

SOCIALIST PARTY MANIFESTO

Upon Entering the Municipal Campaign of 1907 Toronto Comrades Address Stirring Words to the Workmen of the Ontario Metropolis.

Fellow Workers—Are you satisfied with the conditions under which you work and live with the small fraction of the things you earn which you receive? If you are, you will have no use for us, for we for you. It is because we believe that the great majority of workers are not satisfied and ought not to be satisfied with present conditions that the Socialist Party has sprung into existence as the party of the working class.

In every country of the civilized world the means of producing wealth, that is, the lands, forests, mines, factories, machinery, are owned by a few people. The workers, the great majority, can only exist by selling their labor to all they have to do is to produce the wealth which labor as a class produces.

Workers have sought to remedy these conditions through trade union activity, but owing to the resistance of the capitalist class, it has been through the number of men needed for production grows continually fewer, and the proportion of the surplus value which workers receive is less and less.

The only cure is to completely abolish the present system of ownership of the means of production and with it the wage system. Let the whole people own all instruments of wealth, and let them work for all they earn instead of a mere fraction. This in brief, is what the Socialist Party stands for.

We cannot be accomplished until the mass of working men and women become class conscious, that is, until they thoroughly understand that the interests of the class are entirely opposed to the interests of the capitalist class, and are prepared to use their political power in their own interest and not in that of the capitalist.

The capitalists have always been class conscious. They have always used all the political and economic power which they possess to get and keep power in their own hands and to establish laws that labor has much to fear from their capitalist oppressors. They have availed themselves of the power of the government in making and enforcing laws. They control the parliament, the legislature, and the municipal councils. They appoint judges, sheriffs and police magistrates. They maintain soldiers, military, and police forces.

They subsidize a host of intellectual parasites such as newspaper editors, college professors and preachers to maintain the political and create a public opinion favorable to capitalism and capitalist government.

As soon as any serious labor difficulty arises all the forces are thrown into the scale against labor. When the people are goaded by intolerable oppression into acts of superior force wielded in the name of public order, and crushed into submission, recent occurrences are sufficient to show that labor is not a power to be reckoned with. The bourgeoisie of the ruling class, who hypocritically deprecate violence on moral grounds, forget that labor is nothing but organized and organized violence. So long as this means of repression is at the command of the capitalist class, the political and economic power of the people should be discouraged, not because it is wrong, but because it is certain to fail, and because it is certain to fail, and because it is certain to fail.

Individuals, but for the mass they represent.

For Mayor—James Lindsay, Journeyman Tailor; For Board of Control and Alderman—No nomination on account of property qualification.

For Board of Education—(six to be elected—each voter has six votes)—James Simpson, Reporter; W. G. Gibble, Carpenter; F. G. Sybil, Journeyman Tailor; W. H. Rowne, St. Ry. Conductor; Phillips Thompson, Journalist; Emil Taverly, Journeyman Tailor.

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SIMILKAMEEN COMRADES GET READY FOR THE FRAY

Hold Convention at Keremeos and Select Comrade Geo. E. Winkler as Standard Bearer to Contest the Riding at the February Election.

A foot of snow, the storm still raging and a thirty-mile drive over a mountain road where in some places the snow would be very much deeper.

These were the conditions which we had to face if we wished to attend the convention at Keremeos on Saturday, the 27th. After a long drive we reached the hotel at Keremeos at about 10 o'clock to see if the snow would let up at all, and finding that instead of getting any better it seemed to be snowing harder than ever, we decided that the only thing to do was to start on our journey at once.

That the working class are at last awakening to a realization that their political party is simply shown by the recent developments in Russia, Germany, and France, and the awakening of the British wage-workers in the recent British election, by the general progress of the Social movement in the United States, in spite of such middle class reformers as Hearst and Bryan, and by the decision of the recent convention in Columbia, to endorse the Socialist Party (organized in the interests of the working class) is the "will of the will" of a labor party, whose slogan is "Get something new," and which is ready to compromise with any class for the gain office or jobs for the "labor leaders."

Handed as we are by the unfair legislative enactments, the work of both political parties—requiring property qualifications for municipal offices, we have not been able to put a full ticket in the field. We have, however, nominated some names which we would like to see elected, if it were not for the fact that we have no allegiance except to the working class. Comrade Poterkin, of Ojima, having been elected chairman opened the meeting with a short address, in which he pointed out the position of the party. Comrade J. W. S. Logan spoke for some quarters of an hour on the principles and history of the party, and the importance of the work of the party. Comrade Logan's speech was a very excellent speech, but he

AN OPEN LETTER TO A.W. POTERKIN

John T. Mortimer Directs Pointed Remarks to the Editor of the Western Clear, and Offers Wholesome Advice Bearing Upon Labor Politics.

