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PRICE ONE CENT

EMPLOYERS FAIL TO MAKE STRIKE A CRIME

Shea and Other Labor Leaders Acquitted by Jury in Short Time

\$10,000,000 SPENT TO BREAK DRIVERS' UNION

Bitter Dose for Conspirators Led by State Street Merchants and Living Newspapers

Well, Levy Mayer failed to "put over" that which he undertook. The great lawyer retained by the brainless strike committee of the Employers' Association to put the teamsters' organizations out of existence failed.

The jury returned a verdict of not guilty after being out a short time yesterday, and C. L. Shea and his fellow defendants are free men to fight again on the economic field for a little more of their production.

The fight the employers made on the teamsters cost State street merchants and other large traders a colossal amount of money. At the time the strike ended it was estimated that the employers had lost about \$10,000,000 for their foolish attempt to stem the tide of progress.

Since then they have hired a horde of detectives, paid Albert Young and the other traitors large sums of money and, no doubt, paid Levy Mayer his usual fee of \$1,000 a day the other day when he testified against Shea and could not "remember."

11-7-07 Brotherhood of Teamsters.

- JERRY MCCARTHY, president Truck Drivers' Union. STEVEN C. SUMNER, business agent Milk Wagon Drivers' Union. JAMES B. BARRY, former business agent Express Drivers' Union. GEORGE F. GOLDEN, business agent Packing House Teamsters' Union. HUGH MCGEE, former president Truck Drivers' Union. CHARLES WILLBRANDT, former assistant business agent Commission Wagon Drivers' Union. EDWARD MULLIN, business agent Lumber Drivers' Union. WALTER J. GIBBONS, business agent Cab Drivers' Union. TIMOTHY FINN, saloon keeper and coal teamster. JAMES BLAKE, truck driver.

The other defendants probably will be freed shortly.

Pulls Money's Claws

Attorney Langille, one of the attorneys who won the victory for organized labor, said that the result of the long trials means that the liberty of citizens can be protected against the attacks of riotous mobs.

"Throughout both trials," he continued, "there was an attempt by the states attorney to show that all sympathetic strikes are conspiracies. This would result in the discouraging and disbanding of all labor unions if established as law. Labor would be back in the position it was a hundred years ago before trade unions began to emancipate wage slaves. Facts furnished by the Employers' Association detectives supplied the state with all the facts it used. They were used as a tool to slug the unions."

Healy Up Against It

State's Attorney Healy said that he had not yet considered the cases of "Al" Young and Mike Kelly, the traitor unionist and self-confessed criminal, who is kept on the police force by "Friend of Labor" Dunne.

MINERS' SECRETARY GRILLS HIS ENEMIES

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 22.—Excitement ran high in the state convention of Illinois Coal Miners today when Secretary-Treasurer W. D. Ryan took the floor to denounce those who had been circulating false reports about him through letters and to deny every accusation made.

Ryan had just been re-elected to this position. He did not mince words but called on the man who had written the letters to come forward and prove his assertions. Letters which had been written by anonymous persons were referred to and Ryan gave the names of the men he believed had written them.

Ryan denied that he had ever taken his wife to any convention on the Union money.

"She has never been to a single convention of miners," said Ryan. He denied that he had asked Catholic priests to assist him in electioneering and said further that they had not done so.

"Hereafter," exclaimed Ryan, "I intend to settle with the writers and makers of these charges in an entirely different manner than in the past."

BIRTHDAY OF FIRST PRESIDENT OBSERVED

Grover Cleveland, the Favorite "Statesman" of Big Business, Speaks and is Very Patriotic

Washington's birthday is being celebrated in Chicago.

Schools and social organizations, in addition to annual observances, have secured the attendance of distinguished non-residents to lend dignity to the exercises in memory of the first president. Chief among these is the only living ex-president, Grover Cleveland.

Cleveland's seventy years do not sit lightly on him. Instead of the jovial face and portly carriage of former visits the ex-president's countenance spoke of weariness and his step was not steady.

His figure was reduced to proportions not belonging to a large man. Mrs. Cleveland, as her husband walked to a carriage, clung to him solicitously and would not leave his side for an instant. Her watchful care was ever in evidence.

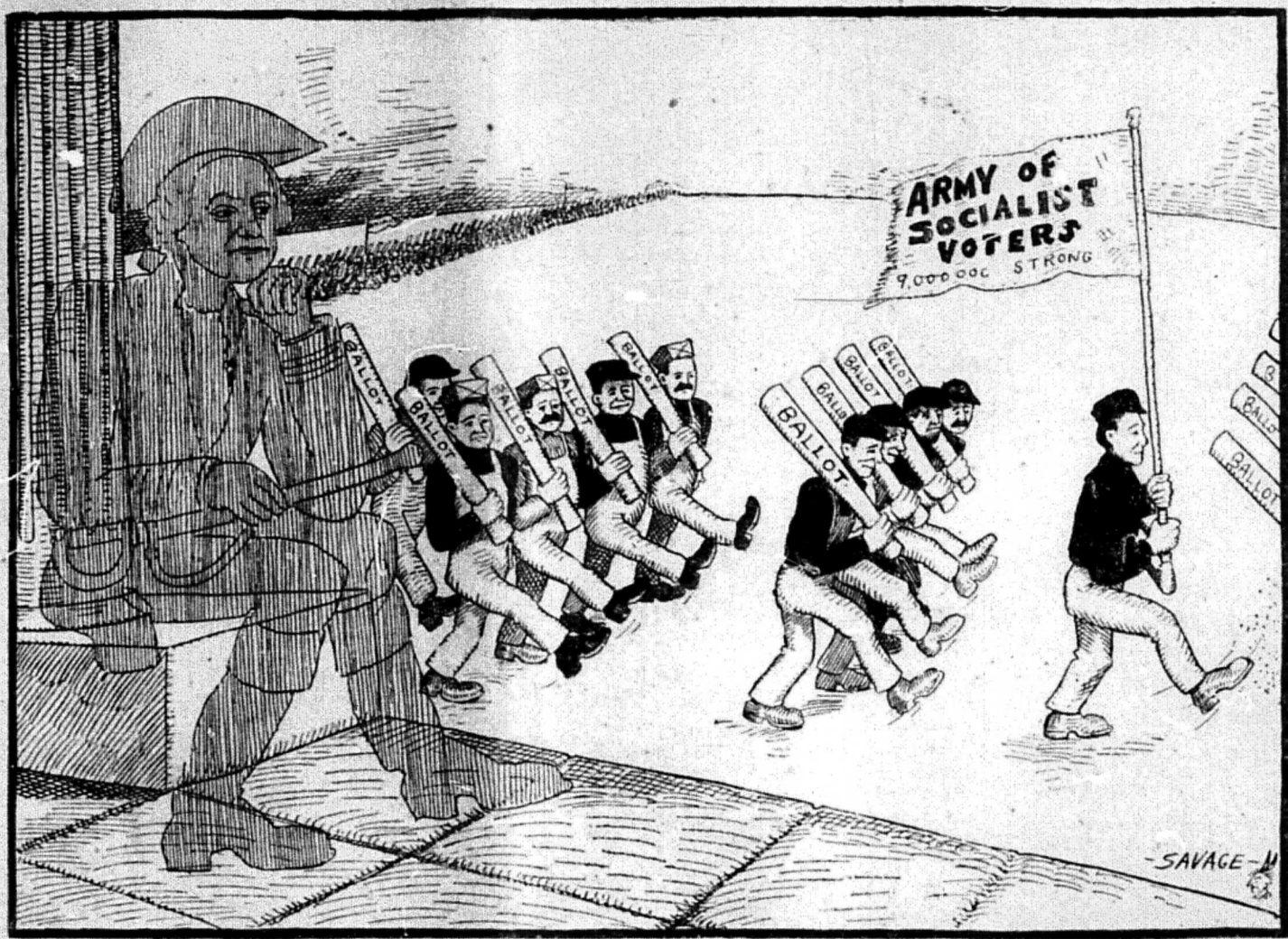
Cleveland is Busy

Cleveland's day, despite his apparent frailty, was a busy one. He sat on the platform at the Auditorium today during the school children's celebration of Washington's birthday, while Dr. John H. Finley, president of the College of the City of New York, delivered an address.

