
Another Victory for Uncompromising Socialism: New National Executive Committee of Left Wing Socialists.

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The tally of the vote from 27 states show that all members of the despotic seven of the National Executive Committee, with probably one exception, were defeated for reelection to that body. This is another victory for uncompromising socialism. Last week we printed a table of votes by states for International Delegates and International Secretary. This tabulation showed that the membership elected as International Delegates four party members whose support of the Russian revolution was as thorough as their denunciation of Schneidemann Socialism.

This week we publish tabulations of votes by states and districts for members of the new National Executive Committee. These tabulations show that Fraina, Hourwich, and Lindgren were elected upon the new National Executive Committee from the First District; Ruthenberg, Prevey, and Harwood from the Second District; Keracher, Batt, and Lloyd from the Third District; Nagle, Millis, and Hogan from the Fourth District; Katterfeld, Wicks, and Herman from the Fifth District.

We ask all party members and all locals to study these tabulations. If your state is not included in them, we advise that you write your State Secretary and ask that the vote of

your state be sent *The Ohio Socialist* for publication. We again state that we are firmly convinced that the National Executive Committee had no authority to interfere with the national referendum for election of a new National Executive Committee and that their only motive in holding it up was to attempt to invalidate the election by hook or crook to cover up their defeat.

The Left Wing has swept the party. These election returns prove it beyond a doubt. The majority of the party members demand a change in officials — demand officials who neither falter nor straddle. The question every socialist must answer for himself is — “Am I for Scheidemann-Ebert Socialism with its compromising program or am I for Liebknecht-Lenin Socialism with its uncompromising program?” If you are for the latter you belong to the Left Wing faction and should do your utmost to capture the party for Left Wing Socialism.

The Socialist Party membership according to the national constitution is divided by states into five districts. Three National Executive Committeemen are elected from each district, making fifteen committeemen in all.

National Executive Committee Election, District 1.

In the tally of votes in the First District, the states of New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, and New York are missing. The first three states cast a very small vote which would not affect the result. New York casts a large vote which might effect the result. We are reliably informed, however, that despite the wholesale expulsions of Left Wing locals and branches indulged in by the reactionary New York Executive Committee, the vote for Left Wing candidates was so overwhelming that stand-patters and reactionary candidates knew themselves defeated. It is probably because of this that New York did not divulge its vote.

According to the tabulation below, Fraina, Hourwich, and Lindgren are elected upon the new National Executive Committee from District 1. These are all Left Wing candidates. Note the insignificant vote given Oneal and Shiplacoff. They are members of the present National Executive Committee, who voted to expel and suspend nearly 40,000 members from the party, voted to hold up the national referendum for the election of a new National Executive Committee, and voted to place the party's property out of the reach of the rank and file.

(candidate)	Rhode Island	Maine	Massachusetts	TOTAL
Conrad Alexsohn	0	2	36	38
Ella Reeve Bloor	15	5	249	269

Louis B. Boudin	6	0	69	75
Franklin P. Brill	0	0	20	20
Joseph M. Coldwell	68	5	175	248
Louis C. Fraina	265	16	2820	3101
Morris Hillquit	54	30	754	838
Nicholas I. Hourwich	260	40	2344	2644
Edward L. Lindgren	82	12	1388	1472
Ludwig Lore	197	35	708	940
John P. McCarthy	2	1	287	290
C.M. O'Brien	0	1	44	45
James Oneal	17	18	653	688
George E. Roewer, Jr.	3	24	438	465
A.I. Shiplacoff	24	7	288	319

National Executive Committee Election, District 2.

In the tally of the vote in the Second District only two states are missing, Maryland and West Virginia. The vote in both those states is small and would not at all effect the result. Ruthenberg, Prevey, and Harwood are the three new National Executive Committeemen elected.

Goebel, one of the despotic seven National Executive Committeemen, was badly beaten. He favored a set of resolutions at the last 1918 meeting of that committee repudiating the St. Louis position of the party upon the war. Krafft,

a member of the present National Executive Committee and one of the despotic seven, was also overwhelmingly defeated. At the last meeting of the National Executive Committee he voted against a resolution favoring the withdrawal of troops from Russia, giving as his reason that as the government had the right under the United States constitution to declare war, it also had the right to send troops to Russia.

