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*Correspondence of National Executive Committee **During June**

Chicago, Ill., June 5, 1907.
To the National Executive Committee Dear Comrades: In accordance with the following motion, adopted in ses-sion March 2d, the names of appli-cants for credentials to the Interna-tional Congress are submitted:

Inat in addition to the two delegates elected, the National Executive Committee, at its discretion, issue as many additional credentials as its sees fit to party members in good standing who may apply for them."

Applies

Applicants.

Grund, Peter, Union Hill, N. J. Herron, Geo. D., New York, N. Y. Hillquit, Mrs. Vera, New York,

Hillquit, Morris, New York, N. Y. Hunter, Robert, New York, N. Y. Kaemmerer, Otto, St. Louis, Mo. Klein, Nicholas, Cincinnati, Ohio. Stewart, Charles, Cincinnati, Ohio. Stewart, Mrs. Charles, Cincinnati, Ohio.

To the National Executive Committee:

Dear Comrades: I herewith report your action upon applications for credentials to the Stuttgart International Congress, submitted under date of June 5th. No vote has been received from Comrades Simons and Unterman. Comrades Berger and Patterson vote favorably on all applications. Comrades Hanford, Hillquit and Work vote favorably on all applications, except that of Comrade Klein, on which they vote "no."

Letter of Comrade Hanford June 9th.

"I vote 'yes' on granting credentials to all applicants submitted under date of June 5, except to Nicholas Klein.

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"I vote 'no' on granting a credential from the S. P. to Nicholas Klein as a delegate to the International Congress. The reason for this negative vote is that I have been informed by two comrades who were delegates to the last Congress (along with Klein) that he (Klein) conducted himself as a general clown, and, as far as his ac-tions could do, brought discredit upon the whole American delegation.

Credentials will be supplied the fol-lowing, upon whom favorable action

Corinne S. Brown, Chicago, Ill. Louis E. Boudin, New York, N. Y. Johanne Greie Cramer, Elizabeth, N Johanne Greie Cramer, Elizabeth, N. J.; Peter Grund, Union Hill, N. J.; Geo. D. Herron, New York, N. Y.; Mrs. Vera Hillquit, New York, N. Y.; Morris Hillquit, New York; Robert Hunter, New York; Otto Kaemmerer, St. Louis, Mo.; Charles Stewart, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. Charles Stewart, Cincinnati, O.; J. G. Phelps Stokes, New York, N. Y.

Chicago, Ill., June 21, '07.
To the National Executive Committee:

Dear Comrades: I herewith report the action taken by your committee, on motion by Comrade Work of Iowa, submitted under date of June 12th.

Motion.

"I move that we contribute fifty dollars toward the expenses of Ida Crouch Hazlett in reporting the Haywood trial for the Montana News, the The SOCIALIST POSTERS

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Social Democratic Herald, the Buffalo Herald, St. Louis Labor, the Black Hills Register, the Saturday Evening Tribune and such other papers as will accept and use the service, this motion to stand in lieu of action taken on this subject March 3d, 1907."

June 25, 1907. To the Nat'l Executive Committee. Brown, Corinne S., Chicago, Ill.

Boudin, Louis B., New York, N. Y.

Cramer, Johanne Greie, Elizabeth,

J. Dear Comrades:—Herewith is submitted for your consideration, a communication from the State Committee.

of New Hampshire.

"Claremont, N. H.,
June 19, 1907.

"National Executive Committee, S. P.

of America.
"Dear Comrades: — The Socialist
Party of New Hampshire, is making a strong effort to get this state into a well organized condition. But we are few in numbers and weak in Klein, Nicholas, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Stewart, Charles, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Stewart, Mrs. Charles, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Stokes, J. G. Phelps, New York, N. Y.
Members will vote by placing the word "yes" or "no" in front of the names of the applicants.

Chicago, Ill., June 12, '07.
To the National Executive Committee:
Dear Comrades: Herewith is submitted motion by Comrade Work:

Motion

"I move that we contribute fifty dollars toward the expenses of Ida Crouch Hazlett in reporting the Haywood trial for the Montana News, the Social Democratic Herald, the Buffalo Herald, St. Louis Labor, the Black Hills Register, the Saturday Evening Tribune, and such other papers as will accept and use the service, this motion to stand in lieu of action taken on this subject March 3d, 1907."

Comment.