At noon the Cleverlands took breakfast with Richard Watson Gilder and wife at the residence of Mrs. William J. Chalmer.

At three o'clock this afternoon Cleveland, under the auspices of the Union League Club, delivered the principal address of the day's celebration at the Auditorium.

Tonight the former chief executive will be the guest of honor at a banquet by the Union League Club. Richard Watson Gilder, editor of the Century, and Howard Smith, dean of the law school of the University of Wisconsin, will deliver after dinner speeches following Mr. Cleveland's.



Shade of George—"In my day we fought for liberty with bullets,, but these men use a better weapon"

HOW "BUSINESS" MEN ONCE RAN CHICAGO

Policeman Gives Account of Harrison's Political Methods

TRIBUTE LEVIED ON UNFORTUNATE GIRLS

If Any One Desires to Test the Facts Given Here Let Him Go Into Court—Wait Till Socialists Begin House Cleaning

LIKE A SAD STORY IN THE OLD NOVELS

Tin-Can Aristocrats Trying to Separate Scion from His Plebeian Wife

DAILY WRECK RECORD

Unwise to Punish Neill

Fair and Warmer

not give it all to the Socialists to buy press with. "Oh, yes, Harrison is shocked at Dunne, but his shock is that he misses the police force, his source of power and revenue.

The Hungry Gang

"The gang is hungry for jobs and coin. To do an honest day's work would kill them.

"Rise up your Socialist vote, boys, and when you elect a mayor, you can investigate—and it won't be hard to find that my story here is true, and not half told."

WOMAN GIVES BIRTH TO FIVE CHILDREN

[By a Special Correspondent.] Middlesboro, Ky., Feb. 22.—Mrs. Zabrowski, wife of Pete Zabrowski, a miner at Fork Ridge, gave birth yesterday to five children, three girls and two boys. All the children are doing well.

Attempt to Defeat Plan

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Fair and Warmer

Fair weather and rising temperature today and Saturday. Minimum about 15 degrees above zero.

MONEY OWNS CONGRESS, SAYS TEDDY

President Declares That the "Statesmen" are Punishing O'Neill for His Beef Muck-Raking

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RAILROADS FACE A STRIKE

Corporations Met by United Labor Probably Will "Divide" a Little

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"THE COURT CAN DO NO WRONG"

Moyer and Haywood Case Brings "Friend of Labor" Congressman to Front

THE MIGHTY VOICE HEARD EVERYWHERE

Kansas Elects a "Juror" to Attend Trial and Other States May Do the Same—Keep It Up

[By a Special Correspondent.] Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 22.—At a recent Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone protest meeting in Philadelphia resolutions were adopted that each local union write to its representative in congress and legislature and ask him to protest against the Moyer and Haywood outrage, and particularly against the decision of the Supreme court which legalized kidnaping.

One of the unions received a reply from its congressman, I. P. Wagner, from Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. The letter is an interesting specimen showing the attitude a capitalist "labor friend" takes toward labor. It is given in full below:

A "Friend's" View

Gentlemen: Your communication of recent date with resolutions you adopted at a meeting in Philadelphia given under auspices of the Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone conference received.

The language of your communication is so unusual, however, that I find myself compelled to withhold the communication from congress, especially since congress is not requested, in that communication, to take any action.

I was taught to respect the courts of my country, and believe that disrespect for the same will bring with it great danger to our republic.

I do not believe that the representative working people of Philadelphia condemned the action of the Supreme court.

The Court Can Do Wrong

I do not believe that there are greater friends and supporters of the constitutional rights of all citizens than the chief justice and the other judges of the Supreme court.

I believe that you do not know what you are talking about when you take the privilege to criticize and attack the highest tribunal of this country.

The question of granting shorter hours and better wages to workmen appeals to the human instincts of every thinking man, but assassination is not the right method to obtain the same.

I hope that Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone are not guilty of this horrible crime. But it is for the law to decide whether they are guilty or not.

Passion and prejudice should have nothing to do with this question, and especially should not be evoked and directed against the highest legal body of this country which is seeking to uphold law and order, as it should do.

GAS GANG WILL NOMINATE MAYOR

Primaries Show That Dunne May Be Given Place if Sullivan Does Not Interfere

The result of the Democratic primaries yesterday was to make it probable that Dunne will be the regular candidate this campaign and that Harrison is out of the race.

Furthermore it shows that Dunne will get his nomination from the gas gang, which would have been forced to grant a reduction to seventy-five cents a thousand if Dunne had not interfered.

The rumor is constantly growing that Fisher will be put in the field by the Lawson newspapers in order to catch the silk-stocking reform vote. It is thought that Fisher would pull enough votes from the reformers to make certain the election of Buss.

Shrewd observers of political weather have suggested that this might easily mean the election of George Koop, the candidate of the Socialist party. Labor men, whether Socialists or not, remember Dunne's conduct during the teamsters' strike and will have nothing to do with him. They have still less love for Buss and none at all for Fisher.

Andrew Lawrence, Hearst's political representative, has swallowed all his talk about Sullivan and Whalen and Dunne's incompetence and has fallen into line for the continuance of the present city administration.

The Democratic convention will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at Brook's Casino, Wabash avenue and Peck courts.

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM CONVENTION ALSO DECIDES TO INSERT JIM CROWE PROVISION

Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 22.—The Oregon initiative and referendum law was adopted by the convention on state charter.

A test vote on the "Jim Crow" publication shows that it will probably be adopted 58 to 24.

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LABOR UNION NEWS

Georgia needs labor, farm labor as well as factory labor. The papers of that state have now started a cry for the encouragement of immigration to the South.

Workingmen of Springfield, O., are just now beginning to find out what workers in Chicago have long known, that the laboring man's child is not getting the education which he should get. A campaign has been started in that city to bring the schools nearer to the people or the people nearer to the schools. They desire kindergartens, among other things.

Between thirty and forty union saw fliers employed at the E. C. Atkins & Co. plant at Indianapolis, Ind., are on strike. The strikers demand that the foreman of their department be discharged, as he is unfair in his treatment of the workers.

Labor unions of Milwaukee, Wis., are busy just now drawing up new agreements which they will present to their employers some time next spring. Every trade in that city is out for an increase in wages.

A referendum vote on the advisability of moving the national headquarters from New York to Indianapolis is being taken by the bookbinders and pressmen's unions. The object in moving the headquarters is to get in closer touch with the printers' union, whose headquarters are in the Indiana city. The movement is part of a general effort among the different printing trades to get together, and if the bookbinders and the pressmen decide to move to Indianapolis their example will be followed by other printing trades.

An effort to organize the dock laborers employed during the navigation season in loading and unloading boats in the port of Milwaukee will be made next season by the organizers of the longshoremen's union. The organization, which is composed of dock laborers, has branches in all of the principal ports of the lakes except Milwaukee. Officers of the union have been casting an eye in this direction and definite steps toward the organization of a union will be taken as soon as navigation opens.

A grand ball and entertainment will be given under the auspices of the Associated Building Trades on Saturday evening, March 2, at Brook's Casino, Wabash avenue and Peck court. Many interesting and entertaining features are promised.

A bill has been introduced in the Kansas legislature providing that no person shall be employed as a railway telegrapher who is less than 21 years old.

