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BIG MASS MEETING OF DEPARTMENT STORE CLERKS TO GIG-TO-GIG STRIKE

Bosses Discharge Girls Who Refuse to Give Up Letters

Clerks Demand 8-hour Day and Saturday Afternoon Off — \$8.00 Per Week to Be Established as Minimum Wage — Cannot Live on Present Wages With High Cost of Living.

A mass meeting of the department store clerks is called for tonight, Wednesday, April 30th, at Miller's New Harmonia Hall, on Genesee Street, near Michigan.

The proprietors of the department stores have adopted the same plan as the street railway company used in trying to prevent the organization of the workers, by discharging every one that says anything favorable to the union or shows any signs of joining.

After the distribution of the letters last night, asking the girls to join the superintendent and assistant superintendent of the J. N. Adam store stood at the door as the girls passed out and demanded the letters.

Notwithstanding the strenuous efforts to prevent the organization Mr. W. F. Cattell, president of the girls, is applying for membership, some of them containing many names.

Some of the Salaries. In one of the stores we learn that the elevator men receive from \$6.00 to \$11.00 per week, one man who has worked for a concern fourteen years receives the meager sum of \$11.00 per week.

One girl working at the art goods department of one of the stores for over 7 years receives the large amount of \$7.00 per week.

The wages of girls at bundle counters range from \$5.00 to \$8.00 per week, and for the average clerk is only \$5.00.

We were under the impression that the girls were given the price of their supper on Saturday nights, and spoke of that in the letter, but we have been informed by about 100 since then that the companies were not so generous.

At the holiday season the clerks are nothing short of slaves, while the stores reap a harvest of dollars disposing of a lot of cheap junk at high prices, paying on the people while they are in a hamper to be generous.

The girls working in the basement of H. A. Meldrum's junk shop are compelled to do janitor service as well as the usual work.

Organize and Demand Decent Hours and Wages. Organize yourselves into a union and demand decent hours and decent pay.

Don't believe the daily capitalist press. They dare not take your side or the stores would take out their ads.

THE FIRST OF MAY

(By Camille Huysmans, Secretary of the International Socialist Bureau.) We are passing through a splendid period of working-class unrest. More and more the workers' army is unifying and consolidating its organization in a way that makes for its well-being, prepares the way for its emancipation, and imposes its policy of peace between the nations upon the world.

CHAUFFEURS MEET AND ORGANIZE UNION

A meeting of chauffeurs was called for at Batesman's Hall, and a union organized. About 50 signed applications for a charter in the Teamsters' Union. Very little effort was necessary to secure those who have come in, and it is safe to say that with the existing conditions a large membership and a strong union will result.

STRIKE AT NEW YORK STATE STEEL PLANT

Last week about 875 of the workers employed at the New York State Steel Plant went on strike, including engineers, fremen, stokers, water tenders, etc. The men demand an increase in pay and an eight hour shift, instead of 12 hours at present.

FREIGHT HANDLERS UNION RECOGNIZED

The newly organized Freight Handlers' Union, No. 822, forced a signed agreement from W. J. Conners on Monday. Mr. Conners contracts the freight business at this port and agrees to employ only union men.

EXPRESSMEN HOLD BIG MASS MEETING

A big mass meeting of express company employees was held last Wednesday at Franklin Hall, 52 W. Eagle Street and the organization of a union was completed.

STREET CAR STRIKE A GREAT VICTORY

That the strike of the street car men has been one of the greatest victories ever won in this country is an assured fact. The men have practically won every point.

POLISH BAKERS TO STRIKE

The Polish bakers have just perfected an organization and will go on strike Saturday, May 3rd, for higher wages, shorter hours and better working conditions. They now work as high as 18 hours a day.

HILA REEVES BLOOR ARRESTED

Ella Reeves Bloor, the Socialist lecturer, who spoke in Buffalo recently, was arrested Saturday night for speaking to the striking brickmakers at Mechanicville, N. Y.

WORKINGMEN SHOULD NOT JOIN MILITARY ORGANIZATIONS

During Recent Strike of Street Car Men "Troops" were Called Out to Beat Down Their Brothers — Citizens Jeered at Them and Big Business Used Them as Tools — Capitalists and Politicians Will Make People Pay the Bill — Hear All About it at Elmwood Music Hall Saturday Night.

INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY

By Jean Jaures. For the twenty-fifth time May Day, this year, re-unites in one international demonstration the organized working class of the two worlds in its affirmation of solidarity without distinction of frontiers, and in a mighty declaration of their determination to overthrow the forces which plunder and murder their class, and endanger the peace of the world.

