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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Convenience of Workers Not Given Any Attention—Working Class Pay the Most Nickels—Finally, International Railway Will Do as It Pleases.

After a long and exhaustive investigation of the affairs and service of the International Railway the Public Service Commission has issued its report. The report offers some suggestions for bringing the rate and west-nest changes in the routing of the lines in order to bring the rate into better commensuration. Whether the International will take much heed of the commission's report or not remains to be seen. One thing is certain, and that is, under the present routing the working class are greatly inconvenienced, and have been for some years.

For instance, the Niagara line and Great line carry thousands of working people every night and morning to the corner of Pearl and Niagara streets, where a running service is made for two long blocks to Washington street along the windiest part of the town. The wonder is how the people have stood for it so long.

Running these two lines straight through the city, connecting the Niagara line with Genesee and Great line, would be an improvement, but at that to many of the passengers, it is a round about way of reaching their destination.

Most of the travel from east to west, especially in rush hours is from the industrial establishments along the river and Black Rock to the east side, and vice versa. Take up a map of Buffalo and you will find that at present, working living on the Genesee line, leaving to reach Black Rock side south to Main Street, and on reaching Main and Niagara make a tack and go back north again. The same is true going from any point on the Genesee line to the east side. It seems as though, if you want to go anywhere, you must go down town first.

The real trouble is that we have no cross lines in Buffalo. Buffalo will be a one horse village until we do away with the snake routes and have lines running as near north and south as possible, and as near east and west as possible.

SOCIALIST PICNIC GREAT SUCCESS

It was very gratifying to the comrades of Local Buffalo to see the large attendance at the Socialist Picnic held Sunday at Williamsville.

The picnic was held all day and some rain fell, but without the picnic was a great success in every way. Such gatherings afford a means of getting acquainted, and last Sunday's picnic was no exception. The comradeship was never more evident.

Large tents were set up all over the grounds where refreshments were served, and the amount of food and ice cream devoured gives Local Buffalo first place for long distance dating. Comrade Taylor's auto did a rushing business, preparing grub for hungry proletarians.

Comrade Reed of Williamsville was very keen in evidence all day, and assisted in making everybody happy. My greetings to the lady, Comrade Hancock have a good time.

Comrade Simons should have a gold medal as the most professionalist of a ham cutter that ever handled a knife.

Comrade Polon was so polite they just didn't have time to describe—anyway it was too good.

PERILOUS TIMES FOR "RED" SOAP BOXERS

Orators "Gentlemanly" Drive Kate O'Hara from Street with Fire Hose.

These are indeed perilous times for those who dare to say that this system of starvation, prostitution, child labor and other "sacred American institutions" under which we live is not the very best social system that could possibly be devised. With a subdued note of triumph in its tone, The Express reports that the mayor of Tallapoosa, Ga., has found a way to "fix 'em!" His way was demonstrated in the case of Kate Richards O'Hara, a big game and refined woman who ventured to speak on the streets of that city. The mayor first ordered the police to arrest her. The police refused to do her. Then he called out the fire department, and displaying a large measure of what they call "Southern chivalry," drove her from the soap-box, and half-stunned with the force of the powerful streams of water.

Make a new line on Delevan avenue to run right across the city direct. Make a line on the Ferry street line that will be worthy of the name. And right here is the rub. Why is it that the representative of the Public Service Commission did not see the ridiculous thing that was the way it is? The Perry street line should run directly across the city from Niagara street to Bailey avenue. This line would then be one of the most convenient it would with all the main lines running up and down the city.

There is a reason that this line is so broken up, and that reason is: On Perry street from Richmond avenue to Delaware there are a few blocks of capitalist residents with influence. The whole population of this city must suffer inconvenience on account of these few aristocrats. The whole thing is broken up, but this is the limit.

As for reaching depots—that part of the travel can be easily handled if cross-town lines are properly connected with through lines. The Connecticut line could also be made worth while by running to Main and over either Carlton or High streets through to the east side.

Working men's circles are good units, but the International knows that with the old parties in control politically it can do as it pleases.

The improvements suggested by the Buffalo Socialist would cost a little money, no doubt, but would enable thousands of the workers of this city to go to and from their work from street to street in a half hour quicker each day.

