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AN EXAMPLE OF CAPITALIST MORALS.

Socialist Morals Entirely Different---Socialists Support Labor Unions, But Fight Dishonesty---Carpenters' Union, Painters' and Decorators' Union, Largest Unions in Seattle, Refuse to Pay Labor Day Tax.

The dishonest transactions charged against W. H. Middleton and his partners in the Union Printing Co. have split the Central Labor Union in Seattle. The great Carpenters' Union has withdrawn and published an elaborate statement in the daily papers, refusing to have any part in a central body which countenances such methods as were practiced in obtaining advertisements for the Labor Day program.

The Union of Painters and Decorators also has refused to pay the per capita tax levied to meet the deficit in Labor Day expenses. This means that they also will be compelled to withdraw.

The Building Trades Council is also split over the same matter, the Middletonites withdrawing.

Middleton and his defenders, in the Union Record, his own paper, say *The Socialist* caused the split because *The Socialist* printed the facts in the case and called public attention to the same. Does a citizen cause a split in society when he points out a robber? We think the robber makes the trouble, not the honest citizen.

No. Socialists simply demand honest actions. They stand for a different standard of morals from that of the present capitalist system. Middleton did a "smart" thing. He got the merchants of Seattle to give over \$2,000 for the benefit of the Labor Unions and then allowed the unions to get only \$100 of the \$2,000. It was a very "smart" thing to get the merchants' money for the labor unions and yet not let the unions have it. That is the kind of deal to make a capitalist green with envy. We are not surprised that capitalists and would-be capitalists among laboring men find it difficult to condemn Middleton's actions. It is by just such intrigues that capitalists make their money. They fleec the laborer every day they employ him. They wheedle him into believing they are his benefactors, exactly as Middleton has made many of the union men believe he was doing them a favor. (He says they never got so much as \$100 before) when he kept back hundreds of dollars which was rightfully theirs.

But the whole damnable system of capitalism with its cheating and its hypocrisy is hated by Socialists. Socialism will bring co-operation, will furnish wealth in plenty to all, and will therefore remove the chief incentive to fraud and intrigue. A moral system will then for the first time be possible, which is an honor to human nature.

It is that moral systems for which Socialists even now stand as the antithesis and destroyer of the capitalist system.

When Socialists get control of government, as in Haverhill, they become conspicuous by their honest administration of affairs. So in the Labor Unions, Socialists stand for honesty and will insist upon it.

This is the reason this paper undertook to expose Middleton's management of the Labor Day program business. This is the reason so much space

is given to the unions from public disgrace.

If on every occasion Socialists in the unions exposed the capitalist tactics of their leaders, they would soon dispose of them, and get honest men in their places. By this means the unions would command the respect of their adversaries, the employers, and would command their fear also and win many more of their battles with them.

The general relation of Socialists to labor unions has been fully illustrated in this local conflict in Seattle. The Socialists are the best friends of the

unions from public disgrace.

All workers, whether in unions or in that greater body outside the unions, find their truest representatives and allies in the Socialists. They are the true Labor Party and there can be no other Labor Party.

A few Socialists in America, known as the Socialist Labor Party, antagonize the labor unions, but the great body of Socialists in Europe and America occupy the position of the Social Democrats in the United States, explicitly endorsing the unions recommending

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OFFICIAL SOUVENIR LABOR DAY PROGRAM
1900
Published Under Auspices
WESTERN CENTRAL LABOR UNION

Seattle, Washington, August 23 1900

I, W. H. Middleton hereby promise to pay to W. H. MIDDLETON, or order, at Seattle, for consideration named hereafter, the sum of Twenty Dollars, for one page of advertising space in the Western Central Labor Union Official Souvenir Labor Day Program, payable on delivery of Program and Contract.

I, W. H. Middleton hereby guarantee, in consideration of above payment, that not less than 25,000 copies of said Program will be issued and circulated.

W. H. MIDDLETON,
Chairman Labor Day Committee
By W. H. Middleton

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Middleton's endorsement on back of Contract.

