

WHO BUILDS THE ROAD?

Since leaving Vancouver nearly four months ago, I have been to the headwaters of the Yukon and up to the Skeena. I have talked to men direct from Dawson, Fairbanks, Treadwell, Bulkley valley and Findlay river district, and my advice to all who are not sure of permanent occupation, is to "stay where you are." It is hard enough to be poor in Vancouver; it is worse in the north, and traveling takes money and time.

To men and women who think of coming to Port Eslington, Prince Rupert or the Skeena, say don't come unless you are sure of steady work.

Every bored brings people who are lured northward by the editorial blarney and every southbound boat has its contingent of disgruntled workers who find they are not wanted here.

"Keep a moving" is the order of the policemen when the hungry slaves in an excited state do something. "Keep moving" is what the papers mean when they lie about the "golden opportunities" of the northern country. Slaves who keep working spend all their money and are much weaker than those who stand and unite.

The man who keeps going loses his voice, his citizenship, and as Scribner Magazine states some time ago, "he has no more rights than the dog that wallows in the gutter or the dog that hovers around the city square." There are men up here today who are economically below the standard of the dog, and their dog has better covering than some specimens of wage-slaves in this town and he had better feed and more fun.

The interests of capitalist and working men having the same relation as the dog and the flea which live upon him, and the daily press being published in the interests of trade and commerce it follows that sensibler workers should follow the advice issued by the editorial agents regarding the "rule of contrary." If advised to come north he should know enough to stay where he is. To-day, along the line of construction the wageslave of fifty miles north and south, the newspaper and employment agents are all playing into the hands of the steamship companies and the contractors who are buying the G. T. P.

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While on the trail I have studied the problem and have talked to many men who have worked and are working on the railway. A provision of \$2.50 per day and with board, boots and tobacco and other necessities there is less than a dollar a day to be saved, with no 16st time, the amount of a rainfall at Port Eslington is 144 inches. It rains four weeks at a time. It pours day and night. During the summer months men have to work wet or dry or get out. When it is cold they lay off and to spend two days in their dirty bunk have a week means nothing coming to them at the end of the week, and frequently they, at the end of the month find themselves financially owing the contractors. If they kick about wages or conditions they are fired and there are a dozen waiting for their job.

Try humanity on the end of a rock drill or swing an axe ten hours a day

the reservations. This is the civilization we need to the heathen! This is the thing that editors, preachers, lawyers and every politician defend as the greatest thing that ever happened or can happen! But history repeats itself. As rats leave a sinking ship so many, who want the benefits of the increase in wealth produced by the increase in wealth, produce all the wealth that is. Why don't you get it? You produce many times more wealth per day than you did a hundred years ago. Are you better off now in proportion to the wealth you produce, than you were a hundred years ago? You are not! You get a bare subsistence then; you get the same now. Who then, gets the benefits of the increase in wealth production? The capitalist class by virtue of their ownership of the machinery of production. Why don't you get possession of the machinery of production? You made it, why don't you own it? Because the capitalist class is the ruling class. They make the laws which govern society today, the laws which allow their class to exploit your class, to take from you that which you have produced, by the sweat of your brow; and you in your capacity as a voter have upheld your master in power and kept yourself in economic bondage.

Your duty to yourself and family, is clearly to overthrow the existing system of society, and you and your class must collectively own that which you now operate collectively in fact, rid yourself of the exploitation of the wealth you produce by the capitalist class and get the full product of your toil. That is a grand idea, Mr. Workingman, that you are robbed of at least three-fourths of the wealth you create, and you consistently send to parliament men who vote more, or less, for the capitalist class, and who will use the power you have given them to perpetuate the present system of robbery. The Socialist Party intend to bring the present system of things to an end, and to establish a new system of cooperative commonwealth—the collective ownership of the means of production by the people, and the people thereby owning that which they create. Join us here and now, and free yourself from the chains of economic slavery by casting your vote for the Socialist Party, the party that stands in the interests of the working class and that class alone!

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ONTARIO NEWS

The underigned was at Peterboro a few days ago and found many of the workers here for the only message that a worth the taking to them. Three or four men were lined up on the street and one in a park, all were attended and keen interest being shown. Practically no revolutionary propaganda had previously been done in Peterboro publicly, but conditions have moved the workers to do so elsewhere, and it was quite cheering to the writer to have men, mostly really young men, come up to him and say, "What you said is true, it's what I've been waiting to hear." That variously expressed, was what many said in Peterboro.

Several applications were received from new converts to join the Local in process of being formed.

There are some sturdy comrades at Peterboro, nearly all Scotchmen, so you may depend this isn't the last you will hear of Peterboro. This place is singularly free of the individual who schemes to over lay on the score of the shortcomings or failings of someone else. The cynicism seem to be antiquated with the spirit of "I want to do my best, whatever others may do." A certain party related us with a great degree of fairness, which he acknowledged at the meeting, but warned the crowd it wouldn't continue when the organized movement became strong there. I enclose a clipping before the winter, and that with the further space about Peterboro; as Comrade Galtyspeth is sending a full report.

We are still traveling in Toronto, Ontario Smith and Green are the latest additions to our squad of traveling speakers. I heard Green for the first time in the open to-night in a well sustained, clear and logical talk. Smith and Green are good stuff, including them, the speakers' class is turned out ten public speakers within three months and all good ones, and the barrels is a long way from empty. We reckon to about double the number before the winter, and that with the hand-picked ones, to raise the Labor Temple every Sunday afternoon. In this, we hope the choir will help up, and to more effectively do so, it is up

to some of them to attend the practices a bit better. When we are able to get good attendances at a class in the "dual science" of political economy, surely the choir practices might be better attended. Shake them up, Comrade Bishop, well back you.

With the speakers' class a success and the choir a success, a band is the next thing in order. Already comrades are starting to learn instruments for the purpose and we'll have it yet. Besides, there is a good staff for the Clarion at our meetings. It was no mistake ordering that bundle. Even if we don't sell them all, they come in for giving away during the week.

Put your card in and order a bundle, for every Local of the Party. Nothing like keeping them constantly fed. Election manifestos are good (that is when they are good), but I often think that the small amount of money was expended there, and that a good staff, judiciously distributed, it would have far more effect in arousing an intelligent spirit of revolt, and that is, after all, our mission.

