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# The Call



## The Weather.

Fair and warmer today. Wednesday partly cloudy; moderate south easterly wind.

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### OLD BLASTS CAUSE MISERY AND DEATH

#### Cold Wave Strikes New York, Hitting Hard of the Poor and Homeless of the City.

The cold wave that struck New York Sunday worked havoc and intense suffering among the many who were found dead and a large number were taken to hospitals with swollen hands, ears and feet. The hospitals filled the Municipal Lodging House and sought every nook and corner that promised shelter. The bread lines were completely neglected because of the severe weather, and the hungry preferred to go without food rather than expose themselves to the frost. Many of the unemployed sold the shoes that they got from the Sullivan Sunday fund to get a bed.

"I don't blame the poor devils for their fate," said the superintendent of the Bowery Mission Labor Bureau. "We had the smallest number in the bread line last night, and it was impossible for the men to wait in the cold. Some of them had to sell the shoes which they got from Sullivan for a bed. But I would have done the same were I forced to wander the streets in a night like this."

August Schwanwarthor, sixty-two years old, an engineer at Blackwells island, was found unconscious and breathing to death at 70th street and third avenue. He is lying in the Presbyterian Hospital. His body was almost rigid from the cold. Arthur Green, a fireman, fell overboard at the foot of 4th street, Brooklyn, and was almost frozen to death before he was rescued.

The cold weather and high winds are responsible for one man being dead and two dying in Paterson, N. J. The dead man is Ryer C. Schwanwarthor, a retired schoolmaster. Poland, Herkimer county, N. Y., was overcome by the cold in front of the Market street car house and died before medical aid arrived.

Schwanwarthor made a slight escape to Passaic Falls, which have been covered with ice, and his struggle with the ice laden gales affected his heart. He had been visiting George Clark, who lives at 13 Green street.

#### Falls From Train.

George Tiler, of Scranton, Pa., a workman on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, was riding on top of a freight train along the Morris canal when he was caught by a strong wind and almost hurled into the canal. He landed on his head and is lying from a fractured skull at St. Joseph's Hospital.

A similar accident occurred to Edward McCue, of 128 West 24th street. McCue was blown into the canal while waiting along the tracks. The wind carried him through the air and he fell into the water. He was rescued by a boat which was passing by.

#### Driver Drops Reins.

Andreas Anderson, a driver, about thirty years old, so cold he could no longer hold the reins, fell from his wagon at 24th street and 54th street yesterday.

Nothing was believed to be the cause of the skull. He was carried to a store, where Dr. Slettery, Bellevue Hospital, treated him. Anderson was unable to give his address.

George Newmann, twenty-three years old, a private in the 53d coast artillery, stationed at Fort Verde, was found unconscious from a cold in a hallway at 268 East 74th street. He was taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, where his condition is reported serious.

Joseph, fifty years old, of street, New York, was taken to hospital in a new building at 103 West street, was overcome by cold and died. A fire he made to keep him warm and he died in front of his little shanty in front of 103 West street yesterday, and was taken to hospital where he died.

### CALL FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The next session of The Call Finance Committee of the Workingmen's Co-operative Publishing Association will take place tonight at 8 o'clock at the Rand School, 112 East 19th street.

All comrades who take an active interest in The Call are requested to attend. Not only Manhattan, but Brooklyn, Queens and New Jersey should be well represented.

### STEAMFITTERS TIE UP 400 SCAB JOBS

#### Picketing by Strikers Causes Strikers to Desert—Tammanyites Fight Union.

Due to the sympathy of other unions in the building trades with the striking steamfitters, about 400 jobs are tied up. Work on the largest buildings in the process of construction has actually come to a standstill and the employers are in a dilemma. The strike committee has a tabulated record of all the jobs in the city and pickets are sent to the places to notify the workmen that they are employed together with scab steamfitters. When the information is given the electrical workers, carpenters, tile makers, builders and other mechanics in the trade leave at once.

One of the most important buildings on which work has stopped because of the sympathy with the strike is the High School, at Bayonne, N. J., spoken of in the trade as a \$300,000 job. John Dunlan, delegate of the Hudson County Building Trades, ordered the men to stop work last Saturday. Work on School No. 17, in Jersey City, has also stopped because the union men of the other trades refused to work with scab steamfitters.

Sullivan and Kraus, Tammany owners of the new theater that is now being built on East 14th street, employ non-union men. The Baldwin Engineering Company, a struck firm, does the work for the Tammanyites, and when the union sent up a delegation to see the owners they refused to interfere with the contractors. One of the delegates said: "There is a union clause in the contract and the owners could easily insist on the employment of union men, but they refused to do so. Shows you what labor can expect from the Tammanyites."

The foreman on the job, John Peterson, was found carrying a gun, for which he had a permit given him by the Tammany police.

The picketing is done in a systematic way. Manhattan, Brooklyn and New Jersey are divided into about twenty districts with as many jobs to the district. A committee is in charge of each district and those cover the field, size up the situation and speak to the men. In addition to these committees the strikers watch their own jobs and report when they find that work is being done by scabs.

The pickets report during the day, and all information is marked down in an indexed book. Yesterday it was reported that on many of the jobs the water froze, causing delay and damage to the contractors.

Weymouth & Co., 17 Chauncey street, Brooklyn, an independent concern, settled with the union yesterday.

### SHAW TALKS ON PLAY

British Author Says "Misalliance" is Like Marriage, Only More So.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—George Bernard Shaw, the playwright, in a characteristic interview, talked today of his new play, "Misalliance," which is soon to be produced at Charles Frohman's Repertory Theatre here.

### COLORADO CITIZENS JUMP ON UNDERHILL

#### Suffragists Severely Denounce Statement That Vote Has Demoralized Women of Centennial State.

DENVER, Feb. 7.—The women of Denver and male advocates of woman suffrage are highly indignant over the utterances of Rev. Underhill before the City Club last Saturday. Governor Shafrath and Chief Supreme Justice Steele gave out the following signed statement today:

"Rev. Dr. Underhill is quoted as having said that the City Club, New York, last Saturday, that he indulged from personal observation an article by an unnamed woman to the effect that suffrage had demoralized the women of Colorado and that 10,000 women of the underworld controlled elections in the city of Denver.

"We wish to denounce the statements of the Rev. Dr. Underhill and of the unnamed woman, as untrue, unwarranted and unjustifiable. To characterize the conditions found in the red light district in Denver as prevailing generally throughout the city, and as being characteristic of the women of Denver, we cannot permit to go unchallenged. The wives, daughters and sisters of Colorado men are the equal of any women on earth in refinement, education and feminine graces, and none of those qualities have been damaged in the slightest degree by their fifteen years of participation in public affairs, while government has been immeasurably improved by such participation. They have been on the right side of every moral question."

"Fifty per cent of all women entitled to vote in Colorado cast their ballots at the last election, and of the 30,000 women who voted in Denver last fall not more than 400 were in any wise connected with the underworld. It is a great outrage that the women of our state should be so maligned, but we must content ourselves with stigmatizing such statements as false and malicious."

### SCHEINER DISCHARGED

#### Hughes Refuses to Sign Extradition Papers for Butcher's Secretary.

An attempt to punish a union man on the trumped up charge of conspiracy because he had distributed handbills in which information was given that Fleckenstein Brothers, of Central avenue, Jersey City Heights, was a scab firm, failed yesterday when Governor Hughes refused to sign the extradition papers.

The defendant in this case was Edward Scheiner, secretary of the Butcher's Union in Brooklyn. The case came up yesterday, but Magistrate Fliche announced that no trial will be held for the reason that the governor refused to act.

Representations were made to the governor by Robert Price Bell, Scheiner's counsel, that the indictment and affidavit did not sufficiently identify his client as the man wanted and that the facts alleged in the New Jersey indictment did not constitute a crime.

