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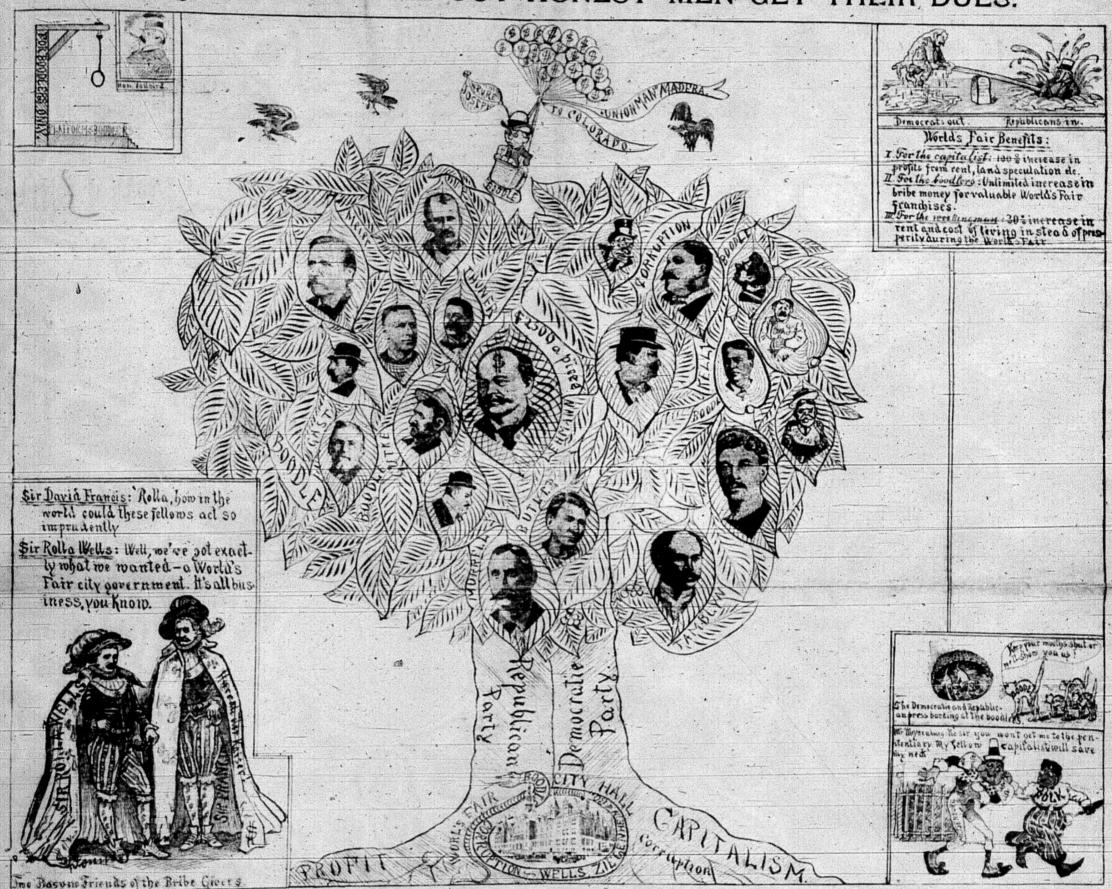
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## WHEN THIEVES FALL OUT HONEST MEN GET THEIR DUES.



#### FRUITS OF CAPITALIST POLITICS THE NATURAL

### THE STORY OF BOODLE

AS IT REALLY IS

### HAS NOT YET BEEN

The Convicted Men Are But the Mouths Through Which Capitalism Speaks-The Present Boodle Was Conceived With the World's Fair and Revolves Around It. -

### THE BOODLERS CLASSIFIED.

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World's Fair Takes Shape.

At this time the World's Fair schege began to assume shape the the city of St. Louis another \$5,000,000 and the little capitalists and "easy" workingmen of St. Louis put up another \$5 000,000. In order to mike thingswork smoothly it then became neces sary to have a "World's Fair Mayor and one of the gang was chosen to fill

The Indian Election.

it was at this point the masterful services of Harry B. Hawes, president of the Jefferson Club, were secured: men" they set about getting in on the son City, which gave Francis and his ground floot.

creased, then came the breaking up cast. With this "law" on the statute of the Street Railway Mon's Union, books the rest was casy defection-day which for a time threatened to put a came around and Francis was on hand Gas Co. got passession of the city of Bad Jack Williams, Ed Batter and lighting through organizing a half "Bobble" Carroll, who had gathered dozen "lighting companies" and the around them a band of trusty indians expenditure of \$250,000 for the sen. The story of that election day is well known in St Louis and a reference to After this came the Central Traction the Grand Jury report & all that is and Suburban deals, engineered by the necessary. It was one of the links in cats' gaws to take out the profits for troi of all they had set out to capture, those behind the scenes. the city was their's and they set about bleeding it for all they were worth. New Developments.

