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### SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE UNDER DISCUSSION

#### Perham Confers With Federal Officials Over Possibility of Ending Struggle.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—An all-day conference between H. B. Perham, chairman of the Railway Department of the American Federation of Labor, Chairman Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and Commissioner of Labor, ended with the understanding that the two men will remain in Washington and hold a further conference with Knapp and Neill on Monday.

### MANY POOR FALL VICTIMS TO COLD

#### Icy Blasts Bring Death to Several Homeless Ones, While Others Seek City's Shelter.

Not in years has there been greater suffering among the poor of this city than was experienced as a result of the cold wave which held all the Eastern states in its grasp yesterday. Hundreds of men and women have been taken to the hospitals and charitable institutions as a result of exposure, and the toll in human life will be heavy.

In this city all records for exposure cases cared for by the hospitals were broken, and the municipal lodging house was filled to its capacity with poverty stricken men and women who came there as a last resort to get out of the cold.

### SUNDAY LECTURES

#### MANHATTAN.

Loric Hall, Sixth Avenue, near 42d street—Louis B. Boudin; subject: "The Duty of the Hour." 11 a.m.

Carnegie Hall, Seventh Avenue and 57th street—Protest meeting against police tyranny among present Ladies' Waist Makers' strike. Speakers: Morris Hillquit, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Martin W. Littleton, Miles M. Dawson and Leonora O'Reilly. 8 p.m.

#### BROOKLYN.

People's Forum, Hart Hall, Gates Avenue, near Broadway—Algeron Lee; subject: "Equality Before the Law." 8 p.m.

### PHILA. COPS ARREST MANY WAIST PICKETS

#### Besses Association to Incorporate Consumers' League to Investigate Condition of Shops.

(Special to The Call.) PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 31.—That the police of this city are using the same methods to deal with the shirtwaist strike as the New York cops is made perfectly clear by the wholesale arrests being made on slimy charges. Yesterday seven strikers were arrested and today there were many more arrests, but despite this the girls are still firm, and hope for an early victory.

Eva Ginsburg was arrested today on the charge of battery and assault, but was bailed out under \$300 bond for hearing later.

### WAIST STRIKERS ISSUE DENIAL THAT THEY REFUSED STATE ARBITRATION

#### On to Carnegie Hall Tomorrow!

If you are in sympathy with the striking shirtwaist makers—if you would like to see them win—if you wish to be numbered in the protest against the continued encroachments of the police and the judiciary on the liberties of the people, then do not fail to lend the weight of your presence, your cheers and your surplus change at the great mass meeting which is to be held at Carnegie Hall tomorrow night.

An unusual array of eloquent speakers has been provided for the occasion. Among them will be: Bolton Hall, the well known reformer; Morris Hillquit, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Martin W. Littleton, Miles M. Dawson, attorney of the strikers, and Leonora O'Reilly, of the Woman's Trade Union League.

### GENERAL ESTRADA TURNS DOWN MADRIZ

#### Leader of Nicaraguan Revolutionists Says Fight Will Be Continued to a Finish.

ORLEANS, La., Dec. 31, via New Orleans.—"I have determined to have nothing to do with the Madriz government. We will continue our fight. The proposition of a peace party I have abandoned."

This statement was made by General Estrada today following his issuance of orders to his staff, in which they are directed to rush plans for the siege of Managua.

Encouraged by the aid that Washington is rendering in the way of succor to his army and prisoners, Estrada has determined to fight the battle out. Madriz is held in the same light that Zelaya was. Estrada has made up his mind that if he accepts Madriz's fighting of the last two months will have been in vain.

Estrada received representatives of the press today, and through an interpreter he outlined the policy under which he will be governed. He declares he will not recognize the presidency of Madriz. The election of Madriz is declared entirely illegal because the people had no voice in it. Estrada intimated he hopes Washington will not back down in the policy it assumed when Zelaya has been run out of the country.

"The abdication of Zelaya," said Estrada, "amounted to little or nothing. He left men in his place just as crassly as he was and they will continue his regime."

### WRECK KILLS THREE

#### Several Others Injured When Rock Island Flyer Leaves the Rails.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Three persons were killed, two or three seriously injured and a number of others hurt in the wreck of the California Special three miles east of Trenton, Mo., today, according to an official statement from General Manager Melchor's office. The statement follows:

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Investigation of the cause of the accident is being made by General Superintendent J. D. Smalley, of Topeka, who is on the ground.

### CONDUCTORS WIN

#### Lehigh R. R. Agrees to Ten-Hour Day For 1910.

The following statement was given out at the office of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company yesterday:

Already having made an agreement with its engineers, the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company has now made a similar one with its conductors, covering rates of pay and conditions of work for the year 1910.

"When the company's previous contract with its conductors expired, about the time of the panic of 1907, business conditions made it impossible to grant the demands presented then. No new agreement was made, and the matter was allowed to rest until now.

"The principal feature of the agreement now made is that a working day of ten hours is granted to the conductors, in place of the twelve-hour day which has prevailed hitherto. The ten-hour day is the rule on other railroads in the same territory.

"Other minor questions were adjusted satisfactorily."

### ASK CITIZENSHIP

#### Porto Ricans Welcome Secretary Dickinson With Demand For Rights.

SAN JUAN, Dec. 31.—Secretary of War Dickinson, General Edwards, Governor Colton, and the gentlemen who accompanied Dickinson on his trip here, went to Ponce today in automobiles, traveling by way of the military road.

They stopped at the towns of Rio Piedras, Caguas, Cayey and Guayama, all of which were decorated with flags in honor of the visitors.

Everywhere banners were displayed bearing the inscription: "We want American citizenship."

Receptions were held in the city halls of the various places, and the mayors delivered addresses of welcome. Dickinson received a number of delegations, the members of which asked for citizenship and an elective senate. He delivered a brief address at Cayey, and reviewed the battalion of the Porto Rico regiment stationed there. The party then had luncheon, after which they proceeded to Ponce.

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### RAISE CARMEN'S WAGES

#### Quaker City Rapid Transit Company Will Also Pension Employees.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 31.—At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, held today, it was voted unanimously upon the resolution of Charles O. Kruger, president and general manager, to make the employees, other than executive officers and office clerks, three substantial benefits, a pension fund and guaranteeing three increases of wages to motormen and conductors and to elevated road employees. In brief, the three propositions are:

1. A death benefit of \$500 as immediate and permanent protection to the families of 9,000 employees.

2. A pension fund, with no cost to the men, for the same 9,000 employees, immediately available, being twenty-five years in the company's service and who have reached the age of sixty-five, the privilege of retiring upon a pension of \$30 a month for life.

3. To motormen and conductors now in the employ of the company for the year 1910, from 23 to 23 cents per hour; July 1, 1911, from 23 to 24 cents an hour, and July 1, 1912, from 24 to 25 cents per hour.

In view of the action of the Lehigh Valley railroad in granting a ten-hour day to its conductors, the railroad men yesterday expressed their confidence that their demands upon adjustment of the Pennsylvania Railroad road employees get like raises every two years to a maximum of 28 cents an hour.

### RAILROADERS TO MEET

#### Conductors and Trainmen Will Formulate Demands Tomorrow.

The demands to be made by railroad trainmen and conductors upon the Eastern railroads for increased wages and a shorter workday will be formulated tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at a meeting to be held in the Broadway Central Hotel.

This meeting will be attended by the general chairman of the union men on each of the big Eastern roads, with the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and the Order of Railroad Conductors. These general chairmen are the official representatives of the union men on the road from which they are sent.

Among the general chairmen for the union men to attend the Sunday morning meeting will be D. M. Holliday, representing the trainmen of the New York Central; James Culbert, of the Erie; W. J. Walsh, of the Lackawanna; B. G. Hannon, of the Lehigh; James Tracy, of the Pennsylvania; and W. V. Knapp, chairman of the board of adjustment of the Pennsylvania Road east of Pittsburgh.

