

TELEGRAPHERS ON VERGE OF BIG STRIKE

Western Union Begins Reign of Terror by Discharging Unionists

WORKERS WILL MEET TO ARRANGE FOR BATTLE

Walkout, if Ordered, May Extend to All Large Cities—Wire Men Must Have More Pay

The entire telegraphic system of the United States may be brought to a standstill early next week.

About 1,000 operators in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph company decided to walk out Monday unless the men discharged by the company for joining the Telegraphers' union are reinstated.

The grievance committee met yesterday at the Monon building to consider the complaints of those who had been discharged by the company.

Tomorrow another meeting will be held at Musicians' hall, 134 Van Buren street, when final action in the matter of calling a strike will be taken.

The union is in an excellent condition now. Over 300 new members signed pledges at the last meeting to stand by the organization and force the company to recognize the union. Unless the company reinstates the men before next Monday the officials of the union will call out every one of its members. It is believed also that as soon as a strike is declared many of the operators who are not at present union members will also join the organization and quit work until the union gains its demands.

Company Refuses to Talk

At the office of the company all information is withheld, and trouble with the operators denied. It is also denied that official notice of a strike has reached them from the headquarters of the telegraphers' organization.

The men discharged yesterday are Assistant Division Chief Foster and P. E. Hogan and G. D. Jones, all reliable and strictly first-class telegraphers. Two other men were discharged Tuesday.

Union men wonder why the company waited till Friday and did not discharge the men sooner. It is believed that the company took the time from Monday until Friday to communicate with its offices throughout the country on the advisability of taking such a risky step, and also as to the outlook for scab telegraphers to be used in case of a strike.

Five years ago when Western Union operators attempted to unionize the office, those who joined on Sunday were discharged on Monday and no cause given for their dismissal, so there has been much surprise and wonder at the company's inaction in "punishing" its operators for asserting themselves.

The two operators discharged are said to be among those who were present at Sunday's meeting, but as there had been some dissimilarity before the meeting on this account, not much significance is attached to their being let go. What action the union will take, if any, has not yet been decided upon.

Fifteen Years Ago

Operators who were working for the Western Union when the attempt at organization was made fifteen years ago say this is exactly in line with the company's way of fighting the union. When only a few join the company lets them go "without cause," but as the union begins to grow stronger a charge is trumped up to get rid of the members as soon as the officials feel that they can let one go.

The discharged men drop out of sight, going elsewhere, and soon the union is badly disorganized. In this way the Western Union could keep organizers busy for years.

"It has been noted that operators are very poor people to hang together," said an operator to-day, "so the Western Union, in addition to their numerous other tactics, single out a few, to whom they give a little additional salary or some concession and a certain amount of hot air and win enough to cause ill-feeling and discontent among the others."

What Workers Need

"What telegraph operators need to begin with is a little more time away from the office, a little regard for their fellow workers, which is decidedly lacking, through organization and enough sympathy, something else that is decidedly lacking, to make themselves feel that they are too good to put up with any kind of treatment that a corporation or a cheap official wants to hand out. It looks now as though all they care for is jobs, regardless of wages, treatment or hours."

"At present there is entirely too much quibbling and splitting on unimportant points."

DEMENT BY MISS GOODRICH

Meridian Miss., Feb. 9.—Miss Edna Goodrich, leading support with Nat Goodwin, yesterday afternoon denied the statement that she had invited Evelyn Nesbit to give dinner or elsewhere to meet Stanford White for the first time. She said their only relations were in the mere fact that both were members of the same company in New York at one time. She was examined in New York by Attorney Garvan before the present tour began in connection with a similar report.

LEHR, HE OF THE MONKEY DINNER, IN NEW STUNTS

Breaks Into Royal Society and Proves He Is the Champion Idiot

(By a Special Correspondent) Berlin, Feb. 9.—The Berlin court society is greatly stirred by the antics of Harry S. Lehr, son of a former German consul at Baltimore.

Mr. Lehr insists on wearing knee breeches, white silk stockings and dancing pumps of patent leather while attending functions of the highest official society of Germany.

Lehr was received by the Kaiser and the crown prince, and accepted a number of invitations to various court functions. At these functions he made himself obnoxious by constantly showing the German nobility that his jewelry and that of his wife was worth more than all the plunder won by all other grandees in the room.

German papers, while enjoying the fun to which the "high ups" are subjected, through the eccentricity of Lehr, at the same time look shy at a "republican" who is, after all, hankering for the company of "titled asses."

MILLIONAIRES DISAPPEAR—FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED

Men Lost in Virginia Mountains Believed to Be Swallowed by Earth

(Scripps-McRae Press Association) Bristol, Penn., Feb. 9.—The mystery of the disappearance of Edward Wentz, the Philadelphia millionaire, John B. Gerhart, the Bristol insurance man, and others who have been swallowed up in the mountains of southwest Virginia, is recalled by another strange case in the same region—Harry E. Kent, a young civil engineer is missing.

He was with a corps of engineers in camp near Clinchport, Va. After receiving his month's wages on January 27, he suddenly disappeared, leaving his personal effects in camp. No clue has been gained as to his whereabouts, and the case appears to be as much of a mystery as those preceding it. Foul play is suspected.

HOUSE OF LORDS MUST GO

Liberal Says Ancient Parasites Are Handicaps—Wait Till They Have a B. M. Senate

London, Feb. 9.—Sir John L. Walton, who presumably spoke with full knowledge of the intentions of the government, declared, in a speech at Leeds, that the hope of lords must go.

"The grim and serious work on which the liberals are entering," Sir Walton said, "would mean a revolution and involve two or three dissolutions." He added that the house of lords is entirely out of harmony with modern democratic institutions, and must go.

