

PRESS MIZZLE ORDER ISSUED; BARS PAPERS Ignorant Rural and City Postmasters Given Full Power to Confiscate Publications

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Washington, D. C., June 22.—The order of Postmaster General Meyer under the law passed at the last session of congress has just been issued. This constitutes each postmaster, who is usually a cheap politician, a court with power to exclude from the mails any paper containing an article which in his mind "tends to incite to crime, assassination or murder."

Has Plenty of Power The postmasters are instructed to order all papers which are printed in another language, and which he suspects of being of a character to incite to crime, assassination or murder.

The sinister purpose of this is made apparent from a recent attack which William's Weekly made on Congressman Penrose, the father of press muzzling.

The order issued by the postmaster general quotes the amendment as follows: Section 2283 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: "And the term 'incitement' shall include matter of a character tending to incite to crime, murder or assassination."

Then the order says: In pursuance of section 2283 of the Revised Statutes (Section 47, Postal Laws and Regulations), as thus amended, you are directed to inspect all papers from the mails not only publications and articles of the character heretofore forbidden, but also any matter which in addition all "matter tending to incite to crime, murder or assassination, the dissemination of which is prohibited by section 2283 of the Revised Statutes, as now amended."

When any issue of a publication printed in whole or in part in a language other than English shall be offered for mailing, and which you have reason to believe contains matter that is forbidden by section 2283 of the Revised Statutes, as now amended, you will refuse to file the same, and you will return to the sender a copy of the contents of such publication as much as is necessary to certify to the prohibition of such contents; and, pending the filing of such translation so certified, you will not accept for transmission in the mails any copies of such issue.

Upon the filing of the translation so required, you will carefully examine the same, and if it shall appear from such examination that the same contains matter which is taken contains matter which is obscene or indecent or which tends to incite to crime, or which is otherwise prohibited by section 2283 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, you will promptly return to the sender a copy of the translation, and you will not accept for mailing any copies of such issue.

The postmasters are left very free where they are not in doubt as to the matter, which comes under the proscription of the law, and any man, to carry favor may become a press censor against papers which may criticize the administration or the evils which are inherent in the present industrial system.

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From the Taft Family Album



A FEW RANDOM SELECTIONS, SHOWING THE RISE OF A "GREAT" MAN

TSCHAIKOVSKY IS TO BE TRIED

Father of Russian Revolution Is Charged With Treason

St. Petersburg, June 22.—M. Tschaikovsky, the father of the Russian revolution, must appear before the court martial on a charge of high treason.

When Mme. Tschaikovsky visited her husband in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul it was announced that the examination of M. Tschaikovsky had been completed and that he must stand trial.

Career Dates to 1870 Tschaikovsky's career as a terrorist dates back to 1870. He went to New York in 1896 on a revolutionary mission and while there made a number of inflammatory utterances regarding the czar and his government and conditions in Russia.

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SCHEME HIT BY 500,000 HEAR SUFFRAGETTES

Express Company Objects to Shopkeeper Receiving Gas Bills

The milestone of "big business" is grinding H. Boudevin, who keeps a candy store at 2210 Chicago avenue, in Hyde Park on Sunday as actively as possible.

Police Eject Disturbers The platform provided for by Mrs. Parkins became the center of the trouble, which led to 30 persons being injured. Many others fainted from the heat.

After arriving at Hyde Park the leaders and speakers for the various sections had to fight their way to the platform. There were 500 speakers in all, and these bargained the masses on the rights of women to vote and the necessity of force in parliament to adopt a resolution on the question.

New York, June 22.—Completing a 7,000-mile trip from Slamin, Russia, alone, 8-year-old Leib Alter arrived here on the Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm.

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LABOR TO TRY DEMOCRATS

Federation Put on Record to Go to Denver to Seek Favors

Springfield, Ill., June 22.—Not satisfied with the treatment given organized labor by the Republicans in Chicago, delegates to a special district convention of the Illinois State Federation of Labor in session here yesterday, put the state federation on record as desiring to experiment further with the two political parties controlled by the capitalists.

Mitchell Is Indorsed The federation has indorsed the candidacy of John Mitchell for lieutenant governor of Illinois on the Democratic ticket and pledged itself to vote for him at the primaries on August 3.

Resolution on Taft An attempt was made to pass a resolution declaring against the candidacy of William H. Taft, but the resolution was defeated by a vote of 10 to 8.

Chicago Is Attacked Charles Fieldstack, Chicago, who was elected to the last legislature as a labor unionist, was openly accused on the floor of having betrayed the labor union movement by working against labor reforms favored by Governor Dempsey.

What Jaures Said Speaking a few days after the elections, Jaures said: "Wherever we have failed to advance it has been because of the unprecedented concentration of the enemy. At no time of our history have we had to meet such a close alliance of and such bitter opposition from all non-Socialist parties."

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New York, June 20.—There was not a bit of ice cream left in Sag Harbor last night, and all because of the picnic by Mrs. Russell Sage to the Sag Harbor children in the terrace.

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New York, June 22.—One of the largest fleets that ever has left the port of New York for Europe will go on today, and will steam for Great Britain and the Continent, two of the number taking the southern course to the Mediterranean.

