

SCANDAL MAY INVOLVE A JUDGE

To Save a Millionaire Libertine a Girl Kidnapped.

MYSTERIOUS POWER OF MONEY

Young Woman Held Prisoner in Hotel Rensu Disappears and Looks for Judge Carpenter.

One of the greatest judicial scandals ever uncovered in Chicago may break in a few days. It involves an honorable judge, a poor lost girl and a millionaire. It will show how difficult it is to convict a millionaire, even when he is charged with kidnaping a girl and keeping her in prison in a hotel in the very heart of Chicago.

When the raids on Chicago's disreputable hotels took place, policemen rescued Margaret Burkle, an immature girl, from the notorious Hotel Rensu, where she was kept by A. L. Streeter, a millionaire manufacturer. Twice the girl has slipped from the hands of police department which is trying to prosecute the rich libertine.

Girl Disappears Again.

Margaret Burkle is once more beyond the reach of the law with the result that A. L. Streeter, millionaire car equipment manufacturer, may escape prosecution that drove him a fugitive to Canada.

Her disappearance drew upon Judge George A. Carpenter yesterday an attack from Frank D. Comerford, police attorney, such as has probably never before been witnessed in the juvenile court.

It also reopened the scandal arising out of the police raids on the notorious "hotels" of the loop district. How far the scandal will now reach may only be surmised.

Miss Burkle, who was recently committed to the Industrial School for Girls at Geneva after once escaping from the authorities and after a mysterious effort to secure her release on a writ of habeas corpus had failed, has been quietly paroled by Judge Carpenter.

Then the girl was spirited away. The Canadian police were given telegraphic instructions this afternoon to arrest her on sight.

"Calls" Honorable Judge.

Attorney Comerford declares that either the court was duped or has struck the police department a blow in depriving it of an invaluable witness in an important prosecution.

The lawyer for the police department went in person to the juvenile court and demanded an explanation from Judge Carpenter, an act unprecedented in the criminal history of Chicago.

The demand of the police attorney that the court justify its action precipitated a stormy scene. Judge Carpenter refused to make any statement or explanation further than to say he "had acted for the girl's own good."

Comerford left declaring the escape of the girl from the reach of the police would result in defeating the ends of justice.

The disappearance of Miss Burkle directly after the court had released her on parole, combined with the failure of Chief Collins' men to arrest A. L. Streeter, the fugitive Chicago millionaire indicted for having lured the girl to the hotel, prompted the unusual action of the police attorney.

One of the chief's detectives located Streeter in Canada, but found that under the law there the fugitive could not be extradited. Chief Collins telegraphed the detective to shadow Streeter and arrest him the moment he entered the United States.

Judge Gets Red.

"Your honor," began Attorney Comerford, when he saw Judge Carpenter, "I would like to know where Margaret Burkle is at this time?"

"I do not know," replied Judge Carpenter.

"Will you produce her?"

"This court will make every effort to do so when it is necessary," said Judge Carpenter.

"Why was the police department not notified of the hearing at which you paroled Margaret Burkle?" demanded the police attorney.

Judge Carpenter's face flushed with anger. He half rose from his chair and leaned across his desk in the direction of the attorney.

"The police department can go hang before this court will hold a prisoner in order to bring about a prosecution," shouted the jurist. "This court is not interested in any prosecution of the police department. It is interested only in the girl who is brought before it."

What Jurist Said.

Later Judge Carpenter said: "I do not know where Margaret Burkle is. I paroled her because I thought I was acting for the girl's best interests. My action was prompted largely by an interview I had with Margaret and her father. What was said at that interview I will not divulge. I consider that it does not concern the public and the newspapers."

Miss Burkle's father is hurrying to Chicago.

Still more surprising was the situation that was unfolded when Miss Jennie Radcliffe was seen. The records show that the girl was paroled to Miss Radcliffe, who is connected with the Erring Woman's Refuge.

Miss Radcliffe's statement follows: "I know nothing of where the girl is. I did not know that she had been paroled to me until after the court proceedings. Then the girl had mysteriously disappeared."

Examination of the records in the case disclosed no information as to who petitioned for the girl's release. In fact, little or nothing could be learned from them.

Many Startling Phases of Case.

A series of sensational episodes, beginning with the raid on the Rensu hotel five months ago, has marked the Burkle case.

The investigation following the raid, it is charged, developed that Streeter had taken Miss Burkle to the notorious Wabash avenue hostelry and kept her there in elaborately furnished apartments.

Streeter's flight and the pursuit of the police was the next startling development.

While the case was pending Miss Burkle escaped from the juvenile home and fled in a closed carriage. She was later arrested on the south side at the home of an employee of Streeter.

The suicide of Jennings, the business representative of Streeter, and the release of the girl by Judge Carpenter, are the last chapters of the sensational story.

SCHOOL BOARD HISTORY TO BE TOLD

For Twenty Years Incompetence and Graft Has Reigned—People Kept in Ignorance by Newspapers.

For twenty years at least Chicago schools were in the hands of business interests. The administration of traders ended in part when Mayor Dunne appointed his school board and packed it with "radicals, cranks and crazy men."

For twenty years the public was kept in ignorance of what the school board was doing. Valuable assets of the schools were leased to newspaper publishers and other prominent and influential grafters, so that a fabulous profit was made. Saloon keepers came in for their share.

The history of this reign of corruption never has been published in daily newspapers. The people are in ignorance of it.

Now the people have a newspaper that is not connected in any way with land grabbers or influential grafters. It is not published on ground owned by the public schools.

The grafters are preparing to put through the state legislature a new law which will take from the hands of the people of Chicago, just now awakening to the condition of affairs, its public school system.

In Peoria, Ill., a banker by name Dougherty, the personal friend and associate of President Butler, of Columbia university, stole \$500,000 from the school fund of that town.

He did it in a crude way. Chicago business men have a better way. They remain within the law.

Butler, personal friend of Dougherty, has been here and told the business men how to run the schools.

His reputation is spoken favorably of in all other newspapers. His theory that every teacher who affiliates with organized labor should be dismissed is lauded in all daily papers but this one.

Some of the school history has been published in these columns. It has caused a tremendous sensation. The demand for the full story comes in from all quarters. The story so far has been a disconnected narrative. It is a long one and worthy of the work of a competent historian. It will be treated in this paper as completely as possible.

The circulation of the Chicago Daily Socialist is growing. Before the spring election it promises to reach 100,000. It must reach that figure if the school children are to be saved from more graft and greater graft of all kinds.

School history will appear on the editorial page. Every reader should study all that is printed on this subject in order that he will be well informed to take part in the battle now on and which will grow fiercer as the working class becomes more uneasy, more selfish and more troublesome to those who have controlled things heretofore.

TO DISCUSS "BUSINESS MEN."

Graft by business men, who seek to control the schools of Chicago, will be discussed at a mass meeting to be held at 7050 Cottage Grove avenue Tuesday evening, Dec. 18. Speakers from the Chicago Federation of Labor and from the Chicago Teachers' Federation will deliver addresses. The meeting is given under the auspices of Carpenter's union No. 141.



SANTA CLAUS SHAW'S GIFTS ARE ALL KEPT IN HIS FAMILY.