Among the general chairmen who are representing the conductors will be E. Parker Titus, of the Jersey Central; Chairman Slattery, of the New York Central; Timothy Walsh, of the Erie; John L. Rowe, of the New York Central; and M. A. O'Brien, of the Erie.

These chairmen have the demands which the men upon their respective roads wish made upon the railroads. They will canvass the situation and refer the written demands they receive upon the road to the general chairmen. These chairmen

### BRITISH UNIONS FIGHT

#### Object to Lords' Decision Regarding Maintaining of Political Delegation.

LONDON, Dec. 31.—At a conference of representatives of various trades unions here today it was decided that the organizations should declare themselves in favor of an alteration in the definition of a trades union as given by the House of Lords in the recent case of Osborne vs. the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, so as to allow all unions to engage in the political activities that they have pursued from 1882 to the present time. This is conditional on the approval of the members of the various unions at a special conference which is to be held at Newport on February 5.

The effect of the resolution, if approved by the members at large, will be the introduction of a motion in the House of Commons early in the session of the new Parliament asking for alteration of the definition and scope of a trades union.

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SELIGMAN CRITICIZES OUR CONSTITUTIONS

Columbia Professor Decries Conflicts Between State and Federal Authorities.

Severely criticizing the constitutional system of the United States and the method of taxation, Prof. Edwin R. A. Seligman, of the department of political economy of Columbia University, addressed the closing session of the Economic Association yesterday.

He censured the constitutional system as essentially inadequate. Speaking on "The Progress of Taxation During the Past Twenty-five Years," he said: "The older I grow, I find the more deeply I work into our economic and fiscal conditions the more seriously do I question our much lauded system of constitutional restrictions. All other countries have been able to rid themselves of the iniquitous general property tax, while we shall have to devote many arduous years to the effort to overcome the initial restrictions of our state constitutions."

SUFFRAGISTS HOPEFUL

Issue New Year's Statement Reviewing Progress of Year.

The National Woman Suffrage Association issued a statement yesterday outlining the progress of the year in the effort to secure votes for women. That there is a lively interest being manifested in the government, the statement declares, is shown by the amount of newspaper publicity given during 1909. The newspapers publish this news, it says, because the people want to read it.

In North Dakota, the state legislature is to vote on the proposition of granting the ballot to women next year, as will the legislature of Washington, and in both these states the women are confident that they will win. The moving of the national headquarters to New York city, where the alliance could get into closer touch, through the papers and press associations, with the whole of the United States, is said to have been a great forward movement.

There is every prospect of a campaign in Oklahoma this year which the statement says, may end in the granting of the franchise to women. The statement ends: "There is abundant reason to prophesy that the year 1910 will witness such an advance in this movement as has not been seen in all of the past quarter of a century. The time is ripe for woman suffrage, and it cannot be much longer delayed."

TO BUCK THEATER TRUST

Keystone Showhouse Managers Plan Independent Booking Agency.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Dec. 31.—Owners of theaters in Pennsylvania are now joining a newly formed organization having for its object the booking of theatrical companies, irrespective of the theatrical trust. It is called the Pennsylvania Opera House Managers' Association. E. A. Yicker, manager of the Allentown Opera House, is president and J. A. Sheerer, manager of the Harrisburg Opera House, is secretary. The plan is to employ a booking agent in New York city and book plays direct.

PANIC NARROWLY AVERTED

Explosion and Fire Alarm Patients of Post Graduate Hospital.

A panic among the patients of the Post Graduate Hospital, at Second Avenue and 30th street, was narrowly averted yesterday through the coolness of the nurses. A fire broke out in the kitchen of the building in the rear of the hospital, after violent gas explosion had wrecked the stove and thrown live coals all over the floor.

CODINGTONS PLEAD

Prominent New Jerseyites Charged with Misappropriating Funds. SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 31.—Joel Codington, a member of the Somerset County Board of Freeholders, and Horace M. Codington, a prominent lawyer of this place, were arraigned before Judge Schenck in the Somerset County Court this afternoon to plead to indictments for misappropriating the funds of Warren township.

Joel Codington pleaded not guilty to three indictments charging him with misfeasance in office and with misappropriating the funds of the township. He was held in court for several hours until he secured bondsmen, when he was released under \$1,500 bail.

Horace Codington pleaded not guilty to the indictment of misappropriating the funds of the township and released under \$500 bail. Joel Codington has been for years the Democratic leader in Warren township. He was also treasurer of the township and treasurer of the Somerset county Board of Freeholders. Horace Codington was the clerk of the township.

TO PROBE MYSTERY

Essex County, N. J., Grand Jury Will Investigate Asylum Scandal.

That the current Essex County, N. J., grand jury will probe the mystery of the skeleton found in the South Orange Avenue Insane Asylum and that it will continue where its predecessors left off was shown yesterday, when the county officials connected with the Board of Freeholders spent some time with the business committee of the jury.

WHITE SLAVER HIT

"Sam the Painter" Fined \$500 and Sentenced to Penitentiary.

Samuel Rogoff, known to the police as "Sam the Painter," and declared to be the leader of the "white slave" traffic in this city, was sentenced yesterday to eleven months in the penitentiary on Blackwell's Island and to a fine of \$500 by Justice Hoyt in Special Sessions.

Evidence was given against Rogoff by Freda Stern, who was arrested some weeks ago at 50 Cathedral Parkway. She told the police that Rogoff owned the house at that address and that he inveigled girls there on the pretext of finding work.

The girl testified that Rogoff would frequently have a man in his employ, wearing a police badge, make a "raid" on the house. Rogoff would then make the girls give the "officer" money to let them go.

STUDENTS DIDN'T REBEL

Howard University Folk Song Story a Fairy Tale.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The officers of Howard University have expressed great indignation over the reports sent broadcast that the students of that institution, which is one of the leading negro educational institutions of the country, had rebelled against the singing of plantation melodies and folk songs of the days before the Civil War.

U. S. WEIGHER IN TOILS

Ex-Assistant Charged With Conspiracy—Held in \$2,500 Bail.

Simon J. Mascall, an ex-assistant United States weigher, was held in \$2,500 bail for examination on January 11 by United States Commissioner Morie yesterday on a charge of having conspired to effect the entry of eighty cases of cheese at less than the true weight.

HORSE'S KICK KILLS MAN

Tony Scaglio, a laborer, was tending a horse in front of 2360 Hoffman street yesterday, when the animal kicked him in the neck, killing him instantly.

TROLLEY KILLS GARDENER

GREENWICH, Conn., Dec. 31.—Henry F. Reidel, a gardener, formerly employed by Commodore E. C. Benedict, was struck by a trolley car this afternoon and instantly killed. Reidel, who was sixty-five years old, had been walking along the trolley track and was seen by Motorman Charles Weeks, who sounded the bell. Just as the car approached Reidel stepped across the track, probably never having heard the warning. The forward truck passed over him before the car was stopped.

NEW ESPERANTO HEAD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—John Barrett, director of the Bureau of American Republics, today was elected president of the Esperanto Association of North America, succeeding Colonel George Harvey, editor of Harper's Weekly. Barrett, it was said, does not speak esperanto yet, but expects to by the time the sixth international convention of the association meets in Washington next August.

MANHATTAN BRIDGE FORMALLY OPENED

Less of Life in Its Construction Much Less Than on Non-Union Structures.

New York's most costly highway over the East river, officially known as the Manhattan bridge, was formally opened to vehicular traffic yesterday afternoon. The bridge, which cost \$26,000,000, has been nearly seven years in the making, and brings the cost of transpantine communication between Manhattan and Brooklyn down to \$90,000,000.

This bridge is a striking proof of the greater safety of construction under union conditions and by union workmen. Only two men were killed during its construction, while on the Queensboro bridge, erected with non-union labor, 55 lives were lost. A speed record in superstructure construction was made by the steel contractors. It is only a year since the wire cable connecting the towers of the bridge was spun. The Mayor crossed the bridge "unofficially" a week ago today.

