

STUTTGART IN FORWARD STEP

Heslach Socialist Branch Starts Play Ground for the Young

BY F. B. ASKEW (Special European Correspondent) Stuttgart, June 27.—One of the Socialist branch organizations in Stuttgart—the Heslach branch—has taken a step which is, so far as I know, without a precedent in the party, certainly in Germany. It bought a piece of land in the woods near Stuttgart to serve as a playground, especially for the younger members. The land consists partly of wood and partly of orchard. On the latter has been erected a big open shed, largely by members of the organization itself. The fact that the carpenters were on strike at the time enabled many of them to place their services at the disposal of the organization, and trees were cut down and the building made. There is also a special building for refreshments.

Members Buy Up Spaces

The price of the construction amounts to 4,000 marks (\$620) and the costs to about \$200 more, and this has been in part met by the issue of shares to the members, partly, however, by a mortgage from a brewer. The latter certainly the least part of the transaction. It has, however, owing to the satisfactory manner in which members took up shares, been possible to reduce materially the share to be paid by the brewer, and also consequently to render the members of the branch more independent in making terms with them and not so dependent on the sale of beer.

Members Are Congratulated

Hildebrand congratulated the members of the Heslach branch on what they had done in showing that they had recognized the importance to the proletariat of employing to the full even under existing conditions, of such opportunities as they might have of improving their health and getting good air into their lungs.

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4.—Traveling party secretaryship in Germany, paper by H. Mollenhuth, a member of the executive committee of the Socialist party.
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6.—Registry of out-of-work.
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A Step Backward

In regard to May day, he defended the agreement which was arrived at between the officials of the party and the trade unions, and which, outside of the ranks of the party, had been the official elements in the movement has found little favor in the mass of the proletariat—in fact, it has been generally condemned as a step backward.

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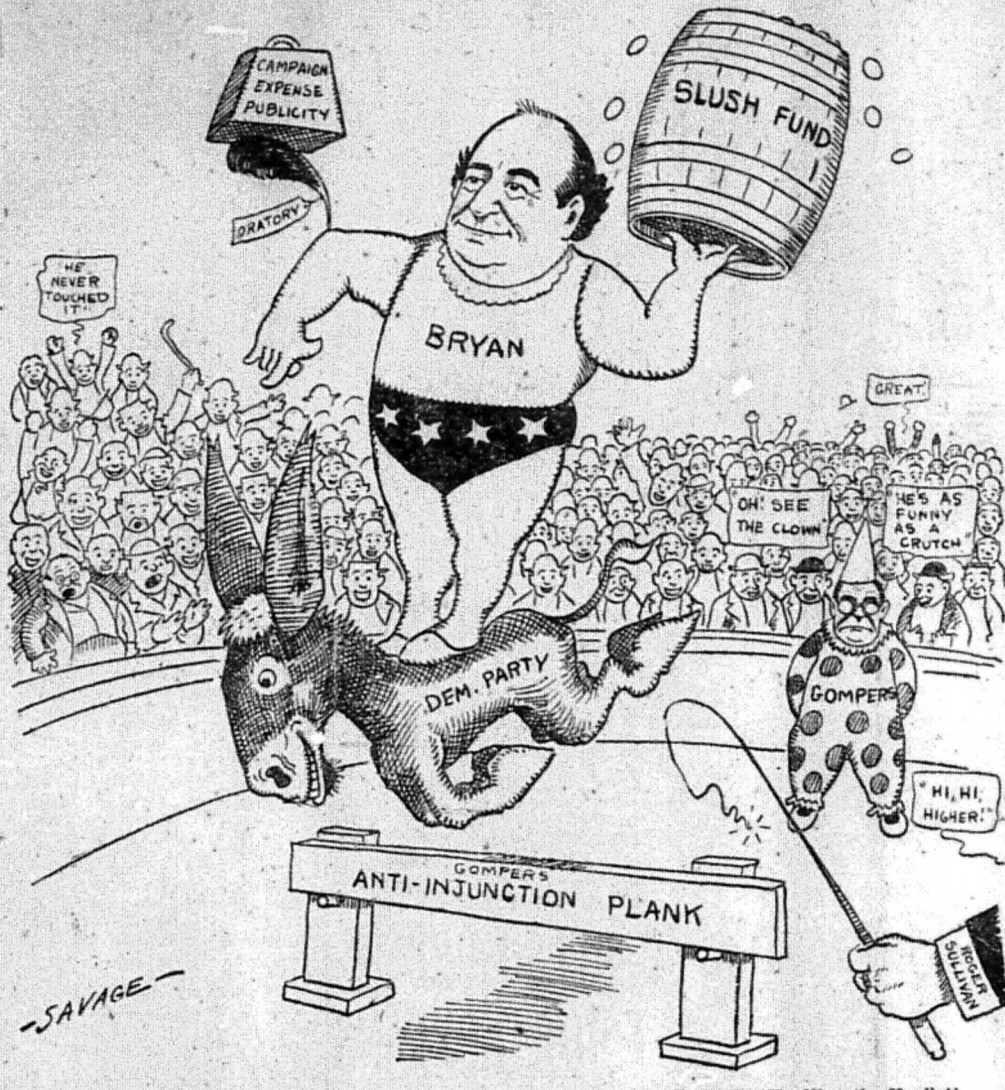
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WALKER SENDS IN WITHDRAWAL