At this point new developments, national government put up \$5,000,000, arose, during their boods building Prancis and his friends had made use phblican politicians to do their "dirty work," that is to pass their Neshir law, Demogratic and Republican politicians understanding of their conditions, received a price and naturaly aided. In order to carry out this desire tw in the furtherance of their masters' feeling secure in their common crimba, Lauis.

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## First the Transit Co. was formed indges and ejerks, attended to the reg. INDIGNATION "BOODLE MEETINGS"

BY THE WORKING CLASS PARTY

### IN NORTH AND SOUTH ST. LOUIS.

The Story of the Boodling Expose Will Be Reviewed From the Standpoint of the Working Class at Two Monster Meetings on Saturda Evening.

### ALL WORKERS URGED TO ATTEND.

The present hoodie exposure de pery basis of their existence and R of a number of Democratic and Ry mands action on the part of the cannot, be expected that they will be WORKING CLASS PARTY, action the means of their own undoing. It is secure them their franchies and do which will be the means of stirring the working class after which can or their voting, for all this the said the working class of the city to an will take action and the conditions

scheme, because they saw larger mass meetings have been called for like the calling of the meetings refoes coming flut here is where the Sasarda's evening. September 20, one in the calling of the meetings re-

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now confronting as lemands that that In order to carry our this desire two action be taken. It calls upon every

rub came; drunk with their power and in North and the other in South St. TY seeks to reach as many workers as alty they demanded higher and ever. It is time the workers of St. Lanis only remety. Socialism: the collect higher fees until Francis, and his their rooses in such matters; tive ownership of the means of pro-World's Fair respectables could stand used their power in such, matters; tive ownership of the means of prothe strain no longer, the increased de mands of their "representatives" the capitalise class and capitalist par away with the private interests of in-

### Capitalist Politicians

THROUGH CHANGE OF NAME

### Would Disfranchise Socialists.

in the city

Democratic Office-Holders Compel Socialists to Adopt a New Party Name on Eve of Election -- A Rigorous Protest Should Follow at the Polls.

The fear expressed in our last be brought before every local union week's issue has become a reality; the Democratic politicians of the State have refused us the right to use the been compelled to adopt a new name. be present in order to set in motion The Working Class Party has been the name adopted and it is under that cap have printed fifty go before the working class of this city and State at the fall election. The new name will compel some changes on the part of the comrades and considerable expense, because it now becomes necessary to thoroughly adver- the city tise the new name in order to prevent confusion and loss of votes, but on the whole it will be the means of enthusing the movement with a determination to overcome this new capital-

in St. Louis the move in this direction has already begun in earnest. the trades union movement has been notified through the Central Trades and Labor Union, a communication having been read before their last meeting and ordered transcribed in the minutes. The matter will thus

### A SPLENDID FIGHT.

The Striking Miners Have Been a Marvel in Steadfastness -Present Aid Should Continue and Plans be Laid for More to Come.

The spirit of the men in the anthra cite region is admirable, for eighteen long weeks they have put up a fight for liberty that is without parallel in the trades union movement. Nearly one hundred and fifty thousand strong they have held to their posts, without a single break. All kinds of weapons have been used by the coal barons, but as yet without success; the ranks of the men still stand and without the ast sign of wavering

The support of their brothers admirable and when one stops to realize the funds necessary to keep on strike one hundred and fifty thousand men and their families, some comprehension is had of the magnitude of the

With the coming of fall, however, problems present themselves clothing, food and fuel is needed and necessarily more funds. The ability and the willingness of the working to contribute has not yet been ached and a definite programme should be put in motion which will bring around the desired end and cryslize the public sentiment in favor of the strikers. To this end mass meetings should be called throughout the ountry if possible on the same date. ectings were held under the auspices of the trades unions in the various cities, called in the first placby President Mitchell, they would be ity terested directly in the coal miners! aght than anything else and establish a fund which would provide for all contingencies besides registering in no mistaken language the sentiment of the people generally.

future action which may be taken, the ism. workers should continue their work already in hand and insure the continuation of the strike and the ultimate victory of the strikers.

#### Firemen Protest.

The local lodge of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen of Pine Bluff, Ark., protests vigorously against the admission of Teddy Roosevelt into tion was wholely unwarranted and unconstitutional

of place. Teddy has about as much has in Saint Peter's precincts. One great trouble with labor has been its fawning at the feet of power. We don't have to fawn at one one's feet, nor to any power. We are all powerful, if we will but stand up. It is to be toped that the action of the Pine Bluff brothers will increase until it is felt.

#### TENTH WARD MEETING.

The Tenth Ward comrades will hold s meeting at South West Turn Hall, Ohio avenue and Potomae street, and is now in a perfectly sanitary con-

A general mass meeting has also been called for Sunday afternoon, September 21, at Druid's Hall, and all name Socialist Party and we have the comrades in the city are urged to spectables. a vigorous campaign under the new name. It has also been decided to or one hundred tion that the Socialist movement will thousand fac simile ballots, printed just as they will appear on the official ballot with an explanation of the change on the reverse side. The ballots are to be distributed from house to house by the precinct organizers and put in every trades union hall in

All this requires funds, however, and the comrades are urged to push their campaign lists and make their

Let It be known if im every house top, on the streets and in the by-ways that, the capitalist politicians of the State have sought to disfranchise the Socialists. Let it be known that we will not be disfranchised by rolling up such a vote for the WORKING CLASS PARTY that they will quake in their boots. It can be done if we work

### Morgan Aiding Socialists.

Rev. Lorimer, of New York, Sounds a Note of Warning to His Capitalist Brethren-Too Late.