The Central Federated Union and the Brooklyn Federation of Labor were very much interested in this case, and are enthusiastic over the action of the governor.

### SETTLED AT LAST

Ludlow, Mass., ex-Strikers Get Half of Demanded Wage Raise.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 7.—It is announced today that a final settlement of the wage question has been reached between the Ludlow Manufacturing Associates and their 1,700 employees, who struck in September because of a cut in wages. The new agreement calls for twenty-two cents a roll for woven bagging, being a compromise on the twenty-four cents demanded by the strikers and twenty cents offered by the company. The strikers have been at work pending the settlement.

### MORE TESTIMONY IN EXPRESS PROBE

#### Carrying Charges Equal Seven Times the Value of Freight Is Proven in Investigation.

When the probing of express rates by the interstate commerce commission was resumed yesterday the chief complainant, B. E. Sundberg, state senator of Minnesota, made his first appearance as a witness. The senator charges that the express companies of the country are in effect a combine in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Replying to counsel for the various express companies named in the complaint, Senator Sundberg said he had paid express charges seven times the amount of the freight rates on agricultural machinery for his farm, sent from Minneapolis by express, because it was needed hurriedly.

Traffic Manager Ludlow, of the Wells-Fargo Company, was examined by Attorney James Mauhan, personal counsel for Senator Sundberg regarding the broad-rate shipments in the West.

The witness denied boosting rates. He declared that with the service furnished by the Chicago and Milwaukee road his company could not handle a larger volume of business than at present.

### RAIN SWELLING SEINE

Parisians Fear Heavy Downfall May Cause Another Overflow.

### BETHLEHEM FIGHT HOT

500 More Steel Workers Strike—2,000 to Walk Out Today.

### D'ANNUNZIO ARRESTED.

Celebrated Italian Author Held for Speeding in Auto.

### JURY CONTINUES MILK PROBE.

Hearings by the grand jury in the matter of the alleged combination to control the price of milk were resumed yesterday.

### FIREMAN INJURED.

Falls Into Icy River and May Die From the Shock.

### NO HEADWAY IN PROBE

#### Investigation of Increased Cost of Living at a Standstill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—No report was made today by Chairman Keen, of the senate committee on contingent expenses, on either of the resolutions before it providing for an investigation into the subject of the increased cost of living.

### RAILROADS PREPARE FOR MINERS' STRIKE

#### Middle Western Lines Beginning to Hoard Coal in Anticipation of Big Struggle.

DANVILLE, Ill., Feb. 7.—In anticipation of a strike of coal miners on April 1, the Chicago and Eastern Illinois, and Chicago, Indiana and Southern railroads are beginning to hoard coal, and as a result dealers here are having difficulty in placing contracts.

It is understood that the Illinois Steel Company is having coal rushed to South Chicago in anticipation of a strike in April. A large part of the coal consumed by the Steel company is mined here.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 7.—The railroad companies operating in the state are storing coal to an extent that they never did before and special coal trains are being sent out to the mines and thousands of tons of coal are being transported to convenient places along the line.

Many of the largest manufacturers are buying every pound of coal that they can get, and some of them have bought hundreds of tons at the mines to be shipped to them when the railroad runs a fever.

While there is hope that the strike will not come in April, some of the larger users of coal, including the railroad companies, believe that President Lewis will be unable to restrain the miners in their just demands and they look for many aggravating conditions to arise, all of which would militate against making.

There is a large supply of coal at all the mines, but the operators are not making any price that will be good for a longer period than ten days and refuse to enter into contracts for summer delivery at any price.

### TRIANGLE CO. YIELDS AFTER BITTER FIGHT

#### PANTS MAKERS WIN

2,500 Return to Work in Eighty-eight Shops—7,000 Still Out.

Eight-eight pants manufacturers settled with the union yesterday and over 2,500 men will return to work today. This is considered to be one of the greatest victories in the history of the union and has taken the backbone out of the bosses to such an extent that a complete victory by the Pants Makers' Union is expected before the end of the week.

### MEXICO MAY YIELD

#### Rumors at Border Says American Railroaders Will Get Demands.

LAREDO, Tex., Feb. 7.—Rumors are current here today, said to emanate from reliable sources that the American conductors and engineers of the merged lines of Mexico have been granted all their demands by the Mexican government.

### SWINDLED BY "AD"

Police Charge Bretton With Larceny on Girl's Complaint.

A man calling himself Harry E. Bretton, who the police declare has a criminal record as John C. Hart, was arrested yesterday on the complaint of Matilda Roux, of 299 Eighth avenue. She says that Bretton swindled her out of \$50 on January 13 by means of an advertisement offering employment.

### POSTPONE TAX COLLECTION.

Put Off Until Law Is Found to Be Valid.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—A joint resolution was introduced in the senate today postponing for sixty days from date of passage the time for giving returns under the corporation tax law. It is provided that the corporation tax shall not be assessable until three months after the time for making returns has expired.

### ROLLER SKATER FOUND DEAD.

Police Claim Suicide, but His Family Think Otherwise.

William N. Hooley, for many years champion roller skater of New Jersey, was found dead in his room at the home of his sister, Mrs. Wilbur Burrows, 71 Colden street, Newark, last night. Across the foot of the bed on which Hooley's body lay was his black spaniel dog, also dead.

WORKINGMEN'S CO-OPERATIVE PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION. An adjourned meeting will be held on Wednesday February 9, 8 P. M., at Pearl Hall, 475 Pearl street, Manhattan, to conclude the order of business of the last regular meeting. All members are requested to attend. BOARD OF MANAGEMENT. W. W. PASSAGE, President. J. GERBER, Secretary.

Wants that waists costing as high as... each were being made in shops... union labor was employed. The... he explained, is that many of the... catering to the patronage of wealthy women... the insertion of the label in the... they sell. If these women in... upon the label, he continued, these... would soon consent to labels in the waists they...

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A Third Avenue elevated train on her way to school. The cars were so crowded that she could not get inside and was forced to ride from the Tremont street station to the one at 149th street on the platform. She was removed from the latter station to the Lincoln Hospital unconscious and has not regained her senses as yet. Her condition is critical.

Physicians in the hospitals stated yesterday that they had an unusual number of cases of frost-bitten ears and hands to attend. The cold had aggravated the illness of a number of poor persons throughout the city, and they had to be removed to the institutions.

Along the coast zero weather prevails. Fear is entertained for the safety of a number of fishermen, especially those that left Atlantic City, N. J., Sunday, for the fishing banks. An ice-coated steamer is reported to be anchored off Atlantic City, and in difficulties. Reports from upstate and other cities tell of similar cases of death and suffering, caused by the cold.

The New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor reported yesterday that the number of families coming under their care had jumped to fifty for the day, a large increase over the normal. Most of the cases were reported by school teachers, who found that their pupils could not leave their homes for lack of sufficient clothing. Others had no coal, while in many cases no food was on hand.

The association anticipates discovering a large number of new cases today, and says that the effects of the cold snap will be felt among the poor for nearly two weeks in cases of pneumonia, grippe and colds.

ZERO UP STATE

Six Below in Buffalo and 20 to 40 Below in the Adirondacks.

BUFFALO, Feb. 7.—Six degrees below zero was recorded in this city early this morning, the coldest weather in Buffalo of the winter. In addition to the death of Herman Snyder, a lake fisherman, who was frozen on the lake yesterday afternoon, it is believed the cold will score another victim, Patrolman Michael J. Condon. He was found asleep in a snow drift in the outskirts of the city early this morning, overcome by the intense cold. On being removed to a hospital it was found that his hands and feet were frozen and it is thought that he cannot survive.

GLENS FALLS, Feb. 7.—The Adirondack region is in the grip of the coldest weather in several winters. In this city the mercury has fallen to 20 below zero. At Lake George 30 below zero is reported. From Adirondack towns come reports of 25 and 40 below zero. The ice on Lake George is over two feet thick, too heavy for cutting.

