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## The Situation in France!

By Victor L. Berger.

THE Roman pontiff claims to be the vicar of Christ, and the representative of the almighty God on this earth. The Roman Catholic Church at no time since Pope Gregory VII. (1073-1085)—who was the first to formulate this dogma—has ever renounced its claim "to rule the world." The pope and his spokesmen say that they mean "spiritual rule" of course, but as they construe the word "spiritual," it includes the regulation of every function of civil life, from birth to death.

The history of the Middle ages tells us of terrible wars fought out on these lines. Untold millions of men, women and children were killed, and whole nations perished—for the greater glory of God, as they put it. The best thinkers of those ages died by the faggot or rotted away in dungeons "where no ray of the sun or of the moon ever could reach them," all for the greater glory of God and of this church.

With the invention of the printing press slowly came education and enlightenment and humanitarism, which had disappeared—or had sought refuge with the Arabs—since the church had become all-powerful. The Reformation played havoc with the power of the Roman Catholic church among Germanic nations. Changed economic conditions resulted in making the Reformation almost as much of a social revolution as it was a religious upheaval. The "church" and its adherents resisted. But the Thirty Years war (1618-1648) was the last great "religious war." It cost many millions of lives and German civilization was retarded for about 150 years. And it is significant that the Roman pope protested against the treaty of peace that put an end to it. But that was the last great religious war.

We recall all of this here, because without a knowledge of what happened in the past, the struggle between church and state cannot be understood.

Very few American newspaper readers realize that the Roman Catholic church has never given up its claim that the church is above the state, and that the pope is above the government, whether monarchy or republic, or whatever the form may be. The church still claims jurisdiction, not only over Catholics, but over non-Catholics as well. The church simply submits to the inevitable, because it has not the power to have things its own way.

Theoretically, the church stands today where it stood 800 years ago. If it could get back its old power, we would get back the same old conditions that we had then, which were only a little degree removed from Dante's description of Hell. But all the chants, masses, and pilgrimages in the world will not be able to bring that time back again as long as men and women will be able to read print, provided they are permitted to read whatever they please, and to do their own thinking.

And the church knows that. Therefore the church has always tried to control the schools and the printing press—which, by the way, the monks first described as the invention of the Devil. The church not only demands the right to tell what is to be taught in the schools and what is not to be taught—but it wants jurisdiction over all matter that is to be printed. The church wants the right to say what people are to print, to read, and to think. The works of Darwin, Huxley, Spencer, etc., are still on the "Index" of the books forbidden by the pope.

The result of the domination of the church we have seen during the middle ages all over Europe, but of late only in Spain, Belgium, Austria, and such parts of Italy as were under that influence up to 1860. And also in some of the South American republics.

France is a Catholic country. There are 35,377,000 Roman Catholics, and only 560,000 Protestants, and 49,000 Jews in France. The Roman Catholic religion was until now the state religion and the archbishops, bishops, and priests were paid by the state. France is subdivided into 17 church provinces, each under the rule of an archbishop. These provinces were again subdivided into 67 bishoprics, with about 50,000 priests. There were also, in 1900, about 1663 different monasteries and nunneries. So the pope has quite an army in France.

In France, atheism was always exceedingly strong ever since Voltaire, Diderot, and the Encyclopedists. The educated and professional classes are atheists, almost without exception. The masses in the large cities have grown up in the tradition of the Great French Revolution and have no religion either. The main stronghold of the church is the French peasantry, especially in districts where they are still illiterate and can neither read nor write. And its other stronghold are the women.

The Great French Revolution (1789-1795) went as much against the Roman Catholic church (which was in alliance with the monarchy) as against the Feudal system. The church at that time lost all its property—it owned over one-third of France. Some church dignitaries even lost their heads—not speaking figuratively either.

Napoleon I. tried to pacify the church by a treaty (July 15, 1801) but in 1802 he also published the so-called "organic articles" which declared the supremacy of the state over the church. This the pope rejected. The restoration of the Bourbons, in 1815, brought the church to the top again. But times had changed. In 1830 the July Revolution made an end to the Bourbon rule and to the predominance of the church. Before Louis Phillip (1830-1848) could re-establish the old relations between the church and state, the February Revolution of 1848 swept him away.

Napoleon III. (1851-1870) tried before all things to strengthen his rule by a concordat—a treaty with the pope—which was very favorable to the church, and which was based on the treaty of 1801.

After the fall of the second empire—the republicans thought that the regulation of church matters in France was an internal affair and not to be settled by a treaty with a "foreign power," which the pope considered himself, being represented by an ambassador. Republican Frenchmen resented this so much the more because the church in France was strongly anti-republican and inclined to favor monarchy. Every pretender to the throne of France—from "Henry V" to "Napoleon V" and every military conspirator from Boulanger to Mercier found a ready ally and friend in the clerical portion of France.

The war between the Republicans and the Church began in 1884, when the government passed a law forbidding the monks and nuns to teach in the public schools of France without passing the regular examination. Since then the breach has continually widened until the separation of church and state became the watchword of French radicals and, of course, of Socialists. The great majority of the members of the last chamber of deputies were elected on that platform.

But the charge has been made that the French government is an enemy of religion and is seeking to destroy religion, and that the government has brought on the present issue to get control of a large amount of property belonging to the church. That charge is not true.

The new French law does not provide for the taking over of the church property by the government. It vests the control of the property in the church membership, as it is in Protestant denominations in this country, for instance.

This is surely not a scheme to rob the church, while it may take away such capitalist power of the bishops as the control of the church property gave him personally.

But the congregation must incorporate, very much the same way as in this country. The government turns over to the incorporated congregations the churches and the church property. About 2,000 priests and congregations have done so. But the majority of the priests have refused, being forbidden by the pope to comply with the law. The government, on the other hand, will keep possession of all the churches and the church property, until the congregations to take them over have been formed. This is the situation in France.

