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NATIONAL EDITION.—PRICE ONE CENT

TELEPHONE COMPANY IN MOVE TO BOO T RATES

Bewildering Maze of Figures Shows Big Corporation Is Loser.

Need New Report

Whether this is a bookkeeping loss or an actual loss, it will take another report to determine.

Arthur Young & Co. showed the company "suffered" a loss of \$988,954.52 for the year in question.

The council committee on gas, oil and electric light did not believe in the accuracy of this account of the 'phone company's finances.

It would appear natural that a company losing nearly \$1,000,000 in cold cash would be setting up a wall of poverty that might lead a creditor or two into the federal courts to ask for a receiver.

Report Must Be False

Here are reasons which show that the Young report must be false.

First, assume it to be true. Then the Chicago Telephone company is advertising in the public press denouncing competition in a field which yields the 'phone company a loss.

The kind headed 'phone trust wishes to save a competitor from its own hard fate.

It paid part of the bill of the accounting company which valued its plant and analyzed its accounts on behalf of the city. It paid money to be proved poor.

Second, assume that it is false when the telephone company says it is losing money.

Then naturally, trust-like, it desires to keep a competitor out of a profitable field.

To that end it advertises in newspapers to that end it pays money to Arthur Young & Co. so that in a way skilled bookkeepers have Arthur Young & Co. show that the 'phone company is suffering a loss which it does not in reality suffer.

Is Making Money

Only that the company is making money and wants more.

The American Telephone and Telegraph company, which recently became the holding company for nearly every big 'phone company in the United States, also includes the Western Union and the Postal Telegraph company.

This company did not go into the business of taking over companies which were running behind.

From the Socialist point of view telephone and telegraph companies should be owned by the national government.

This does not mean the sort of government which leads to the sweating of postal clerks and the enrichment of mail carrying railroads.

It means that the telephone is a necessary instrument of modern civilization and should be so managed by the government as to give the public the best service possible, the employee compensation which would give them the comforts of life and hours and conditions of labor which are not injurious.

Is Civilizing Force

The telephone as a civilizing force should be used for the greatest good of civilized society.

It should not be used to enrich certain managers and serve the public and pay decent wages, when it may condemn to do such things, incidentally.

A start has been made in the Daily Socialist toward making a clear municipal issue of gas.

This is the sunny side, or more properly, the sooty side of gas. It is neither necessary nor possible to tell the entire history of that side.

It was enough to show its results in typical cases. One of those cases, "Roger Sullivan and O'Connell Gas," is being held for a few days for the enrichment of its detail.

Construction Work

It will, till the company ordinance actually comes up, most likely be the last of the stories of the constructive work of municipal gas in American cities, will be the feature of a gas series in the near future.

In the meantime, the telephone trust, with the conditions of labor imposed by it, and many of its other phases will be dealt with.

This series will run along till the report of William J. Hagenah comes to the council committee and then there will be more to say on the Chicago Telephone company.

N.E.C. PLANS FOR 1912 CAMPAIGN

Nation Will Be Covered With Literature and South Organized.

Plans to flood the United States with Socialist literature, to organize the South for solid party activity and to strengthen the party at all points for the campaign of 1912 were made by the national executive committee of the Socialist party, which has closed its sessions here.

Messages of congratulation from England, Germany and France were received expressing the pleasure which the piling up of the American Socialist vote had given to the powerfully developed movement of Europe.

For Literature Campaign

The plan of literature campaigning so successful in Milwaukee and elsewhere was decided on as the chief feature of the nation-wide work for the next two years.

At intervals of two weeks the national office will pour out leaflets for general distribution at such low cost that there will be every incentive to cover the United States with them.

Men and women, experts in particular lines, will prepare the leaflets.

Ten-cent pamphlets bringing the Socialist philosophy into vital contact with every-day matters will also be distributed.

To Organize South

The organization of the southern states was decided on according to a plan which will divide them into three districts, each in charge of an organizer.

Special literature on "Socialism and the Negro" will be prepared.

Alaska asked for and was granted a Socialist organizer.

The Socialist propaganda among women was reported on by Caroline Lowe, secretary of the Woman's National Committee, and it was decided to procure the services of Madame Kolontayne of Russia and the Countess of Warwick to aid the American women in party agitation.

Celebrate Woman's Day

The general celebration of Woman's day in February was provided for and it was decided to order a special edition of "The Progressive Woman" to be circulated at mass meetings on that day.

A committee was appointed to confer with representatives of the Socialist foreign-speaking organizations with a view to promoting party activity. It was further determined to have the national executive committee meet in various cities, instead of always in Chicago.

This was done to bring the members in closer touch with the local movements.

To Adjust Differences

Steps were taken to adjust certain party differences in Missouri, and the state committee was appealed to with a view of changing conditions existing in St. Louis.

ELKINS DYING OF STARVATION

Millionaire Mine Owner Can't Digest Food to Keep Alive.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Surrounded by all the luxury that millions can produce, and in the midst of plenty, Senator Stephen B. Elkins is slowly starving to death, according to a story which spread rapidly in Washington today, despite an official denial from the family and physicians.

Can't Digest Food.

The mysterious nature of the malady from which the aged millionaire senator is suffering has never been made clear to the public, but it is now said that the main trouble is an inability to digest food.

The report says that Elkins is given a large amount of the most nutritious kinds of foods, selected by the most skilled experts, but the digestive apparatus does not transform it into life-giving substances and the patient's blood has grown weaker continually.

Friends Don't Know Him.

