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unions in the city are in re-124, "no." Stuart H. Bowman answered at of the following data from Sec-ary Pauley of the State Federation Labor, showing how the different qualifications, E. E. Adkins answers lative candidates stond on meas- "yes" to 17 of the questions and pleads which will be advocated before ignorance as to the meaning of the

Those candidates ignoring the comates in your county for legs munication from the Federation are: ave offices have answered our no- Edward Cooper, Geo. I. Neel, all Proal demands as follows: G. W. Chis gressive candidates, all Democratic ! all questions "yes" except Nos. candidates for House of Delegates and me to which are not answered all Republican and Prohibition candis win Fight all squestions "yes," cutes, with the exception of Bowman.

L. Blackwood, all questions "yes," didates by the Federation are as fol-

LIST OF QUESTIONS SUBMITTED TO THE CANDIDATES OF ALL POLITICAL PARTIES IN THE STATE, IN THE ELECTION OF 1914, BY THE W. VA. FEDERA-TION OF LABOR.

De You Favor:

The abolishing of convict labor in the production of commodities that enter into competition with free labor?

Laws governing pure food, weights, and measures. and : preventing the re-use of junk bottles?

3. That all legislative committee meetings and party caucus-

4. The prohibition of Child labor under the age of sixteen?

The prevention of the creation of a state constabulary?

. Law, making it more equitable to employers in non-hazardous industries, and of more protection to the employes?

A Mother's Pension law?

Answer: 8. The conservation of the water power of the state and the

development of same by the state?

9. The Initiative, Referendum, Imperative Mandate and Right of Recall?

Answer: 10. Juvenile courts?

11. Making it a misdemeanor to operate an employment agency for securing strike breakers or making any misrepresentations? Answer: 12. Compulsory intidication of the campaign expenses of po-

litical parties and candidates, both before and after election? 13. The legal establishment of a maximum eight hour day

and a six day week in all industrial wage labor within the state? 14. Periodcal State Constitutional conventions?

15. A model license law covering occupations upon which the Auswert

public health and safety depends?

16. Public parks, playgrounds, boths and convenience sta-

17. Compulsory equipment of all buildings of whatever nature with ample sanitary provisions?

Answer: ..

ment for crime?

Ausweri 19. Free text books for school oupils, printed by the state?

21. Abolition of the contract system on public work?

22.Government ownership of public utilities?

23. Abolition of the sweatshop system, and sanitary inspection of factory, workshop, mine and home?

Answert a communication of the property of the first 24. Woman suffrage co-equal with man suffrage?

Will you aithere strictly to your party platform pledges?

Kindly fill this out at your earliest convenience and return to 1. PAULEY, Secretary-Treasurer, West Virginia State Federdiotrof Labor, Sta Onio Avenue, Charleston, W. Va.

BEST JOKE OF THE WEEK.

Ye Bull Moose sons awake to glory See the early founders all grand sires heavy. 12-hold their tears and hear their cries Shall lawless grafters mischief breeding. A hiroling host of ruffian cranks. tright and desolute our ranks. Shall renegade so-called Progressives Lead you in corruption's wake Shall Roosevelt's banner and Lincoln's flag Be forfeited to standput heelers as the stake? To arms, to arms, ye Bull Moose braves, The Progressive sword unsheath, Fight on, fight on, all hearts resolved. On victory or death,-West Virginia Progressive. \$100 REWARD FOR EVIDENCE LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF ANYONE GUILTY OF VIOLATING ELECTION LAWS NOVEMBER 3

During the last two general elections held in Cabell county fraud was freely charged and conclusive evidence placed in the hands of the proper authorities. For some mysterious reason these charges were never investigated. and the evidence furnished was completely ignored.

This paper and the forces back of it are determined that this shall not occur again. The antiquated election laws of West Virginia, which do not permit a general representation of the citizenship to oversee balloting and the counting of votes, places the suffrage of the voter wholly at the mercy of the protessional political clique. Buying and selling of votes was openly carried on by representatives of both the old parties as alleged in the information above; office holders and their hangers-on brazenly trampled upon the most sacred guarantees of popular liberties; city officials violated the sanctity of the polling places, and it is strongly asserted that the votes of the unrepresented parties were disposed of to the best advantage of the two dominant parties.

