

UNION CARPENTERS DENOUNCE HEARST

Convention Instructs Delegates to Ask A. F. of L. to Help Those Locked Out of Homestake Mine

Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 1.—William Randolph Hearst, "friend of organized labor," until he had built up a big circulation for his daily papers in various parts of the country, came in for another condemnation from trade unionism in the United States when Local No. 1449 of Lead City, S. D., presented strong resolution before the convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners denouncing the action of the Homestake Mining company, in locking out all of the men in the mines affiliated with any union.

Tells Lead Facts

When the delegates from South Dakota had told the delegates how the men employed in the Hearst mine had been treated and how they were still locked out and in dire straits, the convention took action by concurring in the resolution which asks "that our delegates to the American Federation of Labor convention present the cause of the locked out men in South Dakota before said convention and solicit the aid and assistance of the American Federation of Labor in the cause of our brothers, who are maintaining the struggle against oppression and greed."

Resolution Is Defeated

A lively and lengthy discussion was provoked when a resolution, signed by about fifty delegates, was presented to the convention demanding the suspension from duty of all organizers until after the election of general officers. The resolution was defeated on a roll call by a vote of 234 against 122. The committee on constitution has concluded its report.

Provide for Defense

A strong defense was advocated by all the delegates who spoke on several resolutions submitted by local unions 51 and 476 of New York and if the resolutions are carried by referendum the general officers will hereafter be in a position to provide slivers of war for all the members of the United Brotherhood. Yesterday Frank Trick, president of the State Federation of Iowa, was given the opportunity to plead for the union clergymen and their fight against prison-made and Chinese-made cigars. The convention went on record as endorsing woman suffrage and in favor of a lively campaign for an employers' liability law. The Socialistic resolution presented the other day was voted down in opposition to a strong minority.

Rule on Agreements

Hereafter the general office will not sign any agreement with employers except in accordance with the provisions of the by-laws of the respective districts and the constitution.

Chicago local union No. 1748 presented a resolution demanding that the American Federation of Labor carry out the mandate and decisions of the Toronto convention in reference to the Amalgamated Wood Workers. The resolution was unanimously sustained. The New York resolution in reference to the erection of metal trimmers was also carried. The committee on label was yet to be heard from late last night and is expected to wind up the work of the convention. Chicago delegates are so busy that many of the delegates have disappeared for their home towns.

PIED-MEN FLY IN FLOCKS—INAUGURATE AVIATION WEEK

Aviators gathered at the Hawthorne race track early today making preparations for the initial test flights of Chicago's aviation week, during which a dozen daring aeroplane pilots will qualify for the great Chicago-New York cross country race for a purse of \$25,000, the crowning event of the meeting. Other aviators were expected at the field with their machines before noon.

PARIS VIEWS NEW EXHIBITS—FEAR FAD FOR MUNICH ART

Paris, Oct. 1.—The autumn salon opened in the Grand Palais today and will continue until Nov. 3. One of the features of the exhibits is the decorative art display by Munich artists. So much space has been given to this exhibit that French decorative painters are afraid that it will start a fad in favor of the Munich painters.

KELLY WANTS TITLE

Hugo Kelly, the Italian middleweight, who has been out of the ring since his fight with Eddie McGearty at Milwaukee, is back after game and wants Stanley Ketcher's title.

UNION GOES SOLID FOR SOCIALISM

EDITOR CHICAGO DAILY SOCIALIST, 186 Washington Street, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir: At our meeting last Tuesday night the question as to whether we should form our own party or join the Socialist party came up, and, after a short debate, we voted unanimously to join the Socialist party. Knowing that the credit is all due to your paper, which took up our fight two years ago when our men were out on strike, as none of the capitalist papers could find space enough to even mention our strike after we won, our members were all pleased with the work your paper did for us. So that one of our Republican members moved that we donate \$5 to the Daily Socialist, to which a Democratic member made an amendment that we also subscribe for the paper, and after receiving the Daily for about two years it completely turned our four hundred members from both parties to the Socialist as our vote last Tuesday shows. I sincerely hope that the four hundred new Socialists will all read the Daily Socialist so as to know how their party is getting along. Very truly yours,

BEN HAULINGER, Member of Egg Inspectors' Union.

PEST IN ITALY STILL RISING

(United Press Cable.) Rome, Oct. 1.—The cholera of Italy for the past 24 hours shows an increase in the spread of the disease. Twenty new cases have been reported while six of the older ones have proved fatal. News of two deaths from cholera at Constantinople has caused the fear that the plague is getting a serious hold there, and as a result a large number of suspects from the infected district at Constantinople are being held in quarantine at Dordrecht.