ROYAL BILLY MAY DISSOLVE REICHSTAG

Victory of Working Class in Opposition to South African War Angers His Pettyness.

Berlin, Dec. 12.—The budget committee of the reichstag rejected the proposals of the government to continue the war being waged against rebels in German Southwest Africa by refusing to vote the funds required to carry on the contest.

If the reichstag confirms the action of the committee and declines to allow the government to have money to prosecute the war military experts declare Germany is bound to suffer a disastrous defeat and will lose half of her colony.

Kaiser William is indignant because of the action of the committee, and a desperate conflict between the emperor and the legislature is anticipated. The kaiser may retaliate for the obstructing of his plans by dissolving the reichstag.

CHURCH "LEAGUE" FLAYS TEACHERS' UNION

Marchants' Club Tools Gag Member of the School Board.

The Church League of Austin, the latest organization to be formed as a dummy by the Merchants' Club, held a meeting in Austin last night to denounce the Teachers' Federation and glorify Superintendent Cooley.

These pious union haters had their ready-made resolutions on hand and pushed them through with a machine-like smoothness that seemed to disgust even Superintendent Cooley, who was the principal speaker.

Wiley W. Mills of the school board was present and attempted to speak, but was at once gagged, although he is a prominent member of the church, under whose auspices the meeting was being held.

The resolutions, which are of the stereotyped sort, prepared for general consumption by made-to-order mass meetings, called upon the charter convention to make the Teachers' Federation an illegal body and to victimize all teachers belonging to it.

ANOTHER ROOSEVELT REFORM MEASURE

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—President Roosevelt is understood to have in contemplation a special message to congress asking for such legislation as will give the interstate commerce commission jurisdiction over the distribution of freight cars by railroads to shippers. It is alleged that gross discriminations have been practiced in this respect.

SIX SISTERS BECOME WIVES OF SANE MAN

Indiana Kill Three of the Wives—Strange Matrimonial Story.

Mount Gilead, O., Dec. 12.—(Special.)—James Craven of this city, after having married five sisters, all of whom died or were killed, married the sixth and remaining sister of the Lamprocht family.

Craven met the Lamprocht family when he went to Montana thirty years ago. The girls had lived there and never caught a glimpse of civilization. Craven established a trading post there and married the oldest sister, Nora Lamprocht. Shortly after their marriage she was shot by a jealous half-breed Indian. Two more sisters whom he married met the same death. The fourth died a natural death; the fifth was thrown off a horse and killed.

Craven, after the death of his fifth wife, returned to his former home in Ohio, but he found that he could not get along without a Lamprocht for a wife. He prevailed upon the sixth sister, Lena, to come to this city and marry him.

SURGEON CUTS OFF HIS OWN ARM

(Scripps-McRae Press Association.)

Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 12.—With his left hand and forearm crushed and held firm in the mouth of a corn shredder, Dr. Charles McCullough, a farmer and physician, who lives in Buckingham county, cut his arm off below the elbow with his pocket knife. After freeing himself he directed the farm hands with him in taking up the broken arteries in the arm, thus saving his life. Afterward he walked some distance to his home. Later he was brought here and the arm was amputated again above the elbow.

The fact that Dr. McCullough was left-handed makes the performance all the more wonderful.

LEOPOLD PROTECTED BY AMERICAN LOBBY

Washington, Dec. 12.—(Special.)—The activity of the lobby maintained by Leopold, king of Belgium, at Washington is liable to lead to international complications. The Belgian government is already represented officially and the presence of an unofficial delegation of the king as a private capitalist is objected to by the Secretary of State.

However, there is much reason to believe that the so-called Belgian lobby is really employed by Leopold's successors in the Congo Free State, Harriman, Rockefeller, & Co. An investigation of the atrocities committed by Leopold would have seriously interfered with the proper exploitation of the Congo by the American capitalists.

STATESMEN QUARREL; TO SAVE THE CHILD

Beveridge and Lodge Each Want Political Glory to Come With Labor Reforms.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Unless the cooler heads control, the meeting of the National Child Labor Commission in Cincinnati, beginning tomorrow and continuing through Saturday, Dec. 15, promises interesting developments that may bring into the foreground a battle that is now being waged between Senators Lodge of Massachusetts and Beveridge of Indiana. The trouble lies in the fact that the National Child Labor Commission selected Beveridge to introduce into the senate a national child labor bill.

The Indiana senator made a speech on the subject in Massachusetts during the last campaign, and it is charged that Lodge, when he heard of it, appropriated the idea. When congress met last week Beveridge introduced his bill, and before the week was over Lodge had introduced a similar measure. The members of the committee had selected Representative Ames of Massachusetts to offer Beveridge's measure in the house. The interference of Lodge gave it too much of a Massachusetts color, and Ames secured Parsons of New York to father the bill in the lower house.

AUTHOR SPEAKS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

John Spargo calls at the office of the Chicago Daily Socialist.

John Spargo, author of the "Bitter Cry of the Children," was in Chicago yesterday on his way to Grand Rapids, Mich., to lecture on "The Health of School Children."

At the office of the Daily Socialist Mr. Spargo spoke of his work. He said: "The work of caring for the health of school children is one of the great problems that confronts the working class of America."

"Through child inspection," he continued, "the death rate of children in Berlin has been reduced from 200 per thousand living to 80 per thousand. In Australia through the same means the death rate has gone from 15 per cent to 8 per cent. In Rochester, through an inspection of the milk supply alone the death rate of children has been reduced one-half. The horrors of the 'Jungle' do not compare with the horrors of the milk supply."

Mr. Spargo approves of this paper.

Don't fail to read the history of school board graft appearing in these columns. Study the facts and get information to use in the spring campaign.

DID UNHAPPY DREAM COME AS A WARNING.

Miss Bertha Beck Has Startling Evidence that Illusions of the Night Come True.

Say, do you believe in dreams? If you do not, here is a story to shake your faith in "materialism."

Miss Bertha Beck, 12 Hastings street, dreamed Monday night that she was burned in a fire that destroyed her home. The blaze drove her to a window and she jumped out. She awoke when she struck the sidewalk.

She never believed in dreams but the illusion of the night accompanied her to the shop, 220 Madison street, where she is employed. As she used her needle deftly the dream was before her eyes all the morning.

The room needed ventilation and about noon yesterday she opened a window. The fresh breeze blew the flame of a gas jet against her sleeve and in a moment was ablaze. Her first impulse was to run, but presence of mind returned and she smothered the flames before her companion could come to the rescue.

Still she does not believe in dreams.

AGITATOR SCHIFF SOWS DISCONTENT

Business Agent of Bankers' Union Talks Treason That Will Destroy Home and Country.

Jacob Schiff delivered an agitation address before the Illinois Manufacturers' Association last night at the Auditorium Hotel.

The Bankers' Union, assisted by Secretary Shaw, who controls the federal coin storehouse, is determined to cause an uprising among the traders and schemers. Speakers are causing unrest and preaching discontent in all parts of the country.

In spite of the fact that the traders and schemers are enjoying the greatest prosperity in history and are living in the finest and best country on earth for bankers, agitators persist in stirring up class hatred and selfishness.