Mayor McClellan, Bridge Commissioner Stevenson and Kingley Martin, chief engineer, and Alexander Johnson, consulting engineer of the Bridge Department, formed the official party that declared the bridge open to public use. They left the City Hall at 2 o'clock in an automobile that headed a long line of similar vehicles, containing members of the Brooklyn League and other organizations of Brooklyn borough.

Footpath Not Completed. After the official party crossed the bridge the vehicle roadway was opened to pedestrians for a short time. The bridge was cleared of foot passengers, and from now on vehicular traffic will be uninterrupted. The charge will be the same as over the other East River bridges. The footpath will not be completed or opened until spring.

There are several applicants for railroad franchises over the new bridge, but none of them has yet been seriously considered by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment. The bridge, an approach from the southerly side of Canal street, near the Bowery in the Boro of Manhattan, to the northerly side of Nassau street, between Jay and Bridge streets, in the Boro of Brooklyn. The Manhattan bridge will occupy the two blocks bounded by the Bowery, Canal street, Forsyth street and Bayard street. The Brooklyn terminal will occupy the two blocks bounded by Jay street, Sands street, Bridge street and Nassau street.

HINDU CHARGES EXTORTION

Proprietor of Massage Parlor Says Women Demanded Money.

Two women with a state detective's badge visited the massage parlors run by one Rama, a Hindu, at 242 West 42d street, early in the week, and, showing the shield, which was numbered 157, threatened him with arrest if he did not pay \$200.

The Hindu promised to have the money for them Thursday. When a woman who said she was Edith Schneider, twenty-eight years old, of 238 West 118th street, called in the afternoon she found Detective Donohue, of the West 37th street station, on hand. She was arrested and charged with extortion in the West Side Police Court yesterday. Magistrate Herman held her in \$500 bail for examination.

CANT USE OWN WATERFRONT

City of Norfolk Loses Fight for Recovery of Property.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 31.—The city of Norfolk today in the local Court of Law and Chancery lost its fight for recovery to its own use of waterfront property now used by various transportation lines for wharf purposes, valued at upward of \$2,000,000. The transportation lines hold the property under an ancient lease, executed in 1783, and Judge Hancock held that the city has no right to the waterfront.

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Concert for the Striking Shirtwaist Makers ARRANGED BY THE WOMEN'S COMMITTEE, SOCIALIST PARTY OF BROOKLYN. Under the Direction of ALMA WEBSTER POWELL On Wednesday, January 5, 1910 AT 8 P. M. AT LONG ISLAND BUSINESS COLLEGE South 8th street, near Broadway. Admission, 25 Cents, including Hat Check.

STENOGRAPHER KILLED

Tarrytown Girl Struck by Train and Mortally Injured.

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Miss Sabina McHale, twenty years old, a stenographer, employed at the Maxwell Brice Motor Company's office, was struck by a southbound local train at 8 o'clock this morning and mortally injured.

THREE GIRLS HELD FOR THEFT

The three eighteen-year-old school girls, Margaret Stravick, Emma McGovern and May Smith, who were arrested in a Harlem department store last week, were arraigned before Magistrate Steinert in the Harlem Court yesterday, charged by the store detective with stealing shirtwaists valued at \$7. They waived examination and were held in \$300 bail for trial.

TWO FIREMEN HURT

Two firemen were overcome, one of them being seriously hurt in a fire at 336 East 38th street last night. The blaze was confined to the collar of a tenement house in which were twenty families, but the firemen had great difficulty on account of the smoke and water.

11 MEN INDICTED

Officials of Food Product Commission Accused of Trust Deal.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 31.—Three officers and six members of the board of directors of the Kansas City Fruit and Produce Exchange were indicted today by the Jackson county grand jury. The indictments charge that the members of the exchange are in combination to control the price of butter, eggs, potatoes and other food-stuffs on the Kansas City market.

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The plan is to allow the girls to sell the Special Edition of the Call during intervals...

Thomas Hood Outdone. The meantime the managers busy, and a song was composed by Miss Blum...

The milk of human kindness as it flows in some quarters at the sight of striking girls was illustrated yesterday in a letter sent to Mrs. Rose...

Rebecca Slobosky, accused of yelling at scabs was also discharged by Magistrate O'Connor.

Evil Molekovich, arraigned on the charge of assaulting a scab in the employ of Blumenthal Brothers, at 178 Wooster street, was held under \$500 bonds...

Carl Fischer-Hansen Out. Visits City Alone—Spent 10 Months on Blackwell's for Bribery.

COP RESCUES OLD WOMAN. Policeman Levy distinguished himself yesterday by rescuing an old woman from her home in Richmond Hill, L. I., and then at solicitation by going back into the house to get her money and valuables.

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THE ROYAL SHOE FOR MEN. \$2.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00 a Specialty.

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Prof. Willard Fisher, of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., is at the Walden-Astoria fully recovered from his indisposition. Professor Fisher was in attendance upon the American Economic Association meeting when taken ill. His sickness, in connection with that of Professor William G. Sumner, of Yale, occasioned much sympathy for a time among the delegates. Professor Sumner is rapidly improving at the Murray Hill Hotel.

White Rose Ceylon Tea. A 10c. Package Makes 60 Cups.

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ALWAYS SUPT. TILL BARRICADED

G. Collins Holding the Fort Last Night as the New Year Came In.

G. Collins, who has been eating sleeping in the office of the Superintendent of Highways on the sixteenth floor of the Park Row building since Monday evening in an effort to demonstrate by physical possession that he is the lawful incumbent instead of P. Scannell, drew off the chain barricaded the door at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and stepped into the hall with John W. Brown, his first door on the right led into a room where the clerks of the bureau clustered discussing the question of allegiance.

A lawyer nailed a sheet of papers to the door and walked back into the office with his client. The document was a peremptory mandamus told all comers that Judge Davis, Supreme Court, had granted Collins' writ reinstating him in office as a result of the suit brought by him against the city.

After the campers settled to a state of sleep, a top clerk came up behind the roller top desk and where Collins expected to find arrangements with a catering restaurant supplied his sustenance. Seven good men and true joined him early in the evening when they were getting ready for the attack that was to be for about midnight. Two of these preparations were furnishing much amusement to the other men.

John Cloughen, who has taken Scannell's place as Mayor, had closed up his office and was going to try to break in the door. Cloughen, however, believed that all rumpus wouldn't amount to anything after next Monday.

Cloughen had told him that he intended to use the office of superintendent as a useless source of expense. The Collins side declared that such action was impossible on the ground that the officer would be sued out only if charges were sustained against him.

Collins hopes to get some \$40,000 for back pay. Why they were going to have a session at midnight last night.

McCLELLAN NAMED BY POLK Mayor McClellan announced yesterday morning his last appointment as Mayor of New York City, naming J. L. Polk, who has already declined his unwillingness to accept an appointment to the present position.

KILLED IN WRECK

Spencer Trask, Noted Banker, Dies in Crash on New York Central.

Spencer Trask, the noted banker, was killed in a rear-end collision between the second section of the Montreal Express and a fast freight train at Croton, just before 8 o'clock yesterday morning.

For more than five hours after the wreck the New York Central was tied up, and no trains could move, and shortly after the arrival of C. F. Smith, the general superintendent of the line, four men were placed under arrest.

These were J. T. Bellew, the towerman; Eugene Flanagan, engineer of the freight; J. E. Knapp, fireman of the freight, and Bert Ritter, flagman of the express. They were held by Constable Blinker till a formal charge could be made against them.

Only by accident did the two rear sleepers of the express keep from being pushed into the Hudson river. Had they been knocked to the right side they would have gone down with their sixteen passengers.