SABANAC LAKE, Feb. 7.—The intense cold of the past forty-eight hours has caused much suffering throughout the Adirondacks. Thermometers registered 45 below this morning, and at no time in the past two days has the mercury risen to 10 degrees below.

MALONE, Feb. 7.—This morning the mercury dropped to 20 degrees below zero here; Winthrop, 30; Loran Lake, 22; Meacham Lake, 32; Cherrubusco, 30. It being the coldest experienced this winter in this section.

ALBANY, Feb. 7.—Albany had the coldest day of the winter today. The United States weather observer reported a temperature of 10 below zero, and it was several degrees colder than in his exposed places.

MONTREAL, Feb. 7.—Cold was so intense this morning that a Grand Trunk locomotive, which had just backed into the Bonaventure station to pull out a train, froze to the track and delayed the train's departure for over an hour. At 7:30 o'clock this morning it was 24 below zero, and at noon 28, and apparently getting colder every minute.

PROBE COST OF SENDING MAIL. WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—A resolution offered by Senator Clay, of Georgia, today, provides for an investigation by the interstate commerce commission of the comparative cost of transporting publications designated as second class mail matter, both in his country and abroad, and the comparative rates paid by the government and the express companies to the principal railroad companies in the United States for similar service.

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PINCHOT SAYS TWO BILLS ARE ALL GOOD

Other Seven Conservation Measures Are Either Bad or Indifferent. Makes Recommendations.

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Pinchot said the reclamation bill should not be enacted because it repeals the clause of the present law which provides that no sale of water in any government irrigation project shall be made to any land owner unless he is an actual bona fide resident of such land or occupant thereof residing in the neighborhood of said land. The bill to repeal the timber and stone act is also opposed by the association. The bill regulating the withdrawal of public lands by the President was amended at the suggestion of the association and was commended by Pinchot.

COUPLE KILLED BY GAS.

Aged Pair Found Dead in Little One-Room Apartment.

John Seawalt, sixty years old, and his wife, Elizabeth, fifty-five, were found dead yesterday afternoon in the one small room in which they had lived on the top floor at 63 1/2 1st street. They had been killed by gas. Both were fully dressed. The woman was lying on the floor with her head resting on a pillow; the man was on the bed, his feet resting on the floor as if he had been overcome while in a sitting posture. Near the man's feet was a gas tube that had been connected with a cook stove. One of the beds was lighted. The police were of the opinion that Seawalt and his wife had met death by accident.

Seawalt was a laborer at odd jobs. His wife did scrubbing in an office building. Their life was relieved at times by a pint of beer from the saloon on the first floor kept by the landlady.

WINTHROP EDUCATION HEAD.

Miss Granger, of Brooklyn, Elected District Superintendent. Egerton L. Winthrop, Jr., was elected president of the Board of Education yesterday for the fifth term, and John Graeme was elected vice president. Winthrop was also re-elected president of the board of trustees of the Normal College.

The election of a district superintendent at \$2,000 a year for six years to succeed Miss Evangeline E. Whitney, who died last month, near the close of her term, was called up. Miss Ruth E. Granger, principal of Public School 137, at Saratoga avenue and Balnbridge street, Brooklyn, was unanimously elected.

FIRE PANIC AT FUNERAL.

Father Nardi had just finished the last prayer over the body of Dominick Fumalo's son Pasquale, at 12 King street, yesterday, and one of the mourners stepped toward the coffin. He upset one of the candles and the flame jumped to the tinsel and black canopy. A panic ensued during which the corpse was thrown from the coffin. The fire was put out before much damage was done and the funeral party went to Calvary.

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NICARAGUAN REBELS WERE NOT DEFEATED

Government Forces Only Won Slight Skirmish While Estrada's Men Triumphed in Main Battle.

MANAGUA, Feb. 7.—Jubilant that followed yesterday's dispatches that Provisional President Estrada's army had been decisively defeated at Santa Tomas and that all the city had thus escaped the threatened attack by the revolutionary army, was turned to wild alarm today by the news that Generals Mena and Chamorro, of the revolutionary army have reorganized their forces and are now but four miles east of Managua and within an easy two days' march of the capital.

The reports of government successes, it is now claimed, are all "doctored" by the government authorities, and the plight of President Madrid's army is believed to be far worse than the early dispatches indicated. Today's dispatches throw a different light on the reported defeat of the revolutionary army at Santa Tomas. General Dena suffered an initial reverse at Santa Tomas, but at the real engagement at Lagartia, near the heights of Santa Tomas, the revolutionary army was victorious. The government is making frantic efforts to organize an efficient fighting force to defend Managua, but there are not more than 500 soldiers available. An attack is expected before Thursday. All foreigners have been warned to seek safety in the legations.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Senator Don Luis F. Cores, former Minister from Nicaragua, who is the representative of the Madrid faction here, received a cable message today from President Madrid saying that his troops had won a victory over the insurgents. The revolutionists, the dispatch said, had been surrounded and defeated.

Officers of the State Department do not believe that this dispatch is correct because official reports have been received at the Navy Department saying that the insurgents won the battle Jose De Olivares, the American Consul at Managua, reported to the State Department that a strict censorship had been established at Managua by President Madrid. This, officers of the department believe, has been the cause of the death of dispatches from Managua within the last few days.

JUMPS FROM "L" STATION.

Young Man Commits Suicide in Broad Daylight.

A young man of twenty-four leaped over the railing on the northbound station of the Ninth Avenue elevated road at 110th street, the highest point of the structure yesterday. A few waiting passengers look on horrified as the man, who before striking the asphalt pavement, every bone in his body was broken and the features mangled beyond recognition. The body was taken to the West 100th street station where from papers in the man's pockets, it was supposed he was Andrew Shackner, as two letters signed "Your loving nephew" were found in his pockets, addressed to Mrs. Paula Stack, of 216 Monastery street, Hoboken. He had a silver watch, a gold fob, and \$2.59 in cash, and a bankbook on the German Savings Bank showing a balance of nearly \$400.

TEA.

Who's Your Grocer?

He is all right if he hands you what you order. If you always get what you ask for, he is reliable. Stick to honest grocers and honest White Rose Ceylon Tea. A 10c Package Makes 40 Cups.

BAKER DISMISSES POLICE CLUBBERS

Commissioner Removes Four More Cops for Brutal Beating of Citizens.

The reform of the police department continues. Commissioner Baker announced yesterday the dismissal from the force of four more officers on various charges.

The commissioner also gave notice that the police department would in future assume a new attitude toward the press, which, he seemed to think, had been taking too active an interest in police affairs. This "new attitude" will consist practically of muzzling the papers as far as police news is concerned. The men dismissed, three of whom had been complained of to the Mayor, are:

Frederick C. Gebhardt, of the West 37th street station, is one of the "clubbers" who was accused of assaulting a citizen on New Year's night. Frederick Muss and John C. Groth, of the Fourth Avenue station, Brooklyn, both of whom go on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer. Some time ago they broke into the rooms of a Brooklyn man and his wife, whom they had followed home from a ball. The witnesses disappeared before the trial.

Thomas Agnew, of the Flushing Avenue station, Brooklyn, who is dismissed for deserting his post. He was found one night in the boiler room of a sanatorium in Queens, his coat off, comfortably smoking his pipe.

Commissioner Baker, in his audience to the newspaper men, gave the impression of being much displeased with them for printing, to use his own words, "idle gossip, heard in the halls of the police building, as news."

"As Police Commissioner," said Baker, "I am responsible to the Mayor for my actions. I do not propose to discuss every matter of discipline or policy with members of the press, who intentionally distort and try to cast odium on the department."

BURNS WHIPS O'LEARY

Decisively Defeats the East Sider in Ten Round Bout.

