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WOMAN'S DAY

By GRACE D. BREWER.

Sunday, February 25th, is the day set aside by the Socialist party as Woman's Day. This fact in itself is not very significant, but when we remember how many years of struggle, filled with failures and defeats, triumphs and victories, have passed into history to bring about woman's recognition, it becomes cause for real rejoicing and great celebration.

When we remember the condition of servitude of womankind during the earlier ages, when we confront the high wall of public opinion builded around woman by ignorance and prejudice, we are forced to admit that great progress has been made.

When we remember how women have fought their way into the ranks of organized workers, into educational institutions, professions and trades, we celebrate the strength that has been theirs and give due credit to the aiding economic forces.

With bowed heads let us pay reverence to the departed workers who have made our burdens lighter and whose unfinished task we are endeavoring to carry to a triumphant completion.

When we glance backward through the mist of fading years and view the position woman then occupied as compared with hers of to-day, once more we feel the thrill of exultation within our being.

In our "Woman's Day" celebrations on February 25th, let us not only rejoice at the advancement and education of womankind, and the world in relation to her, but let us delight with the promise of the future.

Let us celebrate the time when every woman will be given a lawful right to voice her convictions in the affairs of state; let us renew our fidelity to the only cause that stands for complete emancipation for woman and let us redouble our efforts to bring about its consummation.

Let us agree to carry the glad tidings of the coming day to our discouraged and unawakened sisters; let us come into a full realization of the importance of work to be done and let us know that no one can do our portion except ourselves.

Let us face the future with heads erect, unafraid, resolved to do the task nearest at hand; let us go forth imbued with the spirit of victory; let us remain undaunted, true to the principles of a universal brotherhood.

Let us rejoice over past victories, knowing no labor has been lost, but let our faces be to the future. Let us celebrate the day that is to be!

RESOLUTIONS BY BRANCH 5 OF NEW YORK.

Whereas, In the course of the discussion in the New York Call arising out of nominations for the National Executive Committee, Comrade Spargo has made allegations against the motives and policy of the Charles H. Kerr Company, and has charged Comrades Haywood and Bohn with propagating the policies of the Anarchists, which makes them ineligible for membership in the Socialist Party; and

Whereas, The charges against the Kerr Company are, if untrue, grossly libelous, and those against Comrades Haywood and Bohn are, if false, made either in gross ignorance of the opposing policies of Socialism and Anarchism or are inspired by malicious intent to malign and slander; and

Whereas, Comrade Hunter has, as far as the Kerr Company is concerned, made public a statement to the same effect; be it

Resolved, That Branch 5 calls upon Comrades Spargo and Hunter to publish forthwith proof in support of their statements and allegations; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the New York Call, Chicago Daily Socialist, Milwaukee Leader and Social Democrat, International Socialist Review, Pittsburgh Justice, New Castle Free Press and San Francisco REVOLT.

ANNE SUMNER BOYD,
Recording Secretary.

"PHOSSY JAW" STAR CHAMBERED.

That the Esch Phosphorus Bill, which prohibits the use of poisonous phosphorus in matches, has been referred by the House Committee on ways and means to a secret sub-committee of five has just been made public in dispatches from Washington.

"Phossy Jaw" is entirely unnecessary. America is the only civilized country of commercial importance that has not absolutely prohibited this poison by national legislation. Ten European countries have entered into a treaty agreeing not to use it. "Phossy Jaw" is now an "American disease." The only way to wipe out this national shame is by prohibiting the use of poisonous phosphorus.

I. W. W. "MENACE"

By HUGO LENZ.

Inasmuch as the columns of the Labor Clarion have been declared open for an answer to a recent attack upon the Industrial Workers of the World by a representative of organized labor, it may be well to determine the premises of the controversy thus engaged in.

The writer of the letter referred to is prominent in the labor movement. He is president of the Pacific division of the Longshoremen's Association and at the same time a beneficiary of the "spoils" system in that he holds a political position. The constitution of his organization, I am informed, forbids this conflict of interests and he is therefore illegally holding office in the Longshoremen's Union.