Division Superintendent Frank T. Slack said yesterday that the Montreal express came to a stop in response to a signal because there was a train in the block ahead. The Montreal train had been at a standstill not more than two minutes and the signal had been set to protect it when the freight train, disregarding the signal, dashed into the express.

The accident occurred on what is known as the Riverside track at the upper dock crossing. The express stopped because a Peekskill train ahead of it had lost steam.

DE LARA ASKS PROBE Mexican Socialist Will Demand Justice for Imprisoned Comrades.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 31.—R. Gutierrez de Lara, the Mexican Socialist who was imprisoned at Los Angeles on the charge that he was an alien anarchist, but released before the case came to trial, as a result of the agitation in his favor by the Socialist and labor press, has issued the following statement regarding his contemplated trip to Washington, D. C.:

JONNESCO WRITES ON USE OF STOVAINE

Sure That Spinal Anesthesia Will Become Universal in Surgery. Takes Critics to Task.

In the current issue of the New York Medical Journal, Dr. Thomas Jonnesco, the distinguished Roumanian surgeon, whose demonstrations here of the new anesthetic, stovaine, have caused so much discussion and division of medical opinion, replies in a long letter to the editor to his American critics.

"The daily papers have published so many errors both about my method and myself that it has been impossible for me to answer them. I have never intended to rob Dr. J. Leonard Corning of the merit of having discovered spinal anesthesia obtained by lumbar puncture, and I have never pretended to have discovered stovaine any more than strychnine. That does not prevent my method from being absolutely new and personal—a fact that has not been denied by any man of science either in Europe or in America.

"What I have done is to transform lumbar spinal anesthesia into general spinal anesthesia, thanks to two facts which were thought impossible, but which I have proved to be easy and harmless (a) the puncture of the spine at a level with the medulla and not below; (b) the addition of strychnine to the anesthetic, be it stovaine or tropacocaine or novocaine, which enables it to be injected at all levels without danger and to produce perfect analgesia.

All Patients Perfectly Anaesthetized. "I have until now effected twenty-three spinal anesthetics in America, sixteen by low and seven by high puncture. Among these twenty-three patients there were six who were in such physical condition that anesthesia by inhalation would have proved very dangerous and they all stood spinal anesthesia.

"Among the patients I have injected some had lung diseases, and it would have been dangerous to give them ether or chloroform. Others had heart failure, and anesthesia by inhalation would have been extremely dangerous if not mortal. The best proof is a case in which I demonstrated at the Mercy Hospital, Chicago. A physician had for several years had double inguinal hernia, but suffering from chronic myocarditis, would not expose himself to anesthesia by inhalation. I injected my mixture and the patient stood the operation very well.

"All these patients were perfectly anaesthetized, and the proof of it must not be searched for in their speech, which can be influenced by their nervous condition, but in the complete lack of protective movements which patients can always make, one-half of their body being not anaesthetic. The perfect immobility of a patient is the best indication of the lack of pain.

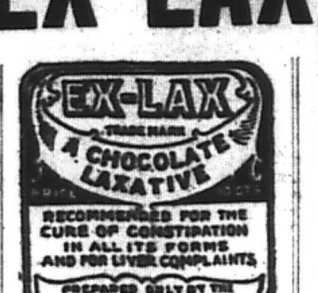
"I am astonished to read that my method is accepted in cases where anesthesia by inhalation would be dangerous if not impossible, and is rejected in general use. This is the greatest praise which I could have expected. If my method of spinal anesthesia can save from death patients who could not stand anesthesia by inhalation, I wonder why in normal cases my method should prove to be inferior.

"I am firmly convinced that general spinal anesthesia will be the analgesic method of the future, thanks to its simplicity, its lack of contradictions and its harmlessness."

PASHA ASSASSINATED Turkish Governor Killed on Way from Sana to Red Sea.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 31.—News was received to-day of the assassination on last Monday of Hassan Tashim Pasha, Governor General of the Yemen Vilayet, while he was on his way from Sana to the Red Sea.

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GOADED TO ACTION Red Cross at Last Takes Steps to Pension Cherry Miners' Families.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Goaded on by the charges made in the columns of the Daily Socialist in inaction in the handling of the money raised to aid the families of the 254 victims of the St. Paul mine horror at Cherry, Ernest P. Bicknell, national director of the Red Cross made plans today to call a meeting of the foreign consuls in Chicago and the executive committee of the United Mine Workers to adopt a permanent relief plan for pensioning survivors of the mine disaster whose breadwinners lost their lives.

The Red Cross Society has adopted a plan whereby the widows will be given a sum every week until the question of permanent relief is sanctioned by the consuls of the United Mine Workers.

There is a fund of \$50,000 set aside for permanent relief of the Cherry families and Bicknell says it will be equally divided and that none will be forced to wait for anything for several years to come.

It is thought the question of permanent relief will not be decided before the latter part of February. The legislature convenes in January and the miners hold their state convention in February, and these two bodies will have to concur in the plan before the Red Cross can distribute the relief fund.

COST OF LIVING HIGH Reynolds, Official Beef Trust Investigator, Favors Co-operative Stores.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—James Bronson Reynolds, official investigator of the Beef Trust and a lot of other things, expressed the opinion after a call at the White House today that there was need of an investigation of the higher cost of living.

Reynolds said he believed that about the only solution of the problem was in the operation of co-operative stores through which the poor could buy the best sort of food products at prices not beaten by those offered by the best stores.

EVICTED WOMAN GETS AID. Relief Comes to Mrs. O'Rourke and Her Four Little Ones.

SPORTS BREAKS RECORD

Maurice Farman Flies 48 Miles Cross Country in 50 Minutes.

PARIS, Dec. 31.—Maurice Farman, a brother of Henri Farman, today broke the cross-country aeroplane record by flying from Chartres to Orleans, a distance of forty-eight miles "as the crow flies," in fifty minutes. Farman flew at an average height of 300 feet.

Farman used a biplane of his own construction. Cross-country flights are his specialty. Three weeks ago he established the cross-country record which he broke today, by flying from Versailles to Chartres, a distance of forty-four miles, in fifty-four minutes.

Aviator Paul Tisandier today made a half hour's flight over the city of Pau with Count Mallinski as a fellow passenger. He flew in a Wright biplane.

While making a flight at Mourmelon-le-Grand today, M. Baeders' biplane fell into a large tree. The aviator disentangled himself from his wrecked machine and climbed down the tree unhurt. The machine was badly damaged.

FIVE TEAMS TIED. Root and Fogler Setting the Pace in Berlin Six-Day Cycle Race.

BERLIN, Dec. 31.—Five teams are today tied in the day's bicycle race. Root and Fogler of the New York, Rutt and Clarke, winners of the recent race in New York, Stol and Walthour, Berthel and Brocco and Stabe and Pawke.

None of the other teams is believed to have a chance for first place, as they are lagging behind all the way from three to fifty-four laps. The team of Root and Fogler is today setting the pace.

KELLY TO BOX MANTELL. BOSTON, Dec. 31.—Announcement was made here today that Hugo Kelly of Chicago, and Frank Mantell of Pawtucket, would meet here January 11 for the feature bout of twelve rounds before the Army A. A. Mantell's victory over Jack (Twin) Sullivan leads to the expectation of a hot bout with the Chicago fighter.

LEADS STATE BATTERERS. WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Dec. 31.—President J. H. Farrell, of the New York State League, issued his official averages of fielding and batting today.

In batting he gives the honors to Outfielder Kay, of Albany, who has the fine average of .351. Center Fielder Drake, of Wilkes-Barre, is second, with an average of .345, and Beville, of Syracuse third with .327.

SNOW BIDS OPENED Prediction That Lowest Bidder Will "Go Broke"—If He Gets Job.

STOP CONGO ABUSES

King Albert May Have That in View—Governor Resigns.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 31.—An authoritative but unofficial announcement today declares King Albert has accepted the resignation of the entire civil and military staffs of King Leopold, including that of Baron Wahis, Governor-General of the Belgian Congo.