Boston, Sept. 16 - "Morgan is the best organizer in the world for the So cialists," said Rev. Dr. George C. Lorimer, pastor of the wealthlest Baptis church in New York.

Dr. Lorimer has just returned from Europe, and his first question was "How's the coal strike?" Being told ci J. Pierpont Morgan's refusal to try to end it he said: "The work of such to end it he said: men as Morgan and of the big combinations is preparing the minds of the people f r Socialism

The Reverend Lorimer has had his eyes open and is not merely talking to hear himself. Socialism looms up bethroughout the country has also been fore him like a night-mare and he cries out against those who are hastening its coming, but he had better make his peace with the on marching ranks of labor for all the outery in the world cannot stop the progress of Socialism and Morgan cannot stop his work if he would. If he would stop things would come to an end, industry would cease because capitalism cannot live without expanding and expanding means Morgan and his trusts.

The great coal strike is drawing the lines tightly between the forces of capital and labor and the battle will be carried onto the political field, where labor will be overwhelmingly victorious.

Morgan and his trusts and the great coal strike is doing what the Reverend Lorimer cays it is doing; it is preparing the minds of the workers for So cialism, it is showing them the absurdor a syste the means of getting more workers in-to toll unceasingly for a bare living the means of getting more workers in-to toll unceasingly for a bare living while the mine owners revel in luxury. It is teaching them their power as workers and all that now remains for them to do is to use that power in the capture of the forces of government through which they can put an end to In the meantime, regardless of any their robbery by establishing Social-

### AN EPIGRAM.

We hold these truths to be selfevident and the conclusion the neces-

Capital is accumulated wealth All wealth is the product of la-

3. Labor is, of right, entitled to possess and enjoy what it produces

Conclusion: When this shall be at-It is certain that a kick is not out shape of rent, interest or profit, left for non-producers; therefore, those interest in a labor union as the "old now called capitalists will have to earn their living by honest work as

### FREE LECTURE HALL.

The People's Fund and Walfare Association offer the use of their hall at the northwest corner Eleventh and Locust streets, free of charge to all labor organizations for free lectures, entertainments and discussions on social,

educational and economic quesions.

The hall has lately been renovated Sunday afternoon, October 5., Com- dition, and can be secured any evening A. Hoenn wil speak in Ger- or Sunday by addressing Louis Koher,

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threatened to eat up their increased profits and they decided to call a halt. Turner Tells.

Accordingly it was invanged that Charles T. Turner, president of the Suburban Railway Co. and prominent story of the boodling in St. Louis will ther should make an arrangement with the Indian-elected is for this reason that the Democratic, circuit attorney whereby he could tes Republican and Public Ownership partify for the state and go free. Such an ties will not tell the story in their plat arrangement was, made and Turner, forms or in their speeches. They are money was then on deposit in a safe that they dare not open their months deposit vauit and being demanded by for fear of showing their colors, the

Scattering Begins.

The cat once out of the bag there was a general scattering in all directions of both "representatives" and re-Kratz and Murrell went to Mexico and Nicolaus and Wainwright continued indefinitely their stay in Egypt and Germany. Mysenburg, Faulkner and Lehman were sentenced to the penitentiary but have continued to live undisturbed in St. Louis as far away from Jefferson City as any honest man

The Boodlers, Who Are They?

#### DEMOCRATIC BOODLERS.

Edward Butler. H. A. Faulkner. J. J. Hannigan. Charles F. Kelly John A. Sheridan. Charles J. Denny.

#### REPUBLICAN BOODLERS.

Emil Mysenburg. Henry Nicolaus Ellis Wainwright, Chas. Kratz. J. K. Murrell E. E. Murrell. John P. Schnettler. T. E. Albright, Geo. E. Robertson John Heims Chas. Gutke. Otto Schumacher, Louis Becker. Adolph Madera Julius Lehmann, Edmund Bersch, Wm. Tamblyn. Emil Hartmann.

#### ELECTION BOODLERS.

Harry B. Hawes Joseph Folk, Rolla Wells. The Police Department The Jefferson Club and all the officers elected at the "Indian campaign"

#### WORLD'S FAIR BOODLERS

David R. Francis. Wm. H. Thompson James L. Blair, James Campbell, And all other members of World's Fair directorate who assisted

in the election of Rolla Wells and the carrying out of the . World's .Fair

#### UNTOUCHED BOODLE MAKERS.

Charles H. Turner. Philip Stock. Officers of the Transit Co. Officers of the Suburban Co., Officers of the Welsbach and Lalede Lighting Companies.