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ARRANGE BETTER TO AID HERMAN BILIEK

Sympathizers of Herman F. Bilek, whose death sentence was stayed recently by Judge Landis to allow an appeal to the federal supreme court, met in the parish house of St. Mary's church yesterday and appointed a committee of ten to arrange for a benefit performance to be given at the International theatre on July 1 and 2 to raise funds to pay the expenses of the appeal.

Former Mayor Edward F. Dunne was appointed chairman of the committee and Francis P. Gleason secretary.

WOMAN GIVEN LONG TERM FOR ENTICING YOUNG GIRLS Miss Jennie Woulton, 21 years old, was today sentenced to the penitentiary for 20 years by Judge Windes for having seduced a 15-year-old girl yesterday morning by Martin Pullman, 2563 West Van Buren street.

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BRYAN IS READY TO GIVE LABOR EXTRA FINE SOP

Statement Denouncing G. O. P. Anti-Injunction Plank Taken as Indication

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The statement, which will appear under the heading "Republicans Deceiving Labor," in the next issue of Bryan's Commoner, is as follows: "The anti-injunction plank of the Republican platform is a transparent fraud. It is possible that the members of the committee were bled by some trust lawyer—that is the only charitable view that can be taken of it. Those who advocated the plank claimed to be doing it as a concession to the wage earners, and yet if one will read the plank he will see that it is in fact an announcement that the Republican party is unalterably opposed to the laboring man's position."

After quoting the Republican plank, Bryan says: "It will be seen that the plank begins with an unnecessary eulogy of the courts. Nobody is opposed to upholding at all times the authority and integrity of the courts. Nobody is objecting to the enforcement of their processes or to their exercise of their powers to protect life, liberty, and property. The plank assumes that somebody is attacking the courts and that the courts are in danger of losing support or of having their powers weakened. There is no attack upon the courts and there is no thought anywhere of interfering with any legitimate function of the court."

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GOMPERS HAS NOTHING TO SAY

Refers Merely to Editorial Written Before G. O. P. Meet

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, still has no official statement to make in regard to the straddle plank of the Republican party.

The executive council adjourned since the last night and many of the members of the council have left town.

He gave out advance sheets of the American Federationist containing an editorial written by him for the July issue of that magazine, which is the official organ of the American Federation of Labor.

Could Extract His Views Though it was written before the national convention of the Republican party convened, President Gompers says one reading of the editorial cannot help but extract from it his views regarding the "compromise" of the Republicans on the plank.

The editorial leads with a few hundred words telling how organized labor was treated by the national legislature last winter. Following that is another few hundred words in praise of Judge Walker for refusing to issue the injunction against the employees of the Chicago Ice and Cold Storage Company.

Gompers, it would seem from the editorial, has given Socialism some serious thought and fears for the safety of capitalism if congress, the courts and the employers do not get busy and give the workers what they want.

From His Editorial Extracts from his editorials follow: "No congress has adjourned. It has turned a deaf ear to labor's appeal for relief from the most tyrannical and intolerable situation in which the workers have been placed in a century. The protest which the great conference of the officers and other representatives of the laborers' and farmers' organizations presented to congress has been ignored, so contemptuously ignored that even those of them who were primarily responsible for the course pursued, themselves were astounded at their own audacity, so brazen was their conduct."

Under the decision of the Supreme court the labor organizations of the country are now regarded as trusts, combinations and conspiracies in restraint of trade. They are subject to the provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law, a law never intended to apply to organizations of men and women who have nothing to sell but their power to labor, and yet these voluntary associations and their members may be subject to suits involving threefold damages, fines to the sum of \$5,000 or imprisonment for one year, or both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

What Labor Asked "Labor asked congress for an amendment to the anti-trust law that shall accord to the toilers the right to organize, to unselfishly protect their personal freedom, the party in power responsible for legislation or its failure, point blank refused to grant the relief desired or any relief at all."

"The abuse of the beneficent writ of injunction was resorted to not only to prevent congress from considering past congresses, but to the consideration of the one just adjourned. Labor did not and does not ask for special privileges, nor, as some maliciously and untruthfully assert, does it ask or expect to become a class of 'OWNERS' and 'wringers'." In labor's bill on injunctions we would re-establish the fundamental principles upon which the equity power of the courts is based.

"Congress, like the courts, was not unwilling to guarantee to the workers academic 'rights' which are of little or no value, but refused the slightest favorable consideration to secure the important rights of the workers, the right of the worker's ownership of himself, these were flagrantly, totally and contemptuously disregarded."

Most Significant Part Then follows the most significant part of his editorial: "The psychological moment has arrived for a change of governmental policy toward the workers."

"None can expect that the toilers will complacently accept the concept that they are a servile class and will submit to treatment at the hands of society less favorable than is accorded to citizens in other walks of life."

"To permit such a condition to be perpetuated would be the inauguration of a servile class—a condition repugnant to the very theory and possible existence of a free people, destructive to human liberty, to republican institutions."

Will Oppose Enemies "Property rights must be maintained, but prior to and far beyond the rights of property must come the rights of man."

"The workers, the liberty-loving public, will stand faithfully by our friends and elect them. They will oppose their enemies and defeat them, whether these applicants for office be candidates for the presidency, congress, or for other offices within the gift of the people."

The workers have pleaded, appealed and besought the powers responsible, but all in vain. Labor will take no fair weather promises as a substitute for performance."