At this moment when the struggle between Capitalism and Labor is at its height. At this moment when Governments place more and more at the disposal of privilege and Capitalism all their forces, both military and police, in order to suppress the workers who are claiming a little more of their due.

APPEAL TO REASON WINS CASE IN COURT

Last Friday Federal Judge Pollock, at Fort Scott, Kansas, handed down a decision sustaining the demurrer entered by counsel for Fred D. Warren, editor, and Charles Pifer, associate editor, of the Appeal to Reason, in the case in which they were defendants and the Federal Government the plaintiff.

The government charged that the Appeal had circulated obscene matter through the mails. The literature that was complained of was an exposure of the immoral conditions existing at the Federal Prison at Leavenworth, Kansas. Every charge made by the Appeal to Reason was afterward sustained by the Committee on Expenditures of the United States House of Representatives which investigated the case.

Judge Pollock's decision means the collapse of the cases now pending against the Appeal and its editors.

Clerks Ready to Join Union and Fight for Living Wages

Small Army of Women Distribute Letters to Girls in Stores — Men Ousted from H. A. Meldrum's While Giving Letters to Male Clerks—Meldrum is President of Chamber of Commerce and is Campaigning for Members But Objects to Employees Doing the Same.

W. F. Cattell, who organized the street car men so successfully, has called a meeting of the clerks for tonight at Miller's New Harmonia Hall, and he has secured the assistance of John A. Kline, general organizer of the A. F. of L., Bertha H. Malloy of the Band School of Social Science, New York City; Stephen J. Mahoney of the Buffalo Socialist; Hugo Brown, president of the Tuberculosis Assn.; John Ziehl, president of the Retail Grocers' Union and Jas. J. Kelly of the Buffalo Socialist staff, as speakers.

Within the past few weeks Mr. Cattell has succeeded in organizing the street car men and gaining practically every demand; he has organized the Express Men's Union, which obtained a charter this week, and several others in progress.

The success of the department store clerks' union is assured. Do your share and be present when you are needed.

Bag! Bag! A terrific explosion has taken place! No, not of the loud kind, but just a quiet, peaceful bomb which exploded and sent the owners and managers of the department stores so high in the air that the police, at the direction of Chief Conner, hired a squad of balloons and aeroplanes to search the clouds for the risk its employees are under.

For some few weeks past talk of organizing the department store clerks has been going for months, but the people with the nerve to launch the movement were lacking, and when the street car strike brought to the front W. F. Cattell of the Buffalo Socialist as an organizer he was picked as the man to do the trick.

Cattell was taken into confidence and no sooner had he turned over the affairs of the street car men to the union officials than he got busy on the express men and department store clerks.

The express men organized, the next job on the list is the department stores, and no time was lost. Letters were printed and a few given out to get the sentiment of the clerks. Things looked good, so it was decided to start a temporary organization. The Buffalo Socialist Women's Club was enlisted as secretary and last Saturday afternoon the campaign started for the real work of organizing.

At this time the houses were getting wise to the situation and by the time night came and the long day of the agitator both clerks and bosses the distribution of letters became a very busy thing.

At night a squad of men paid a visit to the male clerks and handed each one a letter asking them to join; also, fill other employees were given the letters never possible to reach them.

All this time the bosses were getting wise to the situation and by the time night came and the long day of the agitator both clerks and bosses the distribution of letters became a very busy thing.

As a result of the distribution, the H. A. Meldrum Co. was the first to erupt. Two of the men giving out the letters were put out of the store, and this was only what might be expected of H. A. Meldrum, or he wouldn't be the president of the Chamber of Commerce.

It happens at this time that the Chamber of Commerce is carrying on a big campaign to build up its membership and is sending out its members in squads to cover the whole city in districts. H. A. Meldrum knows that in organizing the clerks he is getting an advantage of his right to organize as a capitalist and exploiter, but forbids his employees to do the same thing as workers.

Meldrum knows that he is underpaying and overworking his help, and also knows that if his employees organize they will demand better pay and shorter hours.

SOCIALIST NEWS OF WESTERN NEW YORK

In order to improve our Western New York Socialist news service...

NIAGARA FALLS

The awakening of labor in this city continues to increase by leaps and bounds with each succeeding day...

A GOOD WAY TO CLEAN UP MILITIA

While out shopping a few nights ago one of our comrades noticed a sign in a store window which read 'Men Wanted to join the 6888 Regt.'...

The same method was used in several other stores and with one exception all the signs were taken out...

