get together and stop this We desire to solve the trust problem vaccinating of children. She also intiby owning the trust; we desire to in- mated that everybody was a member crease wages and shorten hours until of the working class except the multithe capitalist is eliminated; we desire millionaire. She said that the bunch to vote direct upon laws and shop reg. in front of her were conservative So ulations until we are free from indus- cialists, and invited them to join hands trial or political despotism. This is and help r-r-r-rip the disgrace off

Judge Richard Winsor made a very fine "God and Country" and harmony No organization that really repre- appeal. He admitted that neither soap sents this policy exists in Seattle, box oratory nor Socialist literature had made a Socialist of him. He modestly the initiative and called a public meet. admitted that he got his Socialism

The judge routed the anti-fusionists A number of unions have endorsed the with a single sentence. "I have proposal and union men generally are never," he said, "heard anybody advo cate fusion from this platform."

What's all the fuss about, anyway? After the conclusion of the judge' speech, a disheartening stampede followed in the audience of probably 200, who had been brought together by the display of window cards in the friendly windows of the down town stores. Mr. Parsons aroused some sympathy by competely exposes the character of a pathetic appeal to the crowd to stay the opposition to the regular Socialist Party in Seattle and fully instifice the exclude from re-entrance into the left. Then Mr. Parsons paused. He then ordered the hall cleared of all prove their sincere repudiation of ment to join, and some ten or fifteen straights, who had hoped to see the show out, left reluctantly.

Between closed doors, and probably in whispers, the organization of the Independent Socialists was concluded Mr. Backus, who frankly and openly admits that he is independent enough and intelligent enough to realize that the working class hasn't brains enough to achieve its own emanciapation and the only hope lies in turning the move ment over to that superior intellectuality, the small business man, was elected secretary. Mr. Willie Mallory was given, I understand, recognition on several committees. It has leaked which the regular Socialist Party came in for a roast, but the contents of the resolutions are still a profound secret.

ticipated at the session of the British has never for one moment entered lieves the Socialist platform to be Worms, the only organization of Inde- cators of the land. pendent Socialists on the face of the Earth, they walked home with their girls with that "vigor of physique because I happen to be a woman! chips on their shoulders, and their which is needful to make intellectual If you cannot see that Two Socialists Independence warmed, glorified and training available in the struggle of are better than one-that Comrade



"Nothing to Lose But His Chains"

FOR PROLETARIAN SCHOOLS

On Safurday, Dec. 5th, there will be an election of school directors. This is vitally important to the Working Class, due to the fact that the class that controls the education of our children have it in their power to teach those things that are detrimental to the interests of the Working Class.

The vast majority of the children in our schools are children of Wage Workers and it is to the interests of the Barons of Capital to perpetuate this system based upon ignorance, superstition and servility. Away with such a state of things! Let us have only those lessons taught which will be of benefit—lasting benefit to the children of present and future generations!

To do this, the Socialist Party, the party of the Working Class, have nominated—not respectable business men—but a man and a woman to whom the welfare and education of our children can be well entrusted. These candidates of the Working Class—the one a mother and the other a father—pledge themselves to work only to further those matters prtaining to the truer and saner teaching of the children in our public schools.

The Socialist Platform for the School Campaign is given herewith. Read it. No other candidates have any platform. Teachers,

The Socialist Platform for the School Campaign is given here-with. Read it. No other candidates have any platform. Teachers, see what it means to you. Unionists, notice we will encourage or-ganization of the teachers along lines of Trades Unionism and employ union labor at all work in connection with the schools as well as in the construction of the same.

SEATTLE SOCIALIST SCHOOL PLATFORM.

 Enough school buildings to be built immediately to accommode all. Ample playgrounds, baths, and gymnasiums. Free medical indance. School buildings to be open for public assemblages when not otherwise in use. Fewer pupils to each teacher and more and better paid teachers.

Teachers to be encouraged to organize along labor union lines.

Teachers' tenure permanent during efficiency.

Women teachers to be paid the same salary as men teachers

same work. Better salaries for anitors and other employes

Compulsory attendance of all children under fifteen.

Free meals and tree clothing, if needed, to keep children necessity of work. Night schools in very ward to accommodate those deprived of

an early education.