16 DEAD, 16 HURT, 20 MISSING IN TIMES FIRE; GAS EXPLOSION CAUSE

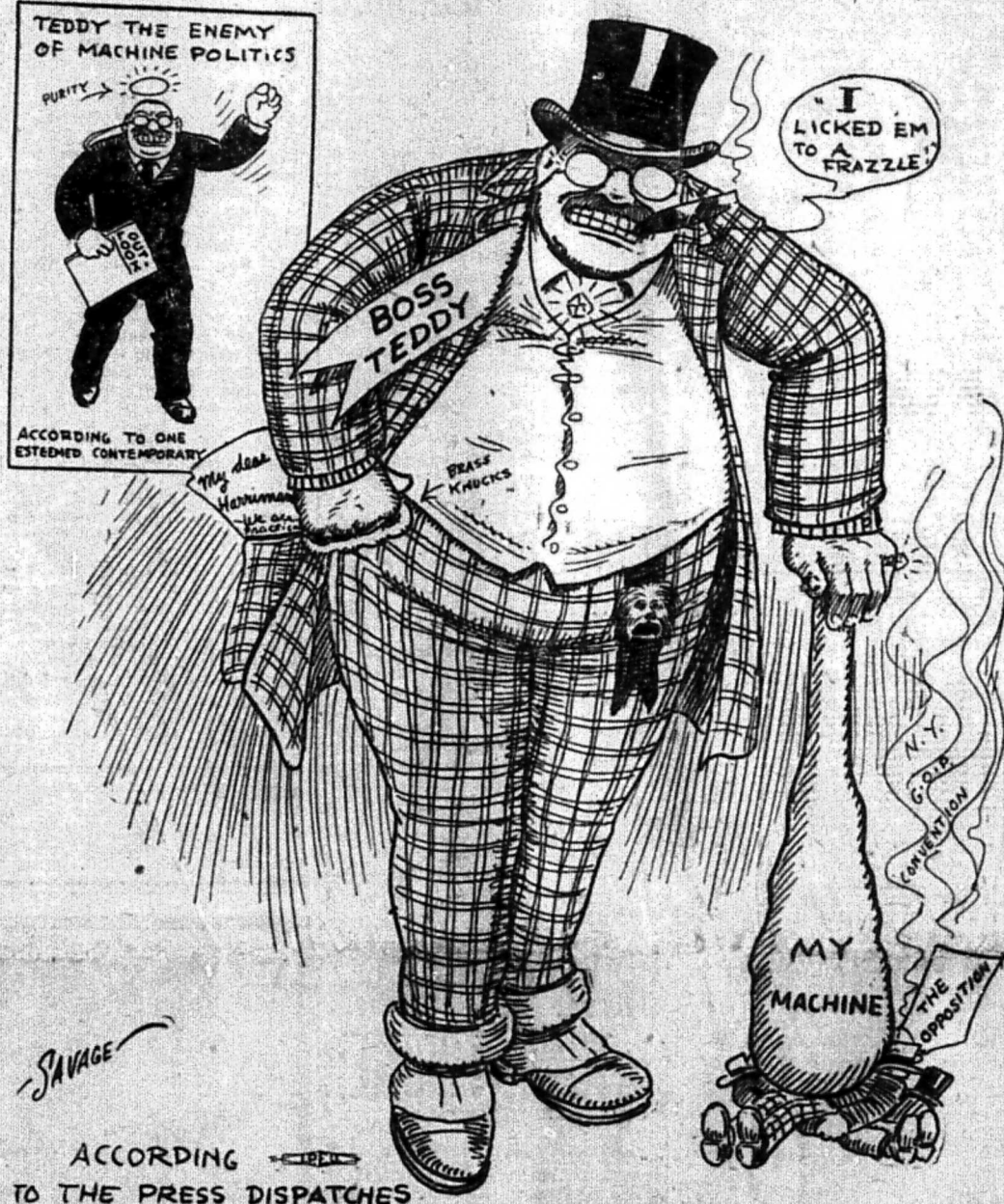
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SAVAGE ACCORDING TO THE PRESS DISPATCHES

TEDDY SEEMS TO BE A PRETTY ABLE MACHINIST HIMSELF



Employees Who Left Building Just Before Disaster Say Gas Was Leaking All Night

THIS GIVES LIE TO LABOR HATERS

Before Blast Is Probed Los Angeles Publisher Charges Unions With Horrible Crime

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 1.—Sixteen are known to be dead, an equal number are injured and twenty are missing following the fire which partially destroyed the Los Angeles Times building early this morning. The property loss is fixed at \$500,000, and Harrison Gray Otis, an inveterate union hater, is making capital out of the explosion which preceded the fire. He blames the labor unions. While employees of the plant smelled escaping gas for hours, Otis says a bomb caused the fire.

Labor Men Resent Charge

As a result, and before there was the slightest proof that the disturbance was anything other than a pure accident, enemies of union labor voiced the suggestion that the disaster was attributable to the labor trouble. Union officials indignantly denied this and will probably demand an early and searching investigation to prevent capital being made of the accident. They say that the investigation will prove that the disaster was due to carelessness and lack of safety device precautions.

The Times building is located in the heart of the business section of the city and is owned by General Harrison Gray Otis. It is one of the largest non-union papers in the country and for years has been the scene of bitter warfare between General Otis and friends of union labor.

Few in Building

Owing to the fact that the explosion did not occur until after the paper had been gotten out today, the death toll was much less than if it had happened a few hours earlier. At an early hour today it was stated that only a "dog watch" of two men was in the editorial department at the time of the explosion, and that all of the dead were thought to have been among the mailing and mechanical force.

The Times has for years been run as an open shop. Recently union labor forces have been engaged in a life and death struggle in Los Angeles with the merchants who favor the open shop system.

Man's employees had just left the building when the explosion occurred, and say that gas had been leaking somewhere in the building all evening, and that the smell of gas pervaded the whole structure. This has led the police to believe that gas caused the explosion.

Seek to Blame Labor

Harry A. Andrews, managing editor of the Times, gave out the following statement: "The Times building was destroyed by dynamite this morning by the enemies of industrial freedom. The Times itself cannot be destroyed. It will soon be issued from its auxiliary plant and will fight its battles to the last. The horror of the loss of life and maiming of men precludes a further statement at this hour."

The following list of injured and missing was given out by the Times:

- Injured—Loveless, Charles E., coast editor; hip broken, internally injured and burned; jumped from third floor. Elder, Harvey P., assistant city editor; jumped from third floor; severe burns, right leg broken and internally injured; will die. Ross, Randolph, linotype operator, severely injured; jumped from second floor. Crabhill, S. W., composing room foreman; severely bruised.

MISSING

- Howard, John, printer. Llewellyn, Fred, linotype operator. Johnson, Don E., linotype operator. Prink, Elmer, linotype operator. Moore, Grant, machinist. Gallier, J. C., linotype operator. Tunstall, W. G., linotype operator. Casson, Edward, printer. Cares, Eugene, linotype operator. Jordan, Ernest, linotype operator. Crane, Harry L., assistant telegraph editor. Underwood, Frank, printer. Sawyer, R. L., telegrapher. Beaver, J. Wesley, stenographer. Culliver, Charles, compositor. Salseda, Carl, linotype operator.

Had Emergency Plant

The property loss is estimated at upwards of half a million dollars, but the publication of the Times will not be suspended. The management it developed today, had for many months kept a duplicate plant in a warehouse here to be used in just such an emergency as the fire.

TIMES FIRE

Los Angeles Times building burns following gas explosion and labor-hating management says union labor dynamited plant. Building declared unsafe by those connected with it. Sixteen are dead; sixteen missing and twenty injured. Paper had emergency plant ready to start up before accident occurred. Union men denounce effort of Merchants' and Manufacturers' association publicity agency. The Times management to make charges against workers. Harrison Gray Otis, publisher, rages.