BRINGING UP FATHER

There is one man on the Equivocal staff who deserves credit for his nerve as his work, and that man is the artist who draws the pictures of Mr. Congress as he used to be...

SAPERSTONE WINS BET FOR CATTELL

A few days ago some of the comrades were taking up the recent street car strike and Saperstone the tailor was on the rack for his treatment of the motormen and conductors...

TWO BIG UNIONS ORGANIZED AT NIAGARA FALLS

Niagara Falls, N. Y.—Two monster mass meetings were held last week at Mayle Hall on Third Street...

AN INCIDENT OF THE BELGIAN STRIKE

One account of the Belgian strike gave an interview with a banker of Brussels who stated that 'as yet there has been no more than the ordinary withdrawals of money from the savings banks'...

VICTORY COMES AFTER 8 WEEKS STRUGGLE

The machinists of the Wagner Machine Co., corner of Mississippi and Perry streets, who struck for more pay on March 8th, went back to work Monday morning victorious...

HELEN KELLER DREW BIG AUDIENCE IN BUFFALO

Helen Keller, the blind and deaf girl who has been invited to speak under the patronage of Mrs. Macy, a Socialist, appeared at Shea's Theater last Sunday and amazed her audience with her wonderful ability to understand what is going on about her...

NEXT?

We understand that the newspaper press are anxious to organize a strike. If that is so we will have to stop reading them, but we will await developments.

INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS TO TAKE ORDER FOR NATIONAL RAILWAY?

Police Captain Timothy Collins Altogether too Energetic in His Work—Takes Orders from Street Car Company and Beats up Poor Strikers at Central Park.

One of the rankest pieces of police brutality and brutality combined is that which took place on Friday, April 25th, at Central Park.

We will use as proof of our argument that Capt. Collins has changed his boss, the following, clipped from Saturday's Express:

The officials of the International Railway Company learned of the meetings and notified police headquarters. Captain Timothy Collins of the Central Park station rounded up all his mounted men, numbering a score or more...

The workingmen, about 200 in number, came down Hertel avenue toward Main street in a very orderly manner, evidently on the way to other groups of men similarly employed...

It is time the people of Buffalo disposed with servants that forgot who they were, and who are too ready to set as bullies for those who rob and exploit the workers...

It looks as though Capt. Collins instructed to take orders from the International! If he is working for the International why not take him off the city job and because they were afraid of foreign work for the people who pay him!

STREET CAR MEN OF JAMESTOWN ORGANIZE

Street car employees of Jamestown, N. Y., have organized a union, and every man on the line has joined...

TONAWANDA MACHINISTS ON THE FIRING LINE

A new union organized with 125 charter members and more applications are coming in every day. The bosses immediately discharged the leaders and elected officers in the union...

SELLING THE CITY HALL

Those wise business men elected by the voters in their ability are now about to sell the city's share in the city and county hall for \$750,000 and build a modern municipal office building with the money...

REJECT SETTLEMENT

The State Labor Commissioner reports that a settlement between the Harvester Company at Auburn 'is not reassuring'...

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Also at the Union Made Cigarettes Sale Agent for Buffalo and Niagara Falls S. L. KISHIN, 303 William St. Phone 248-1

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WORKINGMEN SHOULD NOT JOIN MILITARY ORGANIZATION

(Continued from Page 1) Elmwood avenue and Virginia streets, on Saturday evening, May 3rd, and every working man in this vicinity should be present...

George R. Kirkpatrick will arrive in the city Saturday morning, coming direct from New York City. Kirkpatrick will spend the day familiarizing himself with the local situation and he will have something to say in the evening on the actions of the National Guard during the recent strike.

The Mayor and the members of the Common Council have been invited to attend a meeting at the Hotel Hamilton of the 65th and 74th regiments, Ward has been received that delegations are coming from surrounding towns, as Kirkpatrick is known to all Socialists as one of the most eloquent orators in the movement.

Representatives of the seven territorial branches of the Socialist Party in the city will act as vice-presidents at the big meeting. The list follows: Irvin Lincoln, Harry Matthews, Thomas Pitton, August Miller, John Vogel, Frank Blandford, N. D. Millman, W. M. McCarthy, Chas. Newman, Marie Heiler, Joseph Mola, Harry Peterson, Edward Guise, Edward Koch, Thomas W. Kelly, George Rumburg, Lee F. Henson, Roy Langley, H. Harvey, D. Alexander, Robert Elliott, Richard Heilig, James Murphy, Henry Martin, Chas. Willmet, James Battistoni, Walter Palmgren, Benjamin Durst, Albert Abelson, Dominic Desiderio, W. Weisbach, A. Zlatarsky, L. J. Molloy, August Winkelman, Sam Atkinson, Henry Klein, Frank Kessler, J. J. Smith, Chas. Daniels, J. S. Angelo, Henry P. Egan, E. L. Kubak, Samuel Leary, William Jones, Robert Kaiser and Coard Hill.