In the city of Huntington alone there are 600 members the Socialist party; on the other hand there are hundreds of Socialists and sympathizers who do not join the organization. In addition to this there will be a tremendous increase of new Socialistic sentiment expressed at the polls this fall.

The purpose of this exposition of our strength is to show that 3,000 votes in Cabell county is a very conservative estimate of the Socialist vote that will be cast on November 3.

Socialist watchers will be at the polls to gather the most accurate data possible concerning the vote of the workers; but we also want the assistance of every right-minded citizen in our effort to give this county a clean decent election.

All men and women interested in safeguarding popular liberty and in honest elections are requested to meet at the hoffice of the Labor Star on the Friday night before election

The Purpose of Socialism

With the territo increase in the cost of living, the problem if providing for his family is becoming a serious one to the ways worker. Here mench a year should the ordi-

supply himself and his family with the ordinary mecessities of life?

A minuter of very enreful, thoroughgoing andones have been studying his problem for years. 16. John A. Ryan, a Catholic priest

and professor in the St. Paul seminary, in his book, "The Living Wage." cong. (50); atter a careful investigation of all the elements involved, con-

bronk Streighod, professor in the talk that "the extreme low limit" werent by 8650 a year.

man it; and he estimates, in his "Fis fold, nancing the Wage Farner's Family" year is also lately necessary in order woman, and God is God-Life, to supply the worker with a sufficient

that then \$287 a year is remained for

this says nothing, of course, of the his class. is used a und comforts of life. It provideo of nothing of education culture. in correction only the barest living severally as for these it is estimated by they careful authorities at heast Art in the late of the second section of

What Do the Workers Get?

The average wage of the working lass in America is \$518 a year in the manufa theors, slower year in mining. one shows a year in farming. These inguies are taken from various sources such as cersus reports, special reports of the government on mining, and reports of the department of agricaldure.

What, then, the the facts concerning the working class in the aggregate, and so the average, in the Unitrat States under the present capitalstic system? The facts are these:

The working class on the average of a sufficient income to enable them protection against burglars? to live a decent life, and sufficient income to enable them to provide for themselves food, clothing, and shelter,

hings of life.

men, as well as every true lover of humanity.

And upon facts like these rests the demand of Socialism.

Revised Version.

Permit me to make myself known I am a soldier's uniform.

I have the power to transform a cludes that 8908 is the least amount man from a man into a slave. I am the symbol of last, the badge of bonto aboyide for his family with a decent dage, the boon companion of bayonet and torch and the trade-mark of war.

Without me murder would be mur-Delanw university, has also investis, der; butchery, and diplomacy a dead gated this subject. In his "The Star- letter. With me individuals perish. dard of Lating" he estimates apage personality is a mockery, and cruelty a synonym of justice.

Women follow me in crowds. I fas-Scott Net ring of Columbia univers cinate them. They smile at me, blind ty is another authority who has stu- to the knowledge that through me are and the question and written a book their sorrows multiplied a thousand

With me there can be no peace. page 97), that from \$700 to \$850 a Without me man is man, woman is

that he is being robbed and skinned to the present national administration death by capitalist exploiters; but was that they had blaced an income with a head full of second-hand ideas tax on all the poor weekers who make each time, of workers to supply them and prejudice, he blindly combats So over \$5,000 a year, and it wound his difficult to understand how the worls. The existance looked at his old maswith the administrate necessities of life, cialism the organized movement of sympathetic heart to see the people



"Did Helen get Quat six shooter she is falling short more than \$250 a year spoke of providing herself with as a "No: she got a six feoter." - San Francisco Chronicle.

