

PANIC GRIPS WORSE; SURE TO FALL

While Daily Papers Are Full of False Reports, Financial Journals Tell the Truth

Panic conditions still grow worse. "No industrial panic, only a little financial flurry, men returning to work," is the news that is given in the pages of the capitalist papers intended for the working man to read.

Particular interest attaches to the condition of the Northwestern lines, as they are the first to report on conditions in the northwest.

The Federal Reserve Bank, it is announced, will probably pay their usual 7 per cent dividends, but at bitter cost to the workers.

Copper Shutdown Complete There is every indication of a complete shutdown in the copper industry.

BLIND WOMAN DIES IN FIRE

Vainly trying to put out the flames that had broken out in her room, blind Mrs. Elizabeth Dunham staggered up the rear stairway of her residence, 840 California avenue, last evening.

Just how the blaze started is not known, but it is thought that her clothing became ignited as she was at work over the kitchen stove preparing the evening meal for her husband.

LITTLE BOSS MAKES BIG PROFIT, DUE TO PANIC

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 29.—At least one man in Kansas City is profiting by the abundance of unemployed men. He has a small woodworking establishment on Fifth street, but his main business consists of doing repair work for department stores.

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COAL INDUSTRY HARD HIT AT SPRING VALLEY

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Spring Valley, Ill., Feb. 29.—The No. 2 mine at Spring Valley, employing 650 men, has closed down, and it is reported that the shutdown will last indefinitely.

AUTO RACERS ARE TO TAKE SEPARATE ROUTES

The American and the foreign cars in the New York to Paris automobile race have decided to go their separate ways and let the final honors fall to the car which reaches Paris first.

WATCH COMPANY HIT BY PANIC

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Elgin, Ill., Feb. 29.—Employees of the Elgin National Watch Company, which has been running but five days a week, were notified Thursday that the week end with that day and that hereafter the factory would run but four days a week.

DRAWN PICTURE OF THE PANIC

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 29.—John C. Chase, former Socialist mayor of Haverhill, Mass., delivered an interesting lecture on Socialism at the Academy of Music.

FAMILY HAS TO SLEEP IN SNOW

Seven cases of destitution in South Chicago were reported yesterday, one of them being John W. Gross, who, with his wife and five small children, was evicted from his home, 10134 Commercial avenue, Thursday night.

TOBACCO DEALERS URGE LOWER CIGARETTE LICENSE

Lucy Page Gaston and her anti-cigarette society now has a fellow field to work among the members of the council license committee.

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Socialists Have Opponents at Milwaukee Thoroughly Scared

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WHAT IF CAPITALISM SHOULD DECIDE TO "RETRENCH" THIS ELECTION



And to save expense run a couple of well-known financiers for office. Wouldn't there be a howl from the unemployed?

MAKES CLERKS PAY FOR GAS

Company Overcomes the Cost of Legal Fight by Sweatshop System

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) New York, Feb. 29.—The Brooklyn Union Gas Company here was slightly inconvenienced by the city council when it passed an ordinance forcing the price of gas from \$1 to 50 cents per 1,000 cubic feet.

FEEDS PARROT AND HEN, THEN LIES DOWN TO DIE

New York, Feb. 29.—When neighbors found Mrs. Johanna Stelter, 50 years old, dead in her apartment in Williamsburg yesterday, they also found bank books representing deposits of more than \$1,000 and evidence that the aged woman had been thoughtful to the last of her two pets, a green parrot and a white hen.

RUSSIA IS UNABLE TO REBUILD DESTROYED FLEET

St. Petersburg, Feb. 29.—Minister of Finance Kokovsov, in an authoritative statement, said that he saw no possibility under the present circumstances of the country raising funds to rebuild the fleet destroyed by Japan.

JURY SCANDAL MAKES GRAFT SCANDAL WORSE

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 29.—E. C. Humphreys was arrested last night charged with an attempt to influence Albert A. Post, one of the jurors trying the capitol conspiracy suit.

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PAYROLL TOO LARGE; SANTA FE CLOSING TEXAS SHOPS

(Special to the Daily Socialist.) Ciburru, Tex., Feb. 29.—The Santa Fe railroad shops here were closed down a week ago and will remain closed until March 2, thus throwing over 1,000 men out of work.

MUTILATED COIN FIXES GUILT ON WOMAN THIEF

One-half of a 1-cent piece, found in the possession of a woman known to the police as a pickpocket, led her arrested and later she confessed that she had robbed a shopper in Siegel, Cooper & Co.'s store.

The half coin belonged to Miss E. M. Lutz and was found in a pocket which was taken from a handbag while she was in the elevator. The pocketbook also contained several dollars, but the fragment of coin was the only piece of money that Miss Lutz was able to identify.

MINERS TO STAND PAT

That the miners will retreat in their demands is not probable, as Tom Lewis, the miners' president elect, is opposed to making contracts with any operators unless all are included.