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THE UNION PRINTING COMPANY, W. H. MIDDLETON, BUSINESS MANAGER, WAS THE REAL CONTRACTOR. A PRIVATE CONCERN WHICH, ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN ADMISSION, MADE SOME \$700, WHILE THE LABOR UNIONS CAME OUT WITH \$500 DEFICIT.

has been given to this subject. It is our intention to bring into prominence the Socialist morals as contrasted with the capitalist morals.

Were it not for their dishonest and conspiring leaders the labor unions everywhere would much more readily learn the Socialist doctrine which is their only salvation.

Socialists in the unions should stand for Socialist morals and thereby save

unions by demanding that all transactions be square and honest. They stand by the unions against their dishonest leaders.

Socialists believe in honorable, straightforward dealings. They have nothing to conceal. They are face to face fighters. They are the best friends of labor because they recognize the irrepressible conflict between capital and labor and will therefore never

their members to join them and to work for their success and highest interests.

That is what *The Socialist* is doing in Seattle when it exposes leaders who are using the unions to make money out of them, and when it insists upon integrity and honesty as the basis of conduct.

In such a conflict honesty and integrity are sure to win in the long run.

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A TRIP FOR THE SOCIALIST.

I left Seattle with a feeling of something like dread when I thought of what I had undertaken. I arrived in Whatcom, in Fairhaven and in Lynden feeling something like a stranger in a strange land. But I left all three places feeling that I was no longer a stranger, but had found many friends. If Socialists do not believe in brotherly love then their actions are contrary to their belief. I used to sing when I didn't know I was telling a lie, "I want to be an angel, and with the angels stand." But now I have changed my tune to "I'm glad I am a Socialist and with the Socialists stand."

In Fairhaven we had a meeting of members of Fairhaven and Whatcom locals. *The Socialist* was freely discussed. All agreed that *The Socialist* must continue to represent Socialism in the State of Washington. All agreed also we should have a larger paper. One thought there was "too much Socialism in it," but that same person was ready to put up five dollars on the spot in order that people could get a Socialist paper with "too much Socialism in it."

Though Fairhaven and Whatcom had both been bled for the recent city elections and had placed an organizer in Whatcom and Skagit Counties for two months or more, they have the honor of setting the ball rolling by advancing twenty-five dollars each toward *The Socialist* fund for purchasing a plant.

Besides this, we had a present of a job press from Mr. Cloak, of Fairhaven.

Several at the meeting suggested that Lynden contained the right kind of Socialists and that I better make a visit there. Happy suggestion. *The Socialist* is over \$30 better off for that suggestion, with a promise of nearly eight dollars more.

You may have to wade through mud and water to find the Socialists in Lynden, but when you find them they are all right.

After riding sixteen miles by stage I arrived after dark at a house in Lynden, which I was told, contained two enthusiastic Socialists, and my informant was not mistaken! On one side of the Blairs' door it was dark and cold and strange. On the other side it was light and warm and friendly. I had a letter of introduction, but did not need it. Any one representing *The Socialist* was more than welcome.

In Lynden, as at Fairhaven, I was entertained without a cent of expense from the time of my arrival till I left.

The next day another Socialist and myself went in search of all the rest of the Socialists in Lynden. Some of them live from four to five miles out, so we had to get a livery rig. This was provided by a generous druggist and Socialist, Edsen, in addition to a donation of \$10 cash. I don't know how much he had to pay, but if I had owned the horse and buggy and knew what I know now I should have demanded the price of the entire outfit in advance. At this season of the year the roads "in the timber" outside of Lynden are a terror! We rode forward when we could, but up and down all the time.

I understood before we started that the roads were so bad as to be almost impassable, so I anxiously asked my driver if we had a good horse. "Oh, any horse is a good horse that'll get you through alive." My anxiety was not lessened by this remark, so I ventured to suggest that if we could only get one of the stage horses I rode behind the day before I should feel perfectly safe if a dynamite bomb went off under his nose.

NEW YEAR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST. With the next issue THE SOCIALIST (combined with THE NEW LIGHT) will appear as a six-column paper the size of THE APPEAL TO REASON.