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LUMBER WORKERS TREATED LIKE CATTLE

Lake Charles, La.—The 24 men now held under indictment for murder and highway robbery in connection with the recent lake riots at Grabow, are asking when they will be given trials. Many of the men charged with murder are anxious to have the courts set as September. This, however, is impossible, as the judge has made no statement.

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IS THE HOTEL STAYLER ABSOLUTELY FIRE-PROOF?

Another Little Suggestion to the Fire Marshal—If He Does His Duty there Will be Some Business for Dealers in Fire Escapes.—How About City Officials Getting on the Job?

Last week the Buffalo Socialist, through its columns, informed the city officials that one of our largest department stores was endangering the lives of the employees and patrons through lack of fire escapes.

This paper intends to call the attention of the public to all such cases brought to notice where the lives and welfare of the citizens are at stake.

Where are the fire escapes on the Hotel Stayler? Have they got the nerve to think it is an absolutely fire-proof building? This hotel is twelve stories high and without one visible means of escape from the top.

What would happen if this building caught fire at night—it would be sickening to read about.

It seems almost like pure casualness, this utter lack of precaution on the part of both the proprietors and the department of buildings to neglect such a thing. Whether it is the greed for profit that actuates it or pure stupidity matters little, but the fact that such a condition exists is almost unbelievable.

In a hotel of the size of the Stayler every known means of protection should be placed in readiness in case of accident or fire.

A person occupying a room on the top floor would stand no more chance of reaching safety in case of a sudden conflagration, such as would be caused by an explosion, than the proverbial snowball in the hot place.

All kinds of money is spent for show and display. Party decorations and fanciful appointments are provided without number, but the real important thing, that of preserving the lives of the people, patronizing the establishment is forgotten entirely, or perfunctorily neglected because it does not make a good showing.

This profit system under which we live is certainly a great thing. It makes people so hungry to make money that everything else is banished from thought for the sake of dividends.

Get money; get it honest if you can, but get it at all hazards, seems to be the motto.

Many other cases of neglect of this kind are easily apparent to the ordinary intelligent eye, but this one is so glaring that the writer is sure that howl has not been sent up long before this.

MOLDERS STRIKE

The Molders Union of Buffalo and Tonawanda held an open meeting last night at International Hall on Genesee street to discuss the advisability of calling a strike. There was an attendance of about 2,000, including some of the superintendents and foremen of the Buffalo campaign.

The meeting was addressed by Jos. Valentine, a national organizer of the union. It was decided that a demand of \$2.25 a day for molders and \$3.00 a day for coremakers would be made. Four shows signed up before Saturday, but the balance are in doubt.

This demand includes iron, brass and aluminum molders belonging to Molders International Union of North America, Nos. 44, 45, 12, 109, comprising a membership of 1,500, also 70 men at Niagara Falls.

Arrangements are made so that all non-union men going on strike will receive strike benefits.

The men went out on Monday morning, and the shops on strike are tied up completely.

It is estimated that it will be made to win this demand, which also includes the 9-hour day.

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SPECIAL SEIDEL EDITION

The Buffalo Socialist will publish a Special Seidel Edition on September 14th. It will discuss the political situation from the point of view of the working class, showing the false position of the two old parties and the Bull Mooseers. Seidel will speak in Buffalo on September 21st, and this edition will be just the thing to place in the hands of your friends. There will be a big demand for this edition so get your orders in early.

BIG CROWDS PAY TO HEAR SOCIALIST CAMPAIGN ORATOR

While Old Party Candidates Hesitate Socialists Hold Overflow Meetings—American People are Tired of Old "Dope" of Capitalist Spellbinders.—Seidel to Speak in Buffalo.

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GIRL BOOTBLACKS ON GENESSEE STREET

A new one on the working class of the employment of girls as bootblacks.

At a show-stopping party (5) on Genesee street, just off Main, can be seen two girls working as shoe shiners.

DELAVARE AVENUE CROWD STRONG FOR COL. BIG TOOTH

"Fool Goose" Party Strong on Bankruptcy—Imagine What Would Happen to Working Class if This Bunch of Aristocrats Could Get in Power.

The so-called Progressives, followers of Colonel Big Tooth, on Wednesday last elected Chauncey J. Hamlin permanent County Chairman.

Mr. Hamlin, therefore, stands as the representative of the T. H. petersons and claims for Eric County in Bankruptcy.