6,000 ARE IN ILLINOIS

Of the vast army of miners 60,000 are employed in the state of Illinois, 40,000 in the block district of Indiana, 45,000 in Ohio and the rest in the district of western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and other states where union organization controls the action of the men engaged in the coal mining industry.

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MUST BUTCHER FRIENDS OR DIE

Vicious Military Bill Is Fought by Labor in Maryland

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 29.—It might be well for organized labor in every state in the union to examine carefully any military bills that are now pending in the various state legislatures.

Organized Labor Aroused One of the worst pieces of legislation ever heard of has just slipped through the Maryland house, and now organized labor in the state is exerting itself to defeat the measure in the senate.

Section 19 of the law would make it possible for the governor to direct the sheriff to draft citizens whenever the governor considers it necessary to call out the militia, and section 21 would inflict the death penalty upon those refusing to respond.

Text of the Petition The petition by the citizens of Maryland, petition the members of the state legislature sitting at Annapolis, to work and vote against the tenth and eleventh sections of the military law to be introduced at this session, which we know will be against the principles of liberty.

Section 19. Whenever it shall be necessary to call out any part of the reserve militia for active duty the governor shall issue to all for volunteers and direct any such to at once report their willingness to serve to the sheriff of Baltimore city and to the sheriffs of their respective counties.

Section 21. Every member of the militia ordered out, or who volunteers, or who is drafted under the provisions of this article, that does not appear at the time and place designated by his commanding officer, or the sheriff aforesaid, within twenty-four hours from sunset, or who does not produce a sworn certificate of physical disability to appear to a physician in good standing shall be taken to be a deserter and dealt with as prescribed in the articles of war of the United States.

Could Draft Unionists Under the provisions of the articles of war of the United States, deserters are shot. If this bill becomes a law, as soon as a strike shall be called, a few detectives could arouse enough disturbance to make the militia necessary and union men could be drafted to put down the strike, on pain of death.

TALK OF MITCHELL FOR PANAMA CANAL JOB (Special to the Daily Socialist.) Washington, D. C., Feb. 29.—It is rumored here that John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, may, if he desires, have the place of special labor commissioner for the Panama canal strip.

This would give him the task of devoting himself to the welfare of the men employed on the canal work. Mitchell's present state of health may prevent him from taking this position.

THAW DIVORCE EXPECTED SOON New York, Feb. 29.—The separation of Harry Kendall Thaw from his wife, Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, whose twice told story on the witness stand aided in saving him from the death penalty for killing Stanford White, is taken to be near at hand.

Mrs. Thaw admitted to a reporter that she had not seen her husband for some time and she felt the Thaw family was engaging itself in the task of "eliminating her."

Colonel Bartlett is expected to bring about a quiet, sensible rearrangement. He declines to talk of the Thaw case at present.

Evelyn Nesbit Thaw is still in her Park avenue home and seems discouraged.

"I hope you will be fair," she said. "I have done the best I knew how to. I'm sick and tired of being put in the wrong light."

EDISON IMPROVING; DOCTORS SAY THAT HE WILL RECOVER New York, Feb. 29.—The condition of Thomas A. Edison is not so grave, as he thrived splendidly from the operation of Thursday night. Dr. Arthur B. Duell, who performed both operations in the Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat hospital, in a bulletin, said:

"Mr. Edison's condition is normal. He is in fine spirits. There is every reason to expect that he will recover."

LABOR AGENCIES TRAIL JOBLESS

Cities Idle, Lured by Railroad Life, Pay High for 'Jobs'

The panic has caused labor agencies from all over the United States to choose a new and more profitable field of operation. Concerns that had devoted their energies toward farmer boys heretofore, have decided that the large cities with their need for a jobless army, offer a better opportunity for getting money from men who are willing to pay for prospective employment.

Young Men Seek Jobs Chicago has received in a share of such agencies and a little more. A young man who had vainly looked for work for four months, was advertised in the Daily News, announcing that young men were wanted as firemen on railroads. He rushed over to the place designated and discovered that the advertisement was inserted by the "Railroad Recruiting Service," an employment agency.

When a man applies for a fireman's position he is requested to deposit \$18. When one arrives who is below 140 pounds, the required weight for firemen, he is approached with an enrollment for a brakeman's course of study, for which the agency or school charges from \$12 to \$15, promising the student a position whenever he shows himself capable of doing the work.

This firm has been in operation in Chicago for a month. It was formerly located at Kansas City, where it devoted its attentions to young farmers who were tired of farm work and infatuated with the railroad life.

PANIC WORSE; WAGES TO FALL [Continued from First Page.] copper industry from further demoralization," says the Financial World.

The American Locomotive Works report that the dividends will probably be passed, as the business has come to a standstill.

Drops Off 50 Per Cent The American Smelting and Refining Company, which is in the control of the Guggenheims, but now reported to be under Standard Oil control, reports that its business has dropped off 50 per cent and a reduction of dividends will be unavoidable.

The same story comes from the American Car and Foundry Company, that the dividends must be cut down because the conditions of business will not warrant keeping them up.