Official Accedes to Demands of Socialists and Leaves Party

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Danville, Ill., July 8.—John H. Walker, president of the United Mine Workers of Illinois, is no longer enrolled as a member of the Socialist party. He has sent in his letter of withdrawal to Local Danville, defending his actions in behalf of John Mitchell, to whom he offered his support in the Democratic ticket. He also regretted that the laws of the party are such that he could not legally take the step he did, and declares that he is still a Socialist at heart.

Ask for Week's Time

Walker then asked for a week in which to prepare his letter of withdrawal, and it was granted. Members of the local heartily praise Walker's manly actions in facing the question squarely and openly, and regret that he looks at the matter as he does. There is absolutely no ill feeling against him, however, by any member of the local.

May Apply Again

If I change my views on the question of the laws of the party, I am changed so that I may follow my ideas as to the tactics and still hold my membership. I shall immediately apply for readmission.

AGED COUPLE TOUR COUNTY IN WAGON DRAWN BY OXEN

Olean, N. Y., July 8.—Traffic in the main street of this city was blocked thirty-five minutes tonight by between 3,000 and 4,000 men, women, and children, who gathered around an ox drawn emigrant wagon, 193 years old, in which a man and woman aged 80 years have begun to tour Cattaraugus county.

SAYS LOW BORN MUST NOT RISE

Draper Thinks Children of Poor Should Stay in Own Class

New York, July 8.—Andrew S. Draper, state commissioner of education, started the 600 new members of the New York university summer school by practically advocating, in an opening address, that American school children should not be taught to rise out of the "class" in which they are born.

Teachers Are Indignant

Some of the students—they are nearly all teachers—were indignant on hearing these remarks, and denounced them as un-American. Commissioner Draper made them in an address appealing for more industrial education in the public schools.

MOTHER, 19, IS 'SLAVE' VICTIM

A tiny baby battled and struggled feebly for its life at the county hospital yesterday.

New York Has Platform

The New York delegation offered a tentative platform which it hoped would take the place of that drafted under Bryan's direction. The principal declaration of that platform is the curtailment of the national executive power as it was exercised by Roosevelt.

Refuge for Stray Cats

The Anti-Cruelty society has opened its new refuge for small animals at 1256 Indiana avenue. The idea is to furnish a place to which stray dogs and cats may be taken and where, unless claimed by their owners or homes can be found for them, they can be painlessly destroyed.

