

MEETING IS UNDER WAY.

Central Trades and Labor Union and Thirty Locals Join Action with Socialist Party.

National Committee Will be Given a Monster Reception.

The hall held the people... serious question confronting the committee of one hundred... National Committee of the Socialist Party... never before has so much interest been manifested in a mass meeting of this kind...

THE COST OF VOTES.

Capitalists of Colorado Are Tired of Their Purchase Every Year. 62 1-2 Cents.

Paid for Each Vote in El Paso County Election.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 14.—The total cost of the late election held in El Paso county, as shown by the records of the county commissioners, was \$7,632.98, WHICH MAKES THE COST TO THE COUNTY OF EACH VOTE CAST 62 1-2 CENTS.

hereafter the term of office of all county judges, county commissioners and district attorneys will be four years instead of three years, as at present.

These amendments have been submitted to the people by the state legislature and will be voted upon next fall. No wonder the capitalists of El Paso county kick. When it becomes necessary to pay 62 1-2 cents for the workingman's vote it comes too high.

It would seem to show one other thing which may speak well for the workingmen of that county. Possibly our capitalist friends are fearful lest they will not always be able to buy these votes as easily as they have been...

This data was compiled by Major McAllister, clerk to the board of county commissioners, at the request of Edward T. Taylor of Glenwood Springs. Mr. Taylor was a member of the last state legislature and introduced the constitutional amendment...

According to his letter to County Clerk Reed, Mr. Taylor states that if the amendments are adopted by the people next fall, all state, district, county and precinct officials will hereafter be elected only in even years, with the exception of supreme judge. Excepting the annual municipal elections...

DECLARES HIMSELF A SOCIALIST.

Fr. Rascher, Jr., Resigns the Vice-Presidency of the Public Ownership Party.

St. Louis, Jan. 14, 1902. I am in favor of nationalizing the trusts and industrial corporations and that they should be operated by all the people for the benefit of all, which means Socialism, and nothing less will satisfy me.

WORKINGMEN LAID OFF.

New York, Jan. 12.—John G. Eustis, commissioner of parks for the Borough of the Bronx, looked over the payroll of the department recently and found there were twenty-five men whose jobs were unnecessary during the winter months and he suspended them.

lines himself free and thousands of them pride themselves on their being citizens of "our glorious country." In reality he is the most abject of slaves, he is wholly dependent upon the capitalist class, the owner of the tools of production and he lives only at their sufferance.

To the Officers and Members of the Public Ownership Party: Gentlemen—I herewith tender you my resignation as Vice President and Committee man of the Nineteenth Ward, for reasons as given below.

What would the Public Ownership Party do for you, me and the thousands of unemployed? Nothing, ABSOLUTELY NOTHING. With the centralization of industry and multiplication of machinery, the demand for labor will constantly diminish...

Seventy-five per cent of the people to-day are enslaved, depending on the will of their masters.

FORMAL ACTION IS TAKEN.

Central Trades and Labor Union Ratifies Committee's Action.

Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company Put on Unfair List.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Central Trades and Labor Union at their meeting Sunday, Jan. 12th, making the first formal action against the World's Fair on the part of that body.

Whereas, Organized labor has for the past several months through its representatives from the different trades councils in the city of St. Louis, endeavored to obtain from the World's Fair directors, known as the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company, an expression of friendliness to organized labor...

Whereas, The work of building fences and feeding of men employed upon the World's Fair grounds has been let to parties known to be non-union employers and natural enemies to organized labor...

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Whereas, The directors, have failed to act in good faith with the allied printing trades council; after making verbal promises that all printing, etc., should be done by union men...

CHILD LABOR ON INCREASE.

Minnesota Labor Commissioner Submits Figures for the Benefit of Working Men. PROFIT BEHIND IT.

Child Labor Leaves a Greater Margin for the Capitalist.

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 4.—Labor Commissioner O'Donnell yesterday completed a report of the inspection work done in the entire state during 1901. In all 3,647 establishments have been inspected, employing 86,593 persons.

Child labor has increased over 1900 from 92 per cent to 1.01 per cent. A large portion of the child labor, however, was employed DURING THE VACATION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Any measure which, if adopted, would bring about this result, will at once be put into practice by the capitalist class. The machine offers this opportunity, and they employ children in their operation for the reason that they do not require as much wages as a man, while their labor is just as effective.

It appears from the report here shown that the greatest increase in this child labor occurred "during the vacation months." The children of the working class are not even allowed an opportunity to enjoy their school vacation, but they must give up their time, which should be spent in pleasure and recreation...

SCHOOLS TO CLOSE.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 13.—Three months of instruction will be cut off the local school year on account of lack of funds, according to present indications. Children in the primary department numbering 146,662, children in the grammar grades numbering 67,674, and pupils in the High school numbering 10,020 will be affected.

January 19.

Nineteenth Ward Agitation Meeting, 2 p. m.; meets at North St. Louis Turner Hall, 20th and Salisbury Sts. Comrades Hoehn and Putnam will speak.

January 28.

Sixth Ward Club Agitation Meeting, meets at 312 S. Broadway. Comrades Brandt and Racker will speak.

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| Cigar manufacturing |       |
| Cooperage           | 2.55  |
| Knitting works      | 12.20 |
| Printing trade      | 1.86  |
| Tinware manufacture | 12.00 |
| Department stores   | 3.99  |
| Retail stores       | 3.00  |
- Sunday work, in addition to regular week work as far as the present inspection reached, included 5,374 persons, or 6.29 per cent of the weekly wage earners.