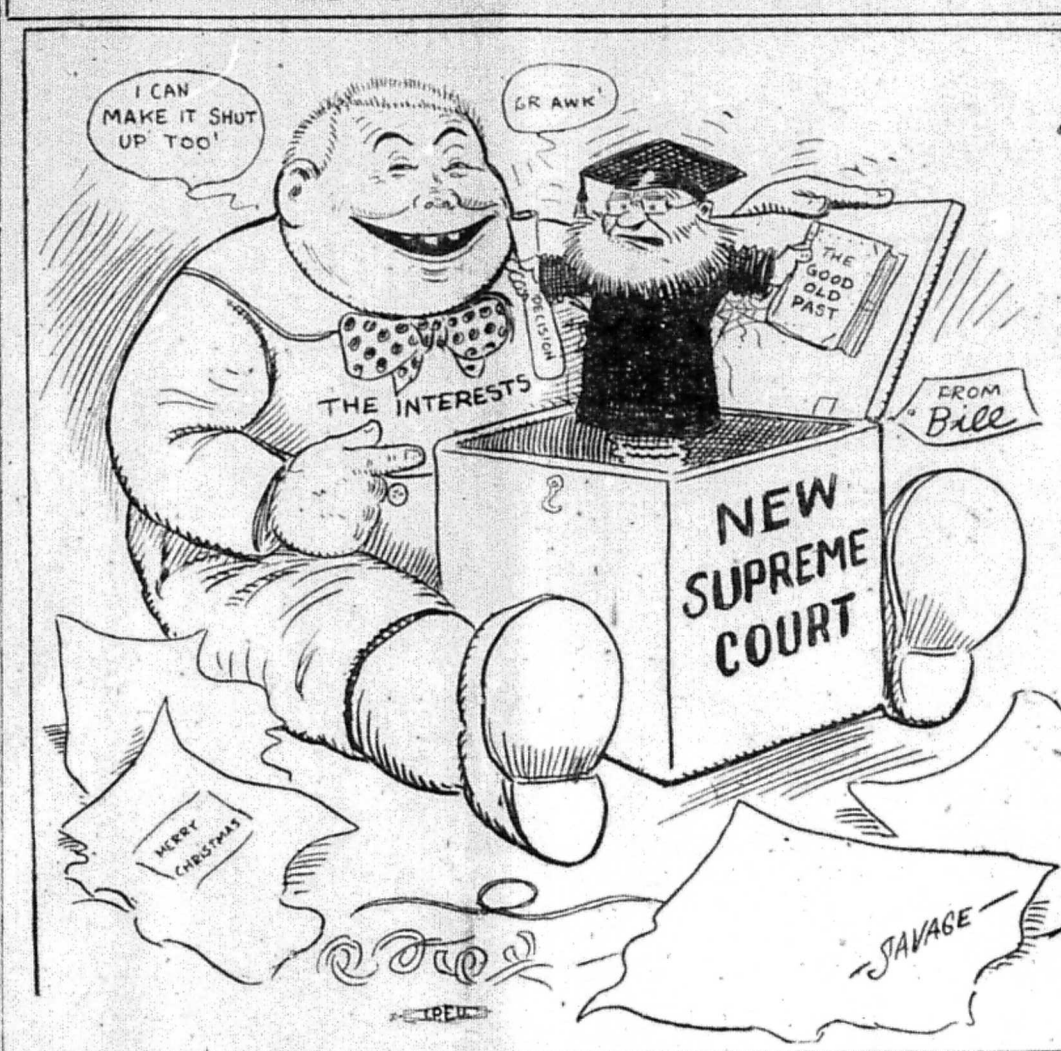
Though no one except his immediate family and physicians is allowed to see him, gossip says that he has lost weight until he would scarcely be recognized by his close friends.

BOY HOSTAGE FOR BOARD BILL

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 14.—Happy in the recovery of her 2-year-old baby boy, who had been held as hostage for the payment of a board bill, Mrs. Charles Selbert left today for Philadelphia, where she has a job from the meager earnings of which she has promised to pay her account, with Mrs. William Sullivan, her former landlady.

It took the chief of police about thirty seconds to decide the case in favor of the mother, when he heard her story of how the baby was being withheld for payment of an \$18 board bill.

HIS CHRISTMAS TOY



POLICE PRAISE STARTS TROUBLE

German Socialist Members of Reichstag Come to Aid of Workers.

Berlin, Dec. 14.—There was a row in the reichstag Tuesday in connection with the trial of the men arrested at the time of the recent strike in the Moabit quarter, which is not yet finished.

Praises Police

Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg said the other day in the reichstag that the police on the occasion of the strike behaved admirably.

As much of the evidence at the trial had been strongly condemnatory of the police, the chancellor's statement was widely resented, and was interpreted as an attempt to influence the trial.

Herr David, Socialist, voiced this view in the chamber. The chancellor repudiated it and said that whatever the outcome of the trial the moral responsibility for the riots rested on the Socialists.

This stung the Socialist deputies and they rushed, shouting to the ministerial table.

Suddenly a strident voice was heard above the din, exclaiming:

Period of Pandemonium

"You have lied."

This brought the non-Socialists into the racket with a counter chorus of epithets against the Socialists, and there was a long period of pandemonium.

As soon as there was sufficient silence the president demanded to know who shouted "You have lied."

Herr Kuhnert, Socialist, claimed the distinction and was formally called to order.

The chancellor then resumed his remarks, saying nothing could alter what he had stated, whatever isolated mistakes individual policemen might have made.

Right Joins in

This caused a renewal of the tumult, members of the Right and Socialists shouting at one another until they were tired.

DELAY OF TRIAL TO MARCH 6 WON BY DIETZ FAMILY

Haywood, Wis., Dec. 14.—Judge Reid has continued the trial of the members of the Dietz family until March 6.

The application of attorneys for John, Hattie and Leslie Dietz, charged with murdering Deputy Sheriff Oscar Harp, for a continuance of the case was strenuously resisted by the state's attorney.

Judge Reid ruled that although he considered their application for continuance faulty in the strict legal sense, he was satisfied that the defendants if brought to trial now would be under a disadvantage.

NEWSPAPER OWNERS SAY CONSUL SUPPRESSED DATA

New York, Dec. 14.—The paper committee of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association has sent a letter to the government tariff board pointing out that the United States consul at Quebec, in reporting upon the available pulp wood supply for American paper mills from private forests in Quebec, has suppressed data that had been furnished by the highest official authority in that province and that the consul had misrepresented the situation.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Senate

Discussion of the tariff in the senate today precipitated a lively debate in which Senators Cummins, Aldrich, Beveridge and Hale were the principal participants. It was occasioned by Senator Cummins speaking in his resolution to amend the rules of the senate and house so as to permit revision of the tariff schedule by schedule and was ended when, on motion of Senator Hale the resolution was tabled. The senate confirmed a long list of recess appointments.

House

In the house the pension appropriation bill, carrying \$153,614,000, was passed. Both houses adjourned to meet at noon tomorrow.

WATER FUTURE POWER SOURCE

University President Thinks Owners of Privileges Control Country.

Interests that control the water power of the country will direct the conduct of the nation in future years, according to Charles R. Van Hise, president of the University of Wisconsin, who delivered an address on "Conservation" before the Twentieth Century club last night.

Sees Coal Exhaustion

"At the present rate of coal consumption the supply will be exhausted at the end of a hundred years," he said. "At the beginning of the nineteenth century only 5,000,000 tons had been taken from the earth. During the nineteenth century 500,000,000 tons were mined.