This action by the King is accepted as the preliminary step to the outstamping of the old regime in the Congo and putting an end to the shock that have for so long shocked the civilized world. Albert is said to consider all of the late King's advisers were implicated in these abuses.

Baron Wahis resisted his retirement vigorously, insisting it would place the new regime in the light of pleading guilty to the charges made against Belgium. The King, however, was firm in insisting on a complete new deal.

The prospects of a change in the Congo policy are the subject of felicitous expressions in the papers.

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MORSE READY TO GO

At last it seems as though Charles W. Morse, the convicted banker, must go on to the federal penitentiary at Atlanta to begin to serve his fifteen-year sentence for manipulation of the funds of the National Bank of North America.

TO LESSEN DISASTERS

American Scientists Ask Congress For Bureau of Mines. BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 31.—The annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science at its closing session here today, passed a resolution urging Congress to create during its present session a Bureau of Mines, which shall endeavor to alleviate the disasters and losses now prevalent in the American mining industry.

N. Y. C. GETS MORE TIME

Service Board Approves 18-Months Extension for Completion of Terminal. An eighteen months' extension for the New York Central to complete work on the new Grand Central terminal improvement was approved yesterday by the Public Service Commission.

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Telegraphic Briefs

Chile Adopts Standard Time. SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 31.—With the new year Chile will adopt a system of Eastern standard time. Under the new reckoning time here will correspond with that of the Eastern time division in the United States. Robbers Badly Done Up. OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Dec. 31.—One robber was killed, another fatally wounded and a third escaped today when the Oklahoma City police endeavored to capture yegmen who attempted to rob the State Bank at Harrah, a small town twenty miles east. The dead man was identified as Frank Quigg, Kansas City. The wounded man, said to be dying at St. Anthony's Hospital here, is Frank Carpenter. The name of the man who escaped is unknown.

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PICKPOCKETS ACTIVE

Make Two Big Hands on Cars Crossing Williamsburg Bridge. In two thefts reported yesterday on cars crossing the Williamsburg bridge, the police say pickpockets got jewelry valued at \$2,500 and \$450 in cash.

PAYS \$7,500 FINE

Costs Fashionable Dressmaker That Sum for Beating Uncle Sam. Caroline Windmuller, a fashionable dressmaker, of 426 Fifth avenue, who was indicted along with twenty-seven other dressmakers and importers a week ago for smuggling by means of so-called sleeper trunks, appeared before Judge Noyes in the United States Circuit Court yesterday afternoon and changed her former plea of not guilty of smuggling to one of smuggling.

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# Socialist News of the Day

Tonight's Meetings.

MANHATTAN AND BRONX. Business. 23d A. D. (Branch 2, Williamsbridge) - 233d street and White Plains Avenue.

LECTURE ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE. The first of a series of lectures arranged by the Inter High School Socialist League on social and economic topics will be delivered at the Rang School of Social Science, 112 East 19th street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT. An entertainment and package party will be given by the 3d and 10th A. D., at 266 East 10th street, tonight at 8 o'clock sharp.

BROOKLYN. Business Meeting. 15th A. D. (Italian) - 555 Graham Avenue.

BROWNSVILLE TO CELEBRATE. Tonight, in the clubrooms of Branch 2, 23 A. D., of Brooklyn, at 1831 Pitkin Avenue, corner Sackman, a grand entertainment will be held to celebrate the new year.

IRVINGTON. Branch Irvington, N. J. will keep open house today from 2 until 11 p.m. at their headquarters, corner Springfield and Union avenues.

ESSEX COUNTY. County committee - 128 Market street. Important business.

PHILADELPHIA, PA. Business Meeting. 28th and 22d Wards Branch - Kehoe's Hall, 252 1/2 West York street.

Public Meeting. Tomorrow afternoon Paul Wallace Hanna, the well-known writer, will deliver an address on "Toilet's Attitude Toward Socialism."

Study-Course in Socialism. Under the Auspices of Local Kings County A SERIES OF 18 LESSONS CONDUCTED BY GEORGE R. KIRKPATRICK, A. B.

MEETING HALLS. LABOR TEMPLE 243 21st E. 84th St. New York. Workers' Educational Association.

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duction. That his talk will prove to be an intellectual treat is a foregone conclusion. He is well able to handle the subject he has chosen, and will gladly answer questions at the close of his talk.

ELECT NEW OFFICERS. The 28th and 30th A. D. at its meeting last night elected the following officers: H. Sussman, organizer; Alexander Schlesinger, financial secretary; Alex. V. DeGroot, recording secretary.

THE RUSSELL-HILLQUIT DEBATE. From the many inquiries received by the lecture committee, the debate between Professor Isaac Franklin Russell and Morris Hillquit, on January 22, at the Brooklyn Labor Lyceum, promises to be a huge success.

Some of the literary and alumni societies will come in a body, and the schools and colleges will also be well represented. Professor Russell's class in the University of New York is arranging to attend, some 200 strong.

Although it is now almost a month before the debate, the sale of reserved seat tickets is progressing rapidly. There are but eight more rows of reserved seats left.

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At the last meeting of Local Chico the members decided unanimously to continue the services of Jack Wood as organizer of that section.

BERGER TO LECTURE. Will speak on "A Labor Party in America," Monday Night.

Victor L. Berger, of Milwaukee, Wis., associate editor of the Socialist Democratic Herald, and member of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist party, will lecture under the auspices of the 8th Assembly district of Local New York of the Socialist party Monday, January 3, at Cooper Union.

Berger has chosen "A Labor Party in America" as his subject and his knowledge of the labor movement will doubtless make one of the most interesting lectures delivered in this city this winter.

Abraham Cohen, editor of the Jewish Daily Forward, author of the Red Terror, etc., will act as chairman.

Tickets are on sale at the office of the Socialist party, 239 East 84th street; office of The Call, 442 Pearl street; office of the Forward, 175 East Broadway; Rand School, 112 East 19th street, and headquarters of the 8th A. D., 313 Grand street.

FOR CITY OWNERSHIP. Frisco Citizens Vote in Favor of Bonds to Operate Own Car Line.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—After declaring against municipally owned and operated street railroads three times in five years, voters of this city at a special bond election yesterday registered their preference in favor of the project.

The city owns a cable line extending from Market street out Geary to Golden Gate Park, the system being leased to private capital. The road will now be reconstructed and operated under the supervision of city officials.

The United Railroads, which practically has had a monopoly of street railways in this city, made a vigorous campaign against the \$2,000,000 bond issue voted on yesterday.

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In closing this brief economic analysis of the capitalist system, we must consider some recent tendencies of this system, especially in the distribution of the value produced.

The proportions in which the value product is distributed vary continually and in a very complex manner. General observation and study of statistics justify the following general statements as to tendencies of recent years in this country.

Wages and Surplus Value.—It is impossible to determine the exact proportion in which, at any given time, the value product is divided between wages and surplus value. The statement so often made that only 15 per cent of the product now goes to the workers and 85 per cent is retained by the capitalists is grossly exaggerated.

In the manufacturing industries of the United States, according to the census of 1900, the total wages amounted to \$1,801,000,000 and the total surplus value to at least \$1,088,000,000; according to the census of 1900, the total surplus value to at least \$2,200,000,000; in reality, the amount of surplus value in each of these years was considerably greater than here stated.

The fact that Charles S. Whitman, former judge of the Supreme Court and district attorney of New York, will preside, is considered by non-Socialists that the debate will be conducted fairly and properly.

Rent, Interest and Profit.—The capitalists' share is divided into rent, interest and profit, and the ratio of this division varies continually. In general, the proportion going to rent is increasing. The rate of interest is slowly declining and the proportion of the total surplus value appropriated in this form is becoming less.

This means a reduction in the share going to mere investors, who are largely small capitalists or members of the middle classes, and an increase in the share appropriated by large capitalists who actively control production.

