

AN UNFINISHED STORY

BY O. HENRY.

The brilliant author of this story is often funny. But laughter is close to tears. "Girls of the Street" are usually "ruined" working girls.

The "Social Evil" starts on six Dollars a week paid to young girls with love of adoration for adoration like other girls, like Alice Roosevelt, for instance.

With the young men who work for Ten Dollars a week, the Social Evil starts because One Dollar and a half a day will not support a wife and family.

It is six Dollars a week for young girls and Ten Dollars a week for young men. This will pay to join together in a club.

Second, the most significant sentence in this story is the following: "F WHAT SHE EARNED, DULCIE RECEIVED SIX DOLLARS PER WEEK." The remainder of what she earned went to her employer.

When workers learn this simplest of every day facts, that they get only a part of what they earn, then the Social Evil will be cured.

Capital, all losses, is built on this fact, the wage-worker gets only a part of what he earns. The remainder of what he earns is the Profit of the Capitalist class.

Why does Dulcie give up all she earns over the bare existence wage? How can she be forced to receive a "Piggy"?

Because there are so many more poor girls ready to take her place, worse off even than she is, who will give to join together in a club.

Why are there so many jobless women and men? Because Modern Machinery does the World's Work with only a few human hands and all the rest are out of a job.

How will poor women and men help themselves to get the remainder of what they earn, that is, the Profit and Wealth which now goes to "The Bunch"?

That question is what Socialism answers. There is no answer anywhere else. The Social Evil can be banished by nothing except Socialism.

How?

Socialism is this. All these wage-workers, the Dulcies and Sadies and Jacks and Monsoys, are built on this fact, the wage-worker gets only a part of what he earns. This is the great Modern Machinery and Business known as Capital.

Then they will get ALL they earn and Dulcie's "Unfinished Story" will never reach its sad termination.

(From "McClure's" for August.)

We no longer groan and heave ashes upon our heads when the flames of Tophet are mentioned. For, even the preachers have begun to tell us that God is radium, or ether, or some scientific compound, and that the worst we wicked ones may expect is a chemical reaction. This is a pleasing hypothesis, but there lingers yet some of the old, goodly terror of orthodoxy.

There are but two subjects upon which one may talk with impunity and imagination, and without the possibility of being contorted. One may talk of your dreams, and you may tell what you heard a parrot say. But Morpheus and the bird are incompetent witnesses; and your listener dare not attack your recital, the baseless fabric of a vision, then, shall flourish in their minds—chosen as they are, and regrets instead in the more limited field of poetry Polly's singing talk.

A Dream.

I had a dream that was so far removed from the hazy and indistinct that I had to do with the ancient, respectable, and lamented bar-of-judgment theory.

Abraham had played his trump; and those of us who could not follow suit were neglected for a while. I was assigned to one side a gathering of professional bondsmen in solemn black and white. It seemed there was some trouble about their real estate titles; and they did not appear to be getting any of it out.

A flying angel policeman—came over to me to see what I was doing. Near at hand was a group of very prosperous-looking spirits arranged for the occasion.

"Do you belong with that bunch?" the policeman asked.

"Who are they?" was my answer.

"Why," said he, "they are—"

But this irrelevant suit is taking up space that the angels should occupy.

Dulcie worked in a department store. She sold high priced, stuffed peppers, or automobiles, or other little trinkets such as they keep in department stores. Of what she earned, Dulcie received six dollars per week. The remainder was credited to her and debited to her employer.

During her first year in the store, Dulcie was paid one hundred dollars a week. It would be instructive to know how she lived on that amount. Don't care? Very few people are interested in larger amounts. Six dollars is a larger amount. I will tell you how she lived on six dollars per week.

One afternoon at six, when Dulcie was sticking her hair within an eighth of an inch of her medulla oblongata, she said to her groom, Sadie, "The girl that was on my left side."

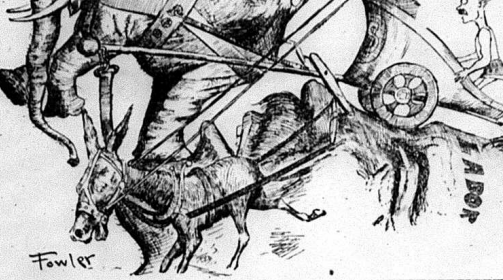
"Sadie," said I, "I made a date for dinner this evening with Piggy."