And yet this "pure and simple" defender of craft unionism has the unqualified audacity to call the exponents of class unionism "vultures" and "Irresponsible Wholesale Wreckers" because they hold that 75 per cent. of the salaried positions in the labor movement could be done away with by wiping out craft lines.

He sneers at the "misguided tactics" of the I. W. W. and yet at this time their strike at Lawrence, Mass., has caused the stocks of a corporation to fall; something which the A. F. of L. has never done.

Vilification and abuse is not argument. If this critic of labor morality is economically sound in his position he will not have to resort to Billingsgate to demolish these statements.

The A. F. of L. is a confederation of trade unions with craft autonomy, based upon the assumption that skill is a salable commodity to be sold by contract (agreement) at the highest price possible.

The craft union is therefore based upon the sale of skill and can remain a craft union only as long as its members have skill to sell.

The evolution of the machine process is wiping out craft lines by doing away with skilled and high-priced labor and, in many cases, entirely displacing it. (Witness the death knell of the aristocratic Glass Blowers' Union, sounded by the introduction of a machine which blows thirty-six bottles per minute.)

The obliteration of craft lines, the substitution of the machine process for skilled labor and the ownership of the machine by the employing class; will naturally center the industrial conflict about the machine, for its control, and in the industry concerned, necessitating an industrial organization for the purpose.

When the workers are robbed of their skill they will have nothing to contract for and will then be outside of the fold of the A. F. of L., which is based upon "craft autonomy," the "sacredness of contract" and the "identity of interests between the wage worker and employer." (That is why the A. F. of L. will never succeed in organizing the millions of migratory workers who are working in one industry to-day and in another to-morrow. Witness, also, how tenaciously Gompers clings to the Civic Federation.)

As craft union lines are obliterated, a universal transfer card will be necessary, giving the worker the right to work in any branch of his industry.

As the industrial struggle develops along class lines instead of craft lines, "one big union" with national departments covering each industry will be necessary, not to "secure legislation in the interests of the working people" (as the A. F. of L. constitution reads), but to "abolish the wage system" and substitute the industrial organization for the capitalist system and have its function as the administrator of industry.

To accomplish this labor must not only have solidarity at the point of the finished product but, to be really efficient, must exercise "direct action" at the seat of the raw material.

If the unemployed, the unskilled, the migratory workers are the greatest menace to organized labor to-day (as the A. F. of L. admits) then the A. F. of L. must either change its preamble and its entire form of organization to bring these workers into its fold or the Industrial Workers of the World will succeed it.

It behooves the longshoremen's official to rail less about the efforts of the I. W. W. to "tear down the house that he (Jack) built," as he puts it, and look for the defects in his organization, one of which he so forcibly brings to light by his late "misguided tactics."

By paying less attention to his economic interests and more to the propaganda of the I. W. W. he will soon find out who really is a "menace" to the labor movement.—Labor Clarion.

CASE OF THE 55

On the 1st of July, 1907, Stolypin, at the time Prime Minister, had demanded of the second Douma the extradition of the Social-Democratic faction consisting of 55 representatives. The charges brought by Stolypin were: treason and propaganda of an armed insurrection among the soldiers. As "evidence" the minister has shown certain "compromising documents" found at the headquarters of the Social-Democratic faction, and supposed to have been brought by soldiers of the St. Petersburg regiments. A committee appointed by the Douma has taken up the case on the 2nd of July; on the 3rd of July the Douma has been dissolved by the government and the 55 Social-Democratic representatives tried by a Senate court in strict privacy and sentenced to 45 years of imprisonment. Four years have elapsed since the notorious "trial." The prisoners have meanwhile suffered in far Siberia. Starvation, want and lack of medical attendance have done their work and three of the most brilliant champions of liberty have died; the same fate is awaiting many others.

Now, the seemingly forgotten "Case of the 55" has been renewed by the unexpected confession of a man named Boleslav Brodsky. In his confession Brodsky tells of how he has been hired by Stolypin to create "evidence" and build up the colossal provocation against the Social-Democratic representatives. The repenting provocator Brodsky has demanded a trial and it has been refused him by the government for fear of publicity. This confession has, however, aroused public indignation, which has manifested itself in protests throughout the country and a general demand for a revision of the case.