To the fair-minded American all this ought to be plain enough. We have had separation of church and state in this country from the beginning of this commonwealth. Yet all the churches, and particu-

A rich lumberman shot a physician the other day, after the physician had wrecked his family, and the dead man's wife told the reporters that her husband had been practically devoting his life to breaking up families. A Boston clergyman is now co-respondent in a sensational divorce suit at Washington, in which he is charged with the paternity of the youngest child of the woman in the case, the child, in fact, being named after its reputed father. A St. Lake City woman has shot ex-Senator Brown, alleging that he is the father of her child, and refused to "do the right thing." A niece of Senator McLaughlin has just been found guilty of killing her family physician, in a moment of insane excitement over sensational gossip after the physician had boasted of his relations with her. The courts have just rendered a verdict in the case of Millionaire Hartje, who sued his wife, alleging improper relations with her negro coachman.

These and a lot of minor cases are the evidences in the public prints at the present time of how the capitalist system fosters the family. This country under the unbridled influence of the capitalist system is becoming morally just what we used to accuse the Parisians of being. The Socialists, with unerring analysis, point to the cause of this hideous development and show that such conditions must continue so long as there is economic insecurity which does not allow men to assume the responsibilities of maintaining homes, that puts women out of the homes and into the factories, and that fills mankind with a feverish selfishness that reckes of nothing and looks on all the world and its inhabitants as fair game for its abominable lusts. Give every person a secure home and see the morals of the race pick up!

Are our modern monarchs beyond the reach of man's punishing power? This question has been raised by W. T. Stead, the famous English journalist, who has written an incendiary article under the heading "Shall King Leopold be Hanged?" He insists that there ought to be some international power that would have the right to administer summary justice to a fiend such as the Belgian king has been shown to be, and the article with its fiery caption is being reprinted with approval in various countries. The very proposal to hang a king by international decree speaks powerfully of the change that has come over the world since modern conditions have molded the public ideas. Mere governmental kings are not accounted absolute as they once were. For the fact is that the changed economic structure of society has shorn them of their power and set up new kings in their place—industrial kings. And the old line of rulers have so descended in the scale of public estimation that a public man, addressing the people without regard to geographical boundaries, seriously proposes the hanging of one of them who has especially shocked the world by his murderous greed.

Yet it is not merely kingly caprice largely the Roman Catholic church, fared well. The Roman Catholics have not only grown in number, but their clergy much more so in influence. The pope, just a few days ago, claimed that the United States are "the great center of Catholicism in the world" and his "only consolation." Archbishop Quigley of Chicago predicted that within 20 years this country will be Roman Catholic entirely. And other church dignitaries make similar claims.

And surely, they know what they are talking about. Just lately Cardinal Gibbons proved to be strong enough to stop American interference against the Belgian atrocities at the Congo—whether that was because King "Cleopold," the biggest sounder and child ravisher in Europe, happens to be a Catholic and a friend of the cardinal, or whether because Gas Trust Ryan of New York received a big land grant at the Congo—we don't know.

But the same cardinal now upbraids America for lack of sympathy with the church in France. I suppose if France were a smaller country the cardinal would demand that warships be sent to France to enforce the edicts of the pope. The time may come when our church dignitaries will make such demands.

The secret of the whole matter is this: The Roman Catholic church is, of course, everywhere in the world—the friend of the capitalists, but nowhere in the world is this alliance getting to be closer than in America. Conversions among the wealthy are nowhere as numerous as here—the Stokers, who tried to get the cardinalship for Archbishop Ireland—are only one example out of many. Only in rare cases a change of religious conviction is responsible for the proselitism. Marriage with the scions of the rotten European aristocracy, love of sensation and of display and in most cases the intuition that the Roman Catholic church is the last bulwark of capitalism—are the real reasons for the rapid growth of Roman Catholic influence among the wealthy in this country.

But to go back to the situation in France. The pope could, of course have accepted the new law without any damage to the church. But he desired a conflict with the French government, hoping thereby to create there a similar Catholic party as the "Centrist" party is in Germany.

But Pius X. is making a mistake. In Germany Pius IX. had a monarchy to fight, which had a special interest in religion as a means of keeping the masses of the people in obedience. But France is a republic. The radicals who rule that country now, do not care to use religion as a "police measure." And the Socialists in France, as everywhere, demand a separation of church and state. So there can be no doubt that separation of church and state will win in France.

## Bellied Success!

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14.—"To those of you who still pray—get down on your knees tonight and pray to God to save this country from its prosperity."

This startling remark was made tonight by Leslie M. Shaw, secretary of the treasury, at a dinner of the Automobile Manufacturers of the United States, at the Willard hotel.

"Speaker Cannon has said," he declared, "this country is a hell of a success, and well has he spoken. But do you gentlemen ever ponder and stop to think what success may lead to?"

Sounds Solemn Warning.

The moment was dramatic. Shaw, about to retire as secretary of the treasury, has been bombarded by business interests from all parts of the country to release currency to meet needs.

"I don't know what is going to become of us. It is all right to boast of our greatness, to herald our wonderful productive capacity, but, gentlemen, we're going too fast. Stop and ponder."

Get down and Pray.

"We have outgrown our swaddling clothes without preparing for a new wardrobe. Only complete disaster can follow a continuation of this unparalleled prosperity. As I said, those of you who pray, get down on your knees and pray God that there will be an abatement or no one can tell what will become of us all—I am sure I cannot."

and bloodthirstiness that is maiming the hapless blacks in the Congo. It is the capitalist system that is doing it, proof of which is shown by the fact that King Leopold has recently admitted some of our big and holy American capitalist cannibals into partnership with him in the devastation of the Congo Free State. Leopold ordered the atrocities in that big African wealth preserve simply because it brings him wealth. For he is a very capitalistic king and his operations there have the saving grace that they produce profits, and profits are holy—even before small portions are turned into cathedrals.

