

OWNERS TILL LAND IN ITALY TO END STRIKE

Proprietors See Failure of Crops in Strife With Farm Laborers; Put Kin in Fields

Parma, Italy, June 15.—The strike of the farm laborers has put the landed proprietors in such straits that they have taken to the fields with their sons and other members of their families so that the crops may not be lost.

Police Guard Owners These "white-gloved" workers are continuously under the guard of the local police and armed troops.

Do Their Own Work So strong have the labor forces proved that the proprietors feared that they would have no crops and are trying to perform all work on their estates.

UNVEIL MONUMENT TO A SOCIALIST IN ARKANSAS (Special to the Daily Socialist.) Little Rock, Ark., June 15.—The Socialist state convention, before adjourning, unveiled a monument to the memory of John H. Woods, a Socialist who was killed in a railroad wreck, July 27, 1907.

After the unveiling, addresses were made by Stanley Clark, P. E. Gold, E. W. Ferris and J. Samuel Jones, the Socialist nominee for governor.

CINCINNATI SOCIALISTS TO GIVE A CAMPAIGN PIONTO (Special to the Daily Socialist.) Cincinnati, June 15.—Socialists of Cincinnati and southern Ohio will have a campaign booster picnic at the Country Club, Sunday, June 21.

POLICE CLUBS IN CAR STRIKE Cincinnati, O., June 15.—Cincinnati nearly had a street car strike, but policemen's night sticks killed it in its infancy.

SOCIETY MAN ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF STENOGRAPHER Mobile, Ala., June 15.—James C. Simpson, a well known society and business man, is under arrest on complaint of Miss Lena Boyd, a stenographer, the charge against him being an attempted attack in his office.

THE GUIDING HAND LABOR PLANK FOR G.O.P. PLATFORM



Resolved That the interests of the laborer and the capitalist are mutual

MAN KILLED ON "DIP THE DIP" Dashed to Ground From Seat in Coaster Devise at Resort

The accident occurred at the end of the first "dip" on the coaster, known as the "camel's back" because of a hump in the structure which bounces the cars.

LABOR WANTS 'STRONG' PLANK A. F. of L. Heads 'Firm'; Mitchell Still Flirts With Democrats

Just what the American Federation of Labor is going to ask of the Republican convention in the way of a labor plank to attract the votes of the workingman cannot be learned.

BOY WITNESS MISSING At the terminal a red headed boy, who occupied the rear seat of the car, also went away without leaving an address.

SAMOAN VOLCANO IS IN ERUPTION; GREAT LAVA FLOW Auckland, N. Z., June 15.—Advises received here state that for three nights, beginning on May 10, there was a remarkable volcanic outburst on Savai, the largest of the Samoan islands.

PITTSBURGH MAN GIVES HALF MILLION TO STUDY INANITY Baltimore, Md., June 15.—Professor William H. Welch of the Johns Hopkins hospital has announced that Henry Phillips of Pittsburgh and New York just prior to sailing for Europe arranged for a gift of more than a half million dollars to the Johns Hopkins hospital and university for the founding of a psychiatric clinic on the lines of well known similar institutions in Europe.

NEGRO WIZARDS SLAY WHITE CHILD TO CURE NEGRESS Havana, June 15.—Victor Navarro, a negro boy arrested at Alacranes on the charge of complicity in the kidnapping of Lucia Valdes, a white child, has confessed the girl was the victim of a band of Brujos, or negro wizards. He said the child was murdered for the purpose of using the blood of her heart to cure an old negro of consumption.

PHYSICIAN BLOWN UP IN EXPLOSION OF VAPOR St. Louis, Mo., June 15.—While Albert A. Pickel, a St. Louis manufacturer, and Miss Myra A. Mathews, a practicing physician of St. Louis, were experimenting with chemicals in a laboratory at 124 S. Ave. avenue, yesterday afternoon, vapor from the mixture filled the room and exploded, injuring Dr. Mathews, probably fatally, burning Pickel, and blowing the front out of the building, which caught fire.

FARMERS IN BIG COUP TO BOOST WHEAT PRICES

Equity Society in a Gigantic Campaign to Set Own Figures on Grain

Hundreds of thousands of farmers, members of the American Society of Equity, are planning a coup to control the wheat and flax acreage of the United States to keep the prices of these products up above the dollar mark until November 1, this year.

First Such Undertaking This is the first time in the history of the United States that the farmers have banded together and set their own price at will on grain products.