A subscriber to the Clarion usually has a good number of copies, and a good one; an increasing membership means an increasing and steady revenue, so a small investment in Clarion now will mean a good return before long, and the returns in more important ways are incalculable. Our success here has been brought about chiefly by means of the Clarion, and if Toronto Local can get results that way, other Locals can. It is good to see the machinery and the wheels of it. Don't be short-sighted; set a bundle and thereby get results.

Last winter was purgatory for the working class, next winter will be hell. It is up to all Locals to get ready to meet the winter, and the increased demand for the Clarion, and the harder conditions. It seems a pity that the working class as a whole will learn only through misery, but so it is. Let us try to shorten that misery by laying down the law to the capitalist class with sufficient energy, the working class will do the rest.

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A REMARKABLE DISCOVERY.

No, this is not a patent medicine advertisement, as its title would seem to indicate.

The results of an investigation that has been carried on in the laboratory attached to the Clarion office. By long and patient research with the aid of a microscope we have been able to identify the cause of the disease.

And on top of that in an access of virtue, they would enact that corporations shall not cough up for anybody's campaign fund. It is virtue or it is a case of "Oh Lord, if you can't help me, don't let me hear!"

We have a life-like photograph of a Liberal or Conservative campaign committee turning up disdained noses at a kneeling corporation with a sack of money.

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Our mathematical expert is now engaged in calculating the number of these corpuses that must have perished during the present industrial depression, when so many working-plugs are out of a job.

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THRIFT.

The English have long been complaining that they are too much governed by the Scotch.

The latest manifestation of this thrift is the "Daylight Saving Bill" which will confer a lasting obligation on mankind and is an example well worthy of imitation.

Of course, to affect this change a law was necessary and this took time. All the forces of conservatism were arrayed against it.

Such is the wisdom of our rulers.

PROPERTY VERSUS PERSONS.

A feature of the Republican and Democratic anti-injunction (?) planks that seems to have been overlooked is that each of them emphasizes the necessity for injunctions where property is involved, but is not so particular about human lives.

The Socialist Party's campaign Committee are therefore solemnly warned to virtuously turn down all offers of aid from the wicked corporations.

We would greatly like to know the reason of these pious spasms that politicians and legislators are wont to indulge in.

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A CIRCULAR LETTER FROM COBALT, ONT.

Cobalt, Ont., June 1, 1908. To Officers and Members of Trades and Labor Organizations Through out the Dominion of Canada.

Fellow Workers—The Industrial Disputes Investigation Act of 1907 is an act which all labor organizations in Canada should be familiar with and in Cobalt, Ontario, an important case has arisen which promises to establish a precedent and which will affect all unions in Canada in the future.

During the latter half of June, 1907, James McGuire, president of this union, was employed as a walking delegate to promote the organization of workers in and around the Cobalt mining camp.

On July 2nd the employees of the Nipissing mine quit and McGuire visited the camp and persuaded a number of them to join the union.

On Saturday, July 6th, thirty other mining companies gave notice of a reduction of wages to come into effect on Monday, July 13, 1907.

About 3,000 employees quit work and joined the union, and, although some of the mines have conceded the demand for a strike, the strike is still on and we are endeavoring to enforce a favorable settlement.

Action was subsequently taken against the above mentioned act against James McGuire, and it is our duty to show how well he is doing on strike, and against William Hewitt for going on strike.

We then appealed the cases to the Ontario Divisional Court. Our lawyers, Du Verne and Co. contended that as the employing companies had not given their thirty days' notice provided for in the act, therefore the act was not in force.

The Divisional Court, after hearing the case and realizing its importance, reserved judgment. The judges have since announced their decision, and stated that, in their opinion, the act is in force.

The most important result of this decision is the effect that it will have on labor organizations in their task of lining up the workers to resist the onslaughts of the capitalists.

Under this decision the wage workers will not have the right to resist when the boss orders a reduction of wages, without giving thirty days' notice. It will be dangerous for union men to try to organize the workers, for the employers stand over them with this law in successful law.

The questions that we are now asking of the workmen in Canada are: Are you willing to stand idle and see your rights as citizens wrested from you?

Do you wish to be deprived of the right to organize? Do you wish to preserve the right to strike?

The fact is a clammy weapon but it is the only one that the worker holds at the present time in the industrial field by means of which he may obtain a means of existence, food, clothing and shelter for himself and his family.

Workers of Canada! Wake up! Your liberty is fast becoming a tradition—your constitutional rights a relic of the past and you yourselves are being driven to ever deeper into the mire of wage slavery.

If the capitalists can thus rob you of the strength of organization in the industrial field, how long will it be before they rob you of your rights in the political field?

Do not forget that this is your battle, and we rely upon you to help us to conduct it to successful issue. It is to be maintained in the courts of Canada or Great Britain.

Remember the Fighters—the Working Class of Canada. Remember the Issue—Industrial Freedom.

JOTTINGS FROM A "REGENERATED DOPE FIEND."

If this is the age of civilization I would like to know who staffed the joke anyway? If work is such a good thing for the workman, why don't those who give the advice get busy?

It is just thinking what a strange thing it is for a man to be called "thorough" who gives away something that hasn't cost him a cent, but is generally termed a "philanthropist" if he robs his workmen and gives the proceeds to a library.

Did you ever observe how swelled up with patriotism the capitalist get when there is a war on? Why? They get so worried over the working class that they have to take a sea voyage to get away from the lake.

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THE ARCTIC OUTFIT.

The most wonderful outfit of cloth, provisions, liquors and tobacco ever heard of in Arctic exploration was that which the little steamer Arctic with her crew of 31 men carried into Hudson's Bay in the autumn of 1904.

On July 2nd the employees of the Nipissing mine quit and McGuire visited the camp and persuaded a number of them to join the union.

On Saturday, July 6th, thirty other mining companies gave notice of a reduction of wages to come into effect on Monday, July 13, 1907.

About 3,000 employees quit work and joined the union, and, although some of the mines have conceded the demand for a strike, the strike is still on and we are endeavoring to enforce a favorable settlement.

Action was subsequently taken against the above mentioned act against James McGuire, and it is our duty to show how well he is doing on strike, and against William Hewitt for going on strike.

We then appealed the cases to the Ontario Divisional Court. Our lawyers, Du Verne and Co. contended that as the employing companies had not given their thirty days' notice provided for in the act, therefore the act was not in force.

The Divisional Court, after hearing the case and realizing its importance, reserved judgment. The judges have since announced their decision, and stated that, in their opinion, the act is in force.