Last Monday the daily papers that are running a "Today's Birthdays" series printed the following about the Countess of Warwick:

"Lady Warwick, the 'most ardent Socialist in England,' was born December 10, 1861, the daughter of Col. C. H. Maynard. In 1881 she was married to Lord Brooke, who, upon the death of his father in 1893, succeeded to the title of Earl of Warwick. Lady Warwick, famous though she is for her beauty, has achieved quite as much distinction on account of her various and well directed charities, and her practical efforts to brighten the lot of the lowly. She has served on the board of poor law guardians and founded a college for training the daughters of professional men in horticulture, dairy, bee and poultry keeping, etc. She founded

also a technical school for boys and girls in Essex, and at Warwick established and maintains a home for crippled children. Several years ago she astounded society by joining the Social-Democratic Federation. Since that time she has worked and spoken in public in advocacy of the principles of Socialism. During the campaign preceding the last general election in England Lady Warwick toured the country and spoke nightly in behalf of the Labor and Socialist candidates for seats in parliament.

The appearance of such a tribute to the countess is all the more notable from the fact that some of the self-same papers were very ready to assure their readers when Lady Warwick first came out for Social-Democracy that it was a mere caprice. Time has shown there was nothing capricious about it.

King Leopold, the richest monarch of modern times, gets the bulk of his present income from the Congo Free State rubber forests, where the native soldiers under their Belgian monarch force the natives to gather rubber under penalty of having their hands cut off if they come in empty handed. The result is that the Congo Free State is filled with men and boys with only stumps where hands should be, or with feet cut off. The horror of the whole Congo situation is just now beginning to make the civilized world shudder, and just as the frightful thing, is beginning to cry out for redress through the lips and pens of leading humanitarians, comes the word that America, whose criticism Leopold most fears, has been drawn into the Congo trade through Thomas F. Ryan of Wall street. Ryan recently gave the Roman Catholic church a cathedral in Maryland and it was dedicated by Cardinal Gibbons and others. Now it is charged by a London missionary now lecturing in this country that Cardinal Gibbons has used his influence to prevent the United States from making official inquiry into the Congo atrocities, and in reply Cardinal Gibbons comes out and insists that the atrocities complained of in the African colony are largely trumped up by prejudiced people. He insists that Leopold has tried to prevent certain practices there. But, anyhow, America isn't investigating, Ryan has his slice in the Congo, and the church has its cathedral and the atrocities may continue in the interests of monarchial and republican capitalism.

Van Cleve, the successor of Parry as a professional denouncer of labor unionism, appears to be surrounded by a fitting set of officers. One of these officers is a man named Marshall, living at Dayton, Ohio. But it looks as if Marshall did not have a very good standing at home when one of the daily papers of his city, the News, would risk it to refer to him editorially as "a despicable character." Marshall, it appears, is a human bird of prey—but let the News editorial tell the story:

"A man who thought anything of himself would not speak to such men as Marshall upon the streets, because they represent a type of manhood that ought to have been stamped out early in the beginning of civilization. They serve no useful purpose—they are a menace to society, a disgrace to that portion of mankind that would work out its own salvation.

"It is generally understood that a portion of Marshall's duty is seeing to it that individual men are discharged from their positions through something very much like a boycott. For instance, a strike is ordered in a factory. One of the workmen who walks out seeks another job and obtains it, say, in Cincinnati. Marshall hunts him down as a slave-driver hanted down the escaped slave, and has the man discharged from his position. The man may never have done anything in his life except to walk out during a strike; he may be a skilled workman, giving a dollar's worth of energy and brains for every dollar he receives. He may have a family depending upon him for support. He may be orderly and peaceful and asking only that he be allowed to earn a living for himself and those depending upon him for support. And yet this human hyena hunts him out and demands of his employers that he be dismissed. That is the sort of man Mr. Van Cleve appealed to when he said, 'We condemn the boycott.' The Industrial Association will never command the respect and attention that it deserves to, in this city at least, until it gets rid of such characters as Marshall."

But if the Parry-site organization were to cut out men of the Marshall type, it would cease to exist. It is only men of that shameless type who go into such an organization in the first place.

## Some Editorial Comment.

We wish you a Merry Christmas!

Switzerland is on the verge of a separation of church and state conflict.

France has passed a law increasing the salaries of the members of the chamber of deputies from \$1,800 to \$3,000 a year.

The London Tribune has pointed out to the Londoners the notable fact of the small expenditures of the candidates on the Social-Democratic tickets.

Can the church be bribed? Some modern churches can. Witness the giving of the Ryan cathedral in Maryland. It should be rechristened the Bloody Congo Cathedral! Let us prey!

During the recent municipal elections in Great Britain the Socialists cast the largest total vote in their history. In the matter of men elected, the poll showed a net gain of two.

Young "Lord" Turnover, member of parliament, is visiting in this country and says he is willing to marry an American girl, "if she is a peach." An American "peach" is a girl with a big fortune behind her, we presume.

The working people of this land can also cry out—"Save us from prosperity," but from a different motive than actuates the secretary of the treasury. The "prosperity" comes off of them, and they can well afford to do without it.

It is said that the Russian peasantry are trying to stave off starvation by eating frozen weeds and straw. Fully twenty-five million men, women and children are reported to be dying for lack of food. And all on account of the human rubbish known as the little father and the "grand" dukes.

"Millionaires Made in a Day," reads a newspaper heading with reference to the Colorado mining country. Now why should a sanitation permit the natural mineral resources to be the spoil of the individual? Let the millions of wealth go to the people collectively, they need it bad enough.

It will take a mighty bulky volume to record the horrors that have become almost the normal thing in Russia if ever an adequate history of the Russian revolt is written. After Stead succeeds in having King Leopold gibbeted, he might well turn his attention to the Russian "grand" dukes.