Mr. Hamlin was born in a stable upon his month, reared in middle-class with servants and thrives again on his luck and skill. The enormous wealth of his father made it easy for him to go to Yale and fraternize with other heirs of his class.

Shortly after his admission to the law he was appointed Referee in Bankruptcy by Hamlin of last year. At the time of his appointment, Hamlin had no qualifications based upon experience and work.

The only qualifications that he had were possession of wealth and position in a social society. As Referee in Bankruptcy he followed the methods and usage established by his predecessor, William H. Haldeman, chief Bull Mooseer of the State. The confusion in working the machinery of bankruptcy so as to get all the fees that could be squeezed out, and like most other legal jobs was led to the poor results and losses. With this, however, the working class are not concerned, for they have very little to do with the Bankruptcy Courts.

We are, however, most interested in the champion of pseudo-reform, Eric County, who has been up in Eric County in the hands of labor.

Last February Mr. Hamlin got up what he called the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, in which he had his name blown forth as president. By the aid of this "Bureau" he hoped and expected incidentally to rope in the five or six hundred progressive lawyers in Buffalo with a view of getting \$100 per year.

The reform started out with a lie as its very name. Everyone knows or should know that when Mr. Hamlin announced to his institution the word "Bureau" he was by inference and implication stating that he was actually in connection with a falsehood. Ordinary people of intelligence know and every college-bred man ought to know that in the popular sense the word "Bureau" is used loosely, and that the word is used in connection with public or governmental relations, and that his use of the word was only a piece of deception and a trick to hide from the uninitiated the fact that he was actually in connection with a falsehood. Ordinary people of intelligence know and every college-bred man ought to know that in the popular sense the word "Bureau" is used loosely, and that the word is used in connection with public or governmental relations, and that his use of the word was only a piece of deception and a trick to hide from the uninitiated the fact that he was actually in connection with a falsehood. Ordinary people of intelligence know and every college-bred man ought to know that in the popular sense the word "Bureau" is used loosely, and that the word is used in connection with public or governmental relations, and that his use of the word was only a piece of deception and a trick to hide from the uninitiated the fact that he was actually in connection with a falsehood.

In his orator he falsely generalized the purpose of his "Bureau" was to lower taxes, and Mr. Hamlin's name would have known if he did not, that it is the duty of the Sheriff's attorney with the whole police force.

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KEELER, NEMESIS OF BEASTLY RICH? NIX

But Stern Justice is Right on the Job in Case of Working Boy Chauffeur.

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Socialist Sunday School and
Young People's League.

The Socialist Sunday School and
Young People's League has a place to
fill in the social work of Socialism
that is of no small importance. It has
a function to perform that has been,
up to now, utterly neglected—the in-
teresting and educating of the great
masses of young people and children.
This is of wide significance to the
future Socialist society. The degree of
stability and thoroughness of power to
attain the new conditions in the early
stages of the Socialist state will depend
to no slight extent on the training of
the present rising generation. The So-
cialist school has two ends to accom-
plish—first, to familiarize the children
with the ideas of Socialism; second, to
train in them the power to think. In
short, in this last the Socialist school
must attempt to accomplish for the
working man's children what the pub-
lic schools are doing so imperfectly—
enable them to become independent
thinking personalities. Our public
schools even though they may be the
best in the world, are still sadly de-
ficient. Integrated ideas of both social
discipline and of subjects of study as
well as old methods of presentation
and the child gains little in
critical might or in the power for force-
ful creative thinking. This deficiency
of the public school the Socialist school
must try in some small way to fill in,
and we must do so to accustom the child
in the children the ability to think,
criticize and decide for themselves.
The members of the Young People's
League in a certain degree themselves
with Socialist and parliamentary rules,
and also the ability to think and criti-
cize and decide for themselves, and
now is the time to get together and
organize in a Young People's League.
In another part of this paper you will
find where to send for further infor-
mation on the subject.

Do not underestimate this work.
It means the making of a sound So-
cialist thought. Every Socialist parent
in this city should see the importance
of these schools and bring the children.
Write in a card your name and ad-
dress. Help in the formation of a
Young People's League. For as Mary
P. Robinson says:

For to sure the new things grow
As for the old things fade;
As we train the children so
In the future made,
That shall reign when we are low

All the work we would have wrought
Must by them be done;
We shall pass, but not our thought,
Which in a young people's League
Lives the lessons that we taught.