We aim to stand primarily for Socialism in the State of Washington and Northwest America. But Socialism is not only local, but international, and this paper will always represent the worldwide movement of Socialism.

SECOND. The Printing Plant we called for last week is already in sight. Our Business Agent spent the week in Whatcom County, the Banner County for Socialism in this state, and received a most generous welcome, as her report in another column will show.

If now the rest of this state will do as well, we shall have our plant all paid for by the New Year.

One Hundred Dollars more is all we need now. Comrades, give us a New Year's present to that extent. Then we will start the new century not with better courage, but better armed for the conflict with capitalism.

THIRD. We call especial attention to our premium offers for subscribers on 4th page. You will see that something can be had for every subscription sent in! We do not offer Blocks of Houses, but Books on Socialism. We do not offer a prize, which only one contestant can win, however hard he may work. If you get only one subscriber you will be rewarded. No work for nothing, and all work for Socialism.

We did not get the stage horse, however. So after experiencing many times the delightful sensation produced by riding on top of stumps one minute and through mud sloughs that had no bottom the next, I asked the driver if it was not dangerous to ride on two wheels of a buggy instead of four. "Never dangerous till it goes over," was the reply!

"Well, when it goes over choose a nice spot; I don't want to be drowned in mud. If I was born to be drowned I prefer drowning by water!"

On this trip, four hours long, we found one Socialist, but he was worth a half dozen of any ordinary sort. If he represented his district in the legislature as well as he represented the cause of *The Socialist* that night he should have won hands down every time! When it comes to a "begging" speech for Socialism the "Ex-Honor-

able" Tobiassen just makes things hum.

Much to our surprise we returned the horse, buggy and harness to the livery stable in good order. Then we started on foot for some more Socialists, Mr. B. remarking, "Well, I'll go to the postoffice. In this town if a man isn't at the postoffice or at home he's lost!"

Before the day ended we succeeded in getting together thirteen or fourteen of as enthusiastic Socialists it has been my good fortune to meet.

Former Speaker of the House Cline was chairman of the meeting, and among many of the good things he said was, "A man can't make as good a paper when he is wondering where the money for the next issue is coming from as when his mind is free from such anxiety. Let's put *The Socialist* on a solid financial basis!"

And they did their share! They subscribed thirty-eight dollars on the spot—paid the financial secretary \$29.50 cash and the rest will be forthcoming. Hurrah for Lynden! We'll elect some of those "Ex-Honorables" again under

ORGANIZER SPRINGS REPORT.

From Whatcom and Skagit Counties.
I find in these counties quite a Socialist sentiment, and a little hard work is all that is necessary to crystallize it into an active working force. This means that every one who reads his or her Socialist title clear, should do all they can to help carry on the propaganda campaign.

At Clear Lake, notwithstanding the extremely unpleasant weather, quite a number found their way to the hall where we held a very interesting meeting.

Sedro Woolley is in a fair way of effecting an organization.

Socialism has become quite popular at Whatcom since Comrade Lux made his exceptionally strong contest for the mayoralty of that city.

The Capitalist politicians at Fairhaven are somewhat puzzled over the results of the recent election at that place in which our Socialist candidate for mayor came within an ace of winning out. Well, gentlemen, the fact of the matter is, you are up against it, and I opine that at the next election Socialists will try their hand at governing the municipality of Fairhaven.

At Wickersham, a few have awakened from the hypnotic sleep, produced by Capitalism, and are declaring for Socialism.

At Mt. Vernon they are still asleep and dreaming of full dinner pails and the virtues of strenuous life. Your life, Mr. Mt. Vernon workingman, will of necessity in the struggle for existence, be strenuous, but you will awake to find your full dinner pail an empty dream.

F. J. SPRING,
State Organizer.

TREASURER'S REPORT. RECEIPTS.

Previously reported	\$533.63
Dec. 20—D. Burgess, special ..	1.50
Dec. 22—Dr. Titus, dues, 15 @ 21	1.75
Dec. 23—Shoemaker, special ..	.25
Dec. 26—Subscriptions	21.50
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	\$558.73

EXPENSES.