Frankie Burns, of Jersey City, decisively beat Young O'Leary, the East Side favorite, last night at the Bedford Athletic Club, Brooklyn. Burns was a revelation to the large crowd present in spite of the frigid weather, and scored heavily in the last eight rounds, the first two being close affairs. He was the aggressor throughout, never letting up for a second during the ten sizzling rounds and proved an exceptionally fast and clever fighter.

In the third he scored a knock-down with an uppercut to O'Leary's chin. At close quarters in the sixths the Jerseyite rained heavy blows to the stomach and peppered the jaw freely with hard lefts, O'Leary responding with straight jabs to the face and head. Near the end of the final session, after both had inflicted heavy punishment, Burns staggered O'Leary with a terrific right swing to the point of the jaw, having him in difficulties when the bell rang. Kid Murphy bested Young Battling Nelson in six fast rounds in the semifinal. Jack Mulahull made Young Sheppard beat Young Raymond, Jockey Griffin slaughtered Frankie Barrett and Matt Alberts knocked out Dick Weldon in the third round of the preliminary bout.

BACKS UP CHARGES

Peonage Victim's Wife Proves Star Witness in Government Inquiry.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 7.—The wife of Wash Gardner proved a star witness for the government today in the charges against the Searcy and Henry Shanks of brutally treating her husband while holding him in peonage. She corroborated the story of Gardner in detail, following him after capture to Tampa and to Cuba. Every effort of the defense to shake her testimony was futile. Her children, one born since being housed in the county jail, where Gardner is kept for protection, caused interest in the court room.

Sheriff Tatum, of Grenshaw county, told of bringing the negro back from Georgia, and F. B. Bricken, attorney, swore that he told Butler Searcy the negro could not be legally returned from that state. Probate Judge Tankersley verified the statement that the negro had sought protection from him while Sam King, colored, told of Gardner being whipped.

JOHN L. MARRIED AGAIN.

BOSTON, Feb. 7.—John L. Sullivan, the former heavyweight champion pugilist of the world, was married here today to Miss Katherine Hill-nett, of Sharon. She is about Sullivan's age, and is reported to own considerable real estate in Sharon. The couple have long been friends, in fact it is rumored that they were childhood sweethearts.

METROPOLITAN WINS OUT.

In the suit of the Conried Metropolitan Opera Company against Charles Delmore, the French tenor, who signed a contract with Heinrich Conried, and then went over to Oscar Hammerstein, to recover the \$20,000 named in the contract as the penalty if either party broke the contract, Justice Bischoff yesterday gave judgment for the plaintiff for \$20,000 with interest for two years.

MUSIC

"ALESSANDRO STRADELLA." New Academy of Music, Brooklyn.

Brooklyn admirers of lyric opera were out in force to hear "Alessandro Stradella," the charming comic opera by Friedrich von Flotow, composer of the immortal "Martha," sung in the New Academy of Music, last night, by a well chosen ensemble of singers from the Metropolitan Opera House. It is scarcely necessary to add that a numerous contingent of German residents of the borough was drawn to the Academy by the billing of a work which is among the most popular of the older operas of the Teuton composers.

The occasion was marked by two important debuts. Max Bendix, who directed the performance, took charge of an opera representation for the first time in Brooklyn, and Mile, Alma Gluck, who essayed the role of Leonora, made her initial appearance across the river as a prima donna. The Flotow opera was followed by a scene from Julius Bayer's ballet spectacle, "Wiener Walzer" (Vienna Waltzer), which engaged Miles, Ivy Craske, Ida Schlarb, Christine Dumont, Almee Germont and Gina Torriani; MM. Otokar Bartik, Carl Beckemeyer, and Oscar Strauss, and a corps de ballet.

"Alessandro Stradella" was first staged at Hamburg, December 30, 1844, but a concert performance of the work was had in Paris seven years previously, and there is little reason to doubt that its composition antedated by almost a decade that of "Martha," which was produced in 1837.

The subject of the opera was a Neapolitan composer, who was born about 1645, and who, according to legendary chronicles, was assassinated in his twenty-fifth year. The libretto of the Flotow opera treats rather facetiously the attempt of a Venetian nobleman, with whose ward, Leonora, Stradella had eloped, to bring about the latter's assassination. Ultimately not only the titled villain, but two desperadoes, whom he employs to carry out his foul designs, are overcome with remorse upon hearing the overture to the Flotow opera, the hymn to the Virgin, of his own composition. The aria, which is believed now to be incorrectly credited to the composer, Stradella, is commonly known in the churches of Italy as "Piet a Signore" (Lord, have pity). In the German text, used in last night's production, the hymn was sung to the words beginning: "Jungfrau Maria, Himmelsch verleierte."

Although possessing individual ardor and concerted passages of undoubted richness and beauty, the opera does not attain the constructive elegance and fitness of "Martha." To the weakness of the "Stradella" libretto, this falling in, in part, attributable. The overture to "Stradella" is among the prettiest of Flotow's writings. The first act aria, "Horch, Liebchen, Horch!" Leonora's bridal song, "Seid Meiner Wonne," and the bell chorus of the second act, are beautiful examples of operatic scoring, while the famed hymn is sufficient of compensation for a multitude of lyric shortcomings throughout the opera's duration. The instrumentation is of an exceedingly happy character, as befits a work so replete with buffo dialogue as is "Stradella."

The cast of the opera is limited to five characters—Leonora, Stradella, Bassi and the two banditti, Malvoglio and Barbarino.

Mile Gluck, while singing most acceptably the numbers of the heroine, failed to take proper advantage of the opportunity afforded her for striking coloratura work. Her accenting and phrasing were blurred and indistinct in the more florid passages of the role. Le Slezak, the Bohemian tenor, found a congenial environment in the lyrics of Stradella, and the hymn he delivered with moving eloquence and fine simplicity, which aroused his audience to cheers as well as plaudits. Laughter was continually provoked and admiration won by the brilliant, comedy performance of Albert Reiss and Otto Goritz as the incorrigible rogues. Both sang with artistic finish. Adolf Muschner was a convincing figure, in lyrics and acting as Bassi.

Masestro Bendix gave a pleasing interpretation of Flotow's orchestral score. The chorus was a delightful factor in the performance. The ballet excerpt, which concluded the evening, proved to be of some interest pictorially, but to have little value, musically, saving as it reflected the melodies of the "Waltz King," Johann Strauss. PLUMMER.

CITY HONORS YOUTH

Public Reception Given to Jersey Boy Who Rescued Many From Fire.

A public reception was held at Mayor H. Otto Wittmann's office in the City Hall, Jersey City, yesterday afternoon in honor of Thomas Fennell, the nineteen-year-old youth, who was badly burned in a blazing house at 331 Montgomery street, that city, early on New Year's morning while rescuing sleeping women and children. Fennell's face and hands were scorched by the flames and it was feared for a long time that he would be blind. His sight was saved and he was discharged from the City Hospital just as a crowd of his admirers and several city officials were gathering at the City Hall. He was taken to the reception in an automobile.

Mayor Wittmann told Fennell that the city was proud of him and said that it was not granted to many men to suffer as the youth had suffered in the service of his fellow men.

Ernest J. Heppenheimer, president of the Board of Aldermen, presented Fennell with a handsome gold medal "for heroism on January 1, 1910."

TO SHELTER APPLICANTS.

Postmaster Morgan, as custodian of the Postoffice building, in reply to a request from the National Liberal Immigration League that applicants for citizenship papers who gather in a long line at the building before the naturalization bureau opens every day be allowed inside of the building for shelter in the winter months until the bureau opens, has given orders to allow the line to form on the stairway at 8 a.m. between the first and second floors. At 9 a.m. the applicants can go up as usual when the office opens.

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PHILA. WAIST GIRLS AT WORK TOMORROW

Thousands to Take Their Places Industry Crippled by Seven Weeks' Strike.