A dispatch says that complaint has been made that some Mormon children spat on the flag. That was very vulgar. And the wife of the Idaho senator, who makes the complaint, should have her husband get a law through compelling the making of flags out of washable material.

The Cleveland Artisan a labor paper that was run on the plan of recouping its hungry treasury during campaign times by selling full-size puff-balls to old party candidates, or in other words, to trying to sell the working class voters to the enemy in exchange for advertising, has turned up its toes to the daisies. There are others!

Comrade William Dettry, president of the United Mine Workers of his district in Pennsylvania, who was a candidate of our party for congress and who refused to agree to an endorsement of a Labor party, is said to be under the ban of the leaders in his organization, who have now put up a candidate against him for district president; whereas, he has always been unopposed heretofore.

Out in the northwest there is danger of a coal famine because the railroads seem unable to move the coal trains fast enough, and the people have appealed to the governors of some of the states to take the matter out of the private railroad managers' hands for the time being so that the people may have relief. And yet we are told that it is better for the people to have private initiative carry on the business of supplying the people's wants!

The world is shocked at the Congo atrocities. Well may the people shudder at the sight of natives with hands cut off as a penalty for not bringing in enough rubber to satisfy the Belgian king's agents. But how about the facts nearer home? To get his enormous profits from the rubber industry his way King Leopold maintains those who bring him in his wealth. To get their enormous profits from American industry, by reason of private ownership, their way, the capitalists of this country are maiming those who bring them their wealth. Scarcely a day goes by

but that some comrade comes into this office who has mutilated hands, or other scars of capitalist servitude. And it is the same at every other industrial center. Some of the hardest workers for a new civilization today are men with mutilated bodies. Which cuts off the most hands, we wonder—the king of the Congo Free State, or the uncrowned industrial kings of the United States?

Rev. Charles Stelzle, the labor commissioner of the Presbyterian church, in a lecture delivered in East Orange, N. J., declared that he found that Socialism is making rapid progress among the working people. "The labor question," he declared, "is moving in two general directions, namely, politically, and economically. There are at the present time about 900,000 men who vote the Socialist ticket, and if the increase in Socialism is as rapid as it was previous to the last presidential election the Socialist party will elect a president of the United States in eight years."

With less than a hundred Japanese pupils attending the public schools in San Francisco, one wonders what the row could have been about. And as to the mobbing of Japs on the streets, it appears that after the earthquake there was a good deal of huggery on the streets and gangs of tough kids cutting up in a disgraceful way, and the Japs came in for a small share of the indignity of their acts. And this seems to be the sum and substance of the "grave situation" in San Francisco. And such "grave" situations take up the minds of men when they ought in the simplest interests of humanity to be trying to solve the great social question.

The Wisconsin legislature will be asked to enact a compulsory vaccination law. And yet some of the leading scientists of the world hold that vaccination is a crime against nature, that it does not lessen smallpox, and that it is simply introducing into the blood the filth from sores on cows. They claim that the gradual disappearance of smallpox is due to improved sanitation and cleanliness of the homes, smallpox being a filth disease. Inasmuch as the efficacy of vaccination is thus challenged by men entitled to our respect, it would seem that the time of forcing the practice upon the people whether they will or no might well be postponed to a time when men of science can agree on its value.

Father John Ryan, a St. Paul priest, has written a book entitled "The Living Wage," in which he holds that the personal dignity of the laborer is the measure of what a "living wage" should be. He holds that a living wage should be sufficient to provide the worker's family with a home of at least five rooms, proper clothing and food, proper education for the children, and suitable provision for accidents, disease and old age. He figures that six hundred dollars would be the least income that could provide such a living—which to a city dweller seems decidedly inadequate. In fact it has been pointed out that a "living" wage in New York city means at least a thousand dollars a year.

But even if a six hundred dollar minimum could be established it would help some, inasmuch as the government census of 1900 showed the average wage in the United States to be but \$437 a year. And if there were any danger of F. Ryan's book forcing capitalism to grant the higher average living rate, we are afraid that capitalism would get at the St. Paul father through that eminently capitalistical cleric, John Ireland, or that other big capitalist dignitary who has lately come into somewhat unpleasant notoriety, Cardinal Gibbons, the defender of Belgian's lascivious and odious king and his American capitalist pals.

Father Ryan's book strikes a Socialist, of course, as very tame in its views of economic right and wrong. Yet all such books are helpful. It holds that until the worker has been afforded a living wage the employer has no moral right to profits or dividends, the worker being a sort of preferred partner. And the consumer has responsibility, too, being bound morally to pay a fair price for goods so the producer can be adequately remunerated. But setting up moral obligations in the face of economic necessities will not solve the social problem, and Father Ryan will grope amidst contradictions and bewildering jugs as long as he fails to get the Socialist point of view. Forcing concessions for labor is necessary, but even this can be most successfully accomplished when the present social system is understood and the cause back of all its miseries com-

Victor L. Berger.

# Christmas Bargains—What They Mean!

By FRANKLIN H. WENTWORTH.

"Marshall Field and Company announce Special Bargains in silks, laces and women's finery." Chicago Record-Herald.

In every great magazine; in every great metropolitan daily; in every village newspaper; in every crossroads weekly; throughout that part of the world popularly known as "Christendom"—meaning the territory devoted to Christ—may be found during December days the counterpart of this advertisement of Marshall Field.

It is interesting to observe how our simplest, most common and unconscious words and actions expose our hypocrisy of life.

To have our life-fabric so interwoven with pretense and fraud that our obliquity is thus unconsciously exhibited, is to be vile indeed.

It is to appear morally as vain Chicago women often appear physically: wonderful creatures in their finery, heads erect, peacock pride blazing from their eyes; their faces streaked with soot!