The following open letter to A.W. Poterkin, ex-M.P. for Winnipeg, and forwarded to this journal for publication at the same time a copy was sent to the editor of the Western Clear—St. Vincent, Minn., December 17th, 1906.

Editor Votes, Winnipeg, Man. There comes a period in the evolution of the labor movement when it must put forward a definite program on behalf of the working class and engage in political action in harmony with that program. Naturally when the labor party first becomes a party for political action in its own interests its conception of what is to be done is not very clear. However, like all else, it learns by experience.

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Higher wages and shorter hours, these things are not ends in themselves, they are means to other ends, and these ends are worth striving for because they bring toward a more equitable method, toward a state in which each man's work counts for its own sake.

As one of those who helped to elect you on two different occasions, I am sure that you will be able to do so again. I am sure that you will be able to do so again.

In Winnipeg you practically had no opposition in getting elected. I am sure that you will be able to do so again. I am sure that you will be able to do so again.

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PARTY MATTERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

These columns have been placed at the disposal of the Party Secretaries of Localities...

we should act and act quickly. Yours for the Revolution. CHAS. F. LOWRIE.

PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Special meeting, December 22nd. All members present. Comrade Hawthornthwaite made report of organization work...

TO STUDENTS OF SOCIALISM

In order to afford comrades an easy access to the Socialism in a stock of literature, the following are on hand...

- The Origin of the Family, (P. Engels) ... 50
The Social Theory of Karl Kautsky ... 50
The World's Revolutions (E. Kautsky) ... 50
The Socialists who they are (John Spargo) ... 50
The Evolution of Man (H. Spencer) ... 50
Modern Socialism (Chas. H. Vall) ... 50
Class Struggle in America (A. M. Simons) ... 50
The Communist Manifesto, Karl Marx ... 10 cents
Socialism, Utopian and Scientific, Karl Marx ... 10 cents
Wage, Labor and Capital, Karl Marx ... 5 cents
The Mission of the Working Class, Chas. Vall ... 50
Socialism and Farmers, A. M. Simons ... 5 cents
Other works procured to order.

TO SECRETARIES OF LOCALS

- Constitutions, per form ... 25
Membership cards, each ... 25
Application blanks (with platform) per 100 ... 25
The committee being a stockholder in the co-operative publishing house of Chas. Kerr & Co. can procure literature for the locals at cost.

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TO SOCIALISTS IN CANADA

The comrades of Local Clareholm, Alberta, have decided that it will be a pleasure as well as a duty to give a helping hand to our comrades in B. C. in their fight against capitalism in the coming election.

VANCOUVER LOCAL NO. 1

Regular business meeting December 24th. Comrade Flowers in the chair. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

RECEIPTS

- Collection, Grand Theatre ... \$46.50
Literature sales ... 10.45
Dues ... 1.38
Total ... \$58.30

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United Matters of North America. When you are buying a PUR HAT see that the Genuine Union Label is sewed in it. JOHN A. MOFFETT, President, Orange, N. J.

NEWS AND VIEWS

AS GIVEN OR EXPRESSED BY SOCIALISTS THROUGHOUT THE DOMINION

Edited by R. P. PETTIPiece, to whom all correspondence for this Department should be addressed.

D. C. GENERAL ELECTION SET FOR FEBRUARY 2

Provincial Parliament dissolved on December 24—Nomination for the election of the House of Commons will take place on January 19 and elections on February 2. The House stands adjourned until the above official despatch speaks for itself.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 24.—A Proclamation was issued this afternoon dissolving the Local House. Nominations will take place on January 19 and elections on February 2. The House stands adjourned until the above official despatch speaks for itself.

It simply means another opportunity of measuring the progress of the development being made by the Socialist movement in this portion of King Capital's domain.

The total socialist vote in British Columbia in June, 1916, was 684. In October, 1918, approximately 5,000 votes were polled, made up as follows:

- John T. Mortimer, Vancouver .. 1,338
- J. C. Watters, Victoria .. 619
- A. E. Stokhagen, Vancouver .. 950
- J. H. Hawthornthwaite, Nanaimo (elected) .. 436
- Ernest Mills, Greenwood (defeated by 5 votes) .. 382
- Frederick Williams, Ladysmith (elected) .. 208
- J. R. McPherson, Fernie .. 209
- S. Shannon, Ferguson (Kaslo Riding) .. 178
- J. W. Bennett, Revelstoke .. 152
- John Hiorlan, Grand Forks .. 142

Total .. 7,492
From 1916 .. 1,903
Socialist Party vote increased 560 per cent!

