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POSTOFFICE THE HARD SWEATSHOP
How the Benevolent Uncle Sam Treats His Nephews in Chicago.

When green men without any knowledge of the work or otherwise worthless, can be put in charge of the pull, while old experienced men remain in the back ground.

SILENT STRIKE IN PROTEST
Federal Officers Violate the National 8-Hour Law and Work Clerks Fifteen Hours a Day—Description From Inside.

A Silent Strike. While no open strike has ever existed in the post office, there has been a silent strike going on for the past two years.

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The officials are forced to accept such material as Hinky Dink is able to supply them with.

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AS CHRISTMAS GETS WITHIN SPEAKING DISTANCE

WALL STREET SENTINELS CALL AT WHITE HOUSE

Spooner and Aldrich Want to Know for Sure Who is to Run Treasury. Washington, Dec. 13.—President Roosevelt told Senator Aldrich and Spooner today that Postmaster General Cortelyou will succeed Secretary Shaw at the head of the treasury department on March 4.

IS ROOSEVELT A MORMON SUPPORTER?

Senator Dubois, of Idaho, Shows Teddy is Opposed to Moyer and Haywood. Washington, Dec. 13.—Senator Dubois of Idaho, in a speech in the senate this afternoon, urging that Reed Smoot be driven from his seat, charged that President Roosevelt had "knowingly and willingly aided the Idaho Mormons in the last state election."

FRENCH PRIESTS DEFY GOVERNMENT

Refuse to Obey Law and Urge Their Followers to Riot Against the State. Paris, Dec. 13.—Great crowds are gathering in the vicinity of the churches this morning, where mass is being said in violation of the law, which requires that the Catholic church should be treated as all other churches have been treated in France for years.

DISARM COLLEGE STUDENTS' ARSENAL

Oxford, Pa., Dec. 13.—South American revolutionists and members of "black hand" societies may be bidders for an arsenal of assorted weapons, which the faculty of Lincoln University wants to dispose of. There have been many fights recently between the two hundred colored students in the institution, and to prevent further trouble an order was issued that any student found carrying weapons would be expelled.

ANOTHER CASE OF LAWYER ETHICS

Donald L. Morrill, Once School Board Attorney, Drew Land Leases He Now Tries to Break. This story shows how the attorney for the school board became the attorney for the holders of school property under leases.

STREET CAR MEN GETTING SELFISH

Demand that Traction Settlement Consider the Men Who Do All the Work. All street car employees in Chicago have united in a demand that any settlement of the traction problem include an eight-hour day and 33 1-3 per cent wage increase for all operatives.

DISSOLVE REICHSTAG; SOCIAL REVOLUTION

Report that Kaiser Billy is to Chastise Parliament Not Credited—Fear of Socialists. Berlin, Dec. 13.—Emperor William's action in authorizing Chancellor Von Bulow to dissolve the Reichstag and order new elections unless parliament votes the supplementary appropriations asked by the government for German Southwest Africa, has developed an acute crisis in the quarrel between the crown and the legislature.

FRAGRANT FLOWERS AND NEW CHAIR FOR BOSS.

Little Girl Workers "Invited" by Foreman, Give Liberally to Fund. When H. B. Franklin reached his non-union cigar factory, 210 Madison street, today, after a trip of three months in Europe, on his desk reposed a bunch of fragrant flowers.

CONGRESS LOOKED AFTER ITS OWN OIL FRIENDS

Joker in Rebate Law May Show Just How Sincere are "Statesmen" in Washington. United States District Attorney Sims uncovered a national scandal in the Standard Oil case, which may be far reaching in its effects.

NO RUM FOR HIM.

Hopeful Heir to Income of \$114 a Minute Presides at Ice-Water Banquet. New York, Dec. 13.—The world today knows John D. Rockefeller, Jr., doesn't drink. He announced it last night at the tenth annual banquet of the Young Men's Bible Class of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church, of which he is leader.

TAILOR DREAMS OF GOLD AND IT ALL COMES TRUE.

Denver Story That May Be Part Fiction, But Johnson Has the Mine. Denver, Colo., Dec. 10.—Harry Johnson, a Swedish tailor of this city, dreamed that he had found a gold mine. He paid no attention. The dream repeated itself in exactly the same manner about six months later.

HEROIC FATHER AND CHILD ARE DROWNED

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 13.—Strapping his four-year old boy upon his back, Charles H. Headrick sought to swim out of a roar flood at McCays, Tenn., but became exhausted and both were drowned.

WATCH THE MGET IT BACK.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 13.—(Special.)—To make up for the 10 per cent increase in wages given to switchmen, the New York Central railroad cut the wages of the machinists in the car shops.

SCABS ASSAULT BRAKEMAN.

Nonunion Workers, Probably on Orders, Make Deadly Assault on Unionist. Toledo, O., Dec. 13.—According to the story of the victim, four strike-breakers, employed at the Pope Motor Car Co., jumped upon Perry France, an Erie brakeman, on Tuesday night, and, after fracturing his skull with a heavy wrench, jumped into a cab and left him unconscious in the street.

MAY RETURN PART OF THE GOODS

New York, Dec. 13.—Reports are current here today that J. P. Morgan is to make New York City a donation in connection with art, which will far surpass any gift the city has received.

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.—Adv.

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SWITCHMAN KILLED; DEFECTIVE BRAKES.

William Mease, 701 Forty-seventh street, a switchman employed by the Chicago Junction company, was killed early to-day as a result of falling under a train at the Forty-seventh street crossing. The man died after removal to the Mercy hospital. Mease regained consciousness after reaching the hospital and begged that his life might be saved so that he might see his Christmas day with his family. A defective safety brake caused the accident.

Rain, Snow and Colder.