#### UNAPPREHENDED BOODLERS.

All the capitalists and capitalist politicians of the city

Murrell Returns.

Things then died down and were almost forgotten when Murrell came back from Mexico and told another stery which caused another scattering. Charles F. Kelly and Charles Kratz, however have been taken to a safe. A Roster of all Union Musicians in distance, where they will doubtless re. the City Always on File. distance, where they will doubtless reones who know the capitalists who'l

## The Boodlers. | put to the price and Francis will see

Dering all this time the St Louis Regulate and the Globe-Democrat, the official mouthpieces of the World's Fair boodlers, set up a lustry cry of "stop thief" in order to cover the crimes of the respectables and make scape goats of the Trepresentatives. . It is for this reason that the true

told in the capitalist press. It

He told that \$175,000 of bribe all so completely mixed up in the game "representatives" for "services Democrats and Republicans directly and the Public Ownership party through fusion.

The Working Class Party.

It is for this reason that the WORK ING CLASS PARTY will alone tell the The boodle game involves the entire capitalist class of the city which will resort to any means to further its profits; its only enemy is the working class, who are made the victims of rascality by being compelled to pay for it all through decreased wages and increased hours.

The working class then is the only force which will put a stop to things and through the WORKING CLASS PARTY they can make their power felt. Now of all times is their

### OFFICERS WILL BE ELECTED.

LABOR PRESS COUNCIL TO TAKE ACTION AT ITS NEXT MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the election of officers will be a sp cial order of business for 9 o'clock at the next meeting of the Council Thursday, Octoerb 9th. Meeting will open promptly at 8 o'clock and all delegates are urged

Fraternally, A. J. LAWRENCE, Sec., Labor Press Council.

### Ebersbach's Park Crowded.

Socialists Enjoy Themselves At a Splendid Outpouring-Abundant Enthusiasm.

The annual picnic at Ebersbich's Garden was all and more than anticipated. The pack was filled to over flowing with an enthusiastic crowd of Socialists who enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. The raffle stand was the main feature of the picnic with nearly 600 prizes, and the comrades who had it in charge had all they could do to take care of those who clampred for a chance on the win nings. The fine painting of Dr. Crucius was won by Comrade John Scherpf, who carried it home in triumph

The crowd were too intent on enjoyment and paid very little attention to the speakers, notwithstanding . Comrades Chris Rocker, M. Ballard Dunn and G. A. Hoehn attempted to make themselves heard above the poise of the children who cared only for the

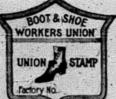


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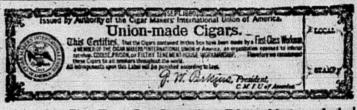
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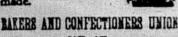
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## Questions

In answer to your question in fast issue I will say the workers have very little or no interest in high or low tariff. These issues concern the small capitalists who are represented by the Democratic party and the corporations, who are represented by the Republican party, and are like all other issues that spring up between these two parties, such as the gold and silver questions, who shall pay the taxes, etc. It is merely a struggle between these two parties, over the spoils which they have fleeced from the laboring man and the laboring man has no interest in either one of these parties unless he is satisfied with being fleeced

C. SCHEFFLER.

The thriff issue is of no importanc to the worker. In every country the globe whether the tariff be high or low the laborer ir robbed of the fruits of his toil by the same old game of profits, interest and rent.

Take the Beef Trust. We produce all the meat we consume and ship vast quantities to foreign countries, still it is just as much a monopoly and fixes the price we shall pay for meat just as much as the Sugar Trust does, which and not in the tariff rates. The Standand Oil trust does not owe its monopotariff any more than, the railroad merg-

The only classes that have a real interest in the tariff is the two sets of capitalists with conflicting interests, One set like the Northern cotton mil owner who can't expect to sell his goods abroad in competition with foreign cheap labor made goods, so wants the home market for his own exploitation and favors a high tariff for that purpose. The other set like the Southern cotton exporters who must sell abroad and bring back in change foreign goods, and the lower the tariff the more profit on the d a for Mr. Cotton Broker,

The natural condition of trade is free trade.

Under Socialism, we being a great agricultral and manufacturing nation, we would have very little need of foreign trade. What products we could not produce, such as tea and coffee, we would exchange for them with other nations, on a base of free trade, products that they were in need of and no e would make a profit off-the trade. Yours truly.

BERT E. SCOTT.

Question for next week: If the "trust question." the "money question" and the "tariff question" as STATE SECRETARY'S issues in a political campaign are of no. interest to the working class, what is the issue, if any, which demands their attention

#### ST. LOUIS CAMPAINGN ECHOES.

(By the City Secretary.) Four street meetings were held Saturday, September 13th.

The Tenth Precinct Club of the First Ward reports their meetings well at

The Tenth Ward comrades will hold a mass meeting October 5th at Southwest Turner Hall

The Eighteenth Ward comrades held a meeting September 17 at Piumber's

The Second Ward comrades held a neeting at 3314 Blair avenue, September 19 with fair attendance.