The pile drivers' union of Cleveland is signing agreements with the contractors of that city for a nine-hour day with ten-hour pay.

The various county farmers' unions of Missouri will hold a convention at West Plains, Mo., on March 20. The meeting will continue for three days.

The American Contractors' association held its annual convention at Aniston, Ala., recently.

A printers' label on all baseball tickets is the latest from Albany, Ga. Labor men of that city prevailed upon the directors of the South Atlantic league, a baseball organization, to have the union label on all tickets printed. The men threatened not to patronize the games if the tickets were not printed in union shops. Why should not Chicago workers do the same?

The Commercial Telegraphers' Journal wonders now when the Chicago Tribune will again announce that the Western Union telegraph operators "tried to organize," and advise the Tribune to secure at least one or two line reporters to inform the public what laboring people are doing.

TWO SOCIALISTS IN OFFICE AT POTTSVILLE

Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 22.—Socialism has taken hold here. At the recent local election the vote increased everywhere and two working class candidates were elected justices of the peace. The successful candidates were William H. Tresize and Fred Osterline.

"Have you learned to manage your automobile?" "Perfectly," was her serene response. "I have run over two people and didn't hurt the machine a bit."

STRIKE'S FATE HANGS ON A DIVORCE CASE

Unless Employers' Association Leaves "Bed and Board" Poor Woods Is in Hard Luck

"My wife won't let me," is the sentimental answer the Woods Motor Vehicle company makes to its unionists and blacksmiths who have been out on strike for over a year.
The company, which has to depend upon unsteady scab labor, has more than once signified its willingness to settle the strike by granting the demands of the men. The Woods company, however, is engaged to a rich, plump young lady, the Chicago Employers' association. Any time the company makes arrangements for a conference with the men, the Employers' association is the "sweet thing" that wins the straying lover back again.
The company, which is having its plant crippled by inefficient and unsteady non-union work, is anxious, very anxious, for a settlement.
The Employers' association, however, says "No," and hires a few more police to harass the pickets of the union.
The possibility of divorcing its rather bothersome wife has not yet occurred to the Woods Motor Vehicle company.

PROGRESS IN TEXAS

(By a Special Correspondent.)
Austin, Texas, Feb. 22.—A bill for the purpose of securing direct legislation for the state of Texas similar to that already secured for Oregon, has been introduced into the legislature here.

If the bill passes, laws may be adopted by a direct vote and at the same time the veto power is given to the people under the same conditions. Elections may be called by petition for action.

The law is said to have been in successful operation in Oregon for years, during which time several acts found place on the statute books by the method and more proposed acts were defeated.

LABOR UNION MEETINGS.

Truck Drivers' Union, Local No. 705, L. B. of T.—Meeting of all stewards Saturday night at office, 711 Washington street.
Attended John Butler, E. J. Smith.

Truck Drivers' Union, Local No. 705, L. B. of T.—Meeting at 2 o'clock Sunday at 122 LaSalle street. All attend. John Butler.

Van and Baggage Drivers' and Helpers' Union, Local No. 711, E. T. of A.—Meeting Sunday at 2 o'clock at 12 S. Clark street. Very important. Every member attend. V. B. Depp.

Blacksmiths' Helpers' Union, Local No. 325.—Meeting Saturday night at Halsted at Harrison streets to vote on business night. J. J. Briscoe.

Brick, Sand and Terra Cotta Teamsters' Union, Local No. 16, U. T. of A.—Meeting Saturday afternoon at Yonder's Hall, Harrison and Halsted streets. E. J. Smith.

Sheet Metal Workers' Union, Local No. 293.—Meeting Friday night at 2525 South Halsted street. Very important. Frank Reddy.

Longshoremen's Union, Local No. 302.—Secretary will be in the office, at 55 North Clark street, Friday night, from 10 to 12 o'clock to collect dues. Samuel M. Amos.

Packing Trades Council.—Meeting at 2 o'clock Sunday at Forty-seventh street and Ashland avenue. All attend. C. F. Smith.

Excavating, Grading and Asphalt Teamsters' Union, Local No. 751, L. B. of T.—Meeting Saturday night at 145 Randolph street. All members attend. Edward Coleman.

Ship Butchers' Union, Local No. 118.—Meeting Friday night at Forty-seventh street and Ashland avenue. All attend. John Light.

Grocery and Market Drivers' Union, Local No. 752.—Meeting at 2 o'clock Sunday at 10 S. Clark street. All attend. A. J. Depp.

Packing House Teamsters' Union, Local No. 710, L. B. of T.—Meeting at 2 o'clock Sunday at Forty-seventh street and Princeton avenue. Very important business. Geo. F. Golden.

AGAINST FOREST RESERVE

Wyoming Congressman Wants Private Ownership to Continue
(Scripps-McEae Press Association)
Washington, Feb. 22.—During the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill in the senate yesterday, Senator Clark, of Wyoming, denounced the forestry service as "the damnation of the country," declaring that when anyone dared raise his voice against its abuses he is branded as a "timber baron" or "grafter."
He said that a few years since conditions gave the president power to create the service, there had been withdrawn from public utility an area of fine land as large as New England, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, "and yet," he continued, "it is proposed to withdraw four hundred million acres more."

ON THE STAGE

By ARTHUR MORROW LEWIS
Garrick-Blanche Bates in "The Girl of the Golden West."
Grand Opera House—Dallas Wellford in "Mr. Hopkins."
Powers—Florence Roberts in "The Strength of the Weak."
McVicker—Mr. Wright Lorimer in "The Shepherd King."
Colonial—Richard Carle in "The Spring Chicken."
Illinois—Ellen Terry in George Bernard Shaw's comedy, "Captain Brassbound's Conversion."
Chicago Opera House—A Social Hi, "yman."
Stuebecker—Raymond Hitchcock in "A Yankee Tourist."
La Salle—"The Time, the Place, and the Girl."
Great-Northern—"Rufus Rastus."
Majestic—Arnold Daly in Bernard Shaw's one-act comedy, "How He Lied to Her Husband."
Olympic—Ned Weyburn in "The Futurity Winner."
Haymarket—Simon Gardner, Elsie Fay, etc.

SOCIALIST NEWS

Seymour Steadman of this city will speak in Milwaukee tonight under the auspices of the Milwaukee Social Democratic party. Mr. Steadman's address will be on the subject, "A Crusade Against Crime." He will also be one of the speakers at the Mayer and Haywood indignation meeting which will be held in Milwaukee Sunday, Feb. 24, at the Davidson theater.

HOW NOT TO DO IT

Minister Violates Law He Urged Before It Was Adopted
(By a Special Correspondent.)
Boise, Idaho, Feb. 22.—State solons at now busy legislating law of "how not to do it."

The Rev. G. L. Tufts, a minister from Portland, Ore., who represents the Pacific Coast Reform association, came to the legislature to protest against such legislation and was promptly arrested for violating the anti-labbling law of the state, which he had "lobbied" for.

Mr. Tufts was arrested by the sergeant-at-arms while he was speaking to two members of the house of representatives in the capitol, and was appearing in favor of a Sunday rest law.

He was at once set free by the justice before whom his case was taken.

This arrest, however, has aroused the people of Boise and may result in a loud demand for the repeal of the anti-labbling law and a number of other "how not to do it" laws.

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HOOSIER FRANCHISES FOR HARRIMAN MAW

Wild Search for Investments for Surplus Capital Reaches Rural Indiana

(Special to the Chicago Daily Socialist.)
Kokomo, Ind., Feb. 21.—Harriman, with Rockefeller's money, having made good headway in consolidating and controlling other public property, is probably using some of their surplus funds to purchase and control the light systems of small towns along the line of the Indiana Union Traction company, which connects a score of Hoosier settlements.
Persons who have been directly approached by the agents of A. H. Pickmore & Co., a New York corporation, which is probably controlled by the great Wall street men, have been informed that the plan of the promoters is to consolidate many of the plants as possible along the lines of the inter-urban roads.
Small towns which have no lighting system would be furnished light, and it is explained by the agents of this company that the consolidation would cheapen the cost to a marked degree.
The company has already made some progress in securing plants.