BRYAN RIDES ROUGH SHOD OVER COL. GUFFEY ON FIRST DAY OF CONVENTION; GOMPERS PRESENTS HIS PET DEMANDS

Squelch Pennsylvania Contrary to All Rules of Parliamentary Law—Real Fight Is on Platform to Be Presented to Gathering on Thursday

Denver, Colo., July 8.—An unfortunate incident marked the very opening of the Democratic national convention here. After the speech by Temporary Chairman Theodore A. Bell the formation of the standing committee was taken up and Guffey of Pennsylvania was literally crushed, contrary to all parliamentary law. When that state sent up its list of standing committees the Kerr faction, as well as that which was controlled by Guffey, who had a clear majority of the delegation, sent a list.

Kentuckian Starts Things

Bell was puzzled and Ollie James of Kentucky, a Bryan man, saw a chance to gain favor with the peerless one by tramping on Guffey. He moved that the Pennsylvania matter be referred to the committee on credentials. This was in spite of the fact that the delegation had been spated by the national committee.

Refused at Hospital

Arriving at the corner they were told that the man had been taken to the Aspin wall near the heart, but left the house. About 10 o'clock a neighbor went to the Nerica home and notified the family that an unconscious man had been found on the corner of Broadway and Garfield streets. The mother and daughter rushed to the corner, almost certain that it was Nerica.

Ask Woman Suffrage

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PREACHER GIVES UP PARISH TO LECTURE FOR SOCIALISM

San Francisco, Cal., July 8.—Because he believes that the church is unable to keep pace with the evolution going on about it, Rev. E. C. Smoot of the Second Unitarian church in this city, has left the pulpit and will take to the lecture platform. He predicts the final extinguishment of the church.

Police Neglect Kills Socialist

The police report that John Nerica, 292 Biagal street, died from imagination or auto-suggestion, has proved to be false. The man died from treatment on the part of police officials is the charge now made by relatives and friends of the dead man. The story told by Biagal and daughter of Nerica, if true, places the police in a bad light. Charges may be filed today against the men guilty of the careless treatment of Nerica, who was a Socialist.

Developments Show Nerica Did Not Die From "Auto-Suggestion"

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The Gompers Program

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To Prohibit Injunction

"We pledge ourselves to the enactment of a law to prohibit the issuance of injunctions in cases arising out of labor disputes, when such injunctions would not apply when no labor disputes existed; and that in no case shall an injunction be issued when there exists a remedy by the ordinary process of law; and which act shall provide that in the procedure of the punishment of contempt of court the party cited for contempt shall when the actual presence of the court be entitled to a trial by jury."

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Gompers Presents the Same Program to the Democratic Platform Committee That He Presented to Republicans—Morrissey Has Stronger Plank.

Denver, Colo., July 8.—The identical demands which Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, presented to the Republican convention in Chicago were laid before the Democratic resolutions committee last night. Gompers talked for over an hour. He demanded that injunctions shall not be issued in labor disputes. He was listened to patiently. At 11:30 p. m. a subcommittee was appointed, and went to executive session to see what Gompers will really get from the convention. Theodore Bell stated that Bryan will not insist on an anti-injunction plank as radical as that which was part of the state platform of Nebraska.

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OFFERS LIEN ON BODY TO KEEP FROM STARVING: Washington, D. C., July 8.—John Barrett of Middletown, Conn., offers his body as collateral for a loan of \$50.

HEAT KILLS 21 IN NEW YORK

After Breathless Night the City Begins New Day of Death

New York, July 8.—After a breathless, sweltering night, during which many of New York's millions tossed on sleepless couches or lay in parks or on fire escapes or even in the open streets, the sun came up this morning with promise of even greater discomfort to rest.

Four Died in Philadelphia

Philadelphia, Pa., July 7.—Four deaths and more than fifty prostrations occurred in this city from heat between noon yesterday and 10 o'clock this morning.

Two Deaths in Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Pa., July 7.—The heat wave here was broken by rains during the night, two deaths and a number of prostrations were reported early today.