Previously reported	\$515.06
Dec. 20—Deposit in P. O. for postage	2.00
Dec. 20—Geo. Carroll, commission on subscriptions75
Dec. 24—Printing 2,000 copies No. 19	21.15
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	\$538.96

Balance on hand	19.77
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	\$558.73

SPECIAL FUND FOR PLANT.

Col. by Mrs. Titus at Whatcom, Fairhaven and Lynden	\$80.50
Wm. E. Richardson, Spokane	1.00
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Total	\$81.50

G. W. Daniels dropped in on Wednesday last and left four yearlies. By the way, he is Treasurer of the Free Land Association on Holmes' Harbor, Whidby Island, a co-operative and profit-sharing concern.

the Social Democratic Banner.
HATTIE W. TITUS.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP APPEALS TO THE "APPEAL."

The attention of our Socialist exchanges is invited to the appeal of Public Ownership for co-operation. The public press has made and unmade the biggest men! The Socialist press can do the same in the Socialist movement. If the press is a unity for union it will insure it. We desire particularly the co-operation of the Appeal to Reason and the Coming Nation for the reason that they reach every Branch of the Chicago Social Democracy, therefore, we specifically request these two valued contemporaries to publish the Seattle resolution and recommend like action thereon and we await developments with much interest.

THE UNITY QUESTION

SPRINGFIELD TO CHICAGO.

We have received from Wm. Butscher, National Secretary, a copy of a letter addressed by the Provisional N. E. C. at Springfield, to the Chicago National Executive Board, Theodore Debs., secretary, 126 Washington street, Chicago.

The gist of this letter is found in the following sentences, which we quote:

"Comrades, we are for the union of the Socialist forces of this country today as strongly and unqualified as we were ever since the joint unity committee adjourned. We are willing to forget the many unpleasant incidents of the past. We are ready to surrender our mandates, officers and organization to the entire membership of the Social Democratic party represented at a joint convention, and we demand the same of you. . . ."

"We request you to postpone the calling of any national convention until the rank and file of the Social Democratic party, as constituted during the recent campaign, has had a chance to pass upon the matter, and should you pay no heed to this request, we shall address a similar communication to the convention called by you."

The substance of this letter is admirable, as shown by the above quotation, which contains all that is essential to it.

The burden of disunion is thrown upon the Chicago board. They have called a convention to meet January 15, 1901, at 126 Washington street, their headquarters. It is addressed only to those who are in good standing according to their records. No definite purpose is announced for this convention, and it is fair to infer that it is to prevent a joint convention, inasmuch as union was denounced at the meeting which called it.

The Springfield Executive now proclaims its readiness to lay down all its authority at the feet of a joint convention.

If the Chicago Executive refuses to submit equally to the authority of the Socialists of the United States assembled in convention, then the terrible responsibility of preventing Socialist union will be at its door alone.

If it has on its own invitation, without any direct call from the rank and file of the membership, called a separate convention for the purpose of getting a rump declaration against union, and of thus claiming it as the party mandate, it is no less than wicked and criminal, and, we fervently believe will be repudiated and execrated by the Socialists of America.

AS SAGINAW SEES IT.

The Saginaw comrades have passed the resolutions given below, in which

they point out a method of calling a Joint Convention and call upon the National Executive officers to follow the method indicated.

The method they point out seems excellent, though it hardly seems wise to bind the Executives in such an iron-clad way to any precise details. But the Saginaw proposal shows much thought and insight and should receive the most careful consideration by the party executives.

Whereas, The unity negotiations between the Socialist parties respectively represented at the Rochester and Indianapolis conventions have failed to effect complete organic unity; and

Whereas, Under the most trying conditions, the entire membership has worked together harmoniously during the recent campaign, thus proving that the time is ripe for complete unity; and

Whereas, Division and dissension both cripple our propaganda and disgust and repel our sympathizers; therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That the members of the Social Democratic Party through their respective National Executive Officers, call a Joint National Convention, to be held at Cincinnati, Ohio, not later than June 1st, 1901.