Resolutions Passed by the Russian Branch of the Socialist Party, Local San Francisco, Feb. 17th, 1912.

We, the Russian workingmen of San Francisco, express our indignation and contempt for the Russian government, which has used every means of infamous provocation to imprison the 55 members of the Social-Democratic faction of the second Douma.

We also express our indignation and contempt for the majority of the third Douma, which has suppressed the demand of the labor representatives to revise the case of the imprisoned Social-Democratic leaders. This act on the part of the majority of the present Douma is regarded by us as an assault on the rights of the Russian people.

We greet the workingmen of Russia in their energetic demand for the revision of the case and send them and our imprisoned comrades our best wishes and brotherly sympathy.

DELEGATES TO CONVENTION.

Editor REVOLT:

Branch Alameda, Local Alameda County, at its meeting Tuesday night voted unanimously to support the following list of candidates for our delegates to the National convention, as best expressing the principles for which it believes the Socialist party should stand.

The list is as follows as they appear in alphabetical order on the ballot:

Jennie Arnott.	J. Edw. Morgan.
A. K. Gifford.	Caroline Nelson.
Cora Hansen.	J. B. Osborne.
A. R. Holston.	W. A. Pfeffer.
Cloudsley Johns.	E. J. Paterson.
John Kivininni.	R. M. Royce.
Austin Lewis.	H. F. Sahlender.
Mary F. Merrill.	H. C. Tuck.
Thos. J. Mooney.	J. H. Wilde.

C. S. WARNE, Secretary.

RUSSELL'S LATEST PAMPHLET.

The national office has made arrangements to take orders for Charles Edward Russell's pamphlet, "Gouged." This is a reprint of a speech delivered at Carnegie Hall, New York. It tells the story of the development of the trusts, their inevitability, their good features, their bad features, the foolishness of trying to "bust" them, and shows that the Socialist remedy of collective ownership is the only solution of the difficulty. The book holds the reader's attention from the first word to the last. Seven expressive cartoons help to drive the truth home. Nothing attracts like pictures. It is printed on good paper, neat and catchy, twenty-four pages, and every one of them stuffed full of conservatism killers and thought starters. There is nothing better to start off the campaign year. Price, 100 copies for \$5.50; 15 copies for \$1.00; single copy for 10 cents. Address, National Headquarters, 205 West Washington street, Chicago.

FREE SPEECH FIGHT

Comrades and Brothers:

The fight now going on in San Diego takes the guise of a Free Speech Fight. At bottom it is a fight to unionize the town. The defeated Fair projectors are trying to take directly out of the workingmen's hides the money they could not get from you through Congress.

In November General Otis and Zeehandelaar, well known friends of Labor, visited the Grand Jury of San Diego county. The result was that the Grand Jury requested the City Council to pass an ordinance restricting Free Speech. The council was unwilling, but when pressure was brought to bear, they gave us two ordinances instead of one:

1st. Prohibiting public assemblage in the one place that for a generation has been dedicated to free speech.

2nd. An ordinance making any policeman a judge. Giving him the power to say whether any three persons are a crowd or not.

At present we cannot refer the antics of the enemies of organized labor to a vote. All we can hope to do is to compel the enemy by Extra Legal Means, to forego the legal nonsense by which they hope to enmesh us. The ordinary means of public action are blocked by the newly formed Citizens' Alliance.

We can only do the extraordinary! Help us with men and money!

If you help us you will lessen the force of the attack upon yourselves. Agitate against the San Diego Fair. Boycott San Diego goods. Keep all union men away except those who are near and are willing to go to jail.

For the first time this fight is without equivocation. No isms nor osphies; only one situation—worker against shucker! Give us all the publicity you can. In behalf of the ninety (90) men and women in jail we ask you to send funds. With your assistance the workers of San Diego will rise triumphant; without it they will go down to defeat.

Will you help them? Send all moneys to Kasper Bauer.

BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FREE SPEECH LEAGUE.

THE UNEMPLOYED.

They are hoboes, tramps and vagrants,
They are gaunt from Hunger's groans,
They've stored up meats for the robber class,
And now they're begging the bones.

They are hoboes, tramps and vagrants,
They are ragged and they're cold,
They've piled up clothes for the robber class,
And chill in a threadbare fold.

They are hoboes, tramps and vagrants,
They are homeless and alone,
They've builded grand for the robber class
And shanties for their own.

They are hoboes, tramps and vagrants,
They're driven from town to town,
They've made fast trains for the robber class,
And so hoof it up and down.

They are hoboes, tramps and vagrants,
Their souls and hopes are dead,
They've made soft seats for the robber class,
And the roadside is their bed.

They are hoboes, tramps and vagrants,
They are toilers without toil,
They are stripped of all by the robber class,
Who are glutting on the spoil.

ROLLAR ALLEN.

REVOLT WILL TELL STORY OF PARIS COMMUNE.

We have not as yet received answers from all of our prospective contributors for our "Commune" number of REVOLT. Every one admits that our Unemployed number was good. We sold all that we printed of that issue, only retaining a few copies for files. Our "Commune Issue" will be dated March 22nd, and we advise you to place your orders now if you want a bundle for distribution, as it will surpass our Unemployed number.

Among those who have agreed to contribute are Comrades Thomas McConnell, the brilliant short story writer; Caroline Nelson, Roswell R. Brownson, Cloudsley Johns, Hugo Lenz and Selig Schulberg. We, of course, expect a masterly article from America's leading proletarian historian, Austin Lewis.

Order a bundle! The American workingclass should become acquainted with the history of the Paris Commune of 1871. REVOLT will do its part; will you do yours?

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SOCIALIST PLATFORM AND TICKET, SAN MATEO, CAL.

Dear Comrade: Branch San Mateo, Local San Mateo County, has nominated the following municipal ticket for the city election, April 8:

For City Trustees—H. F. Gittings, A. W. Waldo and John Marley. For City Treasurer—H. J. Spohn. For City Clerk—Gus Palanca.

The Socialist Party of San Mateo declares its adherence to the world-wide Socialist movement which has for its object the overthrow of the present competitive system of industry wherein the workers are despoiled of the greater portion of the wealth which they alone create, and the substitution thereof of a system of co-operation wherein all things publicly needed shall be publicly owned and democratically managed for the benefit of society as a whole.

In order to accomplish this the Socialist Party must take possession of the reins of government in city, State and Nation. To this end we present candidates for municipal offices at the approaching city election. These candidates, if elected, will be responsible for their actions to the Socialist Party of San Mateo, which in its turn will hold itself responsible to the people for the acts of its elected representatives.

Realizing the inability of a purely local government to accomplish anything material towards the overthrow of Capitalism, we are forced, in this city campaign, to confine ourselves to the advocacy of such measures as the people are now demanding for their immediate relief from the oppressions to which they are subjected by the present administration.

Immediate steps shall be taken for the installation of a municipally owned water system. All bond issues shall be so arranged that each measure may be voted upon separately.

The minimum wage for city employees shall be \$3 per day of eight hours. In all city work preference shall be given to local workers at union hours and union wages.

An equitable system of taxation shall be established in place of the burdensome one now in effect. A public building shall be constructed on the City Hall lot for a central fire department city offices and public hall, the said building to be self-sustaining.

To the end that the health of the community be safeguarded strict sanitary measures shall be enforced and a municipal dispensary with free medical attendance established.

Merit and ability—not political pull—shall govern the appointment of all city employees. In order to encourage both women and men to take part in city government we shall at all times welcome the free and unrestricted use of the Initiative, Referendum and Recall.

HOW TO ABOLISH WAR.

Any of us are willing to admit that in the abstract war is wrong, but we usually make exceptions and excuses for wholesale murder while assenting to extreme punishment for the retailer. Perhaps we can get a new idea from the young colored recruit who fled at the first fire. His captain, wishing to infuse him with courage and patriotism, began thusly, in a scornful tone: "So you ran at the first fire did you?"