The Chicago Daily Socialist wishes to announce that its book department will be open for business on Sundays hereafter between the hours of 9 and 5.

THE HUSTLERS' COLUMN

By H. G. Creel

Dear Hustlers—I have just returned to my desk for a few hours and cannot refrain from having a short talk with you. I have not yet fully recovered, but expect to be on track with flying colors in a week.

When I looked over the report of what you had done for the past week I was surprised—just as surprised as you'll be when you read this: Income has again reached low-water mark! It is lower today than yesterday. You're surprised at this because you thought that things were humming—just as I thought. Had you not believed this every one of you would have been working hard. But you imagined that some one else a thousand miles away was carrying the burden—and YOU lagged.

You read, as I did, that the Hustlers as a body were doing well. That was true at the time. And at that time you accordingly slowed up. But conditions have changed and NOW YOU'RE NEEDED. Prove that you're worthy the cause you represent. Respond to the Daily's call for action as quickly and as universally as you obeyed the voice within you which said: "Ease up a while."

Remember you can MAKE a dollar on every two dollars' worth of sub. cards ordered between now and July 15. Don't let the middle of the month find you having to renew your own subscription at the three dollar a year rate. Start the subs. as you were doing just a week ago. They're waiting for you. SO IS THE DAILY!

There are still several dollars out on the "repeat pledges." If you are one of those who promised to come to the assistance of your paper regularly, and have not kept up the payments, now is a time when they are badly needed. Here are those who came in since the last publication.

W. E. Johnson, San Pedro, Cal., \$1.00. Chas. Barclay, Newport News, Va., \$1.00. C. J. Frohman, 239 Ogden St., Va., \$1.00. Geo. W. Poland, Parsons, Kan., \$1.00. James Boyd, Riverside, Cal., \$1.00. Wilson E. McDermut, Chicago, Ill., \$1.00.

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I hate the college chum who says "I hope some day he'll rue it!" That I should rue it on ten a day, I'd like to see him do it.

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Now watch California. F. J. Wildanger of 21k Grove sends \$150 for cards, sub. cards, and leads. All the heavy fighting news is in no time by the seat.

It came in along with a bunch of six from W. Paterson, Rock Springs, Wyo., \$4 worth of sub. from Lou A. Shain, Santa Cruz, Cal. The way the West does things is good to see.

Have you sent your campaign contribution for "Press and Party" yet? G. Greenwood put in \$2 for the campaign fund and also for the buttons to label the sinners as fast as he catches them.

CHILDREN WHO PICK COTTON ARE NOW GOING TO SCHOOL: (Special to the Daily Socialist.) Bokoshe, Okla., July 8.—School is now open in the cotton districts.

Where To Go: All members and friends of the Christian Socialist Fellowship are urged to attend the supper and social at the Fourth of July at the Washington park, near Fifty-fifth street entrance.

UNION MEETINGS: Woodworkers' Council will meet Wednesday, July 8, at 151 East Washington street.

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The Rising Wave

Just one story comes from every city, town, village and hamlet concerning the political outlook. That is the story of the rising tide of Socialism.

Socialists themselves are scarcely aware of the opportunity that is before them. We are now reaping the results of years of silent, steady work.

These faithful workers in the cause of Labor have been blacklisted and driven to the ends of the earth. This has forced them to become traveling organizers and agitators.

So the seed of intelligent revolt has been scattered far and wide. Many times the soil appeared to be rocky. Often the thorns of capitalist falsehood and deceit have appeared to choke it out.

Thousands who have scoffed at prophecies of a COMING panic will head a PRESENT one.

The tide of Socialist thought has been beating from a thousand unthought of directions. A host of immigrants, brought to this country in the hope of adding profits to capitalism, have brought with them the movement that will destroy the profit system.

From England comes now a mass of literature that needs no translation, that tells of the progress of the workers of that country toward freedom. The impulse of the new movement presses into every form of literature.

It crowds its way into the very councils of capitalist politics and writes their doom upon the walls of their meeting places.