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# THE RECORDING ANGEL

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By EDWIN ARNOLD BRENHOLTZ

It was nearly midnight when Chandler said, "That finishes it. I expect. There isn't an easier charge to make than undue influence—unless it be mental incompetence—and both are as difficult to disprove as they are easy to make. Most of us think that we are perfectly sane; nevertheless, most of the things, the nearest of us do look crazy to somebody or other, especially if it hits the somebody somewhere."

But they had not been working on legal documents exclusively. Among other things that were accomplished during the rest that Chandler insisted on Mr. Endy taking at 9 o'clock was a paper which read, "Sequel to the Great Strike Inaugurated at Steelton To-day!"

"At 10 o'clock to-night we learn of an effort to prove the insanity of Robert Endy, Sr., because he has made a will which devotes a large portion of his wealth to the aid of the strikers."

"Charles Arndt, one of the advisory committee that ordered the strike," has been arrested on a trumped-up charge. See "Editorial."

The editorial was likewise prepared at the same time and place (but the editor that was fortunate enough to get this shall never tell his readers of that fact). It read:

**"TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE."**

"We have a word to say, and especially to the rich."

"The time has now arrived when the business methods which were inaugurated by the fathers are being operated by the sons."

"These methods produced much evil, as every man knows, even when operated by men who, because of long and intimate association with the working-men, had still a feeling of brotherhood for the masses."

"This feeling is totally absent in their sons. Reared in luxury, educated at select private schools, with leisure for any and every amusement, they have a feeling of contempt for every man who has not made what they call a 'success' in life—not realizing that under present conditions success is possible for the few only."

"They have lost every sentiment which should mark the difference between an American citizen and a member of the aristocratic classes of Europe. There are few rich men to-day in this country who do not know this to be true of their own sons. Mr. Endy has found it too true of his, to his sorrow; and to-morrow's session of court will see a hale and hearty man, of undoubted sanity, stand before the witness stand to prove that he is able to make a testament that will hold in law."

"Who will be the next rich man to share his fate?"

"The young men who are running business to-day are the ones that are insane, or at least mentally unbalanced. They stop at nothing in their mad effort to excel each other in the piling up of dollars which most of them do not need—forgetting that these dollars are often the price of blood. There are those among the people who suspect that this suit is only a secret method of striking at the workmen, since it is Charles Arndt, a labor leader, who has been imprisoned. The Iron and Steel Company will have a chance to disavow all connection with the matter and we expect them to do so promptly, as the people are deathly tired of any methods—and have said so, time and again."

"This was sent by telegraph to the paper having the largest circulation in the United States, 'The Plutocrat,' and also the 'Clyde Daily Clarion'—a Socialist paper, that, of course, favored the strikers. 'The Plutocrat' was assured that it would be the only paper in the east to get that matter—thus insuring its publication. It was almost 1 o'clock when Mr. Endy and Arthur went to a hotel and secured adjoining rooms with a doorway between; and at least one of them slept soundly the remainder of the night."

Arthur, however, had been up a long time before he called Mr. Endy—8 o'clock; and those who know him, will be surprised that he would have been ready for an emergency at any moment."

When the party assembled in the courtroom they found it crowded to the doors, the space set apart for the bar could not nearly hold the attorneys present, and Arndt looked anxiously at Chandler—fearing that his friend might be disconcerted. But Chandler seemed to be enjoying the best of spirits; and when Mr. Endy caught Arndt's expression he leaned over and said, "Chandler is all right—never you fear for him. I tell you when a man's heart is in his cause the fear of man departs from him."

"Arndt," said Arndt.

But, in the end, the people and the lawyers were cheated out of their expected legal battle, and Chandler lost his chance to make a speech which would certainly have made him famous for all time.

For the magistrate, on calling the case against the prisoner had been withdrawn with the consent of the state's attorney, and that Mr. Arndt was therefore at liberty.

Chandler jumped to his feet and wanted to make a fight on certain legal formalities, in the whole proceeding, and also advised Arndt that he could recover heavy damages from Robert Endy, the informant.

But Arndt said emphatically, "We stop this case right here. Harry! Robert Endy will pay dearly enough for this, if he has not already done so."

"That newspaper work of yours was a masterpiece. I don't think you need regret the loss of that speech—you can get it off some other day anyhow; for this fight has only begun."

Now the fact was that Robert's father had not fully realized the import of what was occurring until he found himself in the courtroom; then the thought flashed across his mind in all its hideous reality that his child, his son Robert, was going to have to stand there before that multitude and appear to doubt the sanity of his old father. So, when the magistrate made his announcement and dismissed Arndt, a great wave of relief and thankfulness swept over him—only to be instantly checked by Chandler's words and advice to Arndt.

It was characteristic of the man that he never gave a sign of what his wishes would be; for he knew that the advice was sound—and also just; but when he heard Arndt's emphatic words he grasped the young man's hand and in a moment transferred his own to the arm of Arndt, and so the two went out of the courtroom arm in arm in the sight of all men.

And as they passed from sight the significance of the act dawned on the assembled people, and then a wave of feel-

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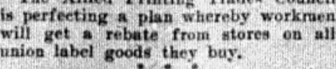
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The Countess of Warwick addressed the Shop Assistants' Union recently at Leeds and told them some plain truths, for which she was applauded. And the plaiser she talked the more they applauded. She made them understand that unionism is a good thing, but Socialism is something better. She said to them that "simple trade unionism only amounted to a continuance of the present system of things." She then called out hearty applause by telling these "berry-fisted sons of toil" that Socialism existed to end the present system. "As things are now, 'a fair day's pay for a fair day's labor' means a continuance of the relation of master and servant. It can't be any other way as long as one man serves another and allows the employer to take a part of his earnings. A fair day's pay is all you earn. The time will vary according to the necessity."