The most important result of this decision is the effect that it will have on labor organizations in their task of lining up the workers to resist the onslaughts of the capitalists.

Under this decision the wage workers will not have the right to resist when the boss orders a reduction of wages, without giving thirty days' notice. It will be dangerous for union men to try to organize the workers, for the employers stand over them with this law in successful law.

The questions that we are now asking of the workmen in Canada are: Are you willing to stand idle and see your rights as citizens wrested from you?

Do you wish to be deprived of the right to organize? Do you wish to preserve the right to strike?

The fact is a clammy weapon but it is the only one that the worker holds at the present time in the industrial field by means of which he may obtain a means of existence, food, clothing and shelter for himself and his family.

Workers of Canada! Wake up! Your liberty is fast becoming a tradition—your constitutional rights a relic of the past and you yourselves are being driven to ever deeper into the mire of wage slavery.

If the capitalists can thus rob you of the strength of organization in the industrial field, how long will it be before they rob you of your rights in the political field?

Do not forget that this is your battle, and we rely upon you to help us to conduct it to successful issue. It is to be maintained in the courts of Canada or Great Britain.

Remember the Fighters—the Working Class of Canada. Remember the Issue—Industrial Freedom.

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Socialist Directory

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LOCAL VANCOUVER, No. 1, S. P. OF C. Business meeting every Monday evening at headquarters, 1016-1018, 1018, 1019, 1020, 1021, 1022, 1023, 1024, 1025, 1026, 1027, 1028, 1029, 1030, 1031, 1032, 1033, 1034, 1035, 1036, 1037, 1038, 1039, 1040, 1041, 1042, 1043, 1044, 1045, 1046, 1047, 1048, 1049, 1050, 1051, 1052, 1053, 1054, 1055, 1056, 1057, 1058, 1059, 1060, 1061, 1062, 1063, 1064, 1065, 1066, 1067, 1068, 1069, 1070, 1071, 1072, 1073, 1074, 1075, 1076, 1077, 1078, 1079, 1080, 1081, 1082, 1083, 1084, 1085, 1086, 1087, 1088, 1089, 1090, 1091, 1092, 1093, 1094, 1095, 1096, 1097, 1098, 1099, 1100, 1101, 1102, 1103, 1104, 1105, 1106, 1107, 1108, 1109, 1110, 1111, 1112, 1113, 1114, 1115, 1116, 1117, 1118, 1119, 1120, 1121, 1122, 1123, 1124, 1125, 1126, 1127, 1128, 1129, 1130, 1131, 1132, 1133, 1134, 1135, 1136, 1137, 1138, 1139, 1140, 1141, 1142, 1143, 1144, 1145, 1146, 1147, 1148, 1149, 1150, 1151, 1152, 1153, 1154, 1155, 1156, 1157, 1158, 1159, 1160, 1161, 1162, 1163, 1164, 1165, 1166, 1167, 1168, 1169, 1170, 1171, 1172, 1173, 1174, 1175, 1176, 1177, 1178, 1179, 1180, 1181, 1182, 1183, 1184, 1185, 1186, 1187, 1188, 1189, 1190, 1191, 1192, 1193, 1194, 1195, 1196, 1197, 1198, 1199, 1200, 1201, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1206, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1211, 1212, 1213, 1214, 1215, 1216, 1217, 1218, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1225, 1226, 1227, 1228, 1229, 1230, 1231, 1232, 1233, 1234, 1235, 1236, 1237, 1238, 1239, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1244, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248, 1249, 1250, 1251, 1252, 1253, 1254, 1255, 1256, 1257, 1258, 1259, 1260, 1261, 1262, 1263, 1264, 1265, 1266, 1267, 1268, 1269, 1270, 1271, 1272, 1273, 1274, 1275, 1276, 1277, 1278, 1279, 1280, 1281, 1282, 1283, 1284, 1285, 1286, 1287, 1288, 1289, 1290, 1291, 1292, 1293, 1294, 1295, 1296, 1297, 1298, 1299, 1300, 1301, 1302, 1303, 1304, 1305, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1309, 1310, 1311, 1312, 1313, 1314, 1315, 1316, 1317, 1318, 1319, 1320, 1321, 1322, 1323, 1324, 1325, 1326, 1327, 1328, 1329, 1330, 1331, 1332, 1333, 1334, 1335, 1336, 1337, 1338, 1339, 1340, 1341, 1342, 1343, 1344, 1345, 1346, 1347, 1348, 1349, 1350, 1351, 1352, 1353, 1354, 1355, 1356, 1357, 1358, 1359, 1360, 1361, 1362, 1363, 1364, 1365, 1366, 1367, 1368, 1369, 1370, 1371, 1372, 1373, 1374, 1375, 1376, 1377, 1378, 1379, 1380, 1381, 1382, 1383, 1384, 1385, 1386, 1387, 1388, 1389, 1390, 1391, 1392, 1393, 1394, 1395, 1396, 1397, 1398, 1399, 1400, 1401, 1402, 1403, 1404, 1405, 1406, 1407, 1408, 1409, 1410, 1411, 1412, 1413, 1414, 1415, 1416, 1417, 1418, 1419, 1420, 1421, 1422, 1423, 1424, 1425, 1426, 1427, 1428, 1429, 1430, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1434, 1435, 1436, 1437, 1438, 1439, 1440, 1441, 1442, 1443, 1444, 1445, 1446, 1447, 1448, 1449, 1450, 1451, 1452, 1453, 1454, 1455, 1456, 1457, 1458, 1459, 1460, 1461, 1462, 1463, 1464, 1465, 1466, 1467, 1468, 1469, 1470, 1471, 1472, 1473, 1474, 1475, 1476, 1477, 1478, 1479, 1480, 1481, 1482, 1483, 1484, 1485, 1486, 1487, 1488, 1489, 1490, 1491, 1492, 1493, 1494, 1495, 1496, 1497, 1498, 1499, 1500, 1501, 1502, 1503, 1504, 1505, 1506, 1507, 1508, 1509, 1510, 1511, 1512, 1513, 1514, 1515, 1516, 1517, 1518, 1519, 1520, 1521, 1522, 1523, 1524, 1525, 1526, 1527, 1528, 1529, 1530, 1531, 1532, 1533, 1534, 1535, 1536, 1537, 1538, 1539, 1540, 1541, 1542, 1543, 1544, 1545, 1546, 1547, 1548, 1549, 1550, 1551, 1552, 1553, 1554, 1555, 1556, 1557, 1558, 1559, 1560, 1561, 1562, 1563, 1564, 1565, 1566, 1567, 1568, 1569, 1570, 1571, 1572, 1573, 1574, 1575, 1576, 1577, 1578, 1579, 1580, 1581, 1582, 1583, 1584, 1585, 1586, 1587, 1588, 1589, 1590, 1591, 1592, 1593, 1594, 1595, 1596, 1597, 1598, 1599, 1600, 1601, 1602, 1603, 1604, 1605, 1606, 1607, 1608, 1609, 1610, 1611, 1612, 1613, 1614, 1615, 1616, 1617, 1618, 1619, 1620, 1621, 1622, 1623, 1624, 1625, 1626, 1627, 1628, 1629, 1630, 1631, 1632, 1633, 1634, 1635, 1636, 1637, 1638, 1639, 1640, 1641, 1642, 1643, 1644, 1645, 1646, 1647, 1648, 1649, 1650, 1651, 1652, 1653, 1654, 1655, 1656, 1657, 1658, 1659, 1660, 1661, 1662, 1663, 1664, 1665, 1666, 1667, 1668, 1669, 1670, 1671, 1672, 1673, 1674, 1675, 1676, 1677, 1678, 1679, 1680, 1681, 1682, 1683, 1684, 1685, 1686, 1687, 1688, 1689, 1690, 1691, 1692, 1693, 1694, 1695, 1696, 1697, 1698, 1699, 1700, 1701, 1702, 1703, 1704, 1705, 1706, 1707, 1708, 1709, 1710, 1711, 1712, 1713, 1714, 1715, 1716, 1717, 1718, 1719, 1720, 1721, 1722, 1723, 1724, 1725, 1726, 1727, 1728, 1729, 1730, 1731, 1732, 1733, 1734, 1735, 1736, 1737, 1738, 1739, 1740, 1741, 1742, 1743, 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747, 1748, 1749, 1750, 1751, 1752, 1753, 1754, 1755, 1756, 1757, 1758, 1759, 1760, 1761, 1762, 1763, 1764, 1765, 1766, 1767, 1768, 1769, 1770, 1771, 1772, 1773, 1774, 1775, 1776, 1777, 1778, 1779, 1780, 1781, 1782, 1783, 1784, 1785, 1786, 1787, 1788, 1789, 1790, 1791, 1792, 1793, 1794, 1795, 1796, 1797, 1798, 1799, 1800, 1801, 1802, 1803, 1804, 1805, 1806, 1807, 1808, 1809, 1810, 1811, 1812, 1813, 1814, 1815, 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1822, 1823, 1824, 182