If in some way each one of the hundreds of thousands of isolated Socialists who is working away in his own locality could be made to realize how, just at this moment, he is joining hands with a great multitude that is moving on to victory, he would redouble his efforts.

The tide of Socialism is rising. IT WILL RISE JUST AS HIGH AS THE SOCIALISTS WILL MAKE IT.

No limits can be set to the possibilities of the coming months, save that set by the weakness or inactivity of Socialists themselves.

This editorial will be read by enough persons to bring about a Socialist victory if each did all he could from now until November.

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METROPOLITAN REFLECTIONS - PATRIOTISM

BY W. B. NICKERSON.

Out on the west side, in a school named after the illustrious anti-slavery agitator, Harriet Beecher Stowe, and before a graduation class and an audience of some five hundred people, was lately delivered an address, that because it is illustrative of the attitude of the exploiting class at this time should not go without comment from those who heard it.

There are passages in that book referring to other than black slaves that are as applicable at this day as they were then. The war of the rebellion did not free the white slave nor did it alter the mental attitude of the exploiting class toward the wage worker.

As a wolf of the timber or as a tiger of the jungle would give voice and in a strict the cube to go forth and slay, and detour, so did this lawyer speak, voicing the vetted brutality of the exploiting class.

Like the wolf or the tiger, he voiced what to his understanding seemed logically good, sound advice, drawn equally by inference from experience like that of the heart of prey, from personal experience. And as the wolf's advice to the cub would be well intended, so was the effort of this lawyer well meant for the cub man.

But it was the voice of the jungle as against that of He who said: Do unto others as you would that He should do unto you.

He exhorted the public schools and the teachers, laying especial stress on the bounty of a beneficent ruling class, who were given to infer, conferred, out of the goodness of their hearts and their love of freedom and the flag, these brawny boys upon us.

He commended us, who had been able to keep our children in school up to the point of their graduation, and he had pity for those who had been unable to do so, and further he entreated that for the child's sake they should be allowed to go still further with the educational program.

This was all very well, of course; but still more educat'ed. Was it to lighten the burden of those less fortunate? Was it to throw the light of a great truth over the dark ways of the jungle? Ah, no. It was that they might win entrance into the gentler professions and so escape the lower stratum of the man who does useful work—that is, the boy, and man who are less fortunate than this other one.

This was to be the aim of the education of these children—that they might thereby win the softer jobs. To this speaker there were now here and coming an army of "foreigners" of whom he stood in deadly fear; he saw in them a terrible competing force, against whom he warned the boys about to go out into the business life.

Yet more sharp and wolfish must they be than their father had been before them or the "foreigner" would get them. Foreigner, I believe, was an unfortunate term to apply to wage slaves in this instance, for I doubt if there were any but people of foreign birth in that sentence, with one or two exceptions and accepting the children. Back in New England, thirty years ago, I used to hear some such sentiments expressed about "foreigners," but I did not expect to hear this in Chicago.

The speaker dwelt upon the fiercer competition of wage-workers against wage-workers and spoke of the hopeless lot of that one who was deficient in education, but to him it was an accepted condition, if deplorable, still normal, not abnormal, and not to be remedied. And over all waved the glorious flag of a great and free people, and the boys were exhorted to cherish the flag and defend it to the last drop of their blood.

Through the discourse this man was "class conscious" with the class consciousness of the exploiting class, and it is this class that has the education of our children in their own hands. If the child is not antagonistic to the system, well and good; but if you or the child antagonize the system—bullies for you.

Don't mistake the facts. The training of these children by the exploiting class with this elaborate effort to arouse within them an exaggerated patriotism is not an accident. It is design—brutal and bloody minded. I myself heard a man who was a superintendent of schools in Cincinnati, and who had a son in the militia, say to a friend that the boy would be needed one day to shoot Socialists, and this man was a Bavarian and his father had been a Socialist.

It is all in the point of view. But your point of view is not theirs and you have nothing to gain by adherence through inertia to such a system and you have freedom for yourself and your children to gain by taking the schools over into your own hands. The time for action is here and now.