An admission fee of ten cents will be charged to this meeting. A strip of six tickets selling for fifty cents. Bring your friends to this meeting. The admission is so small that you can well afford to bring a dozen persons with you. Kirkpatrick will tell them more about Socialism in an hour than you perhaps, would be able to give them in a week.

Remember the meeting is at the Elmwood Music Hall, Saturday evening, May 3rd.

CITY OFFICIALS REFUSE TO SAVE \$100,000 A YEAR

(Continued from page 1) Colonel Ward, Republican-Democratic Commissioner of Public Works, has fought bravely for the Weisbach Company against the city's interest. He has sought to belittle Mr. Perkins to the councilmen. In this connection Mr. Perkins writes the Buffalo Socialist:

There are many additional facts to be presented to the Councilmen. The Weisbach report the position that a half million dollars may be saved by the Weisbach and Erie Light situation now pending, but no one else has saved a dozen persons with you. Kirkpatrick will tell them more about Socialism in an hour than you perhaps, would be able to give them in a week.

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Outfit No. 3 Walnut finished coffin, polished and lined, all brass handles, engraved name plate, outside case of pine, burial suit, black hearse, three coaches, embalmng, burial permit. Complete care and attendance. Total cost - \$55.00

Outfit No. 4 Plain oak casket, covered with black cloth or imitation oak or rosewood, lined with white or cream lining, pillow, six handles, engraved name plate, outside case of pine, burial suit, black hearse, three coaches, chairs, burial permit, complete care and attendance. Total cost - \$60.00

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Machinists' Union
Holds Big Rally
Last Wednesday evening a big rally
of the machinists of this city was held
at No. 270 Broadway under the auspices
of the Machinists' Union of this city.

Belgian Workers Win
Strike for Franchise
The Belgian workers have won the
first round in their battle with the
reactionary government for universal suf-
frage. For ten days about 450,000 men
have been engaged in a general strike
under the leadership of the Socialists.

West Virginia Miners
On Strike - Keep Away
That the workers of Belgium have ob-
tained political power is practically a
certainty. The government has been
compelled to accept an arrangement
whereby steps are to be immediately
taken to equalize the parliamentary
franchise.

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Women's Column

THE VIOLET'S AWAKENING.
From under a snowy white blanket
a young woman's face peeped out.
And called to his sister Violet.
"Come, come, get up. It's time to get up.
For the boys and the boys."
Violet groaned and rubbed her eyes.
"Where do you think you are?"
"Where do you think you are?"
"Where do you think you are?"
"Where do you think you are?"

THE ANTI'S AGAIN.
The Anti's were out again last
Friday afternoon for the express purpose
of giving us poor working women from
having the "burden" of suffrage
placed on our already overweighed
shoulders. And they met, where?
Just where we work always meet when
we have deep seated problems to solve
and a nice classy lunch afterward. At
the Iroquois, of course.

FOR WOMEN MEMBERS.
The Progressive Woman is out with
the slogan "Half a Million Socialist
Women Voters in 1916." Sounds well,
doesn't it? Sounds cheering to the
many men comrades who have worked
steadfastly for the cause. It even
went so far as to say that the enfranchisement
of women would temporarily retard Socialism.
Sounds good to us women com-
rades who have worked along, under
great disadvantages without the assurance
that we will ever be able to
register our protesting ballot against
existing evil conditions. And it's not
all a dream either.

Other states have since granted
suffrage, and before 1916 doubtless
we will be the most advanced for So-
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Socialist Party News

Branch Organizers and all active
party members are urged to get
to be at the Elmwood Music Hall Sat-
urday evening not later than 7 o'clock.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
Branch organizers and secretaries are
urgently requested to send all notices
of meetings, etc., to the Editor of Party
News not later than the Saturday pre-
ceding the date of publication.

Several comrades have complained
that notices of card parties and meet-
ings of their branch were not inserted
in the Buffalo Socialist. We have no
way of learning of these affairs-unless
you notify us. We are only too glad
to publish all notices sent by branch
officials. Write us at a post card ad-
dressed to Party News Editor, Buffalo
Socialist, will be sufficient.