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LITERATURE.

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In reply to enquiries in this respect (the following list is compiled. The thirteen dollars' worth of literature in the subjoined list will be forwarded postpaid to any address in Canada, on receipt of \$5.00.
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25 copies "The Working Class," by Chas. Vail; each, 5c. 1.25
10 copies "Communist Manifesto," by Marx and Engels; each 10c. 1.00
10 copies "The Communist Manifesto and Scientific," by Engels; each, 10c. 1.00
1 copy "Marxian Economics," by Untermann; 1.00
Six months' subscription card to the Western Clarion. .50

Total \$13.00
All the above for five dollars on application to the secretary.
When ordering, cut out and forward above list.

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- French—L'Union des Travailleurs Charleroi, Pa.
Hogeneration—Euros, 1528 Second Ave., New York, N. Y.
Italian—La Parola del Socialista, 145 Blue Island Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Jewish—Forward, 183 1-2 Division St., New York, N. Y.
Polish—Robotnik, 627 Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Slovakian—Glas Svoboda, 699 Loomis St., Chicago, Ill.
Slovak—Rovnost, Ludu, 689 Loomis St., Chicago, Ill.
Swedish—Svenska Socialisten, Rockford, Ill.

CALGARY CAMPAIGN FUND.

Seeing that the federal election may be thrust upon us in the near future, the members of the Calgary Local No. 4 are anxious to place a candidate in the field, therefore we solicit financial aid to provide the necessary funds incidental for election purposes. With this object in view I would ask all comrades and sympathizers in Alberta and elsewhere to support us in our attempt to procure legislation for the workers.
All contributions will be thankfully received and will be acknowledged in the Western Clarion from time to time.
F. HYATT, Organizer, Box 270, Calgary, Alta.

VANCOUVER ELECTION FUND.

A glance over the list of those who have contributed to this fund shows that less than twenty-five comrades have regularly donated towards it. It is slow the burden to thus fall upon a few, who perhaps, are no more able to carry the load than we are.
Now that our candidate has been nominated, it is up to every member to do his share, however small it may be, in making this fund equal to all requirements. Hand your contribution to some comrade, who will give you a receipt for it, or send it by mail to the address below. Do not lose any time in making your contributions, for we cannot tell how soon we may need it.
Yours for Revolution,
L.B.D.S.
Care Western Clarion, Box 536, Vancouver, B. C.
Following is the list of those who have helped during the last month with their contributions:
Previously acknowledged \$174.40
McCormack 1.00
Leed, (two months) 2.00
A. R. Stebbings (4 months) 4.00
J. D. 1.00
B. L. J. 1.00
Miss Summers 2.50
Mrs. Bone (two months) 2.00
Mr. Bone (2 months) 2.00
O. Rayner 1.00
R. P. Pettipiece 1.00
Total \$191.90

SECRETARIAT.

The famous or infamous, Aylesworth Bill, as amended by the Committee of the whole is to hand. By most objectionable features, as enunciated by the Conservative press, have been cut out, but it still has its peculiarities, some of which are worthy of note.
Section 18 contains an amendment to the Electoral Act by adding to section 24 the following subsection:
"24. A detailed statement of all contributions, payments, loans, advances, deposits or promises of money or its equivalent made to such agent on behalf of such candidate shall, at the same time, be delivered by such agent to the returning officer."
This means that, within two months after elections, the candidate's agent shall be required to furnish a detailed statement of campaign contributions, at the same time when he is making returns of the campaign expenses, as called for by the first part of section 24.
It is a safe guess that this second subsection will be observed about as well as the first has been. It is a cinch that no capitalist candidate could afford to make a truthful statement of all moneys spent in his campaign. It is equally certain that he could not reveal the sources of his campaign fund without giving the game away. To the questions, "Where did you get it?" and "what did you do with it?" the Socialist candidate's agent is the only one in a position to make a clean breast of it.
However, while we can always publish our campaign expenses, there are places where we cannot and will not. It is equally certain that a general statement of the contributions we receive, for instance to hand over to a returning officer a list containing the names of donors to our campaign fund in Ladymount, will be equivalent to drawing up a blacklist for the guidance of James Dunsuir and his lickspittles.