CONTENTMENT

BY ELLIS O. JONES.

We are told that contentment is riches. That is to say, contentment for the poor is riches for the rich. Contentment for the rich might also be riches for the poor, but as there has never been enough contentment among the rich to make even the beginning of a statistical table Mr. Carroll D. Wright has been unable to prove this latter proposition. Nor will anyone else be able to prove it in view of that other truth about the poor being always rich.

Contentment, being riches, is a wholly redundant commodity to those who already possess riches. But, to the poor, contentment is a thing of great value, and when found, is appreciated. Accordingly the poor, being thoroughly contented with contentment, the rich are thoroughly contented to take their rest.

This is the greatest danger to society, that the rich will become so contented at the contentment of the poor that they will allow some of the rest of their riches to slip through their fingers, and thus, by producing an over-production of contentment among the poor, cause them to become discontented.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

An Appeal to Women

BY MIRA TUPPER MAYNARD

Every working woman in the land should be a Socialist. Every wife of a working man should be a Socialist. Every woman who has not become so hardened by class prejudice that she has lost her instincts as one of the other sex should be a Socialist.

There are nearly two million child laborers in this nation. At least half of these are at work in factories and mines where bodies and minds are hopelessly stunted. All of them are missing the joy and freedom of childhood and the education that should be theirs.

There are millions of overworked mothers—mothers who are robbing unborn children of strength, living children of care and homes of a mother's presence and attention because bitter necessity compels long hours of heavy toil away from home.

There are millions of hungry children in our schools, children who carry the gnawing ache of an empty stomach all the day long, scarcely knowing what it is to eat until satisfied.

There are unemployed men, always one million of them, in times of panic many millions of them. This "army of the unemployed" is a standing army without which the present system of industry could not exist.

Of those who are employed few, if any, can be sure that they will keep their places. There is dependence for a chance to work everywhere and in security always for the hired masses.

Moreover, among those who work there is poverty. The average wage in the United States, counting in the comparatively high wages of well-organized trades, is only \$1.30 a year. The Socialist party is a party which faces these facts all the time and proposes to change completely the conditions which breed such facts.

It is a party which does not have to be petitioned to promise to grant some meager favor to labor. It is the party of the working class first, last and all the time. It is a world-wide party, which everywhere stands for the workers and for their families.

Read the platform of this party in America. Read the last part first. Every demand there is for the welfare of all the people, but bear special reference to the workers' needs.

Every one of these demands could be put into operation at once, and when they were—

Every man and woman would be sure of a chance to work.

Every worker would be paid a living wage.

There would be no child labor.

There would be no hungry children. Wives would not have to work outside their homes unless they chose.

THE CATKINS

If every pussy willow were a kitten soft and gray, When snowflakes fell upon their fur, What would those pussies say? Each tiny paw, despairingly, Would clutch the slender bough, And every little kit would cry, "Meow! Meow! Meow!"

But when the sunshine came again, And April days grew warm, I'm sure that all the pussies then Would quite forget the storm, And stretch out all along the stem To dry their silken fur. While every single one of them Would purr and purr and purr.

And if the children, full of glee At pets of such a kind, Ran toward the pussy-willow tree, What do you think they'd find? Why, every pussy from her place Would spring to share the play, And through the fields a merry race Would run and run and run.

Mary A. Thompson, in Children's Magazine.

For Home Dressmakers

LADIES' BACK APRON. Paris Pattern No. 1624. All Sizes Allowed.

A splendid all-over apron, which thoroughly protects the dress, is here portrayed. It may be developed to advantage in plain or striped gingham, chambray, linen or duck. The model is made with a high neck finished with a turn-down collar, edged with embroidery, or cut in square Dutch outline, according to taste.