Tendency of Wages.—We must distinguish nominal wages, the amount of money paid for labor, from real wages, the amount of food, clothing, etc., which that money will buy.

The rate of wages paid for various kinds of labor have, on the whole, kept increasing through the whole period of capitalism in the United States, rising more in periods of prosperity than they fell in times of depression, their rise being accelerated and their fall retarded by the action of the unions within the last forty years.

Suppose that at a given time we have 250,000 factory operatives getting \$1.50 a day, 500,000 laborers getting \$1.50 a day, and 250,000 skilled mechanics getting \$2 a day; the total daily wages for the million workers will be \$1,500,000, and the average wage rate for the whole will be \$1.50 a day.

Suppose that a few years later, we have 1,000,000 operatives getting \$1.10 a day, 600,000 laborers getting \$1.60 a day, and 400,000 mechanics getting \$2.10 a day; the total daily wages for the two million workers will be \$2,900,000, and the average wage rate for the whole will be \$1.45 a day.

While the average wage rate for the whole has risen, the average wage rate for the whole has fallen, because of the change in the proportionate numbers in the various branches.

This is what has happened in the United States in recent years. The disproportionate increase in the number of workers in the most poorly paid branches has more than counterbalanced the rise of wage rates.

Prices and Real Wages.—Real wages are affected by fluctuation of price as well as by fluctuation of money wages. If money wages remain unchanged, a rise of prices means a fall of real wages, and vice versa.

During the greater part of the capitalist period in this country some commodity prices were rising and other falling, and the general tendency was downward. During the last two decades, however, there has been a general upward

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## THE PAST YEAR.

In the social and political sphere several actions of importance took place in the past year, which, however, was not marked by any dominant tendency.

Perhaps the most important developments took place in the New East. In Turkey as well as in Persia the progressives gained the upper hand, but in the latter country their success is precarious and is constantly menaced by the possibility of Russian intervention.

In the Far East there was no new development of especial significance, but the unrest in India resulted, on the one hand, in a number of assassinations of British officials, and on the other hand in the adoption of even more stringent measures by the foreign rulers of that unhappy country.

It should be noted that the progressive movement of the New as well as of the Far East is twofold in character. On the one hand it aims at restricting the power of the native rulers and creating something like constitutional government. On the other hand it is aimed against the foreign influences and strives toward the establishment of national independence. The success of this progressive movement will have for its immediate result the creation of political conditions favorable to the establishment and development of the capitalist system.

In Russia the reaction worked unhampered throughout the year, save only for an occasional assassination of a government official or the revelations of the revolting methods resorted to by the political police as shown in the Azef affair. The prostration of Russian society before the autocracy found its counterpart in the prostration of the autocracy before the foreign powers and foreign financiers. The visits of the Czar to the Kings of England and Italy and to the President of France accomplished one purpose. They made plain to all the world the feeling of intense abhorrence which the peoples of the West regard the Russian autocrat.

In Spain the uprising of the most industrious and enlightened city and province against the mining speculators' expedition in Morocco was crushed. But the speculators' government was rewarded by disaster in Morocco and by the universal outburst of execration caused by the execution of Ferrer.

In France the most notable political event was the rise of Briand, the former Socialist, to the premiership. This event caused barely a ripple upon the surface of French Socialism, which ten years earlier was split into two hostile camps by a similar occurrence. It implied the definite break of French Socialism with the reformist tendency known as "ministerialism."

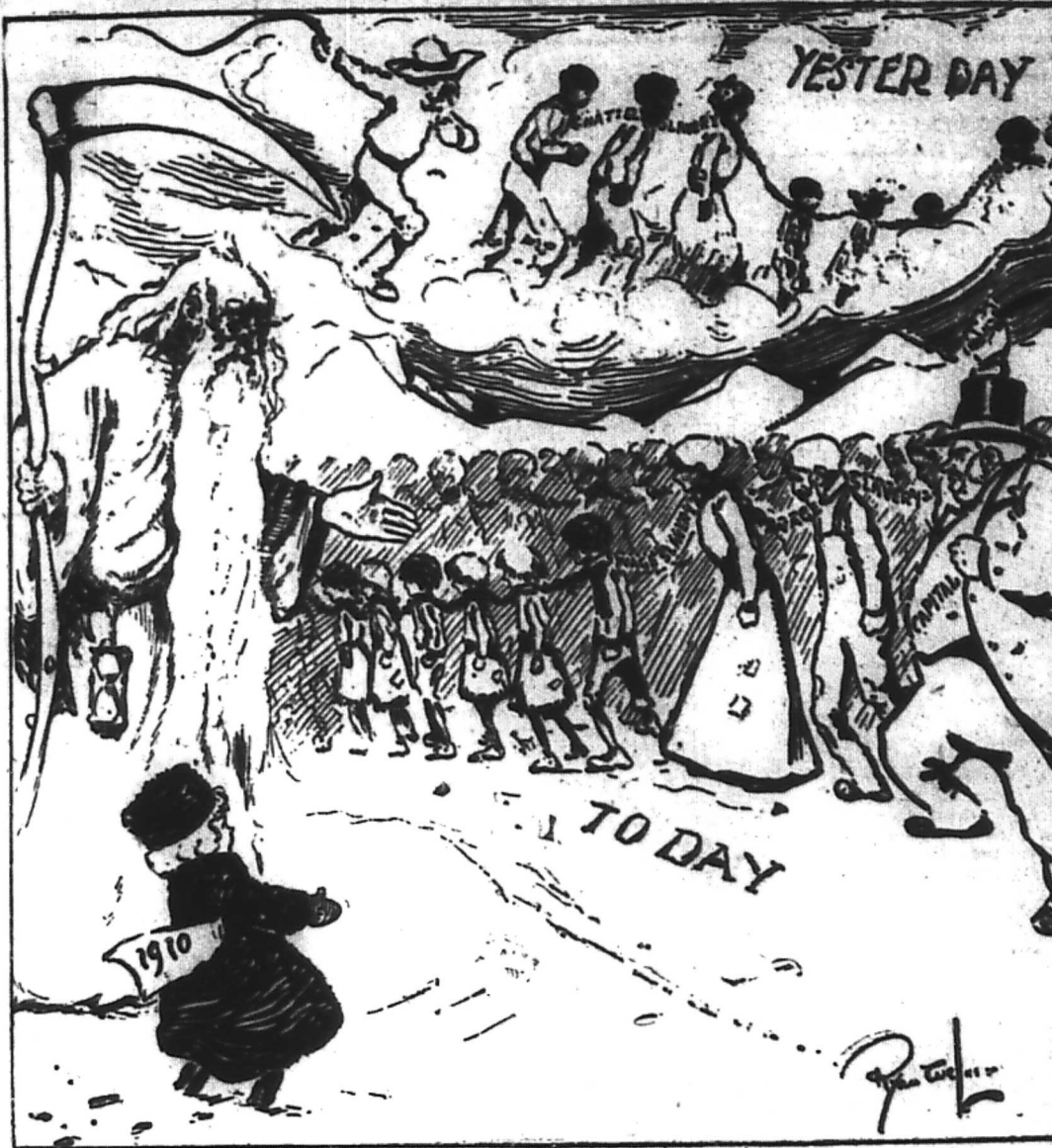
In Germany the year was one uninterrupted succession of Socialist victories, caused by the universal anger of the working and lower middle classes against the new burdens imposed upon them by the government of the landowners and great capitalists. Chancellor Von Buelow fled before the oncoming storm, and his successor felt himself compelled to promise some legislation in the interest of the working class. But unless all signs fail or there is a complete change in the situation, the German workers seem resolved upon making good the reverse sustained by them in the last general election owing to the combination against them of all the capitalist parties.