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING JULY 28, 1936.

Present, Comrades Lambert (chairman), Peterson, Morgan, Pfeiffer and the secretary.
Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.
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Correspondence dealt with from Manitoba Executive Committee.
From Locals Fredericton, N. B., Montreal, P. Q., Moosejaw, Sask., Medicine Hat, Lethbridge, Coleman, Waskauskan, Inuitfall, Calgary and Hillebrand. Also from Comrades Geo. Howell, Calgary and Alex. Sunnar.
Warrants were ordered drawn for the following sums: For literature, \$3.00; for printing, \$5.00; for postage, etc. \$2.50; for secretary's salary for July, \$15.00. To Geo. Howell on behalf of Organizer Tomashavsky, \$4.00

RECEIPTS.

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Manitoba Executive Committee 10.00
B. C. Provincial Executive Committee 10.00
Organizing Fund 6.50
Total \$42.75

B. C. PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE.

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Correspondence dealt with from Locals Fernie and Matsqui and from Organizer O'Brien.
Receipts:
Local Matsqui, stamps and sup. \$2.00
Local Vancouver Finlay, stamps 2.00
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ONTARIO PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE.

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Communications from Local Montreal and Hamilton dealt with.
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Comrade Gribble, was sent delegate to Ontario Provincial Convention.
Report of Comrade Cameron taken up and matter straightened up re Kingsley tour and referendum vote.
Arrangements made for trip to Hamilton by Comrade Gribble, and for economic class to stir up revolutionary sentiment.
Assessment of 25 cents on Locals for convention fund. Carried.
Comrade Gribble's report on Peterboro trip approved. Local expected soon at Peterboro.
Comrade Gribble appointed Provincial Organizer.
Comrade Drury appointed Deputy Organizer.
Motion that Secretary Provincial Executive be salaried office at \$5.00 per month. Carried.
Receipts: Hamilton stamps, 5.00; Wrigley postage, telegrams, \$1.20.
Adjournment.
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DOMINION ORGANIZING FUND.

- Previously acknowledged \$584.30
W. J. Curry 4.00
Miss Somers 2.50
Total \$590.80

CONFISCATION.

Some person or persons unknown, who oppose confiscation, confiscated our signs, advertising Comrade Osborne's meeting in the city hall last week. Where were our guardians that they did not guard our property? However, if it comes down to a question of smashing signs, that's a game that we can play, so we warn you, Mr. Humberg, to look out!

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Yours Revolutionary,
HAROLD MACHELL.

TORONTO.

Editor Clarion: Enclosed you will find postal order to the amount of \$4 for renewal of Clarion for another month. We are doing great work with these papers at our street meetings. The first week we sold 25, the second we sold 50, and last Saturday night 70; we will soon be wanting 150 per week if we keep on with the good work. It was resolved on our last meeting that the papers which were left over should be given to party members to distribute among their fellow workers in the factory. Nothing but good results can come from these Clarions. I would like to see a sub for the Clarion that sooner get a sub for the Clarion than take an application for a new member, because once you get a man to read the Clarion, the best thing he wants to do is to get a sub for the Clarion, and if every Local had a space in the advertising column, he would be right, he would be right on him the right kind of medicine.

We are holding our annual picnic in Riverside Park on August 2nd. Comrades from the other Locals have been invited. We are doing good propaganda work with our street meetings. On Saturday, July 18th, we held a meeting at the city hall, Comrade Woodhouse and Simpson were the speakers. We sold \$27.10 worth of literature. On Sunday we held our first meeting at the corner of University avenue and Queen street. Last Sunday we had a record meeting: the first one to speak was Comrade Lyons. He spoke for about 15 minutes and gave the right kind of stuff all the time. He was followed by Comrade Woodhouse, who spoke for about the same time. The last speaker was Comrade Gribble. He certainly gave them all that was coming to them, and then they would get Hell this next winter, he didn't tell them to go to hell, as it was not necessary, as hell was coming to them. The audience stood there for over two hours, drinking it in, and when the speaker finished they had had enough; they stood around waiting for more. We collected over \$5 for the Party funds that afternoon at the meeting. That proves that the spirit of the party is still alive.

Yours in Revolt.

R. WOODHOUSE.

MANITOBA.

Dear Comrade: The old man and I went from the east on Thursday, and I got to the west on Saturday. Executive lost no time in using him. It always appears ready and willing to be used, and in fact, I think would have classified us in his usual characteristic fashion as a "set of dubs," if we had not taken advantage of his ever ready generosity.
He spoke on Friday night in the Ruthenian Hall to a convention of Ruthenian teachers and farmers, and on Saturday night held a bench down on the Market Square, to such good advantage, that the police posted its issue into a bunch of non-skulls, who had been jarred beyond redemption by the old man's logic, and who were proceeding to argue the matter as a side issue. At any rate, the top-ecy soon barked his flight to a more congenial atmosphere.

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W. H. S.

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HATTIE BONE.

Secretary Local No. 1.

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NANAIMO RIDING FUNDS.

Dear Comrade: At a convention recently held at Nanaimo by the I. S. C., Comrade Hawthorn, who was unanimously nominated to represent the Socialist Party of Canada for the Nanaimo constituency at the impending Dominion election, is desirous of financially assisting in carrying out the necessary advertising during the campaign may forward subscriptions to the address below.

Fraternally yours,

J. REAY, Box 770, Victoria, B. C.

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VANCOUVER.

Under rather unfavorable conditions, Vancouver Local held a Sunday meeting in the city hall, August evening, July 26. At best it is a poor time of the year for indoor gatherings and when added to this our advertising notices were repeatedly destroyed. It was really a good augury that the audience was as large as it was.