ANALYSIS OF JOHN D.'S COLOSSAL GIFT

Mayor Tom Johnson, Single Tax Advocate, Tells Some Interesting Facts

(Scripps-McRae Press Association.)

Cleveland, O., Feb. 9.—Mayor Johnson dissected the Rockefeller gift in a philosophical moment yesterday and found it to be merely a bid for the perpetuation of the special privileges which the oil king enjoys in his various interests. The mayor could not work himself into enthusiasm over the assistance Mr. Rockefeller is lending the educational movement.

"What sort of gift was it, anyway?" he asked, preliminarily. "It was not cash, as I understand it. What is it then? Let us suppose the case. Was it Standard Oil stocks? Hardly.

"Was it the bonds of cities, states or perhaps railways? Most likely it was railway securities.

"Every one of these is a mortgage upon the future. They total \$32,000,000, sufficient to have bought the Cleveland electric and to have made the city of Cleveland a handsome donation. But that would not have answered his purpose. There would have been no future effect.

Education to Save Profits

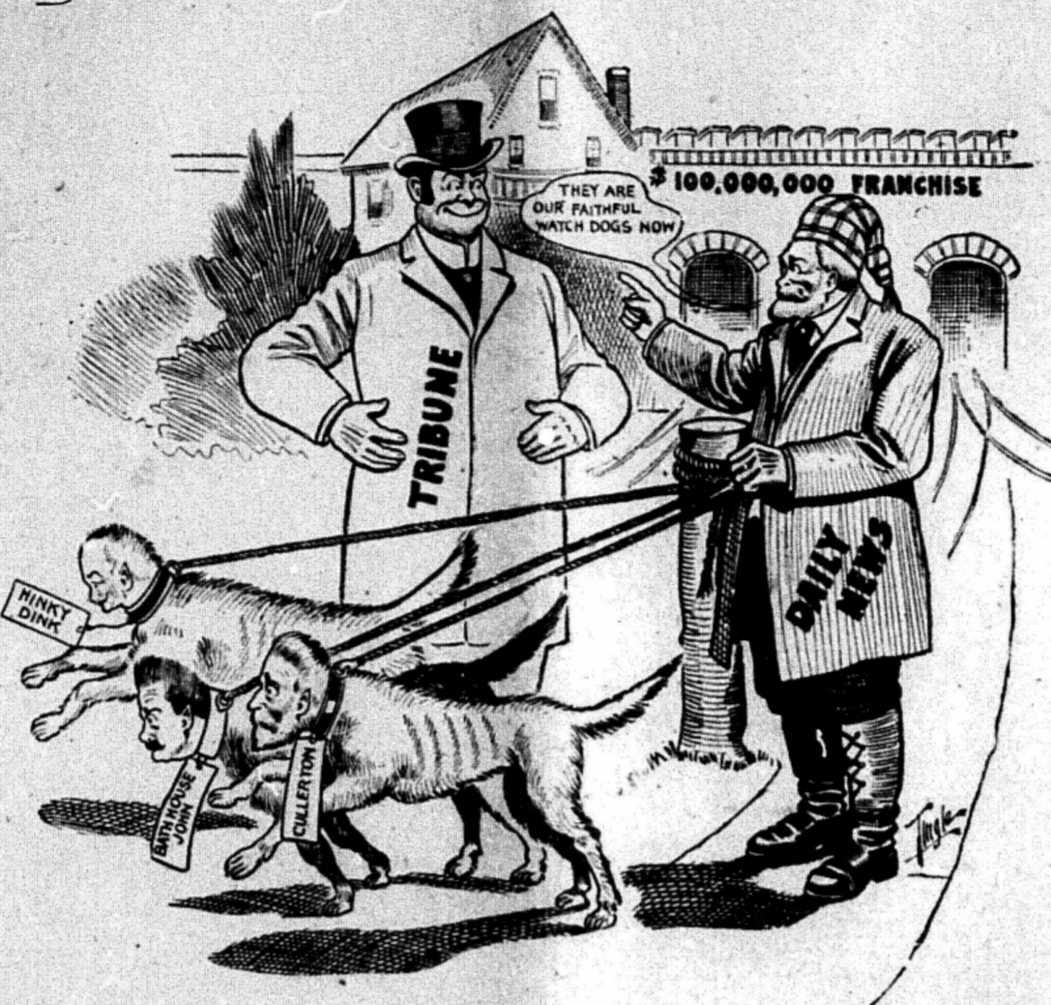
"Some day it will develop, perhaps, that the special privileges which these railways enjoy, and which the people are becoming educated more and more every year to curtail and withdraw, will be threatened. It will result in a sudden squeezing out of the water in these stocks.

"Then there will go up the cry that these great educational interests, dependent upon the return from these securities, are being threatened. There will be talk also of what the widows and the orphans are in danger of losing. Maybe a condition will be presented that may have a protective effort for the corporations involved.

"I understand that a board in the east will have sole charge of the apportionment of these gifts. Right here I will predict that this board will not bestow one dollar of these securities upon any institution maintaining a chair of political economy which teaches the truth of what wealth really is or what these securities are."

STEALS HORSE AND RUGGY; WOMAN IS IN LIMBO

(Scripps-McRae Press Association) Owingsville, Ky., Feb. 9.—Pearl Hughes, the alleged woman horse thief, is in trouble again. She secured a horse from John Broadly yesterday morning and passed through here at 6 o'clock. She was overtaken, arrested, and brought back to this place and the horse recovered. Only a few days ago she was released from jail at Carlisle. For more than a year Pearl Hughes has been stealing horses in Kentucky. It is claimed.



TAMING GREY WOLVES

N. Y. BLUE COATS PINCH A FIRECRACKER

Grave-Faced Sleuths Raid a July 4th Outfit Thinking They Have Gang of Anarchists

New York, Feb. 9.—District Attorney Jerome is today the laughing stock of every Socialist in New York. Like another Don Quixote he started to fuss with a wind-mill and met with rather a ridiculous adventure.