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LEWIS LECTURE COURSE WILL BE RESUMED

Health of Garrick Speaker Has Improved, He Tells Backers

The Garrick "Workers' University Society" will begin its fifth year Sunday, Nov. 13, at 3 o'clock, in the afternoon. The grand opening event will be a debate between the Garrick Lecturer, Arthur M. Lewis, and the Rev. Frederick Guy Strickland of Anderson, Ind., on Christianity in History. The reasons for this announcement will be best gathered from the following statement by the Garrick Lecturer.

Statement by Lewis

"Since announcing the indefinite suspension of the Garrick meetings in this paper several things have happened. First—My health, which I have been carefully nursing all summer, is much improved. I have just finished an eight day lecture tour through Illinois, which I undertook chiefly to test my physical condition, and instead of breaking down, as I feared, I came through stronger than when I set out.

"Second—I have met about forty of my young men students during the last few days and their urgent appeals for an immediate re-opening were more than I could resist.

"Third—Many friends of the Chicago Daily Socialist have urged that the suspension of the Garrick meetings would lose that paper one of its staunchest friends and supporters. This argument has weighed very heavily with me, as I have always considered the maintenance of this paper one of the most important duties of the Socialists of this country.

"Fourth—The management of the Garrick theater has always been so very kind and courteous to us that it was like giving up a home where we were always welcomed.

"The meetings this year will be in the afternoon for many reasons which will be given later. My opening debate with the Rev. F. G. Strickland will deal with the role of Christianity in History. Now let us all work for a packed house.

"Will all those who wish to be supplied with syllabuses send their names and addresses on a postal card to me at 186 Washington street, Chicago."

"With greetings and good wishes to all."

"Yours for the Social Revolution,"

"ARTHUR M. LEWIS."

FINNISH BRANCH TO HAVE DANCE

The Finnish Socialist branch No. 1 of Chicago gave a grand entertainment and ball at Lake View hall, 3145 North Clark street Saturday.

A play in three acts, entitled "On the Eve," will be one of the numbers on the program. It will be presented by the dramatic club of the branch. The play deals with conditions in Russia and has been on the stage in Chicago and other cities.

WOMAN TRIES TO KILL JUDGE

Mrs. Elizabeth Burke, 45 years old, a seamstress living at 4327 Evans avenue, drew a butcher knife and attempted to stab Judge Frank Baker of the Cook County Court of Appeals in front of the jurist's home at 3542 Lake avenue at 8:30 a. m. today.

During the struggle to seize the knife the seamstress was cut on the right hand. "You have my money and I want it," shouted the woman, as she drew a big butcher knife from the folds of her dress and rushed at the jurist.

"Look out, Frank!" screamed Mrs. Baker when she saw the weapon directed at her husband.

Judge and Mrs. Baker had a ten-minute struggle with the armed woman before policemen arrived on the scene. It was with great difficulty that Mrs. Burke was subdued.

"I never saw the woman before and neither did the judge," said Mrs. Baker at her home. "She evidently is demented."

At the Harrison street police station Mrs. Burke declared that Judge Baker had her money and she wanted it.

MONOPOLISTS HOLD RESOURCES

Pueblo, Colo., Oct. 1.—"Under our law, state and national, four-fifths of the resources of the country already have passed into the hands of monopolists. We of the conservation movement are trying to save the other fifth for the people."

Francis J. Heney, speaking before the National Irrigation congress on the last day of its session, thus defined the purpose of the conservationists.

WEATHER INDICATIONS

The official weather forecast for the thirty-six hours ending tomorrow at 7 p. m. is as follows:

Chicago and vicinity—Fair and slightly cooler tonight; Sunday fair; moderate westerly winds, becoming variable.

Illinois, Missouri and Wisconsin—Fair tonight and Sunday; slightly cooler to night.

Indiana—Fair tonight and Sunday; cooler tonight.

Lower Michigan—Fair tonight and Sunday; cooler tonight; probably frost in north portion.

Upper Michigan—Fair and cooler to night, with probably frost; Sunday fair. Showers have occurred over the lakes, except southern Michigan and western Superior. Elsewhere the weather has been generally fair. The temperature continues above the seasonal average in nearly all districts, and there have been no important changes during the last twenty-four hours.

The indications are that the weather will continue fair over the greater portion of this district tonight and Sunday, with no decided change in temperature.

TRAIN CRASH IN HEART OF ELGIN, INJURES CITIZENS

The downtown district of Elgin was thrown into consternation Saturday by a head-on collision between a speeding passenger engine and a north-bound freight train on the Northwestern road.

Albert Levey, fireman of the freight train, broke his legs when he leaped from his post. The engineer, M. C. Freer, was thrown into the air by the impact and was badly bruised.

At the time of the collision both of the rushing trains were passing through the heart of the city. The crowds of business people on their way to work were endangered by the flying debris.

Many of the spectators were injured and bruised.

CHINESE ADMIRAL DIVES IN AMERICAN SUBMARINE

Boston, Mass., Oct. 1.—Sir Admiral Sah Chen Ping of the imperial Chinese navy and four other officials of the same navy, forming a part of the Chinese commission studying the methods of the American navy, were the guests of Boston today. While visiting the torpedo station at Newport, R. I., Admiral Ping requested to be allowed to take a trip in the submarine Octopus, stating that he never was in a submarine before. For nearly an hour this submarine wonder ran under the sea in Narragansett Bay, firing torpedoes and going through maneuvers. The Admiral pronounced the Octopus a fighting wonder.

TAMMANY IS VICTORIOUS IN EMPIRE STATE

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 1.—John A. Dix, chairman of the state committee, has been named by the Democrats of New York to run against Henry L. Stimson in the coming race for governor of New York.

"Boss" Murphy of Tammany Hall last night gave the word and soon after the delegates voiced the sentiments of Tammany Hall by declaring Dix nominated by the almost unanimous vote of 434 for Dix and 16 for Congressman Sulzer. The remainder of the Murphy ticket went through without a hitch and the convention adjourned.

Charles E. Murphy at all times was in absolute control of the delegates before and during the convention. It was up to him to name the man who should lead the Democrats to anticipated victory this fall and the "Boss" of Tammany Hall could just as easily have chosen a trust magnate, a preacher, a bar tender or a ward heeler as to nominate John A. Dix.

The New York "tiger" was as gentle as a pet house cat in the hands of the manager and all the up-state delegates watched the performance, which was the best theater act seen in New York in many a year.

BOMB 'FAKIR' IS FOUND DEMENTED

The police are holding Fred C. Wahlenmeyer, central figure in the supposed attempt to dynamite the home of Mrs. Potter Palmer. They are convinced that Wahlenmeyer is demented and arrangements will probably be made to confine him in a sanitarium.