Comrade J. B. Osborne, well known all along the coast, was the principal speaker and his subject dealt with the economic and political questions of the day. Among other things, he pointed out the nature of the economic conditions confronting the working people at the present time, setting forth the underlying causes for the widespread misery consequent on the collapse of industrial activity. It was pointed out that the representatives of the beneficiaries of the modern system of wealth production, to give the facts explaining the cause of the sudden accession in numbers to the ranks of the unemployed. Thus we find Mr. World's view of the economic conditions for president of the United States, evading the question by saying that "the problem is impossible of settlement" and the Republican candidate, Mr. H. T. Watt, giving it up by exclaiming, "God knows." The Socialist Party has been the offering through-out Canada and, the reason is plain that the capitalist class see danger in stating the real cause, relying on the support of the workers for continued support. To the Socialist, therefore, the workers must turn and find in the phenomena of over production the explanation sought and learn the remedy. Labor produces all the goods we require, but the modern system of wealth production is based partly in extension of capitalist enterprise and partly in luxuries, but for the total there is no investment. World's view of the economic conditions, or nearly so, inevitably allows the greatest purchasing power down to the limits of the working class, who can only buy back 1-5 of the product of their toil, the extent of the surplus. The end, then, of insight and with markets supplied to that extent, stagnation sets in, a crisis appears and industries close down. This point had now been reached and the solution lay entirely in the hands of the workers. The modern means of wealth production are collectively operated by that class; but the ownership remains in the hands of the Capitalist class who do not operate those means, but who reap all the benefits. As it is operated, so it must be owned, and the task before the workers is to seize control of the political powers, through which agency alone the capitalist class now holds the control. The working class can achieve by reason of its numerical strength at the Polls and the conditions are ripe for success.

The whole address was well received as was attested further by the size of the collection. The questions were mainly thoughtful and well put, indicating a desire on the part of those asking to make further efforts to grasp the meaning of present day conditions and their position in society. Those who, however, some questions which reminded one of the early days of the movement here, when every Socialist speaker was supposed to be a prophet and capable of explaining in detail the operation of industry under a Socialist administration. If those anxious ones who wander in from the desert of capitalist thought, with enquiries as to the future welfare of sewer cleaners, and those who do the dirty work of so-called industry, would only study the position of these same sewer cleaners, etc., right now they would probably learn sufficient to quit bothering about their future state, for under no circumstances could it be worse than it is now.

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HERE AND NOW

By Leeds.

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PLEASE REWIND.

Comrade T. Kingley is the candidate in the forthcoming elections. He stands in the interest of that part of Vancouver's population known as the wage-earning class. He knows why those who produce wealth have the vote, and he knows why he would never be nominated as a working class representative. His place is at Ottawa. Let us see that he gets there.

PLEASE REWIND.

Reader, send in a subscription and let's get acquainted.
Three yearly subscriptions is the latest from Comrade D. Ronald, who is rustling things up at Nanaimo.

PLEASE REWIND.

"Comrade Kingsley Jarred some of them loose," writes Comrade E. D. Stewart, from Port Arthur, and he sends in three dollars worth of subscriptions to pay for them.

PLEASE REWIND.

The subscription list is steadily increasing, so are the bundles orders, and have you noticed how the Socialist Party is stretching out? That's the way to do it, keep her humming.

PLEASE REWIND.

The Fernie list is pulling up thanks to Comrade John Harrington, who has sent in three dollars worth of subscriptions to pay for them.

PLEASE REWIND.

Nothing will increase the Socialist vote this fall so much as a wide circulation of the Western Clarion. By hitting the list with four new 6-month subscriptions is the way Comrade J. McAuley of Jac La Hache, B. C., introduces himself.

PLEASE REWIND.

Comrade J. Bone of Vancouver, loses no opportunity of helping along the cause and casually sends in a subscription on the side.

PLEASE REWIND.

Get the yearly subscription if you can, but until-water election, hustle for the three-month sub. From Arrowhead, B. C., comes an order for three yearly subscriptions to the Clarion. Comrade T. H. Dunne is the guilty one.

PLEASE REWIND.

Comrade Herman of Charlottetown, Sask., renews his sub. for another year.
Rustle for three-month subs.
If this should catch the eye of any of our brothers in the logging camps and elsewhere who have a spare coin in their pockets, I would ask them to look over the several calls for campaign funds in this issue and see if they cannot help those on the firing line and send in a subscription. It will help to console us for your absence.

PLEASE REWIND.

Rustle the three month subscriptions.

REVISIONISM

BY J. B. ASKEW
(Correspondent to Chicago Daily Socialist)

Sturgart, July 11.—Rosa Luxemburg has recently published a second edition of her book against Bernstein and the opportunist elements in the party during the period of controversy that followed the publication of Bernstein's book.

The publication is particularly timely because, though Bernstein himself has long lost all importance in the party, his book now stands a danger, against which we must be ever on the guard.

Revisionist View Fatal.

The following passage gives a very good bird's-eye view of the way in which those who take up the revisionist position are forced one by one to give up the entire Marx position, and finally also Socialism:

"Bernstein commenced his revision of the Social Democratic program by attacking the theoretical basis of the capitalist system. As, however, the theory of the necessary collapse of bourgeois society is a cornerstone of scientific Socialism, the removal of this stone was to lead in the end to the collapse of his entire Socialist conception. In the course of the discussion he abandons one Socialist position after another. Without the collapse of capitalism the expropriation of the capitalist class is impossible.

"Bernstein gives up the expropriation and puts forward as the aim of the labor movement the gradual carrying out of this principle of co-operation. He cooperates with the capitalist under the capitalist system of production. Bernstein gives up the socialization of production and falls back on the reform of commerce—the co-operative stores (distribution).

Abandons Materialism.

"As the theory of the transformation of society by means of co-operative stores, even when working in harmony with the trades unions, is not to be reconciled with the real material development of society, Bernstein abandons the materialist conception of history.

"As his conception of the process of the economic development is not to be reconciled with the Marxian law of surplus value, and with that the entire economic theory of Karl Marx. Bernstein abandons the materialist conception of history.

Working Class a Crowd.

"But in a class society the class war is a natural phenomenon, and also an inevitable one, Bernstein consequently denies the existence of classes in our society. The working class is to him simply a crowd, not merely politically and tactically, but also economically, of individuals with diverse interests.

"And even the bourgeois class is only held together, not by an inner community of economic interests, but simply in consequence of an external pressure from below or politically.

"But if the class war is not founded in reality and there are no classes, the future struggle of the workers with the bourgeoisie becomes not merely inevitable, but also the fight as it has been fought.