The Shop Agitation Committee is preparing for an effective campaign.

Rush in your collections on the campaign fund to the City Secretary. They bear the Money is needed.

> general meeting of Local St. Louis at Druid's Hall Sunday, September 21, at 2 p. m.

> More volunteers are wanted for the the campaign.

Turner Hall, Thirteenth and Arsenal streets, and North St. Louis Turner Hall, Twentieth and Salisbury streets.

The Socialist Fife and Drum Corps held their second practice meeting at People's Fund and Welfare Hall, Eleventh and Locust streets, Sunday morning. September 14th, and adjourned to meet at the annual Labor Press picnic at Ehersbach garden in the evening, where they received the substantial encouragement of the comrades

Comrade E. Val Puinam went to Jefferson City Sept. 12 and returned September 13. He reports that Secre-Tary of State Cook decided against our use of either the name "Socialist" or

EISENMAYER COAL CO.,

Social Democratic," on the official Democrat.

Comrades holding drum corps lists re urged to circulate same with enerby and make prompt returns to the city secretary, in order that the corps can be placed on a working-basis without delay.

The meetings of the C. C. c. are not as largely attended by the delegates as they should be. The matters comog up for consideration, as the cam paign progresses, are often very important, and should have the attention of a full committee.

City Secretary Sanderson has re ceived a check for \$100 for the Miners' strike fund from Beer Bottlers' Union No. 187; also, \$9.35 from the Freie Gemeinde of South St. Louis, both of which have been promptly forwarded to National Secretary Wilson, of the United Mine Workers of America, at Indianapolis, Ind.

The Socialist party, having been compelled by the cleer a laws of the Stai- of Missouri to change 'z name, the C. C. at its meting September 15, ordered City Secretary Sanderson to suggest to the State Committee that the name "Working Class Party" be adopted.

Comrades Dunn, Putnam and San derson appeared on behalf of the So cialst Party, at the hearing before the St. Louis Board of Election Commissioners, September 9. By agreement is affected by the foreign supply of the matter was left for decision by sugar. Their monopoly of those two Secretary of State Cook, at hearing industries rests in the ownership of set for September 13th, at Jefferson the sugar refineries and packinghouses City R. T. Brownrigg, who has his office very close to ex-Governor Biappeared for the Sel. P at both hear ings. Sabe

Some comrades still owe their paign fund pledges made at the City Convention May 4th. The money needed in the campaign Send it in comrades.

in order to comply with the election laws we have been compelled to change our official name for the State of Missouri. It is now the "Working It should not be neces Class Party." sary to state that our principles, plat form and candidates remain the same

The Eleventh Precinct Club of the Twenty-second Ward was organized with a membership of seven oy Comrade David Allen, Thursday, September 4. Comrade Walter B. Scott was elected Secretary-Treasurer, and Comrade A. Bierangle, Organizer. The Ward Central Committee was organized September 11, with Comrades David Allan, F. Schacht, A. Bierangle H. C. Lange and Frank Dillon. The headquarters of the ward will be at the residence of Comrade David Allan, 3204 Pine street, where meetings will held Sery Thursday evening. Ward Organizer Allan requests all comrades living in the Twenty-second Ward to notify him of their address.

## REPORT.

I submit herewith a comment on the bearing at the Secretary of State's office, which took place last Saturday, 13th, and which deprived us of our party name, compelling us to adopt another. It was a hearing in the fullest sense of the term, and it ended in being a "hearing."

The decision was evidently cut and dried when we were notified to appear, Briefly the law under which the objections were filed provides that no political party hereafter organized shall use the name or any part of the name or any emblem or device, etc., used by any party now in existence. It also provides against persons petitioning doing any of these things. The attor-Socialist Labor, and consequently had Let no comrade fall to attend the than we. He further argued that the repeated use of the same name gave them a quasi legal standing. The secretary of State was inclined to agree as the Social Democrats had appeared If you hold a miners strike list re- twice on the official ballot, and that lections thereon or not, as he is re- to any consideration as a political par- show your class consciousness it today, as the time for their return to equal consideration. It was also to national headquarters is long past pointed out that the law in question the state. Every Socialist should attend one of was passed after the Social Democrats' reaching them. the two mass meetings held Saturday hadgained the standing cited, and that evening. September 20, at Concordia as it was not retroactive, we had the right of filing under the name of Social

Here is where the fine work cam On our demand to file as Social Democrats were referred to the prohibition of using part of another party name and were construed to be persons peritioning, a complete reversal of the opinion which deprived us of the name Socialist. Knocked out on this point we made another stand declaring that as a political party is nowhere defined in of Missouri and as neither party had polled the 3 per cent required to go on the official ballot by convention, that both parties were without the pale of the law and should both be allowed to file under the names at they appeared on the petitions. On this point it was neld that the intent of the law was plainly to prevent two parties of the same or similar nam appearing on the same ballot.