Water power available at present will supply all the energy we need. It would be possible to develop three times the energy demanded. Thus it is seen that when the coal supply does run short the water power will serve the nation, and that supply of water can never fail.

Nation Should Hold Rights

"It is necessary that the nation hold its right to this power and let it go into private hands only for short intervals. We are coming more and more to believe that the individual who owns property is only a trustee of that property and that he is beholden to future generations."

NOTES FROM NATIONAL CAPITAL

Senator Cullom of Illinois introduced a bill proposing a \$2,000,000 memorial to Abraham Lincoln. A Lincoln memorial commission is to be composed of President Taft, Senator Wetmore, Representative McCall, Senator Money and Representative Champ Clark.

Senator Dewey introduced a bill to increase the salaries of the chief justice of the United States to \$15,000 and those of the associate justices to \$17,500; circuit judges United States to \$10,000; district judges to \$9,000.

President Taft's inclination to appoint William B. Lewis, a negro lawyer of Boston, as assistant attorney general, is meeting with opposition. Booker T. Washington called upon Attorney General Wickersham to urge it and Speaker Cannon called to oppose it.

MILWAUKEE HEALTH HEAD ORDERS SANITARY MEASURE

Milwaukee, Dec. 14.—No dance in the future can be held in Milwaukee unless there is one censor conspicuously in the hall for each fifty persons. This was an order issued today by Dr. F. E. Kraft, health commissioner.

LIBERALS KEEP BRITISH LEAD

Snowden, Socialist, Says Voting Reforms Will Be Demanded.

London, Dec. 14.—The standing of the parties in the new parliament as a result of the elections thus far is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Party Name and Seats. Includes Liberal, Nationalist, Independent Nationalist, Laborite, and Unionist.

One Gain for Coalition

The coalition, therefore, has one gain to the good in the election so far.

In Monday's elections, the results of which were announced yesterday afternoon, the Liberals won in Newmarket, and the Nationalists in Mid Tyrone, both from the Unionists, while the latter equalized affairs by capturing Bodmin and Torquay.

Party feeling continues to run strong in Cork, where there are conflicts daily between the opposite factions.

David Sheehy, member of the house of commons in a lost yesterday, was struck by a stone and so badly injured that he remained unconscious for some time.

Snowden Makes Statement

Philip Snowden, the Socialist member for Blackburn, announced that after the veto question had been disposed of the Laborites would press for the passage of an electoral reform bill to abolish plural voting, to which he ascribed the Unionist successes in many districts.

LORIMER BRIBERY CASES CONTINUED TO NEXT YEAR

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14.—By agreement, the legislative bribery and conspiracy cases were today continued until the January term in the United States Circuit court. The continuance was granted because of the congested condition of the criminal docket in the court.

The cases continued were: Senator John S. Broderick of Chicago, charged with bribery; Senator Stanton C. Pemberton of Oakland and Representative Joseph S. Clark of Vandavia, jointly indicted on the charge of conspiracy to procure a bribe; Representative Lee O'Neil Brown of Ottawa and Robert E. Wilson of Chicago; Louis D. Elshlager of Pittsfield; and Frank J. Traut of Beardstown, jointly indicted on the charge of conspiracy, and Archibald B. Johnston of Springfield, indicted on the charge of bribery and perjury.

GRANGE BOOMS GOOD ROADS

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14.—Illinois State grange, Patrons of Husbandry, today opened its annual meeting in Springfield with a boom for good roads. Robert Eaton of Elwood presided. He urged the members to work for improved highways.

ASSASSIN DIES IN PRISON

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—The report that M. Sazonoff, who on July 25, 1904, assassinated Minister of the Interior Von Plehve, had died in the prison at Saratov has been officially confirmed. The death is attributed to suicide.

STRIKE OF MILWAUKEE GARMENT WORKERS IS BROUGHT TO QUICK END

Publicity Given Garment Strike Hits the Chicago Bosses Hard. Socialist Administration Is Given Praise for Handling the Situation.

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.) Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 13.—Every one of the 3,500 striking garment workers here, with the exception of those working for one concern, went back to work today, following the signing of agreements with the employers.

Win Occasions

The workers will receive a fifty-four-hour week, time and a half for overtime, double pay for holidays, and the settlement of their grievances direct with the employers instead of through the section foreman.

Unions have been formed among the employers in every one of the shops. The international organizers will remain in the city several days longer in order to perfect the organizations and to continue the agitation to bring every worker in the shops into the union.

90 Per Cent in Union

Abbe Gordon, international organizer, in a statement to the press said: "We have 90 per cent of the garment workers either in the organization or recognized as members, because they have made applications for membership. I am sure, from the feeling of the local workers, that the remaining 10 per cent will be secured very easily. I predict that 100 per cent of the workers in each shop will join the organization in the near future."

Officials of the Pokorney company have admitted that they have contracts to do work for Chicago concerns. The strike orders will not be lifted from that company until they desist from doing the work for the Chicago houses.

Praise Arbiters

Abbe Gordon, who has had general charge of the Milwaukee strike, thanked the arbitration committee for their fair treatment of the strikers.

The six members of the committee were: Congressman-elect Berger, Mayor Emil Sedell, Frank J. Weber, president of the Trade and Labor Assembly, John Humphrey, secretary of the state board of arbitration, M. Ritter and A. Stone.

Land Administration

In an editorial, the "Free Press" praised the Socialist administration for their method of handling the strike in a fair manner. The editor says: "The administration must be credited with valuable services in bringing the warring interests to an understanding and securing an agreement so favorable to the garment workers."

Police Were Kept Off

Union officials are praising the forethought and wisdom of the mayor in ordering, in a public notification, the police to keep their hands off in the strike.

MORE FIGHTING DOWN IN MEXICO

Seventy Opponents of Diaz Tyranny Are Reported as Killed.

Mexico City, Dec. 14.—Report of an encounter on Sunday between federal forces under Gen. Navarro and the revolutionists at Cerro Prieto near the city of Guerrero, Chihuahua, was received at the department of war today.

Killed and Wounded

Seventy of the rebels were killed and many others wounded and captured. The federalists are said to have lost fourteen men, including two officers.

The fight lasted five hours and ended in the route of the insurgents, who fled toward Guerrero. The rebels numbered 500.

They were entrenched in the mountains. The federal forces, numbering about 1,500 infantry, cavalry, and artillery, made a series of strategic movements intended to draw the enemy into the open.