Lead, S. D., Dec. 12.—As labor conditions here have been greatly misrepresented by the press, here are a few facts:

The Homestake mine, owned mainly by Mrs. Hearst, mother of William R. Hearst, is perhaps the most valuable mine in the world. It is valued at \$50,000,000 and yields \$7,500,000 per year. The Homestake company was organized by Senator George Hearst of California, who immediately put in his own pocket more than one-half the stock, which cost him not a dollar.

The balance of the stock was bought by present owners on an average of less than \$6 per share. For the past sixteen years the holders of these 86 shares have received \$650 annually in dividends. In addition to this, a mighty plant costing \$10,000,000 has been built up out of the product of the men who toil in the mines and mills.

With present facilities, it will take fifty years to exhaust the ore now blocked out down to the 900-foot level, and it is known by boring that another like block lies beneath.

### The Men that Dig.

The men whose work has produced all this wealth now ask an eight-hour day. This was granted this week, but the Homestake management was the last to grant the demands of the workers. The men met yesterday, 1,500 strong, at Miners' Union Hall in Lead, and appealed from the local manager to the directors of the company.

It was quite interesting to note the awful fear and consternation of the parasitic class in this community on account of the threatened strike. They all at once "tumbled" to the fact that labor is the whole thing. Of course, they were extremely bitter at the tollers because they objected to long hours in the bowels of the earth at the most laborious toil. The lawyers, preachers and the small tradesmen seemed to realize for the first time that labor produces all wealth and that as soon as labor quits the parasitic class is liable to go hungry.

They resorted to all kinds of intimidation to prevent the strike, and with their usual lack of common sense, the means used have had the exact opposite effect from that designed.

They sent out reports that the militia and the regulars at nearby posts were ordered to hold themselves in readiness to move at an hour's notice. They imagined that these reports would deter the strike.

### Threats of No Avail.

But the miners are not made of that kind of stuff. They belong to the Western Federation of Miners and have been struggling in the rugged school of Moyer and Haywood for the past ten years. They are strongly tinged with Socialism, having cast 1,111 Socialist votes in Lawrence county at the recent election. They realize that all the powers of government will be against them until the working class seizes the functions of government at the ballot box. Every crisis like this is a mighty educator and accentuates the necessity of workers uniting at the polls to seize the powers of government which are now all exercised to rob labor for the enrichment of parasites.

The threat of a strike was enough. The company granted the demands.

### CAUSE AND EFFECT.

Enamored Youth—Your father seems worried about something—to-night.

Sweet Girl—Yes, poor pa has so many business cares.

Little Brother—That isn't it. He's mad because the big dog he bought didn't come.

### A LEADING OSTEOPATH OF St. Louis, Dr. Cresshaw, writes the Girard Cereal Co. as follows:

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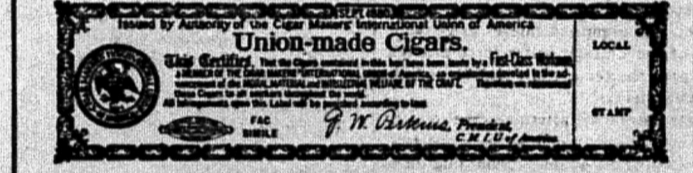
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Say, Comrade: Don't you know that Uncle Sam is RICH ENUF TO GIVE US ALL A FARM? There are tens of millions of acres of good land lying idle, tens of millions more not half tilled, and millions of underpaid, underfed, under educated, shabby clothed, poorly housed wage slaves with their suffering wives and unfortunate children herded in vile city slums, not nearly so comfortable as the farmer's cattle. Their only evident object in life—in fact, the only reason for their being permitted to cumber the ground, offending the eyes and especially the nostrils of the rich—is that they make the Landlord, the Coal Dealer, the Department Store Owner, the Stock Gambler, the Politician and other exploiters rich.

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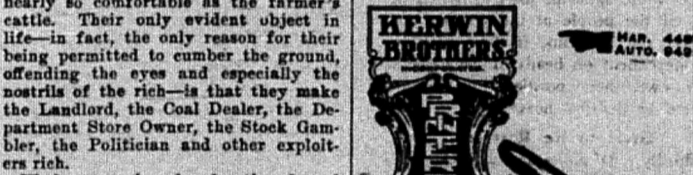
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EMPLOYERS KEEP POLICEMAN-CRIMINAL

Officer Kelly, Witness in Shea Trial, Partner of Lavin and Self-Convicted Acid Thrower.

Former Inspector Lavin kept a confessed thrower of acids; an employe of the notorious Turner Detective Agency, on the police force.

This was brought out in the Shea trial yesterday when Witness Michael Kelly testified that in June, 1906, he told Lavin about having thrown acid during the teamsters' strike.

Lavin is the same man who was recently accused before the police trial board of having arranged for the blowing up of a safe in order that he might first share in the booty, and then getting the reward for "capturing" the men.

Owing to the pressure brought to bear by the "vice trust" of the first ward no action was taken on these charges, although the evidence presented was apparently absolutely conclusive.

The Real Conspiracy.

This one more link is being forged in the chain of the Shea conspiracy entered into by the police, the Employers' Association and the detective and scab bureaus of this city.

It is becoming more and more evident that during all the time that Kelly was acting as a picket for the union and committing his deeds of violence, of which he now boasts, that he was also in the employ of a detective agency, and was being paid by them for this work.

When Kelly was first appointed a policeman he was summarily suspended for "union sympathy." He recanted, however, and now is on the force a confessed criminal.

MASS MEETING OF OFFICERS ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

Exposure of the scheme of corporate, saloon and organized thieves to get control of the Chicago police force through the new charter appeared in these columns yesterday.