Schiff, chief agitator, sowed the seeds of discontent in fertile ground last night. He said that the government has failed in its effort to issue money in a way satisfactory to the Bankers' Union. He advocated measures which would destroy the family and his adopted country.

He wants the Bankers' Union to capture the national treasury and run it as the gamblers' club does the railroads.

Every man at the meeting was well dressed, well fed and comfortably housed, yet Schiff, by his oratory, was able to bring a hateful discontent into the plea of surroundings. Into every cottage home of the manufacturers discontent and hatred was taken.

His address was nothing less than treason. He proposes to set up class rule in this country, where now every man is equal and has equal opportunities.

If this agitation continues a law must be passed muzzling such agitators, and, if necessary, patriots citizens must secure a law establishing a "poverty qualification" for voting and thus disfranchise such treasonable advocates as Schiff and Shaw and Forgan.

WOULD NOT PROMISE TO BE GOOD

So Tillman Loses an Engagement to Lecture in an Ohio Town—Fear His Law-breaking Talks.

Bellaire, O., Dec. 12.—The trustees of the First Methodist Episcopal church, who had engaged Senator Tillman for a benefit lecture in their church, after hearing the reports of his Chicago meeting, decided to cancel the engagement. Before making this decision the trustees wrote him and asked him to promise not to indulge in any vulgarity or profanity. Tillman replied that he did not know what might occur during his lecture what might occur during his lecture essays, and that he refused to be muzzled in advance.

MOTHER OF DONA GILLMAN TRIES TO KILL SELF

(Scripps-McRae Press Association.)

Dayton, O., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Katie Gillman, mother of Dona Gillman, is said to have attempted to commit suicide Tuesday when she learned that Fayne and Collins Gillman, sister and brother of the murdered girl, had been arrested for the crime. The information comes from the Miami Valley hospital that when Mrs. Gillman heard of the warrants for her children she tried to jump from the second-story window, but was restrained by nurses. The shock of the arrest of the girl-stricken mother, and her condition is serious.

WANT TO CONTROL THE POLICE FORCE

Corporation Charter Joker That Will Influence Lives of Thousands.

HOW TO "GET" A "COPPER"

By Controlling Jobs of City Employees Capital Can Save Money and Be Prepared to Club Strikers.

Corporation influences in the charter convention have caused all civil service employees of the city to form a "league." That this league will develop into a union seems certain.

The league just now is fighting a clause the convention will consider soon. If this clause is adopted and becomes a law, the police force again will become the tool of thieves, corporations and saloon keepers with political influences.

This feature of the "reform charter" is one of the most vicious measures proposed. It would give any department head absolute power to discharge any city employe and he would not have the right to a formal hearing.

The Right to Discharge.

The connection of public service corporations with this measure is clear after a short investigation. In almost every personal injury case, and there are thousands of them against street railways, gas companies, electric light companies the steam railroads, a policeman is the chief witness.

In many cases the testimony of the police officer wins the case for the defendant. Under present civil service rules the corporations have hard work to "get" the policeman.

If he is "got" he must be bought. If that is possible it is expensive and gives the officer a "hold" on the company.

An easier way is to give every department head power to instantly and summarily discharge any policeman. Then the corporations only have to get the "head." He does not always need to be "got." The corporation can get his superior or he may have some friend of the department head cause the discharge of the offending policeman, for no formal hearing would be necessary and the officer's story could not be told.

That is how the proposed rule would work.

How Thieves Operate.

At one time every well known thief and some not so well known, was represented in city government, directly or indirectly. Recent municipal history has shown that this condition still exists and the connections between corporations and common thieves is in old party politics.

An old police sergeant said today that the abolishment of the rule requiring charges to be made against a policeman and granting him a formal hearing before he is discharged had weakened the hold thieves once had on the police.

"It has not been many years," he said, "since every copper had a list of thieves in his head, whom it was dangerous to arrest or molest in any way. Until you get to dealing with criminals and get into the underworld you do not realize the ramifications of this political influence."

Corporations have to fight strikers as every newspaper reader knows. They use policemen. In the teamsters' strike officers were reprimanded for not using the club on the heads of strikers as severely as the Employers' Association desired.

Force Policemen to Club Strikers.

They could not be discharged for the case would have to be aired in a civil service court and the Employers' association could not stand that.

If this proposed rule goes through, however, the policemen will be summarily discharged if he does not club hard and fast enough. He will have no opportunity to explain.

Former Inspector Patrick Lavin, stockholder in Swift & Co., was one of the best "clubbers." He was charged with being in a conspiracy with thieves. It was proved by events that he was the pet of the Employers' Association and through that energetic organization, the pet of all daily newspapers then published here.

Yes, it looks as if the "league" would become a union.

Policemen and firemen must organize and affiliate with organized labor to save their honor, to save the city and to save their jobs.

Fair and Warmer.

Fair and slightly warmer to-night. Minimum temperature about freezing point.



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By EDWIN ARNOLD BRENHOLTZ

As they passed Rollins in the hall Mr. Endy gave him instructions—a suggestion from Arndt—that he should go to the house on the river road and see...

"That's all right, Mr. Endy," was the reply, as the offered hand was cordially shaken. "I thought I had better attend to this little matter myself—some of the boys talk too much to the reporters...

"Very good! Thank you, sir," said Arndt—and again he smiled. "Now, Mr. Sheriff," said Mr. Endy, "I hope that you have no objection to going to the railroad in this carriage."

"None whatever," was the reply; "in fact I rather expected to do that very thing when I saw you drive up to the door; and I also expect that you are going with us to the city, Mr. Endy."

"Well," said the other, "I had thought of doing so if you do not object to traveling in my company."

"Not likely is it, Mr. Endy? But I thought I might as well mention that it will be too late to give bail tonight, when we get to our destination—unless you have a special train and travel as Mr. Craggie does."

"Of course, of course," was the reply; "but let us start, for I see Robert coming towards the house."

After they were outside the grounds he asked to see the warrant; but that document did not give much more information than Robert already had imparted, and the three men chatted pleasantly until they reached the station.

(To be continued)

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WORKER CLAIMS MAYORAL SEAT AT BROOKTON
Counted Out Through Ignorance or Criminal Motives.

Brocton, Mass., Dec. 11.—William H. Clifford, Socialist candidate for mayor in the election, says he will demand a recount, as he feels sure that there were irregularities in the counting.

Labor Union News
An attempt to establish a labor paper, independent of politics, in Milwaukee, failed, as most of the workmen in that city are members of the Socialist party.

SOCIALIST NEWS
The next meeting of the Twenty-fourth Ward branch of the Socialist party will be held Dec. 17, at 629 Diversey boulevard.

HOOSIER TOWN HELL BY CORPORATIONS.
Anderson, Ind., Has Experience Common in Chicago.

A COMPROMISE
"Yes," said the young wife, producing a strand of seaweed with her parasol.

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BIG BARGAIN IN BOOKS
For the next 60 days we will fill orders for New Chivalry, 24-page pamphlet, at the following rates to all locals.

London, Nov. 23.—Berlin has just had a taste of election excitement that will interest the world. A vacancy arose in the Prussian Diet, and a by-contest became necessary for the third electoral district of the city.

Wahlorf Astor has certainly gone mad. His Pall Mall Gazette absolutely vomited dread and warning against Socialism.