Wahlenmeyer broke down in his cell last night and confessed that he "faked" the entire bomb mystery as a result of his desire to be a "hero." Mrs. Palmer will make no charge against the young man and the police say he committed no crime on which they could prosecute him.

GUARD YOUR LOVED ONES The Danger of Soothing Syrups, "Soft Drinks" and "Patent Medicines"

The United States department of agriculture has issued another bulletin which should have a wide circulation. It gives the results of recent investigations concerning the dangerous contents of medicated "soft drinks," infant soothing syrups and so-called remedies for asthma, catarrh and consumption.

It is almost unbelievable that any one for the sake of a few dollars, would consent for the use of infants a pernicious mixture containing cocaine, but several such mixtures have been found, together with a list of remedies intended for infants, and containing morphine, cocaine, opium, cannabis indica, heroin, which are widely advertised, and are accompanied by the assertion that they "contain nothing injurious to the youngest babe," and that "mothers need not fear giving them, as no bad effects come from their continued use," while in matter of fact numerous instances are on record of babies being put to sleep never to wake again, or where they did not succumb, the perhaps even more serious effect of infant drug addiction was produced.

Netwithstanding the fact that legislation adverse to the indiscriminate sale and use of opium has been enacted during the past decade, and most physicians are using greater circumspection than formerly when prescribing opium, its preparations and derivatives, the amount of opium (exclusive of smoking opium, which is now deemed entry into this country) consumed in the United States per capita has been doubled within the last forty years. Not only has there been this increased consumption of opium, its preparations and derivatives, but large quantities of other habit-forming agents, introduced chiefly for medicinal purposes, have been used. For example, "cocaine" (cocaine hydrochloride), has been used for about twenty-five years, and the amount consumed at present is estimated at approximately 150,000 ounces yearly.

There are at present at least one hundred sanatoriums advertising treatment for drug addiction, and it is well known that many thousands of cases are treated annually by physicians in private practice and general hospitals. There are at least thirty so-called mail-order "drug-addiction cures," some of which apparently have a large clientele. The manager of one of these treatments has stated that his company had 106,000 names, including alcohol addicts, upon the books. The number of drug slaves in the United States is variously estimated by the situation at from 1,000,000 to 4,000,000; the latter number is probably excessive.

L. F. Kebler, chief of the division of drugs, bureau of chemistry, writer of the present bulletin, says: "The chief active agents of soothing syrups are well known to be opium, morphine, heroin, cocaine, chloroform, and alcohol, which in some combination, the following are representative of this class: Children's Comfort (morphin sulphate). Dr. Fahy's Popain Anodyne Compound (morphin sulphate). Dr. Fahy's Teething Syrup (morphin and chloroform). Dr. Fowler's Strawberry and Peppermint Mixture (morphin). Dr. Groves' Anodyne or Infant's Friend (morphin hydrochloride). Jadway's Elixir for Infants (codein). Dr. James' Soothing Syrup Cordial (heroin). Kopp's Baby's Friend (morphin sulphate). Dr. Miller's Anodyne for Babies (morphin sulphate and chloral hydrate). Dr. Moffett's Teething, Teething Powders (powdered opium). Victor Infant Relief (chloroform and camphor). Mrs. Winstow's Soothing Syrup (morphin sulphate). It is not uncommon, notes Mr. Kebler, to find persons addicted to the use of medicated soft drinks. It is also a well known fact that many factory employes, stenographers, typewriters, and others subject to mental or nervous strain spend a large part of their

earnings for drinks of this character. Life insurance companies are considering the status of soft drink habits as a future risk. Various arguments have been advanced in justification of the use of caffeine and the extract of coca leaves, treated or otherwise, in soft drinks. It is well known that parents, as a rule, withhold tea or coffee from their children, but, having no knowledge of the presence of cocaine, caffeine, or other deleterious agents in soft drinks, they unwittingly permit their children to be harmed by their use. Manufacturers of drinks of this class, containing cocaine, have been successfully prosecuted; for example, Koca Nola, Celery Cola, Wisconsin, Pillsbury's Koka, Kola-Ade, Koca-Kola, Care-Cola, and Koka. Of the so-called asthma "cures," Mr. Kebler says: "Most of them consist of well-known substances in various proportions, among which are belladonna, stramonium, lobelia, potassium nitrate, potassium iodide etc. There are, however, a good number exploited at present which have as their basic agents cocaine, morphin, opium, or chloral hydrate. An example of the cocaine type is 'Tucker's Asthma Specific,' which consist of a solution of cocaine, and is sold throughout the United States as a result of extensive advertising and personal recommendation. Recent investigations show that the amount of cocaine purchased by the promoter of this remedy from a single manufacturing house during four months varied between 256 and 284 ounces a month. 'Ascato,' an opium-arsenic preparation, represented as an Austrian product, is also largely used as a remedy for asthma and similar afflictions and enjoys a large sale. Another interesting treatment is known as 'Davis' Asthma Remedy,' put on the market by a dealer in real estate. The active agent of this commodity is chloral hydrate, of which each dose contains from one to eight grains. The conditions here are most propitious for the formation and spreading of the chloral habit."

Of the cough and cold "remedies," which have been devised and offered for sale, Mr. Kebler says: "These concoctions usually contain one or more habit-forming drugs, as is clearly shown by the following examples: Acker's English Remedy (chloroform). Adamson's Botanic Cough Balsam (heroin hydrochloride). Dr. A. Boche's German Syrup (morphin). Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup (morphin, later codein). Dr. Fenner's Cough-Cold Syrup (morphin). Jackson's Magic Balsam (chloroform and morphin). Kohler's One-Night Cough Cure (morphin sulphate, chloroform and cannabis indica). Von Totta's Cough Pectoral (morphin and chloroform). The same habit-forming agents are offered to the public in the form of confections, under such names as cough lozenges and pastilles, examples: Linsseed, Licorice, and Chloroform Lozenges (chloroform and ether). Linsseed, Licorice, and Chloroform Pastilles (morphin, chloroform and ether). Pastilles Paneraj (morphin and codein). Products of the above character should not find their way into the hands of the public for indiscriminate use. Such a practice is uncalculated for, as efficient cough and cold remedies can readily be prepared without the use of these pernicious drugs. "The exploiting of so-called consumption cures has apparently always been an inviting field to quacks," says Mr. Kebler. He adds that some of the well known remedies of this class are the following: "Piso's Cure, a Remedy for Coughs and Colds," formerly known as Piso's Cure for Consumption" (cannabis indica, and chloroform); "Shilo's Cure," formerly known as "Piso's Cure for Consumption," "Dr. Brutus' Elixir" (heroin and chloroform); "Prof. Hoff's Consumption Cure" (opium); "Yankerman's Consumption Cure," called "Tuberculozine" (heroin); and "Gooch's Mexican Consumption Cure" (morphin sulphate).—Catholic Fortnightly Review.

