

A. L. BENSON HEADS SOCIALIST TICKET

**Yonkers Man Nominated for the
Presidency in Primary
Taken by Mail.**

BALLOTS TOTALED 32,398

**G. R. Kirkpatrick Chosen for Vice
President—Berger and Hill-
quit Also Win.**

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CHICAGO, Ill., March 11.—Allan L. Benson, magazine editor, of Yonkers, N. Y., was shown today to be the nominee of the Socialist Party for President of the United States. The final returns received here at national headquarters, 803 West Madison Street, gave Mr. Benson a majority over James H. Maurer of Reading, Penn., President of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, and Arthur Lesueur of Minot, N. D., Vice President of the People's College, Fort Scott, Kan.

The total vote cast in the primary, the ballots for which were sent out to State organizations on Jan. 10, was 32,398. Mr. Benson's vote was 16,639, Mr. Maurer's 12,264, and Mr. Lesueur's 3,495. The figures showed Mr. Benson to have a majority of 580 votes, and set a record in the party for the closeness of the contest.

Mr. Benson will have for his running mate George R. Kirkpatrick, lecturer and author, of Newark, N. J., who defeated Kate Richards O'Hare of St. Louis by more than 9,000 votes, the official figures being 20,607 against 11,388.

In the race for membership in the National Executive Committee only two of thirty-one candidates received majorities on the official returns. These were Morris Hillquit of New York, with a total of 17,230, and former Congressman Victor L. Berger of Milwaukee, with 17,070.

Allan Louis Benson was born in Plainwell, Mich., on Nov. 6, 1871. He was editor of The Detroit Times from 1901 to 1906, and editor of The Washington Times from 1906 to 1907. He has been a member of the Socialist Party for nine years, and has written books and magazine articles on economic and political subjects. Among his books are "Socialism Made Plain," "The Usurped Power of the Courts," "The Growing Grocery Bill," and the "Truth About Socialism." He is a member of the Liberal Club.

George R. Kirkpatrick also is a newspaper and magazine writer. He was for several years a teacher of public speaking at the Rand School in New York, and was once an instructor in a college at Lafayette, Ohio. He is 45 years old and has been a member of the Socialist Party for nine years.

Morris Hillquit is a lawyer living at 214 Riverside Drive. He has an office at 30 Church Street, and has been counsel for several of the unions in the needle trades in their disputes with employers. Mr. Hillquit was born in Riga, Russia, on Aug. 1, 1869, and emigrated with his parents to the United States in 1886. He has been practicing law in New York since May 1, 1893, and has been a member of the Socialist Party since 1888. He was a delegate to the national conventions of that party in 1899, 1901, 1904, 1908, and 1910, and was a national committeeman from New York in 1902 and 1906. He also was a delegate of the Socialist Party to the International Socialist Congresses at Amsterdam in 1904, at Stuttgart in 1907 and at Copenhagen in 1910. He has written several books on Socialism.

Victor L. Berger was a Representative from the Fifth District of Wisconsin

from 1911 to 1913. He was the first Socialist ever elected to Congress. Mr. Berger is an editor, and was born at Nieder Rebbuch, Austria-Hungary, on Feb. 28, 1860. He was educated at Budapest and Vienna, but before he was ready to graduate financial reverses forced the family to emigrate to the United States. He worked at various trades and was a school teacher for a time. He became editor of The Milwaukee Daily Vorwaerts in 1892 and remained in that place until 1898, when he became the editor of The Warheit, a German publication issued in Milwaukee. He is now the editor in chief of The Milwaukee Leader, a Socialist daily. He has been delegate to national and international conventions of his party, and has written books on Socialism. In 1904 Mr. Berger received five votes for United States Senator.