Late yesterday afternoon the policemen of Chicago held a mass meeting and adopted resolutions committing them to opposition to the proposal and confirming all the "muck" in The Chicago Daily Socialist.

The resolutions which show how policemen feel below.

Whereas, A proposition has been made to the charter convention that it is advisable to amend the civil service law so as to allow the heads of city departments broader powers in discharging employes who serve under them; and

Whereas, We believe that such a change in the civil service laws would result in nullifying the law, bring about a return to the spoils and graft system and result in building up political machines with the bosses in control;

Preserve Right of Trial. Therefore we respectfully ask the members of the charter convention, the city council and the state legislature to preserve the right of trial for city employes in violation as it now stands, for the following reasons:

That policemen are and have been in the past particular victims of both political bosses and the pull used by the great corporate interests of Chicago.

Here is the Link. Formerly where policemen were witnesses in damage suits against corporations they were summoned before the corporation attorneys and knew that it meant the loss of their jobs to dare to testify to the truth, because the corporations supplied the political campaign funds.

Secondly: That the entire police force would again be used to defeat, the will of the people at the political primaries and elections, if their positions are dependent on heads of departments who owe their positions to officials elected by political bosses.

Graft to Be Restored. Thirdly: If policemen are uncertain from day to day that they will retain their positions there is great danger that the old system under which graft was collected from gamblers, keepers of respectable houses and others was collected by unworthy members of the department will be restored.

Fourthly: The incentive now existing under which every policeman on the force is striving to make a good record that will entitle him to promotion will disappear and be destroyed. Formerly the bargainer or thief "who was a good money-maker" enjoyed the protection of immunity, according to well authenticated reports, and to make such an inroad into the civil service law as is proposed will tend to bring about that disgraceful condition again.

GRAIN GAMBLERS FAIL

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 13.—Cummings Commission Company failed to open its offices for business this morning. The secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, of which Cummings was a member, received this telegram:

"Please announce my suspension." A. J. CUMMINGS.

Cummings could not be found. This company had more offices in the west and northwest and were leased wires than any other commission company this side of Chicago. The company was called a bucket shopping firm in a recent article in a prominent magazine. They did an immense business.

LIBERTY AND ANCIENT STREET CARS FOR WORKERS.

Indiana Avenue Has New Ones—An Investigation of the Service.

Street car transportation facilities in Chicago confessedly are the worst of their kind in the world. The traction companies apparently have come to believe that, with strap hanging, overcrowding and dirty, dingy cars eliminated, the patrons would feel lonesome and only stand and stare and wonder what had happened.

Of all the intolerable conditions under which street car patrons in Chicago have to suffer, the conditions of the lines patronized by workmen and workingwomen of Chicago are such that self-respecting citizens would hesitate to ride on them. The question most often asked by workmen is: "Why is all the worst and most dilapidated junk rolling stock, by courtesy called cars, always placed on the lines traversing the working class districts?"

This should not be very difficult for the traction officials to answer. An investigation made by a reporter for The Daily Socialist today revealed that the oft-probationed query is founded on fact. Nowhere in the city are so many dirty, dingy, uncomfortable and out-of-date cars seen in service as on the lines covering the territory in which workmen live.

On the Elston avenue line, which is patronized by thousands of workmen and women every day, the cars are of the small, old-fashioned type and should have been relegated to the junk pile long ago.

During the "rush" hours, a condition created by the capitalist industrial system, it is a p. tive torture to tired, exhausted men and women to be compelled to ride in these cars.

From one end of the line to the other, it is a continuous pushing, scrambling, jamming, straphanging, toe-stepping, gymnastic performance that these wage earners have to go through before they can reach home for their frugal "supper."

Some of the trailers used in the rush hours simply are a disgrace. Old, rickety horse cars, which were in service years before electricity became a motive power for traction systems. Similar conditions were observed on the Grand avenue line, Milwaukee avenue, Armistage avenue and other thoroughfares in which the Union Traction company operates street cars.

The observations made disclosed the fact that the workmen of Chicago bear the brunt of rotten traction conditions, just as they bear the brunt of every intolerable condition inherent in the capitalist system of which they are the victims.

SECTION HANDS LIVE IN BOX CARS.

Old Workmen Discharged and Foreigners Ignored of Law, Are Mired.

Springfield, Ohio, Dec. 11.—The Panhandle and the Big Four are discharging all of the old section hands and putting Italians in their places. The Panhandle lets these men use the old box cars for living and sleeping apartments, while the Big Four has the Panhandle "skinned a mile."

Instead of using old coaches and box cars they erect something which looks like a cross between "a pig sty and a cowshed," in these the Italians are expected to eat and sleep.

Safety gates have been demanded on certain of the streets but all the demands have been of no avail and so the undertakers, doctors and coroner are kept busy taking care of the victims, maimed or killed on these crossings. Trainers on these roads out of here are forced to work from twenty-four to forty-eight hours without rest.

BREAK LAW TO GET STRIKE BREAKERS.

Employers Advertise for Lithographers in German.

In direct violation of United States law there appeared an advertisement in the "Allgemeiner Anzeiger fuer Buchdruckereien," a paper published in Germany, for lithographers for Buffalo, N. Y. The advertisement offered \$22 a week, the week to be fifty-three hours.

The call for lithographers by the Buffalo concern is not due to the lack of men in this country, but to the fact that the lithographers are on strike for an eight-hour day, and the employers are determined not to grant an eight-hour day, no matter how much their business suffers thereby. They know that if they succeed in breaking this strike they will be the gainers in the end. For such a noble cause, therefore, the law of the United States can be disregarded.

BUTLER REACHES HOME.

