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Wall Street's Handy Man: Charles E. Hughes

By ALLAN L. BENSON

Charles Evans Hughes, the republican candidate for president, is on the stump. He is charging a lot of petty things against the democratic administration and the democrats are making a lot of petty replies. Both parties, and their candidates, are dodging the great vital issue—How shall we end the exploitation of the masses by the few? They dare not discuss the issue. It will be brought more and more to the dare not discuss the issue. It will be brought more and more to the front, however, by the Socialist Party and its candidates, as the campaign progresses. Allan L. Benson, the Socialist candidate for president, in the accompanying article entitled, "Wall Street's Handy Man: Charles E. Hughes", shows why the republican presidential candidate is not anxious to expose the plutocracy. He is the presidential candidate of the parasites and, as Benson points out, is entitled to the solid millionaire vote. This article first appeared in the September issue of Pearson's Magazine, thus reaching a large number of non-Socialists not assustomed to getting the truth in the daily yellow press. Read this article and then pass it along to a neighbor.

E SHALL see, if we scrutin-ize the facts carefully, that the Republican party this year has the same claim to the sup-port of 90 per cent of the American port of 90 per cent of the American people that a chicken-hawk has to the support of chickens. A political party must be judged by its candidates, its platform and the men who make its candidates and its platform. Judged by these standards, the Republican party this year is particularly bad. Its candidates are the lifelong servants of the plutocracy. Its platform is the last word in insincerity, hypocrisy and rapacity. The men who made the candidates and the platform are the sort of men who like such candidates and such a platform. Roosevelt is thrown in as a Roosevelt, the element of insincerity in the Republican campaign could hardly have escaped observation. With Roosevelt, it blazes up like a burning haystack at midnight.

Mr. Hughes is the stalking horse of a group of bad men. It is the purpose of these men to throw this country on its back and pick its pockets.

They have chosen Mr. Hughes to assist them because Mr. Hughes has, among persons who do not know him, a good reputation. It has always been the good fortune of Mr. Hughes to escape the censure that he deserved and receive praise to which he was not entitled. As an ideal candidate of the grabbing class, he also has about him a certain air of religion. A religious atmosphere is a political asset. Mr. Hughes is not only the son of a Baptist clergyman, but in years gone by, he was the superintendent of the Sunday school of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church to which the class for which he was then for him Rockefellers go to meet God. Mr. now? It is. I have a means of getting

ON THE SIDE OF WRONG.

IT MAY surprise such kindly gentlemen to be told that Mr. Hughes is and always has been a fighter on the side of entrenched wrong. At the beginning of his career as a lawyer, he deliberately chose to support money as against men. Now money is supporting him.

Suppose we consider the concrete Lacts upon which these statements are based. Mr. Hughes, after his graduation from college, turned to the study of the law. Desiring to enter the office of a firm of lawyers, he chose the office of Chamberlain, Carter & Hornblower of New York City. Hornblower was a celebrated corporation lawyer, the New York Central Railroad Company being one of his clients. He was also, and had been since 1880, an attorney for and one of the trustees of the New York Life Insurance Company, and as such trustee was the head of the committee that approved the "yellow dog' fund with which the company molded legislation at Albany to its will. Mr Hughes married the daughter of Mr. Carter, the senior member of the

Mr. Hughes was admitted to the bar in 1884 and in 1888 became a member of the firm, the name of which was changed to Carter, Hughes & Cravath. Mr. Cravath is and for a generation has been one of the most eminent of corporation lawyers. York, the legislature enacted a law in their place and keep them there. Thomas F. Ryan was then building limiting to 2 cents a mile the sum What Mr. Hughes appeared not to his great fortune, and Cravath help-

Mr. Hughes had not long been a a passenger? He promptly vetoed corporations are so fond of the commember of the firm when a big case the bill! Why? The reason he gave missions that Mr. Hughes created to question as to whether the electric lature had sufficiently investigated section in the proposed new constitution to enable it to say that tion for New York in which public state law which required them to put 2 cents a mile was enough. He did service commissioners were made contheir wire under ground. Mr. Hughes not assert that he knew 2 cents a mile stitutional officers and therefore unsaid they should not. A good many to be too little. Instead of approving removable by the governor or the firemen had been electrocuted by the bill and putting upon the raillegislature. This constitution, it may wires. The legislature had been roads the burden of proving that 2 be remembered, when submitted in moved to enact the law only because cents a mile was not enough, he 1915 to the people for approval, was of the deep indignation of the people. vetoed it and put upon the people defeated by a majority of about Yet Mr. Hughes lent whatever powthe burden of proving that more than 500,000. Yet many people believe the burden of proving that hiere than 500,000. Tet many people delevers he had to keep the wires where they were. Property rights were at stake! Property rights must be destake! Property rights must be defended. The court thought so too, and The railway intersts are closely knit together and slow to act. The railway intersts are closely knit together of the United States. decided against the city. The city appealed to a higher court which re versed the decision, and incidentally about the election of Hughes. As the with racetrack gambling in the state placed the following blister upon the stock market bulletin says of Hughes: of New York. He is entitled to credit back of Mr. Hughes and his associ-

"When it is apparent," said the higher court," as in the case at bar, that the condition of the wires is such that they are dangerous to human life ,and that any passer-by, without negligence on his part, is liable to be struck dead in the street, can it be said for a moment that the

public authorities have no power to abate this nuisance and protect the lives of its citizens?" The court also added that the com-

"are without excuse, and when they claim that the destruction of these instruments of death is an invasion of the rights of property, such claim seems to proceed upon the assumption that nothing has a right to exist except themselves."

Charles Evans Hughes was favor of corporate wealth then; that was in 1889. Where does corporate wealth stand now as to Charles Evans

RAILROADS WANT HUGHES.

READ something recently written that was not intended for the public. Read what the New York stock states when the states are more brokers who receive the service of Paine, Webber & Company were told about the middle of July. This is the way the railway interests regard the candidacy of Mr. Hughes:

"In addition to the ordinary considerations of values, there has arisen a particularly favorable element in the Republican candidacy of Mr. Hughes. His attitude towards the railroads in the past has been extremely re-assuring and there is slight reason to doubt that his election would be followed by such con-structive action as would seem most desirable to all who are in-terested in railway investments."

Does Wall street's memory go back to the electric light suit of 1898 and all that lies between? It does. Is the now? It is. I have a means of getting tification a proposed amendment to Rockefellers go to meet God. Mr. Hughes' respectability is further enhanced by the fact that to him still clings something of the aroma of the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Taft once said, of all men, a judge occupied a position most like that of God. What wonder then that millions of the unthinking believe the Republican candidate for the Presidency to be a particularly suitable person to lead the fight in America against entrenched wrong?

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ON THE SIDE OF WRONG.

Now? It is. I have a means of getting information direct from Wall street. In July, information came to me that Wall street. In July, information came to me that Wall street. In July, information came to me that Wall street of the constitution authorizing the taxation of incomes. Mr. Hughes straightway got into action. With a magnifying glass of exceedingly high power, he discovered a fly-speck upon the proposed amendment. In a length that within a year from his inauguration, we should be at war with Mexico. The "Street"—which means Rockefeller and Morgan—intends to put behind the Hughes campaign all the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the taxation of incomes. Mr. Hughes straightway got into action. With a magnifying glass of exceedingly high power, he discovered a fly-speck upon the proposed amendment. In a length to put behind the Hughes campaign all the proposed amendment. The called attention to the words "from whatever source derived" in the proposed amendment. These words, he said, would give the national government of merchance and Morgan—intends to put behind the Hughes campaign all the proposed amendment. The scalled attention to the words "from whatever source derived" in the proposed amendment. The put behind the Hughes campaign all the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the taxation of incomes. Mr. Hughes straightway got into action. With a magnifying glass of exceedingly high power, he discovered a fly-speck upon the proposed amendment to magnifying glass of exceedingly high power, he discove questions. Wall street is right. When men will not think, money talks. The men of America seldom think. They are too busy working for a bare living. Furthermore, too little that is worth thinking about is put before them in print. Wall street sees to them in print. Wall street sees to make his flyspeck appear to be a mountain, but failed. More than three-fourths of the state legislatures the mountain, but failed. More than three-fourths of the state legislatures ber of states. Does anyone know the election of Mr. Wilson.

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Pennsylvania Railroad Company had a good deal to do with Mr. Wilson's said he intended them. The governor first nomination. The fact that rail-nominates them, the senate confirms candidacy to bull the market for rail-way stocks is therefore an indication esteem that none will do them honor. Hughes has shown for the railroads. Need we be in the dark as to the facts? Not at all. What did Mr. Hughes do when, as Governor of New corporations put the commissioners that none of the insurance companies want known." that any railway operating within think of has happened—the corporthe state might charge for hauling ations control the commissions. The the was that he did not believe the legis- "control" them that they placed a together and act swiftly. The railway interests are now acting to bring doubt that his election would be fol-

HOW HUGHES CAN HELP.

this is but a fine flow of language. Considered closely it is more. What do investors in railway securities consider "most desirable"? Does the word "dividends" constitute an answer? If so, upon what do higher dividends depend? Can they depend upon anything else—the volume of traffic being constant—than higher freight and passenger rates? The railway interests cannot expect the election of Hughes to increase traffic, which has already reached the physical capacity of the roads. Stripped down to plain English, then, the railway interests believe the election of Hughes would cause higher passenger and freight rates.

Is this an unwarranted assumption? If you believe it is, look at the Republican platform. A paragraph about which not much will be said during the campaign reads as fol-

"The entire transportation system of the country has become essentially national. We therefore favor such action by legis-lation or, if necessary, thru an amendment to the constitution of the United States, as will result in placing it exclusively under federal control."

Do you observe the word "exclusi-ely" near the end of the last sen-ence? The vailroads want no more vely' tence? meddling with their affairs by states All corporations welcome the states when they can hide behind them. All states when the states are more responsive than the Congress to the popular will. The railroads, believing it would be easier to control one Congress than forty-eight state legis-latures, now want the legislatures to be deprived of their power to legislate in railway matters. The railway gentlemen are not to be blamed for their ability to see upon which side their bread is buttered. But what shall we say of the people if they butter the bread of railway share-holders by voting for Hughes?