(Special to The Call.) PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 7.—With settlement today of a wage scale by board of arbitrators, agreed upon by representatives of the manufacturers and the Shirtwaist Makers' Union, every obstacle to the termination of the seven weeks' strike of the operators has been cleared away and the girls will return work on Wednesday.

In the agreement, signed by the representatives of the two factions, both made concessions. The agreement will in effect from February 9 to May 1, 1910. At the enthusiastic meeting of the operators held in the Arch Street Theater an ovation was accorded the Raymond Robins, president of the Women's Trades League, of Chicago, who has taken a prominent part in the strike from its inception; Miss Agnes Nestor, of the Globemaster Union, Chicago; Mrs. Lawrence L. Mrs. George Biddle, Misses Constance Biddle, Violet Ridgway, Anna Young, Blanche S. Grant, J. Gossard and Fannie Cochran for their interest and assistance in the strike.

SHOT IN RESTAURANT BOW.

Chinaman Says He Used Gun on Walters in Self-Defense.

William Walters, thirty years old, of 781 Union street, Brooklyn, in a critical condition in Seney Hospital from a bullet wound in the breast, inflicted early yesterday morning by Hsi Sing Bing, thirty-five, said, proprietor of the Chinese restaurant at 214 Fifth avenue.

Bing says that the row started when Walters and two other men attempted to rife the cash drawer and assault him, and that he used the revolver in self-defense. In his ante-mortem statement Walters denies that there was any attempt at robbery.

BILL FOR EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Representative Sulzer, of New York, today introduced a bill limiting the hours of labor on federal work done by private contract to eight hours per day, with double pay for overtime. The bill applies to all men employed on building of ships. The bill was referred to the committee on labor.

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Appeal to Reason, Chicago  
Police Attack Circulation of  
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(Special to the Call.)  
CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—By an attack on the Appeal to Reason, the Chicago police have attempted to throttle the circulation of the Daily Socialist. One of the campaign against the restricted press is the proposal introduction of newspaper-vending slot machines. The fight against the Appeal is the weekly's exposure of Judge ...

HOUSE DEBATES RULES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Much of the time of the house today was devoted to a long-drawn-out discussion over the rules. It was an unanimous consent day, but before the house got down to passing bills a long debate was indulged in over the question as to whether a measure to which objection had been made thereby lost its place on the calendar.

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INJURED WORKMAN  
FACES STARVATION

Case of Austrian Carpenter and Family Typical of "Civilization" Under Capitalism.

His back so severely injured that it will be several weeks before he can go to work again, Wolf Handel, thirty-four years old, was found yesterday by a reporter in the two rooms that he and his family call their home, at 315 East 96th street, with a dark outlook for the future.

CHICAGO SWITCHMEN  
READY TO STRIKE

Early Vote Shows That Railroad Workers Want No Arbitration Monkey-Business.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Switchmen employed on Chicago railroads, who last Saturday were refused an advance in wages, today indicated by an almost overwhelming majority in three out of the eighteen switching districts their repugnance to arbitration to settle their differences with employers.

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### WIVES OF WORKERS URGENT UNION LABEL

**Women's Auxiliaries Aid Bakers and Other Trades in Their Struggle for Better Conditions.**  
The label council of women's auxiliaries intends to bring about the formation of women's auxiliaries to all trade unions, so that all union wages shall be spent for union products. On the executive board are representatives from the steamfitters, stationary engineers, hatmakers, lithographers, Bronx Labor Council, etc.  
The movement has been under considerable headway in Brooklyn for a couple of years and now is making good progress in the Bronx. The Piano and Organ Workers' Union has an auxiliary and last week the bartenders' local organized one.  
The German bakers have had one for several months, which has worked so energetically among housewives in the Bronx, inducing the women to buy only label bread, that already one large bakery has opened negotiations with the union to secure the label. Another, starting in business, found he could not get the trade without the label, so forthwith organized.

The women are taking a lively interest in securing label products of all kinds—shirts, neckties, suspenders, etc., for their husbands; brooms, brushes, etc., for the home, and hairbrushes, etc., for themselves and their children.  
In conjunction with the Bronx Labor Council a directory of these label goods is being compiled. And this information is disseminated among the women at the joint meetings of the different auxiliaries, which are held every third Wednesday afternoon in the month at 444 Willis avenue, Bronx.

The next meeting is February 16, and all women from the families of union wage earners are cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Jacob Fischer, of the Piano and Organ Auxiliary, will give a talk on the union label illustrated by placards.  
The Brooklyn auxiliaries also hold meetings every month and their next one will be Monday evening, February 22, at Labor Lyceum, 655 Willoughby avenue, Brooklyn, to which all union wage earners and their families of Brooklyn, are cordially invited.

**AFTER TRUST SECRETS**  
**Witnesses to Inform Jury of Methods Used by Meat Combine.**  
CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Witnesses from New York appeared today before Judge Landis' federal jury which is investigating the alleged beef trust. They were former independent packers and officers of meat trafficking companies that had come under the ownership of the National Packing Company, the \$1,666,000 Armour-Swift-Morris firm operated by the government of being a trust.

The first witness from the East to be called was Frederick Joseph, president of the New York Butchers' Dressing Beef Association. Other New York witnesses now in Chicago to testify are M. H. Joseph, his brother, who arrived yesterday and is stopping at the Congress Hotel, and Arthur Block and Aaron Buchbaum, also officers of the dressed beef concern.  
These men and the other independent or former independents who will come from New York to tell what they know of the absorption of this company by the alleged trust, were summoned last week by Special Assistant District Attorney William Medford.  
The story they are expected to tell is a description of the way in which small companies were taken up and made a part of the National Packing Company, which owns or controls twenty-two companies, doing an annual business of over \$700,000,000.

**BLOCKS IN SUBWAY.**  
**Man Escapes Injury When Cars Crash During Rush Hours.**  
Traffic was delayed for half an hour on the Broadway line of the subway during the rush hours yesterday, caused by the breaking of a coupling between two cars on a Van Courtland Park express train between Manhattan and 116th streets. In some manner not explained the automatic brake was set and the train, which was running at full speed, came to a sudden standstill, shaking up the passengers.  
An effort was made to back the train when the coupling broke just as a passenger, G. Horace Mortimer, of 393 West 116th street, was stepping between the cars. One of his legs went down between the cars, but he was dragged out before the cars came together.

**WATCHMAN OVERCOME BY GAS.**  
Michael Meehan, fifty years old, of a King street, employed as night watchman at a building in course of construction at 103 West 30th street, was overcome by coal gas in his little shack in front of the place early yesterday and was almost dead when patrolman Tierney, of the Elizabeth street station, happened along and discovered him lying on the floor. Dr. Miller, of Hudson Street Hospital, resuscitated Meehan and said he would be all right in a day or two.

**WOOD WORKERS WHO UNDERSTAND SOCIALISM.**  
The International Brotherhood of Wood Workers, who understand Socialism, is holding a convention at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York, starting today. The convention will continue until the 15th inst. It is being held in New York for the first time. The delegates are from all over the world. The convention is being held in New York for the first time. The delegates are from all over the world.

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(Special to The Call)  
LEAD, S. Dak., Feb. 7.—Two non-union miners, hired to carry the lock-out order of the Homestake Mining Company into effect, have been taken to the hospital suffering from severe, if not fatal, injuries. This is only an example of what results when capitalist greed seeks to crush its employees.  
One of the men is F. B. Reynolds, a new man, who was injured by a falling rock while working in No. 1 Caledonia slope. His leg was broken above the ankle. Another green hand named H. C. Kessley, drilled into a missed hole, and was painfully cut about the head and face. A missed hole is a hole in which a charge of dynamite fails to explode. When Kessley drilled he struck dynamite.  
He claimed to be able to see a little when brought to the hospital, and it is not believed that he will lose his sight.  
There are rumors that a man has been killed in the mine and that several have been injured.  
The Butte Miners' Union, No. 1, has voted \$5,000 to aid the locked out union miners of the Black Hills in their struggle for the right to organize. Speaking unofficially, one miner said:  
"I would not be surprised to see the Black Hills a second Coeur d'Alene district. It is one of the most deliberate attempts to crush union labor ever attempted in America. Though times are hard in Butte, I have not yet heard one complaint from miners who paid their dollar assessment."