HOGS COST MONEY, BUT BABIES DON'T

So Uncle Sam Records the Birth and Death of Porkers

HUMANS NOT COUNTED

Corn, Wheat and Cotton Statistics Are Elaborate; Vital Data Scarce

Washington, D. C., Oct. 1.—Better record is kept in this country of a pedigreed hog than of a child. A record is made of a hog's birth, of the events of its life and of its death. Yet in over half of the United States a human being can be born and can die without official record being made of either event.

Is It Civilized? The United States is nearly the only civilized country which does not collect vital statistics. The census bureau has striven for years to educate the states to enforce the recording of these most important statistics. As a result record is now kept of the mortality or death statistics for about 55.3 per cent of the total population. This year for the first time the birth rate statistics for some of the states will be published by the government.

The territory in which the mortality figures are recorded is almost wholly in the northern part of the country so that it is admitted by the census experts that they are not a sound basis upon which to estimate the nation's death rate, particularly as the high death rate of the negro population of the south is eliminated. The birth rate figures will not cover a large enough portion of the total area of the country to allow of any national estimate.

Take Stock of Crops This discrepancy in national stock-taking is all the more striking because there is no other country in the world where more effort is made to record material resources. Every bushel of wheat, corn and oats, every ton of cotton is accounted for and closely estimated long before it is harvested. The yearly estimates of the agricultural department and the census bureau on grains and farm products are now brought within 5 per cent of the actual figures.

But not once has stock ever been taken of the annual national crop of babies. An effort was made to secure an estimate from Census Director Durand. "It is somewhere around two and a half millions," he said, "but so far as that goes, anybody's guess is as good as mine of these figures." It is impossible to tell without these figures whether the so-called original American stock is holding its own against foreign invasion. The dire prophecies of the anti-race-suicide advocates are mere hazards and will be until they are based upon accurate vital statistics.

Data Badly Needed The figures representing the death rate in that zone in which mortality statistics are accurately recorded certainly point out a crying need for the collection of this data throughout the country. It is shown in these statistics that the deaths of children under five years constitute 27 per cent of all the deaths in that area. This is far over half the total population of the country. More than one-fourth of the American born population today never reach the age of five years. "Those children are those that are

dying? Where is the harvest of death greatest among them? Why are they dying? This information, say scientists, would go a long way toward pointing out the necessary preventative methods for checking this wanton infant waste.

Could Be Saved An eminent student of the public health, Dr. Irving Fisher, claims that at the present rate of infant mortality, 47 per cent of those that die within their first year and 67 per cent of those that die between the ages of 2 and 3 might be saved through a nation-wide knowledge of conditions and a rigid enforcement of known sanitary laws.

Every year the census bureau, the National Medical association and kindred organizations go before the state legislatures with their pleas for the passage of bills requiring the registering of all deaths and births and the circumstances of them. And every year in most of the states these bills are pigeon-holed.

Education Helps The progress is slow, but it is being made. Education is helping a good deal and fear a good deal more. For instance, there is constant fear in the New England states of the decline of the birth rate which is now supposed to be the lowest in the country. Therefore, those states are commending to tally their births. Slowly but surely the United States will be brought up to the level of other great nations in the matter of vital statistics, the census officials hope.

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LOCKPORT N. Y. ASKS DETAILS

Local Sees Big Chance for Good Party Work; Questions Answered

The letter below is a sample of those received in answer to the first announcement of the Lyceum course offer a few days ago. It is printed in full, because it shows the spirit with which this offer is being received throughout the country and because the questions that are asked are typical and will come up wherever a local considers our offer. The answer to the letter is given as giving a general explanation.

The letter of inquiry is as follows:

Details Asked For

Editor Chicago Daily Socialist, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Comrade:—Noting the article in your Saturday issue relative to the series of lectures to be given in exchange for 500 subscriptions, I am writing you in the interest of Local Lockport for details.

Among the questions which present themselves to me and on which Local

possible for such locals as might make the effort to raise 500 subscribers and manage to secure only a part of that number, say 250 or 300.

4. Who would get the benefit of the literature sales, the local or the Chicago Daily?

5. Could the tickets for the separate meetings and the subs be sold separately if necessary?

6. How long will the series last, or at what intervals will the lectures be given in each town?

On what date must our acceptance of your proposition be in your hands? We would prefer to have the series start about the first of December.

Anxious to Get Series

We are tremendously anxious to get this series for Lockport and if we can possibly swing the deal we want to do so. Kindly give us full details, covering the above-noted points. We have a local of 38 active members and have no difficulty in holding meetings with 500 paid attendance at 10 and 15 cents each. We can get a fine hall at \$10 per meeting, although it will cost about \$8 or \$10 per meeting for chairs.

We are putting a full city ticket in the field this year and count on at least 15 per cent of the vote. Comrade Frank Bohn, after two weeks' stay in town, tells me that we have undoubtedly the best movement of any town in New York state, considering the size of the place—15,000 population.

If we hold this series of lectures in

Lockport would like to be informed are the following:

1. What would be the date of the

first lecture in Lockport if Lockport would contract for the series?

2. Would it be necessary to produce the entire amount, \$500 in cash, before the first lecture would be given, or would this total amount be so split up into payments so that on payment of a specified sum, say \$100, the lectures would begin, with the understanding that the balance would be paid at intervals, the entire amount being paid before the last lecture is given.

3. What arrangements would be

Lockport I am certain that it will mean that we can carry the city next year and the county in 1912.

Kindly answer this letter if possible, by return mail, so that I can make some kind of an announcement for the meeting Thursday night, when Gustav Strehel, candidate for lieutenant governor, will address the comrades and sympathizers. We have already sold 300 tickets for this speech at 15 cents each, and the tickets have been out only two days.