Mr. Jerome sent out a number of detectives to search the office of the Volkszeitung, the oldest Socialist paper in New York, and instructed them to take possession of every "bomb" they found in that office. The detectives entered the business office of that paper with solemn, long faces and asked to be shown the bombs which are manufactured there.

Look for "Bombs"

They were informed by the management that this was no factory of bombs, but that they could search the office if they so desired.

The detectives at once got busy. They did not have to go far. "Eureka!"

In a few minutes they found half a dozen "fire crackers."

By Me Halidame!

With an air of grave mystery the detectives began to examine the contents of these "bombs," nodding significantly to each other. They found that these bombs were rather light and lacked the solidity which such deadly missiles should have. The guardians of society then began to meditate, to think—for the first time in their lives—and big drops of perspiration stuck out on their foreheads like stops on an organ.

Base Variets, Smile!

In the meantime it looked as though a physician would have to be called to bring the stenographers and the other girls employed in the office back to life. They seemed to be choking, gasping, fainting, laughing, and weeping. Then came the office boys, and the mystery was cleared. They put the perspiring "coppers" wise as to these "deadly" missiles.

April 1st Bombs

It turned out that this being the beginning of a new year, there were a great number of calendars lying about the office. The boys rolled them up in the shape of cylinders, and stuffed the inside with paper, and after having pasted on bits of string on both sides, made these cylinders look like real fire crackers.

A driver who entered the office for the first time caught sight of these crackers. His mind at once began to work overtime. Socialists—bombs! These words at once flitted through his thick cap and off he rushed to his boss, spilling over with the idea, and told him, the great discovery.

ROYAL BILLY AS GASTON

King Alfonso of Spain Will Take the Other Part of Famous Sketch

(By a Special Correspondent) Berlin, Feb. 9.—Kaiser William will play the role of Gaston in a "Gaston and Alfonso" meeting which will be held at Madrid in March. The Kaiser has accepted an invitation from the "boy king," Alfonso, of Spain, to visit him in the progress of exchanging courtesies and also "strengthening the friendship between the two countries." "My dear" Alfonso visited "Gaston Billy" recently. The Kaiser is delighted at the invitation.

THAW'S WILL TO PROVE HIM INSANE

Remarkable Document Shows Malignant Young Man Had Noble Motives

(By a Special Correspondent) New York, Feb. 9.—When the trial of Harry Thaw is resumed on Monday, his counsel, Delphin M. Delmas, will seek to place in evidence the will of the Pittsburgher with the view of proving by its strange and fantastic provisions that when the will was drawn upon the night of Thaw's marriage to Evelyn Nesbit on April 4, 1905, he was not mentally responsible because of Stanford White's pursuit of Evelyn.

Dreading death at the hands of an assassin, Harry Thaw in his will directed that a fund of \$50,000 be set aside for the prosecution of his murderer, should it be established that he did not die from natural causes. This provision of the will mentions no name, but the codicil makes it evident that he feared Stanford White.

This remarkable document provides that a fund of \$75,000 be set aside by the trustees of his estate to care for the chorus girl and others, who had been subject to the same treatment at the hands of Stanford White as Evelyn Nesbit.

Harry Thaw mentions the names of several girls in the codicil of the will who he believed had been wronged by the architect. To his wife Harry Thaw left the entire sum of his income, which was to revert to the Thaw estate in the event of her death. An astonishing feature of the will is that Thaw makes Mrs. Charles J. Holman, mother of Evelyn Nesbit, a beneficiary, though Thaw's letters to his counsel just before the marriage indicated his intense dislike of Mrs. Holman.

Delmas contends that the introduction of the will with its strange provisions will bear out every plea of the defense for the killing of White—justification, self-defense and insanity.

All newspaper men covering the trial confidently expect Thaw to be acquitted.

POLICEMEN, LIKE DODO, SOON TO BE EXTINCT

"The days of the policeman are numbered. While we may not live to see the day of his extinction, it is only a question of time; probably in the next generation."

This startling prediction was made by Mrs. Edwin D. Mead of Boston in her lecture on the "World's Present Crisis" delivered yesterday afternoon at the Moody Bible Institute. Another optimistic prediction was that the world would soon enter an era of peace, which judging from present prognostications, would be perpetual, and when "international duels would be but a memory."

Nice, Bright, Crisp Sunday

Partly cloudy to night. Temperature near freezing point. Slightly colder Sunday, with fair skies.

CATHOLICS CALL ON MASONS FOR AID

Father Sherman of the Jesuit Order Sends Plea to Ancient Foes to Help the Church in France

Father Thomas E. Sherman, one of the most prominent members of the order of Jesuits in the United States, in an address last night called upon leading Masons of the United States and Europe to protest against the present tactics employed by the French republic in its separation of church and state in France.

Father Sherman is one of the most bitter foes of socialism in the Catholic church. The Masonic order and the order of Jesuits have for more than a century been known as such antipodes that no individual could own allegiance to both orders.

It is significant that the order of Jesuits is now calling upon its ancient antagonist, the order of Masons, to lend aid to it in suppressing the activity of the French republic.

The prelate called upon President Roosevelt, King Edward of England and John Corson Smith, past grand master of Masonry in Chicago, to protest against the measures aimed at the church in France.

"Bismarck it was who said, 'When the Hacks (the anarchists) and the Reds (the socialists) unite, Europe may well tremble.'"

RACING NEWS IS SOLD AT ALL I. C. STATIONS

"Racing forms, sir? Best tips. Sure winners for today."

"Racing forms, lady?"