A patch pocket ornaments each side of the front, and the full length sleeves are gathered into cuffs of the material. The pattern is in 4 sizes—32, 36, 40 and 44 inches, bust measure. For 36 bust the apron requires 7/8 yards of material 27 inches wide, or 8/8 yards 36 inches wide; 1 1/4 yards of edging to trim.

Price of pattern, 10 cents.

All orders for patterns shown in this column should be sent to the Chicago Daily Socialist. Remember these patterns are strictly the product of our own labor. Catalogue showing 1,000 Paris patterns sent on receipt of 15 cents to cover postage.

Woman's League

The Woman's Socialist League met last Thursday, 2:30 p. m. at 26 Van Buren street, room 312, will be devoted to hearing reports from the speakers at the suffrage meetings held Tuesday evening. Women interested in the suffrage movement will find much to interest them in these reports.

In view of the fact that our superintendent of Socialist Sunday schools recommends a course of study of social evolution determined by economic conditions, we wish to urge every woman to take advantage of the course of lessons now in progress at the League, with Lida Parce Robinson as leader.

THE MEN ARE HYPOTICIZED SO THAT THEY

IS IT TO BE A CAESAR?

By Robert Hunter.

We have had muckrakers exposing the political corruption of big business.

We have had investigating committees revealing the frenzied finance of big business.

We have had scientists exposing the adulteration of food by big business.

We have had stockholders' committees probing the affairs of big business to find their own agents looting the treasuries.

We have had electoral reform committees revealing big business paying the bills of infamous electoral crooks.

We have had governmental commissions printing volumes on mining disasters, railway wrecks—the murder of men, women and children for the profit of big business.

We have had tenement house commissions, child labor commissions, poor law commissions, unemployed commissions, all exposing the thousand cesspools that lie under the structure of big business.

Of all muck none is the equal of that muck which exists within the embrace of big business.

Yet all past exposures are nothing compared with those made during the recent Conference of Governors at the White House.

James J. Hill spoke of it as "a directors' meeting of the great political and economic corporation known as the United States of America, the stockholders of which are the eighty-seven millions of people."

Our lachrymose Jim then proceeded to tell us that OUR common heritage was being plundered. OUR forests turned into gold, OUR coal exhausted, OUR iron and other ores ripped from their beds, and OUR country generally pillaged and devastated.

He did not mention for whose profit.

But he warned us with tears in his eyes, to take thought for the future, when this country may be like a ruined city, sacked and abandoned by thieving invaders.

He tells us the time WILL come when some of the hungry, destitute, and half-crazed "stockholders" may rise in revolt. He fears then that either civilization or liberty will perish, and that some Caesar or Napoleon MUST seize the reins of government with a strong hand or the republic will be FEARFULLY PLUNDERED AND LAID WASTE.

This is what Jim said. He said it before the President who is supposed to represent the stockholders. He said it before John Mitchell who was supposed to represent the stockholders. And they applauded Jim!

Now just consider one moment. One of the most powerful men in this country tells us that our country is being plundered and laid waste NOW by the few. He tells us that this robbery is producing millions of destitute, half-crazed people. And then he adds that "when the present-day spoliation is complete there may be a terrible, bloody revolution."

When that time comes, Mr. Hill says, the few robbers will need some Caesar or Napoleon to protect them from the enraged people.

I am not surprised that Mr. Hill and his friends should be looking forward to a Caesar or Napoleon, but it does surprise one that Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Bryan and Mr. Mitchell should have listened to his words without protest.

Mr. Hill represents the few who plunder. We had supposed that Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Bryan and Mr. Mitchell represented the many who had been plundered.

Yet to these representatives of ours Mr. Hill says substantially: "This old Democracy, which has enabled us to steal everything in sight, should be relegated to the past. We need now a Caesar or a Napoleon to protect us from those whom we have robbed."