The steel industry has not escaped the general depression. The Lackawanna Steel Company reports a heavy decrease in surplus income, and earnings only sufficient to pay interest and depreciation charges.

Banks Filled With Cash Along with the uniform report of decrease in earnings in all industries comes the statement that the banks of the country are filled with money seeking investment.

SAYS COLLINS IS UNLIKE STREET CORNER AGITATOR (Special to the Daily Socialist.) Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 29.—The following is a description of John Collins, who recently was published by the Grand Rapids Herald a few days ago:

"Collins has little of the appearance of the usual street corner agitator; being a man of medium height, an Irish cast of countenance and broad, which appears in his speeches when he becomes emphatic or excited. He swings his arms with great full arm gestures and often walks back and forth across the platform in front of the audience, unless pointing out the logic of some assertion."

Collins lectured in a hall at 10-12 Lydell street to a large number of Socialists and others. The paper deemed his lecture remarkable and quoted his abhorrence to being titled as "Mr."

VALPARAISO, CHILE, TO ERECT MUNICIPAL THEATER Valparaiso, Chile, Feb. 29.—The municipality of Valparaiso is about to erect a theater building with a seating capacity of 1,600 on the site of the one destroyed by the great earthquake of August, 1833. It is to be up of dark and as nearly earthquake and fire proof as can be built. Large quantities of steel will be used in its construction.

Bound volumes of the Daily Socialist for the months of May to October, 1907, inclusive, are now on sale at the price of \$1.00 per volume. We also have a few volumes left of the period from the first day of publication to the first day of the month of April, 1907, at the same price. These will, if gathered together, constitute a complete file of the Daily Socialist for the year published and are bound in attractive form.

BOGUS PROMOTER IS CONVICTED BY U. S. JURY

GIRARD HAS A BIG CONVENTION Socialist Delegates Nominate Wilson for Congressman

The jury that is heard the evidence against John Strien, accused of mail frauds, found him guilty at 9 o'clock last evening.

The penalty is a fine of not more than \$10,000, imprisonment for not more than two years or both.

Strien, with Frederick Struckmeyer, Isaac N. H. Holton, George W. Dingsman, Joseph C. Kinney and Thoms Daniel, alias Cameron, was indicted several months ago on charges of conspiracy to use the mails to defraud corporations by pretending to float bond issues.

75 PER CENT DIVIDEND IS CALLED MERELY "BOOKKEEPING" New York, Feb. 29.—Announcement that the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, one of the subsidiary companies of the Union Pacific, had declared an extra dividend of \$75 a share on its preferred stock came to Wall Street from Oregon.

It was such bookkeeping transactions that led to the inquiry instituted by the interstate commerce commission into the Harriman lines a year ago.

PANIC DRIVES OUT FOREIGNERS Marquette, Mich., Feb. 29.—The population of the east end of the upper peninsula has been materially reduced since the recent suspension of operations of the blast furnaces at Newberry and Manistique, and the closing of the wood camps which have supplied those plants with charcoal material.

A large number of Finns and Austrians who had been in the employ of the company have left for their native lands. Many of them contemplate remaining there permanently. This exodus to Europe has been general in upper Michigan since early last fall.

The ocean rate war greatly stimulated the movement. It is estimated that not less than 5,000 foreigners have returned to their native lands from upper Michigan since the close of last summer.

The exodus presages a scarcity of labor when industrial conditions improve; in fact, logging operators are already finding it difficult to increase their crews now that hauling has started with the coming of snow.

JUDGE'S RULING IS A HARD BLOW FOR COOKE If John A. Cooke, former Circuit court clerk and convicted grafter, had hopes that his latest legal plans would prevent the addition of four more years to his term at the penitentiary they must have disappeared in the light of yesterday's proceedings before Judge Windes.

Each of the judge's decisions was a direct blow to Cooke, whose attorneys had hoped that he would be able to escape trial on the thirty additional indictments which were hanging over his head when he went to Joliet to begin his term there a week ago.

A plea that the indictments be quashed because he had not been granted a speedy trial was swept aside by Judge Windes, who then announced that all of the indictments still were in good standing and that trial should be begun immediately.

GROSSUP FREED OF CAUSING EIGHTEEN DEATHS Charleston, Ill., Feb. 29.—Judge Thompson denounced the action of the Cole county grand jury in holding the directors of the Mattoon City railway liable for the deaths in an interurban wreck of eight persons as unjustified and unwarranted and accordingly freed Peter S. Grosscup, of Chicago, former judge, of all responsibility.

In a sweeping decision, based upon broad and general grounds, as well as upon legal facts, he quashed all indictments against officers and directors of the corporation.

The motormen were also released on account of technical errors and their release is deemed as the most important phase of the case.

MURRAY TO SUCCEED RIDGELEY AS CONTROLLER

FISH IS OUT OF I. C. DIRECTORATE; ARMOUR IN

Washington, D. C., Feb. 29.—It may now be stated upon excellent authority that Lawrence O. Murray of New York, assistant secretary of commerce and labor, will succeed William B. Ridgeley as comptroller of the currency, who will soon retire to accept a position in a large business institution.