"Yes, sah. An' I'd a-run sooper if I'd knowed it was a-comin'." "Have you no regard for your reputation?"

"Mah reppytation ain't nuffin' to me 'tall, sah, 'longside o' mah life, sah." "But, even if you should lose your life, you'd feel the satisfaction of knowing that you died for your country."

"No, sah, if Ah done los' mah life, sah, Ah wouldn't have no satisfaction. Ah wouldn't have no feelin' 'tall. Ah wouldn't have nuffin', sah. Ah'd be daid, sah!"

"Does patriotism means nothing to you?" "Nuffin' at all, sah! Ah wouldn't put mah life in de scales again no guvment, sah, 'case if de guvment went undah an' Ah lived, Ah'd be 'live anyway, an' if the guvment lived on an' Ah was killed de los' to me couldn't be fixed up, nohow, sah!"

"Why, if all soldiers were like you every government in the world would go to pieces." "No, sah, on de contrary, sah.

Dey'd last forevah, lessen folks changed 'em by votin', sah. Ef all soldiers were like me dere couldn't be no fightin' 'tall, sah." "I didn't learn if he would fight, if he really had something to fight for. Possibly he would. He certainly was quite an exponent of the "brotherhood of man" from a very biased standpoint.—E. Francis Atwood, in the Lantern.

MISSING OR DELAYED PAPERS.

Any subscriber to REVOLT failing to receive the paper in due course (it should be delivered in San Francisco and the bay cities on Monday following the date of issue), will confer a favor upon the board of directors by sending notice of the failure. Address Revolt Publishing Co., 305 Grant avenue, San Francisco, Cal.

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FREE SPEECH STIFLED IN "STATE PENITENTIARY" BY "CARE TAKERS."

Coachella, Cal., Feb. 6, 1912. Revolt Publishing Company, San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Comrades:—Enclosed herewith you will find a money order for \$1.50 for which please send me REVOLT and The International Socialist Review for the coming year. Have been waiting to get the necessary loose change to do this for some time. There will be necessity for a continual revolt in the Socialist party from now on as we will have that hardest of all things to contend with and manage successfully namely, "the ambitions of men." These men will imagine that they are inspired by the "Great Spirit" to maintain a fatherly care over and to wisely guide the Socialist party ship into its destined harbor. That is all right in itself if they keep it in the straight road that leads to the goal. The trouble is with each of them that they have discovered a channel or bypath that is much shorter and easier to navigate or travel than the safe and straight one and that will land us where we want to go much quicker than by following the straight one.

The rank and file of the Socialist party will not be fooled by any such nonsense. They know very well that these fatherly care takers are inspired by the God of Personal Ambition rather than the "Principles of Truth." The rank and file will permit no Czar to rule the Socialist party except the Czar of Truth, and further they will see to it that no one is respected in the Socialist party who does not bow to and acknowledge that the rule of this Czar shall be supreme. The rank and file understand that there can be no such thing as foreigners to the Socialist party except Capitalists. They also know that we have the only practical method of taming and naturalizing even this fierce species of the human animal. They also know perfectly well why our fatherly leaders and care takers think that Mongolians and Hindus are foreigners to the Socialist party.

Nothing easier to solve and see clear through than that. It is because those craft labor unions think so. Therefore if we, your fatherly care takers are to win their votes and get snugly and quickly ensconced into an office we must make the labor unions think that we think just as they do on this question. It matters not that these labor unionists have not yet come to understand that under a proper system, "the more workers there are the quicker can any work be done that all must do" and that therefore each worker will have his day's work cut down to shorter hours and that therefore instead of being enemies to him all foreigners who are workers are his friends.

The rank and file of the Socialist party also fully understand that until we can establish Socialism the Capitalists will continue making the laws and enforcing such laws or not, just as they see fit. They know that it necessarily follows that Capitalists will see to it that they secure all the cheap labor that they need for their purposes. It matters not how far or to what place they go to get it. The rank and file of the Socialist party are not such geese as not to know there is plenty of cheaper labor even than Mongolians and Hindus. Why are not our fatherly care takers concerned about the terrible effects of the competition of this other cheap labor in beating down the standard of living of American workers? How easy. The labor unions have not demanded the exclusion of such labor, therefore they will not demand us to do so in the deal by which we are to get their votes.