The great corporations are quite right in turning from Mr. Wilson, who has served them tolerably well in many instances, to Mr. Hughes who would doubtless serve them much better in each instance. When Mr. Hughes was Governor of New York he heard that Congress had submit-ted to the state legislatures for ra-

what he has not done. If Mr. Wilson Governor of New York, found the detested? were to be reelected, the grafting people in ugly mood toward the great game would still be good. Wall street corporations Mr. Hughes kindly ofbelieves that if Mr. Hughes were to fered a remedy. The transportation, be elected, the grafting game would light, power, telegraph and telephone be a great deal better. If the great companies would be placed under capitalists care to put up enough state control. One public service commoney, they can unquestionably mission would keep the corporations "put Hughes over." We shall know, in the city of New York in order. Anafter election, precisely to what ex-tent the great capitalists preferred would keep its heel on the corpora-

tions in the rest of the state. Mr. Wilson, too, has been kind to These public service commissions the railroads. According to reports have been in existence ever since Mr. that were current at the time, the Hughes' time. They have yet to perway interests are using the Hughes' them and the corporations rule them. of the unusual friendship that Mr. The same plan has been tried in New

Another jewel in the Hughes crown is the fact that he helped to do away "His attitude toward the railroads in the past has been extremely reassurbut that is the fault of the district and there is slight reason to attorneys who fail to proceed against the gamblers and the governor who lowed by such constructive action as fails to remove the district attorneys would seem most desirable to all who rather than the fault of Hughes. But GLANCED at as mere lines of type cheap as that? Racetrack gambling Four.

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* * * * WHEN HUGHES STOPS. years ago? Well, what about it? What did he do?

Here is what Hughes did. He cross-

examined the witnesses by asking indicate questions suggested to him by an friends. highly technical subject. Hughes knew nothing in particular about it. An actuary coached him all the way. I doubt if Hughes knew exactly what he was doing some of the time. I am compelled to believe this in order to believe him honest. This is why: While the investigation was called the company of the Control of the Con why: While the investigation was solidated Gas Company of New York, proceeding, an official of one of the The Consolidated Gas Company is a great companies whom I had long Rockefeller institution. It is the un-"Hughes always stops when to press Willcox is very close to the Standard his questions a little further would Oil interests.

insurance companies want known." the insurance companies probably did him. When he was governor of New some good. I say "probably" because it is unlikely that anything of which fare from New York City to Coney so much has been made was entirely Island from 10 to 5 cents. Also, duruseless. But the value of the work ing his term of office, a great many was unquestionably much overestiming his term of office, a great many party this year is in the hands of the party this year is in the hands of the same sinister interests that controlled ated. The great fact is that the in-surance companies are still charging who, having been elected to office to too much for insurance, the policy holders are paying the money and the companies are getting it. Beside this fact, all others are of little consequence. The insurance companies sequence. The insurance companies are so tremendously powerful finantial are so tremendously powerful finantial tremendously powerful finant are so tremendously powerful finan- Jerome, their fallen idol. cially that if Hughes had really hurt them, they would never have forgiven him. What insurance magnate is fighting Hughes now for what he did in 1905? Let Hughes or any of his

are interested in railway investments."

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Tablier than the fault of language of the presidency a man who honestly tried to do away week for ten weeks—have you with racetrack gambling in New York? Has the Presidency become so sent it in? Use blank on Page

\$2,500 to help elect Hughes Governor of New York. Rockefeller and Hughes employers. All that Hughes could do anything to do with prosperity, and are both Baptists, and, as already to take away the homes of these old if it had, Mr. Hughes has nothing to take away the homes were saved the sunday men, he did. The homes were saved to the sunday it. are both Baptists, and, as already to take away the homes of these old men, he did. The homes were saved BUT what about Mr. Hughes part school superintendent in Rockefeller's in the insurance investigation a dozen church. Before Hughes went to Wash- a fund to save them. ington to live, he and young John D.

> actuary. The insurance business is a But there are other reasons for beknown in a friendly way said to me: derstanding in Wall street that Mr.

Hughes and the great corpora-tions have ever worked hand in hand, Hughes work as an investigator of he helping them and they helping

The great capitalists evidently believed Hughes would be the kind of Governor he was, as they contributed heavily to bring about his election in The fact is that the men of greatest wealth are solidly lined up behind Hughes. If we were to believe newspaper reports, perhaps we should have to make an exception of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. The younger Rockefeller, Jr. The younger Rockefeller, according to the newspapers, Solid, Jacob Schiff, William H. Moore and Adolph Lewisohn gave \$2,000 each. The whole fund amounted to \$313,923.

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only because organized labor raised

It would therefore be risky to say of a United States and Latin America. If Rockefeller were frequently seen to-gether in New York, and their actions candidate, that he is better than the indicated that they were warm platform of his party. The Republican platform is exceedingly bad, but it is doubtful if it is so bad as that. draw about her is the noose. At any Hughes is bad, not only because of his associations and his record, but the paragraph has nothing to do with prosperity.

The People is not the paragraph has nothing to the paragraph has nothing to the people is not provided for the people is not provided in the because of the shameless insincerity with which he is trying to displace Wilson. He appears to be willing to do or say anything to get votes. If Democratic demagogues wave the flag. Hughes tries to wave it a little but broke its promise and this year flag, Hughes tries to wave it a little harder. When the Progressive party drops the subject, which is practical went to pieces, Hughes welcomed its acquiescence in the Republican demand. Nor does this show how to the rank and file of the party urging them to "forget past differences" and come back to the Republican party.

What a monstrous appeal! How can the Progressives, if they are honest—which most of the rank and file are—forget past differences?
Those differences were differences of principle. They are as glaring now as they were in 1912. The Republican should quit the party in 1912, each of those reasons still exists. Yet Mr. Hughes insults honest Progressives by asking them to "forget past differences," thereby assuming that they left the Republican party, not on principle, but because of some miserable differences with its leaders. Mr. Roosevelt, having left the Republican party to punish it, went back to it

LABOR DIDN'T CONTRIBUTE.

SO FAR as known, no labor union son knew that the present prosperity call them demagogues. What can contributed a dollar to this fund. If was destined to be short-lived.

I agree with Mr. Hughes that Mr. Wilson and his party did not bring the improved business conditions that exist. As to how long these conditions will remain, I do not know. Neither does Mr. Hughes know. If there is anything that neither Republicans nor Democrats know how to get or how to keep, it is improved business conditions. Business went to smash in 1907 under a Republican President. Another Republican President, Mr. Taft, was elected to make business good, but in four years he failed to do it. Then a Democratic President was elected to make business good.
Mr. Wilson, in my opinion, is exceptional among Presidents for the fidelity with which he has proceeded to carry out the platform promises of his party. How worthless were these promises may be judged from the fact that notwithstanding Mr. Wilson's "achievements," business in this country was exceedingly bad until the European war dumped so much money into America that business had to revive had to revive.

HUGHES INSINCERITY.

THE insincerity of Hughes' cri-THE insincerity of Hughes' criticism of the temporary nature of the present "prosperity" is that he holds out the hope that if the country were to turn to him and his party such "prosperity" would become permanent. The Republican party, in 1904, did not know how to keep prosperity, or it would not have permitted the panic of 1907. The Republican party, in 1908, did not know enough to bring prosperity or it would not have permitted the prosperity or it would not have permitted t prosperity or it would not have permitted the administration of Taft to pass without any prosperity. What has the Republican party learned about prosperity since 1908?

The Republican platform opens with an attack upon Mr. Wilson's foreign policy, particularly as it pertains to the European war and the rights of neutrals. Mr. Hughes will not seriously contend that this even re-motely touches the subject of pros-

The next paragraph has to do with Mexico. As an example of studied hypocrisy, this paragraph could not well be excelled. The Republican party has the audacity to "sympathize" with the people of Mexico because they have for three years been plagued with "bandits." The Republican gentlemen seem not to know that the Mexican people have for three years been making a tremendous effort to recover their land and other resources that American and other capitalists have obtained by means mostly frau-The next paragraph has to do with have obtained by means mostly frau-dulent. The Republican gentlemen seem not to know that such banditti as have arisen are but the inevitable as have arisen are but the inevitable results of civil war in such a nation. The hypocrites who wrote this plank denounce "the indefensible methods of interference" employed by the Wilson administration—and in the next breath pledge their aid "in restoring order and maintaining peace in Mexico.

Farther than that, hypocrisy and cold cunning cannot go. They are the last words in their line. And they have nothing to do with the matter of bringing prosperity to America and keeping it.

The platform next endorses the Monroe doctrine, but it endorses it no more strongly than does the Democratic platform. The Monroe Doctrine can hardly be said to have

Then comes a hypocritical line about "drawing more and more close-Latin America is any judge of American treatment of her, the line that American business men mostly try to

hold prosperity.

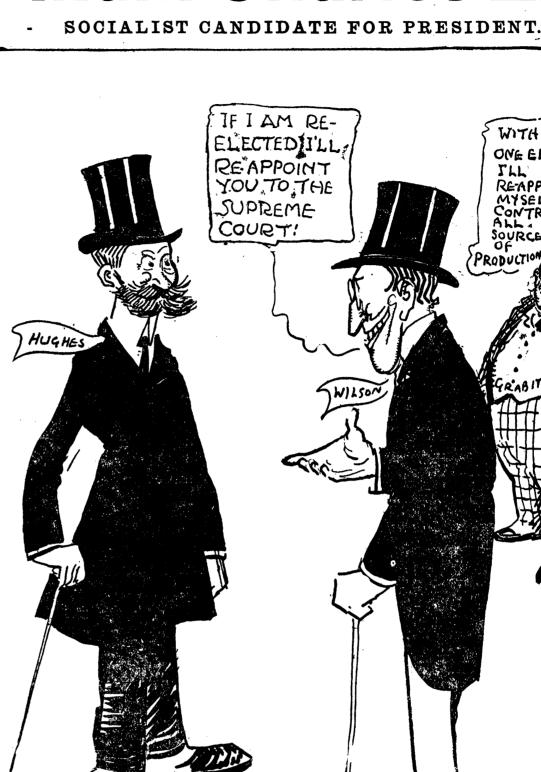
The Republican platform is for "an adequate army and navy." So is the Democratic platform. The Republicans demand a higher tariff. So do the Democrats. The Republican party demands "rigid supervision of cor-porations." Oh, how the corporations fear the Republican party!