In my younger days I had a profound respect for the legal profession and had an idea that a lawyer was neccessing a man of brains. If I had long ago changed my mind on Don't accept an that score my attendance at our "hear ing" would have convinced me of my It does not require a legal mind or great perspicacity to pick out the flaw in the rank decision of which unless this Label we are the victims. Here are two is on it. parties, neither recognized by the law, or rather both construed to be per sons petitioning, but to suit capitalistic ends one is declared a party and the other "persons petitioning." were not so grave it would be comic. and a fit idea for the rearing of a comic opera.. We have changed our while through he force of the law above referred to which was now dy to prevent our use of the name Social Democratic and this time

i we must change it as the result of the use of the same law, and through petition of those who claim to be Socialists. Here are some pointers. You can draw your own conclusions.

Socialism is growing faster than anything else

The S. L. P. is steadily losing ground. The election this fall, in this

state will be a hard contest between the Democrats and the Republicans. 4. Brownrigg, the attorney for the S. L. P. stands close to ex-Governor Stone

Outside parties which might draw votes from the Democrats must be knocked out.

6. The strongest must be killed

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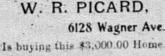
Could the evidence be stronger? if there was ground for legal action would a lawyer want a better case We will probably file as the "Working Class Party." We need not necessar fly lose many votes and we should make a considerable gain. We could ask for no better evidence that the capitalist parties see their finish, than the perpetration of this piece of skuldrugger. In other words at this stage of the game (if you will excuse the slang "every knock is a boost." 'We have them on the run and must keep after them.

We are still Socialists. On the bal lot we are the WORKING CLASS PARTY, but the terms are syn-onymous. This luminous legal This has ... caused us decision inconvenience, but it should spur us to greater efforts. We must gain our official standing under our new caption before some bright legislator in troduces a bill against the use "Working Class" on the ground that there are no classes, or that we are attempting to array the classes against the masses. They are capable of it An aggregation that is capable of ren dering a decision which contradicts itself is canable of anything.

We must poll 3 per cent this fall. ney for the S. L. P. orgued that they This thing of petitioning for our rights had persistently filed under the name is getting thesome. We must capture the state and make a few laws ions) ourselves. Experience has shown that we poll an average of eight votes for every Socialist in the movement. Let us get in enough to poll 20,000 votes, and go on the ballot with 11m on this point. Comrade E. by convention in 1904. This experi-Socialist Fife and Drum Corps, with Putnam, who represented us Tence is but an indication of the methcially filers. Enlistment will be for then pointed out that our organization ods that will be resorted to-to keep us down. Therefore let each of us make it our business to work from turn it immediately to the city secre- we had in both instances out voted the this time forth as we have never work tars, whether you have made any col- S. L. P. If the S. L. P. was entitled ed before. Here is an opportunity to quired to account for every list. Do ty the Social Democrats were entitled are after the working class. It is big Let us vote as we strike-against

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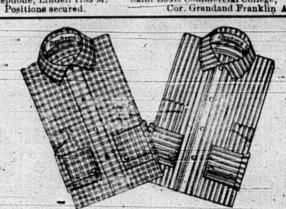
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robbed every year of 83 per cent of what he was creating and he failed to make an attempt to regain his stolen property, what would you think of him? me Well, whatever your thoughts would be they will apply very forcibly to the to the "laid off" man. working class

IN A RECENT TRANSACTION CONNECTED WITH THE FINANCEER ing of the United States Steel Corporation, J. Pierpont Morgan was paid \$10,000,000 in commissions. On what a snap this business of working the workers has become. Moral-Every workingman should become a J. Pierpont Morgan.

GEORGE W. VANDERBILT HAS FILED PLANS FOR A NEW MARBLE palace in New York City, according to a press dispatch. Vanderbilt has the easiest thing in the world. Just imagine a man never doing a thing in his life living in a marble palace, and then imagine the working men who built the palace and lived in the tenement. One side or the other is wrong; which

ONE OF THE MOST STRIKING EXAMPLES OF THE HUNGER FOR profit under modern capitalism is to be found in the recent history of the volcanic eruptions of St. Vincent and Martinique Islands.

Although certain of destruction the people yet remained for fear of interfering with "business" and thus checking profits. Under Socialism the islands would have been abandoned as soon as they were found to be uninhabitable. There would be no such thing as profit and the safety of human life would be the mainspring of our every action.

ACCORDING TO THE FIGURES OF THE LOSS IN THE COAL REGION the miners have lost in wages \$22,350,000 in 17 weeks. That looks big, but a little dissection will show what it really means..

There are nearly 150,000 miners on strike, who, according to these figures would have received all-told \$149 each, or a little over \$8 per week.

The coal mine owners on the other hand are reputed to have lost \$18,-150,000 in profits which means nearly \$6,000 a week for the small handful of men who claim property rights in the coal. The story here revealed does not need any fruther explanation; it is plain enough for even the dumbest to comprehend. Those who can't read it and see its point had better stop

The coal miners dig all the coal and receive \$8 a week for it. President Baer and his kind dig no coal at all and receive nearly \$6,000 a week. Study Socialism, mister workingman.