"I am informed that all the above papers want the service; and this

"I am informed that all the above papers want the service; and this combination of papers is, so to speak, the legitimate successor of that mentioned in the March motion. The number of readers reached by them will be smaller than those contemplated in the motion of March 3, and it would seem to be about right to cut the appropriation in half."

Chicago, Ille June 12, '07.

To the National Executive Committee:

Dear Comrades: I herewith report your action upon applications for cre-

"Fraternally,
"LOUIS ARNSTEIN,
Chair. State Committee.
"W. H. WILKINS,
State Secretary."
Fraternally submitted,
J. MAHLON BARNES,
National Secretary. National Secretary.

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Idaho	5.00 14.00
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Indiana	21.00
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Kentucky	17.50
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Oklahoma	85.00
Oregon	60.00
Pennsylvania	18.00
South Dakota	6.50
Utah	5.00
Vermont	7.00
West Virginia	7.00
Wisconsin	78.75
	29.90
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Unorganized States— Georgia\$.60
Nevada	7.50
Virginia	4.00
Members at large	.01
Total for dues	94.15
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deavor to discourage him.

"Again, the motion is bad, for it anticipates a conviction and implies a threat, challenging those who have the power to do as they please. A person who understands the Socialist philosophy will avoid incendiary utterances and riotous acts. Those who are not Socialists we can only hope to reach indirectly and prevent injuring our cause. The motion underestimates

deavor to discourage him.

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OREGON (BARZEE)—"I note in Official Bulletin, vol. 3, No. 9, motion relative to party attitude in case of "judicial murder of Idaho comrades."

Allow me to record my position in the matter as coinciding with Lee of

NATIONAL SECRETARY'S FI-NANCIAL REPORT FOR THE Report of Action by National Committee on Motion MONTH OF JUNE, 1907. No. 8—Motions Nos. 9 and 10 Submitted

Chicago, Ill., June 19, 1907. To the National Committee:

VOTING NO. Illinois..... Stedman Illinois Berlyn
Kansas McAllister
Maryland Culp
Missouri Hoehn
New Hampshire Drew Texas Payne
Washington Herman
Wyoming Hastings
Total 9

Arizona Bechtel Arkansas..... LeFevre California Holloway California Holloway
California Edmiston
California Lewis, L. M.
Colorado Woodside
Connecticut Beardsley
Connecticut Hull
Idaho Rigg
Illinois Simons
Indiana Reynolds
Indiana Wallace
Iowa Shank
Kansas Crum Michigan.....Wilen Minnesota.....Peach Minnesota.....Williams Missouri.....Behrens New Jersey ... Reilly
New York ... Lee
New York ... Vanderporten
New York ... Arland
Obio Ohio..... Oklahoma..... Bentley Oregon..... Barzee Oregon.....Axelson Pennsylvania.....Schwartz Pennsylvania.... Maurer Pennsylvania.... Moore Tennessee..... Voss Vermont......Sullivan Washington...Wagenknecht West Virginia.....Gillespie

No action has therefore been taken. The states of Florida and North Dakota, being in arrears, the national committeemen were not entitled to vote on this motion.

Wisconsin..... Berger

Wisconsin..... Heath Wisconsin...Thompson

of Socialists being engaged in a riot, takes mildness for cowardice. Any-Any one who understands anything thing but the first kind of work will about Socialism will be the last to engage in the petty reactionary method suggested by the motion, and violent talk would be equally as nonsensical and silly. I have no doubt that the comrade wished the sentiment exting such a motion as No. 8 to be submitted than to waste-basket it. To

the intelligence of the movement. For these and other reasons I vote no."

Comrades: Herewith is submitted report of referendum No. 8, motion No. 8, by Vernon F. King, National Committee member of Michigan:

IOWA (WORK)—"Violent measures would be the height of folly. They cannot be too severely condemned."

MARYLAND (CULP)-"Please re-"That we instruct the National Secretary to send out a letter requesting the party and all sympathizers, in event of the judicial murder of our comrades in Idaho, to refrain from incendiary violent talk, also from all acts of riot."

VOTING YES.