The Republican and the Democratic platforms both endorse woman suffrage, while leaving it to the women to go about the hardest way to get and the Republican platform has this gem:

"We pledge the Republican party to the faithful enforce-ment of all federal laws passed

for the protection of labor.' There are no federal laws in the interest of labor that amount to anything and those that amount to nothing apply, for the most part, only to federal employes and the District of

Mr. Hughes bring forward to prove



Democratic party know, common hon- for the benefit of the House of Moresty should prevent him from scoring gan. the President and holding out false hope. If Mr. Wilson is politically wise he will rub this subject in Mr. Hughes's face at every opportunity this fall. He will make Mr. Hughes tell what he knows about bringing and keeping prosperity, or he will make him admit, at least by his evasion of the issue, that he is some-

thing of a mountebank. Mr. Hughes and his platform should command, on their merits, the solid millionaire vote. They should command nothing else. An American farmer or an American wage-worker who votes the Republican ticket will thereby demonstrate his inability to tell his own interests from the interests of those who are robbing him. Yet the power of the great capitalists of America is so great that they will induce millions to vote the bread out of their own mouths!

Your order for the Benson campaign leaflets — one each week for ten weeks-have you sent it in? Use blank on Page Four.

HE QUITS DEMOCRATS. W. P. Butler, of Aberdeen, S. D.. a former democrat, who is now in the ranks of the Socialist Party, takes the hide off the Democratic donk in a letter he has just sent to

itiamen for refusing to take the and have kept it up".

proof he should submit it. If he knows a packed court of militarists these how to bring and keep prosperity he knows more than his party has demonstrated, up to this time, that it enough to refuse to be driven into inknows. If he knows no more about voluntary servitude in the interest of the matter than Mr. Wilson and the Wall St., and to be driven to murder While thus parad

> "All honor be to the men and all shame be to the government for its an offense even against capitalist course as infamous as it is illegal. It will be an honor indeed to the men to be convinced for their commendable act of bravery and manliness, an act which I regret I have not the power to induce every man in this country to emulate.

"There is no war. There is said to be no danger of war. The troubles with Mexico are in process of apparent adjustment by arbitration. This country is not being invaded nor is there danger that it will be. Knowing this. and the influences seeking to drive this nation into war, these men but exercised their God-given and unquestionable right to refuse to enlist in the federal service, yet because of this, and as an object-lesson in intimidation you seek to convict and disgrace them. In doing this you disgrace yourself and the Government you serve. This action is nothing less than infamous.

"An administration guilty of such the Bull Moosers. Parker has not on- acts is disgraced in the eyes of all ly been caught with the stolen goods true liberty-loving Americans and deserves ignominious defeat at the them. polls in November. I say this as an EX-democrat.

Butler writes The American Socialist that he has just put up the first Benson-Kirkpatrick banner to be hung to the gaze of the voters in Aberdeen. He says:

"Four years ago I worked in 25 states to elect Wilson. But I have Newton D. Baker, secretary of war in Wilson's cabinet. Here is what he would like to work in 48 states this would like to work in 48 states this year to lick Wilson. I wish I had a "I see by the press that you have appointed the personnel of a General Court Martial to meet at Columbus to try some of the New Mexico mil-paredness campaign here last fall

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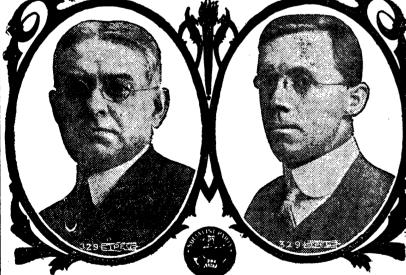
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he is not a demagogue? If he has proof he should submit it. If he knows a packed court of militarists these John M. Parker, of Louisiana, should be pitied. He seems to be a lone mourner at the grave of the defunct Progressive Party and he is

While thus parading in sackcloth and ashes we find Mr. Parker also appearing in the role of one who is trying to dispose of stolen property,

Says Parker: "The big thing in this progressive movement is that this party was the first really to stand for human rights as against the exclusive rights of property and special privilege. This is the party which brought to the front child labor laws, workmen's compensation measures, the regional bank plans, rural credits, old age pensions, mothers' pensions and all kinds of legislation looking into the betterment of the lot of the working man and woman"

Teddy the Thunderer evidently did not take Parker into his confidence when he wrote the 1912 platform. Nor was Parker present when Roosevelt gloated over the planks stolen from the Socialist platform. And now that Roosevelt has deserted the dwindling ranks of the progressives, we find Parker in the position of try-ing to pass off the goods stolen by Roosevelt as real ideas originated by but he is boasting about possessing

In the meantime the voters are turning to the real originator of the idea that will become the great issue in this campaign—the Socialist Party —which was born because of the demand of the oppressed that a political party be created to give voice to their hopes and aspirations.

What are you going to do this

year for Socialism?
What are you going to do during Socialist Red Week, Sept. Have you sent in your contri-

bution to the national campaign Have you sent in your order

for the Benson Campaign Bomb-shell Leaflets—ten of them—one each week for the ten weeks preceding the election? Have you contributed anything

toward the struggle to Debs To Congress!"? Are you going to help raise that \$700 to send 1,400,000 leaflets into Oklahoma this fall?

How many new members are you going to bring into the Socialist Party in this campaign? How many new Socialist voters are you going to make in this campaign? campaign

HOW MANY?

Possible American Zabern Affair

From The Public (Chicago) The preparationist moving picture, "The Battle Cry of Peace," represents American citizens subjected to insult and injury at the hands of lawless soldiers of an invading foreign army. The picture is fiction. But in an affair reported to have actually occurred at the so ed do not belong to a foreign army, but to our own. Mr. Charles Baker, editor of the Hamilton Socialist, charged two soldiers, one a captain and the other a sergeant, with having assaulted him, but Colonel Hubler of the Third Ohio Infantry would not allow their arrest by civil authorities. He claimed existence of a state of war, and that this made them answerable to military authorities only. Tho both the Judge Advocate Genera! of the Army and the Secretary of War, Newton D. Baker, overruled that claim, the demand of the municipal judge of Hamilton was nevertheless ignored that the accused men be surrendered for trial in his court.
Then when the judge, Horace B.
Swank, requested Governor Frank B.
Willis of Ohio to compel their surrender, he received in reply a letter under date of July 12 refusing the request as follows:

These officers were at the time of the commission of the alleged offense under the call of the President of the United States; they are mustered into the service of the United States in accordance with that call and the order of the War Department; they are now and undoubtedly will be at the date set for trial officers in the army of the United States. You are accordingly advised that this office does not have jurisdiction in the subject matter of your request and that the officers named will not be turned over to your court for trial for the alleged offense.

So Governor Willis may be quoted as authority for the claim that offi-cers in the Federal Army are not answerable to civil authority for of-fenses against the law, even the no state of war exists. If the Governor is right then such affairs as the notorious one at Zabern, Germany, may occur at any time in the United States, and the people will be help-less. If he is not right then the original offense has been added to by illegal efforts to shield accused per-In either case an intolerable situation exists due to partial carrying out of the preparedness program. The full program implies even worse possibilities multiplied many times.

VOTE FOR PEACE.

After having campaigned for Wilson in 1912, then jumped to the progressives, Raymond Robins, chairman of the recent progressive national convention, has now flopped to Hughes and the republicans. Which Hughes and the republicans. Which shows how easy it is for an old party politician to change his stripes. In making his most recent change, Robins issued a statement which has

some interesting passages. One of these is as follows:
"For capital, we need the intelligent co-operation of government both at home and abroad. When this war

By GEORGE R. KIRKPATRICK. Socialist Candidate for Vice-President.

WE HAVE:

We Have An Industrial Despotism The right and power to BOSS and FLEECE the lives of others is despotism. We have Capitalism, the Wage-System, by means of which the capitalist CLASS can and do boss and fleece the working CLASS.

A Few OWN as private property what the multi-tude must USE, or STARVE. The few, the capitalist class, are thus IN POSITION TO COMPEL SUB-MISSION. And that is Despotism. Let me illustrate: Five employers own a great mill; and, assisted by the militia and the injunction courts, and GROUNDED ON THE RIGHTS OF PRIVATE PROPERTY IN THE MILL,-that is, in some of the means of production,—these FIVE men are thus made the masters of HUNDREDS OR THOUSANDS of men, women and children who must work in that mill (or some other mill)—or starve.

The cut-throat doctrine of these masters is—always:
"A BARE LIVING IS A FAIR WAGE. TAKE THAT,
OR BE STARVED, JAILED OR SHOT."

That's industrial despotism. PRIVATE ownership of the MEANS OF PRO-DUCTION thus gives, as you see, the power to boss and fleece the lives of others. Let me further il-

SEVENTEEN men as rich as John D. Rockefeller, senior, would own the EQUIVALENT of all the money, all the real cash, IN THE ENTIRE WORLD. ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY men as rich as Mr. Rocke-feller would own wealth equal to the total cash value of ALL the property of ALL kinds in the United States. And, moreover, without work, by inheritance, the two children of Mr. Rockefeller will receive the EQUIVALENT of over

500 Tons Of Gold

A HEAVY LOAD FOR 200 POWERFUL HORSES. Once more let me illustrate: Mr. Rockefeller owns more wealth than he could have EARNED if he had gone to work the morning Jesus Christ was born and had worked every year since and had received \$1700.00 PER DAY, 300 days per year. And so it goes—just like that—with the capitalist CLASS,—they are in a position to boss and fleece, in a position to compel sub-

Now, please-please-do not scold Mr. Rockefeller, or Mr. Rockefeller's children, or the men and women of the class to which they belong. Legally they are playing the game called the struggle for existence ACCORDING TO THE WOLFISH RULES AND PRIVILEGES WHICH CONSTITUTE CAPITALISM, the Wage-System,—and that is "What We Have". And please do not be a muddle-headed Silly Sunday parrot, so ignorantly illogical and so blinded with prejudice as to sneeringly say: "THIS MATTER OF GREAT FORTUNES AND GREAT POVERTY IS MERELY A MATTER OF BRAINS!" There may be no brains in that sneer,—and I'll show you there aren't—thus: Mr. Rockefeller's income is over 45 TIMES AS GREAT as the TOTAL income of 100 of the brainiest, best-paid university presidents in the United States; and, moreover, the public school records show that the children of the WORKING class have just as much brains and just as good brains as the children of the CAPITALIST class, including the Rockefeller children and the children of the bankers

and employers in your own town.