(Comment.—Harriman probably is using the Rockefeller fortune, which is growing so rapidly that it cannot be given away nor good investments found. He has gobbled the gas and electric companies in New York and Chicago and evidently is looking for more.)

CHURCH FORMS CLASS FOR HISTORY STUDY

One of the most radical departures in the history of church work in Chicago is to be taken by members of the People's church, 9737 Avenue L, South Chicago, who will organize a class for the study of "American History of the Workers." Tuesday evening, March 26.
The leader of the class will be the minister, Rev. Walter H. MacPherson, and the text book to be used will be A. M. Simons' "War of the Classes" and the study lessons appearing in The Appeal to Reason. These writings are revolutionary to those who have learned history in the usual text books.

GIANT WRESTLERS IN TIE

(By a Special Correspondent.)
Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 22.—The wrestling match here last night between "Demon" Bartl, of Ohio, and Alex. Swanson, of Terre Haute, proved one of the greatest ever seen in the South. Bartl won the first fall in two hours and three minutes. It was agreed to call the bout at 12 o'clock. This left but sixteen minutes to wrestle for the second fall, but neither was able to secure one, and the contest stopped unfinished.

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Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 22.—Socialism has taken hold here. At the recent local election the vote increased everywhere and two working class candidates were elected justices of the peace. The successful candidates were William H. Tresize and Fred Osterline.

(To be continued.)

Shall We Take the Garrick?

Socialists of Chicago! You have dreamed for years of a big down-town Sunday morning meeting in a first-class theatre inside the loop. The committee has decided to put the matter up to you. Next Sunday morning you will be asked to vote on the above question. The committee has a very favorable offer from the Garrick Theatre, and has taken an option on it pending your decision. Come to the lecture next Sunday morning, at the Masonic Temple, Drill Hall, 17th floor, at 11 o'clock, and TELL US WHAT YOU WANT.



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ARE 'BUSINESS MEN' SO VERY EFFICIENT

Non-Resident Who Has Taken Duty of Advising Chicago Voters Don't Know His Own Town Affairs

The fact that the loudly lauded American "business" man is not infallible in his judgments, that he is even at times decidedly "inefficient" in his attempt to dominate the affairs of the public, was clearly revealed today in an interview between a representative of the Chicago Daily Socialist and C. D. Richards of Oak Park, who is one of the most prominent members of the committee appointed by the Real Estate board to work for the adoption of the traction ordinance to be submitted to the people at the coming April election. He wants to be president of Oak Park while telling Chicago people how to vote.

Richards Expert
Mr. Richards, whose home is outside of Chicago and who poses before the people of Chicago as a traction expert, displayed a surprising lack of interest in the traction situation and a most astonishing ignorance of actual facts upon which to base his opinions.

"Of course, you are of the opinion that the franchise which it is proposed to grant constitutes the best solution of the local problem?" Mr. Richards was asked.
"Yes," was the impatient answer.

"You live in Oak Park, Mr. Richards?"
"Yes."
"How many years does the franchise cover in that village?"
Traction expert Richards hesitated. He wasn't sure about the answer, and he scratched his head in embarrassment.

"Fifty years, I think," he said.
"And what are the conditions under this fifty-year franchise?"
"Satisfactory," the expert declared; and then, in defense of the answer he had uttered, made the hasty qualification:

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IT IS A CRIME TO PAY THE STRIKE BENEFITS

Charles Fred Woerner, Now in Jail for "Law Breaking;" Something of His Life and Wrong Doing

"I do not regret that I am here, I have no bitterness against anyone for being here. I am only glad that Judge Hebron, by his decision, made a Socialist of me," said Charles Fred Woerner today, as he stood behind the iron bars and talked through the iron netting in a cell at the Cook county jail.

He will stay behind the iron bars three months and then pay an additional fine of \$250.
Who is Charles Woerner, and why is he confined behind iron bars like a dangerous member of society?
He is a native of the old state of Kentucky. Born in Louisville less than thirty years ago, and is a descendant of the titled family of Von Lechners of Stuttgart, Germany, who won their title in the thirty years' religious war of 1622.

A Mason.
He is a member of the Masonic lodge in Englewood, with all the degrees up to that of Knight Templar. He belongs to the Foresters and the Order of the Eastern Star. He is an active member in the Englewood Christian church, and his wife, a former teacher and daughter of the Rev. Hicks, a south side local minister, is a devout religious worker.

Yet this man, who has the record of a model citizen, to whom tobacco and drink are unknown, is behind the bars. The crime of which he is charged is contempt of court. He was president of Franklin Union of Professionals. That union went on strike. Judge Holdom issued an injunction against the union, and, as it was incorporated, seized its funds.

Woerner, as president of the organization, directed that strike benefits should be paid to the members of the union. This was construed as contempt of court, and he is paying the penalty in the county jail.

Friends of Labor.
"Friends of Labor," like the Civic Federation, are urging all trade unions to incorporate their organizations. This will make the injunction an effective means of choking the organization.

In his cell today Charles Woerner was found reading a volume of "Ancient Lorely." Beside him lay a copy of Karl Marx's "Capital." A half-finished letter to his wife was near. "I should be very busy while I am here," said Mr. Woerner. "I have much that I wish to read and am doing some writing."

What Class Is He In?
As one turned from the dull corridor of the cell and passed out of the dark portal of the jail, one remembered those men of old who today are venerated as heroes who went to jail and the stake for the principles they believed right. Charles Woerner belongs to these.

He is interested only in the cause that he believes is right and has no thought of his discomfiture.
Charles Woerner is the candidate for alderman on the Socialist ticket in the Thirty-first ward, and there are good indications that he will be elected.

HOW RICH IS JOHN D?
He is Not a Billionaire and Many Lies Told About Him.
[By a Special Correspondent.]
New York, Feb. 22.—And now comes Frederick T. Gates, business representative of John D. Rockefeller, supposedly the richest man in the world, and claims that "all" he is worth a billion.

AFTER OIL FUGITIVE
Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 22.—Governor Folk has granted extradition papers for the return of H. Clay Pierce of Austin, Texas, to answer to a charge of perjury. Sheriff Matthews of Travis county, Texas, left for St. Louis this afternoon with the warrant for Pierce's arrest. It will be placed in the hands of the police for service. Pierce is said to be in New York city conferring with Standard Oil men, of whom he is one.

AFTER PULLMAN CO.
Missouri Legislators Cut Rates on Sleeping Cars.
[St. Louis Press Association.]
Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 22.—The senate passed a bill establishing maximum sleeping car rates. The maximum for lower berths 200 miles and under is to be \$1.50, and for upper \$1.75. For distances more than 200 miles, lower \$2, upper \$1.75.

Warren Beckwith, divorced husband of the daughter of Robert T. Lincoln, was married yesterday to Miss Blanche Cutler of Aurora, Ill.

THE HUSTLERS' COLUMN

Words From the Field At Home and Abroad

Several hundred subscriptions expire during the next week. Most of our readers do not want to miss a single copy. Look at the date on the label and send in the renewal a few days before expiration.

This is a good time to add new readers. Tell your neighbor that you are going to send in your subscription and would like to send his at the same time. Explain to him that this will be the only daily paper in the English language that will tell the truth about the Moyer-Haywood trial. Tell him about the new press and printing plant that will make it possible to turn out a far better paper than ever the present one.