The campaign of education among B. C.'s wage-slaves has been waged with vim and vigor since October, 1919.

Hundreds of new members have enlisted in the revolutionary army since then; thousands of dollars have been judiciously expended on literature, speakers and organization work.

The record of our representatives in the House has been keenly watched and our opponents are at every effort put forth at Victoria on behalf of the workers was by the hand and voice of Com. Hawthornthwaite and Williams, assisted by Com. Bennett, who organized an independent labor ticket in Slooan district last time, but will this time be re-elected as a Socialist.

The reduction of the election deposit of \$200 to \$100 will be more fully appreciated at this time. Its entire abolition next session will be better still.

The Workmen's Compensation Act, Eight-Hour Day for miners, etc., also serve as instances of what may be accomplished while waiting for a majority vote in the House. Herein about the collective ownership of things used collectively, and production for use instead of profit in other words, a step, as to the workers, labor robbing their wage-slaves of the product of their toil.

Com. Hawthornthwaite, Williams and Davidson have still the confidence and support of the House. The Finance Committee and every last member of the Socialist Party in this Province.

What more of them need be said? The thing which now concerns us as workers is to strengthen our representation in the House, and increase the number of those who are elected, so that socialist propaganda work may be carried on to better advantage with the ultimate aim always of the good—the industrial freedom of humanity.

There were ten S. P. candidates in the field last time. This time there should be at least 24.

In the nine constituencies contested in 1918 the Socialist Party polled 24 per cent. of the total vote, or approximately 9 per cent. of the entire B. C. vote in its respective ranges.

What the record of the growth of socialism in British Columbia will be on February 2, 1920, reads entirely with the enfranchised wage-slaves themselves.

The Socialist Party, as the political expression of the needs and desires of the wage-slaves, will make the effort of its life to drive the 700 odd million of capital into our camp in this province.

As to Nanaimo and Ladysmith and elsewhere it would appear that this much has already been accomplished.

Once the workers see and realize the identity of interest between the Labor and Conservative parties, and the fact that the latter is bent on defeating Labor, the issue becomes plain—and the result, simple.

If the workers change their social system—and want it sufficiently to work, pay and vote for it, there are interesting times ahead for the present and the future of the ruling class—owners of the lumbering, mining and mining interests of this province.

If the results of this election do not please the workers' representatives in complete control of the powers of state, then we must double our efforts for the following contest.

While those who talk have worked, those who work have planned to keep possession of their stolen gains.

OT with your hands, kneel to the labor with the market? Let be men; be free!

If the workers in this province say the word on Feb. 2nd, every last S. P. candidate will be elected, and even in spite of the economic

A GREAT MEETING.

Every seat in the Grand Theatre was taken last Sunday evening before eight o'clock by persons who had gathered to listen to Comrad J. H. Hawthornthwaite, of Nanaimo. A large number who arrived later on could not get inside the building. The speaker dealt with matters relating to the forthcoming election, and it was easily to be seen that his audience was not only in harmony with his views of matters political and economic. A collection of over \$40 was taken to defray the expense of the meeting, and otherwise assist in carrying on the campaign. One of the most peculiar things in connection with this meeting is that the paper that prints the "World," did not throw a fit within 48 hours thereafter. As that is a sensible and veracious sheet usually throws several of them ere that length of time elapses after "Jim" has spoken in Vancouver, it is a bit of a mystery.

SOCIALIST ORGANIZATION FOR THE YOUNG.

The organization of the young has now become an international movement. It has taken various forms corresponding to the political conditions in the various countries. In Austria the youths' organization embraced over 3,200 members, and in this spite of the fact that students, and especially those under age have no legal right to organize. Their organ, the Jugendbewegung, has done a great deal to show how effectively the young graduates of the schools can be trained for socialism. Protest meetings were held in nearly all the cities of Austria in connection with the proposed "reform" of the factory law which would have essentially injured the condition of the young workers.

The Austrian organization have decided that economic activity united with political education produces the most satisfactory results. A special organ, "The Young Worker," has been organized in this country, and this has its headquarters in Prague and pursues the same lines of work.

In Holland the organization of the young is directly affiliated with the Socialist Party, has considerable strength, and has its own organ, De Zwaier (The Sower).

France, Norway and Denmark have similar unions of the young, all of which are active organizations, and some of which devote special attention to the anti-militarist propaganda. The battle against militarism is also carried on by the "Union of Young Men" in Belgium, and some of its members, because of this activity have recently been subject to most brutal attacks—so much so that a great many of them have fled to Rome to protest to the government against such treatment.