The Unfair List "To take the place of the 'unfair list' which he is enjoined from publishing, the editorial ends thus: "The Supreme court of the District of Columbia has made permanent the injunction against the American Federation of Labor, its officers, its affiliated unions and their members and friends from declaring that the Van Cleave Duck Stove and Range company of St. Louis is on the unfair list of the American Federation of Labor or the publication of that statement in the American Federationist. An appeal will be taken to the court of appeals of the District of Columbia, and if necessary, to the United States Supreme court. The injunction does not compel any one to buy the Van Cleave duck stoves and ranges, nor has any decree been issued compelling any one to buy Lowe's hats."

MACHINISTS NOT REPRIMANDED Union Says Story Published in Chicago Papers is False Members of the machinists' union declare that reports published in the Chicago papers regarding the action taken by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor in regard to the factional differences between the machinists and the elevator

constructors are wrong and ask that a correction be made in the Daily Socialist. Official information as to what the council did cannot be obtained. President Gompers was seen this morning, but he said he could not furnish the information, being very busy engaged otherwise.

C. W. Fry of the Machinists' District Council says that the machinists have been doing no work that properly belongs to the elevator constructors and that the executive council of the American Federation of Labor did not take the action as that reported. He says the elevator constructors did not bring the matter up in the proper form and were told by the council to get it in the right shape for presentation. This, he says, was not done and consequently no official action was taken.

An effort was made to see an official of the elevator constructors' union, but he was not in his office and could not be reached.

Labor Case Postponed The contempt case against John J. Brittain, Charles G. Grassl and George H. Lakey was postponed by Judge Carpenter until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Attorney Levy Mayer, who has fought organized labor long and earnestly in Chicago, is now connected with the case in the interests of the Mears-Slayton Lumber company, to whom an injunction was granted restraining the carpenters from calling strikes against contractors using the products of the lumber company.

SMALL TOWNS IN PANIC'S SWATH

J. H. Maurer, Traveling Socialist, Shows How Villages Are Hit

Reading, Pa., June 22.—James H. Maurer, a Socialist speaker living at Massillon, O., in traveling through the various parts of the state, has written for the socialist here, telling of the disaster the panic has brought down upon the cities through which he traveled. Maurer was once candidate for governor of this state. He says in part: "My first stop was at Middletown, Pa. In this place I found 1,500 idle men, many of them out of work for six months, a large number of others working on short time, with reduced wages. My next stop was Nanty Glo, a mining town in Cambria county."

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In the Coke Regions "April 27 I spoke at Greensburg, found many unemployed, but could not find any person able to give me definite figures as to the number of unemployed. The situation here is in the coke regions. Most every one in this district out of work, if working on short time, the hotel I stayed at has accommodations for 70 people; myself and one regular boarder were its only guests. The actual loss in Kennington, less than 500 idle men. Those at work making nearly full time."

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MRS. LOGAN TELLS WOMEN TO STAY OUT OF POLITICS Mrs. John A. Logan is in Chicago to attend the unveiling of a bronze bust of the late General John A. Logan in Memorial Hall this afternoon. Mrs. Logan urges women to stay out of politics and devote their energies to their homes and to the work of helping those in need of aid.

4,300 Empty Freight Cars "At the Cornway yards, Pennsylvania line, 4,300 empty freight cars lay, and by actual count 400 dead locomotives. This town I am told never experienced a panic before. The Captain of the Pennsylvania delegates at Rochester, who were bound for the Socialist convention at Chicago. The schedule stated that we were aboard an express train."

500 Farmers Wanted "WANTED—500 farmers to take white, intelligent, decent-looking and industrious men to work on farms; all these men are obedient and submissive foreigners, accustomed to all kinds of farm work; wages no object; satisfaction guaranteed; no charges to farmers. Call or write, A. Lasky, 5612 Moravia street, New Castle, Pa. Bell phone 124-L."

40,000 Men Out of Work "In Allegheny county I was told there are 40,000 men out of work. 'May 6 and 7 I spoke at New Castle, Pa. The tin mills, which had been idle for several months, started running again full hands in all orders for meat canning industries. In spite of this good news, I am sorry to say that a great many men are still unemployed. I had an interview with Captain Richard L. Grainger of the American Salva-

tion army, and he informed me that a proposition had been made to him by some of the 'better class' that a horse and wagon would be furnished if he would supply two men, one to drive and the other to give a signal on a bugle. The people of the 'better class' would come out with their scraps and garbage and dump it into the wagon. In this way they hope to feed many of the starving poor. Another party offered the meat of the wealthy families to be boiled and fed to the poor. The people of the 'better class' would be charged to furnish the fuel for the stoves. The sight of able-bodied men begging for food made me sick."

MEAT CUTTERS ARE ACTIVE Begin Campaign to Organize the Shops in the City The meat cutters' union is carrying on an organizing campaign in Chicago and will try to thoroughly organize all shops in the city including those in the department stores.

What Socialists Want The work of the world is done today with wonderfully productive machines. The locomotive does as much each hour as the ox team in a month. The child tending modern looms weaves miles where the hand loom weaver could turn out car loads where the flail thrashed bushels.

Society is divided into two classes by these machines—those who OWN and those who DO NOT OWN them. The OWNERS do not need to work. They may be wards of a court, insane, insane, yet their income flows in, because of the existence of another class that DOES NOTHING.