"You never did!" exclaimed Sadie admiringly. "Well, ain't you a lucky one? Piggy's a rich swell, and he always takes a girl to swell places. He took me to the Hoffman home one evening, and they have swell music, and you see a lot of swell folks. You'll have a swell time, Dulcie."

Dulcie hurried home. Her eyes were shining and her cheeks showed the delicate pink of life—real life's approach. It was Friday; and she had fifty cents left of her last week's wages.

The streets were filled with the rush-hour floods of people. The electric lights of Broadway were glowing—calling from miles from leagues, from miles from leagues out of darkness around to come on an attendant singing school. Men in accented clothes and faces on the cars sat in saloons. Banners, turned and stared at them as she sped, unheeding, past them. Manhattan, the night-chorus, was beginning. Her head felt heavy, heavy-odored petals.

Dulcie stopped in a store where there were cheap, bright, imitation lace collar with her fifty cents. That money was to have been spent otherwise—fifteen cents for sup-



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pea is not the kind intended for him! I am no carpenter.

The mirror in Dulcie was ready. She looked at herself in the wrinkly mirror. The reflection was satisfactory. The dark blue dress, fitting without a wrinkle, the hat with its jaunty black feather, the but-slightly-soiled gloves—all representing self-dignity, even of food itself—were vastly becoming.

Dulcie forgot everything else for a moment except that she was beautiful, and that life was about to lift a corner of its mysterious veil for her to observe its wonders. No gentleman had ever asked her out before. Now she was going for a brief moment into the glitter and exalted show.

The girl said that Piggy was a "spender." There would be a grand dinner, and music, and splendidly dressed girls, to look at, and things to eat that strangely twisted the girl's jaws when they tried to tell about them. No doubt she would be asked out again. There was a blue point set in a window that she knew—instead of ten, let's see—Oh, it would run into years! But there was a bond-hill store in Seventh Avenue where—

Somebody kicked at the door. Dulcie lit the gas. In its one-fingered candle-power, slow to move, there with a spurious smile, sniffing for cooking by stolen gas.

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SOUTHERN LABOR STILL ENSLAVED

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He pencil, put down the cost of fertilizer, seed, feed, bread, etc., allowing them \$13 per month for the going wages for that section; they had less than \$40 as the joint accumulation of the family's efforts. He had signed an application back for membership in the Socialist League.

I asked him what he thought of the chances for Socialism in that locality. He replied that there could be no great gain for some time. "It is too easy to make a living down here. You don't get any money for your very low rent (it takes nearly all that can be raised by fertilizer). You can't even get your tobacco, and a little cotton will buy your coffee and what clothing you must have. You get your money from 75 cents to \$1.00 per day in the busy season. You can get your meat from the woods and your butter from the cutting. You see life isn't such a struggle down here as it is with you in the north."

I thought the difference was in what they didn't have. I looked at the bare floor, the naked walls, the uncluttered shelves, thought of the wonder what could bring to these people the things that we have. I thought of the wonder and the beauty of the world; the lack of freedom in the north; the things that we have above to those who think the stomach treatment a sure cure for thoughtlessness. I thought of the things which men do not, can not think, we must save the workers from that. We must be able to feel them. We can't get the deal away, what the workers are getting. We can't get the deal away, what the workers are getting.

GU. E. MILLER, Battle Creek, Mich., Aug. 25, '05.

THE CAPITALIST KINETOSCOPE

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Another Fallen Idol.

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AGAINST CAPITALIST MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

Meanwhile we warn the working class of Ohio against the so-called municipal ownership.

We therefore declare that only union working class control of municipalities can municipal ownership be beneficial to the working class.

This and will continue to be the issue: capitalist class control of the powers of government, national, state and municipal.

Workers Have No Interest in Local Ownership.