Murray is a native of Steuben county, N. Y. He served as deputy comptroller of currency during the second administration of President Cleveland. Murray is on terms of intimacy with President Roosevelt and is a member of the so-called "Crisis cabinet," which is made up of the younger set of the administration.

FISH IS OUT OF I. C. DIRECTORATE; ARMOUR IN J. Ogden Armour, president of Armour & Co., will succeed Stuyvesant Fish as the director of the Illinois Central. Fish has given up his fight with Harriman and will withdraw.

Armour now controls the packing industry and has been interested in railroad or some time. He is widening his interests constantly, entering new fields and becoming a factor in them.

The charter of the Illinois Central road provides that the directors shall be seven in number. John J. Mitchell, president of the Illinois Trust & Savings bank, was slated for the place, but as he has decided not to "increase his responsibility," Harriman turned his attention toward the stockyards.

Whir-r, Buzz-z Bing, BANG!!! Alarm Clock Leaflets Awaken the Workers

"There's No Rest for the Wicked" There are three of the new "Alarm Clock" Leaflets. See the titles: 1. "The Socialist Party." Just the thing to increase Party membership. 2. "Breaking Up the Family." Showing how capitalism is destroying and Socialism would restore this institution. 3. "Tracing the evolution of the working class from savagery to Socialism." Start a few of these off in your neighborhood and rouse your fellow workers and stand them thinking on the road to Socialism.

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FIRE WAS WOMAN'S HOODOO; BURIED AFTER MANY TRIALS

MISSILE THROWN AT PRESIDENT OF REPUBLIC FAILS TO EXPLODE

Buenos Aires, Feb. 29.—Dr. J. Figueroa Alcorta, president of the Argentine republic, yesterday was the object of an abortive attempt at assassination at the hands of a native Argentine.

He buried a crude bomb at the president as the latter alighted from a carriage in front of his residence. The missile did not explode.

The man, who is believed to be insane, was arrested and three other persons who were acting in a suspicious manner also were taken into custody by the police.

President Not Disturbed Dr. Alcorta was not at all perturbed. He considers the act that of an insane man.

The following official statement regarding the occurrence was given out at the residence of the president: "His excellency was alighting from a carriage about 6 o'clock this evening when an individual, who afterward was identified as an Argentine of mixed blood, named Solari Begui, dropped the president's feet a bomb, which, happily, did not explode.

Dr. Alcorta, with great coolness, promptly kicked the infernal machine away from him, while his aid de camp, Capt. Anabia, seized the criminal and prevented his escape.

The police immediately procured a pail of water, into which they placed the bomb, which emitted a sulphurous odor.

Alcorta Expostulates "President Alcorta meantime had turned to expostulate with his would-be assassin, but owing to the possibility of the bomb still exploding, he was greatly alarmed and he dropped the president's feet a bomb, which, happily, did not explode.

A bitter fight over finances has made political strife extremely caustic in the last year.

MAKES SPEECH; LOSES HIS JOB Hevl Mezel, a Hungarian Socialist, lost his position because he dared to speak on Socialism.

Mezel, who worked for the Singer Sewing Machine Company, decided, on the earnest appeal of his countrymen, to address them at South Bend, Ind. While speaking he was detected by the Rev. Dr. McJannet, who was so incensed at Mezel that he sent the Singer company a letter requesting his immediate dismissal.

The company showed Mezel the preacher's letter and paid him off.

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TO USE NATIVE MATERIAL AND LABOR IN PHILIPPINES

ILLINOIS LEADS ALL STATES WITH 1,591,000 HORSES

Washington, Feb. 29.—Illinois leads all the states of the union in the number of horses within its borders, the total as reported by the statisticians of the department of agriculture in a bulletin just issued, being 1,591,000. They are worth an average of \$107 each, and this makes the total value many millions more than those of any other state.

The same bulletin says that there are in Illinois 143,000 mules, worth \$113 each; 1,184,000 milch cows, worth \$35 each; 2,168,000 other cattle, worth \$22 each; 725,000 sheep, worth \$5.01 each; and 4,672,000 swine, worth \$5.69 each.

On the first of the year the number of horses in the country was 19,992,000 and the average value was \$35.41, which was an increase of 245,000 over the total on Jan. 1, 1907.

TO USE NATIVE MATERIAL AND LABOR IN PHILIPPINES Washington, Feb. 29.—To encourage and develop the native sources of supply the secretary of war has issued an order that as far as is consistent with good administration and economy, the greatest possible use shall be made of native material products and labor in the Philippines. Native labor will be used in all work under the military authorities in the Philippines, native timber and lumber will be used when practicable in the construction and repair of buildings, and native forage will be used when a satisfactory quality can be obtained.

Through tests will be made of the fuel value of Batan or other native coal, and wherever possible native coal will be used.