The non-owners cannot live unless they use the privately owned machines. They cannot even set foot on the earth without using the land of the owners.

For the chance to use the land and machines long enough each day to produce his subsistence, the propertyless worker must agree to keep on producing wealth all day long. The portion of his product which he is allowed to keep is called wages. All of the remainder is kept by the OWNERS as RENT, INTEREST AND PROFITS.

Since the owners perform no necessary function, the Socialists insist that there is no reason why the workers should not appoint the State as their agent to hold the titles to the property which they must use to live. They would then transfer the title from the present idle owners to the working class controlled government.

The present private ownership, the collective ownership to be established, will be INCLUSIVE, not EXCLUSIVE. None will be left out from ownership. ALL WILL BE OWNERS AND ALL WILL BE PRODUCERS AND THE WHOLE PRODUCT WILL GO TO THE PRODUCERS.

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Minneapolis Members Mark T. H. Lucas' 68th Birthday

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Minneapolis, Minn., June 21.—As a remembrance and a show of appreciation for his long, earnest work in the cause of humanity and his many sacrifices, Socialists and friends of Thomas H. Lucas met at his home, 3533 Forty-second avenue south, and presented him with a purse of \$40.

Lucas is 68 years old and for more than 20 years has been identified with the laboring masses in their struggles to free themselves from the galling chains of wage slavery.

Devoted Life to Work One who has followed his movements since Socialism has gained its start will recall incidents which are most pathetic. He has given his services as a speaker practically free of charge and has gone from place to place, paying his own way and sometimes not knowing how he would fare at the next place. "He must be ever received was railroad expenses."

On account of his natural ability he was chosen by the laboring men in the old Peoples' Party of Labor movements to voice their wishes and demands.

He was ever true to the trust that was given him. He served one term in the Minnesota legislature, where he introduced and formulated motions and enactments to favor and aid the wage workers.

He always fought against fusion and compromise and left the movement when the leaders began to advise the combinations be formed with tricksters.

Pioneer of Minnesota When the Socialist movement appeared in this part of the country he took up the work as earnestly as he had worked for the others. He is one of the pioneers of the Socialist movement in Minnesota.

He responded to the modest little gift of remembrance by sincerely thanking the party and asking those present to convey his thanks to all his friends, but asked that all future collection of this kind be given to the cause.

He would care for himself, he said, and go right along speaking for Socialism, free of charge, whenever called upon to do so. He spoke in high terms of approval for the late national convention, and said its principles were the kind that he could defend as he could all candidates who stand true to the platform.

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SMALL BAKER

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DELEGATES GO; LEVEES QUIET

Twenty-Second Street Scene of Lively Times During Gathering

The Twenty-second street red light district last night was deserted save for its tried and true patrons. The influx of cash and patronage which had come with the G. O. P. convention and its message of prosperity had passed.

14 INJURED IN STEAMER BLAST

Philadelphia, Pa., June 22.—Fourteen persons are reported to have been injured in an explosion today on board the German steamship Arcadia, which arrived here yesterday from Hamburg.

100 LOSE LIVES IN OKLAHOMA

Guthrie, Okla., June 22.—As nearly as can be estimated fifty persons have lost their lives in Oklahoma from drowning in the recent flood season, and as many more have been killed by lightning, storms and lightning.

SOCIALIST NEWS

They Like Socialism

Thayer, Ill. Socialists were happy by the local committee on O'Hare's talk Wednesday night. Everybody heard him, and many now have kind words for Socialism. The local is being reorganized as a result.

First Meeting at Virden

Virden, Ill. has just had its first Socialist meeting. Post of Staunton and Sumner of Thayer billed O'Hare to speak. The whole town was out. The public park was filled with the bands, and from which O'Hare spoke, was brilliantly lit through the courtesy of the Electric Light company.

Rhode Island Ticket

The state convention of the Socialist Party of Rhode Island was held in Providence. The ticket was made up as follows: For governor, William H. Johnston; lieutenant governor, James B. Fullinwider; secretary, John P. Fletcher; treasurer, Henry F. Thomas of Providence; international general, Fred Hurst, also of this city.

Over Festive Gathering

Prosperous delegates and visitors used the autos and the lights on duty at the point where the officers of the most notorious resorts are directly under his ken has tales to tell of over festive gatherings and auto parties in which the elite of the ladies of doubtfulness participated.

Union Meetings

Chicago German Workers' and Building Laborers' Local No. 1 will hold general meeting Sunday, July 5, at 10 a. m. in hall at Harrison and Grand streets. Election of officers monthly report and other important business. A. Scherer, secretary.

District Had Great Trade

Hundreds of delegates however were instructed to bring home some household necessities and so were more or less discreet.

Delegates Spend Little Cash

Evidently the delegates and visitors to the Republican convention were paid for, for the hotelkeepers of Chicago complain that the convention was a great loss to them. The receipts were meagre. They say that the delegates and visitors were fewer in number and thinner in pocketbooks, or else were not very anxious to spend money. The same complaint comes from the keepers of all the 6-watons hotels, who complain that the crowd was smaller by 30 per cent than was expected, and consequently the profits were where near what had been counted on.