(candidate)	Delaware	Dist. of Col.	Indiana	New Jersey	Ohio	Pennsylvania	<i>TOTAL</i>
Valentine Bausch	0	3	6	201	61	29	300
Ernest J. Beutell	0	0	32	44	20	46	142
Ross D. Brown	0	2	195	14	296	155	662
Lotta Burke	0	10	28	19	327	78	462
H.B. Campbell	4	2	3	23	18	21	71
D.G. Colclaser	0	0	2	3	11	64	80
William H. Derrick	2	0	2	42	15	10	71
William W. Farmer	1	0	242	12	63	24	342
George H. Goebel	1	24	25	167	87	188	492
Fred Harwood	13	4	208	1158	691	700	2,774
William H. Henry	0	1	377	32	186	171	767
John E. Klawin	0	0	5	31	68	79	183
Joseph Kowalski	2	1	35	246	166	360	810
Fred A. Krafft	0	14	68	334	179	254	849
F.S. LaMonte	0	5	97	6	32	32	172
Marguerite Prevey	17	10	510	1078	1460	1810	4,885
C.E. Ruthenberg	15	22	554	1219	1901	2075	5,786
Joseph W. Sharts	0	2	132	81	305	228	748
Clarence R. Shrum	0	0	1	1	14	25	41
George W. Snyder	0	2	5	4	17	131	159
M.P. Stephens	0	6	95	34	65	47	247
E.E. Swanson	0	0	3	1	16	23	43
William K. Tallman	0	2	0	28	17	7	54

(candidate)	Delaware	Dist. of Col.	Indiana	New Jersey	Ohio	Pennsylvania	<i>TOTAL</i>
R.W. Tillotson	0	1	13	10	37	293	354
C.W. Thompson	12	1	16	16	43	517	605
W.V. Tyler	0	2	5	10	35	122	174
David S. Webster	0	2	0	19	14	31	66
Ervin S. Whitmer	1	0	38	0	23	8	70
Birch Wilson	1	4	13	7	25	603	653
W.E. Yeager	1	1	2	10	7	26	47

National Executive Committee Election, District 3.

It was the Third District that the despotic seven National Executive Committee tried to capture by expelling the Socialist Party of Michigan. They felt assured that Stedman, Work, and Berger would be re-elected if the Michigan vote were thrown out. Expelling the state was the method pursued. It must have subsequently dawned upon them that even with the large Michigan vote thrown out, the Left Wing candidates would still win out, because Illinois, the only state missing in this tabulation, was carried by the Left Wing. Keracher, Batt, and Lloyd were the

three elected upon the new National Executive Committee from this district. They defeated Berger, Stedman, and Work, the present representatives from this district upon the National Executive Committee, Stedman and Work being two of the despotic seven.

It was Stedman who made the motion to expel the Socialist Party of Michigan. Many socialists charge him with making the motion for the purpose of re-electing himself to the National Executive Committee.

(candidate)	Iowa	Missouri	Michigan	Minnesota	Wisconsin	<i>TOTAL</i>
Dennis E. Batt	24	60	3130	502	429	4,145
J.O. Bentall	20	35	50	198	52	355
Victor L. Berger	113	147	274	146	1391	2,071
Barney Berlyn	2	8	8	16	16	50
C. Henry Bloom	16	3	29	5	16	69
John M. Collins	25	43	10	11	25	116
Clarence A. Diehl	0	6	8	3	13	30
Daniel Elbaum	0	4	260	2	56	322
Carl Haessler	11	15	18	11	516	571
John Keracher	16	68	3123	520	348	4,075
S.A. Koppnagle	8	17	22	6	64	117
William F. Kruse	26	48	70	32	165	341
William Bross Lloyd	40	99	2862	517	555	4,073
Mary E. Marcy	9	20	234	53	53	369
Kate Richards O'Hare	133	123	311	190	433	1,190
Edgar Owens	46	5	3	2	9	65
George J. Peck	49	5	5	7	19	85
Karl E.M. Sandberg	6	15	20	14	33	88
Seymour Stedman	77	142	213	134	1192	1,758
Maurice Sugar	2	5	320	4	15	346
Oliver C. Wilson	22	19	11	54	21	127
John M. Work	68	100	39	92	923	1,221

National Executive Committee Election, District 4.