Iowa Work Michigan Khode Island Carpenter South Dakota Knowles

Cord me as voting in the difficult to imagine just what fitting to the occasion a Socialist or a sympathizing Laborite ought to say concerning the arrest, trial and conviction of the W. F. of M. officials, as judged by the proceedings to the close of May, that would not be considered by capitalism as incendiary and violent. In fact, much, or most, that has already been said in the effort to arouse labor to a realizing sense of the menace, against cord me as voting no on motion No. 8. It would be difficult to imagine in the effort to arouse labor to a re-alizing sense of the menace, against all of the prosecution from McPart-land to Roosevelt, has already been characterized as incendiary, violent, anarchistic and treasonable. Can we do less than has already been done? Should we do less? Nay, but rather should we not do more? Shall we be brave when we hear the lions roar, but so soon as we see his fangs and

be brave when we hear the lions roar, but so soon as we see his fangs and claws must we hide?

"The agitation that has resulted from the Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone incident and the consequent consolidation of labor was so loud, so strong and so violent and incendiary that even our strengous Teddy backed. solidation of labor was so loud, so strong and so violent and incendiary that even our strenuous Teddy backed down. Shall we now, when the real danger is imminent, by our conduct and pusilanimity, tell the labor world that we did not merit their confidence, that we quietly acquiesce in the judgment of a capitalist jury and court that, clearly, were drawn for conviction, that the language that will fitly characterize this travesty upon justice, this pretended justice where men are arraigned, as by a gang of outlaws and pirates, foredoomed to conviction and execution, can be too violent? In the whole history of the race from the founding of the first empire, including the account of Grace and Wat Tyler, to the present time, is there any account of any thing more violent than this capitalist conspiracy?

"Crises arise in movements as well as in the affairs of men and nations, which if taken and attilized.

"Crises arise in movements as well as in the affairs of men and nations, which, if taken and utilized to the greatest extent possible, will place that movement, man or nation, upon such a firm footing that nothing shall ever be able to shake it. This Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone case, growing out of the labor movement, in my opinion, is such a crisis in that movement in this country. It has already united labor to an extent never dreamed of by the conspirators, and if they are convicted by the process which now seems likely to prevail, and then executed, a thousand times more can be done. But it cannot be done by going at it mildly or with any milk-and-water policy. Something will have to be done, and what that something is or is not will mean all the world to the movement. thing is or is not will mean all the world to the movement. Everywhere throughout the land the injustice must be proclaimed and condemned in thunder tones and with tongues that burn as a scorching, withering blast. None but the ignorant would riot unless the spirit of riot existed so generally as to sweep all before it like stubble before the fire, which can not even be thought of. The days of senseless riot is over in this country, and when the day of riot does come there will be a movement that will ILLINOIS (BERLYN)—"I consider motion No. 8 an insult to the not only scare plutocracy worse than party membership. I believe that the rank and file is less subject to hysteria than some of our leaders. I better will be none to oppose. Teddy lieve the motion ill-timed and it ought to be defeated."

ILLINOIS (STEDMAN)—"I think "The attack upon plutocracy must

motion No. 8 was very ill-advised. In the first place, it implies a possibility its end will not be far off. Capitalism

pressed that if any persons pretending mitted than to waste-basket it. To to be Socialists, or in sympathy with them, should engage in incendiary and violent language, or should attempt to appeal to the futile weapon of riot, that the Socialists should endeaver to discoverage him. of riot, that the Socialists should en-deavor to discourage him.

"Again, the motion is bad, for it an-

New York. The essence of the mo-tion presupposes that we (the Socialist party) are an organized band of

terrorists for the righting of judicial and other wrongs by physical force.
"Nothing, in my judgment, is more detrimental or contradictory to our principles and purposes than perversions of this nature. If to me the Socialist Party stands for one thing more plainly than any other, it abhors terrorism in all its hideousness. Not that we would not (if compelled by

military government; an intelligently evoluted people will give us an indus-trial government, to the exclusion and extinction of our former brute in-stincts. We must acquire our great-ness by our fitness."

WASHINGTON (HERMAN) "Record me as voting "no" on ref.
No. 8, motion No. 8. My reason for
refusing to vote on this motion is because I have absolute confidence in

the judgment of the rank and file of the S. P.

"I would suggest to Comrade Vernon F. King that before he undertake to advise S. P. members and symmethics not to get excited he sympathizers not to get excited, he set example by keeping cool himself." Chicago, Ill., June 18, '07.

To the National Committee:

Comrades: Herewith is submitted referendum No. 9, motion No. 9, by National Committee Member James M. Reilly, by direction of the State Committee of New Jersey:

Motion.

"I move that the National Execu-tive Committee be directed to institute an investigation concerning the alleged actions of certain members of the Social Democratic Party of Milwaukee, in accepting nominations for office from other parties and ascer-tain whether it is true that party members have thus accepted such nomina-tions in violation of the National Con-stitution of the Socialist Party."