At the present time the strongest existing organization of the young is the "Socialist Young Guard" of Belgium, which at the present time has over 13,000 members. Here also the anti-militarist propaganda plays the most prominent part.

In the United States the Main marks the boundary of the activity of such organizations. In southern Germany where there is still something of a fight going on, the organizations of the young have combined into a general organization, possessing its own organ, Die Junge Garde (The Young Guard). This organization is also perfectly active in the United States. In northern Germany, on the contrary, the scope of organizations of the young is very limited. Consequently, the organizations of the young are not so numerous as they are in other countries, and the power of the young is not so great as it is in other countries.

In this way the foolish officials give a practical illustration of the efficacy of a class state, which is much more effective than the mere statement of that fact which they forbid the socialist organizations to do.

In southern Germany organizations are principally occupied with political activity, those of north Germany are more concerned with economic work, exclusively to economic action, with a little educational work. But this education is always in accord with the modern and the most effective when combined with practical union activity. When the young are assembled in purely educational sessions, they are not so interested as when they are especially studious to remain true to the flag; but when the miserable condition of the young is kept constantly before their eyes, they are more interested in the struggle for the long hours of labor, the miserable wages, the insufficient schooling, with the impossibility of any higher intellectual training, etc., than when they are assembled in purely educational sessions.

They learn to grasp the idea of organization and to recognize the power of knowledge. The growth of the Berlin organization, now numbering over 1,000 members is an excellent example of the application of the proper tactics to Prussian conditions.

Fritz Maschke in Gleicheit. Translated by A. M. Simons, for the International Socialist Review.

PARKER WILLIAMS NOMINATED.

Parker Williams is to be the standard-bearer in the Newcastle riding once more. He was unanimously chosen by the present and the future of the committee of the ruling class—owners of the lumbering, mining and mining interests of this province.

It is the result of this election do not please the workers' representatives in complete control of the powers of state, then we must double our efforts for the following contest.

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OT with your hands, kneel to the labor with the market? Let be men; be free!

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NOT TO IMPORT OPHTHALMISTS

from across the line to do it for them. They had only to send to Vancouver, and they would send some that would shout as loud as any voice against the importation of ophthalmologists.

In conclusion, Mr. Hawthornthwaite said he would be glad to hear from any other speaker. He then turned to the audience, he said, "I shall be only too glad if he will come up and take another full and complete course in the 'Socialist' school."

Arrangements have been made to continue the meetings in the Grand Theatre every Sunday evening until further notice.

THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

The workers in Russia have no ballot, but they have a way all their own of giving expression to their demands for liberty. While hundreds of thousands are being offered and put to death daily, the law is not wholly composed of wages-labor. From the present outlook, and the number of victims, it is not likely that the only effective method of creating attention to the needs of the workers is being admitted in the present situation. May their powder never dry.

LIBS. AND CONS. STAND FOR THEIR OWN PROFITS.

The present form of property ownership means profits for masters, wages for slaves.

THE CHURCH AND STATE.

The Socialists in France have forced the Church and State to vote the Socialist ticket. The L. O. S. is supposed to stand for Liberty, Order and Prosperity, but the Socialists insist that ALL churches keep their hands off the school and state.

THE EDUCATIONAL FORCES OF SOCIETY.

By W. J. CURRY.

What a concluded world would seem to-day in the hands of the Socialist philosophy, and for the light of the Socialist philosophy sheds upon it! "What Alpine peaks of wealth, what desert wastes of poverty, despair and degradation, and what a vigilant eye of the socialist on the watchtower, all is well in point of outlook. Capitalism has had its day of exultation, and the ancient and the new are surely sinking in the west.

"Not more certain is the sun-rise in the morning, than the coming of the Socialist Commonwealth."

TO-DAY THOSE WHO POSSESS THE POWERS OF PERCEPTION.

must realize that the element out of which the great of revolt, are forging the foundation of the Socialist Commonwealth.

All who can see must realize that the intellectual basis of a new social order. They must see that this is the very antithesis of what now prevails.

Capitalism, like all class rule, is a system of exploitation. It is the literature and art of artifice in which pedregare has been replaced by trade-marks and bank notes.

The new literature of the other hand is democratic, scientific and in this sense brutally animated and realistic. It is the literature of the masses, by the sensibilities and concepts of those who have been living in the social parasites, through the social parasites, through the social parasites.

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THE SHILLIED WORKMAN.

The shillied workman, the small business man, the petty trader, the author, the man whose avocation has made him intelligent, alert, energetic, and who is not averse to carrying the message of socialism to all who will listen to it.

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