WE HAVE CAPITALISM, THE WAGE-SYSTEM.

And the CHIEF FEATURES of Capitalism are:

(1.) The private ownership of the means of production;

(2) The private control (the individualistic control) of the means of production; (3.) The despotic management of the means of pro-

duction: (4) The Purpose of the private ownership and the private control and the despotic management of industry under capitalism is—the SPECIAL BENEFIT of the capitalist CLASS who pay the workers in wages, sufficient to buy CHEAP food, CHEAP clothing, CHEAP shelter and CHEAP furniture for all their weary, dreary toil for all their care-filled lives. And if the workers noisily protest against this they are STARVED, JAILED or SHOT. That's despotism, the INDUSTRIAL despotism

called Capitalism. Every political party in the United States—EX-PT THE SOCIALIST PARTY—STANDS FOR The Socialists propose to take the VAST INDUSTRIAL POWER from under the capital-ist class and place that power IN THE HANDS OF ALL THE PEOPLE, so that the workers can no longer be bossed and fleeced by a class of masters. The Socialists seek a NEW ORDER according to THE PROGRAM OF SOCIALISM; and here are the CHIEF FEATURES of that program:-

is over we will face the most intense

industrial competition that the world

of commerce has ever known. A com-

prehensive protection of the home market and support for American foreign trade is indispensable if we

are to preserve industrial prosperi-

fore be taken as the stand of the re-

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IN THE WORLD OF LABOR

By Max S. Hayes.

MONG THE dozen or so in-Robins made this statement only after consultation with leading republican politicians. It may therefore be taken as the stand of the retraction of the restanding against the printers, carpenters, machinists, metal polishers and other trades in Detroit is a gem that has publican candidates in this campaign. just been fired at the patternmakers. This declaration announces the republican party as the party of im- from picketing, soliciting members perialism, the ally of big business in for their union, speaking to scabs, grabbing foreign trade, the tool of etc., and also from "publishing or cirthe plutocracy in winning foreign business from other countries. This was the basic cause that led to the present war in Europe. This competition for foreign markets will be the cause of the war that will follow the present struggle in Europe. present struggle in Europe.
You therefore have a chance to vote for an early war by voting for the republican ticket this fall. The democrats stand for approximately democrats stand for approximately the constitution of Michigan to abolish the interview of the now engaged in muzzling newspapers democrats stand for approximately the same thing. There is only one party in this campaign opposed to war—the Socialist Party. Your vote to the Socialist Party this year will some of Michigan to abolish the injunction curse, but some of the interparty in this campaign opposed to mationals whose locals are hit hardest are totally indifferent to the move-divine institution. for the Socialist Party this year will ment.

be a vote for world-wide peace ANOTHER highly important decision against labor has just been rendered. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals, sitting at St. Louis, has ruled that a labor union, even if it is not an incorporated as-Judges Carland, Sanborn and Adams in a suit filed in 1914 against the United Mine Workers of America on complaint of A. S. Dowd, receiver for the Coronado Coal Co., Sebastian case the misery is passed on to all, whether they favored the nefarious murrer on the ground that it was into sue each of its 400,000 members individually. The United States District Court upheld the demurrer cates also means that on and after and an appeal was taken, with the will also be raised.
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American Socialist for one year
and Pearson's for 9 months both result as indicated. Doubtless this dangerous decision will be taken to the United States Supreme Court by the miners.

> THE STEEL Trust cleaned up \$81,126,000 in net profits during the past three months, about \$20.000.000 more than in any previous quarter.
> J. P. Morgan testified before the

WE WANT: WHAT

FIRST-THE NEW FOUNDATION: The SOCIAL ownership; that is, the PUBLIC ownership, of the SOCIALLY USEABLE, INDUSTRIAL wealth; that is, the public ownership of the CHIEF MATERIAL MEANS OF PRODUCTION.

To illustrate: We propose the PRIVATE ownership of whatever is necessary for the PROPER DEGREE OF PRIVACY OF LIFE,—such as the home, the piano, the automobile for personal use, etc., but we propose the PUBLIC ownership of the forest and quarry and mine materials, and of the factories and machinery USED IN MAKING such things.

SECOND-THE NEW METHOD: The SOCIAL control, the democratic management, of the socially useable means of production.

The New Method will be the maximum practicable degree of democratic management of industry—which is THE ONLY TRUE LINE OF ESCAPE from the present despotic control of the industrial life of the workers.

THIRD—THE NEW PURPOSE: The production of goods will be PRIMARILY for SOCIAL SERVICE—for all the people—instead of PROFITS FOR PART the people.

FOURTH—THE NEW DEAL: The SELF-employment of all who are WILLING to work—by means of the JOINT ownership and JOINT control of the things the workers must use collectively in production, each to receive the product of his labor UNDIMINISHED by RENT, INTEREST and PROFITS.

THIS MUTUALISM IN INDUSTRY will not interfere with private affairs, such as religion and the family life, any more than the mutual ownership of the public library now interferes with such private

THIS MUTUALISM IN INDUSTRY will not be a "dividing-up scheme" any more than the mutualism of the public park is a "dividing-up scheme".

THIS MUTUALISM IN INDUSTRY will not be anarchy or communism or atheism or free-love any more than the mutualism of the post-office service is anarchy or communism or atheism or free love.

THIS MUTUALISM IN INDUSTRY WILL LEAVE AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF WEALTH IN PRIVATE HANDS AS STRICTLY PRIVATE PROPERTY.

CAUTION: Public ownership ALONE is not Socialism. To illustrate: The railways in Russia are publicly owned, but the capitalist CLASS is in possession and control of the POWERS OF GOVERNMENT, and, NATURALLY, the railways of Russia are managed for the special benefit of the CLASS in POSSESSION OF THE POWERS OF GOVERNMENT. The teaching of Public Ownership should always be accompanied by the teaching that, so long as there are two classes, the publicly owned property can be managed, and naturally inevitably, WILL be managed for the SPECIAL benefit of the CLASS THAT HAS POSSESSION OF THE POWERS OF GOVERNMENT.

HENCE THE NECESSITY OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY,—a Party with which to secure possession and control of the powers of government FOR AND BY THE WORKING CLASS, the class whose INTER-THE WORKING CLASS, the class whose INTER-ESTS would be served by the overthrow of Capitalist Despotism and by the New Deal, by the Re-organiza-tion, the Re-construction, of industrial society—to se-cure Peace, Plenty and Justice for the working Class, for ALL who are willing to work.

We HAVE industrial despotism. We WANT industrial democracy.

Remember: IF POLITICAL despotism is all wrong then INDUSTRIAL despotism cannot be all right. Think it all over-what we HAVE and what we

Any man who will vote for a master deserves to have a master.

"If you don't see what you want", don't ask for it demand it. On the battlefields of industry DEMAND what you want. On the battlefields of politics,

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> United States Commission on Industrial Relations that \$1.75 a day comment is unnecessary.

very few wars.

the workers after election. Hughes or Wilson and their ship of Karl Liebknecht, has waged respective parties, may interpret capitalism a bit differently, but that is

Benson and Kirkpatrick will get the votes of the workers that do their own thinking and who are not satis-fied with a system that only systematizes exploitation.

There is too much "incentive" to

The European war has clearly privileged classes will find themselves demonstrated what a terrible draw-

even if it is not an incorporated association. may be sued for damages on charges of conspiracy in restraint insane or blind by the war, but why of trade, the same as a corporation, show any sentiment for the system The decision was handed down by of society that breeds wars?

> The advocates of "preparedness" over in Europe are getting the full product of their labor, but in this whether they favored the nefarious policy or not.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 1916.

Somewhere In The United States: -The "too" old parties will foel the workers for the last time.

-Benson and Kirkpatrick will at-

the capitalist system. -Are Congressional Districts that should have Socialist Congressmen to

tack the first and last trenches of

represent them for the next term. —Lots of people might become Socialists if the message of Socialism could be brought to them.

-Workingmen on strike for better conditions are up against the fact that they have voted political power into the hands of their enemies.

-Capitalist papers are telling the same lies about Socialism that like papers told a generation ago. But all without avail.

—Young People's Socalist League Branches will help enliven the cam-paign by bringing the enthusiasm of youth into the fray.

-Adulterated foods and drinks are being sold as of "yore" because under the profit system "there's money in it". -Child labor flourishes as much as ever because the labor of children

means big profits to people that thrive on profits. -Cities and towns will be carried by the Socialist Party at the November elections because "somewhere"

-Democratic and Republican politicians are denouncing each other and trying to throw dust into the work-er's eyes as in the past, all for the sake of landing soft political berths.

the Socalists are very much on the

-Union men are learning the lesson that it is well to carry the principles of unionism into the political arena, by getting behind the Socialist

—Women who have won the right to vote will join men in voting for a system that will extend the right of voting-having a voice-in the running of industry and transportation.

—Are misguided militiamen who imagine they are protecting "their" country while the real purpose of their stay is to foster a spirit of militarism and to protect investments of capitalists in Mexico.

Socialists In Europe

By WILLIS ANDREWS.

When the news was flashed the world that socialists were taking part in the war in Europe, it was heralded as the downfall of the aims and ideals of socialism. But the socialist movement in Europe, instead of collapsing, is taking on new life and power.

When the war became imminent, mass-meetings protesting against war were held by socialists thruout Germany, France and Russia. But before any concerted action could be taken, martial law was declared and is enough wages to support a family the socialists, with all other classes, if he can't get any more. Further were drawn irresistibly into the maelstrom of war.

If the people who profit thru wars had to fight them, there would be out steadfastly against war. Socialist members of the Russian duma have The two old majority parties fight sham battles between themselves before election and real battles against been exiled to Siberia.

A strong socialist minority in the German reichstag, under the leader-"crime" Liebknecht is now suffering about the only distinction between imprisonment. This minority has succeeded in wresting more concessions from the ruling class than was ever possible previous to the war. Among other things, the socialists have forced the government to take charge of the food supply of the nation, thereby preventing the necessities of life from falling into the hands of rapacious speculators. Many other important socialist measures looking gard interest, rent and profit as a divine institution.