FREDERICK HALLER WILL Lec-
TURE FOR BRANCH SEVEN.
Branch Seven will hold a lecture at
Atlantic Hall, 357 Broadway, Friday
evening, May 2nd.

FREDERICK HALLER will deliver one
of his interesting lectures and all mem-
bers are urged to be present and bring
their friends. No admission will be
charged.

FIRST DISTRIBUTION
OF LITERATURE.
Last Sunday morning the first distribu-
tion of literature in the 1913 cam-
paign took place. About 40,000 pieces
of a special propaganda leaflet were dis-
tributed from house to house. Did you
do your share of the work?

NOTED SOCIOLOGIST DEAD.
Lester F. Ward, the noted sociologist
who has done so much to place social
science upon a sound basis, died at
Washington, D. C., April 18th. He was
in his 81st year.

His principal works are "Dynamic
Sociology," "The Theory of Social Sci-
ence," and "Ethical Factors in the
Evolution of Civilization." Lester F. Ward
is held in the highest regard by Social-
ists the world over.

STEPHEN J. MAHOEY TO SPEAK.
Make no other engagements for Sun-
day afternoon, May 11th. On that date
Comrade Stephen Mahoevy will speak
under the auspices of Branch Five at
Franklin Hall at 3 p. m.

MISS MORMAND A SOCIALIST.
Miss Mabel Mormand, said to be the
most popular woman in the "movie"
acting profession, is an avowed Social-
ist. She is the leading woman with the
highest reputation upon a sound basis,
died at Washington, D. C., April 18th. He was
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THE SPEAKERS' CLASS.
The Speakers' Class has resolved it-
self into a study club. A library is
being formed and all interested persons
are invited to attend.

JAMES J. KELLY WELCOMED
AT BRANCH THREE.
Comrade James J. Kelly spoke at the
headquarters of Branch 3 last Sunday
on the "Evolution of Industry." Com-
rade Kelly was given a great welcome
after his absence in New York, where
he attended the Brand School of Social
Science. Many of the comrades ex-
pressed a desire to attend the school
after hearing the improvement in Com-
rade Kelly. It surely must be a great
school.

JAMES J. KELLY TO SPEAK.
"Have the Young People a Place in the
Socialist Movement" the Subject.
"Have the Young People a Place in the
Socialist Movement" will be the
subject of a lecture to be delivered by
the Young People's Socialist League
Thursday evening, May 8th.

James J. Kelly, who has just returned
from the Brand School of Social Science,
will be the speaker of the evening. This
talk will be worth going miles to hear
and if you miss this it will be a cause
of regret for the rest of your natural
and unnatural life.

Every member of the League is ur-
gently requested to be present and bring
all your friends with you. Don't miss
this treat. We have all been waiting
for six long weary months to hear Com-
rade Kelly and this is your opportunity.
This invitation includes you whether
you are six or sixty years of age. You
will all be young Thursday evening.

FREDERICK HALLER WILL
SPEAK AT BRANCH THREE.
Frederick Haller will speak on Sun-
day afternoon under the auspices of
Branch 2, at its headquarters, La Tou-
raine Hall, East East and Verplanck
streets. The subject of the lecture will
be "Capitalism."

This is the second of a series of lec-
tures to be delivered by Comrade Hal-
ler, and those who were fortunate
enough to hear him before. "The
Materialistic Conception of History"
will be sure to hear the speaker to even
better advantage on the subject of Cap-
italism.

The educational lectures that have
been held by Branch 3 have been the
best in points of instruction and atten-
dance ever held by any local Branch.
They are particularly suited to non-
Socialists and investigators and it is

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PHYSICAL CULTURE RESTAURANTS

GOOD TIMES COMING.
The annual picnic of Local Buffalo,
Socialist Party, will be held at Ten-
tuck Park, July 20th.

It will be a grand affair. Arrange-
ments are being made to have one or
more of the most prominent speakers in
the Socialist movement to speak that
day.

Hannes Kohnlein, Socialist and
champion runner of the world, will run
against the world's record at the So-
cialist excursion and athletic games to
be held either at Crystal or Erie Beach
late in August or early in September.

TOM FITTON-Dyer and Cleaner,
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NEWS FROM ERIE, PA.

The molders are on strike in Erie,
and the police are doing some very
dirty work. Twenty-one molders and
coremakers were fined \$25.00, or 30
days each in the county jail for doing
picket duty and asking men to join the
union. They refused to pay the fine
and gave themselves up to Sheriff
Mooney.