Await Further Encounters

Immediately after the battle Gen. Navarro sent a report of the affair to Gen. Hernandez in Chihuahua, by whom it was officially communicated to the war department.

At that time it was believed that a further encounter would occur near Guerrero.

WOMEN WOULD ONLY BE WOMEN

New York, Dec. 14.—There are at least twenty-nine women in New York who have no desire to be men.

Twenty-eight of this number—the entire audience—applauded wildly when the twenty-ninth, Mrs. Edward F. Terhune (Marion Harland), declared: "For a woman to be manish at all is a disgrace. If you want to be a man, all right; I don't."

The author was addressing the National League for Civic Education of

Women, on "Shall the Coming Woman Come?" She referred to Dr. Dudley Sargent's attack on the increasing masculinity of women and spoke with horror of the possibility of his observations being true.

"Who will rock the cradle when woman goes to Congress?" she asked dramatically.

Then she answered the question by declaring that woman will not go to Congress, at which there was further applause.

CONDENSED NEWS

LOCAL

BOOK FINE TO BE REDUCED

A resolution recommending reduction of the fine...

TEACHERS WANT MORE PAY

Physical instructors and drawing teachers are the latest applicants...

URGES "ANTI-PANIC" BANK ACT

New national banks under special supervision should be established...

MAKES GOOD \$51,000 DEFICIT

Theodore Ostrowski, 1435 Dickson street, it became known, has turned over to the Polish Roman Catholic Protective Union...

MURDERED WITH GUN BAR

Nathan Baldwin Hyde, 78 years old, former United States congressman...

CONDEMNS TUNNEL WORK

Condemning as lax and entirely unsatisfactory the work of the city inspectors...

PRIZE ESSAY ON CRIME

N. W. Harris, president of the Harris Trust and Savings bank, has established an annual prize fund of \$500...

DOMESTIC

ACCIDENT KILLS BRAKEMAN

Joliet, Ill., Dec. 14.—Brakeman D. M. McCarthy was killed and Engineer Charles Smith and Conductor James Leonard injured...

MYERS' WILL INVALID

San Bernardino, Cal., Dec. 14.—The will of the late George S. Myers, millionaire tobacco manufacturer...

BIG BAIL FOR BATH TUB FIRMS

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 14.—Ball aggregating \$192,600 in the case of the United States against manufacturers...

C. & N. W. FIREMAN KILLED

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 14.—Fred Deschner, a fireman on the Chicago & Northwestern road, was accidentally killed...

STANDARD MUST PAY \$20,000

Washington, Dec. 14.—The Standard Oil company of New York must pay the \$20,000 fine imposed upon it...

\$25,000 DEFICIT IN BOOKS

Waukegan, Ill., Dec. 14.—An expedition in official circles will come today when the supervisors meet...

LAWFUL TO BEAT WIFE

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—The right

Where to Eat

KING'S RESTAURANT NEW YEAR'S COURSES TABLE D'HOTE 75c

PUBLICITY HITS BOSSES' GAINS

(Continued From Page 1.)

Work Worse Than Strike

At the different meetings the strikers resented any mention of the stories in the other papers.

One Eviction in Eleven Weeks

At the headquarters of the Women's Trade Union League, only one case has been reported of an eviction during the entire eleven weeks that the strike has progressed so far.

Clothing Fulfills Promise

T. R. Brink, 128 Dearborn street, who advertised in the Daily Socialist last Friday that he would contribute 10 per cent of the Saturday sales...

Will Come to United States

A long-planned trip to the United States will probably be one of the first outcomes of his defeat.

Little Work Every Day

"We want each man of this army to do only a little work every day or once a week in his precinct alone."

Get Acquainted

"It will only take a couple of hundred leaflets or papers to cover one precinct where it takes thousands to cover a ward; and each man after covering his own precinct will not be tired, for it will take only an hour or so every Sunday morning."

Busy in Thirtieth

Socialist party members of the Thirtieth ward have adopted the literature distribution plan and have been covering the ward thoroughly with copies of the "Next Step" since election.

Face Osborne Decision

"This is specially true since the Osborne decision, which made the voting of money for campaign purposes by labor unions illegal."

Unions Are Ready

Thousands of union men are reading the Daily Socialist today who spurned it some years ago and hundreds are handing in their subscriptions every month.

Work of a Week

The following is a number of the subscriptions taken in and the places I visited during the week ending Dec. 10: December 5, Carpenters' local union No. 181, 31 subscriptions; Dec. 6, Hod Carriers, 5 subscriptions; Dec. 7, Photo Engravers' local union No. 5, 38 subscriptions; Dec. 8, Carpenters local union No. 564, Jewish local, 2 subscriptions and a donation of \$15; Dec. 9, Carpenters local union No. 416, 4 subscriptions, and Metal Polishers local union No. 6, 11 subscriptions; Dec. 10, Bakers, 3 subscriptions, Iron Molders' local union No. 238, 12 subscriptions and Brass Molders, 5 subscriptions.

Members of the Illinois Manufacturers' association at their annual banquet at the Congress Hotel last night were attacked on all sides for meddling in politics for the sake of business.

Railroad officials who had obtained invitations to the affair in order to hear Governor-Elect Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, listened to a speech from Gov. W. R. Stubbs of Kansas, who denounced the railroads in unmeasured terms.

"What is the matter with politics?" asked Mr. Wilson. "There is a great deal of matter with politics. If all of you would let it alone it would be very much better off. If all of you would combine in a common conspiracy to let every public man know that there was not a dollar in politics for him or anybody else, why, you would have done a great matter by merely refraining."

Keep Hands Off

"Keep your hands off. Let everybody know that you are going to keep your hands off; that if strike bills are introduced in the legislature, whose intention is to extract money from you in order that they may not be passed, you will let them pass and let everybody take the consequences. The consequences will be immediate to the men who pass them. Just let them alone. Let them go to their destruction by proving that what they are doing is not serving their constituents, but trying to serve their own pockets."

Stubbs Speaks

Governor Stubbs proceeded to fulfill the promise in this manner: "The railroad is a government agency and is, therefore, supposed to be subject to law. It is a creature of government, but the creature has grown to such proportions of wealth and political power that provisions of law, and decrees of courts have proven ineffective in so far as they were intended to exercise control over the operation of these commercial giants."

Abandon Celebration

Even the customary celebration on the day of the Exchange is to be abandoned.

BIG MISSOURI MEETING JOINS IN WARREN PROTEST

Ozark, Mo., Dec. 14.—Resolutions protesting against the incarceration of Fred Warren, editor of the Appeal to Reason, sentenced to jail for six months by Judge Pollock for using his paper to set justice on the right track, were adopted at a big mass meeting held in the courthouse here.