"In fact the Social Democracy with its success becomes incomprehensible. Or it becomes comprehensible simply as the result of the political pressure exercised by the government, not as a natural result of the historical development but as a chance product of the Hohenzollern rule, not as a legitimate child of capitalist society, but as a bastard of the reaction. So Bernstein abandons the materialist conception of history for that of the liberal press."

It would be hard in fewer words to show how completely Socialism is bound up with Marxian Marxism, so that the abandonment of one leads in some to the abandonment of the other.

Organization of Youth.

In future years it is safe to prophesy, the method in which the representatives of the German trade unions dealt with the question of the organization of the youth, and the manner in which those who dealt with who have already worked in the interest of the labor movement in a hitherto neglected field will be quoted as a classic example of bureaucratic ignorance and self-satisfaction.

Robert Schmidt, who represented the general commission of German trade unions on this occasion, has on several occasions, notably in regard to May day celebration and the general strike, although a Socialist deputy in the Reichstag expressed views which would entitle him to a place in a mummy museum along with the oldest and most respected of the antiquaries in the ranks of English trade union officials.

Scientist Socialist Youth.

This same Robert Schmidt took up his name to scold the organization of the Socialist youth on the score of the generally superficial manner in which they are prepared to deal with the most difficult and the largest questions, the unripeness of their judgment, and so on. And as an example of this he quoted the International Conference of Socialist Youth held at Brussels in connection with the International Socialist congress of last year.

He was most contemptuous in his references to this conference and held it up to the ridicule of the audience, most of whom hardly knew that a conference had taken place and hardly one of whom had an idea of what had been said or done there.

Urrile Accused Critic.

Otto Urrile, who along with Carl Liebnick, who has been in prison for his work in connection with the movement, organized the conference in question—the same Otto Urrile has now written to Vorwärts a timely protest against the manner in which a man ventures to impeach superficially in public those whose activity by every remark showed that he has not taken the smallest trouble to inform himself.

Urrile only needed to point to the list of the people present at that conference, some of whom had names which stand in the international far above that of Robert Schmidt, and also in the proceedings to show grossly ignorant and arrogant were his remarks on the subject.

In fact it may be said that so far from being in a position to sit in judgment on the International Youth's conference the German trade union officials might well have learnt from them how to deal with important subjects.

But unquestionably what made Schmidt's remarks more preposterous was the fact that he had to admit at the outset that the trade unions had up to now grossly neglected their most obvious duty in this respect, and yet now that the work has been taken up by others, all that these workers know how to do is to throw stones at those who have taken up the work they ought to have done long ago, and to attempt to boss the movement, and, if not to stifle it, at least to emasculate it.

Had Little Understanding.

It was characteristic of the man that he had so little understanding for the endeavor of the youth's organization to train their members to make sacrifices in the interest of the movement and to encourage the idealism of youth, and turn it into channels which will serve for the benefit of the entire movement; that he thought the youths had better spare their pennies for to buy watter (sawage) than to pay their monthly subscriptions. This conclusion it may be as well to mention the fact that for one reason or other "wurst" is used as a term of contempt. When a thing is "wurst for me," as the German expression goes, that implies that it has no value. He could hardly have expressed his philistinism in a more crass form than when he said they should rather spend their money on sausage than on their ideals.

Would Remove Initiative.

Naturally he was appealing on the principle that those who play the pipe organ must tell the tune, and he wanted to see the youth's movement completely controlled by the trade union officials and deprived of all initiative whatever. This is the real bureaucratic view.

For bureaucrats all idealism is uncomfortable and must be deliberately stifled in the movement. What better example could we have of what bureaucracy brings us?

In the meantime it is curious that at a time when the youth's organization is being run down by comrades or wittiers, opponents, the clericals, are commending our organization as a model for Catholic organizations to work on similar lines.

INVITATION CARDS.

(As sent out from Los Angeles. Mr. Dierkes' address is 1000 Broadway, New York.)
Mrs. Bertha M. Dailey
Mrs. Alice V. Holloway
Mrs. Helen A. Collins

Where they are temporarily staying for exercising their right of Free Speech, as guaranteed by The Constitution of the United States and the State of California.

Those unable to attend are requested to send regrets to A. C. Harper, Mayor of Los Angeles, California or the Police Commissioners.

Julia Nebska, being broke, offered her baby for sale on the streets of Chicago. The child being too young to work, of course there were no buyers. Then she tried to give it away but still "nothing doing."

BRIMSTONE AND TRACLE.

Speaking at Leicester on May 24th, Ramsay MacDonald, in moving a vote of thanks to "General" Booth, stated (Morning Leader, 25.5.08, "I have a good many irons in the fire, but there is not a single iron that I find the Salvation Army does not hold one end of." So much the worse for the Irons of Ramsay MacDonald.

"I am sitting on the Committee dealing with the Children's Bill, and I am not at all difficult or want any particulars," he went on "below the ban list two representatives of the Army; and they are prepared to extricate us." Verily the "source of MacDonald's inspiration cannot justify any act of political lunacy he may, and frequently does, indulge in. If having so many irons in the fire, compels him to rely upon officers of the Salvation Army for information, the condition of his mind is such that it's certainly time he took a few more out. It is not an edifying spectacle to see even Ramsay MacDonald burning his fingers.

This, however, may be relied upon. Directly it may satisfy those who would like to see the Salvation Army removed to the Salvation Army pier. Therefore, "lost we forget," we credit his political acumen with this laudation of the most expert sweating organization extant.

More Labor Unity.

Will Thorne, fellow-member of the Labor Party with Ramsay MacDonald, does not agree with the latter's estimate of the utility of the Salvation Army. While MacDonald (same speech) thinks that "whatever agency comes and goes, the country cannot spare one agency—and that is the Salvation Army." Thorne expresses the hope (Reynolds's 31.5.08, "I wish the Salvation Army would sweep up out of all such sweating organizations."

Credit where credit is due. Will Thorne sometimes blunders into a correct position. How it is managed I suspect, not even William could inform us. "Act of God or the King's enemies," as the way-bills put it, probably. The Salvation Army is an absolutely anti-democratic, quasi-religious body, trained upon ignorance for its membership, working upon credulity and barbaric fear for its funds, acting as a capitalist lackey agent in administration. With unending astonishment it professes to be saving the souls of the poor, while all the time it is damning them; bodies, wringing profit out of their necessity, kudos out of their misery, and advertisement out of their weakness.