The Grietwood Mfg. Co. has hired girls
to work as coremakers-they cannot
get anyone else.

The General Electric plant, when
hiring help, warn everyone that they
are running an open shop. Their applica-
tion blank is 2 feet long and 14
inches wide. You are conducted to
your boss between two officers, just
like leading a mad bull to water.

The Erie strike has 30 or 19
new policemen and four mounted
officers, which is new for Erie, but if
the boys says so, we must have them.

The seals that are here board in the
old match factory, and they are car-
ried back and forth in a big truck,
garaged by a bluecoat at each end
armed with rifles.

The May Day celebration is expected
to be a big one. The parade starts at
1 o'clock Sunday, May 4th.
F. E. CLARK,
2729 Cockran St.,
Erie, Pa.

WANT SAM ATKINSON
AT VANCOUVER, B. C.
Comrade Sam Atkinson, of Buffalo,
has been selected as the speaker to re-
present the S. P. of the United States
at the convention of the S. P. of
Canada to be held on May 28th, in Van-
couver, B. C. The comrades have been
a flattering offer to Comrade Atkin-
son if he will remain six months with
them. The Amalgamated Association of
Street Car Men need him in Buffalo,
and he has not yet decided whether to
accept the invitation or not.

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A CALL TO ARMS

Now that a movement is on foot to organize the department store clerks let every Socialist, every labor union man, and every worker, lend a hand to these poor wage workers in their struggle for a chance to live.

It will be no easy task by any means, but we are confident that we will win in the end. The bosses will bully and cajole, some will lose their jobs possibly, and the capitalist press will tell what horrible creatures these workers are, but if the girls have made up their minds that they will organize, nothing will thwart them.

All that is needed is a sense of solidarity and the confidence of having intelligence and nerve enough to demand what is your right, and success is assured.

No one doubts that the clerks have the sympathy of every one in their right mind, and a strong, hard pull together will do the trick.

What will we do with the capitalist under Socialism? Put him to work.

While you are competing for wages the bosses are piling up profits.

A SOCIALIST VICTORY

How glad the capitalist newspapers are to drop the subject of the general strike for suffrage in Belgium! After all the advice our American papers have given them, they are now conceding, yet without a word of protest, that the Belgian workers are not mixing politics with work.

At the beginning of the strike misinformation was published wholesale, and the number on strike was inflated to 500,000. It was the truth that only about 500,000 were on strike, and "worse of all the amount of money loss was piling up in the millions."

Never mind the suffering.

Our own Buffalo Times, in telling the Belgians where they were making mistakes, has given them the advice they should not change but the strikers have made a mistake in identifying themselves with Socialism. It was the Socialists that started and conducted the strike, and the Times is advising them to keep away from themselves.

There is only one way to do away with the strife between capitalist and labor. Let those who do the work own the job.

What do you think of Justice Brown's idea of justice? Roger Lee, an Indian, was sent to Auburn for a year and eight months for stealing a pie.

My but the Harvester trust is strong on Americanism. Just think of it: those foreign workers would not accept its offer of \$9.75 for a 34-hour week. Bull Moose, says.

THE COMING CAMPAIGN

To the observer the antics of the capitalist press in preparing the way for the coming campaign next fall, at which a Mayor and numerous other city officials will be elected, are amusing.

It is an old scheme of the parasites to cook up an argument of some kind near election time that will get the voters all worked up over the acts of some few individuals, and keep up a steady fire of scandal and abuse until the votes are cast. The unthinking worker becomes interested in one side or the other as a personal matter, forgetting entirely the effects that will result, and vote for the best man.

After election he kicks himself for being so foolish and vows that next time he will do different, and vote for principle and his own class interest.

The capitalist newspapers have already started the work of fooling the voter by digging up personalities for the coming campaign, and the way they did this year will be a fright.

There is a reason for this early start, and the capitalist politicians are wise enough to make preparations. The contest for Mayor will be especially hard fought, for the reason that four parties will be in the field. Instead of the Republican and Democrat parties the Socialist party will have a strong candidate and undoubtedly the department stores will be represented by a Roosevelt follower.

That the Socialist party will make things hum this year is a certainty. The tactics of this city are learning fast that there is only one remedy, and in order to apply the remedy the capitalist political parties must be ousted and working class representatives elected in their place, with the ultimate end of establishing the Socialist co-operative commonwealth.

The Buffalo Express comments editorially and reprints an article from a Paris daily showing how it exaggerates the account of the Buffalo street railway strike. Back up, you were in wrong the Sunday after the first meeting was called, and had to crawl out as best you could two days after.