Campaign Carefully Planned Over 90 per cent of the flax produced in the United States is grown in Minnesota, North and South Dakota.

Does Not Love Bill The Daily does not love "Injunction Bill" Taft, whose noble record as the opener of the gates of jails for the reception of those who fight for the cause of labor the Daily has taken the utmost care to make known.

Not Quite Kicked Out The Daily Socialist is getting the same courtesy at the hands of the G. O. P. convention committee which labor received from congress.

HELEN MALONEY ON WAY TO "MARRY" CLARKSON? New York, June 15.—Mrs. Martin Maloney, wife of the papal marquis and wealthy restaurateur, Oil man of Philadelphia, is here with her daughter, Helen, whose matrimonial ventures have interested London, New York and Rome, and whose first marriage to A. H. Osborne recently was annulled by the courts.

PASTOR SAYS SERMONETTES DELIVER ONLY SERMONETTES Stroudsburg, Pa., June 15.—Members of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Stroudsburg, Pa., are delivering sermons during the summer months by the new pastor, the Rev. William Powick, who, in his sermon this morning, strongly condemned the popular idea of short sermons in hot weather to please easy-going Christians.

BUCHANAN SAYS CENTRAL AMERICA IS FOR PEACE Havana, June 15.—Judge W. I. Buchanan, who attended the inauguration of the Court of Justice of Central America at Santiago, Costa Rica, last month, arrived here yesterday on the cruiser Des Moines from Vera Cruz.

4,000 MOROCCO TROOPS IN REVOLT; CAPTURE COMMANDER Tangier, June 15.—Four thousand of the troops of Abdel-Asis, the sultan, have revolted and taken prisoner a French commander and three other officers.

PACIFIC COAST! 'LABOR PLANK' IS TO BE FULL OF KNOT HOLES

Socialists who live on the Pacific coast should act quickly on the Daily Socialist's FOURTH OF JULY SPECIAL. Not a day is to be lost.

MIMIC WAR TO AID THE MILITIA New York, June 15.—New York is being approached by the enemy's fleet, two battleships, three armored cruisers, two monitors and a whole swarm of torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers.

Visit to Czar is Renounced Paris, June 15.—Emulating the English Socialist and Labor members of parliament, the French Socialists are opposed to President Falliere's impending visit to the czar.

ELINOR GLYN SAYS MINERS ARE PEERS OF NOBILITY New York, June 15.—Mrs. Elinor Glyn returned to town after an eight weeks' visit in the west. She is back with a pearl handled revolver, a deputy sheriff's badge, both gifts of Gov. Hutchinson of Nevada, and some interesting views on masculine gentility.

SEES HIS PANTS ON MAN; HAS HIM LOCKED UP George Edwin Stafford—he said that was his name—visited Wilmette last night wearing an overcoat, a pair of trousers, and a pair of gloves that were stolen two weeks ago from the residence of H. S. Judd.

ORGAN GRINDER'S MONKEY DRIVES A GIRL INSANE Peoria, Ill., June 15.—Driven insane by the fear of a monkey grown at her by Giuseppe Casanova, an Italian organ grinder, Minnie Reesor, aged 18 years, of 109 Sanger street, this city, lies at her home bereft of reason and a prey to the ravings of terror.

LONDON CROWD JEERS AMERICAN-BORN DUCHESSES London, June 15.—For the second time since the arrival of the Duke of Roxburgh, the former May Goelet has been mobbed in the streets of London.

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PHILIPPINE EXPENSE BILL IS FILED AT \$4,000,000 Manila, P. I., June 15.—After a conference the insular commission and the Philippine assembly have arrived at an agreement upon the Philippine expense bill. The compromise measure appropriates \$4,000,000, the assembly making a concession of \$200,000.

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INFECTED WITH A LOATHESOME GERM IN WARD Children of Poor Contract Peculiar Disease at the Cook County Hospital

Charges that children who are sent to the County Hospital suffering with contagious diseases contract a loathsome disease, popularly supposed not to be a disease of childhood, are made by four parents whose children have become affected while in the hospital.

Four Fathers Accuse A. Litman, 417 S. Halsted street; A. Glick, 537 N. Wood street; L. Cohen, formerly of 136 Fowler street, now of Indianapolis, Ind., and Gus Helfand, 187 Milwaukee avenue, are the men who make the charges.

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

There's No Rest for the Wicked! There are two of the new "Alarm Clock" Leaflets. See the titles: 1. "The Socialist Party." Just the thing to increase Party membership.