When commonly in any trade we are so "fortunate" as to get a bargain, we bar the gain of the other party to the transaction; that is, we beat him.

When we get a Christmas bargain we do the other fellow up partly for our gain and partly to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

In every bargain one party to the trade must lose—that the profit of the other may be gained.

When we buy a silk waist at a bargain it may be some consumptive girl of the sweat-shop or factory that goes naked to the extent of our gain.

When we get a bargain in rare lace it may be some worn woman with dimmed eyes and patient fingers that is underpaid.

Under present conditions either profit to the merchant or bargain to the purchaser means deprivation of the worker.

Whenever we buy a thing of any kind without paying the full value of it, somewhere down the line

of human exploitation, is to debase his image and to drag his ideals in the mire.

Is it not singular that the Socialist, whom the average Christian in his futile ignorance reckons an enemy of law and order, should feel called upon to defend Jesus against defamation at the hands of those who profess his philosophy?

Merry Christmas! This is Christ's birthday. Peace on Earth; good will to men.

Have you succeeded in getting any bargains;—in robbing or beating anybody?

PRAY THE LORD!

by seas and continents—working together for the same end. But this co-operation in production is not for the direct use of the things made by the workers who make them, but for the profit of the owners of the tools and means of production; and to this is due the present division of society into two distinct classes; into that which has sprung all the miseries, inharmonies and contradictions, of our civilization.

Between these two classes there can be no possible compromise or identity of interest, any more than there can be peace in the midst of war, or light in the midst of darkness. A society based upon this class division carries in itself the seeds of its own destruction.

Such a society is founded on fundamental injustice. There can be no possible basis for social peace, for individual freedom, for mental harmony, except in the conscious and complete triumph of the working class as the only class that has the right or power to be.

IV.

The Social-Democratic program is not a theory imposed upon society for its acceptance or rejection. It is but the interpretation of what is, sooner or later, inevitable. Capitalism is already struggling to its destruction. It is no longer competent to organize or administer the work of the world or even to preserve itself.

The captains of industry are appalled at their own inability to control or direct the rapidly socializing forces of industry. The so-called trust is but a sign and form of this developing socialization of the world's work.

The universal increase of the uncertainty of employment, the universal capitalist determination to break down the unity of labor in the trades unions, the widespread apprehensions of impending change, reveal that the constitutions of capitalist society are passing under the power of inhering forces that will soon destroy them.

In the midst of this strain and crises of civilization, the Social-Democratic movement comes as the only saving or conservative force. If the world is to be saved from chaos, from universal disorder and misery, it must be by the union of the workers of all nations in the Social-Democratic movement.

The Social-Democratic party comes with the only proposition or program for intelligently and deliberately organizing the nation for the common good of all its citizens. It is the first time that the mind of man has ever been directed toward the conscious organization of society.

Social-Democracy means that all those things upon which the people in common depend, shall by the people in common be owned and administered. It means that the tools of employment shall belong to their creators and users; that all production shall be for the direct use of the producers; that the making of goods for profit shall come to an end; that we shall all be workers together, and that opportunities shall be open and equal to all men.

V.

To that end that the workers may seize every possible advantage that may strengthen them to gain complete control of the powers of government and thereby the sooner establish the co-operative commonwealth, the Social-Democratic party pledges itself to watch and work in both the economic and political struggle for each successive im-

provement therefore is a world movement. It knows of no conflicts of interest between the workers of one nation and the workers of another. It stands for the freedom of the workers of all nations; and, in so standing, it makes for the full freedom of all humanity.

III.

The Social-Democratic movement owes its birth and growth to that economic development of a world-process which is rapidly separating a working or producing class from a possessing or capitalist class. The class that produces nothing possesses labor's fruits, and the opportunities and enjoyment these fruits afford, while the class that does the world's real work has increasing economic uncertainty, and physical and intellectual misery, as its portion.

The fact that these two classes have not yet become fully conscious of their distinction from each other, the fact that the lines of division and interest may not yet be clearly drawn, does not change the fact of the class conflict.

This class struggle is due to the private ownership of the means of employment, or the tools of production. Wherever and whenever man owned his own land and tools, and by them produced only the things which he used, economic independence was possible. But production or the making of goods, has long since ceased to be individual. The labors of scores or even thousands, enter into almost every article produced. Production is now social or collective. Practically everything is made or done by many men—sometimes separated

of production will be found human labor unrequited; the transaction bears upon its face the stain of human blood.

The coupling of the word bargain with the birthday of Christ exhibits Christian society exactly as it is, a hideous infidelity: a profanation of human life.

Christianity is so defiled that its unconscious language, finding expression in common advertisements, publishes its glaring infamy.

To make the birth-month of the gentle Jesus a time of backstering; to allow for a single instant the association of his name with the idea

of employment grounds society in an economic slavery which renders intellectual and political tyranny inevitable.

Social-Democracy comes to so organize industry and society that every individual shall be secure in that private property in the means of life upon which his liberty of being, thought and action depend. It comes to rescue the people from the vast increasing and successful assault of capitalism upon the liberty of the individual.

II.

As an American Social-Democratic party, we pledge our fidelity to the principles of the International Social-Democracy as embodied in the united thought and action of the Social-Democrats of all nations. In the industrial development already accomplished, the interests of the world workers are separated by no national boundaries.

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Gems for the Socialist Scrap-Book.

LXXIII. THE HERO OF THE COMMUNE—An Incident of the Paris Siege. "Garcon! You—yourself! Snared along with this cursed crew? (Only a child, so brave and bold— Scarcely as much as ten years old)

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Continued from page 3. 7. Florida. "The only state in America to attempt anything in the line of life insurance so far as your committee has been able to learn, is Florida.

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ACROSS THE POND

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GLEANINGS FROM BUSY FIELDS.

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Federated Trades Council.

