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#### SOCIALIST GAINS IN GERMANY

The final result of the German elections leaves the standing of the Reichstag as follows:

- Socialists, 110.
- Centrists, 97.
- Conservatives, 71.
- National Liberals, 47.
- Radicals, 42.
- Racial parties, 33.
- Independent, 1.

The Socialists held 33 seats in the last Reichstag, and the result is a decided triumph for that party.

The balance of power in the new Reichstag is said to be held by the National Liberal party, which by co-operating with either the reactionaries (Centrists and Conservatives) or the progressives (Radicals and Socialists) can create a majority. It is regarded as doubtful, however, whether they can form a working alliance with either wing.

Following are among the demands of the Socialist Democratic party:

Abolition of the monarchy; abolition of the Bundesrath and the upper houses of the state legislatures; abolition of the standing army and creation of a national guard; responsibility of the cabinets to the Parliaments; election of all officers by popular vote; Initiative, Referendum and Recall, and per capita representation to all legislative bodies; nationalization of all means of production; heavier taxation of the great fortunes and incomes; manhood suffrage and ballot for women; abolition of indirect taxes and of the duties on the necessities of life; shortening of hours of labor by law; prohibition of child labor; stringent women labor laws; compulsory better safety devices; creation of industrial courts on broader lines; improved inspection of industrial plants and home industries; home rule for municipalities.

#### NO DUTY ON EXHIBITS

Lethbridge, Alta., Feb. 7.—The United States Customs division of the treasury department has made a ruling permitting the free return to the United States of the machinery and other articles brought to Lethbridge, Alta., for exhibition at the seventh International Dry-Farming Congress and Dry-Farmed Products Exposition, Oct. 21-26.

In a letter to John T. Burns, executive secretary-treasurer of the Dry-Farming Congress, Hon. F. M. Halstead, chief of the customs service, writes from Washington, D.C., that provision has been made for the return duty free of any articles, live stock or machinery, sent out of the United States for temporary use at the Congress exposition or in connection with the Congress. Any machinery or exhibits disposed of in Alberta will be subject to Canadian duty, and all exhibits will be admitted under bond, to be released upon return to the States.

#### FOR DIRECT LEGISLATION

A strong delegation, in which will be included leading members of the Trades and Labor council, the Manitoba Grain Growers, the Royal Templars of Temperance, and others associated with the Direct Legislation league, will wait upon the members of the provincial cabinet Thursday morning next, at 10 o'clock, by appointment. They will submit a concrete proposition for the taking of a general referendum on the question throughout the province. A similar dele-

gation waited on Premier Roblin a year ago, and was advised to continue the campaign of education. Since that time the question has been very much to the front in Manitoba, and its advocates are confident that if given an opportunity the voters of the province will pronounce in favor of the reform.

#### A FREE TRADE BROADSIDE

The next issue of the Free Trader, which is the fighting journal of the free trade forces of Great Britain, will be in reality an international attack upon the protective system. There will be articles from the pen of leading writers and thinkers of sixteen of the world's foremost countries, showing the evils of protection and the benefits of international free trade. Free trade is gaining ground in the world today more rapidly probably than in any time during the last fifty years. This next copy of the Free Trader will be full of valuable information for those who are opposed to protective tariffs and believe that nature should be allowed to take its course in the direction of trade. Those who are interested in the tariff situation in Canada, United States, Germany, Australia, Russia and Great Britain will be interested in the next issue of the Free Trader. It will be published shortly, and we expect to have a few copies to supply through the

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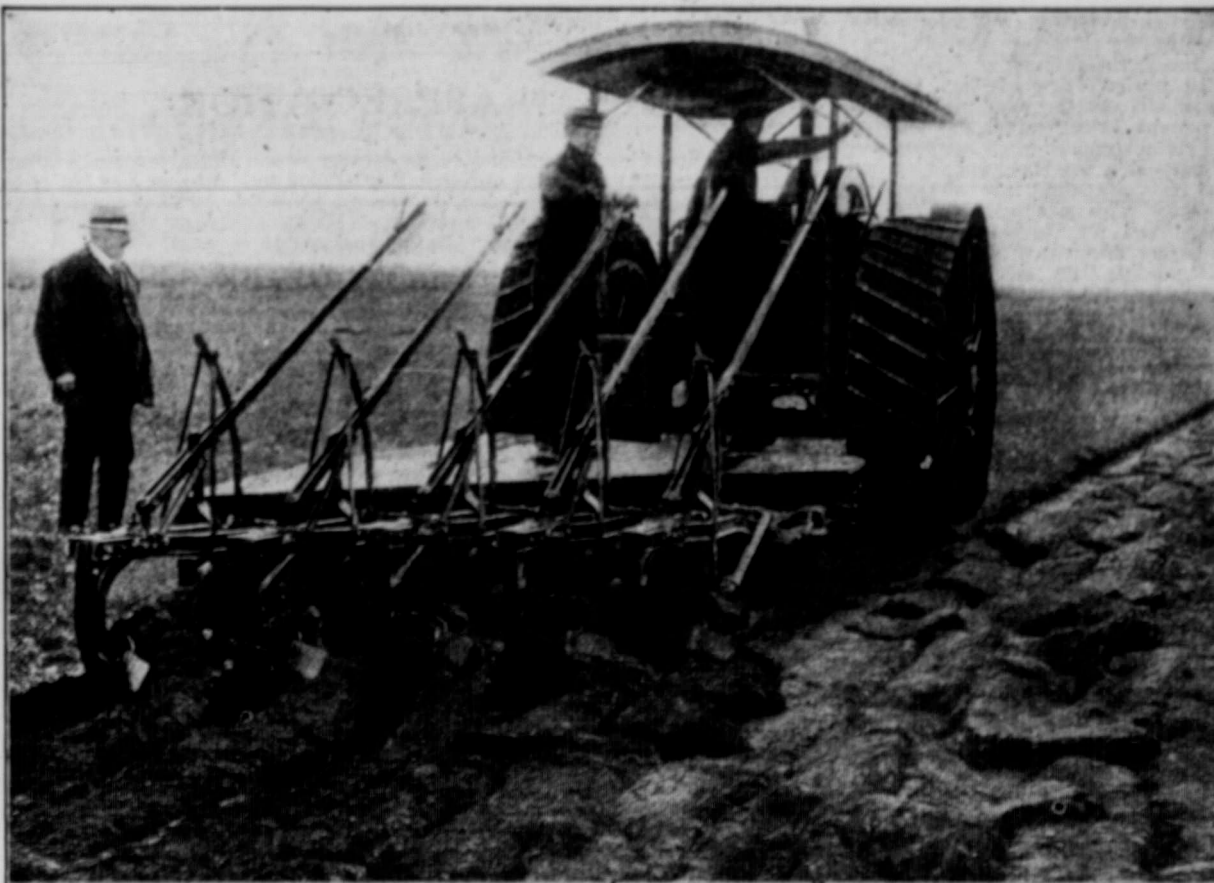
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The difficulties of midwinter railroading in Alaska are suggested by the fact that

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