New York, Dec. 13.—(Special.)—Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, has returned from his trip to Chicago where he told the people how to run their schools. He is somewhat alarmed over the growth of Socialism in his own institution. And what is more depressing to him is the statements made by some that he himself has fostered interest in social questions by his frequent addresses in which he said that "money alone does not constitute success and that the educated man owes certain duties to the state."

The authorities of the university decline to discuss the growth of Socialism at Columbia, some because they are themselves in sympathy with it and others because they do not know what to say without having received orders from above.

BLACK HILLS MINERS WIN COMPLETE VICTORY

Strong Organization and Determination All that Was Necessary.

Lead, S. D., Dec. 13.—All employes of the Homestake mine, including mill and foundry workers and diggers, have been granted an eight-hour day. This victory was won without a strike, it will effect the entire Black Hills mining district.

All the union diggers had to do was to threaten to strike. Business men are rejoicing that the expected fight is averted.

NATIONAL PLAN TO SAVE JAILED MINERS

Executives of Socialist Party Will Hold Conference for Moyer and Haywood.

National Secretary Barnes of the Socialist party has issued a call for a meeting of the National Executive Committee of the party for next Saturday to decide what action shall be taken in regard to the recent decision of the Supreme court in the Moyer-Haywood case.

A number of suggestions as to the best means of arousing public interest in the abolition of the right of extradition and habeas corpus which this decision implies will be discussed. Among those which are recommended to the consideration of the committee by Secretary Barnes are:

That every Socialist, trade, labor or liberal paper be requested to previously announce and within a certain week issue a special Moyer-Haywood-Pettibone edition containing all the facts obtainable relating to the case.

Call Special Town Meetings.

That town meetings be called for all citizens; that said town meetings request local papers to publish the purpose, intent and scope of the writ of habeas corpus as guaranteed by the constitution of the United States; to the end that the people may know the law and in that knowledge know the conspiracy already enacted.

The nation might be districted and prominent speakers assigned to such territory as could be thoroughly covered within the limit of time allowed.

Labor Jury at the Trial.

The publication and wide distribution of the brief submitted to the United States Supreme court by the attorneys for the defense, the Supreme court's decision and the dissenting opinion of Justice Joseph McKenna should be given a consideration. A suggestion made some time ago when the trial seemed imminent by Comrade Debs that: "A popular jury composed of six or twelve men selected by the labor organizations be authorized to sit in court throughout the trial and render reports thereof to their constituents."

BRITISH LABOR HELPS TRANSVAAL

London, Dec. 12.—Letters patent were issued to-day granting a constitution to the Transvaal. The terms were fully outlined by Mr. Churchill, undersecretary for the colonies, in the House of Commons July 31.

The new Transvaal constitution, as announced in parliament on Aug. 1, provides for a legislative assembly consisting of sixty-nine salaried members elected for a period of five years.

Basis of Representation. Voters, and not population, are taken as a basis of the distribution of seats in the new assembly, and as a result of applying this principle, the Rand gets thirty-four seats, Pretoria six and the rest of the Transvaal twenty-nine. The franchise is given to every male of 21 years of age who has resided in the Transvaal for six months and is not an officer or soldier of the British garrison.

MAY BE BREAD FAMINE.

Jewish Bakers Strike When Union Agreement is Broken by Employers.

A general strike involving all Jewish bakeries on the West Side is expected by the end of this week. Thirty bakers are on strike now and the other 130, who are members of Bakers' Union, Local 237, will probably walk out Saturday to enforce their demands.

The strike of the thirty men was caused by six shops discharging two men each, breaking a contract. The other employes of the six shops protested and the bosses informed them that they will no longer be bound by union agreements and will henceforward run as open shops.

Another grievance of the union which came through this declaration for the open shop is that the employes who operate their shops with strictly union men, selling bread to these six scab shops as struck shops, cannot produce half their normal output.

The striking bakers met the officers of the union this morning and decided that, unless a settlement is reached before the end of the week, a general strike will be called.

FEDERAL JURIST DECIDES A MAN DOES NOT HAVE TO WORK.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 13.—(Special.)—Labor, after all, is not without "friends" among capitalists' judges. Federal Judge A. L. Sanborn of this city is one of such "friends."

While he fully believes that capitalists have the right to crush a strike if they possibly can, he nevertheless finds that even under the capitalist conception of law, workmen can not be denied the right to strike.

This decision was rendered by Judge Sanborn in the famous Milwaukee molders' strike which has been on for the late eight months and in which 1,200 men heroically carry on the struggle for better conditions in spite of the constant injunctions and contempt proceedings brought against them by the "law abiding" employers.

THE LOCAL PHASE.

At a meeting of the Catholic Extension Society held at the official residence of Archbishop Quigley yesterday, resolutions were adopted, denouncing the French government for adopting the American principle of treating the church exactly as all other bodies are treated. The resolutions were cable to the vatican and also sent to all the foreign ambassadors and President Roosevelt.

Visitor—Won't you shake hands, my son? Little Boy—Now! Visitor—Don't you like me? Little Boy—Now! Didn't I have to have me face an' hands washed 'cause you come? Bluffer Bill—Say, Pete, be ye goin' ter hang up yer stockin' to-night? Piper Pete—Now; tain't wet.

RADICALISM IN OKLAHOMA.

Farmers' Union and Other Bodies Get Pledges That Promise Reform.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 13.—(Special.)—The initiative and referendum, with the right to recall, which Socialists are fighting for, will become a reality in the new state of Oklahoma.

Sixty of the delegates to the constitutional convention at Guthrie, signed pledges to the joint legislative board of the Farmers' Union and to other labor bodies affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, which, among other radical measures, provide also for the initiative and referendum with the right to recall.

A few of the other measures which the pledges include are the "blanket primary," covering every office in the state and operated under the Australian ballot law; the state to engage in any industry or enterprise; and employers liability and voiding of any contract wherein the employe has signed away his right to collect damages for injuries.