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What Will the Issue Be

If you were a capitalist political party member out of a job, or with one which you feared might be lost, in time of panic and were starving for an issue to be used as an excuse for getting or keeping that office what would you do?

Echo answers "GOD KNOWS." All the politicians are repeating the echo. They will keep on repeating it until election. The tariff has done duty for many generations in this respect. The first bill ever passed by an American congress was a tariff bill, and it has served as an "issue" ever since.

An attempt has been made to revive the tariff for this campaign, but both the Democratic and Republican parties insist upon getting on the same side, and furthermore, it has at last lost its power to decoy.

All other issues are equally unpromising. That is, all but one and that promises too much.

There is one issue in which every man, woman and child is interested, and which is of most vital interest to that ninety per cent of the population that must support themselves by toil with muscle or mind.

That is the labor issue—the question of who shall produce the wealth of the world and who shall receive the product. This issue has a hundred forms. It is the issue of unemployment, of wages, of hours, of trusts, of trade unionism, but ultimately it is summed up in the question of who shall own the world and enjoy its fruits.

To touch any phase of this question means danger to the capitalist politician and to capitalism itself. YET THEY CANNOT KEEP FROM TOUCHING IT.

Every subject upon which the vast mass of the workers are interested leads directly to it. The issues of today are industrial, and the industrial questions all focus in this one question of ownership of the earth and its products. One portion of the population says these shall be privately owned by a mere handful—La Follette says that ninety per cent of the wealth of this country is owned by men having fortunes of more than half a million dollars each. The others say that the things that are necessary to the life of all shall be owned by all, and that all shall have access to these things when needed for the production of wealth.

One side defends capitalism. The other declares that capitalism has had its day and is giving way to Socialism and that the time is here to speed the parting guest.

CAPITALISM VERSUS SOCIALISM—THAT WILL BE THE ISSUE IN THIS CAMPAIGN, NO MATTER HOW HARD DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN POLITICIANS MAY SEEK TO AVOID SUCH A SITUATION.

There's A Reason

Wisconsin alone of all the states came to the front in the Republican convention for so-called radical measures. Is there a reason? There is.

That reason is not to be found in the awakening conscience of the Wisconsin politicians. They have not gone into the pine forest to meditate on the errors of government and returned with new and wonderful remedies.

Something nearer home has set the wheels of their brain in motion. That something is the large Socialist vote in Wisconsin. The menace of the working class party arouses in the bosoms of the servants of the ruling class an intense desire to be good. The vote in Milwaukee and elsewhere in the state appears to the old party politicians to be the handwriting on the wall. They want to stem the tide while it is still a mountain brook. They are afraid if let alone it will grow to a raging torrent.

Delegates from the other states couldn't feel the same alarm. Socialism to them is only an irritation—not a force as yet that menaces their power. Therefore, the convention very promptly turned down everything from Wisconsin that was "Socialistic."

If Mr. Gompers and his associates could read history any better than the Republican politicians are able to read it there would be a great lesson for them in the actions of the Wisconsin delegates. If they could catch a faint glimmering of the meaning of this radicalism that comes from the north they would be lining themselves up with the working class political party.

However, that party will not wither and die without their aid. It will continue to grow with the development of industrial life and its panics until in other states its votes will be large enough to make the politicians sit up and notice what country they are living in.

A vote in the United States relatively as large as the vote in Wisconsin would be the means of making both the Republican and Democratic parties vie with each other in their race to put radicalism in their platforms. In their efforts to ward off the inevitable we shall see many strange acts on the part of the parties of the ruling class in the next few years.

A Clerical Liar

The "New World" of Chicago, in an editorial full of such foul abuse that if it had appeared in a Socialist publication it would have probably caused the revocation of its mailing privileges takes this concluding shot:

Practically all Socialist leaders, from Karl Marx down, have declared that no man can be a Christian and a Socialist. Bebel says so; so does Vandervelde; so does Paul La Fargue; so does Herron; so does Ernest Untermann; so does the editor of the Chicago Socialist. In the International Socialist Review for August, 1902, A. M. Simons said:

"The waves of Socialism are washing against the walls of the Vatican, and it is doubtful whether the next Pope will remain in the classic land of Papal tradition or move to some more comfortable place. Unless it retires to the poles of the earth, ecclesiastical hierarchy, like all despotisms, will soon be crowded off the earth."

And yet fool-enthusiasts persist in gabbling that they are Socialists and Catholics. Obviously they are liars and the truth cannot be in them.

The editor of the Daily Socialist did not write the quotation referred to, and the editor of the "New World" knew this fact when he wrote his statement, for the matter in which the quotation appears is SIGNED WITH THE NAME OF THE AUTHOR.

Deodorizer. "Jason, the store keeper down at Apple Bend, is selling a lot of patent medicine since he offered his special inducement," said Farmer Jimson after meeting was over. "Do tell!" exclaimed Deacon Elderberry. "Is he cutting the price of the medicine?" "No, by heck; he is offering a package of cloves with each bottle!"—New York Times.

The Bargain. "Father—How do you like your new mamma, Elsie?" "Elsie—Well, I won't complain this time if you will let me choose the next one."—Chicago Blade.

Republican Nominee. B. BERLYN. INJUNCTION. Take All From Toilers.

Restricted by Policyholders. "You'll contribute to the campaign fund, of course?" "Not this year," replied the insurance magnate. "You see, the only money I have at command now is my own."—Philadelphia Ledger.

