

SECRETARIAL NOTES

A Scandinavian local of fifteen members has been organized at Port Arthur, and will be known as No. 106 Ontario. Charter has been issued to the Finnish comrades of Vermillion River as local No. 106 Ontario. Application for thirty-six charter members has been received from the local at Port Arthur. This local will be No. 106, Finnish.

Now that the fall work among the western members has fairly reached completion, we would suggest that the secretaries of Alberta and Saskatchewan locals organized in farm districts, send out notice for an initial meeting, with a view of drawing up some program for the winter. A course in reading, a lyceum, ten minute speeches, and an entertainment would not be amiss. Invite the whole neighborhood, get them interested in Socialism.

Would suggest Wage, Labor and Capital, No. 106, Value, Price and Profit, 106, Socialism, Revolutionary and International, 106, and Socialism, Utopian and Scientific, 106.

Brookville local has awakened from its recent slumber, and has decided to take on a lecture tour. The local is now active, and will be successfully dealt with, giving the underlying cause of all modern warfare. Some of Brookville's slaves have gone to Europe to fight their master's battles. To the workers of Brookville I would say: Do not let us hear Grace V. Silver. Once the welcome light has been given, you will say— for ages long, they have held us as their prey. Let us be free to vanish from the day. Let us be free to master-taught morality.

Wanted for the party organ. A suggestion: "The Canadian Socialist."

The Socialist women of Toronto have organized a Women's Social Democratic League. The object of this organization is to interest the women in political and social questions, and further the propaganda and educational work of the Socialist movement. This league constitutes the parent organization and forms a nucleus to be extended into every town and city within the province. Literature is being prepared and an aggressive campaign will be inaugurated. Those interested in this movement and perhaps would like a speaker to visit their town will do well to write to Mrs. E. Belle, 113 Sumach St., Toronto, Ont.

A correspondence school has been organized at Port Scott, Kas., known as The People's College, with Eugene V. Dole as Chancellor. Membership fee is one dollar for five years. Five dollars in all, this payment entitles anyone to life membership. The People's College will have two departments, correspondence and practical. In this school, the workers who have built all schools, yet have been kept in ignorance, will have a school of their own, greater than any. In our fight against the capitalist system we must have a weapon. The greatest weapon is the weapon of the brain. To remain ignorant is to remain a slave, and to know is to become free.

The Socialist movement is a movement of the workers to free themselves from the galling chains of wage-slavery.

The Socialist party is political, and is distinguished from all other political parties by its principle that the people can only be free when they free themselves.

UNION LABOR NOTES.

The Milwaukee Trades Council has decided to open up a relief store and sell goods at cost price. The business will be in charge of the Executive Board of the Council. Sales will not be limited to members of unions.

Teachers May Organize.

Judge William B. Neff of the common pleas court, Cleveland, has ordered J. M. H. Fredrick, superintendent of the Cleveland public schools, to reinstate a week, teachers whom he failed to reappoint last spring because it was alleged, of their activities in the Teachers' union. Attorneys for the teachers assert that the decision has paved the way for the unionization of teachers in all the larger cities, and will result in higher and more uniform wages.

Hudson Bay Railway Men Strike. Refused to Accept Reduction in Wages. Winnipeg, Nov. 2.—A despatch to a local paper from Le Pas says:

"Engineers, conductors, firemen, brakemen and watchmen on the Hudson Bay Railway were notified that their wages per hour would be reduced from forty-five cents to thirty-five cents; forty-two to thirty, twenty-eight to twenty-two, twenty to seventeen, to take effect November 1. The men all refused to accept the lower rate, and all went on strike. The strike will affect about 715 men and will hold up construction until a settlement is arrived at."

TORONTO LABOR NOTES

Six thousand of Toronto's unemployed have already registered expressing their willingness to do any kind of work that may be provided.

Who? One word in Montreal reports 175 empty houses to let. The wage workers, not being able to pay the rent, are cutting down expenses and often whole families are living in one room.

The Toronto Trades Council and all affiliated unions are making every effort to intelligently and effectively cope with the unemployed problem that they are now face to face with, and which is likely to grow worse as the winter advances. At present several hundred volunteer workers are making a house to house canvass of the working class districts to secure information as to the magnitude of the task in hand. When they have all the facts before them, everything within the range of the possible will be done to relieve the situation.

As to Alien Members.

The following advice to the British members of the Dock, Wharf & Riverside Workers' exhibits the true spirit of unionism in these trying times:

"There are many members of the Union who, through the accident of birth, first saw the light in Austria or Germany. In some districts our members, undoubtedly well-meaning, are taking up an attitude of hostility toward these men, who up to a few weeks ago were recognizing us as comrades. Whatever may be one's views on the matter, it is without question a mean thing to harass a man in this manner. Moreover, many of the men are naturalized, and are, therefore, British subjects.

The government will take all the action they consider advisable with regard to alien enemies. The view of the executive is that the authorities should be left to do their work, and that it would be a serious act on the part of the members not to appreciate the lot of men whose position is already an unfortunate one. We appeal to our members to manifest a spirit of tolerance in this emergency."