Comment.

From statements in several Socialist papers it appears that party members have been elected to office in Milwaukee on a so-called labor or "non-partisan" ticket. This would seem to be in violation of the National Constitution of the party. The New Jerof the Socialist Party in the United sey comrades, who have always enforced the principles of obedience to party laws until changed, feel that this should also be the practice in other states, Wisconsin included. They therefore wish to ascertain definitely whether it is true that the constitution has been violated.

Reply of State Executive Committee of Wisconsin.

"The State Executive Board of Wisconsin in a meeting held June 2d, 1907, received your communication of May 14th, apprising them of the motion of National Committeeman James M. Reilly of New Jersey, as follows: "'I move that the National Execu-

tive Committee be directed to institute an investigation concerning the alleged actions of certain members of the Social Democratic Party of Milwaukee in accepting nominations for office from other parties, and ascer-tain whether it is true that party members have thus accepted such nominations, in violation of the Na-tional Constitution of the Socialist

"We suppose that the charges made by National Committeeman Reilly have reference to the recent school board elections in Milwaukee.

Under the laws of the State of Wisconsin no party can go on the ticket in school board elections or in judicial elections. Therefore, every candidate for the school board must be a non-partisan candidate. Neither the Re-publican, Democratic, Prohibitionist or any other party can appear on the ticket in school elections. Neither the Republican, Democratic, Prohibitionist or any other party can make nomi-nations for candidates to the school

"Therefore, it is clear if Socialists are to be elected to the Milwaukee School Board, or be elected judges, they must be elected as non-partisan candidates. And in future our men must go on the ticket as non-partisan candidates, or else the Socialists must be entirely excluded from the school

While the Social Democratic Party did not make any nominations for candidates to the school board in the recent school elections in Milwaukee, the trades unions chose candidates to whom they gave their support, those candidates being members of the Social Democratic Party. We did not approve of this action of the unions, not because of the reasons given by National Committeeman Reilly, since this action was most evidently no violation of the constitution or principles of the Socialist Party. Our disappro-val of the action of the trades unions in nominating candidates was simply based on the principles that the trades unions as such should not enter the field of political action.

"We moreover protest against the action of New Jersey in interfering

with the internal affairs of the Wisconsin organization, contrary to the provisions of the National Constitution in article 12, section 4.

"We have in Wisconsin a movement which has accomplished some things which have been accomplished by no other state organization in America. We have representatives in the state cialist Party stands for one thing more plainly than any other, it abhors terrorism in all its hideousness. Not that we would not (if compelled by public sentiment and action), or could refuse to return again to the crude, barbaric custom of physical force; but our attitude must stand firmly for a revolution by evolution. Barbarians can fight and brawl, civilized people must think and plan intelligently.

"A military victory would give us a military government; an intelligently."

We have representatives in the state legislature who are making a splendid record for the party. We have a large representation in the municipal government of Milwaukee. We are making propaganda for Socialism and are steadily increasing our vote. We are too busy to interfere with the internal affairs of neighbor states. For instance, we brought no charges against certain New Jersey comrades who advocated fusion with another political party two years ago.

It would be more conducive to the growth and welfare of the Socialist Party if all its members would devote themselves to constructive work for the upbuilding of the movement and refrain from injurious attacks on those engaged in such work.

"STATE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF

"WISCONSIN, "Per E. H. THOMAS, "State Secretary,"

Members will use enclosed card in voting; votes will close July 9th, 1907, and votes received after that date will not be counted.

Fraternally submitted, J. MAHLON BARNES,

National Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., June 25, '07.

To the National Committee:

Comrades: Herewith is submitted referendum No. 10, motion No. 10, by National Committee Member Samuel Ely Beardsley by direction of the State Committee of Connecticut:

Motion.

"That a committee of two be se-lected by and from the National Ex-ecutive Committee to draft a suitable design for a National Party seal, the same to be submitted to the National Executive Committee for their apof the Socialist Party in the United States—the seals to be made of steel and purchased from the National Office. This to take effect on and after January 1, 1908, and all correspondence not bearing said seal after this date shall not be recognized by the Socialist Party."

Comment.