THE CAPITALIST PRESS REPORTS SENATOR JONES, OF NEVADA. as having referred to Roosevelt's anti-trust speeches as "so much campaign stuff,". He is also quoted as having said:

So far from having less trusts, we shall have more of them. The tendency of the times is toward greater consolidations of capital, and in the end we shall have Government control. crusts in general are fostering and causing the speed of Socialism.

The Senator is at least abreast of the timess in his study of economic events, but it yet remains to be seen whether he will desert his capitalis interests in order to espouse the cause which he sees coming to a successful end. When he says that Roosevelt's speeches are campaign stuff he hits the nail on the head. If his strenuosity had desired to do anything to the trusts why didn't he do it when Congress was in session?. The truth of the matter is Teddy knows as well as Senator Jones that the trusts have come to stay and all his talk is mere gush, but like a true capitalist politician he if after votes and he knows how to get them.

THE NAME OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY IN MISSOURI IS THE WORKING CLASS PARTY, and stands as a tribute to the fear in which the Socialist movement is held by the capitalist politicians of the State, who at the present reading go under the name of Democrats. This same set of politicians passed a law in the last General Assembly expressly directed against the Socialist movement, then on the ballot as the Social Democratic Party. In conformity with this law the party name was changed to Socialist Party. The politicians, however, had determined, if possible, to break up the Socialist movement and they denied the right to file under the new name, thereby compelling still another change.

in the adoption of the name WORKING CLASS PARTY, there is nothing surrendered in principle and while the distinctly class character is retained the distinct term Socialism is gone which means much, but which can be overcome by hard work on the part of the comrades. That work will no soubt be forthcoming and as a starter it is hoped that every comrade in the city will be in attendance at the special meeting of Sunday next. September 21st, at Druid's Hall.

### All Governments Are Alike.

The tollowing item from a press dispatch concerning ling Edward's re-cent visit to Andrew Carnegie at his castle in Scotland is illustrative of a point in modern political history and is worth reproducing:

"At to-day's visit to Skibo Castle, King Edward's suite took tea with the single, admiring the gardens. "God Save

Carnegies and drove through the grounds, admiring the gardens. "God Save the King" was played on the organ as the royal party entered and the pipers repeated it as his majesty drove off.

King Edward expressed surprise and delight at the attraction, of Skibo

The point illustrated by this dispatch is made by the Socialist when they declare that capitalism makes the governments of the world of one nature regardless of whether they are called empirs, kingdoms or republics.

England's government is no different from the government of Russia nor from the government of America. They are all conducted by, of and for the capitalist class. The wealth produced by the workers who make up their population is owned by the capitalist class; the laws on their statute tooks are made by and in the interest of the capitalist class, every grove that is made, every action taken has at its base the increased profit of the capitalist class. Carnegie, being a capitalist, is as much at home in Skibo Gastle, as he is in his home on the Hudson River; he can sing with equal fervor "God Save the King." "America." or the national air of Russia. His profits continue to furnish his luxury, whether he at home or abroad, and the wage slaves in his foundries will, toil whether Carnegie ever darkens the doorway

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All governments are alike save in name; all governments are conducted in the interest of the idle on the weary shoulders of those who toil.

The workers in all countries create that country's wealth; the wealth; the workers. workers of all countries receive as their reward an animal existence. Theirs are never the beauties of the earth; theirs is never its joy, its pleasures or its blessings: theirs is naught but toll from the cradle to the grave. The Carthe means of production and distribunegle of America, with his Homestead and his libraries, has his counterpart tion into collective ownership by the in England and Russia. The murdering soldiers of England are seen in both America and Russia, and as many workingmen have been sacrificed on their EDITORIAN ANNOUNCEMENTS.

America and Russia. The murdering soldiers of England are seen in both America and Russia, and as many workingmen have been sacrificed on their communications must reach the office by Monday evening preceding their alter in one country as another.

In all countries the workers are learning these truths; they are learning these truths; they are learning the labor movement are re-

the cause of their miseries and taking steps for relief. The capitalist system itself must go, the Carnegies must go and with them all their train of wor. Those who create shall enjoy and those who are idle will suffer the consequence of idleness. Socialism will take the place of capitalism, Carnegie will be deprived of his princely income, based on the labor of thousands of wage slaves, and with the working class in control of government, with working class making the laws, and enjoying the fruit of their hands, the hideous nightmare revealed in the above dispatch will have passed away forever.

### The Modern

Slave.

Seventy-fie thousand miners, it is said, by the anthracite operators, will have to find employment elsewhere when mining is resumed in the East. They declare that they intend to cut the number of men employed and compet them to do more work.

The fate of the other 75,000 is of no if YOU SHOWED A FRIEND OF YOURS THAT HE WAS BEING the lives of these 75,000 men are not needed; they may starve if they cannot

some other profit hunter willing to employ them.

At this point it might be well to ask who controls these 75,000 lives? The men er the operators? It is very apparent that the men have very little to say about it; they cannot keep themselves from being "laid off," and woe

When such statements are made the day of joking has passed; it has resolved itself into a serious proposition. When a half dozen men can determine the future well being of 75,000, the time has come for serious thought and surely the workers above all others should do the thinking. What gives these men such power? Why must 75,000 bow to the will of a handful?