SPARGO TELLS ABOUT ELECTION

Hyndman Is Defeated But George Lansbury Goes to Parliament

John Spargo, for several years identified with the Socialist movement in England, expressed his regret over the failure of the election of H. M. Hyndman, the father of Socialism in England, who was defeated for parliament in the election now being held in Great Britain.

Ran in Burnley

"Hyndman," said John Spargo, who was in Chicago to attend the meeting of the national executive committee of the Socialist party, "ran for parliament in the constituency of Burnley."

Abolish Poor-House

"In co-operation with Sidney and Beatrice Webb, Lansbury has roused England with the cry for the abolition of the poorhouse and the establishment of the right to work."

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FEW SOCIALISTS NOT AT WORK

Many Party Members Aiding in Distribution Makes Task Easy.

Workers Everywhere

"There are very few wards today which haven't got a group of workers systematically distributing literature."

Opposes Spasmodic Work

"I am unalterably opposed to the spasmodic, mushroom pre-election campaigning."

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"Keep your hands off. Let everybody know that you are going to keep your hands off; that if strike bills are introduced in the legislature, whose intention is to extract money from you in order that they may not be passed, you will let them pass and let everybody take the consequences. The consequences will be immediate to the men who pass them. Just let them alone. Let them go to their destruction by proving that what they are doing is not serving their constituents, but trying to serve their own pockets."

Stubbs Speaks

Governor Stubbs proceeded to fulfill the promise in this manner: "The railroad is a government agency and is, therefore, supposed to be subject to law. It is a creature of government, but the creature has grown to such proportions of wealth and political power that provisions of law, and decrees of courts have proven ineffective in so far as they were intended to exercise control over the operation of these commercial giants."

Abandon Celebration

Even the customary celebration on the day of the Exchange is to be abandoned.

JAPAN, PROTESTING AGAINST THE DEATH SENTENCE PASSED UPON DESAIRO KOTOKU AND THE TWENTY-FIVE OTHER JAPANESE SOCIALISTS, FOUND GUILTY OF CONSPIRING AGAINST THE LIFE OF THE MIKADO. THE MESSAGE READ:

"We protest emphatically against the sentence barbarously passed upon Kotoku and his comrades."

Letters from Eugene Debs, Jack London, and other noted Socialists were read to the meeting. The case of the condemned Japanese has been appealed, but confirmation of the lower court's sentence is daily expected.

LA CROSSE SOCIALISTS TO AID FAMILIES OF CRIMINALS

La Crosse, Wis., Dec. 14.—That unions wage be paid prisoners at the county jail and the amount given to their families and a small wage be paid single men and the total given them when their term expires will be two of the planks in the platform of the Socialists in the coming spring election in La Crosse.

REJECT JEWS

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—The duma committee on the bill defining the rights of Russian subjects in Finland rejected an amendment giving the Jews equal rights.

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LABOR THE WORLD OVER

Thank God we have a system of labor where there can be a strike. — Abraham Lincoln.

MILL WORKERS CARRY BURDEN

Textile Magnates Shift the Cost of Idle Periods to Toilers.

"The textile mill owners are so arranging things that the cost of trade declines falls on the operatives," said James Carey, national executive committee member of the Socialist party, who is in Chicago.

Custom Changes

"Formerly," he continued, "it was the general custom to keep the mills busy during the greater part of the year and store up large quantities of staple fabrics. This kept the operatives employed fairly steadily, though at low wages."

Produce for Demand

"The manufacturers have now adopted the policy of producing as the market demands. For instance, there is enough textile mill machinery already in existence in the New England states to supply the year's market by working eight months in the year, new mills are being built all over the state."

The Common Fate

"Twenty-five and thirty per cent dividends are not at all uncommon among the mills, which are capitalized at the old conservative figures which represented actual investment in the property."

Girls Pay Price

"Where, with the older machines, one girl could only attend to three or five machines, she can now care for twenty of the Northrup make."

TEXTILE WORKERS STRIKE TO GET 8-HOUR DAY

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 14.—Textile Workers' Union No. 735, of the United Textile Workers of America, are on strike at the knitting works of the Friedman-Blaiz-Farb company of this city.

RUSSIA IS AFRAID OF BEING DISGRACED, IT SEEMS

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—All the opposition parties in the duma have united in addressing an interpellation to the ministers of the interior and justice regarding the reported wholesale flogging of political prisoners in the Zaratul and Volodga prisons in Siberia.

RAILROAD WORKERS IN FAVOR OF WILSON PENSION

Boston, Mass., Dec. 14.—Representatives of organizations of employees on the Boston & Maine railroad voted, 82 to 18, in favor of the co-operative pension plan along the lines of the Wilson pension bill passed by the Massachusetts legislature last year.

Trades Unions

Foster education and uproot ignorance. Shorten hours and lengthen life. Raise wages and lower usury. Develop manhood and balk tyranny. Enlarge society and eliminate classes. Establish fraternity and discourage selfishness. Reduce prejudice and induce liberality. Create rights and abolish wrongs. Lighten toil and brighten men. Cheer the home and friends. Make the world better for those living today.

All wage workers should be union men.

Their progress is limited only by those who hold aloof. Get together. AGITATE, EDUCATE, ORGANIZE! Don't wait until tomorrow. Tomorrow never comes. Don't wait for someone else to start. Begin yourself. Don't bark to the indifferent. Wake them up. Don't think it impossible. Three million organized workers in the American Federation of Labor prove different. Don't weaken. Persistence wins results.

ROADS REJECT MEN'S DEMANDS

Arbitration Under Erdman Law Is Next Step to Be Taken.

Railroad managers will not grant voluntarily any further wage increase to locomotive engineers. That, in substance, will be the reply of the managers today to Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, who, with his assistants, informed the managers yesterday of the result of the recent strike vote of the men on sixty railroad systems in the west.

Submit to Arbitration

In spite of the firm attitude of the managers they have little fear that a strike will be ordered. They are ready to submit the matter to arbitration under the Erdman law and do not believe the engineers will order a strike in the face of an order to arbitrate.

Railroads Offer Compromise

The railroads have offered an increase of about 9 1/2 per cent and the modified demands of the men are for an advance of approximately 15 per cent. The conference between the managers and the representatives of the engineers was brief. It did not last more than fifteen minutes, and neither side showed an inclination to yield.