THE GAY LIFE



NO. 1—SWEET BABY DAYS

There was not much noise made when the Kid was born; firstly, because she arrived in a tenement, where, as the father says, "they don't stand for no noise." The Kid's mother, tired from her life of drudgery and childbirth, shuffled off this mortal coil about the time the Kid was three weeks old. So it fell to the lot of "Dopey" Grace to care for the Kid. "Dopey" was so-called by the other children of the tenement because one day, while selling papers, she was knocked down by an auto, which broke her leg and injured her head. After Dopey got well she would sit for hours staring at the ceiling, forgetting all about the Kid, and the Kid would kick and cry, but to no avail. Sometimes Dopey would "come out of it" long enough to give the Kid a few gills of second-rate milk from the warm bottle which usually stood on the floor, but the formalin which was put in the milk by the kind-hearted milk trust, so it wouldn't spoil, sickened the Kid, and it is safe to say she got the best of the deal when "Dopey" Grace was having one of her "spells."

IS THIS THE MORAL CRISIS?

BY GAYLORD WILSHIRE

(Gaylord Wilshire, editor of Wilshire's Magazine, has the following to say on the industrial crisis in the July number of Wilshire's Magazine.)

The desperate nature of the present industrial situation is properly appreciated neither by the ordinary business man nor yet, I may venture to say, by the many leaders of Socialist thought.

But the present depression seems to resist all attempts of being satisfactorily explained by any of the old-time theories.

Our business men are so baffled and puzzled that they are now trying to bamboozle themselves into believing that there is really no real depression after all, that the whole thing is merely a fragment of the imagination, and that all we have to do to get well is to disperse this preposterous belief in a depression which does not exist. It's the old story of the ostrich with his head in the sand.

That the public refuses belief in any of the old-time causes which were formerly so easily accepted is significant. They say that the country is just as well equipped physically to produce profits today as it was last October, and they see no reason why it doesn't produce them.

They almost refuse to listen to the man who says things will be all right after the election. "Why should we wait six months for the prosperity that we ought to be having right now?"

Anyone who talks about this present period of depression following the course of previous depressions and taking several years for its cure is considered absolutely demented. I don't know what the general public would think of the editor of Wilshire's if they ever heard that he thought that the present period of depression was not only going to last several years, but that he doubted if the present capitalist society could survive it.

However, this is my belief, and it is right here that I not only seem to be at variance with the public generally, but with the Socialist leaders.

As far as I can make out Socialists themselves do not view the present depression with very different eyes from those of the capitalists as far as the time for recovery is concerned.

I know of no one, capitalist or Socialist, except myself, who prophesies that at the end of ten years, barring war or Socialism, that we will be no better off than we are right now. I will endeavor to explain very shortly and succinctly why I make such a prophecy.

Fundamentally the underlying cause of this period of depression, as of all other periods of depression, is the inability of the capitalist system to distribute products because the mass of the people have their means of livelihood so limited by competition that they cannot buy enough of what is produced to prevent the formation of a surplus.

We are constantly building more and better machinery, which turns out an ever-increasing product, yet the wage-earner, the farmer and the smaller business men find that their means of consumption is unchanged. The big capitalist gets practically all the increased product, he alone has the increased means of consumption and he has his limits both in his desire for luxury and, most important, his opportunity for investment.

The trust is the outward and physical sign of our national industrial maturity, just as the beard to the young man of 21 is the sign that he adds no more cubits to his stature. The appearance of the trust foreshadowed collapse, but far more than that, it foreshadowed its fatal nature.

Our previous collapses have been like

the measles to the child, disagreeable but not dangerous. The present breakdown is like the final breakdown of an aged man, for an economic system commences to age soon after it reaches its maturity.

The United States has reached the culmination of its economic growth. We are in the death throes of our capitalist system; we have at last come to the reckoning which all Socialist writers have prophesied, and now that it has arrived we do not recognize the symptoms which confirm us as true prophets.

If we Socialists do not recognize the desperate nature of the present economic crisis, how can we complain about ordinarily intelligent people not recognizing it?

I am not surprised at the European Socialists not having a true conception of the present depression, but I confess that I did look for more clear and definite expressions from our Socialist editors in America. They certainly do not fear going on record.

Wilshire's is not afraid of being on the record of predicting that nothing but a great war coming within the next five years can save the present capitalist system. It's a matter of no particular economic importance as to which nation fights or what they fight about, or who wins. The main thing is that they spend money enough to create demand enough to set the wheels of industry spinning and relieve the world from the menace of bankrupt capitalists and unemployed working-men.

Mr. Taft will have a number of problems to solve that have never before been presented to a president of the United States.

It may be up to him to decide whether America shall employ itself by fighting Japan or by organizing the co-operative commonwealth.—Wilshire's Magazine.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

You and I and the Spirit of Pleasure

A RUSTIC DANCE. BY ERMA VIVIAN JOHNSON.

"Sing hey for the dance! Sing hey for the dance! Sing hey for the dance! Sing hey for the dance! Sing hey for the dance! Sing hey for the dance! Sing hey for the dance! Sing hey for the dance!"