No, gentle reader, this is not the dialogue from the race track scene of the latest racing drama. Neither is it the call of the "tout" at a real race track.

It's just the gentle inquiry put to all persons as they enter the downtown stations of the Illinois Central railroad. It makes no difference if mother, sister, wife or sweetheart be at your side.

The news agents at the Illinois Central stations take it for granted that most patrons of the road, at certain hours, are gamblers, intent upon boarding the "gamblers' special."

This train, connecting with the floating gambling den—the City of Traverse—is run by the Illinois Central in defiance of a promise to abandon it given to States Attorney Healy.

"Are unscrupulous women accosted in this manner?" "Surely."

"Racing forms, lady?" says the news dealer who's not permitted to sell the Chicago Daily Socialist on the sacred property of the Illinois Central—E. H. Harriman's Illinois Central.

OAK PARKERS TO SHOW CHICAGOANS HOW TO VOTE

Real Estate Board Appoints Non-Residents On Its "Traction Committee"

The real estate board is getting enthusiastic about the new traction ordinances, and in a set of resolutions endorses the action of the city council of Feb. 4.

The letter from the organization is signed by a number of men, said to be a committee or something, and among the names are those of E. A. Cummings and Charles D. Richards, both residents of Oak Park.

This is said to be eminently proper for, as every one knows, an Oak Park citizen knows exactly what is wanted and needed by the citizens of Chicago.

These two men are well fitted for expert advice on the traction question, as it is said, that on no place on the globe, can such a miscellaneous, harum-scarum, rough-and-ready street car service be found as in Oak Park.

Oak Park is the poorest governed municipality in the world, according to students of politics.

SOLDIER OF FORTUNE DIES AS A HERMIT

Once Sentenced to Death for Leading Regiment in Battles—Adventures in South America

Hammond, Ind., Feb. 9.—Henry Scholkes Helwig, the mysterious hermit of this city, who was found dead, frozen to death in his hut, Thursday, yesterday at the inquest developed into a character of international interest.

It came out at the inquest that he had been, while in the German army, sentenced to death on account of taking the command of a regiment during the Prussian war when his commanding officer had been incapacitated. For this he was court-martialed and sentenced to be shot.

He was later pardoned by King Frederick, but his heart was broken, and he never returned to Germany, passing the rest of his life practically as a free lance in South American revolutions.

ALDERMEN EVADE DUTY IN PROHIBITION CASE

Members of the council license committee got into all sorts of adventures yesterday while trying to avoid issue. A sort of mock battle in the Ravenswood prohibition district issue. A sort of a mock battle ensued between the aldermen who were trying to get away from this ticklish job by postponing it to some other time and the "drys," who insisted that it be taken up at once.

In the end, those opposed to the reform prevailed, and it was laid over until Monday. The excuse for this action was that there was no quorum to act on it. The fact, however, is that there was more than a quorum, but some of the aldermen purposely slipped out of the room.

JURORS DON'T HAVE TO TELL POLITICS

John Gale Balks at the Usual Question and the Judge Sustains Him—Tip for Others

John Gale, a forist from Lagrange, put a stop to political questions of Sheavermen yesterday, at least so far as he was concerned, by flatly refusing to state his political convictions, and taking refuge behind the right of secrecy insured by the Australian ballot system.

"I don't think it is any one's business what my politics are. We vote under the Australian ballot system; I don't have to tell any one my politics," was his startling reply to the familiar question on that point.

The court sustained him, but asked if he would not be willing to tell the attorneys privately. He refused this also, and was again sustained by the court, but was peremptorily challenged by the defense.

When the new venire of one hundred men appeared this morning Judge Kavanaugh once more urged upon them the necessity of their making all possible sacrifices to serve as jurors.

Clarence Darrow was compelled to leave the trial yesterday to attend to the trial of Steve Adams, the first of the We term Federation of Miners to be tried at Caldwell, Idaho.

The Carriage and Cab Drivers have unanimously voted to donate \$250 to the Shea defense fund.

WORKING CLASS WIN IN RUSS ELECTIONS

(By a Special Correspondent)

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—A sweeping victory has been won by the radical elements in the election throughout the country.

Election returns from six more provinces show that out of the fifty-six representatives elected the government party secured only six representatives, while the other fifty went to the radicals.

The province of Tver, which is the cradle of the Zemstvo movement, returned a majority of liberal electors. Thirteen radical peasants will be sent from the province of Vyatka. Similar victories for the radical candidates are reported from the provinces of Poodia, Kherson and Smolensk.

The Socialists of St. Petersburg have broken with the constitutional democrats and fused with the social democrats.

ORGANIZED LABOR TO AID SOCIALISTS

Unionists, Disgusted With Barefaced Methods of Democratic Leaders, Revolt

POLITICIAN "BUNCO" GAME NOW ENDED

Many Locals Are Lining Up for Real Working Class Candidates at Coming Elections

Organized labor will swell the ranks of the Socialist party at the next mayoral election. The shameful betrayal of the people by a mayor and council elected on the municipal ownership platform brought home to the wage earners the fact that labor has nothing to expect from even the "radical" reformers of the old parties.

Mayor Dunne, leaders of organized labor claim, was elected largely, if not entirely, by the working people of Chicago. His municipal ownership platform was endorsed by organized labor. A large number of the councilmen were likewise elected by the people upon that same municipal ownership platform. Instead of carrying out their pledges, however, both the mayor and the council betrayed the people by giving away the streets of Chicago to Wall street gamblers and speculators, and probably making municipal ownership of street railways in Chicago an impossibility at least until labor gets control of the city government.

Aldermen Cause Disgust

The action of the council in putting through the traction ordinances last Monday is still the chief topic of discussion in labor circles.