"HUDDERSFIELD AND AFTER"
"SOCIALIST THREATS AGAINST SOCIETY."
These are two of the headings to the article in today's issue and this splendid writer comments:

Paris had a momentary panic when placards appeared announcing "Paris without water." People rushed to ascertain how long they might have to exist and whether there were any hopes of a new supply.

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A Revelation
The event was a most a revelation, for, barring times of strike, so large an army of the unemployed has not been brought together in Boston since the hard times of 1893 and 1894.

TRADE UNION MEETINGS
Cab and Hack Drivers—A meeting of Local No. 701 of the U. T. of A. will be held at 30 S. Clark street Monday night at 9 o'clock.

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CHURCH DECLARES WAR ON REPUBLIC

Laws of France Opposed by Clergy—rius Up All Night, But Cool in the Emergency.

[Special Correspondence.] Paris, Dec. 12.—The attempt to make the Roman Catholic church comply with the law may end in civil war. The government declares its intention of enforcing law and order even if it is necessary to arrest all of the 30,000 priests who are inciting revolt.

The Socialist papers declare that the church is preparing to overthrow the government, and is inciting its followers to a revolution against the republic. It is pointed out that this has been done in the past in France and in other countries when the law was not thought to be in the interest of the Vatican.

The government has determined that if there is to be war it will strike the first blow, and has expelled Mr. Montagnini, who was acting practically as the head of a papal junta in France.

A large quantity of incriminating dispatches were found in his rooms. The wires from Rome were laden with cipher dispatches all night, and every attempt is being made by the Vatican to incite the Catholics of France to rebellion.

The Church Must Decide. When one of the Catholic deputies questioned Clemenceau concerning the proposed action of the government, the premier replied: "If the church wants war she will have it. She will get it to-day. It is as you wish. You have chosen war, and it begins to-day."

The government is taking steps to compel military service on the part of the Catholic clergy and students. They have hitherto been excused from such service, but the government declares that they must either obey the law or lose this privilege.

All last night the Vatican was astir. Lights were seen in a hundred windows. Plus, according to reports, found solace in frequent prayers, and was as cool as any general ever was on the battlefield.

Profiting by the forty-eight hours' truce allowed Catholics before the separation law will be enforced, the funeral of M. Brunetieres was held this morning. It was probably the last which will ever be held under the old concordat.

A call is printed to-day by La Croix, a Catholic organ, to all men and youths who are loyal to their religion to attend services on Sunday, defend the priest in church and prevent any hostile demonstrations. This is the answer of the church to the official instructions given to the police last night to allow "free thinkers" to start demonstrations in favor of the separation law in churches while services are in progress, and to interfere only in cases of real scandal. In such event the churches are to be closed.

A large force of policemen was called out to-day to protect the entrance to the chamber of deputies, as it was feared there might be a violent demonstration there against the government.

Masses of mourning and reparation were sung in many of the leading churches to-day.

The prefecture of police has taken under consideration as complying with the law two requests for permission to use churches, one of which comes from a notorious anarchist named Martinet and the other from a newspaper hawk named Robin.

THE DAILY NEWS MADE A BIG MISTAKE. Victor Lawson Told Stock Schemers He Did Not Advise Attack.

Some time ago an article appeared in these columns about a stock company that is taking the savings of the poor to build a "ten-ton" railroad from Chicago to New York. The story was republished in the Daily News and credited to this paper.

The stock schemers at once "saw" Lawson, publisher of the Daily News. Now its victims are receiving letters explaining the story. The circular letter charges this paper with blackmail. It ends with the following:

"We are surprised that Victor Lawson of the News should have been duped into publishing an article taken from a paper like the Chicago Socialist, and have since heard that this article did not come under his special supervision. 'FREDERICK WOOD, Sales Agent.' Probably Lawson is after the fake advertisements.

"REFORMED" UNIONIST DESCRIBES DYNAMITE PLOT

Michael Kelley, Who Became a Policeman, Testifies Against Fellow.

Cross-examination of Michael Kelley, policeman and former business agent, began today in Judge Ball's court. The famous conspiracy case has brought another informer to the front.

Kelley, who was an official of the Market Wagon Drivers' union, was made a policeman during the strike, but was discharged because of his union affiliations. This broke his heart, for he wanted to be a policeman. He "got busy" and saw a number of politicians and was reinstated on the force. Since then he has been strongly opposed to unions and union leaders. He is said to be marked for rapid promotion in the department, because of his new friends among the employers.

He told a story to the effect that C. P. Shea had asked him where he could find a good man with dynamite to blow up the non-union quarters at 20 Lake street. He declares that a plot to dynamite the home of the scabs was discussed by Shea and his cabinet.

IOWA TEACHERS FORCED INTO UNION

They Have An Association, But Its Officers Are Not Working Educators.

[Special by Dell.] Davenport, Iowa, Dec. 11.—(Special to The Chicago Daily Socialist.)—The teachers of Davenport held an indignation meeting yesterday afternoon to protest against a ruling of the state board of examiners under the new educational law, which, if carried into effect, will send the old and faithful teachers to the scrap heap in a hurry. The law and the ruling take no account of long and successful service as a basis for renewal of certificates, but requires examinations in all branches, with a grade of 90 per cent or over. The teachers who have forgotten what they have found no use for will go to the wall.

There is much feeling against the state superintendent of education, J. F. Riggs, who fathered the present law and takes advantage of the discretionary power vested in him to "rub it into" the old men. Other provisions of the ruling hit the fledgeling teachers just as hard, and all insist that the law must be changed.

The school teachers have just discovered the reason why such laws are passed, in the fact that they cannot vote. They have also found out why they cannot use the State Teachers' Association to accomplish their ends, since the officials of that body are none of them teachers. Whether they will follow the signs of the times and effect a permanent fighting organization or whether they will think this is too much like a labor union to be respectable remains to be seen.

STRUCTURAL IRON WORKERS HEAR FACTS ON SCHOOLS

Speakers Show "Business Boards" Have Cost Millions.

Four hundred structural iron workers met last night to discuss the school question. They were told how "business school trustees," through ignorance, incompetence or worst, have lost \$20,000,000 for the school fund.

Miss Margaret Haley, Louis F. Post and John C. Harding addressed the meeting. It was pointed out that if the full commercial value of the downtown school lands had not been frittered away, stolen and lost, the income at the present time would be more than \$30,000,000 a year, enough to run the schools without one cent of taxation.

ANOTHER MELON.

New York, Dec. 12.—A rich juicy melon is to be cut for the stockholders of the Great Northern railroad. It was announced to-day that a six million dollar stock issue would be offered to stockholders pro rata of their holdings at par. The melon is James J. Hill's Christmas present to the stockholders, who recently received from the road a melon in the shape of iron ore certificates representing the immense ore holdings of the company which have been leased to the Steel trust.

ONCE ENOUGH.

Conductor (after a collision in which everybody was bounced half way across the car, but no one was hurt)—Gentlemen, I find that no great harm has been done. We run into the rear end of a freight train, and if some of you will come out and help clear the track, we can proceed on our journey.

Fat Passenger—Conductor, are there any more freight trains on ahead? Conductor—Oh, I suppose so.