The people that return to a collective form of government have been successfully carried out. And when the conflict is over the shorn of many of the powers they previously possessed. The Germans are a thinking people; that is why so many of them are socialists. With this class of people increasing as rapidly as they are in Germany, there need be no fear that any Hohenzollern or Hapsburg will long endanger the liberties of the people, whether the war ends in victory or defeat for German arms.

And there will come a time in all the other countries of Europe when the hosts of enlightened labor will have to be reckoned with by the

powers that be.
As Ingersoll said, "A thinking peasant makes a trembling throne.

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Every profit is taken from the life

Isn't it about time that the jingo

press cook up another story about

"unspiritual" Socialism is?

Judging by returns from Holland,

Kick—not like the donkey that brays and lands, but like the man who is rebuking wrong with his foot.

The worker in the ranks is the

The fact that the trust is getting

The masters suspect that they

killed the Progressive party too soon.

They fear that with it out of the way

the Socialist party will gain rapidly.

will be harmless so long as it is adopted by a capitalist party. This is

The Susan B. Anthony amendment

Now that the roll call of Socialists

has begun it is surprising how many

are answering, "Here"! It means they

in a fight with brutal privilege. It

takes a program and the strong arm

When the workers become agitated

The tramp is a living argument

There is no hope for the masses

of the people under this system.

There will be hope for everybody when Socialism goes into operation.

Benson and Kirkpatrick have per-

sonality equal to the best. In addi-

tion, they have a program that means

the end of exploitation. No other can-

Socialism is talking mighty loud for a "dead" movement. Benson ex-

pects to speak to fifty million voters,

thru leaflets, between now and

They who voted for Socialism fif-

You can keep many a man from be-

and ditch the safety appliances.

a mighty Socialist vote?

didates have that.

victory was won.

never tell him about.

of the world's worker to win.

party do much pointing.

why Hughes is for it.

will surely get there.

seem to have feased Socialism.

fellow worker.

of another. It is really blood money.

to the so-called rights of property.

Deliver The Message!

E, SOCIALISTS, have a great message to deliver to the workers of the nation during the short time that intervenes between now and election day. This message must be delivered!

The American Socialist is going to do its share. You liked last week's issue in which we told about the great victory in Oklahoma. Every issue from now until election day is going to leaflets cost less and reach more. be just as good or better than that issue. It is going to carry the great Socialist message each and every week. ers but the cause of the workers.

In order to make it easy for you to deliver this message to the workers in your neighborhood we are going to make our great but it surely is coming this year. offer—TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS! This is a phenomenal The Socialist party is only fifteen years old, but gee! how it can vote! offer in view of the great increase in the price of paper and we may have to withdraw it at any time. In the meantime the offer stands—The American Socialist TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS! platform on which they are supposed

If you start right in now, get up your list and rush it to Chicago, we will just have time to reach your list with the issue dated Saturday, Sept. 2, the tenth issue before election day. One of the great boosters for this TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS offer is John M. Work, of Chicago, member of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party. He writes about this offer as follows:

THE TEN WEEK SUBS

By JOHN M. WORK

Member. National Executive Committee. Socialist Party. ITHOUT discounting or discouraging any other method of pro-paganda, it is my candid opinion that the ten weeks for ten cents subscriptions to The American Socialist afford the very best method of reaching the people with our message during the present campaign.

This plan has numerous advantages.

The voters receive the paper thru the mail. They are much more likely to read it when it comes to them in that manner.

The paper is big enough to attract attention. Its size lends weight and

The worker gives "something for nothing" when he hands his vote to dignity to it. Likewise, its size enables us to print lots of good stuff in it.

It reaches the voters every week for ten weeks. This is far better than one of the two old parties. only getting one paper. Any advertiser can tell you that it is the constant hammering that brings results. Ten papers, one a week, will get results when one paper might not make any impression at all. groups, which is much more deadly.

EACH paper reaches several voters and also others who are likely to become voters. Each paper will reach four or five people. In other words, it only costs about two cents a head to reach them for ten weeks.

It will have lasting results after election. A certain proportion of the readers will be started on the road toward becoming thoro-going Socialists, devoting their spare time and energy to the cause like the rest of us.

It will help to boost the regular subscription list of the paper, for The Republican party does not point with pride to either Taft or Roosevelt. Nor does the Democratic

certain proportion of those receiving it for ten weeks will subscribe regularly. This is of exceedingly great importance. We shall have Socialism whenever we get most of the people to read the Socialist papers regularly.

FOR ALL of these reasons, I urge you comrades all over the United States to push this matter with the utmost vigor. Send in great lists of voters to be put on for ten weeks. Locals and branches may well raise the funds to send it to all the voters in their communities who are not already taking a Socialist paper. Where this is not done, individuals should send it to all the voters in their immediate communities. Or, if you want to send it elsewhere, send the money in and the names will be procured at this end.

We should not hang back on account of a few dollars. Let's learn to do big things. It isn't worth while to live at all unless we make our lives worth living. Let's shell out the money and send in the lists.

What Comrade Work Has Done:

Comrade Work has such faith in this TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS offer that he has just sent in the names of 180 voters in the precinct in which he lives in Chicago, and the \$18 to pay for putting them on our list. He says:

"These names cover practically all the voters in the precinct in which
"These names cover practically all the voters in the precinct in which

I live. I dropped a letter to the election commissioners, asking for a list of the voters in the precinct, and received a printed list by return mail. There are exactly 300 voters on the list. A few of them are already subscribers to The American Socialist. Some of these 300 are unattached men and women, but most of them belong to families, and there are all the way from two to five voters per family. Therefore, I figure that these 180 subs will reach practically all the registered voters in the precinct. I believe that they will also reach two or three hundred young people who are not are standing on the shoulders of the old enough to vote, and likewise a hundred or two of voters who did not register for the minor elections but who will probably register for the presidential election. In other words, each paper will reach four or five people ten weeks for ten cents. I consider this by all odds the best means against capitalism. The slum is a flesh and blood indictment of the system.

of reaching the voters with our message."
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THE CAMPAIGN BEFORE US

By EUGENE V. DEBS.

conspired to create a situation favorable to our propaganda and suited to our purposes, the situation now existing in this country and particularly Indiana could scarcely be improved upon F ALL the elements surrounding us and all the forces driving us on had in Indiana could scarcely be improved upon.

Tuberculosis is a product of pover-ty. It is manufactured by capitalism. The vital issue that confronts the people has been so clarified by the military jingoists and the profit-mongering plutocrats and their prostitute press in their mad propaganda for "preparedness" that only the blind can now fail to see it. Of course it is all for "partiotism," including the hundreds Speeches are good. But papers and of millions that are now flowing into the coffers of the armor-plate thieves, Boost-not the plans of the mastthe powder pirates, ammunition manufacturers and other plundering plutocrats who are fattening on the massacre in Europe, and the hundreds of millions more in prospect if the administration program of "preparedness" Socialism may not come this year. is carried out and the United States government becomes the greatest military autocracy on earth.

Meanwhile the working class may ponder upon what is in store for them in military "preparedness," and if they do not now revolt when the fate of their murdered brothers in Europe stares them in the face the day will so many politicians trample on the consequences.

> IS IT possible that the workers of Indiana can be any longer deceived by the Tom Taggart brand of statesmanship; by the corrupt capitalist politicians who have for years led them by the nose into the shambles

where they have been slaughtered like cattle?

Will the servile labor politicians, the miserable lackeys of Taggart and his political breed, who have issued their fulsome and fawning endorsement of rotten capitalist politics in behalf of the Central Labor Union be allowed to betray the rank and file once more and deliver them like sheep and swine to the corrupt bosses? It is hard to believe after what we have seen in the big conspiracy to end war don't to the corrupt bosses? It is hard to believe, after what we have seen in Get class conscious and you will get class conscious and you will get something worth while.

Terre Haute and Indianapolis during the past year, that the workers will repeat their experience and once more give their support to the filthy politicians who look upon them as live stock and traffic in their dumb submission to the brutal rule of their masters.

Beware of the so-called labor leader who wears a union button big as a Knock—but see that the blow lands on an enemy of labor and not on a union by selling out its members to the rotten politicians! The vilest of all scabs is the so-called union man who, for a mess of pottage, sells his brothers into bondage.

> NOW IS the time for the Socialists of Indiana to measure up and prove themselves; to quit quibbling over trifles and get to work; to throw off all lethargy and indifference and rally to the standard of the cause; to unite all along the line, to become active in the propaganda, and to make the soil of Indiana the hottest political battleground in the United States.

ico, by Carranza soldiers, Cleveland Dodge called on Secretary of State At one time we had warfare by units. Now we have competition by revolution is before us. Every solitary one of us is needed in the fight and if every revolution by revolution by revolution is before us. Lansing.
One day later Secretary Lansing Carranza issued an order permitting Carranza to import 1,000,000 rounds of small-

quake in this campaign.

Yes, I have accepted the nomination for Congress in the Fifth District and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades and the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades are the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades are the battle is on. I did not want to stand for office but the comrades are the battle is on. finest product of civilization. The spoiler who is rank is the shame of the age.

and the battle is on. I did not want to stand I have bowed to their will. From now on we will contest every inch of ground in this district. We are going to make the fight of our lives. The future and all it holds of good or ill is at stake.

The issue is Socialism against capitalism, imperialism and militarism. The hordes of hell are all against us, but the hosts of justice are on our side. We can win and MUST!

Comrades, I am counting on you, each of you, as if our very lives were at stake—AND THEY ARE!

the people will be the strongest reason why the people will get the trust. HOLD BIG ENCAMPMENT AS PART OF DEBS' CAMPAIGN. Terre Haute, Ind.—A Socialist Entered Railroads Defeated

campment on a huge scale, tho attempted for the first time in this part of the country, will be the outstand-ing feature of the Fifth Indiana Congressional District Campaign to send Gene Debs to Congress. The Encampment will begin on Thursday, August 24th, and will wind up late at night on Sunday, August 27th.