It is denounced as the most shameful trick that any body of representatives ever played upon their constituents. "It is double treason," said Daniel Fuhrman, president of Truck Drivers Union No. 5. "It is treason against the people and treason against the municipal ownership idea, in the name of which they drew the votes from the people. Our members supported Dunne at the last election. This time it will be the Socialist candidate who will be supported by practically every one of our men."

Thomas R. Barry of the Bottle Beer Drivers union of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters said that the majority of the members in the organization he represents are Socialists. "This action of the council," he said, "will probably drive the rest of the membership into the Socialist ranks."

Mr. Barry did not commit himself as to who his choice for mayor would be for the next election, but said that it would not be Dunne.

Barry is Desperate

"I would sooner cut my right arm off than vote for Dunne again," Mr. Barry declared. "Dunne's municipal ownership pledges turned out to be the greatest fizzle I ever saw. Instead of bringing about municipal ownership, as he pledged himself to do, or at least pave the way for municipal ownership, he put the movement backward. I think that the Dunne administration has killed the municipal ownership issue."

Chas. G. Sagerstrom of the Ice Wagon Drivers' union expressed himself to the same effect.

"Members from our organization and teamsters in general," he said, "will vote the Socialist ticket this year. We have had too much of republican and democratic administrations. We voted for the candidates of one party and got 'bunked,' as the Tribune puts it. We voted for the other party and here too we made sport of us. A petition signed by over a quarter of a million people was treated like a mere child's play. Well, we will try and vote for ourselves, once."

Members of Keg Beer Drivers' union expressed their belief that their entire membership will vote the straight Socialist ticket. Leaders of several of the teamsters' unions which have been in the habit of endorsing candidates for office said this morning that the Socialist candidates will get most of the endorsements this year.

"Municipal ownership failed the people in their promises of reform," declared a prominent labor leader.

"They succeeded wherever in bringing about a reform which they have not dreamed of themselves. They educated the people. They made them see just where their interests begin to differ from the interests of traction magnates and Wall street gamblers. There is nothing that educates you more than a good whipping from your enemy."

START DIVORCE CASES AT 8:00 A. M. HEREAFTER

The whistle for the divorce mills in Judge McEwen's court will blow hereafter at 8 o'clock sharp, and all those who desire action must punch the time clock of the clerk's desk at that hour.

This morning saw the beginning of the new regime in this court, and the first quick action divorce granted was that of Mrs. Laura E. Curtis, who was granted freedom from Charles E. Curtis on account of the husband having contracted the distressing habit of banging her head with a hammer and in other ways showing a rather peculiar affection.

The reason for this change was that the lawyers trying the case wished a half holiday on Saturday, divorce day, the old rule making this impossible on account of the late start.



THIRTEEN DEAD AND SIX MORE DYING

All of 19 Men Injured in the Armour Explosion are Expected to Die

Thirteen of the nineteen men injured in the Armour explosion Jan. 28 are dead, in spite of the best efforts of the medical fraternity at the Provident hospital.

DAILY WRECK RECORD

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 6.—The Pennsylvania-Manhattan limited train No. 22 which left here at 12:55 o'clock this morning, was in a wreck at Wilmerding at 1:18 o'clock.

Philadelphia, Feb. 9.—Two trolley cars collided this morning at the Pennsylvania railroad crossing on South Broad street and sixty people were injured.

New York, Feb. 9.—Thundering along at high speed to regain lost time, the fast Montreal express on the New York Central, drawing eight coaches, including the private car Mayfair bearing Alfred G. Vanderbilt and friends, at 8:40 last night whirled into the rear of a freight train at Mt. Murray, just south of Ossining, N. Y.

The fireman, James Armitage, was killed. The engineer, William Kirk, is missing, probably buried beneath the tremendous weight of his locomotive.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.—Four men were killed and five injured in a collision between an electric car and a string of wild freight cars at the Twenty-seventh street crossing.

PEORIA, ILL.—James Kisevetter, a passerby, was killed when a Burlington train jumped the track and plunged into a string of freight cars fifty yards distant.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO.—Five were injured in a head-on collision between a freight and a passenger train from the Missouri Pacific three miles from here.

HARRIMAN LAUGHS AT THE REFORM LAW

New York, Feb. 9.—E. H. Harriman is waxing "cute" down in New York, and facetiously remarked to-day that he would soon be applying for a position with "good hours" at the "por of the interstate commerce commission."

Harriman has been away visiting some of his country relatives and "hand-shaking around," and came back full of odd quips and remarks.

The Baldwin Locomotive Works has turned out its 20,000th engine. The latest product of the Baldwin works weighs 128,000 pounds, and was three months in building.

STRIKERS WILL OPEN CO-OP. BAKE SHOP ON WEST SIDE

Workers Will Turn Out "Matzoth" for Jewish Patrons During the Passover

Jewish bakers on the West Side will start a union co-operative shop next Monday to bake "matzoth," the bread which is used by Jews all over the world during the Pass-over holidays, in April.

The union has now decided to establish this shop in order to give some of its members employment. Fully twenty men will be needed for this shop.

10,000,000 TO BE SPENT FOR AUTOMOBILES

Great Prosperity Shown by Wonderful Sale of Motor Vehicles

The automobile show, which closes at the Coliseum to-night, will mark a golden chapter in the history of the prosperity of the country. The sale of automobiles this year exceeds the sales of any previous year by a large margin.

Estimates of sales made and orders taken for automobiles at this show run from \$1,000,000 to \$10,000,000. The number of men who will be employed in the manufacture of automobiles, it was stated by leading exponents of this industry, will exceed the number of men enlisted in the regular army of the United States.

The wages of automobile workers will probably go down in order to allow the companies to grow and prosper until such a point is reached when they can form a big automobile trust and then join the ranks of the blessed Morgan and Rockefeller.