Miners cannot work except in mines; they cannot work in mines unless they receive permission from mine owners; if they are denied this permission they are denied the right to live. Under these circumstances it appears that the power of the handful rests in their ownership of the mines, and it naturally follows that as long as they own the mines, so long will they hold the power of life and death over those who must work in the mines in order to live.

Such conditions, however, are not hopeless, because the private owner.

ship of the mines is not a fixed thing and can be changed by the majority. It can be changed to collective ownership by those who work in the mine and when it is so owned there will no longer be any fear of 75,000 men being cast upon the highway to starve.

It is this same 75,000, too, who are the majority; it is their vote which elects the officers of state, who, in turn, make the laws which place them in slavery. If they would but use this same majority to eject their own officers the mines would be theirs and the fruits of their labor would be theirs. Will they so use their power?

#### Would Stop

Suicide.

A few weeks ago Coroner Funkhouser announced a warfare against suicide; he might as well have announced a warfare against insanity or sickness. He sought to stop suicide by checking that the river and the rope still re. developed capitalism are leading to So-mained for those unfortunates who were cialism, which will abolish both the the sale of poisons and seemed to forget

tired of life. Suicide will not be stopped with the stopping of poisonous liquids, suicide has something deeper behind it than merely an opportunity to kill one's seir. bringing about this new and higher And like all other things, it has a cause. To curel't this cause must be order of society is the working class.

The cause of suicide lies at the very bases if our institutions and in almost every instance can be traced to the inequality of wealth. Lack of employment, overwork, worry over financial matters, general hopelessness and despondency, are the usual causes of suicide, all having their root in the dependence of one class upon another. If all men were free in fact, as well as in name, suicide would be almost unknown. If all men had an equal opportunity to create life's necessities and enjoy them when created there would be no need for coroners' edits. If all men could enjoy the blessings which life affords and which would be theirs under a well ordered so lety, there would be no need for this comment. But things are not so and comment is needed. We will have suicide so long as one class of men must ask another for

chance to live; we will have suicide so long as old men are cast adrift when the can no longer create profits for their masters; we will have suicide so long as the death of a husband will plunge the wife and babies into misery; we will have suicide so long as men must toil out their lives creating luxury for others; in fact, we will have suicide so long as capitalism continues. In Socialism alone lies the remedy. In Socialism lies the removal of the inequality of wealth and all its attendant ills. In the inauguration of Socialism Coroner Funkhouser will find the fruition of his hopes.

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Development of Industry.,

were simple and owned by the individworker. Today the machine, which is but an improved and more developed tool of production, is owned by the capitalists and not by the workers. This ownership enables the capitalists to control the product and keep the workers dependent upon them.

#### Effects of Private Ownership.

Private ownership of the means of production and distribution is responsible for the ever-increasing uncertainty of livelihood and the poverty and misery of the working class, and it divides society into two bostile classes -the capitalists and wage-workers The once powerful middle ciass is rapidly disappearing in the mill of competition. The struggle is now between the capitalist class and the working class. The possession of the means of livelihood gives to the capitalists the control of the government, the press. the pulpit and the schools, and enables them to reduce the workingmen to a state of intellectual, physical and social inferiority, political subservience and virtual slavery.

#### Domination of Capitalist Class.

fore, consider it of the utmost imporr for the Socialist Party to support all active efforts of the working class The economic interests of the capitalist class dominate our entire social

system; the lives of the working class are reckjessly sacrificed for profit, wars are fomented between nations, indiscriminate slaughter is encouraged and the testruction of whole races is saustioned in order that the capitalists may extend their commercial dominion abroad and enhance their supremacy at home.

#### The Working Class and Socialism.

But the same economic causes which cialism, which will abolish both the capitalist class and the class of wageworkers. And the active force in to the conduct of all public affairs.

ent or actual conflicts, are alike intersystem of production, are alike political representatives of the capitalist

#### Means to the End.

The workers can most effectively act as a class in their struggle against the collective powers of capitalism by con-Formerly the tools of production stituting themselves into a pollitical party, distinct from and opposed to all parties formed by the propertied classes.

### Duty of the Socialist Party.

While we declare that the development of economic conditions tends to the overthrow of the capitalist system, we recognize that the time and manner of the transition to Socialism also depend upon the stage of development reached by the proletariat. We, thereto better-its condition and to elect Socialists to political offices, in order to facilitate the attainment of this end.

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Local .25 meets at 907, North 224 street every Friday, 8 p. m. Ed. F. Lane. Secretary, 2043 Division etreet Local 126 meets at Smith's Halls, 21st. and Franklin avenue, every Tu-8 p. m. Geo. Galloway, Secretary,

Clark avenue. Local 221 meets at Smith's I 21st and Franklin avenue, every I day at 8 p. m. P. H. Adams, Sec tary, 1909 Biddle street.

Locals 242 and 245 have considered with Local 25.