Another thing the rank and file of the Socialist party understand and that is that it is no safer to accept bodies of men into full membership in the party that do not understand that all workers are

ATTENTION COMRADES!

Revolt Subscription Contest.

The object of this contest is to increase the usefulness of REVOLT. To put REVOLT on a safe basis we must have more readers. Those that are interested in the necessary work that "The Voice of the Militant Worker" is accomplishing are determined, and they have resolved that REVOLT will not suspend. The burden of publishing a paper by wage slaves, that toil for a master every day, is a heavy one and we want you to share the joy of bearing it. Some of our kind friends have enabled us to give suitable prizes to those who send in the most subscribers between now and May the 1st.

In future issues of REVOLT the prizes will be described and those entering the contest should enroll now.

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CONTESTANTS.

- The following have entered the contest: Eugene Wilder.....
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Jack Zamford.....

brothers, than it is for our party members to be ruled by a Capitalist Government whose power to enforce its program is based upon the Army and Navy that is made up of bodies of young men who have necessarily not yet learned why they are there and for that very reason they can be used to crush us by means of their ignorance. Now in making this comparison I mean just what I say. That any man is an enemy to the Socialist party whether he happens to be a member of it or not who uses his power and influence in a direction that is not for its ultimate and complete success.

Ignorance is the only thing we have to fear. We do not want bodies of men accepted into the party who clearly do not understand its principles and then allowed to vote in its councils any more than we want to be shot full of holes by a body of troops who do not know what they are doing. How many locals are there in the State that will second a referendum to cut that Mongolian plank out of "their" State platform. It will be the surest block in the wheels of a fusion scheme that can be devised. Let us hear from you. Another thing that the rank and file is acquiring much wisdom upon is that our State paper (?) is being used as a Socialist State penitentiary in which to stifle free speech and imprison criticism of our fatherly care takers.

Our once upon a time revered and adored school histories are ever telling us that it was perfectly right for our forefathers to rise up in a bloody revolution to establish the principle of "no taxation without representation." How about representation in the columns of the "Social Democrat" if you don't happen to agree with the ideas of our King Georges and our Czar Meriams ("our fatherly care takers") since "Marx" has become "obsolete?"

Yours for a Revolution that revolves "forward" instead of "backward." F. E. HOLLOWAY.

POLITICAL ACTION AND THE STATE.

From Engel's "Origin of the Family, Property, and the State."

Universal Suffrage is the gauge of the maturity of the working class. It can and will never be anything else but that in the modern State. But that is sufficient. On the day when the thermometer of Universal Suffrage reaches its boiling point among the laborers they, as well as the capitalists, will know what to do.

The State, then, did not exist from all eternity. There have been societies without it that had no idea of any State or public power. At a certain stage of economic development, which was of necessity accompanied by a division of society into classes, the State became the inevitable result of this division. We are now rapidly approaching a stage of evolution in production, in which the existence of classes has not only ceased to be a necessity but becomes a positive fetter on production. Hence these classes must fall as inevitably as they once arose. The State must irrevocably fall with them. The society that is to reorganize production on the basis of a free and equal association of the producers will transfer the machinery of State where it will then belong—into the museum of antiquities, by the side of the spinning wheel and the bronze axe.

FEDERAL MONEY FOR MILITIA.

A vigorous campaign is now going on before Congress to get a law passed which would put the militia of the several States on a basis more serviceable to the powers that be. The scheme, as embodied in a bill now pending before both Houses, is to get the Federal Government to pay one-fourth of the wages now paid to enlisted regulars, to members of the militia.

There are now nearly 200,000 persons belonging to the militia of the various States. And should this bill pass the rankest militarist would then realize his fondest dreams.

Needless to add, the members of the militia themselves are the greatest boosters of this proposed law. Patriotism at 25 per cent. sounds good to them.

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