**INDICTED FOR GRAFT**  
**Jury Charges Pittsburg Bankers and Officials With Bribery and Perjury.**  
PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 7.—E. H. Jennings, president of the Columbia National Bank, and F. A. Griffin, former vice president of the same institution, testified today before the February grand jury, which started its probing of the graft cases at 10 o'clock. Besides Jennings and Griffin the defendants in the latest graft prosecution are County Delinquent Tax Collector Max G. Leslie, Frank M. Nicola, and former Councilman Charles Stewart. The Rev. J. A. Alexander, of Crafton, is foreman of the grand jury.  
After being in session four hours the grand jury returned indictments against Jennings, Griffin, Stewart, Nicola and Leslie on a charge of conspiracy, against Jennings, Griffin and Nicola on a charge of bribery, and against Leslie for perjury.  
All indications are that something sensational will drop during the week. Seated here and there in the Criminal Court room County Detectives Edward J. Devlin, James Finney, James McKay, A. Samsano, Jere Lutz and Ira L. Berry kept a close vigil for jury fixers, it being alleged that attempts had been made to corrupt the present jury. The Rev. M. D. Hyman, of Homestead, also a juror, refused to be sworn by the state and took the oath by affirmation.  
One of the defendants in the graft cases complained this morning that his steps were being dogged by private detectives.

**INVESTIGATION ENDS**  
**Committee Finishes Probe of Department of Interior.**  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The house committee on expenditures in the Interior Department concluded its investigation today of the charges of extravagance in the Interior Department made several weeks ago by Representative Hitchcock, of Nebraska. The committee will now devote itself to a review of the evidence presented by the various officers of the department before making a report to the house.  
Amos Hadley, purchasing agent of the Interior Department, was the only witness examined by the committee today. He described the manner in which furniture and other supplies were bought for the Interior Department generally, and the land office in particular. Hadley said there has been no extravagance in purchasing furniture, and in this statement he was borne out by Representative Page, a member of the committee, who said that after a visit to the general land office he was of the opinion that it would have been impossible to buy furniture at more reasonable rates and of cheaper quality.

**KEENE TRIAL PUT OFF**  
**Another Delay in Investigating Hooking Scandal.**  
The examination of James R. Keene, the broker and turfdom, in connection with the Columbus and Hooking Coal and Iron pool, in the examination of which J. M. Fluke & Co., and Lathrop, Hankins & Co. were under about three weeks ago, was deferred yesterday by United States Commissioner Alexander until next Monday afternoon. It is in connection with the bankruptcy proceedings of J. M. Fluke & Co. only that Keene is to be examined.  
Keene appeared before Commissioner Alexander at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and was sworn. His counsel said that the reason for asking the postponement of Keene's examination was that he desired to prepare a statement in which much of the information Receiver Irving L. Ernest, of the Fluke case, was seeking would be incorporated.  
The postponement was taken only in so far as Keene is concerned.

**360 WANT CITY JOBS.**  
Office of Corporation Counsel Flooded With Applications.  
Corporation Counsel Watson has received more than 500 applications for the places in his department which are expected to be vacant before March 1. It is understood that a majority of the seventy-nine assistants are to go. A few men have already resigned.  
For the last ten days applications have been pouring in on Watson, and dozens of men have called at the office in person to secure an audience with the corporation counsel.

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BOSTON, Feb. 7.—Fire in the financial district today did \$300,000 damage to the seven-story Richards Building, at 114 State street. Intense cold and a gale made the firemen's work difficult. The fire started in the Tiffany Club.

**Train Hits Carriage; Two Killed.**  
MUNCIE, Ind., Feb. 7.—James Hicks and Leonard Hicks, brothers, of Worcester, Mass., were killed and Rolla Jones was fatally hurt today when their carriage was struck and demolished by a Big Four Limited train.

**Delaware Co.'s Steel Plant Burned.**  
CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 7.—The main building of the Delaware River Steel Company's plant was destroyed by fire today. The loss is \$100,000.

**Fireman Meets Horrible Death.**  
CAMDEN, N. J., Feb. 7.—A dynamo in the power plant of the West Jersey and Seashore railroad exploded today, killing the fireman, Raymond Wright, thirty-five years old, of Westville. Wright was practically baked to death by being wedged between pieces of the dynamo which fell on either side of him.

**Alot Is Awful, Mr. Fairbanks!**  
ROME, Feb. 7.—Former Vice President Fairbanks, who is on his way home from the Far East, did not have his expected audience with the Pope today because the Vatican objected to his paying his respects first to the king and the Methodist church here. It is said Fairbanks feels real bad.

**Husband Slashes Wife and Self.**  
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 7.—Answering a call from her husband, who lay ill upstairs, Mrs. Mary Cras, of 1749 Jackson street, hurried to his bedside this forenoon to be attacked in murderous fury with a knife. Husband and wife are now in St. Agnes' Hospital, both in a dangerous condition. There is little hope for the man's recovery.

**Another Naval Officer on Trial.**  
BOSTON, Feb. 7.—Passed Assistant Surgeon Ansey H. Robnett, U. S. N., charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, was put on trial by court-martial today. The charges are the result of what Dr. Robnett is alleged to have said in a letter to Dr. Edward S. Cowles in connection with the episodes relating to Miss Dorothy Healer, and they are in a way related to the fracas which occurred at the navy yard hop on December 11, resulting in the court-martial of Paymaster George P. Auld, U. S. N.

**Boiler Explosion Wrecks Kitchen.**  
MORRISTOWN, N. J., Feb. 7.—The explosion of a hot water boiler in the kitchen of the Memorial Hospital today wrecked the room together with the kitchen pantry and servants' quarters. The cook, Mrs. Jennie Henderson, was seriously scalded, and her assistant, Dora Core, was badly burned about the face and hands.

**B. & M. Clerks Get Wage Raise.**  
BOSTON, Feb. 7.—Four hundred and seventy clerks employed in the general offices here of the Boston and Maine railroad will receive a 10 per cent raise in wages tomorrow. The request was made recently by the clerks and was granted after conferences between the road and clerks officials yesterday, the announcement being made today.

**Conger Disregards Ailids' Demand.**  
ALBANY, Feb. 7.—Senator Benn Conger, of Tompkins, did not comply today with the demand made on him by Senator Jotham P. Ailids for further particulars as to the charges filed with the senate. Senator Conger has been asked by Senator Ailids to name the man who is alleged to have paid \$1,000 in Conger's presence.

**Fires Take Four Lives Per Day.**  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Fire levies upon Americans each year an enormous tax—calculated by United States government officials at nearly \$1,500,000 a day and 1,449 lives a year.

**Three Hurt in Train Crash.**  
LACROSSE, Wis., Feb. 7.—Two through passenger trains on the Burlington collided head on today near Desoto, thirty miles south of here. Two mail clerks and a porter were injured.

**For Interstate Extradition.**  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The senate today passed the bill providing for the extradition of criminals from one state to another on "information" as well as on indictment proceedings.

**Frisco Tong War Over.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7.—Ten days before the expiration of a temporary truce the On Yicks and the Yee family, Chinese thugs whose war in four months has cost ten lives, have signed a permanent peace pact.

**Wants \$218,000 for New Prison.**  
ALBANY, Feb. 7.—State Prison Superintendent Collins asks for a \$218,000 appropriation to continue the work on the Great Meadow state prison at Comstock, Washington county. This application is included in the state prison commission report to the legislature today.