"The State Committee of the So-cialist Party of Connecticut have for a long time seen the necessity of taking some steps to protect the correspondence of the national, state, county, local and branch organiza-tions of the party. At the present time we have no means of preventing any one outside of the party membership from getting possession of official envelopes and letter heads, and thereby working irreparable injury to our must include a distinct proposal for movement by fake motions and other correspondence. At the present time the Socialist Party in the United the Socialist Party in the United States has no recognized universal portions shall have superior force." seal to affix to their correspondence when transacting business between the different departments of the party. "In reply the State Executive Board positively denies such 'alleged actions.' No member or members of the Social Democratic Party of Milwaukee have at any time accepted any nomination for office from any party except the Social Democratic Party. Consequently the Nasional Constitution of the Socialist Party has not been violated. "We suppose that the charges made" parts of the party, issued by the National Office having the words, issued by authority of the International Socialist Party of the United States in the center of the seal, and the name of state, county, local or branch, with number of same, along the rim, I think we would be adopting a more businesslike method and also protecting ourselves against persons who would do our movement irreparable injury through its correspondence. I injury through its correspondence. I ficulty when only one candidate is hope this motion will prevail, for the voted upon at a time. In the case future safety of our movement.'

Vote will close July 10th, and votes received after that date will not be counted. Fraternally submitted,

J. MAHLON BARNES. National Secretary.

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CAL LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO, FOR THE TEXAS AMEND-MENTS.

As a substitute for the amendments of articles 6 and 7 of the National Constitution proposed by the State Committee of Texas, we move to omit from article 6, sec. 1, the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh sentences, and from article 7 sec. 1 and the investigation. article 7, sec. 1, and to insert in the constitution the following two new articles after the one on Referenda:

ARTICLE 12. General Rules on Elections.

Section 1. A majority of all votes legally cast shall be necessary to elect to any office or committee of the Socialist Party, or of any of its subdivisions, or other bodies. Whenever this necessitates repeated balloting, at least twice as many names must be submitted again each time as there remain places to be filled, as long as a sufficient number of candidates shall be available out of the original list.

Section 2. A committee may be any

Section 2. A committee may be appointed, instead of being elected, only if it is to perform merely minor services that do not extend beyond the Comment on the above motion by National Committeeman A. Wagen-knecht of Washington, bearing date of June 12, has been filed for reference, under Rule 2, of Rules for National Committee Referendums.

Manual Committee Referendums. entitled to a vote at that session.

ARTICLE 13. Rules for Elections of National Officers.

In the election of national officers by the membership the demands of art. 12, sec. 1, shall be carried out in the following manner:

The call for nominations shall be issued four months before the beginning of the term of office of the offi-cials to be elected. Each local or mem-ber at large shall be entitled to nominate one candidate for each place to be filled. Twenty days shall be al-lowed for nominations, ten for accept-

ances and declinations, and twenty-eight for the casting of a ballot.

Upon the first voting, all those can-didates whose names appear on a maremains places to be filled. If, however, the strict application of this rule
would require a different treatment of
the little clause in each article that several candidates having received the same number of votes, the names of all these several candidates shall again

all these several candidates shall again be admitted.

If a third election becomes necessary in order that every place be filled by a candidate elected by a majority of the ballots, the same rules shall apply as before, and so on.

Whenever a name appears more than once on the same ballot it shall be counted as if appearing only once

be counted as if appearing only once. We further move the addition of the following section to the article headed Amendments":

"Section 2. Whenever an addition or amendment to this constitution is proposed that contains a contradiction to any portion of the constitution, the motion submitted for the referendum

Comment.

The evils of an election by a mere plurality are so obvious and well known and have in part been set tion, forever from our midst. Rule by the majority, and only by the major-ity, should be one of the first principles of Socialist practice, and should, therefore, be embodied explicitly as such in our National Constitution, its enforcement being made mandatory on all divisions and conventions of the party, just as our National Constitution already requires of all State Constitutions, provisions for the initia-tive, referendum and imperative man-That enforcement offers no difof a simultaneous vote on several candidates the practice has often been followed of submitting to a second ballot only one more name than there are places to be filled. The result of the election must in this case be of necessity almost entirely the same as if the candidates receiving a mere plu-rality had been declared elected right out, for only one of these can have been eliminated by the second ballot; the gain secured by a majority vote thus forced is, therefore, almost wholly imaginary. If we wish to obtain a majority vote worth having, a real majority instead of a farce, we have to leave a choice between at least two candidates for each place, or, in other words, at least twice as many candidates as there are places to be filled. As an essential condition for a real majority, this should form a part of the general constitutional

PROPOSED NATIONAL PARTY important, as in appointing men for gathering ballots in a meeting for taking up a collection, and for similar services. The last clause of the section

services. The last clause of the section will protect a minority of considerable size against the abuse of that permission. Subdivisions of the party may at will extend this protection to a much smaller minority.