CONTRACTORS INVOLVED IN ELECTRICAL WORKERS' FIGHT

The organization in Hammond, Ind., yesterday of 200 contractors and material supply men in the Calumet region for self-protection against intercity labor troubles, following the electrical workers' factional war in Gary, is believed to be the prelude to a bitter fight between the contractors and workingmen.

MILWAUKEE TO TREAT TEETH AT CITY EXPENSE

Milwaukee, Dec. 14.—For that toothache goes to the city hall. Municipal odontology is to be established before the end of this year. Forty Milwaukee dentists have offered their services to the school board free of charge, each doctor to devote one-half day a month to the cause of juvenile toothache. A large room on the eighth floor of the city hall has been assigned for the "general parlors," and the apparatus is being installed.

SULLIVAN BACKS GRAHAM TO WIN AT THE PRIMARIES

Preparations to procure the majority nomination for Andrew J. Graham at the Democratic primaries in February will be made tonight when the Democratic county central committee meets. From present indications Roger Sullivan is strong enough to force endorsement of Graham as the "regular" candidate at the primaries.

ECONOMY AIDED BY UNION LABOR

Efficiency and Co-Operation Obtain in Thoroughly Organized Shops.

BY F. HOLMES.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 14.—It is a proven fact that the railroads whose mechanics are best organized maintain their locomotives at the smallest cost per mile.

Proven by Figures

This has been proven by statistics of operation as reported in the annual reports of various railroads in the United States.

In a 1909 report of the Pennsylvania railroad it appears that the cost of locomotive repairs and renewals per locomotive mile was 10.54 cents; on the Baltimore & Ohio this cost was 7.82; on the New York Central it was 7.02; on the Delaware & Lackawanna it was 6.40; on the Norfolk & Western it was 6.29; on the Lake Shore it was 6.22; on Chicago & Northwestern it was 5.08; on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and the Great Northern it was 5.06.

The last three roads are strongly organized (union) roads.

This figures tell the story of increased efficiency where union labor is employed.

Milwaukee Shops Unionized

The shops of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway company, at West Milwaukee, are among the most productive railroad shops in the United States. This is largely due to their being so thoroughly organized.

Unions Add Efficiency

Through the efficiency and co-operation of the union of the machinists in their employ the above company has not only been able to obtain greatly reduced prices upon such locomotives as they have been compelled to purchase, but also higher wages for the men.

Makes Apprentices Proficient

The apprentices are afforded every opportunity to attain the highest proficiency in their craft and their success or failure is entirely dependent upon themselves. Comparatively few fails to make good.

Different in Contract Shops

This can not be said of contract shops, where the wages are subject to the whim, caprice or avarice of the superintendent, foreman or owner. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad is not losing money because it operates its shops with union men. This has been proven by the Forty-Sixth annual report of the company, which according to the newspapers, showed a big net increase in the profits during the year previous to Sept. 9, 1910.

LOCK OUT SHOE WORKERS IN N. Y.

Five Bosses Try a New Scheme to Pervert Big Strike.

New York, Dec. 13.—More than a thousand shoe workers are now out on strike in Brooklyn and New York. The bosses of five shops declared a lockout and the men replied by calling a meeting of the workers of each shop and preparing a new price list, which will be presented to the various bosses. The employers apparently smelled a rat and thought by declaring a lockout they would scare the workers into submitting to the intolerable working conditions which prevail in the shoe industry.

HUSTLERS COLUMN

CONDUCTED BY W. M. CHERNEY

On and On!

Losing hope? Feeling blue? Getting discouraged? Becoming downhearted? If you are, or have any other symptoms of waning optimism, or loss of the enthusiasm of life, drop everything and take a quick look at last week's hustler record and CHEER UP!

Total number of subs received during week ending December 10..... 1,036

Number of expirations..... 595

ACTUAL NET GAIN FOR WEEK..... 431

Another big gain—another climb—another increase. If this isn't enough to take the blue spots out of your system—if this isn't enough to rekindle the fires of your enthusiasm—then I guess you are in the wrong place. You may be on the right road, but you surely must be going in the wrong direction.

But the gain in subs is not the only thing that is good about this report. There were a large number of expirations, and this made the net-gain a little below that of the week before. BUT THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBSCRIPTIONS RECEIVED WAS LARGER!

This ought to ginger you up a little bit more. It shows that the hustlers are working harder. They are pulling together.

Get old readers to renew, and new ones, too. Get every single one that is within your reach. Let no prospective subscriber escape.

You are well under way to make that record for this year. It would be a shame to lose such a splendid chance by slowing down now.

Did I say "slow down"? BOSH! No one ever dreamt that you fellows were going to slow down.

You are going to put on more steam and make more speed!

WE MUST GO ON, AND ON, AND ON, AND ON AGAIN! You hear the call re-echoed everywhere, "A new record for 1910!"

Have you answered the call? EIGHTEEN MORE DAYS!

The cannon of success is surely belching forth good news. Here come two more from Comrade Ed. Hume, Kansas.

NON-UNION FIRM NOT GIVEN CONTRACT BY U. S.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The withdrawal of the bid for the construction of a collier for the United States navy by Moran Brothers, a notorious non-union firm, shipbuilders of Seattle, Wash., was announced by the navy department.

LONGSHOREMEN VOTE IN FAVOR OF LABOR PARTY

The International Longshoremen's Association by an overwhelming majority has just voted by referendum in favor of starting a labor party.

ACTION ON AFFILIATION IS PUT OFF TO JANUARY

Executive Council A. F. of L. has postponed further consideration of the question of issuing a charter to the Western Federation of Miners until January, about the time that the United Mine Workers hold their annual convention.

RAILWAY P. O. CLERKS QUIT; HOURS TOO LONG

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 14.—Central Illinois Railway postal clerks are seeking other employment because of an order lengthening the period of hours on duty from five and a half to six and a half.

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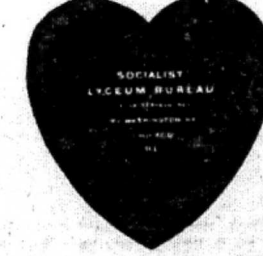
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FOUR BILLIONS IN PENSIONS

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Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—When the House took up the third big appropriation measure—the pension bill—today, it was planned to throw "three speeds ahead," and dispose of the measure as fast as it pushed through the first two—the Indian, and rivers and harbors bills.

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President Taft breaks the Republican party tradition in appointing men, without regard to party, to the Supreme Court.

Mr. White's nomination will probably be confirmed without opposition. Born in Louisiana in 1845, he served in the Confederate army, and has been a life-long Democrat.