We further warn the working class against being misled by the buncombe issue of local option, which does not affect working class interests; and we stand by the fact that the only understanding the Brannock law adopted by the last legislature, the creation of saloons in the state is constantly increasing. So long as the working class are not permitted to elect their representatives, their constituencies; equal civil and political rights for men and women; state and municipal assistance in clothing and food; and similar measures which will equip the working class for its historic mission to abolish the wage slave system and achieve its emancipation from brutal laws for capitalist ends, as we

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Some laborers know just nevertheless, highly imaginary person writing under the name of Tom Glover is the author of some sensational letters about the colony of Kussau in the Alps, Switzerland, and which letters are appearing in the McClure's and the New York Daily Mirror.

The colony of revolutionists, all of whom have had to leave Russia, because of their revolutionary activities, are nothing but a gang of cut-throats and banditti, who strangle anyone who dares to oppose their interests. One wonders how the writer himself learned so much without being caught at once by the police. His information can be estimated by his reporting Plechanoff as a "Nihilist," when the fact is Plechanoff is one of the foremost Socialists of Europe. He takes rank with Kautsky as one of the foremost Socialists of a Marx scholar and to his organizing genius is due perhaps more than to anyone else, the compactness and effectiveness of the Russian Socialist movement. A revolutionist Plechanoff certainly is not a bandit, and he is on an active part in the direction of the working class struggle in Russia, he is not a bandit, but a bandit, and Plechanoff deserves to be known as the first true socialist and a Socialists and fearless revolutionist. He has misrepresented by cheap back writers cannot injure him or the cause he has stood for against severe and trying odds.

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STATE TICKET. Socialist Party of Ohio.

For Governor, ISAAC GARDNER, of Cleveland. For Lieutenant Governor, W. C. GENTRUP, of Toledo.

For Attorney General, J. C. OZBURN, of Cincinnati. For State Treasurer, E. J. SIMS, of Columbus.

For Judge of Supreme Court, F. J. ZIEGLER, of Portsmouth. For Member Board of Public Works, GEORGE STROUG, of Lorain.

OHIO SOCIALIST PLATFORM.

The Socialist Party of Ohio, in convention assembled, reaffirms the national platform of the Socialist Party, and its adherence to the revolutionary principles of international Socialism.

The party declares that the organization of the working class and its sympathy with it into a powerful revolutionary force, and the control of the political power of the state and using it to the utmost advantage, are the only means by which the working class can secure the betterment of its condition.

The party declares that the Socialist Party of America shall have captured the government and managed it for the benefit of the working class.

Working Class Must Control Government.

The working class must obtain possession of the governmental power to use it for the benefit of the working class now uses these powers for its own purposes.

In the midst of increasing poverty, a false cry of "material prosperity," the working people can only be kept from further degradation and dis-encouragement to which they are entitled in the existing unjust conditions by acting collectively as a class through the working class party.

Must Abolish Wage System.

While the fundamental purpose of the Socialist party is to secure abolition of the wage system and the establishment of the social ownership of the means of production, it will work for, and attempt to bring from the capitalist government, all measures which will improve the condition, provide necessary protection and guarantee gradual abolition of the wage system, and at the same time tend toward the accomplishment of our final aim.

Progressive Measures.

In view of this we therefore demand:

The reduction of the hours of labor; abolition of child labor; raising the school age; enactment and enforcement of factory safety laws; initiative and referendum; proportional representation and the abolition of all present party organizations; equal civil and political rights for men and women; state and municipal assistance in clothing and food; and similar measures which will equip the working class for its historic mission to abolish the wage slave system and achieve its emancipation from brutal laws for capitalist ends, as we