2. That since both organizations claim to have about the same number of members, the basis of representation shall be 1 to 50, or a major fraction thereof, provided that each local or branch shall have the right to at least one delegate.

3. That each delegate shall have one vote.

4. That upon the opening of the convention, both parties give up their separate existence; that the party officers of both parties surrender their offices to the convention, and that the present Secretaries of both the existing National Executives turn over all their official books, documents and party property to the Secretary of the convention immediately upon the election of such Secretary.

5. That if both of the National Executives shall refuse to issue this call on or before March 1st, 1901, to their respective organizations, according to the terms herein provided, we shall sever our affiliation with them and maintain an independent State organization until such time as complete organic unity is effected between both factions, and that in the event one of the said National Executive Committees manifests its willingness to call such convention, and the other refuses to do so, that we then affiliate with the party standing for such convention.

6. That each Local or Branch which officially indorses these resolutions shall sign the same and forward one copy to the Secretary of its State Committee, and one to the Secretary of

each National Executive Committee.

Saginaw Mich. Dec. 20, 1900.

Dear Comrades

The foregoing resolutions which were adopted by Local Saginaw, Dec. 15th, 1900 are submitted to you with the request that you bring them before your Branch or Local for action at the earliest possible opportunity. The question of Socialist unity is one that demands the immediate consideration of every Comrade who places faith in Socialism above fealty to faction. Shall we longer permit the misdirected ambitions of leaders to keep asunder the rank and file who have no aim but the triumph of the cause? The plan herewith submitted to secure a union of Socialist forces is one that can cause no offense to the most sensitive. It is a request on the part of the dues-paying members that both "National Headquarters" act in accordance with their expressed desire to advance the coming of the cooperative commonwealth. The day of action is at hand. The Social Democracy owes a duty to the toiling masses which is incomparably more sacred than any fealty to leaders, however loved. Will you be equal to the occasion? Will you join Saginaw Socialists in an earnest endeavor to bring order out of chaos, to the end that the Social Democratic Party may achieve the destiny that lays just a little way ahead?"

The weakness of these and all mere resolutions, is that they carry no authority which the executives are bound to respect.

The only orderly and authoritative method of securing action is by a Referendum ordered by five Locals situated in three states—as provided in the Constitutions of both wings of the Party.

Such a Referendum is now certain, as at the least four Locals in the State of Washington, besides Nashville, Tenn. and Erie, Pa., have endorsed the Referendum requested by Local Seattle. We shall therefore all of us have a chance to put our mandate upon the N. E. C. at Springfield.

Unquestionably the Springfield branch of the S. D. P. will vote for a Joint Convention.

What will the N. E. B. at Chicago, do?

Public Ownership, of Erie, points out the way in the following paragraphs. Let five of Chicago Branches call for a Referendum vote of their wing on the question, "Shall the Executive at Chicago be directed to arrange for a Joint Convention?"

Thus the Chicago rank and file will have a chance to be heard. We believe they, too, would vote for a Joint Convention. Both wings will then have commanded their officers to arrange for a Joint Convention to perfect permanent union.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP PLAN.

Our National Executive will lose no time in submitting the Seattle proposition to the membership, and we will know without delay why union is being deferred.

We will learn this in this way: the vote of our party, or faction, will be unanimously in favor of authorizing and directing our executive to "arrange a Joint Convention of the Social Democrats who recognize the N. E. C., at Springfield, and those who recognize the N. E. B. at Chicago."

The N. E. B. (Chicago), will then be given the alternative of cooperating in the matter of a Joint Convention or of declaring their opposition to unity. In the latter case their doom would be at once sealed for it would disclose the real obstacle to union, and their adherents would immediately abandon them.

Nor could they escape behind the claim that they had no authority to provide for such a convention for they have already called a National Convention and they have the power, at least they have heretofore exercised it, to submit such a question to the Referendum and obtain the judgment of their membership, and we know that to be just as overwhelmingly in favor of union as it is in our fiction.