In East End

Ride and Brass Band Succeeded In Rallying a Crowd of Fifty,

A tremendous stand-pat republica: rally was held in the cellar of Baer's Store on Twentieth street last night and fully lifty horney-headed sons of toil were present to hear the Million | If the Pittsburg conspiracy is per-Dollar Mystery from McDowell tell mitted to succeed, the wage slashing them how he would protect their in mania will spread throughout the shibboleth with a demand and vote for terests if they would only send his to a units, like a prairie fire and affect, government ownership and operation

was pining away to get into compresagainst his own, were more trying

Between the monotonous repetition of the phrase "my fellow citizens." Cooper managed to make it under we hers. The contract with the union Recording Secretary, Willard Lewelstood that he favored war with Mex- industry will be observed until its ex- len; Fingueial Secretary, Edward Hanico, "to protect American capital in- piration terested there," and that he believed for the past thirty years. He failed and accepts them philosophically. to state how much of the "pauper la- If the Steel Trust is allowed to have | Local South Huntington. bor of Europe" has been imported in- its way anchallenged, it is a dead certo this state by the coal operators to it is a find all the independent com-

In other words, the present capital- by the Huntington Trades & Labor Chasiness as competitors. Surely here is a matter waythy of which to fight unionism in this state, cept the situation without a general many workingman have in order to the attention of the greatest states and while admitting that he attended light, for under the present highly cen ticket deliberately kicks his wife and

but the depressing silence that follow- ruptcy courts. bore to cheer.

which was some comfort anyway. The second speaker of the evening

was that grand old defender of capi talistic oppression in this state—Tay for Vinson, the lawyer who defended the brutalities of the infamous Cabir and Paint Creek coal barons before the Federal Investigation last year . It's specialty is conching congression: candidates in the Fifth District, hav ing kept his boother-in-law, Jie Hughes, is that effice for fourtee Every thinking man now knows years, His principal grievance against have to go down in their packets and pay this unjust tax. He also given discordfied the Diaz and Huerta regimes it Mexico, and denounced the Wilson ad their peonage.

and the spell-binders carefully webds versal misery. whizzed away.

If a man stabs another in the back for his pocketbook, it is cowardly murder: If a powerful nation kills ton ism and the flag is glorified.

ing at the gates of capitalism.

Cooper Rally Plutocratic Combines Are Plotting Wage Reduction

(Dy Max S. Hayes.)

The working people of the country should prepare to down brakes! The big plutocratic combines of the Pittsburg district, true to their bru-

the hypocritical reason of "the war in They should cry out in stentorian Europe' to announce wage reductions. tones

The meeting was presided over by The United States Steel Corporation the Jour-modified Frank Richardson on of the greedlest of the capitalet. the East End loan shark, who introduce blood of labor skinners, has no duced the speakers by telling some or normal diffact its present "agreement the most filthy and obscene stories with its non-union employers will not

jest frinds would admit that, and his jest like, inaugurated by its employees, of toil that he was the one and only who had been driven desperate by candidate who really loved them as a lattle in unbearable conditions, has fe Jawesi suit and intends to enforce a so be could vote for their interests; . Sage reduction of 10 per cent in all its

> e impertombine, has also declared a avenue to her cost cut against its non-union

Rumovs are floating about l'ittsin a high protective tariff "to protect burg that other corporations are pre- Ralph Lowe; Organizer, Edwin Firth, the American Working class from the paring to make announcements of pauper labor of Europe,"-you know wag reductions as soon as the pub- worker in the vicinity of this meeting the line, having heard it every two lie becomes accustomed to the edicts place is cordially invited to attend

Cooper read the resolution passes socks resuctions as well or go out of ty says, "One day's rest in seven for

million dollar association fund with ing people are docide enough to ac- day's work in seven. the meeting of the operators upon tradized system of capitalism the most babies in the face. that occasion, he denied paying any humane, fair-minded employers in a | Why should the ruling class feel Hatfield and his state administration, liable profitmengers, or enter the bink- gives them the reins of power?

ed the points where he expected cheers | Thus, a great responsibility rests was painful in the extreme.-Even upon the unorganized employers of Hatfield's little fiste, Nicholson, for the Steel Trust-who have been look- walked on all fours. Some people ed upon with more or less contempt | walk on all fours mentally. The work-Mr. Cooper ended his talk by im- or pity by the organized militant and ploring the "boys" to vote for him on self-respecting workers in their wor November 3rd, and promised that if and other industries because of their is feared by the exploiters and he is they would give him one or possible tractable acceptance of every impostwo terms in congress that he would ition without resentment-to NOW be satisfied and not run any more- prove to the American people that they are not helpless, and hopeless