WILL USE GUNBOAT TO SEIZE ALLEGED EMBEZZLER New Orleans, June 15.—A gunboat will be used to kidnap F. C. Bailey, president of the Export Shipping company of New Jersey from Honduras, which has no extradition treaty with the United States.

CAPRICE OF BOY 30 YEARS AGO CAUSES TWO DEATHS St. Louis, Mo., June 15.—A boy's caprice thirty years ago, in thrusting a steel sled runner into the crotch of an oak tree, on what is now the Glen Echo golf links, is believed to have been the cause of two deaths from lightning at the base of the tree.

BREAK DOORS IN SEARCH OF GIRL Five detectives broke down the barricaded door of the offices of Dr. Wm. McGurkin, a dentist, at 52 Dearborn street, at 9 o'clock this morning. The dentist was charged with having assaulted Carrie Canning, aged 20, March 29, and having kept her in his suite until the following Monday.

Officer Gets Reinforcement The officer returned to the city hall greatly excited and seared. Detectives Louis Savage, Kinney and Foster, and returned to the building. The officers broke down the door and ascertained that William McGurkin and his brother were armed with clubs, though they had no firearms.

BULEK NOW IS HAPPIEST MAN "I am the happiest man in the world. The jail used to be dark and gloomy for me, but now it looks like a palace in heaven," said Bulek, gleefully, this morning.

MRS. STOKES IS TO AD SLAYER New York, June 15.—Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes, wife of the former millionaire settlement worker, has come to the aid of Sarah Keten and will see her through her trouble.

AGED COUPLE FOUND DEAD IN A GAS-FILLED ROOM Carl Klehn, 75 years old, and his wife, Louise, 75 years old, were found dead in a gas-filled room in their home, 448 Anson street, shortly after 2 p. m. today by their grandson, Charles Kosceck.

Literature Agents, Ward Chairmen and Speakers who want some good bargains in literature should come down to the Book Department of the Chicago Daily Socialist between 9 a. m. and 5 p. m. Sunday.

RULERS TRY TO CHECK GROWTH Anti-Socialist Measures Put Into Effect in European Countries

Vienna, June 15.—The repressive measures which the various governments of Europe have been taking during the past year against the growth of the Young People's Socialist organizations were reported to the convention of the International Federation of Young People's Socialist organizations which was held in this city, and the complete report is just issued.

Party Support Pledged The Italian Socialist party has recognized the Young People's Socialist organization and pledged their party support.

NEW LAW WILL CLOSE ALL ILLINOIS MINES ON JULY 1 Galesburg, Ill., June 15.—George W. Thompson of this city, judge of the Circuit and Appellate courts, said yesterday that the new mining law requiring every miner employed in a mine to have a certificate of competency, issued by an examining board, will close every mine in Illinois on July 1.

KEYMEN ELECT NATIONAL HEADS

The convention of the Commercial Telegraphers' union of America, which has been in session in Milwaukee, elected the following officers: President, S. J. Konekamp of Pittsburg; secretary-treasurer, Wesley Russell, Chicago (re-elected); vice president, Harry Saulis, Winnipeg; executive board, James Egan, St. Louis; George Towne, Buffalo; C. E. Hill, Toronto; Percy Thomas, New York; Dr. Worth, Denver.

Retiring President Beattie said: "The telegraphers will now have to get busy and begin to build up the organization, and join the Socialist party. I believe there are too few class-conscious telegraphers at present."

RICH AUTOIST GETS LONG TERM FOR MANSLAUGHTER Seattle, Wash., June 15.—Guy C. Stratton, prominent business man and lumberman, whom a jury convicted on May 18 of manslaughter on the charge of having run over and killed 7-year-old Henrietta Johnson while speeding his automobile on Sunday, Jan. 26, has been sentenced by Judge Frater of the Superior court to an indeterminate term from one to twenty years in the state penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$500.

Riverview A Materialized Paradise Where Breezes Blow Through Leafy Bowers!! Large Enough to Hold EVERYONE Holcombe's Band IF YOU'VE A SPARK OF PATRIOTISM, YOU'LL LIKE Little Big Horn! RIVerview THE PARK WHOSE GROVES BREATHE FREEDOM!! Remember Ladies and Children Free All Days But Sundays and Holidays Do you wish to make Irishmen Socialists? Then Give Them THE HARP

AWAKENED BY FIRE, MAN PLUNGES FROM HIGH WINDOW One man jumped from a third-story window, a fireman was cut by falling glass and three persons were overcome by smoke and rescued at 4 o'clock this morning in a fire which partly destroyed a three-story brick and frame building at 2665 North Paulina street.