Our Article 13 proposes the shortest process that will lead to an election by a real majority. It is through its alluring simplicity that plurality election has held sway so long, and has been used again and again, and we should here adhere to simplicity as closely as our object will possibly allow. Especially is this necessary in all our national proceedings where the entire membership takes part. Under our Article a third ballot will be required only in rare cases, and the necessity of a fourth ballot will be practically out of the question. On the other hand, the method proposed by tically out of the question. On the other hand, the method proposed by the Texas amendments, which fully agrees in principle with our substitute, would make third and even fourth bal-lots so frequent that the membership would probably soon wish for another change. That method may not be too cumbersome for smaller bodies, which will be at liberty to continue its use under our article, but it seems cer-tainly impracticable for the National Organization.

The last clause of the third paragraph of our Article 13 makes provision for the case of a tie, the possi-bility of which seems to have been overlooked by the framers of the Texas amendments.

The Section 2 that we propose to add to the article on amendments is designed to forestall the unintentional repeal by the membership of any part of the constitution through the inadvertent adoption of some clause contradictory to it. Such clause may form a minor part of a new article, the main feature of which may meet the approval of the majority, while that clause may have attracted little or no attention, and many have failed to notice its contradiction to some older clause, which the majority had not the least intention of rescinding. For example, the articles 6 and 7 might have been adopted in their presmight have been adopted in the pre jority of the ballots shall be declared 13 had been in force at that time, as elected, and of the names having received the next highest number of ceived the next highest number of votes, only twice as many shall be submitted for a second ballot as there the membership, and might in his the little clause in each article that If, however, such a section concerning amendments as we here propose had RESOLUTIONS BY LOCAL SPObeen in force, the proposal of those articles 6 and 7 would have had to be accompanied by a motion for a repeal of our articles 12 and 13, or else these two clauses would have had no force whatever. The members could in that case have not voted for plu-rality election without being fully aware that they were doing so. At any rate, the proposed section 2 will help greatly to prevent confusion that might otherwise be caused by care-lessness on the part of the movers as well as the voters.

Besides telling us, however, what is law in the case of the existence of two conflicting classes in the constitution, that section will prevent to a considerable extent the very occurrence of is but the natural result of the prisuch a case. For, as nobody likes to vate ownership of the means of prosee an important motion of his invalidated by an oversight on his part, the existence of our section in the constitution will tend to result in the exercise of great care in the drawing of amendments.

of old party bossism, plurality elec-jority where the latter are clearly expressed. It merely means that every part of our constitution shall stand until repealed by a clear, direct expression of the majority, as it ought to stand.

Resolutions by Local Spokane, Washington.

"Whereas, There is a great need of the suffrages of the people, therefore,

Resolved, By Local Spokane, of the Socialist Party, that we are in favor of a government owned newspaper to be published in the city of Washington for propaganda purposes only. Said Swift, who, claiming to be a Socialist, for propaganda purposes only. for propaganda purposes only. Said paper to contain no advertisements of eral parties and such announcements as they may desire to make from time to time, and to be furnished to paid

Be It Further Resolved, That each and every political party in the coun-try who shall have maintained both state and national campaigns in two-thirds of the states and territories of the union for a period of five years a part of the general constitutional demand for elections by majority.

Section 2 of our Art. 12 disposes forever of the all too convenient but dangerous practice of letting the chair appoint the committees, another one of those powerful, pernicious aids of old party bossism in steering legislation away from the will of the majority. Exceptions should, of course, be permitted in those cases in which the selection of the personnel is under the control of the personnel is under the government, and no discrimination to be made in the

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Be It Further Resolved, That this resolution be referred after adoption, to the National Committee of the Socialist Party with the request that they take the proper steps to place it Congress at the next session, and that the committee shall use such influence as they possess to secure its enactment into law. Passed May 23,

W. H. MANGOLD, Chairman. C. G. PENER, Secretary.

KANE, WASH.