Fat Passenger—Well, let's stay where we are.

THE SCALE OF PRICES.

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WHERE IS ANGEL BEAR OF READING?

Labor Leaders Searching for Side Partner of Divinity—Other Union Activity.

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—With George F. Baer, president of the Philadelphia & Reading railway in New York, to which city he was followed by Theodore Voorhees, first vice-president, the road's labor situation remains unchanged.

The leaders of the trainmen, who threaten a strike because the company will not recognize their unions, are in this city. In the absence of the Reading officials, however, they could do nothing, so Val Fitzpatrick, the assistant grand master of the Order of Railway Trainmen, turned his attention to the Pennsylvania railroad, which has labor troubles of its own.

Fitzpatrick, accompanied by the fifteen members of the joint grievance committee, went to the Broad street station, where he had a long conference with W. W. Atterbury, general manager of the system.

The grievance committee, which represented disgruntled men on the lines west of Pittsburg, has had several other conferences with Atterbury.

Members of the committee, including Fitzpatrick himself, had nothing to say to reporters. Officials of the two railroad systems were also silent. It is understood, however, that in neither case have the negotiations reached the breaking point.

Texas-Mexican Trouble.

Laredo, Tex., Dec. 11.—A general strike on the Texas-Mexican railroad today resulted in the complete tie-up of the road with the exception of trackage in the United States. Hostlers, switchmen, boilermakers and yardmen are all out, and are restraining others from working. Mail was delayed two hours getting started from here, and in another case the fire was pulled from an engine on the International road by strikers when it was attempting to move freight across the border to Mexico.

Wagon Workers Strike.

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 12.—An effort to unionize the carriage and woodworkers of Owensboro yesterday resulted in the closing of two wagon factories indefinitely. Between six hundred and seven hundred men are thrown out of employment. Officials of one plant issued bulletins to the effect that they would not allow unions to dictate to them how their business should be conducted, and until the labor agitation had died down the plant would be closed.

"UNREST" CAUSED AT FORT WAYNE.

Law for Protection of Motormen May be Enforced After Years of Waiting. Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 12.—Street car men here are trying to have the law requiring vestibules for street cars enforced. The law has been on the books for years but never enforced. Motormen have endured the cold weather silently.

Now a new thing has happened. "The Struggle," a Socialist paper, has demanded that the "street car magnate anarchists" be required to obey the law. The outside has awakened the working class and, led by the car men's union, the law officers may be compelled to enforce this puny measure for the relief of the working class.

CHARGED WITH ROBBERY CHARITY FUNDS.

Charles Reger, 47 years old, has been arrested by the police after a search of several weeks in an effort to solve the mysterious thefts of sums of money from Roman Catholic churches. Reger was taken into custody some time ago when he is said to have been caught taking money from the box for alms in St. Charles Borromeo's Roman Catholic church, West Twelfth and Cypress streets. At the time friends appealed to the police and obtained Reger's release on the ground that he was the father of a large family and that the children were dependent upon him for support. He had been arraigned in the Harrison street police court, but the justice allowed him to go on the promise that he would reform and go to work.

STRONG IN DEATH.

"So Skorecher is dead?" "Yes. He collided with another automobile yesterday and—" "Was instantly killed, eh?" "Not instantly. He lived long enough to offer to bet that the other fellow's machine was damaged worse than his."

HOLIDAY BOOKS.

Full supply of Socialist literature at office of Chicago Daily Socialist. Bargains in pamphlets. Choice books for Christmas presents. Marx Capital, new edition, \$2.00; by mail 25 cents extra.

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News and Comment

"Stand pat" Mayor Dunne. Don't let the lawbreakers in the Merchants' Club lead you to side with them and against the unions. The working class is on the way up from slavery and proposes to run everything there is to run.

Dispatches say that Maxim Gorky is to be expelled from Italy because his drama, "Children of the Sun," is stirring up the populace. Before he is expelled working class representatives in Parliament will have a word to say. In Italy, you know, the working class sticks together on election day, and, as a result, it is represented in government.

It is not union schoolteachers, union firemen and union policemen against the state, but unionism against capitalist grafters. Unionism does not intend to destroy the state, but to preserve the state and operate it in the interests of the working class, which is the majority that produces all wealth.

The discussion of county boundaries in the Oklahoma constitutional convention led to blows between Mayor Way, of Haskell, I. T., and C. N. Haskell, Democratic floor leader. Further violence is looked for among the lobbyists and delegates before the question is settled.

Documents seized by French authorities prove the existence of a plot on the part of the Vatican against the French government.

Slippery rails are given as the cause for a collision between a Mt. Lebanon and a Beechwood car in Pittsburg, Pa., in which one man was probably fatally injured and three others sustained serious cuts and bruises. Hand brakes really caused the accident.

Archbishop Ireland, whom Bellamy Storer and his wife sought to have made a cardinal of the Catholic Church, is given the credit for the conversion of Mr. Storer and later her husband from Protestantism to Catholicism.

Despite the denials of the charges of cruelty in the treatment of black natives made by King Leopold, British newspapers maintain their anti-Congo attitude.

Dominic Ronoro, Sharon, Pa., was killed at South Sharon because he failed to comply with a demand to pay \$200 by members of the Black Hand society. He was attacked by two men near his boarding house and his throat cut from ear to ear.

The inheritance tax advocated by President Roosevelt was strongly indorsed in the House of Representatives by Representative Perkins, of New York. Mr. Perkins referred to Miss Gould and Miss Vanderbilt, whose large fortunes proved their ruin by attracting foreign fortune-bunters.

Republicans are casting about for a mayoral candidate. They have a chance of electing their man next spring unless 100,000 voters take the Chicago Daily Socialist before that time.

James B. Forgan, president of the First National Bank of Chicago, who "skinned" Chicago school children in a "fair" trade with the school board, is in Washington to see President Roosevelt about an elastic currency bill. He wants the Congress to give him power to issue money whenever he needs the money. James most always gets what he goes after. If the working class only was selfish and energetic.

Hereafter men shoppers may drop into Marshall Field & Co.'s store and smoke. A special room for this purpose will be provided.

The decree of Gov. Magoon vacating the Cuban congress of 1905 and announcing a future date for a general election has opened the way, La Discussion says, to the consideration of the Cuban problem.

President Roosevelt is an heir to a \$10,000 estate, left him by Mrs. Lulu Grover, a widow, who, after willing her small fortune to the president, took chloroform, and died at her home in New York.

President Roosevelt's message according to the Daily Express, London, is a striking demonstration that the struggle of "nationalism" against anti-nationalism and of state against Socialism is sweeping forward in parallel lines upon the main currents of the national life in England and America.

Chester E. Gillette, who was found guilty on the charge of having murdered his sweetheart, Grace Brown, was condemned to death. He will be taken to Auburn the week beginning Jan. 28 and electrocuted.

The wages of the 4,000 government employes in the Norfolk, Va., navy yard will be increased twenty-four cents a day Jan. 1st. The lowest pay will be \$1.76 a day to common laborers and seamstresses, and the highest, \$5.04, to brick masons.