STRUCK FOR DEFENDING SEX, WOMAN GRANTED DIVORCE There are no good women in this world," Audley D. Risely told his wife a year ago.

SOCIALIST GAIN GROWS BIGGER

Brussels, June 15.—The final figures from the recent election show that the Socialist vote had increased more strongly than the returns at first indicated for the same territory. The vote was 237,174 in 1904, as against 274,163 for the elections recently held.

WEDDINGS, KEPT ON SHIP Seattle, Wash., June 15.—More than fifty Japanese prospective brides have arrived among the 300 passengers on the Tacoma Maru at the docks to receive them, only to be met by the new immigration regulations restricting the landing of Japanese.

The Chicago Daily Socialist wishes to announce that its book department will be open for business on Sundays hereafter between the hours of 9 and 5.

POLICE LET UP ON SPEAKERS Thieving 'Cops' Have to Be Watched in City of Philadelphia

Philadelphia, Pa., June 15.—Perhaps the police of this city were more savage and brutal while breaking up Socialist meetings because they were taken from their favorite beats, where good work might be done with the jimmy and pliers. The department seems to be filled up with burglars.

Instead of finding a whisky bottle, however, they pulled forth a kit of burglar tools of the finest make. It consisted of a diver's steel jimmy, two long delicately adjusted pairs of pliers, used to enter, catch and open any door locked from the inside, and also a pair of pliers for cutting wire.

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Shoes Bearing this Stamp Are made by Union Labor and Fair Employers agreeing to arbitrate all differences. Believers in Industrial Peace and Fair Treatment of Labor should ask their shoe dealer for shoes bearing this stamp.

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"MEN AND MULES" "Hits the spot." Quarter of a million sold in nine weeks. 37,000 copies ordered by C. E. Wharton of the 8th Ohio Congressional District. "Brim full of thunder." "The Uncle Tom's Cabin of the Socialist Movement." Capitalists say "it ought to be suppressed," but it won't. If you can't get it to you by mail, will send it for \$5 to separate addresses if you will furnish the names. This "ad" will not appear again. Send all orders to W. F. Ries, 318 Summit St., Toledo, Ohio.

The Daily Socialist Bargain Counter The Daily Socialist is pleased to inform its many readers that arrangements have been made with one of the largest mail-order concerns in the country for the prompt filling of orders for anything that human beings use, from a package of pins to a harvesting machine. TRIUMPH LAWN MOWER This is a high-wheel lawn mower and should not be confused with cheaper machines which are made to retail at \$20.00. We find that the cheaper grades of lawn mowers do not give satisfaction, and offer, as they operate, as well as therefore suggest that our readers take advantage of this offer, as they are quoting a price at considerably higher prices than we are quoting. This machine is one of our most durable and light running high-wheel mowers on the market, and is especially adapted for large lawns and parks. The frame is very strong and rigid, and the cutter bars and boxes for reel shaft are adjustable, to compensate for wear. The reel shaft also has bronze boxes, making the best and most durable bearings, and increasing the light running quality. The reel is the most simple, effective and durable in use. The teeth of main wheel and pinions are constructed with a view to pleasure as well as smooth running. The handle of this machine is also adjustable, so that it can be arranged for use by either a child or grown person. The reel and cutter bar knives are made of crucible steel, highly tempered; in fact, the workmanship of the machine throughout is strictly first class. The drive wheel is 10 inches in diameter, and the reel is 7 inches in diameter, and has a curved, continuous cutter. This lawn mower is painted red, green and black and trimmed in gold. We furnish it in the four sizes at the following prices: 7 D3 Triumph 14-inch, \$4; 10-inch, \$4.50; 18-inch, \$5; and 20-inch, \$5.50. Bargain in Fishing Tackle Outfit, \$3.80 Our Leader Hammock, \$1.98 Camera Bargain, \$3.00

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SONG BIRDS AS PICNIC GUESTS

Wild Songsters Lend Color to Scene in Grove at Riverview Park

Hundreds of wild song birds are one of the many natural attractions peculiar to Riverview park, where the big Socialist picnic is to be held Sunday, June 21.

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CALEB POWERS GIVEN LIBERTY

Governor Releases Man Thrice Convicted of Aiding Slayers

Frankfort, Ky., June 15.—Gov. Willson has pardoned Caleb Powers and James Howard, held for the murder of Senator William Goebel in 1904.