By the time you have told him all this and lent him the Daily Socialist to read for an evening, he will give you his subscription. We know he will, for several thousand readers have already tried this plan, and it works.

At any rate, do not forget to get in your subscription and another one with it before the date on the label.

GETTING READY FOR THE BIG BAZAAR

Much interest is being manifested in the coming bazaar arranged by the entertainment committee of the Cook county organization of the Socialist party for the benefit of The Daily Socialist.

The bazaar will be held one week, beginning Sunday, March 24, at Brook's Casino.
The manager, James S. Smith, reports that word is being received from many sources that articles of real value will soon be forwarded a prizes to be given away or sold outright. As there will be twenty booths in all, the need for this sort of donation will be great and the committee has no fear of receiving more than it can take care of.

A number of donation lists was mailed by the manager a few days ago to every Socialist organization in Cook county and already members in a number of wards are busy canvassing the merchants for donations.
Party headquarters on Randolph street is now the busiest place in town. Thirty thousand tickets are being mailed to all towns of any size in the country, and in a few days the committee will have ten thousand "diamond" cards advertising the bazaar, and active Socialists will be kept busy for a while mailing them upon posts and fences.

As there will be some carpenter work necessary on the booths, any Socialist, who is a carpenter and wishes to help the cause, can do so by applying to the manager for the job.
The bazaar committee meets every Friday at 155 East Randolph street. The meeting to-night promises to be of great interest, and most of the members have expressed their intention of being present.

RAIL CHIEF SCORED BY REFORM SOLONS

General managers of all the Western railroads are in the city to hold conferences with high officials of their lines, and for the purpose of planning a campaign of immediate attack upon all state railroad legislation reducing fares.

Railroad officials are claiming that the threatened reduction of fares would be ruinous to the roads. It is reported here that the Rock Island system will vigorously contest the Missouri 2-cent law.

Industry's Grim Harvest

Short and Simple Annals of Those Who Die for Profits

Two section men were severely injured yesterday when the steel spring of a brake hanging of a Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul passenger train became detached from its fastening. The accident happened at what is known as the Pacific Junction near North avenue and the Chicago & Milwaukee railroad tracks at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon. The injured are Pedro De Frank, 23 years old, 120 Austin avenue, and William Zarnick, 34 years old, 125 Huron street. The steel spring, weighing nearly ten pounds, was shot like a ball from a cannon at them and struck the two men simultaneously.

A HORRIBLE EXAMPLE

What They Call Labor News in Enid Wave

The following is from the Wave, of Enid, Okla., and is given as a "horrible example."
"The strike of the lower element employed in constructing the street paving of Enid under the Warner-Quinn Asphalt Co., has reached a proportion that takes in the whole force outside of the expert niggers, houses and boy water carriers. This morning about twenty-four men and boys were at work in the concrete department working on north Independence Avenue. The twenty-four men left were the experts and bosses. To make the situation worse, this morning, a big portion of the same haulers quit in sympathy for the laborers strike. The manager in charge of the work told the men that he had no authority to raise the wage scale. It is generally understood that the home office, Syracuse, New York, has been wired the details as to the demand of the men, but up to this writing, as far as the Wave knows, the situation remains the same.

INSANE PATIENT KILLED

Athens, Ohio, Feb. 22.—The grand jury investigation into the death of inmate Barnes at the Athens state hospital continues. Eight or ten patients were brought to the court room this morning in charge of attendants to testify. Several former attendants are under arrest. It is hinted that several other deaths which occurred at the hospital under mysterious circumstances may be investigated.

WOMAN'S VIEW OF MRS. THAW'S STORY

[By a Special Correspondent.]

New York, Feb. 22.—In her review today in the Evening World, of the spectacle presented yesterday of Evelyn Thaw on the witness stand, Nixola Greely-Smith says in part:
"Several hundred years ago when persons under suspicion of the law refused to confess, they were tortured. Justice no longer tortures the body, yet it is difficult to imagine greater suffering than that inflicted in the name of the law yesterday upon Evelyn Nesbit Thaw.

"Here was the vivisection of a woman's soul, the tearing from it of its profoundest secrets, a rending, wrenching, merciless digging into its depths that by comparison made the rack seem less hideous.
"No one believes that District Attorney Jerome likes his task. I simply feel that compared with the ordeal to which this frail young woman was subjected a prize fight must be an elevating spectacle and a day at the Chicago stock yards a pastoral delight.

"It seemed as if, in his effort to overcome the young woman's story, Mr. Jerome had dragged the sewers of the world for crude words, raw phrases that cut the tortured soul as the knout draws blood from the tortured body, to hurl at the quivering woman on the witness stand.

"The newspaper women, perhaps half a dozen in number, whose duty it is to report the trial, writhed under the sting of the prosecutor's questions, bowed their heads before the hideousness from which Mr. Jerome ruthlessly tore the veil.

CZAR AND KAISER TO BE AT GERMAN HOP

The International Republic to be given by the German Socialists of Chicago for the benefit of the new Socialist daily in the German language, which will be established in this city in the near future, will begin Thursday, Feb. 28.

The committee in charge of arrangements for the bazaar and fair in connection with this republic says that it has received word from abroad that Kaiser Bill and Czar Nick will be present at the fair, and will dance a two-step.
The sultan of Turkey has not yet replied to the invitation sent him by the committee, but it is believed that even without his presence there will be plenty of amusement to insure a good time to every one who will attend this affair. Tickets can be procured at the office of Neuge Leben, 163 Randolph street.

WHERE TO GO

The Thirteenth and Thirty-fourth ward branches have entered upon an era of activity, and besides general party work, are conducting entertainments and dances on the first and third Saturday evenings of each month at Howard's hall, Harrison street and Fortieth avenue. All readers of this paper and party members are invited.

"The Love of Comrades" will be the theme for the sermon by Rev. Walter H. MacPherson in the People's church, 9737 Avenue L, South Chicago, Sunday morning, at 11 o'clock.

The second grand masquerade ball given under auspices of Cigar-makers' Union No. 15 tomorrow night at Brand's hall, North Clark and Erie streets, promises to be the greatest success the union ever had in its social undertakings. G. W. Perkins, president of the Cigar-makers' International Union, it is expected, will attend the ball. A number of cash prizes will be distributed. The grand march will be led by Max Rapoport. The music for the evening will be furnished by Paul Goethel's orchestra.

The Twentieth Ward branch will hold an agitation meeting tonight at Atlas Hall, Robey street and Ogden avenue. Carl Strover will be the speaker of the evening.

The First Ward Socialists are requested to meet at 407 State street Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. Matters of importance await consideration, and every Socialist in the ward should be present.

The Maywood-Melrose branch of the Socialist party will meet tonight at 8 p. m., at Richards' hall, corner of Ninth and Lake streets, at which time the date of the public meeting will be given by the committee in charge.

The People's Educational Institute announces a lecture by Joseph Gilbert at Hull-ouse theatre tonight at 8:00 o'clock. Subject, "Socialism and Individualism."
Morris Siekind and H. Harris will debate the principles of the Socialist party and the Socialist Labor party in Yiddish at Workmen's Hall, Twelfth and Waller streets, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The Scandinavian Socialist Singing Society will give its second annual basket party tomorrow evening at the Norwegian Turner Hall, Division street and California avenue. Women are requested to bring baskets with them. Party membership books will admit one to the hall.

NEWS AND COMMENT

John L. Sullivan, ex-champion pugilist, called on Cardinal Gibbons, at Baltimore, Md., yesterday. The cardinal admired the ex-champion's muscles, while Mr. Sullivan admired the vitality of the cardinal at the age of 73.

The anti-pass bill now before the legislature at Springfield is marked for slaughter, according to advices received from that city. The reciprocal demurrage bill and the measure giving the railroad and warehouse commission authority to regulate capitalization of companies will likewise be killed in the legislature.