Mr. Angus Birdsong was found guilty of manslaughter for killing Dr. Thomas Butler, and was recommended to the mercy of the court of Hazelhurst, Miss. The minimum penalty in this state is a fine of \$500.

Joseph S. Kearns has confessed to the Newton, Kas., bank robbery. He says that he has spent \$1,860 taken from the bank. He declares that he was alone on the job.

\$250 WILL SAVE A HUMAN LIFE

Tuberculosis Can Be Cured if Taken at an Early Stage—How It Is Done at Dunning.

By MAY WOOD SIMONS.

"A human life can be saved for two hundred and fifty dollars," said Dr. Theodore Sachs. "Thousands of young men and women die every year of tuberculosis because a paltry two hundred dollars cannot be raised."

"This is less than many Chicago women pay for a single gown," Dr. Sachs continued. "It is a well known fact that if tuberculosis is taken in its first stage it can be cured in the space of six months. Tuberculosis is a social disease produced by the conditions under which men and women work and live. Its cure must be solved."

"The state of Illinois has done absolutely nothing for the prevention or cure of tuberculosis. The county of Cook, the wealthiest county in the state, is doing nothing. The city of Chicago is not even carrying on an investigation of tuberculosis among school children. Some work was done by the school board to look after this until last June. Then the inspectors were not reappointed. Nothing is being done by the board of education now."

Health department officials, when asked about the matter, replied: "With ten inspectors we can not do a great deal toward the inspection of school children and besides tuberculosis does not prevail much among children, anyway."

Dr. Sachs says that out of fifty-one cases of this disease examined, twenty-six were found to occur before the age of 15, and in 840 cases 128 were children of school age.

According to Mrs. Nathan, "Fifty-thousand children, mostly girls, are daily contract tuberculosis in the textile factories of the south."

How It Is Done In Dunning.

At the Dunning hospital there are 160 cases of tuberculosis. Over the door of the institution is written, "Let him who enters here abandon hope."

No treatment is given the patients that would aid a cure. Until recently each patient received one egg a week and one cup of milk a day, while the regular diet is miserable.

They are now giving patients one egg a day and three cups of milk, but only because they have been forced to do this.

There is one resident physician and one interne to care for these 160 patients. The patients are never examined after the first examination made when they enter the institution. There is an entire absence of sympathy on the part of the attendants. The patients are treated like criminals and are required to stand at attention and salute.

The patients at Dunning are working men and women. The positions in the institution are political positions. The main object of the Republican administration of the county is to keep down the cost of the institution. Food and care that would mean life to the inmates costs money.

Dr. Sachs with Dr. Ethan Gray, attend without pay, the twelve patients at Norwood Camp Sanitarium. There each patient is given twelve eggs a day and three quarts of milk. They can be kept here at a cost of \$10 a week and, if taken early, can be cured. They are not merely housed at the least possible cost until they die.

THE NEW PATRIOT

Who is the patriot? He who fights The torch of war from hill to hill? Or he who kindles on the heights The beacon of a world's good will?

Who is the patriot? He who mails A flag to some defiant pole? Or he who follows dangerous trails, And guides a people to its goal?

Who is the patriot? He who sends A boastful challenge o'er the sea? Or he who sows the earth with friends, And reaps world-wide fraternity?

Who is the patriot? It is he Who knows no boundary, race or creed. Whose nation is humanity, Whose countrymen all souls that need.

IN BUSINESS CIRCLES

Dan F. Raum, a prominent attorney of Peoria, Ill., is in jail upon a charge of forgery of \$10,000. He surrendered himself to State's Attorney Scholes, admitting to that official that he obtained the money by using the seal of Knox county and the signatures of officials and residents.

Frank E. Grimes has just paid the state of Kansas \$9,381.25 for an alleged shortage during his term as treasurer.

BANKERS PROFIT THIS YEAR.

Millions Earned by Handling Other People's Money. This has been Chicago's banner year in banking. It is estimated in round figures that the total profits for the year will be something over \$11,000,000. Every individual institution has made a record and the surplus earnings will average more than 100 per cent in excess of dividends.

The biggest individual profits have been made by the banks lending freely in Wall street and conducting important bond departments. The biggest profit earner has been the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank.

Illinois Trust Leads.

Its earnings will be not less than 50 per cent. Its outstanding capital is \$4,500,000. Profits, \$2,250,000. The Corn Exchange National bank has earned substantially 15 per cent, or \$1,300,000.

The Merchants' Loan & Trust will show 30 per cent on its \$3,000,000 capital, or \$900,000. The Continental National will earn 25 per cent on its \$4,900,000 capital, or \$1,225,000.

The State Bank of Chicago will earn 26 per cent, or \$260,000 on its \$1,000,000 capital. The Commercial National will show 22 per cent, or \$440,000 profits.

The First National and First Trust combined earned 30 per cent on the First National's \$8,000,000 capital. The First National itself is understood to have earned 22 per cent, or substantially \$1,760,000.

The First Trust and Savings will show approximately \$630,000 earned.

Surplus is \$29,495,000.

There are forty state banks and sixteen national banks whose business is included in these figures. The state banks on November 12 had a capital of \$20,675,000 and the national banks a capital stock of \$25,350,000, making a total for the fifty-six banks of Chicago of \$46,025,000. It is on this latter sum that the profits of \$11,000,000 will have to be earned. But in addition to capital stock the same banks have a surplus of \$29,495,000, making the capital and surplus employed \$81,520,000.

WHERE TO GO.

The Chicago School of Music will hold its sixth annual historical piano and song recital at 879 Warren avenue, Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The program will open with an address on "The Romantic Period," by Frank Finsterbach. The following accomplished musicians and artists will take part in the program: Patience Pollett, Olga Benson, Ray Greenwald, Frank Finsterbach, Ingrid Peterson, Leo Conlon and Fannie Lamb. There will also be an address by William Cross Lloyd and readings by Annah Finsterbach. There will be no charge for admission.



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TOM MURRAY

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The Daily Socialist has been published a little more than three weeks. By this time its readers know whether they wish it to live. We are going to tell you the exact situation and then leave it to you whether this paper—your paper—shall continue publication.

About three thousand dollars has been expended in paying deficits up to the present time. This includes the money spent during the first two weeks, when nearly ten thousand papers were distributed daily, for which almost nothing was ever received.

It includes all the money expended for preliminary expenses of all sorts—circularizing, setting up mailing list, etc. It includes all the money expended for office equipment, in organizing the business and editorial force, in arranging for correspondents in this country and Europe, and in the thousand and one ways that money must be spent in establishing a new enterprise.

THESE THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS OF DEFICIT IS NOW PAID, AND THE PAPER HAS NO DEBTS NOT COVERED BY OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS. Conservative estimates by non-Socialist newspaper men place the value of the assets (consisting of established circulation, organized force, etc.) obtained for this three thousand dollars, as worth between FIFTEEN AND THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

THE LARGER PORTION OF THIS DEFICIT WILL BE WITHIN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS. Indeed there is every reason to believe that there will be no deficit whatever after the next six weeks. The mayoralty campaign will begin in less than two months, and this, together with the steadily increasing receipts from subscriptions and advertising should put the paper on a paying basis.