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LABOR DAY REMINDERS
There are over 500,000 wage workers in the State of Ohio, not counting the agricultural workers. Suppose one one-hundredth part of these were reading THE Socialist every week; that is, suppose that 5,000 copies of the paper were going into homes of working men every week. The Socialists would soon have an invincible organization, unafraid to meet and settle every problem without and within the party. This is not yet the case in every town in Ohio, although we believe it is in some, but we are aiming for it. How many wage workers in your town or city, Comrade? And how many of these are reading THE Socialist? If not many, can you not yourself, pay for a club of ten names for two months? Get them to reading and many will reimburse you. We hear from all sources that the chance for a straight vote are excellent. We make no pretensions as to vote in the state or in Toledo, but everything looks like a surprise for the old parties. We speak directly to the workers in Ohio when we say, "Do not let one opportunity escape you to open a man's eyes. Always have a paper with you to hand out at the favorable moment. Make a vote for Socialism, but NEVER let the work stop there. Don't stop working with your voter until he is an intelligent party member, willing to accept responsibility for the Socialist movement and prepared to become a MEMBER of the great international movement. THE Socialist, so the workers say, helps very much in this work, and what the workers say must be true. THE campaign is the time to make not only voters, but MORE IMPORTANT, party Socialists. Measure your work for Socialism by such results. Work for THE Socialist and an important part of it is to get out and get voters. Are you trying to do this? Your own circle of acquaintances has a limit, but by many of the subscribers you get, you can make other enthusiastic workers in pushing the circulation of THE Socialist. "I will enclose 50 cents for six months renewal, as I think THE Socialist is the paper to have the party members straight, and that is what we need. In a short time I will be able to help THE Socialist. With best wishes of party membership and Socialism, G. J. Peck, Davenport, Iowa."
Every responsibility of being part of the other party members in Cleveland are kept informed, as with Comrade Ida Crouch-Hazlett, who is all over the country who understands the importance of uncompromising socialist principles and tactics, to push the circulation of THE Socialist. Let's get it into the hands of every party member. Have Comrade Conrade Peck. No matter what other paper they take, they should also read THE Socialist.
Comrade Johnson, of Seattle, sends us \$1.20 for "Cleveland Citizen" and the "Socialist" which he has read for the last five years, or ever since it started. We hope you have started either a five years' read of "THE Socialist."
Clubs of subscribers from Rossford, Port Huron, Tiffin and Findlay. Let us hear from some new cities in Ohio this week, Comrade. It all rests with you, what THE Socialist will be able to accomplish in the Fall campaign. We are doing our work to the best of our ability. You order and we'll have lists of 100 subscribers in many cities.
The circulation manager was on one hot and weary walk one morning and came upon a little Italian settlement. He saw a young man, a Socialist much, but their attention was called to the ads for "Avanti" and "The Socialist."
NEW YORK CITY SOCIALISTS WIN
On Tuesday of last week three of the New York workers, Sam Fieldman, William Karlin and Algernon Lee, the last named candidate for Mayor, defeated the other candidates in a meeting which the police authorities had forbidden.
The local comrades made all arrangements for a legal fight, with every prospect of success, since they had acted always within their rights.
Comrade Winkins and Fieldman would not be paid, but that they would go to jail and the case carried into the next higher court.
After fully-drawn-out court proceedings, the police authorities requested City Organizers to visit them and they were told the order was to be null and void.
The Social Democrats of New York City have won their fight for the right to hold street meetings without asking the police permission. Our party's firm and orderly insistence on the exercise of its rights assured its victory, and it will be a long day before Mulberry Street will see the police Socialistist open-air meetings here. The police were surprised that our comrades would not give up on the other side. McAdoo's abuse no longer had, lose their heads and conduct themselves in such a manner as to give a chance for bringing the case into a very foolish mistake and the obvious order was revoked.
National Convention Proceedings
The official stenographic report of the proceedings of the National Convention, May 1-6, 1904, makes a book of 317 pages 609 inches, which every Socialist should possess. It contains full report of speeches and debates, the book contains an appendix full of interesting information for every Socialist, among which may be mentioned: List of Socialist papers in periodicals of the United States and both in English and foreign languages; list of all delegates, with mail addresses; report of Comrade State and Municipal Program; National Platform and Constitution; Socialist vote, etc., with complete index. It is a very valuable book, \$1.00; in paper cover, 50c. Carefully packed and postage paid. Order direct from THE SOCIALIST, 209 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.

FROM NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
South Dakota Socialists will hold an informal state convention, a sort of gathering of the kind known as the fair, September 11-15. National Organizer Gough will be present. A more text has been prepared.
The police force backed by the captain of Kansas City, Mo., has hindered his bid for fame in trying to suppress Socialist street meetings. Eight arrests were made, including Comrade Martha Bierley, being arrested and re-arrested the same night.
George Lindner of Agra, Island of Samoa, has written to the National office for literature and information as to "How to Organize a Local."
Certain correspondence relating to the controversy in Minneapolis has been submitted to the National Executive Committee for its consideration.
The rules drafted by the National Executive Committee on session July 21-22, to govern the National Committee in voting will be re-arranged. Sept. 1st, 1905, except such changes and amendments which have been submitted upon which action is now pending.
National Committee motion No. 26, which provides for a reconsideration of National Committee motion No. 18, which motion was provided that comments and resolutions of votes of National Committee should be published in the Monthly Official Bulletin, has been adopted by the following vote: Yes, 20; No, 10; Abstaining, 22. The vote closed August 23.
Twenty Perpetual Campaign Books were ordered by the New Jersey State Committee, and 25 by New York State Committee during the week.