Two merchants, Edmund Edbauer, 1625 Milwaukee avenue, and Harry Raspassen, 1144 Hermitage avenue, were fined yesterday in the municipal court for selling renovated butter.

Imprisonment for life is the probable sentence which was meted out to Jacob Lohenein, who was convicted of kidnaping Agnes Kaub, a 15-year-old girl of Scranton, Pa., and bringing her to Chicago for immoral purposes. Lohenein was given an indeterminate sentence in the penitentiary.

A "gang" of em thieves were arrested yesterday at Vincennes, Ind., by detectives from Decatur and St. Francisville, Ill. The "gang" included a number of women and children.

The school trustees at Bloomington, Ill., are going to sue the bondsmen of the late R. S. McIntyre, city clerk, who, it is claimed, left a shortage of \$6,000 to his locks.

At the investigation proceedings against Senator Bailey, at Austin, Tex., yesterday, Mr. Bailey stated that he had been offered a salary of \$50,000 per year to act as attorney for H. Clay Pierce of the Waters-Pierce Oil company, but had refused to act as servant to the people of Texas for \$5,000 a year.

The course for the defense in the trial of Representative Binger Herman of Oregon, who is charged with having destroyed thirty-five letter press copy books during his term as commissioner of the general land office, are seeking to have the case dismissed upon a technicality.

English capitalists are making estimates on the cost of building a rapid transit subway in St. Louis, Mo.

In discussing race problems in Russia, Professor Samuel N. Harper said in a lecture yesterday: "The Russian government is afraid of the intelligence and ability of the Jews, and has therefore subjected them to all kinds of persecutions and injustices simply because they are Jews."

Three daily papers in St. Paul, Minn., are under indictment for printing the story of a hanging. A demand filed by the various newspapers was overruled by the supreme court, which cited the "John Day Smith law," which forbids the publication of details of executions in Minnesota.

Prof. Hugh Clements, the London meteorologist, who predicted many earthquakes recently, failed yesterday as a prognosticator when the "trembler" predicted for Feb. 21 failed to "show up."

Amid applause and class yells, Dr. Harry Pratt Judson was enthusiastically received when he made his initial appearance as president of Chicago University yesterday.

Dr. Wilfred Grenfell, who has recently returned from missionary work among the fishermen of Labrador, addressed a large body of students at the Chicago University yesterday, and recounted many incidents of his trip.

Harry L. Leonard, a Chicago gunner in the coast artillery at Pensacola, Fla., was fatally injured yesterday by the premature discharge of a 12-inch gun.

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What Socialists Want

We are constantly asked to explain the philosophy of Socialism in a few short simple words that can be read in a few minutes and easily understood.

This is impossible. Socialism is an elaborate system of thought that touches every phase of human life. It has a literature of tens of thousands of volumes. There are men who have spent years on single phases of Socialist philosophy and still have not touched its depths.

The same thing is largely true of every great system of thought. None of them can be understood in a moment. There is no royal road to knowledge.

Yet there are certain fundamental principles of every philosophy and science that can be explained so that anyone can understand them. The same thing is true of Socialism. Its basic principles can be stated in plain simple words.

This is what we propose to do in this editorial.

First let us state some plain facts. Indeed, nearly all there is to Socialism, as to science in general, is a system of arrangement of certain facts.

Men are working today with wonderfully productive machines. The user of a modern locomotive transports a thousand times as much each hour as the driver of an ox-team could move in a month. The child tending a battery of Northrup magazine looms weaves miles where the old hand-loom worker wove feet. The steam thrasher turns out car-loads of grain where the man with the flail threshed bushels.

This is the story that meets us everywhere. With relation to these wonderful machines the members of society are divided into two classes—those who OWN and those who DO NOT OWN the machines.

The class that own the machines do not need to work. They may be, like the owners of the great Marshall Field estate, wards of a court. They may be insane, infants, in jail. This does not interfere with their ownership.

The class of owners does not need to do any work, yet its income flows in.

This is because of the existence of the other class—the class that DOES NOT OWN anything.

This non-owning class cannot live unless it can use the property of the owners. It cannot even set foot on the earth unless it uses the land that belongs to the owning class.

The non-owning class cannot live unless it produces wealth. In order to produce wealth it must use the land and machines of the owners.

For the opportunity to use the property of the possessing class long enough each day to produce subsistence for itself, the propertiless class agrees to keep on producing wealth with these wonderfully productive machines all day.

The portion which the propertiless producing class creates for itself and is allowed to keep is called WAGES and all the remainder flows into the pockets of the possessing class as RENT, INTEREST AND PROFITS.

In return for this the owning class do nothing but hang on to their legal titles to the property. This possession makes it possible for them to lay tribute upon the organizing, directing, managing labor as well as upon the most menial, unskilled manual toil.

The Socialists point out that since no function is performed by these owners, and since it requires neither brains nor ability of any kind to hold titles, therefore it would be easy for the workers collectively to hold these titles. The workers could just as well appoint the state as their agent to hold the titles as the capitalists can appoint banks, corporations and trust companies for that purpose.

Since it is only this private, legal title that prevents the propertiless working class from gaining access to the wonderfully productive machines, and using them to produce wealth for the producers, when once the title was transferred to the working class government, then all could use the tools and land and retain the product.

The present title is a law-made one. It can be unmade by changing the laws. Therefore the workers are asked to make use of their political power, their overwhelming majority to gain control of the government and use it to transfer the title of the means by which wealth is produced and distributed from the present idle owning class to the working propertiless class.

Unlike the present private ownership, the collective ownership to be established by the victorious Socialist working class will not be EXCLUSIVE but INCLUSIVE.

There will be none shut out from ownership. All will be owners and all will be users.

THIS IS WHAT THE SOCIALIST PARTY IS SEEKING TO ACCOMPLISH.



BOSS FARMER'S VIEW

As a farmer-employer of labor and a Socialist, I would not undertake to explain to our friend, the Switchman, just exactly how the principles of the Socialist party would carry out. But after reminding him that when the Socialist party comes to power, which it will, the industrial and economic affairs of the country will be managed and conducted by men of his class, looking all the time for the best means of promoting the interests of the real wealth producers, and not that of the drones and robbers of industry as under past and present management, I would then call his attention to the fact that under plutocratic-democratic management, in nine cases out of ten, the reward for successful inventions is reaped by money lords and not by the inventors.

Then I would tell him that if his invention proves a success in every particular and existing conditions—economic and political—are to be continued, the chances are about 99 in 100 that capitalism would be benefited at the expense of men of his class, that is to say a few more thousand wage-workers would strike the road in search of a job, and maybe our friend the Switchman would have to take bread from the mouths of millions of children by depriving the fathers of an opportunity to provide for them, and shorten the hours of labor of all laboring men, including the switchman who takes the place of our friend the Switchman when he becomes a member of the Union League Club.

JAMES COCKRELL.
Kilmory, Ill.

HE CONDEMNS CAPITALISM

Dr. Sanders' article in a recent issue of the Daily Socialist perplexes me greatly. Probably I am ill-informed along that line. The doctor epitomizes what I suppose is the ultra-scientific formula of Socialism. Capitalism is based upon the intention of the machine.

I believe capitalism is based upon the unrestrained greed of a certain type of man. It has developed from an idea. That idea is that struggle, competition in wealth-getting best served the interests of all. This idea was conceived in crafty brains, promulgated and propagated by crafty brains. It exerted a hypnotic influence on the minds of the unthinking mass and has served its purpose well.

In my boyhood I observed that a few

fellows amongst my playmates inevitably became possessors of the greater part of the "wealth" of the group. This happened because these few were cunning, slick, energetic, unscrupulous. They were, but a small percentage of the whole number of their playmates. The others were mere producers for this enterprising minority.

