

# PLATFORM

## Social-Democratic Party of Canada

We, the Social-Democratic Party of Canada in convention assembled, affirm our allegiance to and support of, the International Socialist Movement.

By virtue of the ownership of the means of production and distribution (natural resources, factories, mills, railroads, etc.) all wealth the workers produce, accrues into the hands of the capitalist class. This property the capitalist defends by means of the state (the army, the navy, the judiciary.)

The object of the Social-Democratic Party is to educate the workers of Canada to a consciousness of their class position in society, their economic servitude to the owners of capital, and to organize them into a political party to seize the reins of government and transform all capitalist property into the collective property of the working class. This social transformation means the liberation not only of the proletariat, but of the whole human race. Only the working class, however, can bring it about. All other classes maintain their existence by supporting the present social order.

The struggle of the working class against Capitalist exploitation produces a constant state of warfare between these two forces for the control of political and economic power.

As a means of preparing the minds of the working class for the inauguration of the Co-operative Commonwealth, the Social-Democratic Party of Canada will support any measure that will tend to better conditions under capitalism, such as:

- (1) Reduction of hours of labor.
- (2) The elimination of child labor.
- (3) Universal adult suffrage without distinction of sex or regard to property qualifications; and
- (4) The Initiative, Referendum, and right of Recall.

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### SECRETARIAL NOTES

Since the last report went out there has been a decided change for the better in regard to the number of subscribers, for the two weeks intervening we have received the following amounts:

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| Subscriptions . . . . .                                     | \$ 119.75 |
| Maintenance (Winnipeg Central Committee) . . . . .          | 23.25     |
| Maintenance (Montreal Central Council, disbanded) . . . . . | 16.00     |
| Grand total . . . . .                                       | \$119.75  |

Rutherford, Ontario, heads the sub-hustlers list with 36. Well done! Competition is the soul of business, let us have some more souls—we may save them.

### REPORTS

Alberta.—Secretary Martin, of the executive reports renewed interest amongst the comrades since the re-appearance of The Forward. Deep concern is manifested in regard to the character of the paper.

Manitoba.—Secretary Jolla, of the Ukrainian Federation, Winnipeg, reports that their members are deeply interested in our paper and desire to contribute, notwithstanding the fact that they are carrying on a live propaganda to procure finances for their language paper, "Robatchy Harod," for which purpose their organizer, Papovich, has secured over \$1,000 in the Eastern provinces.

We have much to learn from our foreign language comrades.

I am in receipt of Manitoba Executive reply to the charges of isubordination advanced by Winnipeg locals. This matter will be laid before the D. E. C. at next meeting. The International Choir Concert was a huge success.

Ontario.—Executive Secretary reports renewed activity amongst some of the locals. Hamilton comrades have the syllabus of their winter session prepared, and Comrade Jimmie Simpson will kick off for them on Dec. 3rd. Secretary Bainbridge will be there the following week to punch holes in "Capitalist Democracy and the War."

The Finnish comrades have organized a new local in Levaak.

Toronto Reds are getting off to a good start. All locals in the city are running a winter course of lectures, getting things into shape for the big bazaar to take place on the 8th and 9th of December, and trimming their sails for the January municipal campaign. Jimmie will be at his old game of showing up the maladministrators and punching holes in the "Retail Merchants' Association," etc., ad-infinitum.

Your Secretary will be in the run for Board of Education, and with a poll of 1,430 votes last year, looks like making somebody sit up and take notice.

Quebec.—Secretary Becker reports all comrades pulling for the Forward movement. The inactivity of the Do-

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minion Government has stung them to action on "The high cost of living." A big mass meeting was organized by the Dem.'s in Montreal, 1,500 people being present (mostly plugs) to hear the Socialist interpretation on this engrossing subject. They not only got the capitalist's goat—but also bread and milk. It is very encouraging to see the other fellow getting it in the neck, but keep your eye on the Libs—we are in for a flood of "bourgeois philosophy" to cover up the bloody track.

A correspondent from Bury writes for information how to form a local. He was advised and placed in touch with the provincial secretary.

Generally speaking, people are becoming interested. The miners are coming on fine and orders for bundles are coming in strong.

The endeavors of your D. E. C. to place an organizer in the West has temporarily failed, on account of the Executive's low financial state and the difficulty in procuring a suitable man to undertake the work.

Your Executive has decided to send the Secretary through northern Ontario. They are of the opinion that the bracing zero weather and the smell of the pine groves will rejuvenate his health and at the same time build up the locals. Comrades and sympathisers are requested to study the virtues of economy until I can get there with my big black bag—"Just to relieve them of financial responsibility." Secretaries note—Send in at once if you want me to come to your town, stating likely dates, etc.

Attention.—All secretaries are instructed to send in their quarterly reports at once to their provincial secretaries so that we can get a line up for the new year.

Give me his name and \$1.00 for one year's sub. to the Forward. "Everybody's doing it." Do it now—lest you forget. "Hustle."

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