Through the holiday season, when subscriptions naturally fall off, and there is no political excitement, there will be a deficit of about FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS PER WEEK. This amount must be raised AT ONCE. There can be no delay if the paper is to continue. We have no surplus upon which to draw, no bank account to meet bills, which must be paid promptly.

THE LIFE OF THIS PAPER DEPENDS UPON RAISING FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS WITHIN THE NEXT SIX WEEKS. One half of this is, however, already pledged, but much of it will not be paid soon enough to be available in this crisis. All who have made such pledges are urged, however, to pay up immediately.

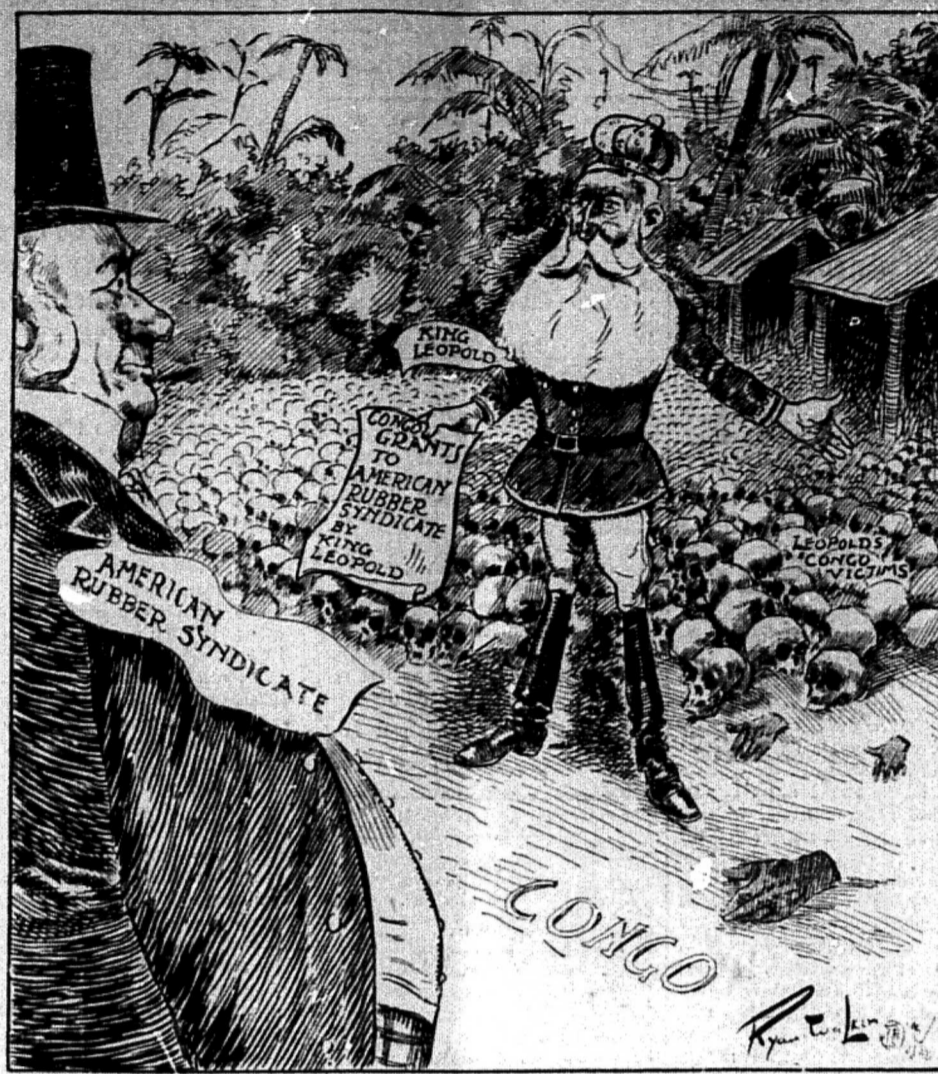
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—EDWIN MARKHAM.



KING LEOPOLD TO AMERICAN SYNDICATE—"IT'S YOUR TURN NOW."

GERMAN SOCIALIST CONGRESS

By ROBERT HUNTER

It is rather startling to one, whose impressions of socialist movements have been confined almost entirely to the United States, to enter into one of the largest and most beautiful halls in the world—a hall seating 10,000 persons—and find it packed to the point of suffocation with delegates, party members, and friends of the Social Democratic Party of Germany.

Inside and outside it was an impressive sight. They were workmen—to a man. And they were of that type of workman which one too rarely sees outside of Germany. They were not pale, anemic and undersized such as one sees in the East End of London, or in the factory districts of Lancashire, nor were they the tense, exhausted workmen that issue from the factories of the United States.

Capitalism Was Ever Brutal

Capitalism never bred "the meek"—they that "shall inherit the earth"; it never bred "the pure of heart"; it never bred "they that shall see God"; it never bred "they that mourn," except as a product, they that "shall be comforted"; it never bred "the merciful"; they that "shall obtain mercy"; it never bred any one "persecuted for righteousness' sake"—they to whom the kingdom of heaven belongs; it never bred "the poor in spirit"—they to whom also the kingdom of heaven is coming.

Capitalism was ever brutal! Read the following, taken from "Anecdotes," Vol. X, of "Modern Eloquence." It will warm your heart up with the fires of indignation: In a train on a railroad which runs into New York, a scene occurred during the Civil War which could never be forgotten by those who witnessed it. A person dressed as a gentleman, speaking to a friend across the car, said, "Well, I hope the war may last six months longer. If it does, I shall have made enough to retire from business. In the last six months I've made a hundred thousand dollars—six months more and I shall have enough."

Inside other things impressed me. I was squeezed so tight amongst the fellows about me that I could not see them and I contented myself with looking across a sea of faces such as I had never seen massed in one place before. Clear and resonant over this sea came the voice of Bebel. A few months ago I saw in New York a convention of American citizens standing on chairs and for twenty minutes waving their hats and arms, as if they had lost completely their senses, in order to show their appreciation of a candidate for office. They were mad-contents, they were in fear lest their liberties should be lost them, and they wanted a Moses to save them; this they thought was he. Here in Mannheim I see an old man talking to his sons. He has seen the movement grow up from his childhood. For nearly half a century he has served it with faithfulness and with power. He has worked his entire life for this thing; yes, more, he has overworked and not seldom has he been vexed, wearied and out of heart. In this service he has grown grey, and furrowed, and great. Today he is the ablest man in the German Reichstag and one of the ablest and most powerful debaters in the world. Every man in this gigantic hall knows his worth, knows his greatness, and loves him; but instead of grovel and hysteria they give him the good round applause of fellowship and affection. It lasts perhaps fifty seconds and then they stop to listen to what he has to say. If what he says were nonsense I think they would let him know, for they have not intoxicated themselves with a frenzied and worked-up emotion. It was admirable. Without hysteria and without the worshipping of heroes or the seeking of a Moses to lead them out of the wilderness this German proletariat is coming to its own. They know their wilderness and they are sure of their own capacity for hewing the paths and bridging the streams out of the miasma of forest and swamp into the warmth and Sunshine of the New Time.—From Advance Proofs of International Socialist Review.

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A Laugh or A Smile

By P. B.

Rather Twisted. "I saw in the paper the other day that President Roosevelt had stored Scorer."