Grown to manhood these crafty boys comprise what is known as "the business element." Capitalism is the system this type has built.

Through the incubation of the evil idea of competition, this class has been enabled to secure 99 per cent of all the wealth of this world, and they do not contribute more than 10 per cent of the population.

"Socialists do not condemn capitalism," the doctor says.

Perhaps the doctor is right, I don't know, but I condemn it.

To me it is clearly an utterly indefensible system, conceived in iniquity, born of iniquity, nursed by chicanery, grown into an insatiable monster.

Think of the helpless, hapless, hopeless slaves of the great, powerful, money-making machine!

Think of the powerful, relentless machine that has constructed and maintains for its conservation and then spits it out as a demagogue!

Think of our comrades in that Idaho jail.

The lawyer, mind-bled by cut and dried theory, earnestly advised his faithful client, "If I can't get you out of there, I'll put you in jail." The prisoner knew better.

According to Marx, or somebody else, Socialists do not condemn capitalism, but as I see things, common sense most emphatically does.

Sincerely and fraternally,
VERITAS
Cincinnati.

WANTS MARKET REPORTS

I was rather amazed at your advice to correspondents not to write arguments for Socialism, as you could do that. Yes, you are a pretty good hand at it. I suppose you don't want any advice, either, nevertheless I am going to suggest that you publish the markets for the benefit of the farmers. I feel sure that if you had good, reliable market reports you would get more farmers to subscribe. That will help your paper, but it would help the movement more. You know, as well as I do that it is necessary to reach the farmers with socialist literature before those who do the work will get the fruits of their toil. And in my opinion there is no better way to reach them than with a daily which gives market reports they can depend on.

O. D. M.
Spring Valley, Ill.

Glad to have the suggestion about the markets. Several others have asked for them, and arrangements are being made for a first-class market letter in the near future.—Ed.



AS IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN
Little Teddy—Scoot away from here, little George. If there is any strenuous work to be done with cherry trees, I'll do it and make history myself

Wisconsin's Railroad Commission Report

The recent report of the Wisconsin Railroad Commission with its recommendation of a two and one-half cent fare has been heralded by the capitalistic press as a great triumph of radicalism. How this is viewed by a Socialist is seen in the following comment by Carl D. Thompson, a Socialist member of the Wisconsin legislature.

It cannot be denied that the commission in this case has done a very thorough, careful and comprehensive piece of work. A study of their report will convince anyone that they have done the work assigned to them thoroughly and well.

There is no doubt that it will be quite satisfactory to those who have originated the idea of "regulation" as the method of solving the railway problem. The findings are conclusive, from their standpoint. They are not what was expected, to be sure, but they will have to be accepted. And the "reformers" are preparing to make the most of it.

But we of the Socialist movement look at the whole matter from another standpoint. We insist that the investigations of the commission has made it clear, in the first place, that under the present conditions, with the railroads under private ownership, and operated by the present system you really have no reason to expect anything much better from them than what you are now getting.

Nearly everybody in the progressive camp was confidently expecting that the report of the commission would furnish the state with the necessary basis for a two-cent fare. Both the republican and democratic parties had promised the people a two-cent fare in their recent platforms. The commission was the creation of the most advanced elements in the reform movement and therefore there can be no doubt as to its genuine effort to secure a better rate if it were possible under the present condition of private ownership and operation.

But the report knocks all this in the head. To be sure the papers report a "sweeping decision," a "sweeping reduction," etc., but it consists of a tiny mile of a cautious reduction of a half of a cent, which is still a half a cent above the rate allowed upon long distance and mileage tickets, and a very modest "suggestion" that perhaps the railway companies might, if you please, and with your kind permission, give the dear people a five hundred mile family ticket.

The commission asserts that two and a half cents per mile is the very best that can be done. Under private ownership this may be true. If it is, then one thing is certain—private ownership and operation of railways cannot give the people of Wisconsin either reasonable, fair and just rates, nor safe, convenient nor efficient service.

Several of the states have already passed a two-cent-fare measure and the railroads are operating under that law. In foreign countries the rates are universally on an average even very much lower. And at the same time the service is about one-sixth as murderous as ours in America.

The trouble with the report of this commission and of all the "reformers" is that they are trying to bolster up a rotten and decaying system. The railway system of this country is a failure. The private ownership and operation of railroads has broken down and is completely demoralized.

Nothing is clearer to a man who is willing to accept the plain conclusion of undisputable facts than the fact

that the private ownership and operation of railways is a failure.

To us it is astonishing that the people of this state and country should be so slow to see and acknowledge this fact. They have accepted it long ago in other countries. Forty-three nations have up to date changed from private to public ownership of railways. And the others are swinging in line with great haste.

Japan has nationalized her railways within the last few months. Italy bought hers within the last eighteen months. Even Mexico has just now assumed the ownership of the railways of that country. And strangely enough she did it to prevent American capital from strangling her transportation facilities through securing of a complete monopoly. In Germany the railways have been owned and operated by the government for twenty-five years. And so far as we know not a single nation that has once established the government ownership and operation of railways has gone back to private ownership.

Of course your commission cannot give you cheaper rates. Of course they will tell you that you are unreasonable to expect lower rates. They are even ready with some pretty strong epithets for those of you who are not ready to accept their decision. The people of Germany, of Italy, of Switzerland, of Japan—yes, even of Mexico, may ride upon their railroads for a cent or ever less than a cent a mile. But America is different—much different. And the difference lies in the fact that the people are still hoping to "regulate" without owning.

No regulation is a failure. It costs you more than it would to buy the whole thing out—and yet it does not relieve the people. Your private railway systems are a failure. They do not and cannot handle the traffic. They murdered 188 people and wounded 156 more during the first month of the year of our Lord, 1907. They work their men sixteen, eighteen and even thirty-six hours, and give them no old age or accident insurance. They tamper with our legislatures and corrupt our councils. They run the country, and can prove to you with absolute certainty that it cannot possibly be otherwise.

The private ownership of railways is a failure. And we Social-Democrats are only waiting till the rest of the people get their eyes open. The government must own the railways. That is the only solution—the only regulation that can regulate.

"The Sun of Socialism rises in the East and we see the coming of a day in which every breath of life shall be a breath of joy, in which no woman shall wear gorgeous raiment woven out of the rags of her sister's toil, no man shall be rich by the coinage of his brother's poverty, and all men and all women of all lands shall be free men and free women—then, then shall we be brothers; then shall the Golden Rule be the rule of life."—Ben Hanford.

"Capitalism is the most terrible scourge to humanity; it fattens on the misery of the poor, the degradation of the worker, and the brutalizing toil of his wife and children. Just as capitalism grows, so grows also pauperism, that millstone round the neck of civilization, the revolting cruelties of our factory system, the squalor of great cities, and the presence of deep-seated poverty hard by the gates of enormous wealth."—Karl Marx.

Fallacious Mr. Mallock

The "discovery" of Mr. Mallock is an amusing episode. That skillful controversialist and able writer has been combating social and economic reform of a "socialistic" character for twenty years, but in England he is known merely as a sophisticated defender of the existing order of things. The trouble with Mr. Mallock is that his arguments are full of fallacies and assumptions—that he is setting up men of straw and triumphantly destroying them to the delight of a handful of complacent persons whose philosophy is summed up in the phrase, "whatever is right." Neither the socialists nor the consistent individualists recognize Mr. Mallock as an intellectually honest and earnest thinker.