TARIFF REVISION

Last November the people of this country and of Buffalo entrusted the destiny of the nation to the care of the Democrats. We heard a great deal of loose talk from working men about "winning with Wilson."

Among many other promises this party of Northern "back to competition" and Southern child slavery made was one to revise the tariff. So they went at the job, labored and brought forth the Underwood bill. Immediately in various sections of the country and from certain interests came a wail: "Revise the tariff, certainly, but don't touch this tariff that the industry has made us wealthy and keep our shop going and give employment to workmen that they may live." And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.

For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines for Diana, brought no small gain into the craftsmen; whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation and said, "Sir, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth... so that not only is our craft in danger to be set at naught, but also that the temple of the goddess Diana, which we have made wealthy and when they heard these sayings they were full of wrath... and all with one voice cried out for about the space of two hours."

Buffalo had its protest meeting at which a Democratic Mayor presided, and the Republicans and Bull Moozers were much in evidence. The tried and true laborer was also present.

All of which goes to show that the tariff question in this country is a local question and can never be settled satisfactorily by the National Government. It also shows what a farce the whole thing is from the viewpoint of the laborer, who has made his wealth and got up under the protective tariff he has to pay more for the product he, himself, produces. Is the working class as a whole any better off in high protective Germany than they are in free trade England? If they are it is not because of the tariff, but because of their superior organization of laborers who resist while his wages go up under the protective tariff he has to pay more for the product he, himself, produces.

MAY DAY

(By August Belok.)

The first of May, the feast day of the international working-class movement, is here. Throughout the civilized world the workers are uniting to propagate their ideals and to press forward their practical demands on present society. So close your ranks.

This universal feast has made enormous strides in the course of the twenty-four years which have elapsed since the International Congress of Paris in 1889 celebrated it. The number of countries that are celebrating the first of May has increased to twenty-five. May Day is becoming more and more a world-wide event; the day of international demonstration on which the solidarity and unity of the demand for the social betterment of the workers express itself in the strongest possible terms.

Be on the alert. Fateful things are unfolding themselves. The capitalist classes are persistently endeavoring to conquer new markets in the world's markets, and they are using their dominion in all civilized lands to increase armaments both by land and sea. They thus lay terrible financial burdens upon the people, as a result of which the progress and the raising of the social conditions of the workers are sadly neglected.

Against this disastrous policy the workers must vehemently protesting, and we must not let the opportunity of expressing to the full this protest. The working classes do not want a murderous war; they are fighting for peace, because they desire human progress. They are fighting for freedom and justice, even for the most lowly, because in this manner only can the proletariat fulfill its mission of bringing liberty to humanity.

The field of action will extend just so far as you identify yourselves more and more with the organized working class of all lands, united in the International, and carry on in common with them the struggle for the liberation of the workers from want, misery, oppression and exploitation, towards the highest aim of humanity.

May the watchword be liberty and equality and everything which makes for the realization of every human aspiration.

Cheers for the International!

Let Us Conquer the World

"The seed ye sow, another reaps; The wheat ye find, another sows; The robes ye weave, another wears; The arms ye forge, another bears." (Shelley)

which had to be made by brave men and women the world over to secure for us the possibilities of education, of giving public utterance to our needs, and of gaining the power to make our interest count in social life.

Through the ages the working millions of every country have lived in a climate had no voice in public affairs, any more than the cattle which shared their lot as beasts of burden, any more than the primitive tools and implements they worked with. They had no chance to develop the nobler qualities of head and heart that lay dormant within them; they were deprived of the means of expressing any desire for higher accomplishments that might rise in their souls; they were denied every opportunity of mental and moral growth.

On May Day we celebrate the awakening which has brought us to a new and political self-consciousness. But the most appropriate way of celebration for us is to dedicate ourselves, body and soul to the great movement in which we are engaged, to the liberation of our comrades the world over.

They were regarded by their masters as being of inferior composition, incapable of that finely differentiated sensibility which distinguishes the civilized man from the barbarian. That they were to be given a part of education was a thought too ridiculous to be seriously entertained for a moment. It was only duty to labor and to obey, and nothing more.

We have emerged from the state of mental, social and political helplessness and humiliation and entered the arena in which the noblest battles of human history are fought, not as tools or hirelings of the masters, but in our own right, fighting for our own interest, and determined to conquer the world and make it a pleasant home for all human beings.