With most cordial good wishes for the success of your enterprise, and trusting that we may be of mutual service in our common cause, I remain,

Yours for the revolution, our time,

LEE F. HEACOCK.

State Committeeman, Niagara County Socialist Party.

Answers Given

The reply reads:

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 30, 1910.

Mr. Lee F. Heacock,

Local Lockport, New York.

Dear Comrade:—We are very glad to hear of the active campaign that you are waging in your city and rejoice with you in your prospects of an early victory. It is our hope that this Lyceum course may prove to be an important factor in bringing that victory about soon and making it decisive and permanent.

Answering your questions in the order in which you ask them:

1. It is impossible to give the exact date when the first lecture will be given in Lockport. It will depend on what other locals take up the offer as to how the routing can be made with the greatest economy and greatest benefit

MRS. MAY STRICKLAND

May Strickland, who will present the subject of Socialism from the woman's standpoint. Mrs. Strickland is an entertainer as well as a propagandist, but her special message in this course will be one to inspire in all working women a desire for emancipation of their sex and of their class.

2. The Lyceum course will be given in each town at intervals of two weeks, depending on when halls can be secured, etc. So that the entire course will be given within about two months' time.

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Only a Truce for Today

Let us remind you who are gentlemen and masters that THE TRUCE WE MAKE TODAY WITH YOU IS ONLY FOR TODAY.

You own everything, and when we win in one place we lose in another place. If we gain in the coal mine you put up the price of coal and take from our brothers what we forced you to concede to us.

You are masters and gentlemen. We are servants and hobos. You are rich, we poor. You are strong, we weak.

Still the truce we made today is only for today. Tomorrow we fight again—fight with books, newspapers, ballots.

We win because we are right. You lose because you are wrong.

We want bread, clothing, homes upon our terms—upon the terms of labor. We create these things. That is why we insist upon our terms.

You do not make anything. You did not make the land, nor the mines, nor the water in the rivers, nor the forests.

You tell us that capital and labor are friends. So are the wolf and the lamb. What is capital but the SURPLUS OF THE WEALTH WE CREATED OVER AND ABOVE WHAT YOU ALLOWED US TO KEEP.

You organize corporations, you issue stocks and bonds, you found banks, you issue notes, but all this is only paper—paper with crooked marks upon it.

You have taught us that there is something sacred about these crooked marks, these deeds and mortgages. We have believed you, but we are beginning to suspect your logic.

Today we are weak, but we see the ideal. It is dim sometimes, because we are tired. We work hard, work for you. We crawl to our huts and think, not clearly, not vigorously, but we think. Thought is dangerous to injustice.

BEWARE. We are confused. You have confused us. You have told us so many lies, and told them so prettily, with such eloquence, such unctious, such pretended love.

But we are finding out for ourselves a few things—simple things, but important things. We have learned two things. There are many more to learn. Never mind, we will learn them, too, in due time. But two things we know.

One is that labor creates all wealth, all that nourishes the body and the soul; all that clothes and all that shelters, creates the useful and the beautiful.

And the other is the workers of the world must unite in the common cause of labor—of emancipation—of liberty.

At the Polls

The general good sense of the average voter BETWEEN elections is far ahead of his conduct in the voting booth at election time.

In his ordinary moments he never thinks of concerning himself about whether Jim Hill or Andy Carnegie or Judge Gary or Weyerhaeuser or Rockefeller is a Republican or a Democrat.

The fact that stands out foremost to him is that these trust magnates, with others of their ilk, control the operations of both business and government, and reap the biggest share of the benefit, and that they are always FOR THEMSELVES FIRST, no matter what their private views about religion and politics may be.

And it doesn't make an iota of difference to Carnegie and Morgan and all the rest of them. ANY capitalist party is the same to them, and they remember that at the voting booth.

The big question with them is not "Who won—the Republicans or the Democrats?" but "HOW MANY VOTES DID THE SOCIALISTS GET?"

Now, try keeping your heads one, voters, THROUGH A WHOLE CAMPAIGN. Not that anybody expects you to care much for your OWN concern in this matter—at least your conduct in previous campaigns has not given us much grounds for counting anything on that score.

New York thinks it can steer the strenuous one by a few strong strings in its platform.

Socialism and Public Ownership

BY W. R. SHIER

Socialism is public ownership plus the ownership of the government by the working class.

Public ownership, therefore, is one-half the program of Socialism.

But it is the least important half. Without ownership of the government by the working class public ownership is of little benefit to those who toil, for two reasons:

- 1. Because it is used to reduce taxes instead of increasing wages. 2. Because the management is such as obtains in any private enterprise, the conditions and hours of labor being about the same and the workers having no voice in framing the regulations with which they must comply.

But if the working class controls the government, then the working class administration can pay a liberal scale of wages to all persons in the employ of the municipality or state, can apply the eight-hour day to all public works, can consult the employes about the regulations they must obey, can give them the right of appeal against dismissal, and can see to it that they labor under safe and wholesome conditions.

It makes all the difference in the world who controls the government. If the capitalists control the government, then public ownership is made to subserve their interests.

If the workers control the government, then public ownership is a benefit to the common people.

Socialism and the Incentive

Art

BY F. C. CONSTABLE, M. A.

A Turner or Watts, a Beethoven or Schubert leaves glorious records because moved by what we vulgarly term instinctive love of art. There can be nothing sadder in the whole world than to visit, year after year, our Royal Academy.

Artists of genius, led away by personal ambition for rank, wealth or social power, prostitute their labor. In recording the features of the commonplace rich, while in the pictures of the rank and file one sees not artistic striving for self-manifestation or love of the beautiful and the true, but pathetic struggle to produce merchandise that may attract money.

When we study the lives of the great artists of the past it is hard to believe that art itself would have suffered had such men lived under a social state, where competition for rank, wealth and power was wanting. And even our living painters and writers.

It is not possible that more than one of our greatest artists might under Socialism have chosen to portray the features of men of light and leading rather than those of individuals remarkable for nothing but wealth. Might not some of our writers, instead of dribbling out yards of stuff to sell, have given us work that would surpass the great critic, Time?

Would art itself suffer if men were freed from vulgar spur on their flanks of competition for rank, wealth, power or even bare subsistence?—The Comrade.

AN OBJECT LESSON

Picture No. 1 shows a young man and a young girl all in white standing in the gloaming beside a lily.