Melodiously the strains fell on our listening ears as we strolled down the country lane toward an old barn, where revelry holds high carnival. Catching the spirit of the air, I gather up my gingham apron, toss back a sun bonnet over my two dangling braids, and the pent-up hilarity of the untutored human manifests itself in fantastic steps, which soon carry me into the midst of a joyous throng of queer-looking lads and lassies.

You might say that we step into a fairy cornfield, for ears of corn and husks rustle from all the rafter. An improvised grandstand to accommodate the fiddlers is an old farm wagon.

In one corner is a huge haystack, down which these large "children" are enjoying the familiar sport of childhood. And the blend of colors would do credit to the multi-shades of a dye factory; hickories, pines, and in fact, all the hideous paraphernalia of every time and level are held in high regard.

A tall, thin weaver of humanity, with a large, half-torn straw hat, a slouch shirt, partly open at the neck, a pair of

overalls, much too short, one strap broken (an overgrown, bare-foot boy of ten, you might call him), is striding awkwardly through the crowd with a corpulent girl in a faded, ragged calico dress—the two so indicative of the prosperous condition of the farm types to be seen laboring on the small farms one comes across in the country. The ridiculousness of the situation has the jarring effect on the late impressions of natural beauty cultivated out of doors in the past few weeks, but the fun is epidemic—though only possible because of the novelty of appearing in an unaccustomed role.

It is all a splendid lesson in the ridiculous which one expresses for certain unfortunate conditions, and a goodly lesson, too, in its innocent expression. To one whose life is the everyday fact of which this scene is only pastime, looking in upon his own reflection with these fantastic stage-settings is the very kernel of discontent.

While standing near a window I noticed a young man with an earnest, honest face, walk timidly to a shaded spot and watch the play through. The excitement of the place brings forth a half-laugh; it fades away and a restless, lonely expression settles there. Now I see him glance half-consciously toward his own homely attire, and, banging his head, shrink away into the dark. The yearning within me to go to him and comfort him is overpowering. If I could find him I think I should try to give him a reason why things are so. The absence of this explanation turns the fun-loving nature into gloom and I begin to study the faces about me.

I want to open my heart to someone.

To my left sits a young boy. I have scarcely noticed him except that he seems very tired from overdoing his vacation. Glancing for a minute toward him I catch his eye studying me.

Perhaps it is one of the mysteries in life why we speak familiarly to some place to do so, but in the wilderness of nature we sometimes forget that life has these unusual restrictions, which in the thoroughfare of compromising conditions are absolutely essential.

The distressing signal of utter despondency is written deeply on this young face. It hurts me. I answer his earnest look with a remark. His attitude is not bold and I feel free in speaking.

"You look tired."

A surprised expression quickly crosses his face and he brightens as he replies: "I am very tired. Utterly worn out from hard study. I came here to rest, but it seems I must keep pace with those about me during my short stay."

The few formal remarks passed bring me to a knowledge of his trend of ideas, his position in life and his adaptability to learn. I succeeded in making him acquainted with my companion and he seems pleased to accept an invitation to our household. Soon we are on our way home, and a day later our new friend calls. His manner is pleasing and we have many rare treats of conversation before he returns to the city. He told us that the comradeship had been the most pleasant socialization of any vacation because it had given him an outlet for discussion and created an incentive toward his mission of usefulness. This one tribute more than repays us for our summer vacation. I wonder if anyone thinks serious argument is ever wanted when leisure prompts one to spend the hours wisely?

BAIT FOR CALIBANS

By Robert Hunter.

I see that the Republican party claims that it has destroyed slavery, preserved the union, restored credit, expanded the national domain, established a sound financial system, developed the industries and resources of the country, etc.

Now that is a pretty large claim, even for the Republican party to make.

In the midst of a sad, widespread, industrial panic it is difficult to believe that credit is restored.

In the midst of a universal financial breakdown it is difficult to believe that we have a sound financial system.

In view of the fact that six millions of people are now unemployed it is difficult to believe that the Republican party is developing the industries of our country.

When the party speaks of expanding the national domain and developing the resources of the country it very deliberately and shamelessly lies.

To answer a claim so unwarranted one needs only to turn to the recent declaration of our President.

A month ago he said before the Governor's Conference in Washington that while we started with landed possessions that seemed illimitable "little land fitted for agriculture now remains."

"We began," he says, "with an unapproached heritage of forests. More than half the timber has gone. We began with coal fields more extensive than those of any other nation; with iron ores regarded as inexhaustible; and many experts now declare that the end of both coal and iron is in sight."

He continues, "The enormous stores of mineral, oil and gas are largely gone. Our natural waterways are not gone, but they have been so injured by neglect and by utter lack of system in dealing with them that there is less navigation on them than there was fifty years ago. In a word, we have THOUGHTLESSLY, and to a large degree UNNECESSARILY, DIMINISHED THE RESOURCES upon which not only our prosperity, but the prosperity of our children must always depend."

That seems to be the truth about the way in which the Republican party has developed the resources of the country.

Now this is a very good sample of the disregard for the truth that distinguishes the recent platform of the Republican party.

That party is evidently convinced that big boasting lies are more acceptable to the people than sad and sober truth.

They are so proud of the achievements of their dear Lincoln that they cannot see the disaster and ruin which they themselves have wrought.