Sweden was the scene of the greatest and most stubborn conflict between organized labor and organized capital. It ended in the exhaustion of both sides, but the workers succeeded in saving their organization and compelling its recognition by the employers. The Swedish general strike manifested once more the existence of two distinct nations throughout the world of capitalism. The Swedish employers received the international support of the capitalists, and the Swedish workers received the international support of the workers. And in this case again the German Socialist and labor movement approved itself the most reliable and efficient in the world.

The new year opens in England in the midst of a hot political contest. The Lords have compelled the Commons to appeal to the people in regard to the budget. The party contest has assumed the form of a constitutional crisis, but in reality the question at issue is protection or free trade. If the latter is maintained, the money required mainly for the vast armaments and to a small extent for social reform will have to come from the income of capitalists and landlords. If protection is introduced, the money will come out of taxes on foodstuffs. To prevent the latter consummation, the Labor party has made a friendly arrangement with the Liberals.

In our own country the year was marked by the succession of Tait, an undisguised and complacent servant of capital, to Roosevelt, an equally reliable servant in every emergency, but one who chafed somewhat under the domineering manner of his master. The "reduced" tariff is higher than ever. The cost of living has gone up. Strikes were numerous, the most notable ones being those of unorganized workers at McKees Rocks against the Pressed Steel Car Company and of the shirtwaist makers in this city. War against the Steel Trust was declared by the American Federation of Labor, but no overt act of war has yet been committed. The sentence of Compers and the other executive officials of the American Federation of Labor was confirmed, but has been appealed to the Supreme Court. The United States Circuit Court issued what amounts to an order of dissolution against the Standard Oil Company, but the resistible tendency of capitalist centralization will be stopped by this order no more than it was stopped by earlier "dissolutions" of this and other great corporations. The Tobacco Trust also continues to exist under an earlier order of dissolution. The battle in the courts on behalf of the right of asylum of political refugees was waged throughout the year, and with considerable success, but the sentence of Fornaro for libelling a press lackey of Diaz has established an evil precedent.

## YEAR IN AND YEAR OUT.



1910—"I thought I should find Freedom on the Earth when I came." Father Time—"No, my son—I've only changed the style of the chain—and the color of the slaves."

## A WARNING REPEATED

By Robert Hunter.

Yesterday I spoke of the proposed strike of the steel workers. Today it may be worth while to consider again an article printed in this column about a year ago.

The evil is done, but in order that the workers may be warned of that danger in the future, permit me to dwell on it once again.

The bosses are trying to tie the men to their jobs. They are trying to do it by contracts, by judicial decisions, by selling them houses and selling them stocks.

We warned the workers of America against these subtle efforts to tie the hands and cripple the power of organized labor.

Read the following, printed February last, in the light of the proposed steel strike.

"The good people have a new idea. They are as delighted with it as a child with a new toy. Wherever I go I hear them chortling about it. 'The Civic Federation is frantic over it, and Morgan's men and Harriman's men and their lawyers and clergymen talk everywhere about it as one of the greatest discoveries of the age.'

"It appears a solution has been found for the class struggle, and the solution is profit sharing."

"Andrew Carnegie believes in it; thought about it late."

"M. E. Ingalls, chairman of the Big Four Railroad, is sure that profit sharing is the only solution of the problem of capital and labor."

"George W. Perkins, of the United

States Steel Trust, declares that profit sharing will put an end to all war between capital and labor.

"The idea is to allow workmen to buy shares of stock. When they become stockholders they will rob themselves with one hand and divide themselves with the other."

"As stockholders they will be in favor of putting wages down, of extending hours and of breaking up unions."

"They will want to pile up dividends, and in order to pile up dividends, they will declare war on labor agitators."

"Incidentally, they will learn to believe in big dividends. They will have no objection to the Standard Oil making 84 per cent a year on its capital stock. On the contrary, they will begin to hope for 200 per cent so that every dollar that works will earn two dollars a year."

"It is a bright scheme, and ought to help in the campaign of breaking up the unions and impoverishing the workers."

"It ought to help also in the campaign against Socialism, because the more men there are who own stocks, the more men there will be to fight for capital against labor."

"We recently had a fearful expose of conditions in Homestead and Pittsburgh. The total disregard of life, the driving, agonizing toil of twelve hours a day, in the most exhausting work in the world, the low wage, the despairing, hopeless workers, the lack of unity and fraternity among them are all evidences of the power of the Steel Trust."

"But the Steel Trust shares profits with these poor victims of toil. Many of them have a share or two of stock. Some of them get as much as five or ten dollars a year without working for it."

"Isn't it wonderful? And that is the plan of the Good People to solve the class struggle."

"And I wonder what the workers think?"

"The pathos of it is beyond expression. We have seen workmen fight other workmen, but have we ever before seen so perfect an example of workmen enlisted in fighting themselves?"

"I suppose that it is just as possible that in the next ten years or so we shall find two or three million labor stockholders."

"They will then become reasonable, and allow their fellow capitalists to repeal the Sherman anti-trust act and Pinkerton labor leaders, to hire Pinkertons and use the militia, to lower wages and lengthen hours, to break unions and crush strikes, to rob widows and impoverish orphans; all because they have learned as they labor and sweat how pleasant it is to have one dollar change each year by magic into two dollars."

That was written a year ago. Today it has point.

The men who bought the stock of the Steel Trust are expected now to sell out their comrades and betray their common cause.

For a miserable share in the profits of the Steel Trust they have tied themselves to the wheel that will one day break their wheels.

## NO MORE STREET MEETINGS—PETITIONS

By Ben Hanford.

In The Call of December 21, Comrade Gaylord, of Milwaukee, writes: "LET THERE BE NO MORE STREET MEETINGS. We have had too many street corner meetings. The people we can reach on the street corners at night are—the people who are on the street corners at night. And these drifters, transients, lodgers and seachers for amusement do not make very good material for the working parts of a political machine."

"Men who have votes and are NOT FOR SALE, men who are permanent in the community because they have a job and a family; men who have resources—even if they do not have so much of the gift of the gab—are more likely to be at home with their families, reading up for the next day's work."

"If the time, money and energy spent in street meetings had been spent in NOON factory meetings, in house-to-house distribution of literature in the districts where the VOTERS live—not in the slums—the New York, Philadelphia and Buffalo vote might have been more of a help to the necessary 'consciousness of power' of which Kautsky speaks."

And in The Call of December 27 Comrade Hunter writes:

"As we are now organized we are a political party only at campaign times. Let Local New York appoint a committee of lawyers and trade union Socialists. Let the committee draft TWO OR THREE BILLS IN THE INTEREST OF LABOR. Let us say a trades dispute act similar to the one passed recently in Great Britain, an employers' liability bill, a bill limiting the hours of labor, another perhaps limiting the use of injunctions. Let these bills be taken by the committee representing us before every trade union organization in the state and get their endorsement. Let there then be formed a joint body comprising Socialists and trade unionists TO PUSH THESE BILLS IN THE LEGISLATURE, just as, for instance, certain bodies now

push child labor and other legislation. . . ."

"What would be the result of such action? It would enable us to carry our propaganda into every union, and it would show the workers that we are a political party in fact as well as in name, (sic) and it would also clearly prove that we are fighting all the battles of the workers. It would, in my opinion, materially benefit the Socialist party to have throughout the year some BIG IMPORTANT WORK OF THIS KIND TO DO."

"It would in time clearly prove in a definite, concrete way the capitalist nature of our legislature, and when the laws (so passed?) were brought before the courts, the capitalist nature of those courts. When we get the working class to struggle even for a little thing ONLY TO FIND THEMSELVES DEFEATED AT THE END they begin to realize the real nature of their problem and how they must work at all times in concert politically as well as industrially to accomplish their aim."

"I do not wish to infer any connection between the two articles or their writers, but to a certain extent they seem to me to be at least complementary."