The pledges also provide for an eight-hour workday in mines and in state, county and municipal work, compulsory education, and free text books.

BIG CAPITAL TO USE POWER ON POLICE.

Organization of Firemen and Law Officers to be Bitterly Fought.

All the forces of the Chicago Employers' association and their name is legion, now are being focused upon the police and fire departments.

It is certain that brutality of police officers will be investigated by the city council, not to protect citizens from ignorant and inexperienced law enforcers, but to have a club ready for any "cooper" that says anything in favor of unionism in the department.

Every union fireman must look to his job for mysterious influences, and all the daily newspapers, excepting this one, are opposed to labor organization in the fire department. This opposition is not based on the fear that unionism would destroy the efficiency of the fire fighters, but because it is a menace to the control of capital.

All efforts to organize policemen and firemen and postal clerks failed for many years, but a new day appears to have dawned and reactionary policies are doomed.

MYSTERY OF MARGARET BURKLE.

What Is the Matter With Judge Carpenter?—Refuses to Talk.

That Judge Carpenter either is incompetent or worse, seems to be apparent the more the disappearance of Margaret Burkle is investigated.

Her betrayer, the man who held her a prisoner in the Hotel Rensu, is a millionaire, and the influence of his money has been seen and felt in the case ever since the raid on the hotels.

The penitentiary seems very near to A. L. Streeter, the guilty person, and he has called to his aid mysterious influences.

Judge Carpenter admits that he paroled the girl to a "cousin," who turned out to be a friend of Streeter.

As the case now stands Streeter is in Canada and cannot be brought here for trial because of a technicality. Miss Burkle has disappeared and her father fears she has been killed to hide the crime and remove a witness.

AN HONEST JUDGE, A JUST JUDGE, A MOSES.

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GATE GAURD GIVES UP HIS LIFE AT POST

James Kennedy, boarding at Fourteenth and Wabash avenue, gateman at Grand Crossing, was fatally injured last night by an east-bound Lake Shore train. The gates were against the Lake Shore train, which had been flagged down, but brakes were not applied quick enough, the train smashing into the gate and catching Kennedy between the gate and the engine. He was taken to St. Luke's hospital, where he died during the night.

A collision between the Lake Shore and Illinois Central narrowly was averted.

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In the boxes 2,000 admiring parents and friends will watch the brilliant spectacle. Some of the costumes are said to be the most pleasing ever designed for any function of similar character in Chicago.

One new feature will be the awarding of prizes to groups of dancers. The culture of working class philosophy has been drawn upon for ideas by many of the groups, and it will take judges well versed in economics, history and literature to get all that will be suggested by the costumes.

List of Prizes.

The list of prizes to be awarded is exceedingly fine. The good fellowship and the well-known hospitality of Socialists will all go to make the evening long to be remembered.

The following cash prizes will go to the winning groups: First prize, men's group, \$20. Second prize, men's group, \$10. First prize, ladies' group, \$5. Second prize, ladies' group, \$5. Best single costume for gentleman, \$25 gold watch. Best single costume for lady, \$25 gold watch.

Besides the prizes mentioned above, there will be sixty others, among which there is a suit of clothes and an overcoat.

The following well-known Socialists will act as judges of costumes: Thomas J. Morgan, William Cross Lloyd, John Collins, Mrs. Charles Erickson and Mrs. Otto Beselack.

The music will be furnished by the Kellogg Military Band and Charles Erickson. Otto Beselack will be in charge of the floor.

Adolph Harrack, chairman of the arrangement committee, is the most sought after and busiest man in the party to-day. He says everything is ready.

Hard On McGregor Folks; They Can't Go to Prairie du Chien.

Prairie du Chien, Wis., Dec. 13.—(Special.)—This city and the country between here and McGregor, Ia., offers an excellent opportunity to a company looking for an opening for a line of airships to carry baggage and passengers.

The Milwaukee & St. Paul road, which has been doing this work for the community until recently, has had no trains running between here and McGregor for over a week. The floating ice of the Mississippi is shaking the antiquated bridge of the railroad across the river.

For years everybody in this city and vicinity was hoping the company would build a new bridge.

The old one will some day topple over with a train. But the company, noted for its love of antiquated articles and modern dollars, kept on putting off the building of a new bridge and repairing the old one until nothing remained of the original bridge except the repairing.

Citizens of this city and of McGregor are now wondering who will come to their assistance and re-establish the broken intercommunication.

GATE GAURD GIVES UP HIS LIFE AT POST

James Kennedy, boarding at Fourteenth and Wabash avenue, gateman at Grand Crossing, was fatally injured last night by an east-bound Lake Shore train. The gates were against the Lake Shore train, which had been flagged down, but brakes were not applied quick enough, the train smashing into the gate and catching Kennedy between the gate and the engine. He was taken to St. Luke's hospital, where he died during the night.

A collision between the Lake Shore and Illinois Central narrowly was averted.

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"This is the sauce age," said Armour as he read some of Sinclair's replies to his articles.

EXPLOITERS OF CHILDREN GET SMALL FINES

Big Capitalists Fighting New Laws for Protection of Little Ones.

Toledo, O., Dec. 13.—Employers of child labor in this city, who were arrested as a result of the investigations of the inspectors of workshops and factories, aided by public school authorities, were arraigned in police court Wednesday and fined by Judge Brough.

Every person arraigned, twenty-six in number, among them representatives of the largest department stores, factories, mills, bowling alleys and groceries, were fined \$20 and costs upon one count, except where more than one representative of a firm was arrested. Where more than one case was presented against a defendant, Judge Brough imposed a fine in one case and disposed of the others by making an entry of "no sentence until further order."