Picture No. 2 shows the young man bending over the lily and the girl watching him in startled fawn fashion.

Picture No. 3 the man is leaning against a garden wall with his arms folded. He looks sad and the girl is "Oh looking sad. Both are looking down, as dejected as if they had opened a potato hill and found no potatoes in it."

The next day the girl and the man came back to the lily. It was dead. The juice could not rise to the flower and it starved to death.

MY MADONNA BY ROBERT W. SERVICE I hailed me a woman from the street, Shameless, but, oh, so fair!

I hid all trace of her heart unclean, I painted a babe at her breast, I painted her as she might have been If the Worst had been the Best.

So I painted a halo round her hair, And I sold her and took my fee, And she hangs in the church of St. Hil-laire, Where you and all may see.

Why Food Is So High

BY W. M. LAWSON

A few months ago the capitalist papers raised a great cry over the increased cost of living, and, with a very few exceptions, gave the increase in wages paid to the workers as the main reason.

The following figures will show "who gets the money," and you ought to keep them for future reference, when the Republican or Democratic orators tell you about "the great American workman, the best-paid and best-fed man on earth."

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Total cost of all materials, Total wages and salaries paid to all wage earners, Total cost, Total value of all products, Less total cost of production, PROFIT.

PROFIT SYNOPSIS

Wages paid to 407,278 American workmen... \$216,068,617 Profit made by the owners of the factories... \$224,768,619

Just think of it! The few owners of the factories where our food is manufactured or prepared for market, MADE MORE IN PROFITS DURING ONE YEAR THAN THEY PAID OUT FOR LABOR DURING THE SAME PERIOD.

Do you realize what that means? The workmen had to support families on their wages, while the owners had more than \$200 millions to spend for pleasures and further investments. Does that explain why food is so high? It surely does, and it ALSO explains why 10,427,076 out of 15,166,990 homes in the United States are either rented or mortgaged (U. S. Census, Vol. 2, page 98).

It also explains why 1 per cent of the people own 64.8 per cent of the nation's wealth, and why 2,036,386 farms in this country are operated by tenants. (U. S. Census, Vol. 5, page 86.)

Just Squibs

BY RALPH KORNGOLD

Roosevelt annihilated Socialism in Milwaukee! Not, also, six; furthermore Nichtskamers—altogether nothing doing.

The workers can do without the capitalists, but like the farmer can do without the man who owns the mortgage on his farm.

We do not want the rich to feed the poor. We shall be quite well satisfied if they stop feeding on them.

The nation that stores up poverty for itself is storing up the dynamite that is going to blow it up.

The difference between Socialism and capitalism is just this: Under Socialism we will work collectively for ourselves, under capitalism we work collectively for the other fellow.

It takes some people as long to get an idea through their heads as it would take an ant to dig a tunnel through the Rocky Mountains.

Oh, but the American workman is wise! The European workman often leaves his native country in order to escape going into the army. The American workman goes into the army of his own accord!

Yes, keeping up voting the old party tickets so as not to lose your ballot! That reminds me of the boy whose father made him a present of a shotgun to shoot ducks with.

"What is all this talk that's in the papers about the open shop?" asked Mr. Hennessy.

"Why, don't ye know?" said Mr. Dooley. "Really, I'm surprised at yer ignorance, Hennessy. What is th' open shop? Sure 'tis a shop where they keep th' door open 't accommodate th' constant stream of mln comin' in 't take jobs cheaper thn th' mln what has th' jobs."

"I ain't wastin' it," answered the boy. "I CAN HIT THAT!"

Remember, Mr. Workingman, that at election time they give you "tuffy" just to keep you "dafy."

It is reported that the letters G. O. P. were meant to stand for grafters, oligarchs and plutocrats.

You, Mr. Workingman, do not work to live; you live to work. The capitalist does the living for you.

The Old and the New International

The International Socialist congress sets one thinking of the old international and of the growth of the movement since that pioneer period.

We shall work in a rush and a hurry, for that is the goodly game. But we shall not dig in the gutter for stories of filth and shame; and the copy-readers above us shall leave our "features" alone.

We shall have no fool assignments, no cruel missions of pain. To torture the broken-hearted or blacken the sinner's stain; We shall scoop and be scooped a-plenty, we shall love the flurry and noise.

Next take the subjects discussed. Here reads the contrast shows how far the movement has advanced. The congress of the International Workers' association," says Sombart, "were more or less like debating societies, where, with much zeal and little understanding, questions of principle were discussed (partly from the point of view of the law of nature); questions, for example, such as these: Was it just to abolish private property in land or the right of inheritance? (Marx and Engels must have shuddered when they read the published reports of these congresses)."

But now, days the International Socialist congress discusses the practice rather than the principles, policy rather than theories; that is to say, it is the methods of advance which are the problems on which congress concentrates.—The Labor Leader, Manchester, England.

BUMP-A-THE BUMP, OR HOW WE

BY JAMES HAPER

Nailed by the nail trust. Steered by the beef trust. Interested by the banking trust. Bound by the book trust.

Strapped by the harness trust. Pinned by the shoe trust. Soled by the leather trust. Trussed by the trust.

Doped by the drug trust. Skinned by the doctor's trust. Plugged by the dentist's trust. Cramped by the auto trust.

Bumped by the glass trust. Soaked by the water trust. Fasted by the flour trust. Kneaded by the bread trust.

Saltd by the salt trust. Peppared by the pepper trust. Sanded by the sugar trust. Jammed by the trolley trust.

Plastered by the plaster trust. Punched by the slating trust. Squeezed by the corset trust. Stitched by the machine trust.

Smoked by the tobacco trust. Roasted by the coal trust. Scratched by the match trust. Soaked by the gas trust.

Chilled by the ice trust. Cleaned by the soap trust. Skimmed by the milk trust. Boxed by the glove trust.

Jollied by Teddy's anti-trust. Canned by the tin can trust. Skipped by no trust.

All because we don't own the trusts.

The Tyranny of the Law

BY JOHN N. LANDBERG

She was a comely blonde, not over thirty, a mother of three plump, bright little children.

After five years of married life, a life replete with hardships and disappointment, the young wife and mother sought redemption from oppressive bonds of matrimony in divorce.

"At the time of our marriage," began the visitor, "my husband carried on a flourishing business as a florist, in Lancaster. Three years ago we removed to Philadelphia. Shortly after that he contracted rheumatism, from which ailment he has been suffering ever since. My husband's illness has incapacitated him from attending to the business. During all this time I was compelled to work from sunrise until midnight, waiting on customers, as well as on the sick man and the children.