This suggests how to get union without delay. The constitution of the S. D. P. (Chicago), also provides for the initiative in certain cases by five branches, action to be taken at a regular meeting. It does not appear that their provision for initiative of this character is as clear as might be desirable, but it will doubtless serve the purpose. Now let five or more Branches regularly adopt the Seattle resolution calling for a submission to the Referendum of a proposition for a Joint Convention, and forward to their National Secretary. These Branches may all be located in one state. This will require the N. E. B. and the opposers of union to answer to their own membership, and this answer can be nothing else than submission to the popular will. If the rank and file are as heartily in favor of union as they were in March last, and they are even more so, then union will come, leaders or no leaders. If they are not, however, still for union, then there will be no union, for forced union is neither practicable nor desirable. But **Nothing short of the answer of the membership will satisfy Socialists that they do not want union.**

It is well known that the N. E. B. (Chicago), is still opposed to union. There is, therefore, no hope for union by any voluntary action of theirs; the hope lies in the membership, the party itself. To reach that membership is still the difficulty, for the columns of the party "organ" are sealed against any proposal of this character. It

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Something Good for Every Subscriber.

We make it possible from this date for any Socialist, however poor, to secure for himself what is indispensable for a Socialist, a good Socialist library. For one subscriber, for two subscribers, for three subscribers, and so on, you can secure the best books published on the subject of Socialism. What we need, all of us, especially those who have lately joined the S. D. P., is education. We must learn, so as not to be led astray ourselves, and so as to be able to teach others.

We make it our business to read all the Socialist books published. Some are not worth much. Others are good for a lifetime. We only carry those that will stand the test of the most critical. Those we offer here as prizes, you can depend upon.

List No. 1.

For one yearly, 2 semi-yearly, or 5 10-weeks' subscriptions we will give you any 4 of the following books:

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- Brown, The Real Religion of To-day.
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- Harriman, Class War in Idaho.
- Herron, Why I am a Socialist.
- Kautsky, The Class Struggle.
- " The Capitalist Class.
- " The Proletariat.
- " Co-operative Commonwealth.
- Noyes, Evolution of the Class Struggle.
- May Wood Simons, Woman and the Social Problem.
- A. M. Simons, The Man Under the Machine.
- A. M. Simons, Socialism and Farmers
- Stone, The Attitude of Socialists towards the Trades Unions.
- Vail, The Mission of the Working Class.

A little girl in Seattle got over a hundred subscribers for some meaningless publication which offered a bit of jewelry for a prize. She just went around among all her friends and parents' friends and got the subscriptions without any special effort. Nothing is ever done without trying, and most everything can be done with trying.

List No. 2.

For one yearly, two semi-yearly, or 5 10-weeks' subscriptions we will give any 2 of the following books:

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- Liebkecht, Socialism, what it is and what it seeks to accomplish.
- Liebkecht, No Compromise, No Political Trading.
- Marx, Wage-Labor and Capital.

A house to house canvass is usually

very successful. Remember Klamroth, the famous canvasser for "The Appeal," who got nearly 40,000 subs. simply by going from house to house. The Socialist in the state of Washington will take better than any other paper of the kind, because it will not only teach Socialism but Socialism as applied to local conditions. Nearly all Karl Marx's writings, outside "Capital," and much of that, is "Socialism applied to local conditions." That is what this paper will stand for, concrete Socialism, not abstract, theoretical, unearthly Socialism, but Socialism for the State of Washington, organized united, militant. Every Socialist will be interested in it, of course, and will subscribe, and every non-Socialist will want it, to know what is going on in this new party which claims the earth and is going to get it. Try the house to house plan.

List No. 3.

For two yearly, four 6-months, or 10 10-weeks' subscriptions we will give any one of the following:

STATE OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF KING, SS.

Hattie W. Titus, being first duly sworn, on oath, says: that she is the financial secretary and acting business manager of the Socialist, a weekly paper published in the City of Seattle, County of King, and State of Washington, and that in such capacity she is familiar with the circulation of said paper, and that said circulation of said paper is twenty-two hundred weekly, and has been for the three months last past. The same being a bona fide circulation.