He was with the government in all the so-called insular cases, involving the annexation of the Philippines and other island possessions.

The other two gentlemen appointed are also conservative, and lean as far as can be judged from their rulings in cases upon which they have decided, distinctly toward centralization, toward what Roosevelt calls the new nationalism.

Important cases involving the principles of property rights; the right of capitalistic combinations; the right of workmen to organize; the right of the closed shop, are pressing for decision.

Economic conditions, which no man or class of men can control, force the issues. There will be much maneuvering, many illogical decisions. There will be playing to the galleries.

The American people are awakening to the fact that they produce enough wealth to make them all prosperous. They are realizing that POVERTY IS UNNECESSARY—THAT IT CAN BE ABOLISHED.

The cause of poverty is not the inability to produce enough. It is THE FAILURE TO DISTRIBUTE the wealth we produce PROPERLY—honestly, decently, humanely.

The barriers in the way of a proper distribution of wealth are LEGAL. They can be removed by the WILL OF THE NATION.

Law makes the millionaire, and, by an inevitable reaction, the pauper. It favors the few, and thus burdens the many. It protects the few in the possession of advantages and privileges before the many were born.

These issues will present themselves to White. How will he decide? We all know. There is no need of beating about the bush.

Property may be consolidated. It may be merged into corporations—perhaps one corporation. Perhaps the federal government may become its protector directly.

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The Unfinished Story

BY O. HENRY. (Reprinted from McClure's for August, 1906.)

(Concluded From Yesterday.) -Piggy needs but a word. When the girls named him, an undesired stigma was cast upon the noble family of swine.

Dulcie turned to the dresser to get her handkerchief, and then she stopped still, and bit her under lip hard. While looking in her mirror she had seen fairly and herself, a princess, just awakened from a long slumber.

"Tell him I can't go," she said dully. "Tell him I'm sick, or something. Tell him I'm not going out."

"After the door was closed and locked, Dulcie fell upon her bed, crushing her black tie, and cried for ten minutes. General Kitchener was her only friend.

"Who are they?" I asked. "Why," said he, "they are the men who hired working girls, and paid 'em five or six dollars a week to live on."

"Not on your immortality," said I. "I'm only the fellow that set fire to an orphan asylum and murdered a blind man for his pennies."

"The drink habit among women is treated in a vein of strong reprobation by The Christian Work and Evangelist (New York). The practice is of recent growth, but its prevalence in the circles of society in our cities calling attention to it.

"At a dinner party given not many miles from here, the company being made up of members of society whose names many would recognize, and who go to church on Sunday, one of the women drank so indulgently that she ran from the table and, in the presence of a dozen men, attempted to climb a pillar in the room, and the clapping and cheering of the drunken guests.

Members should not be allowed to fall far behind in their dues. When a member is two months in arrears he should either be notified by letter, preferably a printed one, or be called upon by the financial secretary or assistant.

When meetings are held on the streets or in open places, one or more comrades should be assigned this duty, else it is as likely as not to be overlooked.

When the chairman is especially qualified to pump money out of an audience, the appeal for funds should be left to the speaker of the day, that is, if he is an experienced one. All party speakers should study how this can most effectively be done.

When a silver collection is taken at the door, a special collection may be taken up before the meeting disperses. This should always be done when special funds are to be raised, such as campaign funds, funds to fight for the right of free speech, for the building of headquarters, for aiding a strike, for rescuing the victims of capitalist injustice, etc.

Such collections might also be taken with propriety at the business meetings of the local, at its concerts and picnics, at any and every gathering where one is likely to get a sympathetic hearing.

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Why Progress Moves So Slow

SOME FACTS THE AVERAGE WORKER OVERLOOKS BY HENRY E. ALLEN

You are a working man. Your father was, no doubt, a working man. You enjoy some advantages your father did not; you also suffer many disadvantages and worries unknown to your father.

But we absolutely know that PROGRESS MOVES SLOW—distressingly slow. With all our improvements, it is a question whether the lot of the average man is any happier today than it was fifty years ago.

Now, what is the reason for this? Let us briefly examine the situation. We will say the average working man spends five dollars a year or more for reading matter, and honestly tries to inform himself on the various problems of making a living.

This brings us to the important matter: WHY PROGRESS MOVES SO SLOW? why the worker and his family are nearly always poor, and why conditions are but little better today for the average man than they were a half century ago.

No country in the world spends so much for books and newspapers as this country, but, as Mr. Dooley says, "We better not know so much than to know so much than the rest of the world."

Reader, consider these facts, given by Mr. Russell. If you will think over the accounts you have read in your capitalist papers of the struggles of labor from the class war in Colorado to the imprisonment of Fred Warren, you will find that you have been furnished a stupendous mass of lies and misrepresentations in order to KEEP THINGS AS THEY ARE—to keep the owning class on your back.

I quote still further from Mr. Russell: "When you read any opinion on any subject in any average newspaper, how do you know whether it is the opinion of the journal's editor or an opinion purchased through the advertising columns? And how do you know whether the account of an event as related really occurred or whether it has been concocted or colored, or distorted to suit the wishes of some person or persons that have purchased advertising space?"

"These are the facts about American journalism of the day. I leave you to judge how much show reform has among newspaper readers that are daily regaled with a menu of lies adroitly prepared in behalf of the interests."

Does not the worker who will support and read a capitalist paper in preference to a working man's paper, SCAB ON HIS GLASS? Is he not apt to act on the information he thus gains contrary to his best interests as a worker?

Such is the condition of the working class today that proof that labor has for years been stupidly and foolishly taking the advice of the master class through its newspapers—AND NOT ITS OWN PRESS? Is not this the main reason WHY PROGRESS MOVES SO SLOW?

The Only Real History

BY IRA C. TILTON

The tolling millions of this country who hold the balance of political power have neither time nor opportunity to read history written by standard authority. Few have either energy or inclination to read or listen to history of any kind so long as they are making a living wage.

Such is the condition now. We are gradually realizing that the little history taught in our schools and colleges is mere chronology and vicious nonsense; that war heroes and statesmen, with few exceptions, have been and are more instruments in the hands of the owning class. These men understand that if they are to be counted "great," they must be obedient servants of their masters and the owning class.

All this the owners accomplish by manipulation of the machinery of government, which is their lever which they fleece the workers of almost the entire product of their labor, and make it economic suicide for any one who dares to raise, either his voice or pen, in condemnation of their vile and inhuman system.