"Such a mode of life is becoming unbearable to me, and I have decided to go back to my old position of stenographer. I hope to be able to earn enough to support the little one and myself. As for my unfortunate spouse, he fully realizes the plight I am in, and is willing to grant me a divorce."

The poor woman's surprise and indignation at the law was indescribable, when she was informed that sickness and inability to support a wife and children are not valid causes for divorce in Pennsylvania.

The enemies of progress, with Roosevelt as their mouthpiece, when driven into a corner, are prone to tirade against Socialism, that it will "break up the home," that it will loosen the holy ties of matrimony, etc.

And yet the detestable "system" of today, not merely breaks up the home of the workers, but, by obnoxious laws, likewise, prevents them from getting upon their feet thereafter.

What moral right has society to impose upon a poor, frail woman, involuntary cohabitation with and nursing of a sick man, in addition to the intolerable burdens of earning a livelihood for herself and three children?

Nature has assigned an important function to woman, namely, that of motherhood and the proper and careful upbringing of children. To further exact from her heavy tribute in the shape of profits derived from the products of her brain and muscle, is, under present-day anarchic industrialism, cruel in the extreme.

But when men, the despotic rulers of organized society, decree that the woman be both mother and bread-winner, and, in the same breath, place legal barriers in the way of her being sole and free arbiter of her own earnings and affections, the hapless female is then chained to the block of a form of slavery more hideous than that of the blacks prior to the Civil War.

And this deplorable state of affairs will continue until both men and women realize that they are both oppressed by laws dating back to the dark, middle ages, laws that are not in accord with the tendencies and spirit of the twentieth century. And neither men nor women can expect material betterment of their cruel lot so long as a few masters are in control of the means whereby the workers must earn their living. Both men and women of the working class are "aid" in the same shroud by a handful of useless parasites who, today, legislate, rule and dominate over the destinies of mankind.

And their only salvation lies in the triumph of the movement that aims, not merely at the overthrow of the capitalists' misrule, but at the total abolition of all forms of class domination and class exploitation.

But these great ends can be attained only by united effort of all the toilers, acting in union, ever striving to conquer political power, by means of the ballot, and through the instrumentality of the well-organized, well-disciplined and uncompromising Socialist party. Both men and women will be liberated from economic serfdom by the extirpation of a social order, or, rather, disorder, that subsists upon the robbery of labor.

Labor Without Socialism

(A Prophecy by Harry H. Kemp.)

Woe to the hosts of labor, Which serve the Magnate's need; Woe to the tolling thousands Which pander to his greed.

They shall be beasts of burden, And slave to his desire; With whews which dare not slacken, And feet that dare not tire.

They shall be overtaken With wrongs they dare not name; Their children shall go hungry, Or eat the bread of shame.

And they shall cry at nightfall And shriek at dawn of light; "Would God that it were daytime," "Would God that it were night."

Then some shall rise in anger And some die in brave despair, And some shall speak and perish But most shall cease to care.

For the rich man will take them And bend them to his will; With cunning laws and systems Which do the spirit kill.

Knowing by years of practice And proven scheme and plan, That he who kills the Spirit Makes conquest of the man.

MUSIC HAS CHARMS, FOR SOME

A gaunt and killed Scotchman made his appearance in a country village and was endeavoring to charm the locals to charity with selections on his bagpipe.

"Gie us a wee lilt just out here," he said, in an accent which told that he also was from the land of the haggis.

"My auld mither is in a creakin' condition o'pair. The doctor's wi her the noo, and says the pipes may save her life."

"Gie us the 'Dead March,' noo," he said.

"Is the poor auld lady gone?" questioned the piper.

"Na, na, noo, ye've saved mither," came the reply, "but ye've killed the pair doctor."—Boston Transcript.

HE KNOWS THE GAME

According to the Metropolitan Magazine, Fire Chief John Conway of Jersey City has solved the baseball excuse question by the posting on his desk at fire headquarters:

"All requests for leave of absence owing to grandmothers' funerals, lame throats, headaches, brainstorms, cousins' wedding, general indisposition, etc., must be handed to the chief not later than ten o'clock on the morning of the game."

GOOD FISHING

K. M. Wharry was telling some friends about a proposed fishing trip to a lake in Colorado he had in contemplation.

"Are there any trout out there?" asked one friend.

"Thousands of 'em," replied Mr. Wharry.

"Will they bite easily," asked another friend.

"Will they?" said Mr. Wharry. "Why, they're absolutely vicious. A man has to hide behind a tree to bait a hook."—Denver Post.

Compensation Act

A Workmen's Compensation Act is an act that makes every employer or certain classes of employers compensate their employes in a definite way for every injury incurred while at work.

The employer pays over to the injured employe so much weekly, according to the nature of the injury, or so much to the dependents in case of death.

The worker does not have to fight for this compensation through the courts. It comes to him as a matter of course, and is assured even in case his employer goes bankrupt, through an insurance system operated in connection with the act.

OPEN FORUM

THE GAME IN INDIANA

The game of rewarding friends and defeating enemies is working beautifully in Indiana at the present time.

A few weeks ago some men in the trade union movement, who have been elevated to positions of responsibility, got their heads together and issued a pamphlet extolling the virtues of Albert J. Beveridge, who is seeking reelection to the United States Senate, and denouncing his opponent, John W. Kern, as an enemy of organized labor.

Now, the Democratic brethren, not to be outdone, have issued a pamphlet showing that the G. O. P. aspirant is everything but a friend of labor, and then some.

The rank and file, the men who pay the dues and foot the bills, have not been consulted at all. Signing themselves as presidents of local and central bodies, the impression has gone

forth that these gentlemen are acting for and through their respective organizations.

Such is not the case. These gentlemen represent no one but themselves. On top of all this, David M. Parry and Samuel Gompers say that Beveridge is the warmest baby that ever came down the pike and should be re-elected.

What a disgusting spectacle to see two sets of hothouse politicians in the labor movement, without consulting their constituents, pulling in opposite directions and attempting to deliver the labor vote.

The union man that receives both of these circulars will wonder where he is at. This is labor crucified between two thieves and the game of rewarding friends and defeating enemies defeats the working class. A plague on both of your houses.

JUDSON O'NEAL