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Socialist Party News

LOCAL NOTES
August Classes of New York City
will speak in Buffalo for three days,
beginning August 11th. August 11th,
Wm. E. Duffay of Syracuse, State
organizer of the Socialist Party, will
speak in Buffalo for two weeks com-
mencing Monday, Sept. 24th.

John C. Fitzgerald of Brooklyn, one
of the best agitators in the movement,
will speak in Buffalo Sunday, Sept. 1st.
Hubert Harrison, of New York City,
will speak in Buffalo for three days;
dates to be announced later.

Branches should make application for
these speakers at once; rates and dates
available will be made known by applica-
tion at the headquarters.

BRANCH ORGANIZATION
Most of the party members are
aware that the Local has increased
greatly in strength since the last 24th
month. To meet this new condition
of affairs, and in order to facilitate the
work of the organization, new by-laws
will be adopted at a general meeting
held at Franklin Hall, July 21st. It
is the duty of every member of the
party to attend the meetings of his
branch. Make your year's dues
promptly, and do not fail to attend this
meeting.

THE NEW BY-LAWS
The new by-laws have been revised
and are now in the hands of the printer.
They will be issued in book form in a
few days. Party members can there-
fore copies upon application to the
local secretaries.

CRYSTAL BEACH TICKETS
A few Crystal Beach tickets are still
outstanding. All returns must be made
before the coming week. This is im-
portant.

THE SEQUEL MEETING
Tickets for the Sequel meeting at
Convent Hall, Saturday evening,
Sept. 21st, will be out in a few days.
The admission will be 15 cents. Re-
served seats, 50 cents. Judging from
present indications the hall will be
filled or out sold before the meet-
ing. Buffalo being the only place in
which our Vice-Presidential candidate
will speak in Western New York. Ap-
plications for tickets are being coming
in from surrounding localities. Get
your tickets at the Headquarters.

OPEN AIR MEETING
Branch No. 1 will hold open air meet-
ings at the following places:
Corner Walden and Bailey avenue,
Thursday evening, August 8th.
Corner Post Street and Koonau
avenue, August 11th.
Corner Geneva Street and Koonau
avenue, Tuesday evening, August 13th.
All open air meetings begin sharp
at 7 o'clock.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
National Referendum "C" 1912 in
the motion to recall Comrade Barnes
is being held as a campaign. The man-
ager. Ballots for this motion are in
the hands of the local and Branch
Secretaries.

On this referendum will close
August 27th. A vote "Yes" is in
favor of recalling Comrade Barnes
from his present position. While a
vote "No" is against his being re-
called. It is a small percentage of the
party members voted on this im-
portant referendum.

HUNGARIAN BRANCH PICNIC
The first annual picnic under the aus-
pices of the Hungarian Branch of Local
Buffalo will be held Sunday, August
11th, at Kelly's Park, Military Road
and City Line.

The proceeds of the picnic will
be used for the purpose of securing and
furnishing a new headquarters for the
Branch. To reach the Park take Niagara
falls cars to City Line.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLUB
The Socialist Sunday School Club
meets on the first Friday evening of
each month at Socialist Headquarters,
52 West Eagle Street. All teachers
and students are expected to attend.
There are many ways for club members
to help, whether they are teachers or
not. Come to the meeting Friday,
Aug. 2. Comrades who are not now
members of the Sunday School Club
may hand their applications to Comrade
Mrs. Simon or Comrade Mrs. Kline.
The dues are 5 cents per month.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S
SOCIALIST LEAGUE
A meeting will take place at Le-
land's Hall, corner Walden and Bailey
avenue Monday, August 12th, 8 p. m.
to form a Young People's Socialist
League. It is intended that Schwartz-
meier's Hall, corner Syracuse and Jef-
ferson, will take up the study of Socialism
and run many social affairs and en-
tertainments. It is also intended to
constitute the "Boy Scouts" movement.
Comrades having young children that
desire membership will please inform:
Com. Martin Heiser, No. 490 Goulet
avenue, in order that they may be
notified of the meeting.

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LABOR NEWS

Important Notice
Coming to the fact that the Italian
Branch of Local Buffalo will hold a fair
and bazaar on August 11th, 12th and
13th, Sunday afternoon, August 11th, there
will be no party meeting on that date.