SUFFERS A VIRULENT ATTACK OR "VIRTUITIS"

Alderman Snow Resolving Did Go Between Practicing Stunts for the White City Show

Alderman "White City" Snow, between rehearsing hours for his summer stunt of barking for the "come ring" at the White City, drew up a most imposing resolution for the deflection of the self-satisfied city council.

Snow has had a severe attack of "virtuitis" and yesterday it took violent form in this resolution.

Here's his proposed state law: "That referendum petitions shall be circulated by precincts only, so that the election commissioners may verify the signatures by turning to the poll lists.

"That the falsifying of a petition shall be punishable as perjury. "That the circulator of each petition must make affidavit that the signatures are bona fide and are by registered voters in the precinct from which they purport to come."

ON THE STAGE

By ARTHUR MORROW LEWIS

Grand Opera House—Ezra Kendall in "Swell, Elegant Jones."

New Theatre—"The Whole World," "McVickers," "As Ye Sow," "Colonial," "Richard Carlisle" in "The Spring Chicken."

Chicago Opera House—William Branwell in "A Night Off."

Studebaker—Raymond Hitchcock in "A Yankee Tourist."

La Salle—"The Time, the Place and the Girl."

Great Northern—"Peggy From Paris."

Majestic—Harry Vokes and Margaret Daily Vokes, Master Gabriel, etc.

Olympic—Ella Fay, Valerie Bergore, & Co., etc.

Haymarket—Empire City Quartette, Papinta, etc.

The managers of those playhouses where the "legitimate" drama is presented are in a quandary of their own making. They have assumed that the public wishes for nothing but to be amused. They have insisted that the dramatic presentation of the great forces that surge and pulse in real life could only result in failure.

And now to crown the tragedy, the vaudeville managers, well equipped with funds supplied by crowded houses, are introducing into their programs just enough good drama to charm away many of the remainder. So vaudeville theatres increase and others lose money.

"But I must work, soon, perhaps, I may be looking for a new job. My recommendations are many years' experience on many railroads, and in many railroad fields, and if they will raise my salary a bit, I may apply for a job."

COLLEGES MAY GET \$200,000,000 MORE

General Education Board Hopes to Have More Money Than Public Schools—Where Will Interest Come From?

New York, Feb. 9.—John D. Rockefeller's gift of \$32,000,000 to the general educational board is declared to be the forerunner of donations aggregating from \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000 within the next ten years.

In other words, the officers of the general educational board expect the oil king's gift to act as a spur to other friends of education throughout the country.

Dr. Wallace Butterick, secretary of the board, when asked if Mr. Rockefeller's gift had resulted in any increase in pleadings for "first aid to needy colleges," replied that this would be impossible, inasmuch as the board had had applications for help from about all the educational institutions long before the news of the latest benefaction had got abroad.

"I don't suppose he has been in this office for ten years," he said.

"Do you know any special plan Mr. Rockefeller may have in mind that prompted his contribution of \$32,000,000 at this time?" Mr. Gates was asked.

"No, I can't say that there was any special plan—I don't know. Some weeks ago, perhaps longer, Mr. Rockefeller learned that the general education board could use much more money along the lines the board has been following, and the gift was then talked of first. Arrangements had been making for it ever since."

"Then you know of no particular reason why Mr. Rockefeller, and his son reserve the right to direct the disposal of two-thirds of the \$32,000,000?"

"I know nothing about that," was the reply.

"The fact that Mr. Rockefeller and his son reserve this right is no indication that they will not do so."

SECURITIES A SECRET

As to the nature of the securities which Mr. Rockefeller announced he would give to the board yesterday, I know nothing," said Mr. Gates in answer to another inquiry.

"The securities are to be turned over to the board on or before April 1. We shall know nothing of them until that time."

LEMON RIPENING FOR THE P. O. WORKERS

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—Thousands of letters are being received here by the members of the House and Senate protesting against the "joker" that has been inserted in the new bill that was supposed to increase the pay of the post-office clerks and carriers.

By this "joker" the carriers say that the workers in this line are again placed in "politics," a condition from which they have tried to escape for many years.

The objectionable paragraph follows: "The postoffice department may reduce a clerk or carrier from a higher to a lower grade whenever his efficiency falls below a fair standard or whenever necessary for purposes of discipline."

Whenever a clerk or carrier has been reduced in salary he may be restored to his former grade or advanced to an intermediate grade at the beginning of any quarter following the reduction, on evidence that his record has been satisfactory during the intervening period."

At Mercy of Political Postmasters According to those who have been through the mill of service this clause in the proposed bill places the carriers and clerks at the mercy of the various postmasters every quarter.

By a Special Correspondent Albany, N. Y., Feb. 9.—The New York state senate has just passed a law prohibiting the employment of minors in factories more than eight hours a day.

The law further stipulates that no minor shall be employed in any factory except between the hours of 8 a. m. and 5 p. m.

The law as amended is practically self-enforcing, as it is to be considered prima facie evidence of a violation if a minor is found working outside the prescribed hours.

AN EXTINCT TRADE "Cock-crowers in the past got good pay," said the antiquary, "but there is an extinct business now."

"Cock-crowers were employed by the rich in their town houses to crow the hour. They crowded only the rising hour for the most part, but during Lent they crowded everything—even the halves and quarters—all night long. It was a kind of penance."

"These men were trained from childhood to crow. Sometimes in their childhood an operation was performed on their throats to give them a more cock-like delivery."

"An ancestor of mine on the maternal side was a famous cock-crower in his days."

An English doctor has been studying the comparative sensitiveness of men and women to odors. The average man, it was found, could easily detect the presence of lemon essence diluted with 200,000 times its own bulk of water.

The Hustlers' Column Words From the Field At Home and Abroad

There is no better propaganda leaflet than a copy of The Daily Socialist. You can get back numbers free at the business office, and wherever these are distributed the subscribers begin to pour in and the votes and members of the party to increase.