Regular meeting, Dec. 19, 1906. Bro. Neumann in chair, Bro. Reisse vice chairman. Roll called. Minutes approved. New delegates seated from Steam Engineers No. 139, Barbers No. 64, Iron Workers No. 8.

Election of officers. On motion corresponding secretary cast one ballot for F. Heath for recording secretary for ensuing six months. Bros. Reichert, Handley and Neumann nominated for corresponding secretary. Tellers appointed: Reichert, 70; Handley, 13; Neumann, 9; blank, 3. Bro. Reichert declared elected.

Bros. Hoppe, Berst, and Reisse were nominated for financial secretary. The ballot resulted as follows: Hoppe, 72; Berst, 17; Reisse, 5; blanks, 2. Bro. Hoppe declared elected.

For Treasurer Bros. Acker and Besenberg were nominated and declined. Bros. Sheehan Shad, Grass, Richter, Brodick and Coleman were nominated and declined. Bro. Hammann was elected by ac-

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Local Labor Notes.

Business Agent Wilson of the Machinists has received word that the strike of the machinists at Indianapolis is to be settled shortly.

At a meeting of Broommakers' local No. 1 Monday night, resolutions were adopted instructing the officers to try to get the next convention of the national body for Milwaukee. The convention, if held, will occur some time next summer, and will be attended by about fifty delegates.

The Electrical Workers at the Hippodrome, who went on a strike with the structural iron workers as a result of the employment of non-union men by the contractors doing the work, went back Tuesday morning, the contractor agreeing to employ only union men hereafter.

The long strike of the Tailors against the firm of Casey & Stresen-Reuter, in the Wells building, is over at last, and the trouble amicably adjusted. The firm has been taken from the unfair list. The strike was not without sensational features and both sides were in court in the course of the struggle.

The union men of the city are responding like the heroes they are to the voluntary assessments in behalf of the Molders' strike.

There is a plan on foot, started by certain officers of the building trades, to provide a permanent president for the Federated Trades Council, and to abolish the office of recording secretary. Considerable opposition has already developed.

The council formerly paid its secretary \$50 a year, but on Bro. Reichert's refusal to hold the position further, owing to the great amount of work the office at his suggestion was cut in two and the salary reduced. As to a permanent president, this would be a step backward.

The council's plan of choosing a chairman at each meeting has been one of the things most admired by outside organizations and is believed to be one of the elements of strength and democracy in the local body. The trades council of Denver recently secured information about the "Milwaukee way" and adopted this same plan.

Someone passed round Appeal to Reasons at Wednesday's council meeting, containing an attack on the official organ of the council.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY—COUNTY COURT, IN PROBATE, STATE OF WISCONSIN.

In the Matter of the Estate of JOHANNA KOEPLKE, Deceased.

On this 24th day of December, A. D. 1906, upon reading and filing the petition of MARTIN KOEPLKE, stating that JOHANNA KOEPLKE, of the County of Milwaukee, died testate, on or about the 21st day of November, 1906, and leaving as her sole and lawful heir and executor that OTTO KOEPLKE, or some other suitable person, be appointed Administrator of the estate of said deceased.

IT IS ORDERED: That said application be heard before this Court at a regular term thereof, to be held at the Court House, in the City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1906, at 9 o'clock A. M., or as soon thereafter as the same may be reached on the outside.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That notice of said application and hearing to be given by publishing a copy of this order for three successive weeks, once in each week, in the "Social-Democratic Herald," a newspaper published in said County, prior to said hearing. By the Court: PAUL D. CARPENTER, County Judge.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY COURT, IN PROBATE, STATE OF WISCONSIN.

In the Matter of the Estate of NICKOLAUS STEINBACHER, Deceased.

Letters of Administration on the Estate of NICKOLAUS STEINBACHER, late of the City of Milwaukee, in said County of Milwaukee, deceased, having been duly granted to RICHARD ELSNER by this Court.

IT IS ORDERED: That the time from the date hereof until including the first Tuesday of June, A. D. 1907, be and the same is hereby fixed as the time within which all creditors of the said NICKOLAUS STEINBACHER, deceased, shall present their claims for examination and allowance.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That all claims and demands of all persons against the said NICKOLAUS STEINBACHER deceased, be examined and adjusted before this Court at its Court Room in the Court House, in the City of Milwaukee, in said County, at the regular term thereof appointed to be held on the first Tuesday of September, 1907, and all creditors are hereby notified thereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That notice of the time and place at which said claims and demands will be examined and adjusted as aforesaid, and of the time above limited for said creditors to present their claims and demands, be given by publishing a copy of this order and notice, for four consecutive weeks, once in each week, in the "Social-Democratic Herald," a newspaper published in the County of Milwaukee, the first publication to be within fifteen days from the date hereof. Dated this 7th day of December, 1906.

By the Court: PAUL D. CARPENTER, County Judge. RICHARD ELSNER, Attorney of Estate.

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For Sanitary Homes.

The following resolution has been drawn up by the Painters' District Council and adopted by the Federated Trades Council:

WHEREAS, A movement was begun some years ago to pass an ordinance in the common council, demanding that before covering ceilings and walls in rooms, closets, halls, store rooms, theaters, churches, or public building with paint, wall paper, or calsonime, all old wall paper or calsonime be removed, and

WHEREAS, Said movement, having apparently died out, nothing having been heard of it since two years ago, and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of the Painters' District Council, as the representative body of the Journeymen Painters of Milwaukee that the passage of such an ordinance be a benefit for the public health, as the removal of such old wall paper or calsonime will remove all accumulated dust or destroy all germs which may menace the health of the people, be it therefore

RESOLVED, That the Painters' District Council herewith respectfully requests the Federated Trades Council to use its efforts in reviving an ordinance in the common council demanding the removal of all old wall paper and calsonime, and providing a penalty for non-compliance.