The cases are thus left open so that at any time further violations are discovered the defendants may be taken into court and fined.

Heretofore fines have been imposed and sentences suspended. At the last session of the legislature labor made strenuous efforts to have a new child-labor law enacted.

The National Association of Manufacturers had the legislation pigeon-holed. Non-enforcement of the present law was an interesting topic at the Ohio Federation of Labor convention.

Labor refuses to be consoled for the failure to pass this legislation and is aroused.

The fines were imposed on the "silent partners" as none of the individuals represented by the firm names were arrested.

News and Comment

In discussing the Japanese question in the senate, Senator Rayner of Maryland fact, the president, upon page 29 of his message, anticipates the cradle and makes a recommendation upon the state of the union that tends to place in his hands the establishment of the birth rate of the country. Now if we can only supplement this function by giving him complete jurisdiction over the death rate we will then have a ruler whose ubiquity is uncircumscribed and whose unlimited possibilities are beyond the reach of human contemplation."

The city of Chicago is trying to force the public utility corporations to pay their share of taxes by "arguing" before the state board of equalization. That board can hear "arguments" but not oral or written ones. Col. J. Hamilton Lewis, the city attorney, appears to be a sincere reformer, but he runs against vested interests and big money at every step.

It is not likely that Royal Billy of Germany will dissolve the Reichstag. New elections would give the Socialists a larger representation than at present. It begins to look as if German affairs may shape themselves so that the Kaiser can retire and take a job at Newport, R. I., as a star guest at the parvenues' parties.

Victor Lawson, good man, publisher of the Daily News, has a new "fake" advertisement. It says "Drunkards cured in 24 hours. Any lady can cure the most violent drunkard secretly at home." In the same issue Lawson publishes two or three whiskey advertisements. So between the two he should give his advertisers good service.

The differences between a labor union grafter and many members of the Merchants' Club, is that the worker is ashamed of his crime and the clubman, like Theodore W. Robinson, is so ignorant he thinks he is honest.

Sidney Smith of Cambridge, Mass., has sued to recover 150 acres of land in Chicago. The land is now valued at \$2,500,000.

The most sweeping police order of the many made by Chief Collins, and the largest in number of men promoted and shifted, went into effect to-day.

The women of Chicago have organized a "no seat no fare league" in the hope of forcing the street car companies to provide better service. There will be a special meeting of the league Friday night at Bee's Hall, Center and North Clark streets.

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Why So Silent?

The facts which we are printing on the school question are known in every newspaper office in Chicago. Every newspaper in Chicago knows that the school fund has been looted, school property wasted and stolen, and the schools demoralized that capitalistic greed may be fed.



CAUSE AND EFFECT

READY MADE THIEVES

By JOSEPHINE CONGER KANEKA

Have you ever visited the John Worthy "Reform" school? Have you ever seen the child prisoners there? Youngsters who should be learning the simple laws of a high and noble life at the mother's knee.

Good and Bad Men

Some would criticize us for supporting Shea, because he is said to be a grafter and to have encouraged violence. Others would have us support him because the Team-Owners' Association is composed of tax-dodgers, council-bribers, coal-grafters, etc.

WHICH IS WORSE?

The man who casts aside social distinction and runs a bawdy or gambling house for a profit is looked upon as being contemptible beyond utterance. But the man who runs a department store or factory and underpays his hands, macerates them and crushes them down—exploits child labor, he is a social hero.

living off the poor, and the cheap and petty grafters will be put to work. Pauperism among the rich and poor will merely cease to exist.

MY NEWSPAPER

By KICHI KANEKO

I take along with me my Hugo or Shelley. Each morning when I go to work, and I read it in the car—in the lunch room.

HAL, BABY SOCIALIST

The precocity of children is amazing. Some of them seem to bring from the author of being by the stork route more wisdom than is possessed by grizzled doctors of divinity, who do not seem to have really seen the living God in many years.

A Laugh or A Smile

By P. B.

Wonderful Man. "There goes Screech, the joke writer. He's a wonder." "Fixes up some funny things, does he?" "Oh, not particularly. But in his whole career he has never written a joke about a poor actor counting ties."

Mrs. Fish says the Paris dressmakers are no good. However, this information really doesn't interest the plain common people.

A New York man has invented an automobile which he calls a "helicoptere." Judging from its name it is a shade more deadly than the ordinary motor car.

Mrs. Storer says she created President Roosevelt. She thinks so little of him that it is a marvel she should thus acknowledge her responsibility.

Both sides can quote William McKinley in the Roosevelt-Storer controversy. Being dead, he can't defend himself.

Shaw has come to the rescue of another financial stringency. Is he trying to qualify for a Carnegie hero medal?

Saving His Energy. "Griggsby owes nearly everybody money, but it never seems to worry him." "No, confound him. He leaves that for others to do."

Just in the middle of the Storer scrap the Norwegian storting awards Roosevelt a \$40,000 peace prize.

The eyes of the whole world, including the eyes of Russia, are just now focused in the direction of the promised French revolution.

The senate has held up the nomination of Attorney General Moody made by President Roosevelt. Has the nerve shown by Bellamy Storer given the senate new ambition?

The Language. "I never can understand your peculiar language," says the foreigner upon our shore. "What now?" we ask. "I was told that a certain man went all to pieces while making a speech, and I saw him next day and there wasn't even a finger missing."

Caruso has shaved off his mustache. Next time he visits the monkey house that troubles... policeman won't recognize him.

A wise man once said: "Never write a letter and never destroy one." It applies to people who live in white houses as well as to people who live in brown ones.

France may find out too late that it is a very bad thing to argue about religion. Secretary Shaw says there is a shortage of small bills, and tells the banks how to remedy the matter. Don't you wish he'd tell you?