## Telegraphic Briefs

**Academy Students on Strike.**  
EAST GREENWICH, R. I., Feb. 7.—A majority of the resident students at several of the boarding students at the East Greenwich Academy went on a strike today. The discharge of one of the instructors, C. S. Holbrook, of Shelburne Falls, Mass., is said to be the cause of the trouble.

**Killed Searching for Daughters.**  
SARATOGA, N. Y., Feb. 7.—William H. Weeks died today of a fracture of the skull resulting from an assault made upon him while he was searching a hotel for his two young daughters yesterday. In falling after a blow, Weeks' head struck on a curbstone. James B. Clapp, a member of the New York National Guard, is under arrest charged with manslaughter.

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**THE AGE OF WOMAN.**  
By Klicli Kancko.  
Woman is awakening everywhere, in the East and in the West. The spirit of revolt is beating in every hand. The woman is in want—in a desperate want. She has been denied her inheritance. She is long. She is determined to win. She is in science, seeking valiant death with man. She is in art and poetry. She is expressing herself with man in religion, in politics, in commerce, in industry, in the streets, in the platform, on the stage, in the talk of "woman's inheritance." The "coming feminism." The woman can no longer be subjected to men. The work is done with over-masculine arms. The world is in need of the altruism of woman. The age of cruel egotism is gone. The age of "mother love" has come. The woman is to prevail, and the age of woman is dawning in spite of man.

**THE WIFE.**  
By William J. Robinson, M. D.  
There is a conspiracy to hammer in the drama, in the novel, in the magazine, at stag parties, to hammer. She is a hindrance, a drag, she is a millstone, she is the neck of the Lord of creation. She prevents man from soaring to the heights; she who hinders him from his aspirations, and shatters his dreams. It is untrue. She is strong enough to stand up. She is never dragged down by a man, but she is held back by a wife. It is a woman with mediocre abilities, who is being dragged down by their wives; but it is a woman who is just as often such a man's support, pushed up, supported and held up by their wives. And for every husband being dragged down by a wife, we could present a case of a husband being dragged down by her wife. Those who are down on women seem to forget that women have their ambitions, aspirations, and dreams, which are as much crushed by their common, prosaic husbands. It is the anti-marriage advocate who says: "It is true that in

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# SOCIALIST PARTY REPORTS FOR 1909

## Foreign Speaking Organizations Make Gratifying Progress—Suffragists Joining the Ranks.

(Special to The Call.)

**CHICAGO, Feb. 7.**—The annual report of J. Mahlon Barnes, national secretary of the Socialist party, just issued for the year 1909, indicates that without an exception the foreign speaking organizations have made progress. Leading the van are the Finnish, maintaining three publications and a workers' college, besides showing a splendid increase in membership. The Lettish, Hungarian, Polish, Croatian, Slovak, Slavonic and Swedish have all increased their membership. The best proof of their growing numbers and power is the long list of publications maintained and printed in foreign languages. There is no doubt that the issuance and circulation of the booklet entitled, "The Laws of Naturalization Made Easy to Understand" has stimulated interest in the party among foreign speaking Socialists. Forty-one hundred of these booklets were sold, and, according to reports, are fulfilling the purpose for which they were intended.

In the matter of state organizations, seventeen states now permanently maintain a state secretary, and most of them one or more organizers, and by their disposition and as a matter of party policy the time has arrived when they will need little or no assistance in the way of national organizers. This materially limits the field of operation for national organizers and makes more necessary the establishment of circuits or district lecture tours, for which at the time previous efforts were made the conditions did not seem favorable.

A better basis for national assistance to states via organizers in the future perhaps will be found in considering the state membership in proportion to the population and the area to be covered. These circumstances also logically open the way for special agitation in particular fields, as among the organized workers, at Chautauquas and with agricultural laborers and farmers.

## A WOMAN SUFFRAGE PARTY.

A new political party was organized the other night at the Martha Washington Hotel, to be known as the Woman's Suffrage party, and to have its headquarters in the Metropolitan Life building, which were opened formally February 1.

At the meeting all the borough representatives except Richmond and Queens. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt was chosen permanent chairman. The new party is to conduct a campaign for the ballot along political lines. Its organization is to coincide with that of the regular political parties. Every assembly district in the city is placed in charge of a woman leader, who will appoint subordinate officers to push the work. Men as well as women may become members of the party.

## THE PUBLIC SPIRIT OF CHINESE WOMEN.

In a recent speech before the American Political Science Association Chang Lau Chi, of the University of Wisconsin, stated that China may even yet be one of the prime-movers in the suffragist campaign. When the Chinese were moved to protest against the action of the British in 1907, in polluting the West river, meetings attended by hundreds of women were convened and enthusiastic speeches were made. Again in 1908, when a dispute arose with Japan over the seizure of the vessel Tatsu Maru at Macao, which resulted in the payment, on the demand of Tokio, of a heavy fine, over two thousand Canton women attended a meeting to arrange for a commercial boycott against Japanese goods, and wore plain white, the color of Chinese mourning, to show their sense of the national humiliation. The day of protest was named "The Day of National Shame" and shops and schools were ordered closed.

## COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY BECOMING MODERN.

Columbia University has recognized woman's right to take up the study of law or medicine. Beginning with the summer session, in July, women will be admitted to courses in law and medicine.

Heretofore no law courses have been given at the summer school. The courses scheduled for this year are personal property, criminal law, bankruptcy and New York procedure.

## DIES ON "L" TRAIN

**Aged Undertaker Expires From Heart Disease in Woman's Arms.**

Samuel W. Waldron, of 1065 Jackson avenue, who was an undertaker with an office at 1276 Third avenue, where he had been located for thirty years, died suddenly of heart failure on a southbound Third avenue elevated train as it left the 156th street station yesterday.

He was clinging to a strap when he suddenly gasped and pitched into the lap of a woman who was reading a newspaper. The body was removed from the train at 149th street by Patrolmen Monahan, of Traffic Squad B, who knew Waldron well.

## U. S. AFTER REVENUE TAX.

United States District Attorney Wise yesterday brought two suits against the Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Maryland, to recover \$7,442.46, with interest, on bonds given for Samuel Periman and Jacob Naistat, for the payment of taxes on brands which they distilled from apples and other fruits. Naistat is alleged to be in arrears \$1,859.42, and Periman \$5,583.04.

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# Socialist News of the Day

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## Tonight's Meetings.

**MANHATTAN AND BRONX.**  
Business.  
1st and 25th A. D.—166 Waverly street.  
23d A. D.—380 West 135th street.  
22d A. D. (Branch 2, German)—245 East 84th street.  
14th A. D. (Bohemian Ladies' Branch 2)—Dubla's 284 East 72d street.  
Yorkville Socialist Women's Study Club—1461 Third avenue, near 83d street.

**Progress Dramatic Society.**  
A meeting of the Progress Dramatic Society will be held this evening at 1461 Third avenue, near 83d street. Besides a rehearsal of a play for the benefit of The Call there will be literary and dramatic exercises under the direction of competent instructors. All welcome.

**Y. P. S. F. Lecture.**  
Edward King will lecture on "Liberty and Private Property," at 8 o'clock tonight before the Young People's Socialist Federation, Circle 6, 272 East 10th street.

**BROOKLYN.**  
Business.  
Brooklyn Call Conference — 349 Willoughby avenue.  
14th and 17th A. D.—493 Lexington avenue.

**PHILADELPHIA, PA.**  
Business.  
19th and 20th Wards Branch—713 Dauphin street.  
33d Ward Branch—Kensington Labor Lyceum, 2d and Cambria streets (entrance on Camac street).  
40th Ward Branch—Odd Fellows' Hall, 71st street and Woodland avenue.

**HARTFORD, CONN.**  
The regular monthly lecture and discussion of Branch 8, Local HANFORD, will take place this evening at Labor Lyceum, 29 Lawrence street. John Gausman, state commissioner of tuberculosis, will speak on "Tuberculosis in the Factories." Admission free.