John Schweigert, James Mageean, Charles W. Witt, Committee.

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# Social-Democratic Party News.

## WISCONSIN.

There are at least twenty cities in Wisconsin where there will be city elections held in the spring of 1907 and where there are Socialists more or less active. In some of these cities the comrades are planning to nominate full city tickets this year. Such cities are Racine, Waupaca, Sheboygan, Manitowoc, etc.

In most of the cities this is an off-year, and there will be elections, involving only alternate aldermen and board of supervisors. Such are Kenosha, Waukesha, Ashland, Madison, Prairie Du Chien, Marshfield, etc.

In every one of these cities the questions pertaining to collective ownership of one or more municipal utilities, are coming to the fore, and comrades will have splendid opportunities to show our principles with these issues to use as illustrations. There is in any city of any size, more or less of the graft that accompanies the capitalist administration through the old parties. The Milwaukee comrades have demonstrated that this is a good thing to turn into a weapon against politicians of the old parties.

The comrades in many of these cities are ready to begin promptly in January to stir up the animals by distributing the coal leaflets, and already we have several orders for these leaflets. Waukesha is ready to begin a systematic literary campaign and will take the matter up at their next meeting.

We urge all the comrades throughout the state to lay their plans for the most thorough literary propaganda during the next two years that the state has ever seen. Public sentiment is aroused and ripe, and when the people find out what Social-Democrats propose, they will vote our ticket.

And the cheapest way to educate them is by literature. While there will be some tours by the organizers the aim of the organization department during the next year will be to push to the distribution of leaflets and papers at every possible point.

Comrades, take this up in the branches at once and be ready to take care of your share of the 60,000 edition of the coal leaflet which the state board has authorized to be printed. It will be ready in January.

**First Congressional District.** Kenosha comes to the front with the monthly pledge of \$15 for three months on the district organizer fund, with the promise that more will be forthcoming at the end of that time, if it is needed.

I hear that 12 Racine comrades have pledged themselves for \$1 a month for one year, and we know that there will be more in sight from Racine. There has hardly been time at this writing for other locals to respond, but we have no doubt that there will be more re-

sponses. The First congressional district contains four characteristic industrial cities, Racine, Kenosha, Janesville and Beloit, and the establishment of a man in this field who shall give his time exclusively to the 75,000 population of these industrial centers, together with the towns and farming population, will mark a new departure in the methods of our party and will undoubtedly serve to keep Wisconsin still in the front rank of Socialist cities.

Organizer Gaylord makes a flying trip this week to Schleisinger-ville where the comrades are ready to complete their organization of the local, and to Hartford, which promises to line up in better shape than ever, after the good results of the campaign.

**HIGH BRIDGE.**—An application for charter has been received from this place signed by some more of our Finnish comrades. This makes eight Finnish locals now affiliated with the party in Wisconsin.

The elected Social-Democratic legislators are meeting every Sunday and preparing, with utmost care, the bills which they are to present in the state legislature this winter. Many locals out over the state have sent in suggestions to Comrade Thompson, who acts as secretary for the group, and all are being carefully considered.

Every comrade who has not already done so, should send in a one day's wages contribution to wipe out the deficit.

## A New Year's Resolution.

**RESOLVED,** That I will pay up every month of back dues on the old year of 1906 AT ONCE, and enter the New Year of 1907 with a clean record and a fully paid up membership card.

**RESOLVED,** That I will start the New Year right, by paying up the first three months of 1907, NOW, at once.

Signed

*Every Good Socialist in Wisconsin.*

Comrades, see your local secretary at once and carry out the above resolutions.

**REINFORCEMENTS:** Comrade Tukahen, who acts as interpreter for the Finnish comrades, informs us that he believes that his comrades will gladly contribute a day's wages to wipe out the deficit as soon as they get the statement in their own language. The Finns frequently give a day's wages among themselves to the cause in the old country.

**COMRADE GAYLORD** is at work with his characteristic energy. He will push forward the work that Comrade Thompson has been doing with all possible energy. Two years from now we hope to tell a great story of Socialist victories in Wisconsin. We hope the comrades in every part of the state will do their utmost to co-operate with and assist in every way possible.

As soon as the session of the legislature is over Comrade Thompson will go on the war path again.

## MILWAUKEE.

The "Doppel Quartette" of the Vorwaerts Singing society, held a very successful concert at N. Petersen's hall, last Saturday evening.

The Eleventh ward branch entertained their members and friends with a prize schaffskopf tournament last Sunday afternoon. The same was held at Henry Schmidt's hall, corner Twenty-first avenue and Rogers street.

Some of the locals are slow in getting their subscription lists returned to the campaign committee. Now, comrades, let's all try to get these lists by the end of this year. The Social-Democratic bowling league is progressing successfully.

## State Campaign Fund.

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H. Pruths, Glidden	.25
C. Kungsh, Glidden	.25
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Unknown	1.00
Martin Stolze, Kenosha	1.00
Fred. Krah, Kenosha	.25
Alex. Bachen, Kenosha	.05
Chas. Koch, Kenosha	.05
W. Lechteneller, Kenosha	.05
Walter Stolze	.05
Karl Milke, Kenosha	.05
Alban Fritsche, Kenosha	.10
Mr. Waetzel, Kenosha	.20
Albert Thierfelder, Kenosha	.25
Ernest Gimpel, Kenosha	.25

## SPECIAL NOTICE TO SECRETARIES OF ALL BRANCHES.

The year of 1906 is nearly gone. A new year will soon begin. All comrades will be getting new membership cards and buying stamps for the new year very soon. Be sure to send in to get a sufficient supply of due stamps on hand, so as to be ready to meet this demand.

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## Town Topics by the Town Crier.