An old friend of Lincoln, and a loyal Republican to this day, Mr. Horace White, expresses himself about the program in the following words:

"It is not good literature, and the first part of it is sheer bombast and self-praise ADDRESSED to the lowest order of intelligence."

Well, that is apparently what they desire to address. As for truth, that is of little consequence, and in any case it rarely interests the lowest order of intelligence.

MAINTAIN EFFECTIVE HELPS

BY TOM S. APGAR

You have observed how difficult it is for a candidate of the common people to be elected to public office. But have you asked yourself why and answered the question to your own satisfaction?

Each class must support its party and its candidates. The most effective way of doing these things is by the spreading of its doctrines, its policy. No party can exist without a policy. The rich hire the work done, and the common people must hire their work done or do it themselves.

Because the rich can pay the larger price, and because under the present profit system the distributed must have the larger price, the press, the pulpit and the platform have become propagandists of the doctrines of the rich. The common people are "outbid," thus losing the influence of these mighty forces.

Then resort must be had to the most primitive method—talking with one's neighbor. In this way is sown the seed of a policy, but in its transmission from man to man this policy necessarily becomes colored with each man's peculiar views, resulting, in time, in confusion.

But, thanks to those heroic souls who gave us our first Socialist newspapers, the particles of our discontent have been collected and have assumed shape and coherency. And in our national convention at Chicago this year these doctrines of better things for all men were turned and ground and re-touched until they became one finished, polished whole—a policy which is now the bright particular star of world-wide politics. For it sheds the light which discloses how the poor shall be saved from the rich and how the rich shall be saved from themselves.

This policy is the Socialist platform. It is the brightest, biggest star that ever hung in the political heavens! It shines over all the world. Working-

men, keep your eyes upon that star. While it shines there is hope for your loved ones—there is hope for you.

To keep this star of hope before your eyes you must work for its candidates. The common people have the votes even if they do not have the money. And if you get your neighbor's eyes upon this star you will have won his vote.

Now, let us be practical ("for we are practical men"). You have seen why our ideas about our needs were confused. You have seen how our press gave these ideas shape and coherency. This press is absolutely indispensable for establishing these ideas in government. Back it as your best friend with every cent you can spare. Get your neighbor to read it even if you must at first pay for his reading. It is the best investment a workman ever made.

The Democratic and Republican candidates will have unlimited wealth behind them and jobs and offices to promise. If this does not damn them in your eyes you do not understand the political rule of compensation.

Respond to the call of your organized forces for money. The rich finance their party—you must do the same, for any party works for its promoters.

Do not hesitate because your means are small. Give what you can spare and know that the mite is acceptable as the million. It is the spirit of the giving that graces the gift. The best way to give is to get subscribers for your papers, and to pay for and send as many papers as you can afford to those who should read them. Let the light shine and you need not fear that the world will not see.

Now work for your press and vote for your candidates—then the star of hope will lead you into the promised land of equal opportunities and you may leave to your children the whole wide world as a heritage.

Unconscious Socialist—Myron

BY E. JEROME BEYER

A statue—just a statue—a marble face, but in that face all the longing that the human race has ever felt.

In the National Gallery at Athens, Greece, is one of the best preserved statues of Myron, the great contemporary of Phidias, who worked in the great "age of Pericles," 450 to 400 B. C.

It is the statue of a Triton, a sea monster, half man and half fish.

The fact that it is a Triton has significance, in that it is about to blow a conch, a huge seashell, heralding the presence of a king—of Poseidon, king of the seas.

Heralding the presence of kings in that age spelled revolt. And Myron has expressed that revolt. But it is the revolt of the artist, of the man who sees the thing as it is, even as gods see it.

In the marble face this most profound of the men who expressed rebellion against existing conditions of his day his written discontent—the great discontent.

Being of the sea, this Triton of Myron's expresses the sea. The longing, the ineffable yearning, the straining after the unattainable, the wash of the waters against the lands, the tragedy of tide, the desperation of the eternal revolt of the waves, the hurrying back of the great accusation of the oceans that the lands have cast upon them their filth and their evil things—these are all expressed in the marble face of the great Triton which Myron bowed from the dead stone of Paros Isle.

Socialism—yes, Socialism at its highest and best expression—the Socialism of which Morris sang, the Socialism based in the heart.

For Myron, in expressing the revolt of the waves against the lands, has expressed that other and greater sea, Humanity. The eternal revolt, the eternal striving after that which is just beyond the eternal thunderings from the water-hewn caverns of revolution—the eternal accusation—what is that but Socialism?

Disciple of Plato, firm believer in the Republic of the New Day, he has hurled the sea of Humanity against the rocks, which cast back nothing but refuse. And all this in one marble face; all this in six countless eyes; all this in a mere little marble statue of a sea monster.

The conch shell, heralding the king, is but half raised, for the sea monster has heard the call of the sea. This even as the worker of today lifts not his hand to sound the trumpet of capitalism, the worker, too, has heard the sound of Humanity, of the great accusation calling.

How long will the refuse be cast back upon the waters of human society? How long shall men be dogs that the bones shall be flung to them? This is the question that Myron's Triton forces home even to the most unthinking.

There is a replica of this Triton in the Chicago Art Gallery; if you are a Socialist go and look at it. Let it speak to you. If you are not a Socialist a thousand times more should you go and look at it. It has a message for you which you cannot fail to read.