"I MIGHT SWEAR, TOO," SAYS A MINISTER Grand Junction, Colo., Feb. 29.—"If a man were to come to me when I was working 12 hours a day and 365 days a year and try to feed me on tracts and gospel and made no effort to alleviate my condition I would tell him 'Away with it, and I'm not sure I wouldn't swear over it some too.'"

The above statement, made in the midst of a sermon, was the keynote to the address of Rev. Jas. A. Becker, at the Y. M. C. A. convention at Greeley, when the question of how the gospel might be sent to the best workers in the field and factory, was brought up.

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Exploiting Murder

It is hard to conceive of anything more ghoulish than the exploitation of the murder of the Denver priest by the forces of reaction.

In their frenzied efforts to utilize the blood of this victim of a hunger-crazed fanatic against every person who dares to criticize the powers that prey, the most antagonistic elements have been combined in a common denunciation.

All principles of truth and common decency have been sunk in an attempt to rouse the lynching spirit in the great mass of the people and to utilize that spirit to insure the dominance of exploiting greed.

Two things, aside from the ghouliness previously referred to, characterize this attempt to stampede the American working class into a blind worship and defense of existing privilege. One of these is the dishonesty of those who are leading the attempted stampede. These know perfectly well that there is no connection between this act and the Socialist movement.

The other most striking fact is the assumed ignorance, not to say imbecility, of the great mass of the population. It is taken for granted that those who will read these lying papers and listen to these dishonest sermons will be fools enough to believe that black is white, that Anarchy is Socialism, and that those who are giving their lives to try to rouse the workers to peaceable revolt against the murderous system of today are responsible for an act that can but serve the purposes of reaction.

It seems almost impossible that greed for power, and servility to those who possess power, should produce such dishonesty upon the one hand or that the deadening, narrowing influence of oppression should create such hopeless ignorance upon the other.

We do not believe that it is possible. We cannot but doubt that the effort to exploit murder will fail and that the workers of America will be so foolish as to be stopped in their battle for liberty by a crusade based upon such unscrupulous lying.

No Reduction in Wages

Preparations are being made to force wages down in the near future. It is for this that injunctions have been issued against trades unions. It is for this that the "war fund" of the Citizens' Alliance was collected.

Before the first echoes of falling banks had died away a general move to reduce wages was started all along the line. The resistance of organized labor has so far been sufficient to defend its members against this attack save in a few instances.

It is urged that this reduction must come to offset falling prices. NO ONE PRETENDS THAT THE PRODUCING POWER OF LABOR HAS DECLINED.

The worker of today is producing just as much as he was six months ago. In many cases he is producing more, for the hunger fear is closer now, and is driving him to greater exertions.

IN EVERY CASE WHERE IMPROVED MACHINERY IS USED THE LABORER IS PRODUCING MANY TIMES MORE THAN HE IS RECEIVING AS WAGES.

It is claimed that wages ought to rise and fall with "prosperity" and "panics."

Even on the principles of ordinary ethics WAGES SHOULD NEVER FALL. They should never fall, because THE PRODUCT OF LABOR IS CONSTANTLY INCREASING.

Every new machine, every discovery in science, every new invention, every new application of the forces of nature, means INCREASED PRODUCING POWER ON THE PART OF THOSE WHO USE THESE THINGS. IT SHOULD MEAN INCREASING WELL-BEING FOR THEM.

Today, however, the amount received in wages is not a question of justice or ethics, but of POWER. The capitalists will force wages just as low as they CAN. The working class will raise them just as high as they CAN.

Where wages will be fixed depends upon the strength of the contending parties. Labor has the power to place wages as high as it wishes, up to the point where they take the entire product, providing it uses its strength intelligently. If the unions maintain a solid front wages can be maintained. If the union men utilize their political as well as their economic strength they can take the entire product.

How Good a Paper Do You Want?

We were all pleased with yesterday's paper. It is but a suggestion of what is possible. With but a slightly increased income the Daily Socialist can easily surpass any other paper in the United States. It can have the best news service, both domestic and foreign, because the organized Socialists of the world constitute a news-gathering service for the SORT OF NEWS WORKING MEN AND WOMEN WISH TO READ that can be developed into something far superior to any news service controlled by the capitalists. This can be done at an expense that would look ridiculous beside the sums expended by capitalist dailies.

To secure these things requires work, and enthusiastic work, upon the part of those who are now the readers of this paper. It requires more subscriptions, more advertising. Both these things are growing rapidly. Both would grow far more rapidly with a little extra effort.

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It is a cold, business transaction all through. The Daily does nothing but sell the space, and leaves the matter of bargaining with the firm. It does not urge its readers to deal with its advertisers under any false pretense that they are not trying to make money.

Neither ought this paper and its readers to deceive the advertisers. They have paid for the preference in our purchasing. They are entitled to receive it.

If we give it to them, they will make a profit, and we will be able to have just as good a paper as we wish.

Use your purchasing power to make the capitalists build up your paper.

FORESTS AND FLOODS

BY THOMAS E. WILL, SECRETARY OF THE AMERICAN FORESTRY ASSOCIATION.