This is their opportunity to display heir courage and manhood by sponaneously walking out of the mills when the notices of reductions are posted and resist to the utmost the drafts of the would-be slave-drivers

make their lot still harder. At no time in the history of Amerihas there been less justification for the South. Election day comes greateral reduction of wages than at around and Sambo and his former mas

With family clothing, rents, etc., have during the past dozen years, it is today "" ing people will manage to live if their ter with a cumning gleam in his eye purchasing power is still further res and slowly said, "Old Massa," I'se go-

outer, for it stands to reason that if ministration for not recognizing by the millions of men in the mills of erta so that he could then get guis this country receive less wages, they and amunition with which to since one spend proportionally less in purthe rebellious Mexican peons back to chasing the necessaries and comforts of life, and the upshot of it wil be ithat There was another speaker billed to overproduction and stagnated markets follow Vinson, but by the time he had will become all the more pronounced. finished those of the audience who has which in turn will lead to still further together. The Socialist platform is not departed for home were as sep, wage cutting, unemployment and unit the only place in America in which

ed their way to the outside air, climbs | If the toust magnates were not green grafters and bunco men sandwiched ed into their automobiles and were by incompetent in running the indus- in among you. The Socialist party terests of the American people, they man's party. Grafters have no use would attempt to preserve the balance for it. Bunco men steer clear of it. or their own makeshift, hodge-podge, Its platform does not contain a plinthousand men of another nation, and dividends on wind and water, reduction the level and on the square, ruins a million homes, it is patriot. Ing hours of labor to employ the idle workers, and increasing wages so that would be materially enhanced.

full of hope and promise is thunder- utterly out of harmony with capital- be rented very reasonably. Apply to istic economy, and hence will receive Trustee R. Lowe, at the Pottery.

the consideration at the hands of the plunderbund, which fattens upon the pennies, dimes and dollars that can be gouged from the masses of the

The workers of America should imtal, vicious records, have seized upon mediately prepare for a struggle.

"NO WAGE REDUCTIONS!" And let them also supplement this of the trusts.

LOCAL HUNTINGTON MAKES FINE START.

The newly organized workers of the southern portion of the city made a sphendis beginning hist Sunday after avenue and elected officers, selected the time and place of meeting, and charred decks for action against the

This local will meet every Sunday afternoon at 2550 in Woodson's Hall. between 16th and 18th streets, on 8th

The following officers were elected: key: Treasurer, Jas. Wilkes: Literature Agent, C. S. Stevens; Trustee,

Whether Socialist or not, every these Sanday afternoon meetings of

all wage workers." There are a milit system is slowly, inevitably un- Assembly denouncing him as one of . The same conditions will be reflect. If lien wage workers in this country dermining the physical stamina of the the coal operators, who formed the ed in all other industries if the work- | right now who would like to get one

The worker who votes the capitalist

given industry must conform to the anything but contempt for the work. He attempted once or twice to land conditions imposed by the most insate ing class majority, which stupidly

In ancient times the human ruce

ing man who is standing erect and looking the master class in the face generally known as a Socialist. Did you ever see a mule with a

chestnut burr under his tail? Watch

the flunkeys on the capitalist press

trying to explain the tremendous increase in the Socialist vote November The working class of today might learn a lesson in economics from the old darkey of reconstruction days in

ter walked to the polls together. "Sambo," says the former slaveng advanced twice as fast as wages holded, "how are you going to vote

ing to watch how you vote and der Moreover, business as a whole will I'se going to vote de oder way,"

YOU CANNOT WIN:

By Allan B. Benson.

You cannot win unless your class wins-the working class. You cannot win unless you get together and stick you can get together without finding tries, and treasonable to the best in- is a working man's and a workingindividualistic system by cutting their ter of comfort for any of them. It

the purchasing power of the people FOR RENT-Local No. 80, Potters, has a complete set of dishes suitable Socialism, strong and righteous and But, of course, such a program is for banquests and suppers, that can