**N. Y. CALL CONFERENCE.**  
At the last regular meeting of The New York Call Conference a discussion took place on the question of arranging a debate between two good speakers of The Call Board of Managers. Delegate Marcal, a special committee for the engagement of a Jewish theater, reported favorably, and the arrangement committee was instructed to proceed with the final arrangements. Another special committee was elected to devise ways and means for the building up of the circulation of The Call. The committee consists of Brown, Schlesinger, Reinb. Stark and Brann.

## 33D ASSEMBLY DISTRICT.

Secretary Halber, of the 33d A. D., sends the following note and the resolutions accompanying it:  
"At its meeting of January 5 the central committee, Local New York, Socialist party, seated delegates elected in violation of section 5, Article IV of the by-laws of Local New York."  
"At its meeting of January 22, although advised by the state committee that such action was illegal, the central committee seated additional delegates in violation of section 5, Article IV of the by-laws."  
"Whereas an appeal being taken, the state committee of the Socialist party has declared said action to be illegal and instructed the said central committee to rescind its action above described; and

Under this head comes a brief outline of the National Civic Federation, showing how its backers are and that it is to be classed as an anti-Socialist institution, working in the interests of capitalism, like the London Municipal Society.

"In fact," says the report, "the Federation is neither impartial nor non-partisan. Two of its three official papers, entitled the Review, issued during the year, were given over almost entirely to an assault upon and misrepresentation of Socialism, coupled with a warning to the working class of the dangers to them from Socialism.

"With the growing strength of the Socialist party endangering the battlements of capitalism an opposition and conservative labor party will be required by the Civic Federation and the interests it serves. When it is needed it will also be financed."

## Limiting the Franchise.

The report regards as adverse the flood of legislation started in several states answering to the name of primary laws, and generally regarded by its advocates as a move toward simplified and direct self-government. The sinister purpose at the bottom of this move is revealed by the fact that nearly all such laws contain provisions for filing fees for candidates for public offices. Some of the states affected are: Louisiana, South Dakota, California, Washington, New Hampshire, Missouri, and Michigan.

## MINNESOTA SOCIALISTS ARE TESTING THEIR LAW.

Minnesota Socialists are testing their law, and have the intention of carrying it to the Supreme Court of the United States, the national organization being pledged for one-third of the expense by action of the national committee.

## JANITOR CASE OVER.

Charges Against Higgins and Associates Considered False by Mayor.

After a hearing yesterday, Mayor Gaynor dismissed the charges made by a lawyer named Isadore Klitzkie, representing several dismissed janitors, against the janitors committee of the Board of Education, Thomas J. Higgins, who is now park commissioner of the Bronx; Joseph E. Cosgrove, Francis P. Cunnion, Max S. Stern, John R. Thompson, Clement March, and Mitchell May. The Mayor decided that the charges were without foundation, and that the whole thing had been trumped up.

## SEVEN HURT IN FIRE.

Explosion of Ammonia Tank Lays Firemen Low.

Five firemen were overcome and two others injured in a fierce blast that destroyed the market conducted by Dugan Bros., at 287-293 Broadway, Brooklyn, yesterday. Two battalion chiefs, Langdon and Hauck, were struck by flying timbers when the roof tumbled in. The chiefs were bruised, but remained on duty. The others were knocked out by fumes from the explosion of a tank filled with ammonia.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Cooper Union—Professor T. Iyengar, of Chicago University; "Teheran: Koran and the Constitution."

# Ben Hanford Memorial Fund

Conrades: The enclosed \$2 is to help erect a monument for Ben Hanford—a monument worthy of our beloved Comrade—which shall be a voice for the oppressed and suffering—the echo of his soul.

**ANNA RAPPOPORT.**  
North Adams, Mass.  
Conrades: Enclosed find \$2.10 for the Ben Hanford monument, from Finkle & Vogel's cigar factory, Williamsport, Pa.

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Caldwell, N. J.  
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**ISAAC FELDBERG.**  
New York.  
Conrades: The Call monument suggested by Comrades Feigenbaum and Fruchter, in The Call of January 31, deserves the united support of every wage-worker. It is not conceivable that a more fitting structure can be erected to the memory of our true dead Comrade, Ben Hanford, than the ever-growing light-spreading monument—our press. Not the cold stone or rich metal tomb in a so-called secluded resting place, but a memorial built by humane warmth, privation, energy, placed in public before the entire world, is worth the congeniality of the dead hero. Ben Hanford, the lover of humanity, gave not only the rarest in his collection of books, but he also sacrificed his life, trying to establish peacefully the monument intended for the workers—The New York Call. The urgent appeals written on his death-bed with his last strength, touched the hearts of many a tardy contributor, and awoke him from stupor. Mighty nature, however, silenced the appeals, and put our Comrade to everlasting rest. Let us not be ungrateful to the valuable service rendered by him, but compensate by keeping his memory alive, and by dedicating to him The Call monument. To let it tumble would mean a crushing defeat to the working class—for many years to come.

**RICHARD HAFFNER.**  
Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Conrades: Enclosed is another dollar. The Call is an absolute necessity, and must be maintained at all costs. It has been my opinion, to secure its financial safety is to tax every member of the party a certain sum regularly. Let me congratulate The Call on its methods by which it seeks to become self-sustaining. Such ideas as that of utilizing a strike, in order to bring the paper before the public, are splendid, and cannot fail to increase the circulation.

**A. MILLER.**  
New York.  
Conrades: In receiving an appeal from the management of The Call, asking for support for the coming year, I answer, "Yes, my child." When Comrade Hanford made an appeal to me for help, I gave him my help, for I knew that if my child is asking for help and putting it into my hands, it is my duty to help. But I have three children, and all are hungry, and wages are small, and the cost of living so high. The Appeal to Reason is asking for help. The Socialist party is asking for help, the waist makers are asking for help, and Comrades, who are able, should help.

**NATHAN ARNSTEIN.**  
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**RICHARD HAFFNER.**  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

**NEWARK.**  
John Spargo will lecture at the Third Presbyterian Church, Broad street, opposite the City Hall, this coming Thursday evening, on "The Spiritual Significance of Socialism." This is in the regular course of the class on economics, which has been running every Thursday for over a year in this church. The public is cordially invited.

**ESSEX COUNTY.**  
Branch 6 of Essex county will give a concert and dance at Eagles' Hall, 11 Cone street, Orange, on Thursday evening next. Mrs. Caroline Van Name, formerly of Hammerstein's, will sing, and Bina Flynn, the child elocutionist, will recite.

**NATIONAL.**  
The weekly bulletin contains the following items of interest:  
The national executive committee of the Socialist party has set aside Sunday, February 27, 1910, as a special day for propaganda for women's suffrage, and to enlist the women actively in the work of the party organization. It is recommended to all locals to arrange meetings on that date, and take advantage of every opportunity for publicity regarding the purposes of such meetings.

State Secretary Beardsley, of Connecticut, reports: "Everything in this state points to the party having the best year it has ever had, both from the point of organization and propaganda. This year for the first time the Australian ballot will be used in Connecticut, making it possible for us to place the Socialist ballot in the hands of every voter, something we have never been able to do before."

The national office, since last report, has granted charters to locals in unorganized states as follows: Wilmington, N. C., five members; Fort Valley, Ga., five members; Wise, Va., seven members; Pocahontas, Va., five members; Alexandria, Va., eight members; St. Charles, Va., nine members.

All reports for votes for national officers must reach the national office on or before February 10. Reports received after that date will not be counted.

A call was issued January 15 for a national party referendum to strike out of the national constitution section 2, of Article X, which has to do with party congresses. It is subject to amendments for a period of thirty days following the date of the call. In the regular course it will appear as Referendum "A," 1910. Ballots will be shipped from the national office on or about February 15.

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