The states of Oklahoma, Arkansas, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, North Carolina, and South Carolina are missing from this tabulation. Of these seven states, only two really have state organizations, namely, Arkansas and Oklahoma. It is safe to say that practically no vote will be cast by the other five.

The vote of Oklahoma and Arkansas may change the

result in this district. The vote of the six states tabulated give Nagle, Millis, and Hogan pluralities, with Beggs, Miller, and Burgess close seconds. Hogan is a member of the present National Executive Committee and one of the despotic seven who voted to expel and suspend 40,000 members from the party.

(candidate)	Florida	Georgia	Texas	Virginia	Kentucky	Tennessee	<i>TOTAL</i>
W.H. Adkins	6	3	0	0	0	0	9
Edward J. Beggs	5	4	3	27	72	0	111
I.L. Burgess	0	3	29	23	4	11	70
Sam Buseler	0	4	3	0	0	0	7
Dan Hogan	8	20	63	13	7	11	122
M.S. Holt	4	2	23	4	6	5	44
C.W. Kirkendall	2	1	4	4	0	0	11
O.O. Miller	4	1	11	8	72	0	96
Mary Raoul Millis	17	47	23	12	4	11	114
S.A. Moore	0	2	47	4	0	0	53
Patricia S. Nagle	5	3	43	16	74	2	143
John Parker	17	17	4	7	3	0	48
Sumner W. Rose	1	13	4	0	2	3	8
J.H. Snider	1	0	1	3	2	1	8
W.K. Tennyson	0	0	4	0	0	0	4
Carry Hallewell Turnidge	0	2	13	2	4	1	22
George White	32	9	7	2	1	1	52

National Executive Committee Election, District 5.

The Left Wing was completely victorious in the Fifth District. No matter whether votes from missing states change the results or not, the three highest candidates next after the victorious three are also Left Wing Socialists.

The states not appearing in the tabulation are Kansas, Utah, Nevada, Idaho, North and South Dakota, Wyo-

ming, Arizona, and Alaska. Of these, only Kansas and Utah have state organizations. The other seven are practically unorganized.

Katterfeld, Wicks, and Herman are the winning Left Wing candidates.†

(candidate)	Nebraska	Wash.	Montana	Calif.	New Mexico	Oregon	Colorado	<i>TOTAL</i>
E.F. Atwood	13	8	0	17	3	42	2	85
Nettie T. Ault	1	6	1	2	4	25	7	46
Max Bedacht	10	36	1	165	2	100	16	330
Ida A. Belooof	3	27	0	2	3	1	0	36
Frank Bostrom	17	109	0	13	3	23	0	165
W.B. Dillon	7	4	0	0	59	2	2	74

†- Here the Left Wing partisan author is pretty obviously spinning the result, Emil Herman being a SP regular who was most dismissive of the Communists by 1923, while losing candidates Max Bedacht and Kate Greenhalgh were founding members of the CLP. The Left Wing was actually 2-for-3 in District 4.

Carrie S. Fayne	2	2	0	0	2	4	2	12
Aaron Fislerman	14	68	0	32	5	12	2	133
A.H. Floaten	1	2	11	14	10	5	9	52
Mary L. Geffs	5	3	1	9	3	3	34	58
Kate S. Greenhalgh	25	270	12	72	7	149	40	575
Emil Herman	15	163	10	36	5	375	9	613
Peter Husby	0	59	0	5	7	2	0	73
Mrs. Clyde C. Jeffreys	6	2	1	3	4	6	0	22
L.E. Katterfeld	8	210	15	392	4	465	42	1,136
Lena Morrow Lewis	33	49	1	133	4	61	9	290
Jennie A. McGehe	3	8	1	4	5	14	34	69
H.M. McKee	4	2	2	45	5	3	1	62
Ernest F. McNutt	5	1	0	1	1	2	0	10
John McSarrow	1	47	0	1	2	1	0	52
William M. Reivo	1	76	0	21	2	76	0	176
J.M. Salter	7	72	0	2	3	2	1	87
Edric B. Smith	4	0	0	248	4	5	0	261
J.E. Snyder	3	17	2	176	7	6	2	213
C.T. Stoney	4	7	1	4	3	0	0	19
H.H. Sweetland	2	0	0	2	6	1	7	18
John C. Taylor	14	9	0	294	3	10	3	333
H.M. Wicks	0	68	1	42	3	557	8	679

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