But history is now being written especially for the workers. Much of it can be read in the faces of men, women and babes. All are listening, and some have read; and the greatest need of the hour is that more people read the real history of the working class. It can be found in books that are too expensive to find their way into a working man's library. It can also be found in the books and papers printed by Socialists. These are not so expensive. Oppression is driving it to the minds and hearts of the people, and they who do the work will soon be prepared to take hold of the government and establish the Co-operative Commonwealth.

Hearst and the Boy Scouts

BY MARY O'REILLY

A few months ago the American Boy Scout movement began its existence with a blare of journalistic trumpets and a heavy canonade of flashlight powder. By the scientific methods of yellow journalism the percentage of the boy scout movement was proclaimed.

Now, after a few months, we hear the old story of the serpent's tooth, for "The American Boy Scout Movement" has proven "a thankless child." Hearst has resigned and withdrawn. Not only this, but he also disclaims the responsibility he so eagerly assumed a few short months ago. He casts the boy scout movement, a waif upon the world because he does not like its business methods.

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The Women Who Drink

BY MARY O'REILLY

The drink habit among women is treated in a vein of strong reprobation by The Christian Work and Evangelist (New York). The practice is of recent growth, but its prevalence in the circles of society in our cities calling attention to it.

"At a dinner party given not many miles from here, the company being made up of members of society whose names many would recognize, and who go to church on Sunday, one of the women drank so indulgently that she ran from the table and, in the presence of a dozen men, attempted to climb a pillar in the room, and the clapping and cheering of the drunken guests.

Members should not be allowed to fall far behind in their dues. When a member is two months in arrears he should either be notified by letter, preferably a printed one, or be called upon by the financial secretary or assistant.

When meetings are held on the streets or in open places, one or more comrades should be assigned this duty, else it is as likely as not to be overlooked.

When the chairman is especially qualified to pump money out of an audience, the appeal for funds should be left to the speaker of the day, that is, if he is an experienced one. All party speakers should study how this can most effectively be done.

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Genus Lost to the World

BY LINDSAY LEWIS

Our lords and masters tell us that Socialism would crush the desire to achieve great things. We are graciously informed, that if Socialists should get control of the government and make an earthly paradise out of this country, why every thing would go to the devil; our scientists, our inventors, our orators, our scholars and Master Builders in all human endeavor would straightway be consumed by a desire to sleep, and all of us would fall to the "dull, dead level of mediocrity."

We workingmen must thoroughly understand that whenever we are comfortably housed and fed—when we have plenty of comfortable clothes, a decent house, with modern conveniences, the opportunity to enjoy flowers, music, literature and art; when we are given an opportunity to travel and once in a while get a breath of Nature's pure air; when we are given the things produced by our labor, our ambitions will become dull and the pace will develop into a set of listless nonentities.

You, Mr. Workingman or Woman, who have been fed on such nonsensical trash by your capitalist masters; did you ever think of the truth contained in the following quotation from Percy Shelley? "How many a rustic Milton has passed by, Stifling his speechless longings of his heart. In remitting drudgery and care! 'Yet every heart contains perfection's germ: The wisest of the sages of the earth—Were but a weak and inexperienced child."

Have you not dreamed of the things you might have accomplished or might yet accomplish, providing you had enough money to carry on experiments, or to complete an education?

Have you not noticed the latent intelligence that flashes now and then from the eyes of your child—and longed for the opportunity to cultivate that intelligence?

Have you not heard the sweet voice of some child of the street or factory and thought of the wonderful things which might be done with that voice, providing it had proper training?

If you have never noticed any of these things, then sit down and ask yourself the following question: If I had time and money and was released from all the drudgery and care, could I not carry out my cherished ambition to better my own conditions, or to educate my children?

After you have asked and answered this question, go to the nearest library and look up the biographies of the great men and women of present and past ages, and see if you do not find that most of them were raised in comparative comfort during childhood—not luxury, but comfort.

Socialism will be the making of thousands of inventors, orators, musicians and artists out of the untold human genius now lying dormant in factory, workshop and street.

WHAT KEPT HER BACK "Mamma," said little Ethel, with a disconsolate look on her face, "I ain't going to school any more."

"Why, my dearie, what's the matter?" the mother gently inquired. "Cause it ain't no use at all. I can never learn to spell. The teacher keeps changing the words on me all the time." Success.

His Own Funeral Sermon

BY E. A. LEHR

After a most painful and embarrassing silence of over a month, Theodore Roosevelt, according to press reports, is to make a public utterance. Neither on a Tuesday, Dec. 13 (though that's unlucky), nor the occasion, a New Haven (Conn.) Chamber of Commerce dinner, is as worthy of note as the fact that this public utterance is to be a sort of funeral sermon over "Teddy," preached by "Teddy" himself—namely, a survey of the recent elections in the country.

Think of what has been stewing and brewing in the "Cobalt" mortal frame during this graveyard silence of thirty days! Big interests—not those that last with "Teddy," but the others—beware; insurgent beware; undesirable citizens, beware; Socialists, beware; the whole blessed universe, beware; and beware, yet again: "Teddy" IS ABOUT TO SPEAK.

Can't you fairly hear him even now, scolding, and chiding, and fazing like an angry, angry giant?

The BIG SWIFT, by reason of an un-naturally stiff decay, has now shrunk to almost the size of a baby's rattle; but "Teddy" will make a deal of noise with it.

The more corrupt the state the more laws.—Tacitus.

A Bas Pollock

Pollock failed to get a seat on the Supreme Court bench. The expose of his character by the Socialist press, seconded by a few Kansas papers and politicians, made it impossible for Taft to nominate him.

Aside from his unfairness in the Warren case and his unprofessional conduct in other cases, exposed in the Appeal to Reason, his private character and professional standing is not such as to recommend him for the Supreme Court. The grave problems which must be met require men of greater power and determination.

Capitalism is putting forth its strongest men to maintain its privileges. Within a short time the issue will be clearly defined. It will be between social democracy and state capitalism; between the logical development of the principles of the Declaration of Independence and the new nationalism; between the people asserting their rights as human beings and the few maintaining their property rights; between man and mammon.

Every hungry child is a condemnation of capitalism. No normal man or woman deliberately lets a child go hungry, but capitalism has so organized society that the victims of the system are removed from the sight and touch of the beneficiaries. It is not a lack of good will and of sentimental sympathy that is the cause of the wretched conditions prevailing in every large city. It is the crude, unscientific character of capitalism, and the vicious, anti-social nature of its principles that unavoidably lead to such conditions.