

## THE SOCIALIST POSITION

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The first session of the second Legislature of the Province of Alberta was unique, and its record will become historically valuable to the student of the changing order of society, inasmuch that, for the first time, the interests of the working class were directly represented.

The man elected to become the first mouthpiece of the wage-slaves of Alberta was Comrade C. M. O'Brien, who was elected in the Rocky Mountain riding. He was not returned on promises—such as are handed out by the candidates of those parties, who by their very nature are pledged to uphold the rule of Capital—not by promises of good roads or bridges, not even on a policy of government-owned elevators, so that the hardworking, deserving farmer might escape the voracious maws of greedy corporations. Not on any of these was Comrade O'Brien elected. The platform upon which he stood, which he presented to the electorate of the constituency for approval or rejection, was the Platform of the Socialist Party of Canada, his electioneering literature was the Manifesto of the Party and its official organ, "The Western Clarion." When I told O'Brien that I was preparing this leaflet he said: "Tell them to read the Manifesto, that contains most of it."

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