FIFTY THOUSAND SUBSCRIBERS BY APRIL 1.

There is not a Socialist reader of this paper who cannot also be an owner. If he is working he can spare 25 cents a week to pay for his stock.

WHO IS GOING TO WIN THAT TWENTY DOLLARS?

The first four subscribers you send in on any contest entitle you to a copy of Wilshire's Editors.

FIFTY THOUSAND BY APRIL 1. YOU DO NOT KNOW HOW EASY THAT WILL BE.

See to it that every man in your union subscribes for the next three months to get the news of the Moyer-Haywood trial.

Has your local taken a share of stock yet?

There are a hundred unions in Chicago and thousands throughout the country that would like to be part owners in the first real working-class daily in the English language.

In sending in your renewal be sure to pick up a couple of new subscribers to send in at the same time.

With The Daily Socialist in the field they will have some trouble in pulling off that Moyer-Haywood lynching.

WHERE TO GO

Arthur Morrow Lewis will deliver the eighth lecture of the winter series, in the Drill hall, the largest hall in the Masonic Temple, to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

Before the lecture George Koop will speak five minutes on "How to Be the Socialist Candidate for Mayor of Chicago." Chas. L. Brecken will be in attendance to take stock subscriptions for the Daily Socialist.

Application cards will be provided at the literature table for those wishing to join the party. It is expected that music, string and instrumental, will be provided by Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert. This meeting has developed into a weekly gathering of the class, and if your friends are anybody in the Socialist movement of Chicago you are sure to meet them there.

All members of the Twenty-first Ward will please be sure to attend the business meeting of the ward next Monday night at Brand's Hall at 8 o'clock.

The future of these Sunday morning meetings will be decided at that meeting.

The Seventeenth Ward Branch of the Socialist party will hold a special meeting at Grand avenue and Morgan streets, Sunday evening, Feb. 10th at 8 P. M.

Rev. J. O. Bentall of the Christian Fellowship Center will deliver an address upon "Socialism and Morality." Music will be furnished by Moyer's quartette.

Rev. Bentall is an eloquent speaker and all should take this opportunity to hear him.

The executive committee of the Cook County Central Committee of the Socialist party meets this evening at 163 Randolph street. Special business will be considered.

A great meeting has been arranged for the Thirtieth ward for to-morrow 2:30 p. m., at 5212 South Halsted street. George Koop, Socialist caucus candidate for mayor, W. E. Reigner, and Barney Hervey will speak.

There is a great Socialist sentiment in this ward. With the ever-increasing circulation of the Chicago Daily Socialist this sentiment is growing by leaps and bounds. This should and will be the banner ward of Chicago.

The County Central committee meets to-morrow at 2:30 p. m., at 53 North Clark street. Delegates are urged to be present.

"Trades Unionism and Industrialism" will be the subject for debate at the meeting of the Modern and Historical League at the Thirty-first Street Theatre, near Cottage Grove avenue, to-morrow evening. Mrs. Forberg and Edna Laubenthal will be the speakers.

There will be no charge for admission, and anyone present will be privileged to join in the discussion.

The Ninth Ward Branch holds English lectures every Sunday evening at the club rooms, 486 South Halsted street.

"Jesus and the Bread and Butter Question" is the subject of J. O. Bentall's sermon-lecture to-morrow at the Christian Socialist Center. A vocal solo by Miss Isabelle Jorgenson and singing by the quartette will be attractive features. Come and bring your friends, 3 o'clock, drill hall, Masonic Temple.

A concert and ball will be given to-morrow afternoon by the Ferdinand La Salle Ladies' Chorus at Arbeiter Hall, Sedgwick and Blackwell streets. The proceeds of this concert will go to the benefit of the German daily which will be started soon.

A meeting of the Moyer and Haywood conference will be held at 53 North Clark street to-night to arrange for the mass meeting on Feb. 17. All delegates should attend.

"A slave I pity. A rebellious slave I respect" — Wendell Phillips

NEWS AND COMMENT

Montgomery Ward is now the only obstacle to the construction of the new Field museum on the lake front. The South Park Commissioners have signed a contract giving the trustees the use of a site in Lake Front park at the foot of Congress street.

Earl Dudley, a broker, formerly living at the Wellington Hotel, was fined \$75 and costs yesterday for appropriating money belonging to C. A. Shirk, of Muncie, Ind. Shirk claims Dudley took him to the "red light" district, and while in an intoxicated condition he, Shirk, gave to his guide some money for safe keeping. This he alleges was not returned. They both are prominent members of the Chicago Athletic club.

The incorporation of a number of telephone companies which will furnish long distance connections with the independent lines, has been announced. The companies in the merger are the Chicago, Milwaukee & Northern Long Distance company, the Chicago, Indiana & Eastern Telephone company, and the Chicago, St. Louis & Western Long Distance Telephone company.

Nellie H. Foreman, 18 years old, 492 West Randolph street, whose mother is a Cherokee Indian, has signed leases for twenty-five acres of oil land in Indian Territory, allotted to her by the government. "Oiler John" Rockefeller's name does not appear in the records.

By the accidental death by fire of Wallace C. Andrews and wife at New York more than \$1,000,000 of the estate has been given to the Andrews Institute for Girls, at Wiloughby, Ohio. Mr. Andrews was one of the original Standard Oil men.

Nine men were burned to death by the explosion of the French torpedo boat, Spod, at L'Orient, France. The immediate cause of the explosion was the bursting of a "safety" tube.

Harry Stilson, a St. Joseph, Mo., athlete, yesterday won a wager and lost his life by standing on his head for twenty consecutive minutes.