Since Harvey the world has understood that the blood circulates in the animal body in accordance with a regular system. Meteorologists recognize that, in like manner, the waters of the earth and surrounding atmosphere circulate in accordance with a system.

Water falls upon the earth, it is carried by gravitation into streams and through them into the ocean, by evaporation it rises into the form of clouds; these are carried by the winds over the land, where, by the action of cold, the water is condensed or squeezed out of them, to be deposited by gravitation upon the earth, continuing this process through ceaseless cycles.

As the circulation of the blood in the animal body may be normal or abnormal, so the circulation of the water in the earth may be normal or abnormal. In the case of each a moderate, equable flow is conducive to health. Stream flow, which the year round is comparatively even, is essential to the life of the vegetation, from the danks of high waters on the one hand and low on the other. It is favorable to agriculture, furnishing crops with the moisture necessary for their growth, and saving them the dangers of floods.

It is helpful to industries driven by water power, or by electricity generated therefrom, for the value of water power is in the volume of water passing over the dam, and the volume of the minimum head—high waters representing simply so much waste of power, the sifting up of dams and at times the bursting of these and the sweeping away of the works.

For all these interests, whether they be operated for the private profit or for the public good, the question is: How may a comparatively even stream flow be maintained the year round? Several factors enter into the maintenance of such a stream flow. The geological formation of the mountains of a given region is important. Sometimes, through this, Nature provides basins which catch the water from the rains or hold it in the form of snow, the melting of which furnishes the waters resulting from the melting of snow.

Such lake waters are gradually given off through evaporation and months which might otherwise be lost, thus entering in greater or less degree the end sought. Sometimes the rock formation is porous and permits the rapid absorption of large volumes of rain or snow water, which are gradually given off through springs to supply the streams.

Sometimes, as on the high peaks of the Rocky Mountain system, huge snow drifts form, slowly to melt in the course of the summer, and thus gradually to feed the streams.

Of all these forces, however, that make for the holding back of waters deposited upon mountain slopes, one of the most important, to say the least, is the forest. Its cover first breaks the force of the descending rain, thus preventing the cutting and gulping of the soil. Its floor, covered with a more or less thick deposit of leaves, branches, moss, decayed trunks and other vegetation, forms a thick carpet, which, when, up to the point of saturation, operates like a sponge, catching and holding the water and passing it slowly into the porous earth.

A section of this water is, of course, taken up by the trees themselves, and a portion is evaporated. The remainder, however, enters into the underground circulation, passing gradually through days and periods of weeks along subterranean channels, until it finally emerges by means of springs and thence pure and clean trickles into rivulets and runs and finally into the larger streams, supplying through the porous earth the water which is necessary to agriculture, commerce and manufacturing.

Suppose, however, the forest which

clothes the mountain side is cut away. In many cases this cutting is clean, the lumberman preferring to cut all the trees, even though he desires but a portion of them, the object being to clear the field for the removal of such of the crop as he can utilize.

This portion he takes out, leaving the ground covered thickly with abraded tree trunks, tops and branches. In time these dry out and form a veritable tinder box. Here, sooner or later, fire inevitably breaks out. Sometimes it results from accident; sparks from the smokesacks of a locomotive, the burning waste from a hunter's gun, a camp fire carelessly abandoned or a small fire set by some farmer and permitted to become unmanageable. Sometimes the fire is purposely kindled to clear the region and permit the growth of grass for stock.

The effects are often tragic. A conflagration, comparable to that of Chicago, sometimes follows, the fire licking over the hills, burning the forest, not infrequently the very soil itself. That soil can burn is due to the fact that in the forests it is largely composed of vegetable mould, which, in the absence of the forest conflagration, ascends like leaves and branches in smoke.

In the White Mountains the writer has seen a region thus burned over, a valley formerly having been transformed by ax and fire into one of hideous desolation. Huge boulders, half as large as a freight car or larger, may be seen strewn over the floor of the valley and perched upon them here and there the whitened remains of stumps, testifying to the fact that in this ravaged region once flourished a splendid forest.

Mountain sides thus stripped to the very bone often lose practically all the soil which once possessed of catching and holding back water. They operate, instead, much like house roofs, shedding off almost instantly the water that falls upon them, and sending them hurrying into the valley.

But the loss of waters thus deprived of the checking and conserving influences both of the forest cover and the forest floor, not only rush headlong to the streams, but they carry with them a vast volume of other material—silt, sand, boulders, wreckage—everything movable—and deposit it in the streams.

Upon these the adverse effect is twofold. First, through the filling up by detritus, the capacity of the channels is greatly diminished; second, the water, instead of coming gradually, comes, as noted, suddenly. The inevitable effect, namely, the flood, follows.

The United States Geological Survey estimates that the flood damage in the United States exceeds \$100,000,000 per year. The damage to our soils from these floods may be appreciated from the statement of a government expert that "the water ways of the United States annually sweep from land to sea a billion tons of earth, the value of which may be estimated as at least a billion dollars, the capacity of the channels by the American farmer."

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WORKINGMAN, HELP YOURSELF

BY ROBERT HUNTER.