Regarding such matter as to which positive evidence is out of the range of possibility, there may yet be sufficient facts to warrant strong opinion. Such, I believe, to be the case as to the value of street meetings in Socialist propaganda. I believe them to have been the most important and the most effective of any form of Socialist work. Further, I believe their worth to have been of the very highest value in what some are pleased to call the slum districts. That they have appealed to and have reached the man who was on the street because he did not have a job, nor a family, nor resources, nor a vote even, has seemed to me to be one of the particularly important reasons in their favor. I feel positive that there are today many, many thousands of men and women who

are filled with hope because the man on the soap box aroused and instructed and inspired them with the message of Socialism.

At their value as vote getters, it is enough to point out that the street meeting has been effective in years gone by, for the reason that the vote made its best growth at a time when the street corner meeting was the principal, and almost the only, method of propaganda.

To measure the results of the street meetings as a means of propaganda, we are justified in looking back to the progress of the Socialist party in the days when there was no Socialist daily paper, no Socialist Band School, no Socialist Sunday school, no Socialist gold mines, no Socialist millionaires, no Socialist red specials, no Socialist intercollegiate societies, no Socialist dinners, and I might mention a great many other things now ready to our hands, which were lacking then. But at the time to which I refer there was a Socialist party, and those who made Socialist speeches on the street corners did their best to induce their hearers to vote the Socialist ticket and to join the Socialist party. That they succeeded seems to me a fair inference from the growth of the Socialist vote and the Socialist party at that time.

The list of our more recent Socialist activities mentioned above is not set forth individually, nor even critically, but it would be well for some of the critics of the Socialist party and its methods to take due note of what are and what are not true and proper adjuncts of the party, and to keep them in mind in all efforts to further its power and increase its influence for good by the elimination or modification of old, and introduction of new methods of propaganda.

As to NOON meetings, a word. Of course, we do not wish to omit any form of beneficial effort. But the time is so short that it is impossible to do thorough and satisfactory work

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

**THE CITY CONFERENCE.**  
Editor of The Call:  
The 23d assembly district at its last regular meeting drew up the order of business given below for the city convention of January 9, as a substitute for that drawn up by the city executive committee. The reason for doing this is (and it must be quite apparent to any one who has read it) that the order of business drawn up by the executive committee is utterly unclear and confused. Important matters of organization and education, which should naturally be considered under separate headings are jumbled under one heading. Separate headings are given to minor matters which belong properly under the main general heading.

By sending this order of business to the party press, the 23d assembly district earnestly hopes to stimulate discussion on the subject during the remaining days before the convention.

Fraternally,  
ANITA C. BLOCK,  
For the 23d Assembly District,  
New York, Dec. 23, 1909.

**PROPOSED ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE CONVENTION OF LOCAL NEW YORK.**

1. Organization of the conference.
2. Organization. (a) Form of organization of the subdivisions; (b) administrative form of Local New York; (c) foreign speaking organizations; (d) yearly conventions.
3. Agitation and propaganda. (a) Agitations in the unions; (b) how to reach the unorganized workmen; (c) nature of literature and methods of distributing it effectively; (d) mass meetings, open air meetings and lectures on important daily events, parades and demonstrations.
4. Education. (a) Education of members through the subdivisions; (b) lectures; (c) attitude toward radical and Socialistic educational bodies; (d) attitude toward children's Socialist schools; (e) training of speakers and lecturers.
5. Campaign methods. (a) Municipal elections; (b) state elections; (c) national elections.
6. Resolutions on matters of national importance. (a) Labor party; (b) craft and industrial unionism.

**THE 1910 CONVENTION.**  
Editor of The Call:  
I think your editorial concerning "Socialist Party Questions," in today's Call, touches a timely subject, and should be considered and discussed by all party members. I know that at the last general meeting of the state committee it was decided by a small majority to call on the locals to initiate a referendum to strike out that section in our party constitution, which says that a party congress or convention be held once every two years. The reason given was that these conventions are too costly and would very likely not accomplish anything of permanent good to the party organization at this time. Local Kings County committee at its last meeting also endorsed this action in favor of a referendum.

I think that if there ever was a stage in our party's existence which makes it of the greatest importance that a national party congress be called to determine upon its policy in regard to various matters. The present time is highly opportune, as it appears there exist different opinions among the party's membership regarding questions of more or less real importance to the Socialist movement in this country. Therefore, it is ex-

remely useful that a national congress be held in 1910. I think these conventions are essential, not only always in favor of a party, but let us also realize that this contemplated meeting may cause greater movement than many of our party's desires.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 26, 1909.

**CONCENTRATED ACTION IN MATTERS.**  
Editor of The Call:  
The last few letters in The Call, with good suggestions among these were the plans for the establishment of co-operative enterprises. Little knowledge. But this is not the plan for us to do. If it is so vast, of accomplishing profits half so certain as in the we should certainly try them.

Then there is Hunter's proposition unite with labor unions in the enactment of labor laws. This would involve no radical departure from our previous policies. At last year we sent representatives to Albany to argue bills from the point of view. Then, when the production of the bill, and the of the fighting were done by other organizations, we played an important role. A good deal better than that is the plan for us to do. To secure the active cooperation of the trade unions, and to be in the vanguard in the fight.

But whose work shall this be? Obviously, a committee of representatives of the unions, and of the Socialist party, such as I suggested before. To such a permanent central committee could also be entrusted such work as was done in a haphazard way, by an national Labor Aid Conference, such as the May Day Parade Conference, those activities in which the man and the Socialist have an equal interest.

I would not be understood considering these things and in the solve the co-operative and the labor work. They are valuable in so far as they uncover a new way to achieve our ultimate aim. We confess the old methods have failed. Open air meetings, speeches, resolutions, and scholarly circulars landed us in a mess.

We have called upon the workers for class-conscious action. Large matters without first having taught him concerted action in matters. This is the work before us. To administer the doses of education and of concerted political action in quantities suited to the particular understanding—that is our task.

AARON KAPLAN  
New York, Dec. 26, 1909.

**A RESOLUTION FOR THE YEAR.**  
If I were to suggest one resolution for the New Year it would be to take all the past resolutions and hang around your neck and down down to the ground, make a list of them and throw them away. Many a person is paralyzed by the mass of resolutions he has taken. Drive it away. Do it if you want to. Every day in the year can be the beginning of the New Year. Within limits we can be what we want to be, and feel the way we want to feel.—Critic and Guide.

laws so passed, if we had more (or had) fortune, it would prove the capitalist nature of those courts, that is, the courts that declared unconstitutional? Comrade is evidently understands all this, says that when they have struck for this little thing, "only to themselves defeated at the end," they will "begin to realize the nature of their problem," etc.

It would be interesting to just what particular workmen of the United States need at this time to learn "the capitalist nature of the courts." Is Samuel Gompers? Or Mr. Mitchell? Or Mr. Frank Miller? Does Comrade Hunter think that striking waist makers of New York whose members have been paid through the capitalist courts by hundreds—does Comrade think that they just now need need of attention from the Socialist party to induce them to pass resolutions endorsing "two or three in the interest of labor," so that they may learn the capitalist nature of the legislature and the courts?

Or shall we who are Socialists, who at this time find nearly the principle of our philosophy and our point of our tactics receiving demonstration of their correctness, avail ourselves of every opportunity to drive home these lessons in a way that those who have been propagandists and teachers shall ever after be rendered innocuous by every variety of confidence game including those of legislative lobbying and petitioning?

It is the business of the Socialist party to educate the working class to the end that it may accomplish its own emancipation. In so far as it continues to do this it will succeed and it will continue to be successful. The Socialist party has many notwithstanding the statements of those who are and those who are to be high in its councils. In the past, in the present, and in the future, it will continue to be worthy of the confidence of the working class, because it will never uphold the banner of their common and worldwide emancipation. So doing we will aid them to minor and immediate benefits every possible way consistent with our ultimate purpose. But the Socialist party will not, I trust, own members or call upon the unions to become lobbyists or petitioners when we know that it is "ONLY TO FIND THEMSELVES DEFEATED AT THE END," that the Socialist party do that, it is certainly get its deserts.