Whereas, The national and international Socialist parties declare by platform and resolution that the coming change from capitalist to collectivist society is to be brought about through evolution, by peaceable, lawful means, by the education of the working class to the true functions of the different classes in society, the functions of government and the domination of all branches of government, by and in the interest of capitalism, and that such dominance duction and distribution, and,

Whereas, The teachings of Socialists being that the intelligent ballot, coupled with a demand for the fair and impartial enforcement of the Notwithstanding an impression to law, are the only means by which that they need not be pointed out any the contrary that may be gained on first reading, the proposed section will socialism can be brought about; and however, not be placed on the necesgreat provocation, is harmful to the best interests of the working class;

and, Whereas, There is now at Boise, Idaho, being enacted one of the greatest struggles between capital and la-bor which America has ever wit-

nessed; and,
Whereas, Notwithstanding the infamous decision of the United States Supreme Court, the bias choosing of "Whereas, There is a great need of an authoritative statement and an intelligent discussion of the principles advocated by the different political parties in this country, in order that all the people may be thoroughly informed as to the principles advocated by the different political there has so far been nothing to justify any incendiary utterances, but, contrarily, barring the odium under which our comrades rest and the informed as to the principles advocated formed as to the principles advocated jury to their private affairs, the Hay-by the parties and candidates seeking wood trial has proven, and will prove, of more educational value than years

has proven himself more of an anany kind or character save that of the archist than the officials of Idaho and platforms and candidates of the sevhe pretends to champion; and we firmly believe that his inflammatory words have done more to injure the subscribers only at the cost of publication and distribution, said cost to include editorial salaries.

cause of Moyer and Haywood than the testimony of Orchard and the perjured Pinkerton evidence in gen-

Resolved, That we denounce the said utterances as contrary to all the teachings and literature of the Socialist Party, and request that the National Secretary of the Socialist Party take steps to ascertain whether Swift is a member of the party, and, if so, that he be expelled from the

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the National Secretary, one to the Saturday Evening Tribune and one given to the local press.

J. S. LEICHTY, Chairman. C. G. PENER, Secretary.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO INTERNATIONAL CON-GRESS.

ballot for delegates to the Interna-tional Congress to have resulted as

BECHTEL (ARIZ.) — Algernon Lee, John M. Work.

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John M. Work.

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The Goldfield (Nevada) Situation.

Total number of votes received by each candidate—Berger, 16; Lee, 29; Simons, 30; Work, 16.
Not voting—Lewis, L. M. Calif.; Woodside, Colo.; Simons, Ill.; Work, Iowa; Crum, Kansas; McAllister, Kansas; Canone, Sr., La.; Carey, "Carpenters' Union" allowed its member, 1906, when the so-called Kansas; Canone, Sr., La.; Carey, "Carpenters' Union" allowed its members to scab on the Newsboys' Union during a boycott the Miners' Union and placed on the "Goldfield Sun," a Algernon Lee and A. M. Simons, having received a majority of all votes cast, are therefore elected.

The states of Florida and North Da-Replying to your request for a The states of Florida and North Dakota, being in arrears, their National
Committeemen were not entitled to
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Fraternally submitted,

J. MAHLON BARNES,

J. MAH cotting the Miners' Union Hospital, then under construction, the Miners' Union demanded that all bonafide working carpenters should become affiliated with the Western Federation of Miners, as were nearly all other trades and crafts, such as railway men, cooks, clerks, barbers, etc., who were working in the Goldfield mining district at that time.

It has been made to appear by the and family at the time of the shoot-

Union" and the Goldfield Miners' Union, No. 220, W. F. M.

mining district at that time.

It has been made to appear by the capitalist press that the trouble that followed was a fight between the I. W. W. and the A. F. of L. On the contrary, the I. W. W. was not in existence in Goldfield at that time. In September, 1906, Local No. 77 of the I. W. W., was consolidated with the Miners' Union, and the controversy was between a false "Carpenters' Maxwell, a fugitive from the state of

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NATIONAL NOTES.

The objectionable primary law which was indorsed in the Connecticut Legislature, and against the adop-tion of which the Socialists took a strong stand has been rejected by the judicial committee.

of the National Committee.

By a recent referendum the com-rades of West Virginia decided not to hold a state convention this year.