Quite Right. "Blinker came to me to-day and asked the loan of my automobile." "Ah, that's what you call borrowing trouble, isn't it?"

The latest thing to break the monotony in San Francisco was a hurricane. San Francisco is certainly a bad town for monotony to get along in.

One way for congress to express itself on the spelling reform issue is to appropriate about a million dollars to build a monument to the late Noah Webster.

Somebody has circulated the report that Rockefeller's income is \$60,000,000 a year. Whoever circulated the report is no friend of Rockefeller's.

A recent census bulletin announces that the horse power employed in manufactures in 1905 amounted to 14,464,940 as contrasted with 10,409,625 in 1900. This does not include transportation by railroads, street cars, steamships or other methods; it makes no note of the power used for lighting purposes, or on farms. All these items will considerably more than double the above figures.

It might not have been a big stick that hit Bellamy Storer, but the former ambassador felt dizzy for awhile, anyway.

THE GRIP, SIGN, SYMBOL AND PASSWORD

By SEYMOUR STEDMAN

There are one hundred and seventy-one recognized fraternal societies in America with 91,434 lodges, tents or courts. They have 5,203,255 benefit members and 333,428 social members; the latter are largely those who do not possess the physical qualifications necessary to carry insurance.

The cost of operating fraternal societies amounts to 8 per cent of income as against 19.6 of regular life insurance companies; in other words it costs private enterprise 11.6 per cent more on every dollar's business than it does the co-operative method.

In the near future some fraternal societies will fail. These were organized many years ago and the assessment rate was too low for a growing mortality; in all lines the quick and early failures precede the permanent and more stable form of organization.

These societies, comprising over five million members, have paid out over \$1,189,472,225 in sick, disability and death benefits. They are composed mainly of workingmen, men at the anvil, the plow, in the counting room and engine room. These societies are democratically organized; the members elect all officials either directly or through conventions, fix their terms of office and the amount of their salaries, the same varying from \$1.00 to \$10,000 per year.

These societies are not great corporations organized for profit and for gain, but co-partnerships wherein all have equal rights, equal vote and equal opportunities. They make no contributions to the campaign funds of political parties and do not pay \$50,000 a year salaries or waste eleven to twelve million dollars a year for new business, as was done last year by the Equitable of N. Y. and the New York Life Insurance Co.

These societies are distinctively socialistic in their nature, for they eliminate profits and they are mutual, co-operative and democratic.

The obligation at the altar, the spirit of the ritual and sermons are filled with sentiments and expressions of brotherhood, fraternity, co-operation, concord and mutual help. THINK WHAT WILL HAPPEN when these five million men, realizing what they have done in the field of fraternal insurance, extend their principles to all industries.

You members have assumed the obligations and listened to your invocations of co-operative fraternal insurance with approval, and have taken a great step toward the triumph of Socialism; FOR EXTENDING YOUR THEORY TO ALL INDUSTRIES IS THE PURPOSE OF THE SOCIALIST MOVEMENT.

The Brother of any Fraternity who fails to espouse the cause of Socialism does not grasp either the spirit of his society or its economic basis, or HE HAS NEVER HAD SOCIALISM PRESENTED TO HIM.

What do you want? Sick, disability and death benefits and the social benefits of your brothers' society. Mutual fraternal insurance and co-operative WITHOUT PAYING A PROFIT TO A MASTER. Suppose we should ask you to sell your society to us that we might make money out of your needs, what answer would you make?—You would cry out "Charlatans, we will have none of your interest, profits and robbery."

Why can't you who advocate co-operative insurance be big enough, be great enough, be strong enough and TAKE A WIDE GRIP AND JOIN US IN ESTABLISHING THE FRATERNAL CO-OPERATIVE AND COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF ALL INDUSTRIES, and thereby LET YOUR PRINCIPLES LIVE, GROW, BLOSSOM AND TRIUMPH IN A LODGE AS WIDE AND BROAD AS THE RACE OF WHICH YOU ARE A KINDRED PART?

The Machine

In the ancient times, when neighbor Slew his neighbor for his lord, When the sullen slaves of labor Toiled to glut their master's hoard, In the midst of desolation, called by tyrants, sweet accord.

Suddenly appeared a giant, In full armor all arrayed, On his lip a song defiant, In his hand a battle blade, And he blew a blast of terror, making all the land afraid.

I am come, it rang, unwilling Though the slaves I serve may be; I am come, the law's fulfilling, And I bid you yield to me, I, the great Jehovah's envoy, I am come to set you free.

Slowly then the monster, stalking With a deaf and deathly tread,— As the kestrel swoops when hawking,— Where their humble board was spread, Fearless of a mortal's balking, laid his hand upon their bread.

Up each man springs, bold and eager To resist with tumult rude;— Should a stranger take his meagre Portion of the toiler's food? In the midst of desolation should a giant's strength intrude?

While the women wept, bewailing, With their long dishevelled hair, While their tender hearts were failing, Pouring out unanswered prayer, Grieving for the little children that their nature bade them bear,

When the fallacies that wrangle Overcome themselves and die, Truths shall rise like stars that spangle All the blue-black arcing sky, And the "Thus" of Progress answered slowly all who question—Why?

So the giant's potent glances To the nations point the ways, And to-morrow's light advances With the waning of to-day's, Till the world grows glad and gladder, for the might of yesterday's.

Till the toil of labor dwindles, And the giant's work is done; All the reapers and the spindles By his mailed hand are run;— Till a child shall touch a button for the throttle of the sun.

William J. Roe, in "Unity."

Exit Leopold; Enter Harriman

Exposures of the horrors of the administration of the Congo by King Leopold have for several years been a steady source of supply for magazine articles. Now it is announced that King Leopold is to step out and King Harriman to enter.