Let us remember those things when on May Day we celebrate the emancipation of our class from the deplorable feudal institutions, conceptions and prejudices. Let us remember the fearful struggle our class had to go through in order to gain the position of citizens in the state. Let us remember the heart-breaking sacrifices

which all men are created equal" and that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

A NEW DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Female workers in Chicago department stores are threatened with dismissal if they dare join labor organizations.

Just think of it. Six score and seventeen years ago "our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Don't you think a new Declaration of Independence is needed, and consequently a new struggle for the realization of its principles?

You certainly do, and you know that this new Declaration of Independence has already been made, and that the struggle for its principles is going on for years. It is the Socialists who have framed the new charter of industrial democracy, and it is the Socialists who are fighting the new War of Independence. Every labor organization is a unit of the great army fighting this fight, every strike is a battle in this war, but in the Socialist movement the great struggle finds its most complete expression, for this movement aims at the abolishment of capitalist society.

The struggle will last as long as men possess the means to deny other men the opportunity of making a decent living, it will last as long as men possess the power to deny other human beings the means of enjoying the liberties which are essential to full mental and moral development; it will last as long as men possess the means to deny other human beings the means of enjoying the material and moral, the assumed right to those rights which are essential to the pursuit of happiness in a way best suited to their own nature.

The inalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness have been made illusory for the working people by capitalist class rule which is based on the private ownership of the means of production, and they will remain illusory, as long as this class rule will last. Therefore, in order to secure those rights which are essential to the pursuit of happiness for every people but to possess themselves of the economic powers upon which all political and social power is founded.

THE GOOD OF IT

Modern society is not all bad, and even the society of the working class is not wholly composed of unhappy, wretched and mentally paralyzed people. Capitalist society after all is an advance over every other society in the world, and the greatest advance is that it has made Socialism, that is, complete democracy, possible. The exponents of pessimism find no audiences among well-informed, open minded people these days even among the ignorant and education leaves about as much to be desired as their economic condition, for they gradually come to realize that the future is theirs if they insist on making it so.

Capitalism has made Socialism possible, that means, it has developed means of production and processes of production, and it has created the material needs of all, and more than their bare needs. Furthermore, it has developed sciences which enable man to make himself the master of his world, and to control the forces of nature, and finally, capitalist society has developed a working class with intelligence, self-respect and self-reliance enough to take the future in their own hands.

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THOUGHTS OF THE WORKER

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Socialist News

FRED WARREN SUING FOR \$200,000. The editor of the Appeal to Reason, Fred D. Warren, has brought suit for \$200,000 damages against the Kansas City Star, a well-known progressive paper, for attacking the Appeal to Reason. The Appeal had suspended publication.

MORE SOCIALIST VICTORIES. In South America the Socialist movement is rapidly gaining. At an election held recently for members of parliament in Buenos Aires, Argentina, the Socialists elected a Senator and two Deputies.

SOCIALISTS DEFEATED? The capitalist press is heralding far and wide that the Socialists were defeated in Girard and Pittsburg, Kansas, which they carried last fall. As a matter of fact the Socialist party increased its vote and it was only by the fusion of the two old parties that they did not elect their candidates.

HARRISMAN AGAIN. The Los Angeles, California municipal election takes place May 6th. Job Harrisman has again been nominated for Mayor by the Socialists. The old party machine will combine its usual, to keep the Socialist candidate out of office.

SPRING ELECTIONS. Reports continue to come in of Socialist successes at the Spring elections. Hundreds of village presidents, school directors and other officials were elected on the Socialist ticket in the small towns in all parts of the country.

THE NEW REVIEW. The New Review which, up to the school year has been published weekly, will begin the first of May, be issued as a monthly.

HOLLAND SOCIALISTS. A national convention of the Socialists of Holland was held a few weeks ago. The reports show the party to be in good shape. The dues-paying membership increased 20 per cent. in 1912. Almost 200 Socialist representatives sit in municipal governing bodies. The party controls one daily paper, 21 weeklies, a comic paper and a number of other journals.

ONE OF THE REASONS. People sometimes wonder how the German Socialists have built such a wonderful organization. One of their methods and, perhaps, the basic one is that they use every endeavor to educate their members. In Berlin a school is conducted for the purpose of giving party workers a thorough knowledge of Socialism. Each student receives from the party funds \$37.50 for his party support. One-third of the students are women.

NATIONAL SOCIALIST BUILDING. Considerable favorable sentiment has developed for the construction of a building to be owned nationally by the Socialist Party of the United States. The building to be used as headquarters for the national organization and the various departments connected with the national office. At the present time it is costing the party \$2,300 a year for rent for quarters in Chicago, which are much too small.

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