It is a blend of Pechenikoff and Gradgrind, with an infusion of the Cosack. It combines the methods of the Charity Organization Society and the Inquisition. It is at once a fire insurance company, a savings bank, a pig-breeding, a leg parvayer. It grinds the faces of the poor in defiance of the Biblical injunction. It is prepared to accept the money of the usurer who was whipped out of the temple, the Judas who sold his master, the thief of the pimple, and the rest of the congregation foredoomed to the lake of fire which burned for ever—according to the book of love. Has not the "General" announced that he desires to take contributions from anybody and sanctify them in further use.

The Last Straw.

With the result this acquired the Salvation Army and its members had an ability to the "unharnessed teeth" (human derelicts who, forced to choose between the devil and the deep sea, select, for some unknown reason; the former) in the proportion of a full pound of spiritual bromine to a pennyweight of carnal flour water. Its special line, apparently, is the saving of souls from the pit by the spiritual mortification of the flesh, and it is not of the least of the credit that Ramsay MacDonald delights to honor.

Being built upon fear, buttressed by ignorance, and dependent upon the maintenance of the capitalist system, it will go down before the spread of Socialist thought and the growth of the Socialist State. It fully reflects the capitalist State, but it is no more than a reflection, and it need not be worried about. Beware, if it wanted another straw to break the back of any regard for that which lingers in the mind of any thinking man, MacDonald's approval of it is that straw, multiplied myriad times.

Socialist Standard.

FUNDS.

Box 237, Ladysmith, B. C. Dear Comrades! All those who wish to help financially the Socialist propaganda in Ladysmith and district in view of the coming Dominion stockpots are requested to forward their contributions to me at the above address.

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PASSING ALONG.

Passing along in a grim gaunt line, Dragging their weary steps along; Sweak and dejected, with spirit bowed, Trampled and spurred by the passing crowd. Begging for work or a crust of bread For their starving wives and babes unloved.

Heirs to a bondage of slavery born, Clothed in tatters and heaped with scorn.

Passing Along.
Passing along in that hideous line Where shame is bought and honor sold; Mothers and daughters and sisters are there.

Seeking their father to buy life's share, Sunk and dumb! Meek and bold! Hawking their jewels for blood red gold.

Heirs to a thousand years of wrong, Sinking their puny mad the throng.

Passing Along.
Dancing along in the sunlight bright Far from the workers' unceasing grind; The idler rich are banking there, Untroubled by labor's shanty chant.

Woe-blinded sense, twist wrong and right, No thought have they for the toiler's plight. What thought have they for a woman's

Their hearts are light with jest and song. Dancing Along.
But flashing along, there comes a time, When those slaves of a thousand years shall rise.

And strike with the strength of united cause. At the bid of Capital's "blooded claws."

A time when the children no more shall cry— In vain for food, ere they drop and die.

A time when Freedom's Clarion "Call" Shall echo the sound of the tyrant's "Wail."

Flashing Along.
—W. STEPHEN CUMMING.

POSERS FOR THE CLERGY.

How the Discussion of Socialism May Be Introduced into the Churches.

By Will R. Sher.

It is highly desirable that every preacher in the land should be led to discuss Socialism in his pulpit and on the platform. It does not matter whether he discusses the subject from our standpoint or not. The thing is to make Socialism a popular issue, and there is no better way of doing so than by hiring editors, clergymen and politicians to mention the subject in their public utterances. I would sooner have a man out against Socialism than to have him say nothing about the subject, for when only the people are set thinking on things economic, we need have no fear of the ultimate result. Let every comrade, therefore, sit down and write a letter to one or more clergymen asking them to answer some of the following questions from their pulpits.

(1) Is it true, as some assert, that Jesus was a Socialist?

(2) Is Christianity workable under the present competitive system of each for himself and the devil take us all?

(3) Is it possible for the generality of men to lead a Christian life under a system of society that is inherently un-Christian, vicious and immoral?

(4) What has Christianity to offer toward the solution of the "unseen problem"?

THE PROLETARIAN FARMER.

(Continued from page 1)

of production that brings to its owner the proceeds of the labor of others. This the working farmer does not own. His land may be capitalist property, rather an adjunct to capitalist property in the means of producing food stuffs, etc. to wit, the railways, elevators, mills and so forth.

The farmer is as hopelessly a slave to Capital, as the rest of our class, while capitalism endures, and his redemption lies in the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of the co-operative commonwealth.

PLATFORM

Socialist Party of Canada

We, the Socialist Party of Canada, in convention assembled, affirm our allegiance to, and support of, the principles and programme of the revolutionary working class.

Labor produces all wealth, and to the producers it should belong. The present economic system is based upon capitalist ownership of the means of production, consequently all the products of labor belong to the capitalist class. The capitalist is therefore master; the worker a slave.

So long as the capitalist class remains in possession of the reins of government all the powers of the State will be used to protect and defend their property rights in the means of wealth production and their control of the product of labor.

The capitalist system gives to the capitalist an ever-widening stream of profits, and to the worker an ever-increasing measure of misery and degradation.

The interest of the working class lies in the direction of setting itself free from capitalist exploitation by the abolition of the wage system, under which is cloaked the robbery of the working-class at the point of production. To accomplish this necessitates the transformation of capitalist property in the means of wealth production into collective or working-class property.

The irrepressible conflict of interests between the capitalist and the worker is rapidly accumulating—the capitalist to hold, the worker to secure it by political action. This is the class struggle.

Therefore, we call upon all workers to organize under the banner of the Socialist Party of Canada with the object of conquering the public powers for the purpose of setting up and enforcing the economic programme of the working class, as follows:

1. The transformation, as rapidly as possible, of capitalist property in the means of wealth production (natural resources, factories, mills, railroads, etc.) into the collective property of the working class.

2. The democratic organization and management of industry by the workers.

3. The establishment, as speedily as possible, of production for use instead of production for profit.

The Socialist Party, when in office, shall always and everywhere nullify the present system, and make the answer to this question its guiding rule of conduct: Will this legislation advance the interests of the working class and aid the workers in their class struggle against capitalism? If it will the Socialist Party is for it; if it will not, the Socialist Party is absolutely opposed to it.

In accordance with this principle the Socialist Party pledges itself to conduct all the public affairs placed in its hands in such a manner as to promote the interests of the working class alone.

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