It is going to be a four day affair. Socialists and sympathizers within a radius of 250 miles have already signified their intention to attend. The Committee in charge expects that hundreds of comrades in Illinois Personal principles are mere wishes and Indiana are going to gather on the last two days of the encampment to hear the wonderful array of speakers that the committee has succeeded

in placing on the program. Wonderful talent has been secured the masters tremble, because they to educate, entertain and amuse the crowds that will gather. Among the Arthur LeSueur, of the People's Collegt. Other speakers of national reputation, whose names will be announced later, are also coming.

A high class musical program is in store for the lovers of music. Madame Campodonico, of Milwaukee, a vocalist of rare ability, who time and again No one is great enough or good enough to be the master of anyone's body or mind. This is the age of democracy, of the people, not of the master and hero.

Ist of rare ability, who time and again has thrilled audiences at Debs' meetings in 1912, will sing. Mrs. Margaret Hammond Foy and her daughter, a professional Scotch humorist will provide the mirthful moments of the

encampment. Other talent is also being arranged for.
Saturday, the third day of the encampment, will be Woman's Day. An elaborate and appropriate program is on for that day. Among the speakers for that day are Mrs. C. M. Curry, of Terre Haute; Mrs Eliza Taylor Cherdron, of Milwaukee, and others.

There are abundant facilities for cooking, camping and for the serving of refreshments. A hotel is on the grounds for those prefering hotels to

teen years ago are now proudly hailed There is a score of devices for the as veterans. In fifteen years more they will tell with joy just how the amusement of children, as well as for the old. An ideal ball grounds is right

in the park.

The time is August 24th to 27th incoming a "scab" on election-day, by clusive. The place is Beechwood Park, pointing out some facts he doesn't at Rockville, Indiana. Rockville is at Rockville, Indiana. Rockville is conveniently situated on the Vandalia know or by handing him some liter-Railroad and can easily be reached from various points in Illinois and ature that his favorite paper will

It is cheaper to kill men in industry than in war. Careful figures show John H. Walker, for more than eight years president of the Illinois that in war it costs over \$16,000 to kill a man, while the cost in industry is only about \$250. Call off the armies half years president of the Illinois State Federation of Labor, the position he now holds, has announced that he will not be a candidate for If the workers can win certain advantages by sticking together in part re-election to that office, but that he -that is in small groups-how much will be a candidate for president of the United Mine Workers of America more could they gain by sticking together as a class and by showing the United Mine Workers of America their stick-to-getherness-ability thru in the election to be held in December. Nominations are now being made and wherever it is known that Walker is a candidate for International President he is receiving the support There will be a mighty demonstration for world-peace on the first Tuesof the miners. Walker is well and day of next November by the men favorably known as a progressive trade unionist and his long experience women of the United States that put tangible expression into their work for peace, thru their votes for in the labor movement makes him an

William Madison Hicks. a Socialist government wants to interfere to keep the workers from getting a raise at the expense of the railroad hogs.

ocratic stronghold and debated the amount of American money—real or water—invested in Mexico. When this Government intervenes, it will be for him look like a singed rooster. they tried to mob Hicks. But the latter was rescued by a crowd of Masons and several officials. The The latest estimates place the cost of the European war at \$56,502,000,-

ideal person for that office.

349,442,000,000, and the loss in industry at \$12,500,000,000, a total of \$118,444,000,000. Add to this the cost Your order for the Benson of maintaining the big armies and navies all over the world as preventatives (sic) of war in the future, and you see the extent of the rope with sent it in? Use blank on Page which the privileged are hog tieing Sent Four.

By LUCIEN SAINT.

Special Washington Correspondence. WASHINGTON .- In spite of the strenuous efforts of the powerful Chamber of Commerce of the United States-the American Federation of Business—the Railroad Trust has been defeated in its first attempt to "throw" the demands of the striking employes. The Railroad Trust wanted to stifle the demands of the men by handing over the questions at issue to the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the Chamber of Commerce was working hand in glove to help do so. But the Senate last week refused to be led by the nose, for a wonder, and the railroads stand licked at the end of the first round.

The railroads profess that they do not want a strike. The men do not want to strike, but they will strike unless their intolerably long hours are cut down by the railroad. The speakers already secured are Corne-lius Lehane, of Cork, Ireland; Prof. Maynard Shipley, of Washington; and Maynard Shipley, of Washington; Colroads apparently distrust this Board, for its awards have been universally in favor of the men.

Up To Public Opinion.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars re being expended by the Railroad Trust in order to influence public opinion, Congress and the Administration. Election time is drawing near. Democrats and Republicans who wish to be re-elected to their jobs, do not care to alienate either the railroads or the men. The whole decision will rest with that final court of appeal, public opinion.

High government officials who are sympathetic with the men-for there are a few such—are passing the word around that if matters begin to look ugly, Congress prompted by the Railroad Trust, may rush thru a com-pulsory arbitration law. This will be fought by the men, for such a law would place them at the mercy of arbitrators in whose selection they would have no voice. It would be unconstitutional to make a law passed at this session apply to the present controversy, but the Constitution is a flexible instrument in the hands of

Wont Surrender Yet.

Government ownership of the railroads is another strong possibility This is favored by Socialist Congress. man Meyer London, and a group of Congressmen and Democrats which are a force to be reckoned with. It will be fought by the Railroad Trust with every weapon at its command. Miners' union and for three and a In a few years the railroads will be willing to surrender, but not till they have milked a few billions more in profits from the people.

This is a rough sketch of the pre sent situation. Properly handled, the working class can make great gains from the impending strike. But the truth is difficult to learn, for powerful influences are at work spreading lies and falsification.

Intervention Reasons WASHINGTON .- There are sound

reasons for intervention in Mexico. They are American dollars, and the political theory of the ruling class that the flag should follow the dollar. From a high official source comes

the following summary showing the American financiers have more

money invested in Mexico than the Mexicans themselves have-\$264, 582,758 more. American investments are biggest

of all in that unhappy, system-ridden

country.
This American money is found in campaign leaflets—one each railroad stocks and bonds, mines, week for ten weeks—have you railroad stocks and bonds, ranches, smelters, timberlands factories oil rubber intimberlands, factories, oil, rubber, in-

surance, and other enterprises.
Railway stocks: Mexican money in-

117,000 vested, \$125,440,000; American money invested, \$235,464,000.
Railway bonds: Mexican money invested, \$12,275,000; American money invested, \$408,926,000.

Smelters: Mexican money invested, \$7,200,000; American money invested,

\$4,500,000; American money invest-

Insurance: Mexican money invested, \$2,000,000; American money invested, \$4,000,000.

What's The Answer?

WASHINGTON .- What connection

is there between the Wilson Administration, the embargo on arms to Mexico, and the munitions manufac-

turing firm of Phelps-Dodge Co.?

Here are some significant facts: Cleveland Dodge, member of this

firm, is a close personal friend of President Wilson.

In the 1912 campaign he contributed \$30,000 to the Democratic par-

ty, being the heaviest individual con-

Three days after the attack upon American soldiers at Carrizal, Mex-

any connection between the call of Mr. Dodge on Mr. Lansing and the issuance of the order. The ammuni-

tion which was imported by Carranza

under that order was used in the attack on our soldiers at Carrizal. If

there should be any connection be-tween the visit of Mr. Dodge and the

issuance of the order, and if the ammunition that was shipped to Mexico was shipped by the Phelps-Dodge Co., then may God have mercy on an

administration that permits a campaign contributor to recoup himself

at the expense of the lives of our

gallant soldier boys."

Mr. Rodenberg was in error in calling the Carrizal fight an attack by the Carranzistas. It was an attack

by American soldiers, as future historians, who will be allowed to see the

now suppressed records of the War

But how about campaign contributors dictating policies? After all, why shouldn't they? Haven't they a

Another Chance.

WASHINGTON.—There is a fight-

labor is flocking, is Frank E. Man-

ning, a Washington. D. C., bank clerk.

Socialists in the National Capital are

contributing money and support to

Manning was nominated by the insistence of his comrades. "To spread the Socialist political doctrine was

my purpose in accepting," declared Manning the other day, "and this purpose was changed to a purpose to

win when Carlin forgot that he was

going to run for Congress again and

was then that I decided that the es-sential thing for the moment was the

election of union card men to Con-

gress, and that I would teach Social-

the street railway, whose striking employes were double-crossed last

Manning has the endorsement of

the important unions and he is al-

ready putting up a hot fight.

Aid from every friend of progress

A QUESTION ANSWERED.

(From The Organized Farmer.)

answers our question in the last issue regarding the "Vote for President" in

the following manner:
"Question: Why vote for Benson?

(Answer)-Because he is worth his

weight in gold. A whole-souled

American who dares to speak right up and show his colors. Besides it's the platform he subscribes to that

Nations that spend ten times the

even what little they spent for edu-

will have no broken planks."

One of our Wisconsin organizers

The "Old Dominion" referred to is

ism as I went."

winter by Carlin.

is requested.

cation in vain.

the Old Dominion strike. It

Department, will learn.

vested interest?

\$26,500,000.

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ed, \$15,000,000.

Enough said!

tributor thereto.

SOLD National bonds: Mexican money invested, \$21,000,000; American money invested, \$52,000,000.

Timberlands: Mexican money invested \$5,600,000; American money invested, \$8,100,000. Factories (miscellaneous): Mexican money invested, \$3,270,200; American money invested, \$9,600,000. Oil: Mexican money invested, \$650,-000; American money invested, \$15,-Rubber: Mexican money invested

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berg of Illinois. "I am not making any charge against the integrity of the Secretary of State," he declared, "nor do I know positively that the Phelps-Dodge Co. sold Carranza this 1,000,000 round. Phelps-Dodge Co. sold Carranza this 1,000,000 rounds of ammunition, but I can not help wondering if there is

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THIS SPEAKS FOR ITSELF.
"Hurrah! Maryland goes on Socialist map to-day by the election of Comrade John W. Riley, locomotive engineer, to the city council of Brunswick, Md., from the first ward, in a bitterly contested election. Comrade Riley polled 46 per cent of the total vote cast for the three candidates in his ward.

"Socialist candidates in the second and third wards polled 22 per cent and 18 per cent respectively of total vote in these wards, while our candidate for mayor polled 14 per cent of the 595 votes cast. So far as we can learn Comrade Riley is the first Socialist ever elected in Maryl nd."