10: Greatest attention to be paid to the lower grades.

11. Free kindergartens for all children between three and six

A gneral, scientific, industrial and physical education guar-

anteed to every child. 13. Such a general administration of the school system as will best serve the interests of the Working Class

14. School buildings to be constructed by union labor. You may say: "Your Platform is all right but how are you going

You may say: "Your Platform is all right but how are you going to get the money necessary to carry out the changes and improvements proposed by you?" To this we answer: "By taxing the property owners." According to the present school laws, the school board has the power to levy a tax to the amount of mills and to call special elections for the issuance of bonds for school improvements. Women of the Working Class! This is the one occasion of the year when you can assert your rights as human beings. On December 5th all women citizens as well as men may vote at the school election if registered. Books of Registration will be open at the Board of Education. Seventh Avenue and Marfon Street, every day excent

of Education, Seventh Avenue and Marion Street, every day except Sundays and Thanksgiving Day until and including Nov. 30th. NOVEMBER 30TH IS POSITIVELY THE LAST DAY OF REG-

Those who have registered this year for the General Election will not need to register

REGISTER AND VOTE FOR THE SOCIALIST CANDIDATES, MRS. BESSY FISET AND J. A. McCORKLE.



J. A. McCORKLE

Is a prominent member of the carpenters' Union and is well known among his associates as an aggressive but thoughtful and levelheaded man, one of the sort every one trusts. He has children of school age and would therefore take more than a gen eral interest in the welfare of the school children. He is a conscientious Union Man and would therefore be able to represent the interests of the teach ers as well as those of other wage workers connected with the schools. He is a resident of the 12th Ward.



MRS. BESSY FISET

Is the wife of a well known physician residing in the 14th Ward, has two children of school age, is recognized by all cultivated women as eminently fitted for the position of school director and is a staunch advocate of proletarian principles.

THE WOMAN

By Bessy Fiset

ducation has to discharge."

ing class being prepared for complete resent fully 70 per cent of the chilout that resolutions were adopted in living in the public schools today? dren in the public schools).

knows that to prepare children of Socialist party unless that support And then, feeling as if they had par the Proletariat for complete living is given because the supporter beparliament at Runnymede, or a diet of into the calculations of the wise edu the only one standing for the best

Instead of turning out boys and tific thought, we find a host of de and a "propertied" woman-or Com generate "physicals" and incompetent rade McCorkle and a "propertied" the country and these are expected vote for two capitalist candidates. to usher in, and provide sustenance for the next generation.

As I see it, the entire public school system is simply the training school for the slaves-to-be of capital. The time has gone by when the unlettered, plodding workmen can bring any great profit to the masters. Therefore it is needful that the workers receive just enough education. and only such education as will make them the most valuable to capital Certain it is that any education

which tends to give the children of the working class any conception of class consciousness, or to awaken in them the realization of the chaotic conditions under this system, is most religiously withheld.

Are you-women of the working content to have the present KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, SOconditions of education continue? Or do you want your children to spend the five hours a day under conditions that will make for the high- 1904 555 est and best development?

program submitted by any individual or organization which puts property rights or interests absolutely to one

Spencer says: "To prepare us for | side and stands only for the working complete living, is the function which class (those employed in and on and about school buildings), and the chil-Now, are the children of the work- dren of the working class (who rep-

Every unprejudiced person knows I want to state right here that we that they are not, and, moreover, ask for no support outside of the interests of the working class

And I want no one to vote for me life," and with intellects which have McCorkle and I are of much more been guided into the realm of scien- benefit on the school board than I "mentals" let loose periodically over man-you would better go off and

> But, Dont Fail to Register. Keep in mind the dates of registration and be sure to get to the office of the school board and Register.

> And don't register alone! Be sure to take some other woman with you. Let us see what the Socialist women of Seattle can do between now and December fifth!

DOES WELL.

Seattle Socialist: Dear Comrades: Official count completed vesterday 904—Debs 944 1908—Debs1189 Fraternally yours, R. F. HOWARTH. Hillyard, Wash.

Spokane, Nov. 15, 1908.

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Yours Fraternally, JOHN G. KOCH. County Chairman.