Bryan and Roosevelt and Hearst cannot help us; where shall we turn?

In the last twenty-five years the masses have asked practically the same question in every country of the world.

There is only one answer. Turn back to yourselves.

If the people cannot run a democratic party they cannot run a democratic government.

If they cannot conduct a political organization without the help of some one powerful individual, then democracy is a failure.

The working men of Western Europe are finding democracy a success.

They have their own parties, separate and distinct from all other organizations.

They have stopped looking to others for help, and have settled down to hard labor themselves.

Germany today has a Socialist party that obtains three million votes, and over 500,000 men control that party. It is the same in France, Italy, Belgium, Norway, Sweden, Finland; wherever one goes.

If the working men of Europe are big enough to own and control their own political organization, what about the working men of America?

Let Labor stop expecting help from individuals.

If it wants to achieve social reform, improvement in labor conditions, the abolition of capitalism, the destruction of predatory wealth; if it wants to curb the trusts, let it join its own organization.

Let every ward and precinct of this country have its group of working men.

Let them go to the polls as one man.

And let them see that the corporations and their attorneys and their vote-catching good citizens, and their silver-tongued orators, are kept carefully and securely out of the organization.

The fight in this country is between the people and the men behind Mr. Bryan and Mr. Roosevelt.

It is not between the men behind Mr. Roosevelt and the men behind Mr. Bryan.

Those behind Bryan, and those behind Roosevelt, are struggling for a division of the spoils.

It is Labor, divided and helpless, that is being despoiled.

CHINESE RUGMAKERS

American people are scarcely aware of the wealth of China in all sorts of woven cloths, and more especially as to hand manufactured rugs and carpets chiefly made in Peking and Peking, where 1,000 persons or more are employed in the production of rugs of all kinds of material, silk, sheep's wool, camel's wool, jute, hemp, felt, yak hair and even the hair of the cow.

The wool rugs are in great demand and are largely used throughout China, Japan and the east. Many are exported to Europe, and lately to America. They are made on the same loom and in the same manner as are the silk rugs. Those of all sheep's wool, with cotton warp, range in price from 40 cents to \$2.50 per square foot, the size, design and color to suit the taste of the purchaser. Age softens and blends the colors, which are, in all reliable places of manufacture, of vegetable dyes.

It is interesting to note the origin of the carpet industry in China. The method of manufacture was first used in making saddlecloths and trappings for horses used in processions and by Chinese of high rank, developing into the rug and carpet industry on the advent of the foreigner. The saddle blankets are still used, and often are highly finished in the most elaborate designs and patterns.

Contest to End. All replies to the statement of Dennis Leahy must be sent in before March 5. A large number of replies have already been received. It is impossible to publish all that are sent in.

No Extension of Time to Wabash. Thursday's News contained a column under large headlines "Hard Nut to Crack" from Washington stating the Wabash railroad had asked for an extension of time pending into effect the nine-hour law, prohibiting the working of telegraph operators over nine hours per day. The Wabash claims it cannot secure enough operators.

It is not true, as any one near the situation knows. Three or four hundred good telegraphers are idle in Chicago now, and same conditions exist throughout the country. But when did the public ever comply with the law without making all kinds of flimsy excuses?

The same thing occurred when the safety appliance law went into effect and an extension was secured. An extension will no doubt be secured in this case also, as I hear of no concerted action on the part of telegraphers to oppose the move, although there may be, but if so it should be given publicity.

I would suggest that the Telegraphers' unions in each city get busy immediately and wire Roosevelt, their congressman and the railroad commissioners, strongly protesting against an extension and stating how many unemployed telegraphers there are in their district or town. They should use every effort to avoid an extension of time being granted, and urge the public to do the same. There are a great many accidents which, while not directly attributable to the telegraph operator, yet which were he not overworked in hours and various duties he could be very instrumental in preventing.

However, there should be no occasion for this extension business. The law is there and the railroad has had a year to prepare, and what have they done? Instead of preparing for it they have reduced their force, and I venture to say the Wabash has, in the past three months, turned away twice the number of applicants the railroad should be necessary under the law (243.) Same thing applies to all the other roads.

Telegraphers get busy! When election comes avoid vote for your own class. Vote the Socialist ticket. A TRAIN DISPATCHER.

Reply to Leahy's "Strong-Support-the-Weak" Theory. Dennis Leahy says the "Post's" method would compel employed labor to support the weak. He also says that men, women and children are weak because they are robbed of what nature would give them.

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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Edited by Marie Jayne

A Thoroughbred Bourgeois

BY BERMA VIVIAN JOHNSON.

HE WAS an overgrown, lary capitalist. I walked into his office one hot afternoon to make a payment on property and to settle the year's taxes.

The taxes were considerably more than he told me before I purchased the property. I criticized him concerning this matter and also for neglecting to inform me earlier of the amount, as it put me to some inconvenience to secure the sum on so short notice.