—This news was sent in by H. Clifford Wright, and we know that the spirit he shows in these paragraphs is permeating the entire Socialist movement in Maryland.

SOCIALIST SUNDAY SCHOOLS. We want to perfect a national organization and standardize our ing chance for a Socialist Congress-man from the 8th Virginia district, now representated in the House by C. sible, but much can be accomplished methods before the fall opening. A C. Carlin, Democrat. The Socialist by correspondence. All comrades nominee, to whose support organized are teaching in Socialist Sunday Schools. or interested in that line of work, write to T. J. Mead, 811 E. St., N. W. Washington, D. C. No dues or contributions will be solicited for the present. Socialist papers please copy.

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l	1905	28,470	5,912	1,962,960.82	587,740.96	220,323.38
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Workmen's Sick & Death Benefit Fund Entrance on 7th St. For further Inform-Second Floor No. 1. THIRD AVE., NEW YORK ation write to

THE DUBBS

By S. V. ADKINS. By S. V. ADKINS.

Henry Dubb was a Railroad man,
Who up and down the main line ran.
His day was counted sixteen hours
By the Plutocratic Powers.
Eight hours were given him each day
To eat and sleep and rest and pray;
And when his time was up enroute
What then did he, the poor galoot?
Deadheaded sixty miles or more,
Or slept upon the station floor.
And ere he even snatched a kiss
From wife and kiddies or a Miss,
Was called again to pull his freight,
And cautioned not to show up late.
Still he was loyal to the Road,
And let them drive and scold and goad.

"What can I do?" he cried aloud,
"I'm only one of this huge crowd.
The Union of a strike does prate,
My card is always up to date!
To Old Line Folitics I'm loyal,
The Politicians treat me royal,
On election day I ride around
To every nook in Terminal town
And gather in the lazy vote.
Despite all this I'm still the goat. 1

Then one day, Henry's Brother Bill
Took him atop a great high hill.
Beneath them scurried to and fro
The men who worked, who made things go;
Who pulled the engines, stoked the fires,
Tamped the ties and forged the tires,
Who great steel towers shaped with skill,
Who fashioned things designed to kill.
Who builded bridges, tilled the soil,
And dug deep wells which spouted sil.
In fact, all things by men desired
And for his sustenance required.
This throng below, with head and hand
Thus busily supplied the land.

"Now Hen," said Bill, "a closer view I fain with glass would show to you." This closer view you may surmise Was to Hen, a great surprise.
"I see", said he, "on yonder plain A group that's doing nary thing.
Their faces wreathed in happy smiles, And 'round them heaped is wealth in piles; They toil not, neither do they spin, And yet the wealth keeps pouring in. "There's one I know!" Hen now exclaims, "He rides by me on private trains, And over yonder sipping wine Is old Jim Pill, who owns the line; And he who cruises in that boat Is ene for whom I slways vote.

"Oh, Bill!" cried Dubb, "What joy, what bliss,
To have all things and live like this!"
"Yes," answered Bill, "'tis mighty fine
But it is not for you or yours or mine—
Until at least we learn to vote
Those guys will ever have our goat."

Hen shifted glass, as whistles blew
There met his gaze a different view.
Dusty streets and hovels vile,
And folks who rarely ever smile:
They crowded forth from sordid mills,
And out from underneath the hills.
"I'm a Henry Dubb," cried he,
"If they don't all resemble me!"
"They do", says Bill, with knowing smile,
"So come, let's cogitate a while,
There's just one thing these folks can't do,
And that is just what's niling you. And that is just what's ailing you

"I've heen sent by Comrades dear
To give a secret to your ear—
You know not how your vote to cast,
Is this not plain? Observe the past!
And if united, hand in hand
At the polls you'd take a stand,
All things now needed and desired,
Could be by you with ease acquired.
There's just one party in the land,
That battles for the working man.
Don't let them fool you otherwise,
For in this way they blind your eyes,
So when they try their mesmeriam
Just you whisper SOCIALISM!"

JUST BECAUSE.

Here is a letter recently published in The Organized Farmer, one of the big farm publications of the country. It speaks for itself: Florence, S. D., July 24, 1916.

H. G. Tank: Wilson and Hughes are for the money men. Benson is for the working class. My vote for Benson:

Because he is for the working Because he is for no more war.

Because he is not in with the parasites. Because he wants everyone to

have what he produces. Because the Republicans or Democrats have always been in with the money parasites.

Vote for Benson SENECA HARRIOTT, Florence, So. Dakota, Route No. 2; Box 9.

ROLL OF HONOR

Use this blank:

Henry Dubb Prepares Against The Invader And Then Invades



Here's The Oklahoma Plan

By GEORGE GILBERT HAMILTON. UCH HAS been said and many inquiries have been made concerning the Oklahoma form of organization. The Oklahoma plan is the

Socialist Party of Oklahoma as Amended by Referendum Vote, February 1912, could never allow that woman should

that, while it has centralized POWER in the hands of a few men, the State but all the vast machinery of processed only Executive Committee and the State duction and distribution, which shall be composed only of accredited delegates from locals in good standing. Secretary, it has also centralized RESPONSIBILITY, in that it has given these officials to understand that they are the AGENTS of the the times tear dimmed eyes, with bated not have a meeting as often as once membership, that in delegating breath and a peculiar fluttering of the heart, these sons and daughters of the soil receive anew the glorious locals in close relation-

bership. All party officials, delegates and political officers are the AGENTS liberty and love.

of the membership and subject to their SUPERVISION, INSTRUC
TION and PECALL?

Interest in the various election of the race, life and love. Interest in the various election of precinct of the country thru the selection of precinct committeemen and the appointment of counters and watchers at the polls at election time.

served more in the breach than in the alone should exercise and that they way". served. AND IT IS OBSERVED.

The State Convention.

Once each year, between December being fixed by the S. E. C., a state convention is held in Oklahoma City. Each local is entitled to at least one delegate. Where the membership of

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HATS OFF TO ALL THE OTHER COMRADES WHO SENT IN SUBS UNDER OUR
CAMPAIGN OFFER NO. ONE—FIFTEEN
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Tampaign Offer No. 2—TEN WEEKS FOR large that the city auditorium will be Half a million copies all delegates and visitors. There are each week of the Ben- now more than twelve hundred locals in the state, and this means at least son campaign leaflets fifteen hundred delegates besides the large number of visitors who will attend.

each week for 10 weeks. vision, a better understanding and initiative. a deeper appreciation of all that So The Objective Control of the Objective cialism is and all that it stands for.

To Win State For Socialism Morrow Lewis and many other gifted dare to try it. Morrow Lewis and many other gifted dare to try it. If you ask me why the Socialist women workers have been often with If you ask me why the Socialist of Oblehome is great and

Here is the fifth and concluding article by George Gilbert Hamilton on the "Fighting Oklahoma Socialist Movement". In this article he describes "The Oklahoma Plan of Organization", the plan that is going to carry this state for Socialism this fall. It is hoped that The American Socialists will be able to secure additional articles from this gifted writer and speaker as the campaign in the southwest progresses.

the Oklahoma form of organization. The Oklahoma plan is the result of evolution—a gradual and natural growth. It has grown that the gained by subtraction. The latest printed of the thru addition and it has gained by subtraction. The latest printed copy of the constitution bears the title: "Constitution of the

greatest arms of power. To

State Executive Committee.

the membership.

Woman's Work.

The constitution provides for

September 1913, June 1914 and February 1916." A comparison of this copy with the constitution of 1912 tion to press the battle until the reveal the fact that four years movement shall have accomplished its have brought many changes. So much purpose and mission in the complete of superfluous and useless stuff has emancipation of the workers of the been eliminated and so much that is world. The enthusiasm engendered been eliminated and so much that is world. The enthusiasm engendered knows no such thing as county or disgood and useful has been added as to reaches to the remotest nooks and trict autonomy. The locals deal make for us what is practically a new corners of the commonwealth where constitution, one specially suited to in hundreds of rural school houses made one disastrous experiment the peculiar conditions and needs of the Oklahoma farmers, with their the Oklahoma movement. It forms wives and children, listen to the story what may fittingly be described as the oblighted which shall some day soon restore to them the land, the heritage

Centralization and Democracy. The effectiveness of the Oklahoma which shall some day give back to movement is due largely to the fact the workers of the state, of the na-

speaker and has toured the state can tyrannize over the Socialist Parmean ability.

with their wives and daughters, our of party affairs. old party friends came alone, idea seeming to prevail that a political meeting was no place for a woman, an inheritance from the Bourbons whose chivalrous (?) souls ever have any interests aside from the home. This condition has never prevailed in Oklahoma.

County and District Organizations. These are made to conform to the election laws of the state. Oklahoma made one disastrous experiment with county autonomy some years ago, but were glad to return to the old pian of direct dealing with the state

While the county and district organizations are strictly political, yet of which they have been robbed, they are controlled absolutely by the party membership, the state consti-tution specifically providing that such

reads:

"The SUPREME AUTHORITY in the party shall be vested in the member of the party shall be vested in the member of the party shall be vested in the member of the party shall be vested in the member of the party's interest in the various elections. This principle is used, not as a high sounding declaration to be "ob-

District conventions are seldom observance", but as an actual working principle to be religiously obregular annual convention of the Soleight Party of Oblaham of the Sodelegates from each congressional cialist Party of Oklahona is one of delegates from each congressional district usually get together in an inabandon it thru a mistaken idea of formal way and make their plans in promoting "democracy" in the move- order to secure greater co-operation

treme western part of the state, a local exceeds twenty-five members such local is entitled to one additional delegate for each additional twenty-five members or major fraction thereof.

This convention takes cognizance of the convention takes cognizance of t Comrade George Welby Van Pelt, of Montgomery, Ala., has put 136 prospective Socialist twenty-five members or major fraction thereof.

The American Socialist. This is the spirit that is going to save "The South".

Fourteen of those 15 weeks for 15 cents subscome all the way from Juneau, Alaska. They were sent in by Comrade Lena Morrow Lewis.

They were sent in by Comrade Lena Morrow Lewis.