Oak Park church members will to-morrow conduct individual services in their respective homes. This is due to the closing of the churches on account of the scarlet fever epidemic. Perhaps after Sunday's trial, some of the erstwhile churchgoers will have more regard for the ministers' positions.

Emil Dicks, 18 years old, who ran away from the Juvenile Home, 365 Jackson boulevard, told Judge Maek that he left because of mistreatment received at the hands of Father C. J. Quille, who is in charge of the home. Young Dicks declares that the boys are given poor and insufficient food, little or no heat, and no warm water in which to wash. Judge Maek transferred the boy to the John Wacker school.

THE UPPER CLASS

Week-End Gossip of Money-Society

By DOTTIE DOOLITTLE

It is estimated that the Thaw trial will cost his family \$325,000. How many families like yours would this sum support for a year?

John R. Walsh is said to have \$6,000,000 as a defense fund. This fortune is presumed to have been acquired by following the late Marshall Field's precepts on being prompt and honest in business.

F. D. Gilman, president of the Home Bank of Goodland, Ind., has been found guilty of embezzlement of bank funds. The deficit was \$193,000. He had the making of a great financier.

Mrs. Potter Palmer, to whom labor is so heavily indebted for her grand levee recently, has just finished receiving payment of taxes due the people of the State of New York. She stuck it out all the way to the Supreme Court of the United States. She hasn't announced she will give up but it is presumed rather than set a bad example to labor by defying the law, she will pay up now that there are no more courts to go to.

Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, wife of the ex-president of the Illinois Central R. R., says U. S. dressmakers are the best. This dictum has greatly excited the millionaire peahens whose garb frequently exceeds the value of a thousand men working a lifetime.

Young Nat Moore, son of Jas. H. Moore, president of the Rock Island System, gave a party to a few choice spirits with a rope of pearls costing a thousand apiece, to each of his actress guests. When he was 21, he had from his father no present of a fine buck saw and woodpile and ordered to get to work. Nat took a check for \$100.00 under his breakfast plate as a gift from his father.

Mrs. Cassie Chadwick is said to be trying the sympathy dodge to get out of the pen. It's hard on Cassie to be jailed just at the opening of her promising career with so many worse people at liberty working her game where she left off.

Mrs. George H. Myers, wife of the millionaire who died suddenly at Washington, S. D., with a million dollars worth of United Oil stock in his pocket, came near having to go to work. Mr. Myers was on the eve of filing suit for divorce against her.

Young Rockefeller was bluntly told by a member of his Sunday School class that a starving man had more need of food than "salvation." John was shocked.

A big concern of prominent men, including an ex-attorney general of the United States, has been formed to insure bank deposits. Who will insure the depositor against the deposit insurance?

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Preparation was made for weeks before the beginning of the trial to "cover" it from every conceivable point of view. The whole populace was carefully worked up to just the proper psychological attitude to be swayed and enthused and excited over the adventures of the actors in this disgusting tragedy.

THE CASE OF MR. DOUGHERTY

Mr. Dougherty sat the whole of the morning in Patrick Brennan's liquor saloon. When he was asked to drink by frequenters of the bar, either singly or in groups, he drank. Otherwise, he touched nothing.

CITY COMRADESHIP

Face on face in the city, and when will the faces end? Face on face in the city, but never the face of a friend!

We offer the fruits of our labor on the same great city's shrine. They are weary as I am weary; they are happy and sad with me; and all of us laugh together when evening sets us free.



FLEEING FROM THE STORM

Trades Unionism in New Zealand

When we look back through the pages of history and mark the development of industrial organizations, we find in every country the lower wage-slaves had to go through a tremendous struggle to bring from their exploiters the right of combination.

Trade unionism in New Zealand had not to pass through the same hard and bitter struggle which beset its development in older countries. Immigrants brought the methods and regulations of trade unions with which they were familiar at home.

A Laugh or A Smile

One Way "John D. Rockefeller has so much money he has to give it away to keep it from smothering him." "Why doesn't he buy an automobile?"

Four Years' War Against the Trust

General industrial warfare, that is what the International Bakers' Union has been waging for four years. They have been fighting a continuous struggle with one of the strongest trusts that monopolizes food stuff in the country, the National Biscuit Company.

This has happened recently at Syracuse. Syracuse asked for union sweet goods. When the Bakers' Union sent word to an independent firm to supply these goods at Syracuse they refused to do so because they said they did not dare to for the National Biscuit Company would knife them if they did.

Esperanto

Esperanto students will do well to clip the lessons appearing in the Chicago Daily Socialist and carefully paste them upon card board or better still in a scrap book. This will insure a ready reference book always at hand.

Scientific Cooking

Give me a spoon of oleo, ma. And the sodium alkali. For I'm going to make pie, mama.

After the maritime strike, already referred to (which failed because of the want of organization), the conciliation board and arbitration court were set up. In these the exploiter and the exploited meet and mutually arrange the amount of exploitation which satisfies the rapaciousness of the former, and to which the latter will submit and still manage to exist and propagate his species!

Some American millionaire who is anxious for a close acquaintance with royalty, should buy that mummy of Queen Teie, of Egypt. After lying in peace for thirty-five centuries the mummy of Queen Teie, of Egypt, has been unearthed and exposed to a world full of Socialists and other enemies to royalty.

The General Education Board, having been created under the auspices of John D. Rockefeller, of course cannot come at him with that tainted money talk. An anti-dead beat law is to be introduced in the Illinois legislature. One cannot tell from its titles whether it is intended as another blow to millionaires or not.

Dear Comrades—I am glad to see that you are going to give us lessons in esperanto, as I intend to learn the language. I should think it would help the students to get the right pronunciation and accept, and also make the study more interesting if we could get lessons on phonograph records to supplement the printed lessons. Yours fraternally GABRIEL N. LUNDY.