HATTIE W. TITUS.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of December, 1900.
ROBERT F. BOOTH,
Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing at Seattle.

Marx, - The Eighteenth Brumaire of Louis Bonaparte.

Marx, The Civil War in France.

Rogers, Six Centuries of Work and Wages.

Simons, and others, Socialist Campaign Book for 1900.

List No. 4.

For 3 yearly, 6 six-months or fifteen ten-weeks' subscriptions, we will give one copy of Vail's Principles of Scientific Socialism, the best all-around manual of Socialism obtainable in England.

These last two books will be made the basis of "Lessons in Socialism," to be begun in *The Socialist*, No. 25, Feb. 3.

List No. 5.

For 4 yearly subscriptions, or any number amounting to \$2.00, we will give a copy of THE PEOPLE'S MARX. (The price of this book is 75 cents), or any 2 of the books in list No. 3.

List No. 6.

For 8 yearly, or subscriptions to \$4; we will give a beautiful cloth bound copy of The People's Marx (price \$1.50) or any four of list No. 3.

For 8 yearlies, or for any combination which makes Four Dollars, you can also get any of the books offered for the lower numbers. For example, you could select thirty-two books from

List No. 1; or 16 from List No. 1 and 8 from List No. 2; or 8 from List No. 1, 4 from List No. 2, and 1 from List No. 4, etc., etc. The same way of combining can be made for four yearlies or \$2 worth. Our aim, besides getting subscribers for *The Socialist*, is to put our best literature into the hands of all Social Democrats in this state.

TWO FOR PRICE OF ONE.

For one dollar we will send *The Socialist* and *The International Socialist Review* for one year.

The International Socialist Review is a monthly magazine, published in Chicago, and the best of its kind in the English language. Its price alone is one dollar a year.

For 50 cents we will send the above two for 6 months.

John Downie, lately of Clear Lake, now of Seattle, applies for membership in the Seattle Educational Union. His application will be voted on Jan. 6, 1901. J. D. CURTIS, Secretary.

Organizer Goes to Eastern Washington.

Comrade Spring, our State Organizer, will spend his second month in Eastern Washington. He left Seattle on Thursday for Whatcom County.

Whatcom and Whitman, the Northwest and Southeast corners, rivals for Socialist leadership of this state. Whitman, they say, is ripe for Socialism. Comrade Spring goes to help them ripen.

A special dispatch in the Seattle Democratic organ says Whitman County has issued a call for a new Socialist party in this state.

That is nonsense. It is what the Democrats would like to see occur, but Kegley and Cleveland Smith, who had letters in *The Socialist* the last two weeks, are not such fools as to split the Socialist movement in Washington. The Social Democratic Party is well organized and united in this state, and forming new organizations every week. Watch the reports of new locals formed as given by the National Committee each month. The State of Washington is in the lead for the last two months.

Keep it up. Whitman County, be ready for Organizer Spring and organize a dozen new locals to start the new century.

Spokane County and Stevens County and most of the Eastern counties need to get organized at once.

Send in your applications to F. J. Spring, 220 Union St., Seattle, all you unattached Socialists. All letters to Comrade Spring will be promptly forwarded to him.

THE UNITY QUESTION.

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therefore, remains for the party press to acquaint the members of the party with this proposition in this form, and to this end Public Ownership invokes the aid of every Socialist paper in the United States. Let each publish the Seattle Resolution, and request that like action be taken by every Local in the Springfield faction and every Branch of the Chicago faction. In this way the proposition will be brought to enough Branches to insure action; action means a Joint Convention; a Joint Convention means unity on an enduring basis with the disturbing factors forever suppressed; this means Socialist progress; it means Socialism in our time.

Let the cooperation of the Socialist press begin at once.

The P.-I. is a lofty teacher, but possibly a workman may learn a few simple truths from the rabid utterances of this plutocratic sheet, but to do so he must go in the opposite direction indicated by the P.-I. The P.-I. never wearies in telling the toiler how the Republican party has brought "steady employment and good wages." The toiler is beginning to realize that all the product of his toil is the only good wages, and that with the entire product of his toil he does not need steady employment.

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