"What's that?" "I mean I saw where the president had stored Scorer—that is, he had stored Scorer—no, hang it, I mean he had Scorer stored—er—it's a fine day, isn't it?"

Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, who has just got back from Europe, says that American dressmakers are the best in the world. Did she quarrel with a cabman in Paris?

A woman who committed suicide in New York willed her pet cats to Roosevelt. Perhaps she thought he would like to throw them at Scorer.

A railroad says it is exceedingly difficult for it to get men to fill its good positions. Has it sent an application blank around to you yet?

If they take a notion to pull off a little revolution in France they will go at it in such an energetic style as to make Russia sit up and rub its eyes.

The Repair Bill. "I can't understand it," says Rubb. "Can't understand what?" asks Dubb. "Why the automobile repair shops don't buy motor cars for everybody who can afford to pay for having the repairs done."

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The increase of profits on the other hand is over ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-THREE PER CENT.

Conspiracies—Capitalist and Labor

Just now the capitalist press of Chicago are shouting about the "criminal conspiracy" of the trades unions as exposed in the Shea case. It is an old trick of capitalism to cry "stop thief" when seeking to escape from its own criminal acts. After having introduced practical promiscuity into the marriage relation, for example, it shrieks that its enemies are trying to "destroy the family." After having reduced men to commodities and wiped out the last vestige of personal initiative in great masses of human beings it accuses its opponents of seeking to "destroy individuality."

Under these circumstances we are justified in suspecting that the cry of "conspiracy" may be simply a disguise under which a plot may be concealed.

For several years the backbone of the union movement in Chicago has been made up of the teamsters and the building trades.

Last summer the teamsters were inveigled into a strike, only to find themselves confronted by the solid forces of the powerful State Street merchants—the same forces that have ruled Chicago's press with a hand of iron until the appearance of this paper. That strike from its beginning to the criminal prosecution was a part of carefully prepared plot.

During that strike there was probably some violence and grafting on the part of the union men. But the graft was PAID by the EMPLOYERS, and a goodly share of the violence was traceable to the hired thugs imported at that time, and WHO HAVE MAINTAINED A REIGN OF CRIME IN THIS CITY EVER SINCE.

During this strike the police were put upon the wagons to act as guides for the scab teamsters—something that will always remain as a black blot on Mayor Dunne's administration.

The story of the arrest and subsequent trial of the alleged union conspirators, with the dramatic "confession" of Al Young is familiar to all our readers.

Now in the midst of the trial the prosecuting attorney announces that it is the purpose of the state to show that any sort of sympathetic strike constitutes a criminal conspiracy. That this is no empty threat is shown by various decisions by minor courts in other states to that effect.

Simultaneously with this statement of the prosecuting attorney comes the announcement that the Employers' Association is preparing for the campaign against the building trades unions next Spring.

Add to this the present fierce crusade that is being carried on against the Teachers' Federation, and we have all the evidence needed of a carefully prepared conspiracy against organized labor.

The response to this attack must be quick, determined and intelligent. The ranks of organized labor throughout the city must prepare for the coming fight.

There need be no fear of the outcome. NO POWER ON EARTH CAN WHIP THE WORKERS EXCEPT THE WORKERS THEMSELVES.

But every weapon will be needed in this fight. If the workers permit themselves to be divided on the economic or the political field their defeat is easy, because they will DEFEAT THEMSELVES.

OLD FRANCES

Out of the door of her basement lodging Old Frances came. For a moment she stood there, under the shadow of the steps that led to the apartments above. And as she stood she took her bare hand from under the folds of her faded shawl, and opened it. On the withered and grimy palm lay a new silver piece—a quarter of a dollar. As she looked her rheumy eyes grew bright, a grin played about her toothless mouth, and the long chin with its sparse beard grew closer to the beak-like nose. After a moment of gloating over the bright thing, she drew her hand again under the worn shawl that covered her head and fell about her shoulders to her waist. Then she climbed laboriously up the snow covered steps that led to the street.

Old Frances had been young once. She had experienced that innocent and slender age that lies between the irresponsible past and the responsible future when one is known as a "mere slip of a girl." But as she climbed unsteadily to the pavement, her back bent her iron-gray hair straying from under the faded shawl over a face scarred and seamed with years of horrible depravity and deprivation, it was beyond mortal power to imagine her to have ever been other than the ugly crone she now was.

Holding her coin tightly in her hand she picked her way painfully along the slippery street. She had been sent upon an errand of life or death. On a cot in the damp basement room a woman lay writhing in mortal agony. Three children unheeding, played upon the floor. They fought, they screamed in anger, they shouted in glee, and they fretted because of the cold. But the pale creature on the cot was conscious only of her pain, and prayed the Mother of Jesus to hasten Old Frances' return with a quieting drug.

At the corner Old Frances stopped. Again she took her hand from the folds of her shawl and looked longingly at the silver piece. The cold was in her bones, and her parched throat thirsted "for a drop." As she turned the corner a gust of wind swept down upon her, cutting through her thin clothing fiercely, and almost throwing her from her feet. Clutching an inviting door handle near by she clung to it, bracing herself against the storm. Then some one flung the door open and dragged her in.

The light, the warmth, the odor, were overpowering.

"Just a drop," she gurgled, to the man at the counter.

An hour later a policeman piloted Old Frances to her basement door. Revived by the cold, she was able to turn the knob and enter. The children huddled together among some rags in a corner were fast asleep. The sick woman was quiet. Old Frances approached her hesitatingly. She was afraid she would start up and curse her. But the sleeper did not awaken. The old woman put out her hand, when a 4-4 gun to trem-

ble as with an ague, and touched the icc-cold face. "Mother of Jesus!" she croaked hoarsely, and sank to the floor, crossing herself.

—Josephine Conger-Kaneko.

High Wages that are Low

Certain corporations are making great parade of the fact that a few of them, because of the general prosperity and increased cost of living, have voluntarily raised the wages of employees.

No opportunity is ever lost for laying emphasis on the fact that American labor is better paid than is the labor of most other countries.

Such assertion is a sort of spread-eagleism that is supposed to hurt nobody and to help the corporations to a more complacent enjoyment of their profits.

But the real truth is that, measured by the value of its product, the labor of this country, instead of being the highest paid, is the lowest paid in the world.

Census reports show that in American manufactures the per capita production is three times the average of European factories, while wages are less than twice as high.

James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern and other railroads, is authority for the assertion that a train gang on his American railroads handles more than seven times as many ton miles of freight as do the train gangs on English, French and German railroads. For this seven times as much result American trainmen receive less than twice as much wages.

Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, in a address the other day, said that one American farm hand produces more rice than 400 Chinamen. Chinese wages are only 10 to 12 cents a day, but if the rice workers of this country got the same rate for results produced their pay would \$44 to \$48 a day—instead of \$1.50.

"Cheap labor" never could produce the marvelous crops and manufactures of this country. Yet, measured by what it does, it is the cheapest labor on the surface of the earth.

And it is utterly false that prices are high because wages are high.

Compared with the prices the consumer pays, wages are lower than in Europe or China.

These hard facts seriously detract from the glory of the spread-eagleism and from the seeming munificence of the wage-increasing corporations.—The Cincinnati Post.

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