Mr. Mallock lays great stress on "ability" and claims proper regard for it as against that school of socialists who would ignore all natural inequality of intelligence and capacity. Not all socialists advocate equal pay for unequal work, and few of them dream of denying that ability is a real factor in the production of wealth. Aside from this, however, what Mr. Mallock always forgets is that to defend ability and superiority is by no means to defend the present order. Mr. Mallock is not living in a society of equal opportunities, of "a fair field and no favors"; in a society in which wealth is distributed in accordance with an exact principle of justice. He is living in a society full of privilege, of survivals of a feudal order, of laws and institutions which had their origin in conquest, war and rapine. Can Mr. Mallock find any connection between industrial "ability" and the Irish or British system of land tenure? Is equality of opportunity possible in any country whose natural resources are monopolized by a small privileged class? France needed a terrible upheaval to destroy land monopoly and establish a system of peasant proprietorship. If Mr. Mallock had lived in the days of the French revolution he would doubtless have talked, as he does now, about all progress being due to the minority, about the rightful rewards of capacity and the justice of unequal pay for unequal service to society. He would have been absurdly irrelevant then, and he is, for the most part, absurdly irrelevant today.

He is not only assuming industrial conditions that have never yet existed, but he is also confounding the ability to produce wealth, to discover, markets, to improve methods, with the ability to grab, to exploit, to manipulate, to gamble, to plunder society. "Jim the Penman" had unusual ability to forge signatures, but society has seen fit to discourage that sort of ability. The ability to extort, to devise schemes evasive of law, to secure unfair privileges at the expense of the community, need not be "rewarded" for the sake of progress. Rather does it need "shackling."

Mr. Mallock's arguments are "purely academic" where they are not absolutely unsound or sophistical. That's why he has made no impression whatever in England and why he will fail here.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Irreconcilable facts! The manufacture of automobiles increases at the rate of one hundred per cent a year, still the price of the horse continues to go up.

Defeating a Conspiracy

With the acquittal of the eleven men who were charged with conspiracy in the teamsters' strike one of the most far-reaching plots ever laid in this country was defeated.

For almost the first time the State Street stores with their attorney, Levy Mayer, and the combined press of Chicago have been routed.

The capitalists of Chicago had set about crushing the trade union movement of this city. They saw in the teamsters' union the key-stone of the arch of resistance to exploitation by the profit-taking class.

Against this division of the labor army they hurled their strongest force—the State Street stores.

They selected Montgomery Ward to lead the fight, because it was recognized that his great mail order trade was practically outside the reach of any boycott or other attack by union labor.

They carefully planned every phase of the battle. They provoked a battle on their own ground, and used all the power of the press to throw discredit upon the strikers from the beginning.

Their imported thugs and strike-breakers could not succeed in inciting the teamsters to riot.

The city government was called in. Dunne responded by putting the police on the wagons to act as guides for the strike-breaking delivery drivers.

Finally it was announced that the strike had failed.

But it was desired to completely smash the ranks of organized labor.

A packed grand jury brought in the indictments against the men for CONSPIRACY.

THIS IN THE FACE OF THE FACT THAT THE LABORERS WERE REALLY RESISTING ONE OF THE MOST DAMNABLE CONSPIRACIES EVER PLOTTED IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO.

Then came the farcical trial before Judge Ball, the mere puppet of State Street stores.

BUT THERE WERE SOME SOCIALISTS UPON THAT JURY AND THE WHOLE SCHEME WAS WRECKED ON THAT FACT.

By this time still another force had come into the field.

A daily paper had appeared upon the scene that was not owned by its advertising obligations to the department stores.

The rest of the story is known to every reader of this paper.

BUT THE BATTLE IS NOT FINISHED.

Having failed to control the jury system, the power of organized capital now seeks to destroy it.

Already, as we have repeatedly pointed out, the plot has been laid to make it impossible for a workingman to serve upon a jury.

A law which will practically have that effect is already before the Illinois legislature.

THERE IS NOT A SINGLE REPRESENTATIVE OF LABOR IN THAT LEGISLATURE.

While every member was elected by the votes of workingmen, yet when the workers desire to secure justice or prevent further attacks, they must humbly crawl as lobbying petitioners to the representatives of their enemies.

Such crawling will do little good. It never has done any good.

The only thing that will have any effect upon the plotters at Springfield is publicity of their schemes and the threat of revolt by labor.

THE ONLY PAPER THAT HAS DARED TO EXPOSE AND DENOUNCE THIS ATTACK ON THE JURY SYSTEM IS THE DAILY SOCIALIST.

Every other paper is gagged with State Street advertisements.

The only party that dares to revolt against capitalist trickery and tyranny is the SOCIALIST PARTY.

THE ONLY THING THAT WILL STOP THIS SCHEME TO TAMPER WITH THE JURY SYSTEM IS THE SPREAD OF SOCIALIST LITERATURE AND THE GROWTH OF THE SOCIALIST VOTE.

A Laugh or A Smile

By P. B.

Completed
"I hear that Toopits Footlytes is quite a finished actress."

"Yes, she's finished, all right. She has married a Pittsburgh millionaire and quit the stage for good."

The Nebraska state senate unanimously passed the two-cent fare bill. Where now is the glory of Kansas?

The Nebuchadnezzar cure for corpulence consists of running about on all fours, but the fat man who tries it will probably conclude that it is a regular Beezlebub of a cure.

Said the governor of North Carolina to the governor of South Carolina, "Wonder when this anti-liquor fight is going to stop, do you know?"

How He Changed
"Jiggers was wild over his automobile when he first got it."
"Well?"
"And now he's wild about it."

Nicaragua and Honduras have gone dry—that is the dry season is on, when armies can take the field and pursue the bauble, glory, without too much bodily discomfort.

Even if the world has been disappointed in the outcome of the Japanese-American dispute, there is one consolation. The czar is to have another democratic douma.

The influenza has broken out in Russia. However, it can't make much difference in the pronunciation of the language.

What a lot of trouble it would have saved if the senate had asked Reed Smoot for his opinion of himself in the first place.

His Answer
"You can't kiss me any more. There are microbes on my lips. Now, what have you to say?"
"I think the microbes have excellent taste."

They are going to present an expurgated version of Salome and Chicago is mad about it. Chicago wanted the real thing.

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LESSON 14.

As to Pronunciation.
Several letters have been written asking for further instruction as to pronunciation.

A is always as in "what."
C is "ts," a sound more common in other languages than in English; as in "hats," "cats," etc.

E has a sound, stated by all English text books to be as in "they," but which is in reality somewhat shorter; about half as long as the vowel sound in "they" and in "met."

G is always as in go.
H is as in "marine," or as ee in "seen."

J is always like y in "yet."
O is as in "note," "mote," "owe," "know," etc.

R, if possible, should be trilled, as do most Europeans.

S has never the sound of z, but is a pure aspirate, as in "see," "say," "saw," etc.

U is like oo in "soon," and never pronounced "yoo."

Z is always as in "zone."
Ĉ is like ch in "church"; ĉu being pronounced as "most people pronounce 'cheese'—'choo'."

Ĝ. The sound of this is in "gem," "jolly," "George," "germ," "German."
Ĵ is like zh; "pleasure," "measure" and "seize"; give its sound.

Ŝ is the same as in "show," "shun," "shy," "shoe," "sharp."

Ĥ is like our w.
Ħ occurs very seldom, has not been used in any of our lessons as yet, and I'll devote a whole chapter to it some day.

Ĵ is like the vowel in "my," "thy," "why," "try," etc.

Ŝ is as in "mine," "pine," "vine," "shine," etc.

Ĵ is as in "join," etc.

Ĵ is as in "boy," "joy," "toy," "embody," etc.

Ĥ is as in "now," "cow," etc.

With these exceptions, the letters are all as in English.

The real trouble between Nicaragua and Honduras seems to be a dispute as to which is the champion of the hantam republic class.

Wisconsin is trying to get into the list of conservative states. It reduced railroad fare only half a cent.