He ignored the discrepancy in his first quotation of the taxes and only answered the criticism regarding the matter as being of little importance. To him whether the payment was made up or not as long as the property would be his without refunding past payments in the event of anything happening, was the matter as he pleased.

He even stooped to the sordid selfishness of a great many of his class to grind the few cents of extra interest out of me which had accrued since the taxes were due four months before.

This was due to ignorance of the time for paying them in the suburb where I was located, and though he paid them himself and said nothing, he let me see to head of them at the last possible moment, when the danger of losing everything invested was greatest, and on this short notice demanded the petty four months' interest also. Had I known this there would have been a severer criticism, although it would have done no more good than to have let me vent my scorn of his class upon him.

As it was, he replied with a charming society smile: "You must remember Cottage-cheese pie—Mix one tablespoonful of flour with butter the size of a walnut, add two large cups of cottage cheese and six tablespoonfuls of sugar, mix thoroughly and stir in four beaten eggs; flavor with cinnamon and bake with an unfermented crust."

Family fritters—One cup of dry peas, one tablespoonful each of butter and flour; one egg, salt and pepper, stir all together, drop big spoonfuls and fry.

Unwashed salmon—Roll one one-quarter crackers, wash with salt and pepper and mix with one can salmon, put in a skillet and add milk (or milk and water) to moisten well and some butter, cover and steam thoroughly.

Corn bread—In cutting do not forget to fold the knife perpendicular, that the spoon in front of the loaf may not be crushed.—Mrs. R. J. H.

For Home Dressmakers

land, and that of D. D. from the University of Heidelberg. Mrs. Leahy has in addition the degree of Ph. D. from the University of Halle, Germany. Both these women are suffrage women and they notified the committee arranging for a great women's suffrage convention at Edinburgh, Scotland, on October 5 that they intended to be present. These sisters are natives of Scotland.

Dr. Mary Stone, a graduate of the medical department of the University of Michigan, has been practicing for ten years in Central China, being at the head of the big hospital system of Klukang. She is said to be the only physician of occidental training in a province of 5,000,000. She personally attended to 14,000 patients in a single year. It is no wonder that she has returned to this country for medical treatment.

Child Labor Bill Passes. The Massey child labor bill, changed beyond recognition, was passed by the Virginia house by a vote of 49 to 37, following a scene of the wildest confusion. The fight became so involved that it was hard to keep an accurate run of the thing. The legislature has not witnessed such a scene in a decade. The bill will be recommended for revision.

The Cook County Socialist Sunday School. The next session of the Cook County Socialist Sunday school will be held Sunday, March 1, at Jacobson's Hall, Western and Wabasha streets, at 10 o'clock.

Woman's Progress. Dr. Mary Merritt Crawford, a graduate of Cornell University, has received appointment as interne and ambulance surgeon in Williamsburg, N. Y. The ambulance duties begin in June and she will be the first woman to respond to a policeman's call in this capacity. She is, however, an athlete and will be able to fill the role.

Paris Pattern No. 2162. This is one of the most charming designs in a separate waist that has been seen in some time. The material is soft cream-colored muslin and the wide bands outlining the square neck and wide armholes are of applique tulle and the cuffs of the three-quarter length sleeves are trimmed to match.

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TO THE EDITOR

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Having inherited a system of property relations and of industry, and having been kindly assisted out of the cradle and told to hustle, these poor, distracted workers look about them for means of satisfying their wants.

Everything they need is within their sight, but their inherited curse (the law of private property) stands between them and the things of life, paralyzing their limbs; they cannot move save as the law permits. It is a cruel plea for bread, isn't it? Still they are not altogether to blame; they did not make the industrial, or rather, the judicial, system. They inherited it.

Of course he does not employ them all at the same time. He has learned from experience that some workmen's selfishness keeps pace with the expansion of their stomachs, and when their bellies are full they will not work. He has learned that a few workmen on the waiting list.

While the workers wait he learns that those who own the tools of industry own and control the opportunities of employment and the product of the workers. He notes that the worker who works on his own account wants for his personal use, and that he has not really produced it himself, but that the laborer must be satisfied with the crumbs which earth has entered into it as well as his own labor. He sees that all labor is social labor, and he concludes that since society performs all labor it should own the means of production if it desires to control its product.

He sees that owners protect their property with the assistance of the state. He sees that the present state of the world is a watching guarding the institution of private property, and he is now determined to own the dog.

He will use him until robbers are reformed or incarcerated, then he will draw the fangs and hitch him to the baby car.

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Unemployed Parents. These parades of the unemployed are full of promise. Promise of what? Promise of nothing, because the unemployed, being a highly educated and philosophical class are always contented. They may be doing some thinking, however, and too much thinking is dangerous. It might be well to send the countless army of the unemployed free copies of the New York Times, Tribune, Sun and other papers controlled by trusted millionaires, who assure us that Socialism is folly because the goose hangs high.

By the way, if a man with a family can not get work because the capitalist sees no profit in employing him, what shall he do—he with the family? But this sort of talk "creates class feeling."

Besides, dinner may be ready.—New York Life.