Of Interest to Socialists

SWISS SOCIALISTS MAKE GAINS.

Despatches from Switzerland giving the results of the regular triennial elections for the Swiss National Council resulted in a change of only eight seats.

The standing of the parties in the new council is now: Radicals, 118; Conservatives, Catholics, 39; Socialists, 18; Liberals, 13; Social Reformers, 7; Independents, 2. The Socialist Socialists made a gain of four seats, 14 being the number in the old council.

MASSACHUSETTS COURT DECISION BARS RED FLAG.

Chief Justice Rugg of the State Supreme Court recently upheld the constitutionality of the law prohibiting the carrying of the crimson banner in parades.

The case came before the Supreme Court as a test case, following the arrest of John Karasov, a Finn, arrested in Pittsburgh last November for carrying a red flag in a Socialist election parade.

Justice Rugg, in overruling the objections brought by the Socialists in declaring the law to be contrary to the constitutional rights of the expression of political beliefs, declared the prohibition of the red flag on the ground that it did not "unreasonably" interfere with the liberty of citizens.

SEES SOCIALISM COMING AS RESULT OF WAR.

New York, Oct. 26.—An enormous impetus to Socialism and a world wide spread of the revolutionary spirit will be the result of the European war, is the opinion of U. S. Immigration Commissioner Fred Howe.

"Europe has already taken tremendous strides towards socialism," said Howe today. "In every country involved in the war the government has taken control of transportation, telegraph and telephone facilities, and is exercising a direct control over business and food supplies."

"Because war exists nobody seems to regard this as remarkable, or realize its extreme significance. Its effect, however, will be felt long after the war has ceased."

That the United States will be profoundly affected by this change in European social conditions is the opinion of Howe.

"The close of the war," he said, "will turn loose an enormous army of men made restless and discontented by their divorce from farms and mills. Their experience on the battlefield will have vitally changed their character and upset their old habits of life and thought."

BASIC FACTS ABOUT THE WAR.

Capitalism made this war. Capitalism will make another war still more terrible following upon the heels of this. Capitalism makes all wars. So long as we have capitalism we shall have war.

All talk of restoring peace in Europe is perfectly idle. All talk of disarmament or arbitration or peace agreements is mere faking. The peace that will be declared at the end of this war will be nothing but a truce in which the nations will prepare for the next war—war among themselves.

Every Socialist ballot is a protest against war.

Make your protest. Vote the Socialist ticket.—Charles Edward Russell.

POLITENESS.

Teacher—What is wrong in this sentence: "The horse and the cow is in the garden." Johnny (after observing the sentence closely)—Why, the lady should go first.

The men of future generations will yet win many a liberty of which we do not even feel the want.—Max Stirner.

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Then I will be working between Foam Lake and Kamsahar. After that, I will be in Wapiti and Young, reaching Saskatoon at the latter part of November.

Encouraging letters are coming in from all over the west, and we are going to have a big increase in the number of locals.

It is only by organization that we will be able to send out more speakers and organizers. The capitalist class are not in the least afraid of Socialist sympathizers; but a strong organization will make them sit up and take notice.

A great many farmers are good and sick of the Grits and Tories, but their growing attachment to Socialism needs to be backed up by education. A little study will give them a good grip on Socialist economics, and enable them to refute single taxers, and all the other fifty seven varieties of the social reformers.

We do not want a hidebound bigotry; but we must have education, and that means study. Mere denunciation of the capitalist class will not do. The growth of working class power, class consciousness and determination is the key to our liberation.

Remember that a well informed working class cannot be led astray by silver tongued orators. Above all, learn from the capitalist class the great lesson that organization is the thing which counts and helps us to build up a Socialist party pledged to overthrow capitalism, and thus win freedom for us all.

Nothing can be right until there is established the right to work and the right of every man to the full social value of his product.

Mr. Bingham: Why did that woman keep you talking at the door for half an hour?

His Talkative Wife: She said she hadn't time to come in.—Pearson's Weekly.

GENUINE RUPTURE CURE SENT ON TRIAL TO PROVE IT DON'T WEAR A TRUSS ANY LONGER

After Thirty Years of Experience I Have Produced an Appliance for Men, Women and Children That Actually Cures Rupture

Are You Ruptured?

If so, the BROOKS APPLIANCE is made for you. You and all other Men, Women and Children who are sufferers from this annoying and dangerous trouble. That truss you have been wearing—one of many you have tried—chafed and irritated you, and was worse than nothing. It had straps and pads and harness and continually getting out of shape—slipping down or working up and always needing attention. Then, there were salves and washes and ointments to make the case worse and harder to bear. I want to say that you will find none of these annoyances and vexations in the BROOKS APPLIANCE. At least they are reduced to a minimum. This APPLIANCE was made with a view to eliminate, to do away with, just such trouble. I would have been foolish to work half a lifetime, thinking out and perfecting a thing that had no advantage or was not better than scores of other inventions upon the market. In my APPLIANCE you will find the most objectionable features LEFT OUT. You will find it easy to wear. You will scarcely realize you are drawing it. There is no binding, wearing and slipping out of place. It does its work effectively, and with comfort to the wearer. I want you to read my book, in which I have taken pains to give full particulars about it. Then there are a few letters printed in it—selected at random from among hundreds written by men and women who have been cured. You can write these folks and see what they say. If I were you I would see to this matter without waiting. You can put off some things without running much risk, but a rupture is a dangerous proposition to neglect. A rupture is not only bad and serious of itself, but it leads to things infinitely worse. Fill out coupon and mail TODAY. Tomorrow will do, but today is better.