Victor Grayson and "Intellectual Guidance" by Charles Lapworth. I was very much interested in Sam Hobson's message from England concerning Victor Grayson, M. P. I am an English Socialist and know Grayson very well. I worked with him in the Cobden Valley through his brilliant election campaign, and all that Hobson says about him I can heartily endorse. He is undoubtedly the most popular orator in the British Socialist movement to date, and as far as his ability on the platform goes, he is the only man I have seen to really kindle an interest in the bored and blasé British newspaper reporters, which is saying some. His presence in the American campaign would be as a refreshing breeze.

But, knowing Grayson as I do, I am anxious that Americans should not get a wrong impression from Hobson's brief statement of what Grayson said to be "the greatest need of the present time from the Socialist point of view in the house of commons." Grayson is reported in one unkind phrase to have said that labor representatives need greater intellectual guidance, and I can readily see that Americans this may be taken as a sweeping condemnation of the present labor representatives in the house. Among these men are Keir Hardie, George Barnes, Pete Curran and there are others who have proven leaders in the best sense of the appellation.

At present the leader in the house happens to be a pure but not very simple trade union leader, but I do not cast the slightest reflection upon the abilities of the men I have mentioned. That is why I should be sorry if American Socialists, many of whom know of the years of great service rendered by Hardie, Barnes and Curran, and who do not know much about the brief political career of Victor Grayson, concluded that because he is only 25 years of age he is also precocious and inclined to "teach his grandmother."

I am not apologizing for Grayson. If the Americans have the great good luck to form his acquaintance they will know he needs no apology. But I have never known Grayson to make the mistake to which many Socialists are prone, of continually harping upon the "intellectual" string. And because, with thousands of other British Socialists, he desires the presence in the house of Shaw, Graham and others of the "intellectuals," it does not say that Grayson has not learned the first lesson in Socialist politics—that there can be no Socialism without a working class foundation.

I am an impatient even as Hobson is known to be of "mere labor" politics, and I know that there are those in the labor party who are but dead weight—indeed, whenever was there a party without its deadheads?—but I venture the opinion that we shall arrive at a strong out-and-out Socialist party in England all the sooner because some of the Socialists, with wonderful foresight, chose to work and convert INSIDE the ranks of the trade union movement rather than outside. Perhaps the American labor movement would not now be so very far behind if the Socialists had done the same.

At the same time, there is undoubtedly room for an independent Socialist group in the house of commons. Grayson is independent of the labor party, although he has a working arrangement with them in the house, and his maintenance is provided by the Socialist Independent Labor party. His victory was the first for clear-cut, unqualified Socialism, and it had a remarkable effect upon British politics.

He is a much greater power in his independent position than if he were a mere time labor member, and the addition of Shaw, Graham, Hobson and a few others of the "brilliant" would be of great service to Socialism as free lances, or as forming a Socialist group, but they have neither the experience nor the genius of some of the present leaders for guiding the British labor party with all its peculiarities.

Bat 'Em on the Eye J. EDWARD MORGAN

Maybe 'tain't the proper esper, You may jar his memorandum If you bat him on the eye!

But it's now my pet idee, If ver on the soap box skoutin' And you hear a skinner bray When you're in the clouds a-soarin' 'Bout the comin' judgment day, Never waste yer breath explainin' How well'll fix him by and by— Take a shorter cut to reach him, Go and bat him on the eye!

Makes no difference where you're aimin' Plurce will say you're in the dark, And they'll rubber round a-scootin' That they fail to see your mark. When they come to catchise you Never stop 'em arguin' They will catch your aim much quicker If you bat 'em on the eye!

If you git to arguementin' With a wise, two-legged mule, We'll bat 'em outin' according to taste. That he's learned to say by rule, And you can't git at his thinker With a crowbar for a pry.

GRAMMATICALLY SPEAKING HIS PART

He—Can you explain to me the difference between "shall" and "will"? For example, if I say, "Will you marry me?" should you reply, "I shall," or "I will"? She—(Cautiously)—I should reply, "I won't."—Home Herald.

"What part am I to take?" said Chung-lee. "You are to be the heroine's father," replied the stage manager. "What does he do?" "He dies ten years before the curtain rises on the first act."—The Pall-Mall.