Arrangements are being made with the locals of the larger cities east of the Missouri River for the establishment of a Socialist Lecture Course and Lecture Circuit, covering the period from October, 1907, to April, 1908. An average weekly attendance of 400 persons in any city will assure the average of the course without a second course with a sec

"The State Committee has written the National Committee requesting them to send a good speaker and agitator to San Francisco to speak dur-ing the present campaign. The neces-sity for one is apparent to any one who is acquainted with the conditions prevalent in this city. The old par-ties are disintegrating; the Union La-Mr. Paul Canone, Sr., of New Or-leans, La., has resigned as a member to Party has disgusted the work-ingmen with its inefficiency and the incompetency and corruption of its leaders; the class struggle is actually on, and at present the workers are fighting on the economic field under great odds; so it is only natural that they should look to the Socialist Party as a political reflex of their economic needs and de-

of 400 persons in any city will assure the success of the course without expense to the local organization. For further particulars address the National Office.

The following comrades have been nominated for State Secretary of Ohio: W. H. Watts, Sandusky; E. L. Rodgers, Dayton; Thomas C. Devine, Toledo: John G. Willert, Cleveland; Clyde J. Wright, Columbus.

Francisco you can form no idea of the bitterness with which the class struggle is being waged. Throughout the working class district the cars are empty and the boycott is being rigidity enforced against not only the railways but against all who patronize the railways. The scabs who are running the cars are heavily armed; five of them have been killed, many of them terribly beaten; two union sympathizers.

Francisco you can form no idea of the bitterness with which the class struggle is being waged. Throughout its manly struggle for Justice, has raised a cry of protest that has been heard around the world. The scene of this story is the mining districts of Colorado during the anarchistic efforts of capitalistic mobs, backed by state officials, to destroy the union sympathizers. "Without being present in San Francisco you can form no idea of Toledo: John G. Willert, Cleveland; of them have been killed, many the union sand deport all infiners and of them terribly beaten; two union men murdered and several wounded.

The scabs dare not appear on the streets nor the cars run except during good campaigner there, says:

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Local Elgin, Ill., submits amendments to the constitution, covering period of membership in the party necessary to qualify for office-holding within the gift of the party and also in the public service. Referred to Constitution Committee.

Comrade George H. Goebel reports the following locals organized in Ore-gon during the month of May:

Seaside, 17 members; Knappa, 9; Lebanon, 14; Junction City, 10; Co-burg, 6; Eugene, 16; Drain, 12; Oak-land, 6; Roseburg, 27; Bandon, 21; North Bend, 36; Marshfield, 15; Grant's Pass, 20; Klamath, 21; Yreka, Calif., 11; Sisson, 12.

The Michigan State Executive Committee, through State Secretary George H. Lockwood, has filed an application for the appointment of Comrade A. M. Stirton, of that state, as National Organizer, and asks that he be assigned for work in Michigan.

American Tour Being Planned for Comrade Enrico Ferri.

Under date of June 12 Comrade F. M. Garzone, Secretary, Societa Cooperativa di Consumo, New York
City, writes that Comrade Ferri has
expressed a willingness to visit America, provided the comrades will use
him for both propaganda work and a
course of scientific lectures. All interested should write Comrade Garterested should write Comrade Gar-zone, care J. Giovana, 107 W. Third st., New York.

The Maryland State Convention will be held at Baltimore July 6, convening át 2 p. m.

Local Sandusky, Ohio, indorses Local Reno, Nevada, proposed amendment to the constitution, reported by the State Secretary.

Delegates and others contemplating attendance at the International Congress should write Comrade H. W. Dietz, Furthbach Strasse 12, Stuttgart, Germany, for hotel accom-

The opening of the International Congress has been definitely fixed for Sunday, August 18th.

National Committeeman Barzee, Oregon, offers the following explana-tion for failure to vote on recent mo-tions: "I note in Official Bulletin my name recorded as not voting on two previous occasions, and wish to ex-plain that I have not been in communication with the National Office previous to this communication, except some matter that has been remailed to me from the National Of-fice that had been missent to Dallas, No doubt this similar address in the state explains my failure for not having been in touch with the national work."

Another mayor who won't have workingmen told anything about the capitalist class, if he can help it, has been found. Comrade A. W. Mance discovered him in the person of a Mr. Winter who with the aid of the city Winter, who, with the aid of the city fathers of Negaunee, Mich, refused to allow free speech in that city last Wednesday evening. However, Comrade Mance writes that the mayor did us a good turn—a splendid hall meeting resulted from the activation and ing resulted from the agitation, and the Negaunee comrades are jubilant.

Alex. Ironside, 32 Ayres street, Barre, Vt., has been elected state sec-

Henry L. Drake, P. O. Box 1033, St. Petersburg, Fla., has been elected state secretary.

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