Comrade George Welby Van Pelt, of Montgomery of tional delegate for each additional twenty-five members or major fraction of party officers, consist of nation. It is extremely doubtful if nine members, "one from each of the eight congressional districts, and the political state chairman of the Socialist Party." These are "appointed as provided by the election laws of the state, provided that at the annual ganizer have reduced the encampment work to an exact science. In Lake County, Illinois, Socialist Campaign ganization and propaganda, writes the platform and proposes amendator is weeks, until election day.

Commade Clement L. Compton, of Milville, ments to the constitution. But all its congressional district shall indicate state and nation were employed, di-Comrade Clement L. Compton, of Millville, New Jersey, sends in 19 of the 15 week subs. Comrade H. F. Mauerhan, of San Francisco, couldn't wait for the announcement of our camendment by the membership thru the referendum.

CAMPAIGN OFFER NO. 2—TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS—so he just sat down and sent in 100 names and asked that they go on the list Saturday, Sept 2. THEY CERTAIN—largest and most enthusiastic ever held in the state, so large that the HATS OFF TO ALL THE OTHER COM- hall of the house of representatives.

Comgressional district shall indicate the member to represent them on the committee." Thus the Socialist Party of Oklahoma obeys the LAW of the Democratic machine which prescribes the member to represent them on the committee." Thus the Socialist Party of Oklahoma obeys the LAW of the Democratic machine which prescribes the member to represent them on the committee." Thus the Socialist Party of Oklahoma obeys the LAW of the Democratic machine which prescribes just the kind of machinery each party of the big of the bouse of representatives and nation were employed, distance the member to represent them on the committee." Thus the Socialist Party of Oklahoma obeys the LAW of the Democratic machine which prescribes the member to represent them on the committee." Thus the Socialist Party of Oklahoma obeys the LAW of the Democratic machine which prescribes just the kind of machinery each party of No. 1 was believed into three teams, three speak-committee." The second into three teams, three speak-committee." The second into three teams, the wided into three teams, the committee." ty shall have and the manner of to be followed by Team No. 2 on the selecting all party officials. In order second day, while Team No. 1 was to secure representation on the precinct election boards we must comply day. On the third day three encampwith their law and "appoint" certain party officials. But they are never so continued for forty days, thirty-eight large that the city auditorium will be needed to make sufficient room for ty membership in the orthodox Social The concessions more than paid exist way.

The State Executive Committee lars in the treasury for use in the performs the usual duties of such campaign of 1916.

committees in other states. It must meet at least once each half year, and it may be called in special ses-ganizer. His genius consists of no Help make it a million

Each year the delegates return to sion upon request of five members, or marked or special ability, but just their respective locals with a larger by the State Secretary upon his own hard work and persistent effort. It by the State Secretary upon his own initiative.

The Oklahoma S. E. C. is not a figurehead, the only purpose of whose existence is to comply with the election laws of the state. It is a genuine, ed a corps of the best speakers for bona fide, permanent committee with POWER to do things, and it does them. It takes oversight of the work first is held July 21-22.

of the State Secretary and directs him in that work. That official is something more than a mere clerk, yet he could hardly be classed as an sive and thoro revolutionary moveautocrat. He and the members of the ment should come down to Oklahoma S. E. C. are directly responsible to this summer and see the wheels go 'round. It will do them good to see how easily and without friction the

great machinery moves. The Problem Solved,

Woman's Committee to be elected in This writer does not believe that like manner as the S. E. C., and this provision is strictly observed. The the Oklahoma plan is without defects, Oklahoma movement has given special attention to this work from the proven so good and effective in this first. The women of the movement young agricultural state of the have been encouraged by having Southwest would prove equally ef-members of their sex constantly in fective in the older and more conthe work in this state. Kate O'Hare servative sections of the country. No was one of the pioneer workers in Set "program", no "cut and dried" Oklahoma. She is still exceedingly plan can be laid down by which all popular in the state and no year ever could or should be governed. But passes without Kate on the platform he does contend that here in Oklaat some of the great encampments. homa a form of organization has Ida Hayman Callery was one of the been worked out suited to the conearly state secretaries. From Okla- ditions here prevailing and to the home to the national office as character of our people. We have cen-Woman's Correspondent went Winnie tralized power and at the same time E. Branstetter. Caroline A. Lowe has have made it impossible for that

us, and the state itself has developed movement of Oklahoma is great and a number of women speakers of no strong and its membership loyal and true and harmonious. I answer that In other southern states the writer the membership own the movement has often addressed large meetings and control it. We have combined cenattended by men and boys only. tralizing of power, diffusion of Where the men comrades attended authority, and democracy in control

Win Oklahoma!

The honor of making the first contributions to the literature fund "Help Win Oklahoma This Year!" goes to three comrades. Their contributions came in just as we were going to press on this issue. Their names are H. N Reiz, of Terre Haute, Ind.: H. O. Wachter, of Cattaraugus, going to press on this issue. Their names are H. N Reiz, of Terre Haute, Ind.; H. O. Wachter, of Cattaraugus, N. Y., and Dr. A. F. Green, of Cleveland, Ohio. That is the start. Next week we will make a full report up to the time of going to press.

Here is the plan:

We can carry Oklahoma in November if we put up the right kind of a gammajar. The Oklahoma appropriate The Oklahoma appropriate

ber if we put up the right kind of a campaign. The Oklahoma comrades campaign. The Oklahoma comrades want 280,000 copies each week of the 10 leaflets our presidential candidate, Allan L. Benson, is going to write during the ten weeks preceding the campaign. The national executive committee has already voted to send committee has already voted to send committee has already voted to send them these leaflets for five weeks. Let the readers of The American Socialist contribute the remainder, 280, 000 leaflets each week for five weeks: 1.400,000 leaflets in all, at 50

to death. We shall in due time attend the obsequies. One million pieces of literature, 2,500 precinct committeemen and 500 speakers woke old man vox Populi up. And this old man fully about the rotteness prevailing under about the rotteness prevailing under aroused can crush any machine".

This table shows how the Okla-

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Comrade Patrick S. Nagle, one of the Oklahoma Socialists prominent in this big struggle, writes us from the firing line as follows:

"The crushing defeat of the socialist movement knows not the meaning of agratitude for work well done, but among the Yipsels you will find the opposite to be true. The work of the outgoing State Secretary, Comrade Isadore Tischler, of Rochester, was lauded in a very fine resolution of thanks, and he was unanimously hominated National Committeeman by the convention.

A special letter of great importance is going to the leagues this week. Make sure that your secretary reads it. International news.

Indianapolis, Ind., Socialists are in

a bitter struggle to win the right to use the streets to tell the voters capitalism. State Secretary William H. Henry has been arrested twice during the last 10 days for daring to tell a few truths about conditions in Indianapolis. The police making the arrest said Henry could talk about anything he wished except the city administration, this being the real reason for his arrest. The case has been appealed to a higher court. These arrests have caused an awak-In the registration that recently rads and a big opening for the fall took place more than 70,000 voters campaign is being planned. The jingo registered themselves as Socialists. And since then the Donks and republicans have been turning toward The street carmen tried to buy space to carry a state by capturing Oklahoma this fall. The American Socialist invites you to help by contributions of the railroad workers—support your own press!

(NOTE.-The Chicago Tribune shows signs (NOTE.—The Chicago Tribune shows signs of fright in an editorial on the strike situation in Northern Minnesota. Is this because the United States Steel Corporation, big backer of republican campaigns, and the republican state government of Minnesota, are trying to crush the atrike of the iron miners, something the workers of the state and the nation will not forget. The Tribune is boosting for Hughes and the republican ticket and is no doubt worrying because this strike did not come after election, just as the democrats are hoping that the railroad strike will not be called until after Tuesday, Nov. 5. For this reason the editorial is worth reading and is as follows:) Another "Colorado Strike" Scandal?

THE TRIBUNE FRIGHTENED.

Is the United States Steel corporation trying to crush the life out of a manful effort to unionize the 15,000 iron mine workers, mostly Finns and Austrians, on the Mesaba range in Minnesota?

The steel corporation is one of the few remaining big representatives of American business that refuse to mold their policy to the right of the men to unite for collective bargaining, so firmly rooted in the American ideal. It stands out defiantly for the so-called "benevolent despotism," that too many times is not benevolent, and leaves the workers helpless, with a pair of naked hands to defend themselves against bristling steel. It did not catch the significance of the overwhelming trend of the testimony before the recent federal industrial relations committee and of the subsequent reports in which the right and duty of unionizing was unanimously urged by a board that disagreed so often on other points that there were a series of reports.

According to one investigator, either by a wink or threat, in a country where the prosperity if not the life of the community is in the palm of its hand, the other business interests and public authority of the city of Duluth, the county and the state have been called in in an already pitifully unequal fight.

The miners demanded an eight hour day, abolition of the contract labor system, and pay twice a month. The recognition of the movement by the State Federation of Labor negatives the corporation's charge that the situation is merely the outcome of I. W. W. agitation. Presumably, to brand a thing "I W. W." is to stampede public opinion out of its wits. When the men claim they are barely able to keep alive on the wages paid them and the government tenders its mediation offices, the steel officials refuse to admit that the miners have any possible basis for grievance. is what Investigator Here found:
"More than 1,000 men have been

deputized, according to the sheriff's own statement, and armed with car-bines, revolvers, and riot sticks. The slums of Duluth have been combed to recruit this army of gunmen. Sheriff Meining, like Jeff Farr of Colorado, admitted that he had deputized the company guards without investigation as to their character or record. In fact, he admitted some of them 'might possibly be' what the writer

told them they looked like—thugs.
"Business Duluth is doing its bit.
Leading wholesalers have served notice on merchants that during the strike all credit will be crutailed. And while the miners of Minnesota and their families face want and suffering and endure the violence of a private army of gunmen, the United States Steel corporation announces the largest earnings in the history of an American industrial corporation."

Is the corporation to leave another bloody spectacle on the country's doorstep? If conditions are what this investigator describes the corporation will have an accounting to make with American opinion.

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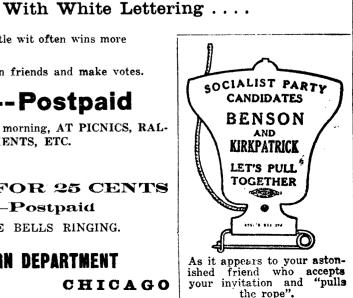
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