The next, and probably the last, gen-
eral party meeting under the old by-laws
will be held at Franklin Hall Sunday
afternoon, August 12th. Comrades, kind-
ly take notice.

FAIR AND BAZAAR
A grand fair and bazaar under the
auspices of the Italian Branch of Local
Buffalo will be held at Franklin Hall, 52
West Eagle Street, next Sunday after-
noon and evening.

There will be music, dancing, and good
things to eat and drink.
Come one and all and enjoy the hos-
pitality of the Italian Comrades. You
will have a good time.

LOCAL MEETINGS
General Party meeting of Local Buf-
falo—The first and third Sunday after-
noons of each month at the Head-
quarters.

The Executive and House Committees
of the Local meet every Wednesday
evening at the Headquarters.

Branch 3 meets every Monday evening
at Leland's Hall, corner Walden and
Bailey Aves. for business and study
purposes.

Executive Committee of Branch 1,
meets at Leland's Hall on call of Sec-
retary.

LaSalle Branch meets at Venable's
Hall, 17 Walden Avenue, every Friday
evening.

Polish Branch meets at the Law Ex-
change, 52 Niagara Street, on call of
the organizer.

Jewish Branch meets at Star Hall,
Broadway and East Street, first and
third Sunday afternoons each month,
3 o'clock.

Finnish Branch meets the second Sun-
day afternoon each month at "Labor
Club," Perry and Main Sts., 430
o'clock.

Scandinavian Branch meets the first
and third Sunday afternoons each
month at Franklin Hall, 52 West Eagle
St., at 3 o'clock.

Polish Branch (East Buffalo) meets
the first and third Friday evenings of
each month at Dom Polski Hall, Broad-
way and East Street.

Polish Branch (Black Rock) meets on
call of Secretary, K. Fronczek, 500 Am-
herst Street.

Polish Branch (Lackawanna) meets
at the call of the Secretary, J. Murg,
482 Cent Street, Lackawanna.

Bohemian Branch meets, second and
fourth Sunday afternoons, each month
at 3:00 p. m., at Joseph Kral's Hall, cor-
ner Broadway and Monroe Streets.

Hungarian Branch meets every Fri-
day evening at 2079 Niagara Street,
corner Erie and Broadway.

Central Socialist Club meets at 165
Broadway every Tuesday night.

Down Town Socialist Club meets
every 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings at
Headquarters of Local Buffalo.

11th Ward Socialist League meets
second and fourth Sunday of each
month 3 p. m., at Klocke's Hall, corner
Gold and Lafayette Streets.

South Buffalo Socialist Club meets
at Roll's Hall, 1049 Clifton Street,
every Tuesday evening. Members in
most of the branches should attend.

North Buffalo Socialist Club meets
every Friday evening at Business
Center, 1079 Kensington and Ontario
streets, 8 o'clock, for discussion and
business.

Socialist Women's Club of Local
Buffalo
Meets the second and fourth Friday
evening of each month at the head-
quarters of Local Buffalo, Franklin
Hall, 52 West Eagle Street.

MATERIALISM AND SOCIALISM

A roast turkey or a quail on toast. He
would promptly fire you. It would
not be less absurd to try to interpret
the nature of an address written by the
series of religion. They say that he
has an anarchistic hold-police of con-
tending interests in society today, but
if we will only get the grace of God,
everything will shortly adjust itself
and all will be lovely.

But, setting aside for the moment the
inherent absurdity of the whole mess,
and trying to keep our faces straight
long enough to argue it out, we sup-
pose that the world-wide Socialist move-
ment should get mental paralysis or
the pip, or whatever it is that makes peo-
ple so dumb as to believe in the mys-
teries of religion. They say that he
has an anarchistic hold-police of con-
tending interests in society today, but
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Materialism, in a proper sense, is an
awareness of the obvious fact, that
the explanation of material things is
found in matter, rather than in meta-
physical, subjective theories.

Socialism is a broad-and-better-getting-
to with religion, save as religion con-
fuses the question. Scientific
Socialism explains the development of
material things in terms of material
things, and liberates the persons are mat-
terialists.

They say we should base all social
science on certain mysterious revela-
tions, purporting to have come direct
from the Throne of Grace and which
they will guarantee to settle all of our
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They know it is a sure cure, because
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