Don't Make The Child wear A TRUSS THROUGH LIFE

I Want to Reach the Parents of Every Ruptured Child in Every Country

The Truss is a Flesh Torturing Invention Fit Only As a Relic of Barbarity

I want them to know about the Automatic Air Cushion Rupture Appliance that I make for Children who are afflicted in this way.



My appliance can be put on any child with perfect safety to the little one. For growing children there is nothing better to be had—no matter how much you pay—than my Appliance—send the coupon.



The one is C. E. Brooks of Marshall, Mich., the inventor, who has been curing rupture for over 30 years.

If you have tried most everything else, come to me. Where others fail is where I have my greatest success. Send attached coupon today and I will send you free my illustrated book on Rupture and its cure, showing my Appliance and giving you prices and names of many people who have tried it and were cured. It is instant relief when all others fail. Remember, I use no salves, no harness, no ties.

I want the parents or others who may have children in their care to understand that there should be no delay in getting proper help, for ruptured children.

Every day that the rupture is allowed to go on without the right means of correcting it—just so much harder will it be for the child to get rid of it.

No ruptured child can ever be free from the thought of the rupture and it is not fair to any child, not to have an equal chance with other children.

No matter what you may wish to think—ruptured children do NOT have an equal chance.

Common trusses do not help. The trusses of men and women know that from their own experience with such trusses.

But it is not necessary for children to wear harsh, cumbersome, steel trusses any more.

You may have had to wear something like this, but don't make your child do it. Give the child something better.

My appliance is better, and I want to prove it to you.

I will make an Appliance to the child's measure, send it on TRIAL—put it into your hands to see and use, and then you can say whether it is what I claim or not.

The Automatic Air Cushion conforms with every movement of the child; there is an even, gentle pressure which gradually binds the broken parts together—as you would bind a broken limb—and then no matter how the child jumps, runs, rolls over or falls down—the pressure is kept up just the same—always drawing the parts together.

Write me today and get all the information—send the coupon.

Ten Reasons Why

You Should Send For Brooks' Rupture Appliance

1. It is absolutely the only Appliance of the kind on the market today, and in it are embodied the principles that inventors have sought after for years.
2. The Appliance for retaining the rupture cannot be thrown out of position.
3. Being an air cushion of soft rubber it clings closely to the body, yet never blisters or causes irritation.
4. Unlike the ordinary so-called pads used in other trusses, it is not cumbersome or ungainly.
5. It is small, soft and pliable, and positively cannot be detected through the clothing.
6. The soft, pliable bands holding the Appliance do not give one the unpleasant sensation of wearing a harness.
7. There is nothing about it to get foul, and when it becomes soiled, it can be washed without injuring it in the least.
8. There are no metal springs in the Appliance to torture one by cutting and bruising the flesh.
9. All of the material of which the Appliance is made is of the very best that is available, making it a durable and safe Appliance to wear.
10. My reputation for honesty and fair dealing is so thoroughly established by an experience of over thirty years of dealing with the public, and my prices are so reasonable, and my terms so fair, that there is certainly should be no hesitation in sending free coupon today.

WOULDN'T TAKE \$100 FOR APPLIANCE

Cranworth, Ont., Nov. 25, 1913.

Dear Mr. Brooks: I am pleased to write you and let you know what your Appliance has done for me. I think I am all right now, as I have not seen the first sign of it since last fall. I can now run jump and lift all I like, and I would not take \$100 for it if I could not get another. I do not let it except when at hard work. Your Appliance is just as good as ever. You can use the letter as you like for the benefit of others.

Yours sincerely,

GEO. KENNEDY.

"CURED ME COMPLETELY"

East Sherbrooke, Que., Jan. 27, '14

Mr. C. E. Brooks:

Dear Sir:—I am very glad to hear from you and happy to be able to tell you that my rupture was cured some time ago by your Appliance. I now need no truss after twenty-two years of torture.

Yours truly,

G. E. LEMAY.

RUPTURED 22 YEARS; NOW CURED

Perth Centre, N.B., April 26, 1914

Mr. C. E. Brooks:

Dear Sir:—I have received your letter regarding the Appliance you sent me. It was a complete success, and now I don't know that I ever had a rupture. It has cured me completely, and I thank you very much for it.

Yours very truly,

REV. H. A. SISSON.

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I send my Appliance on trial to prove what I say is true. You are to be the judge. Fill out free coupon below and mail today.

Please send me by mail, in plain wrapper, your illustrated book and full information about Appliance for the cure of rupture.

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