INDIANA
State Secretary May M. Strickland reports a meeting of the State Executive Board, held at Indianapolis, Ind. Strickland presented his resignation as Secretary. It was accepted and H. F. Reids was appointed as Secretary. Reids and Reynolds were appointed as temporary secretaries. Comrades Debs and Reynolds were appointed a committee to procure a location for state office.
The usual routine business was transacted. It was decided to arrange a tour for Benjamin F. Wilson, editor of financial plan. Comrade Reynolds was appointed to prepare a letter regarding the fall elections to be printed in local secretaries. Action on printing state constitution was deferred till next meeting.
It was decided to allow Mrs. Strickland \$15 per month for the next two months she had acted as State Secretary and Comrades Reynolds and Debs were directed to determine the first month's salary of the new State Secretary and recommend permanent salary to the Executive Board.
It was decided to pay state expenses in the following order: rent, supplies, and traveling. It was also decided to allow one of the office desks and the desk lamp for \$5.00 on back salary.
The "World-Herald" has published seven of the books donated by Comrade Kelly at 5c per cent of list price on back salary. Comrade Kelly will be sent money orders until further notice should be made payable to the State Treasurer, who will be sent to Cash, Wash. avenue, Terre Haute, Ind. All communications, both further notice and money orders, should be sent to Stephen M. Reynolds.

ILLINOIS
Street meetings in Chicago are getting better and better. There is special attention and lively questions.
The Socialist primaries in Chicago will be held Saturday, September 16.
Comrade Harrack, having excellent meetings in the state. He is coming up against all the odds of old stales to free speech, but keeps right on with the work.
NEBRASKA
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CANADA
Toronto Local is steadily forging ahead. Two new (English) comrades joined on Tuesday night. The work is active and more members are taking an active part. Propaganda will be the chief subject of discussion at this meeting. A suggestion was favorably received that we try to local secretaries in the future, having several tried efficiency. An appeal was made to all comrades to develop any latent talent they might have in the direction.

OHIO
The many friends of Herbert W. Baird will be shocked to learn of his death, which occurred at Cleveland, capital, as a result of an operation for appendicitis. Comrade Baird was one of the best-known Socialists in Ohio, a brilliant speaker and thinker, and of a refined, artistic temperament. Baird was unmarried—Cleveland Citizen.

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MASSACHUSETTS
The annual caucus of Massachusetts Clubs who held theirs Sunday, August 27, followed on the next day by the political convention for the nomination of candidates. A full list of nominees will appear in our next issue.

Local Worcester.
Comrade Thomas F. Maroney reported on his trip to Worcester, Mass., August 20, and had an attentive audience for his report. A committee was appointed to bring the matter before the next convention of the A. F. of L. The first meeting of the organization was held at Worcester, Mass., August 20, and had an attentive audience for his report. A committee was appointed to bring the matter before the next convention of the A. F. of L. The first meeting of the organization was held at Worcester, Mass., August 20, and had an attentive audience for his report.

PENNSYLVANIA
A new local has been organized at Erie with 24 names on the organization list for charter.
State Organizer Moore reports good work in the Erie field.

MICHIGAN
State Secretary Menton reports a regular meeting of the local on Sunday, August 27. Four members were present and the usual routine business was transacted. Under the head of unfinished business, the matter of Comrade Lamb's grievance was taken up and thoroughly discussed.
The Quorum admits error in several of its statements. Comrade Lamb made some weeks ago and says Comrade Lamb was informed of the

ALLEGHENY COUNTY
Comrade Fred L. Schwartz, county organizer, says: There is a tendency of the police to interfere with our meetings. We are advised to stand upon our ground. As we grow efforts will be made to disrupt in the bud any such attempt. Saturday night Comrade Adair was arrested and held in the Court House steps, there was a