What is there of good to the public to come of that horrible elevator accident in the Wells building? The Wells building and the Pabst building have practically the same style of elevators. They work a good deal on the principle of a baby jumper. You take your chances of landing safely when you step into them. They are natural death traps and the owners of the buildings are as culpable in maintaining them as the men in running them. Everybody we have ever heard speak of them has referred to them as dangerous, yet the owners of the building claim to be ignorant of that fact. It is only a few years ago when a man was killed in one of the Pabst building elevators. Yet the lesson did no good. And just now, when the Wells building killing is being discussed there is a queer silence with regard to that other accident. There is total silence with regard to it. In that case a man tried to step into one of the flying cages, but was too late and slipped under it into the elevator shaft and went down to the basement like a rock, where life was literally smashed out of his body by the impact.

The terrible death of Miss Martin has at least started an inquiry into the wages paid to the men and boys who operate the elevators in the city, and it may be that this will lead to some result favorable to public safety. In the killing of an elevator boy in the Juneau flats some years ago, it was shown that he was still in the play time of his life, and boy like had no conception of the dangerous machine he was operating.

The elevator men in the Wells building get forty dollars a month, ten dollars a week. Talk of degraded American labor! In the Pabst building the men get fifty-five dollars a month. There seems to be no uniformity about the pay for this class of exacting work, and if the public knows its business it will demand that the men be allowed to form a union for their own protection and the improvement of their citizenship.

What must we think of City Atty. Kelly? His present conduct would seem to be possible of only one explanation, viz.: that while drawing pay from the city he is in reality trying to serve the corporations, the enemies of the people. Several measures have passed the common council and been regularly sent to the coming session of the legislature. Several of them are bills seeking to curb the most oppressive manifestations of capitalism. Kelly, instead of doing the work he is paid to do, proceeds to sit in judgment on the measures and to pronounce them unconstitutional. In one sense the city is his client. It is not the practice of reputable lawyers to tell the other side that the cases of their clients are predestined failures. And what Kelly has really done has been to provide the corporation lawyers with the finest kind of argument when these bills are presented to the legislators. "Gentlemen," they will say, "why need we say anything when the city attorney of Milwaukee, who has drawn these bills, himself has said publicly that they are unconstitutional!" In fact the city attorney has laid himself open to the very gravest suspicions. It will be remembered on what promises he was elected, but it is but another illustration that workingmen voters are almost sure to be taken in when they rely on the honeyed promises of the old party candidate and on his declarations of how much "his heart goes out to the sons of toil!"

Some idea of Kelly's position may be obtained from the nature of the measures he was ordered to draw up, a majority of them measures introduced by the Social-Democrats:

- For a law enabling the council to fix salaries of all city officers.
- For a city slaughter house.

For authorizing city to acquire street railway properties by condemnation proceedings.

Restraining court commissioners from issuing injunctions.

To regulate the charges for telephone service.

For a municipal dredge.

To take the word "exclusive" out of Gas Company's franchise.

For municipal home rule. Etc.

Not only has Kelly tried to discredit these measures, but he has pleaded lack of time to draw them up. And yet it is notorious that the assistants of his office spend a good deal of their time loitering about the corridors of the city hall and indulging in political gossip.

It is certainly a fine state of things for voters to look at.

It is alleged that Committee Clerk Boyd, of the city clerk's staff is framing up slurring local articles for the *Sentinel* against the Social-Democratic aldermen. An article in Wednesday's issue is attributed to his activity in this direction. It is an embellishment of a far-fetched story launched at Ald. Buech by Henry Hase, who built the short-weight pavement on Mitchell street. The Social-Democratic aldermen caused the job to be investigated which resulted in the discharge of a city inspector and the holding up of the payment for the shoddy, scampish work, and Hase burns for revenge. Several weeks ago Boyd got the *Sentinel's* city hall reporter started on a dizzy story about there being some sort of shortage in the accounts of one of the officers of the Social-Democratic party, and the two of them, Boyd and the reporter, came to party headquarters to try to get some fact that could be made to give the story substantiability. Failing utterly in this, they then tried to make the Federated Trades Council the victim of their work.

Boyd has an old grudge against the Social-Democrats. For it was the Social-Democratic aldermen who exposed him in open council meeting for his lobbying for the Central Heating Co's franchise steal. It was Boyd who helped round up the aldermen for that infamous piece of special legislation, and the Socialists exposed him. Hence his feelings toward them ever since.

The School Board, last Tuesday evening, adopted a new course of readers for the schools, and all directors except Perelles and Arnold voting down a resolution introduced by the former, which called attention to the fact that the publishers of the proposed books were making different prices to different cities, and urging that time be taken to ascertain whether a more advantageous price, as well as a more favorable exchange price, could not be secured from the pub-

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Club	Games Won	Lost	Pct.	
Forwards	39	26	13	667
Appeals	39	22	17	562
La Salles	36	18	18	500
Toilers	39	19	20	487
Jungles	39	18	21	461
Comrades	36	10	26	277

Individual Averages.

Player	Games	Average
1 Klein	24	177.22
2 Gemoll	24	170.3
3 H. Roloff	15	169.9
4 Wilson	8	164.5
5 Bluhm	27	163.20
6 F. Koch	6	163.
7 Kolwitz	36	162.2
8 Fotsch	15	160.3
9 A. Roloff	33	158.28
10 L. Kagel	33	155.21
11 Olson	27	154.14
12 Poehl	38	154.14
13 Perry	36	154.3
14 H. Koch	30	153.29
15 P. Krause	30	153.22
16 Schmidt	24	153.8
17 Mitzenheim	21	152.12
18 Pomrenning	24	151.11
19 W. Krause	18	151.7
20 O. Krause	9	151.2
21 Bartels	9	151.1
22 Lemke	36	150.28
23 Ohl	18	150.15
24 Lexow	12	150.9
25 W. Lecher	33	150.10
26 Fieting	3	150.
27 Oidenberg	18	148.1

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