The governor held that as the guilt of the two had not been established, they had been sufficiently punished by their eight years of imprisonment.

Soon after Gov. Willson was elected it became generally recognized that Powers would be freed if the proper showing of public sentiment could be made.

Powers had been put on trial for his life four times. In three of these trials the jury brought in a verdict of conviction.

Twice Sentenced to Death Kentucky feud troubles have been more or less connected with the whole case.

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THE HUSTLERS' COLUMN CONDUCTED BY H. G. CREEL

LOOK OUT FOR THE SANDMAN!

Hustlers, somebody—some Hustler—went to sleep yesterday, and by that piece of negligence HE threw the whole Hustling machinery out of gear.

Seriously, Hustlers, yesterday showed a decided falling off in your support of your paper. We can't afford that. Every Hustler must WORK AND WORK HARD.

There must be no cessation of effort. Greater things are in store for both the Daily and the cause of Socialism, but these can only come through the agency of the Hustlers and the class-conscious workers.

Don't rest on past victories. And it's doubly foolish and dangerous to be content with PARTIAL victory. Don't relax. Keep up the fight. Dig into their AND BEWARE OF THE SANDMAN!

Here is the list of Hustlers who have sent in a single subscription each within the past four days. This list does not include single subs. sent in on subscription cards or those contained in letters with other orders.

W. Ed Collins, Crawfordville, Ind., proposes this question to the Hustlers: "Which is the worst? That we have a paper, or that we don't have one?"

Other readers who have sent in one subscription each during the above mentioned time are as follows: Lee W. Lange, Muscatine, Ia.

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Savage at Work

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Cause of Panics

"What is the cause of the panic?" asks the man on the street looking for work. This is the question that is being repeated today by thousands, and they demand an answer.

The following "causes" of the panic are gathered from capitalist sources and show the contradictory statements that the master class is putting forward as an explanation of the industrial depression in its attempt to muddle the mind of the workers.

- "Too many people in the city."—Chicago Tribune.
- "Too many men fill the soil."—Chicago Inter Ocean.
- Really these two Republican papers should have consulted together before they attempted to speak on the panic.
- "Overtrading in all branches."—New York Sun.
- "Overbuilding of railroads and over speculation."—New York Post.
- "Confidence is all that is lacking."—Real Estate Record and Guide.
- "Capital is scarce."—St. Louis Republican.
- "People at large are poor."—Baltimore Sun.
- "People hoarding their money."—Baltimore American.
- "Extravagance in expenditure."—Matthew Marsten.

The Socialists are the only ones who have been able to state the correct cause of the panic and point out the way for the working men to forever remove the possibility of another panic by themselves taking control of the productive process.

Unions in the Crises

From every industrial center comes the story that the unorganized worker has felt the crisis the hardest. In every case his wages have been at once reduced to or below the subsistence point. He is driven to the limit of exertions and finds himself forced to endure his sufferings unaided by his fellows.

On the other hand, it is generally reported that organized workers have been able to maintain their wage scale. Where they have been thrown out of work in large numbers they have usually been able to receive some assistance from their union. The older and stronger unions especially have been able to grant regular unemployed relief to their members.

In fact, practically everything that has been done in any effective manner for the unemployed has been done by the trades unions. The money which they have dispensed to their members has exceeded by several-fold the pitiful sums doled out as charity. Yet nothing has been said about this in the capitalist press that has been booming all sorts of relief funds, bread lines, etc.

The Socialist Party recognizes these facts and places in its platform a demand that when the resources of the unions shall be overtaxed in their effort to care for their unemployed members, that the state shall come to their assistance and vote additional sums into the union treasuries to meet this demand.

Gay Uniforms as Bait for Women

The army of the United States complains that it cannot procure enough men to keep up its strength. May it not be found that the comparative severity of the American uniform, which has been much increased of late years, is responsible for this? Let the soldier deck himself out in gay colors, attractive to the ladies, and we shall see whether enlistments will not grow rapidly. The probability is that they will.—Chicago Journal.

What a tribute to the intelligence of the American laborer!

What an insult to American womanhood!  
This assumption that men can be hired for murder by being given a gaudy covering, with which to attract working girls to their ruin is the worst insult to the working class that has appeared in a capitalist paper for many days.

The Joke is on Us

By one of those errors that is so flagrant that no one thinks of looking for it the total number of unemployed as published Friday was made one million more than the detailed figures really showed. The separate items gave each reader a chance to rectify the mistake. At the same time, as was stated in the body of the article, no account was taken of the more than one million persons who are regularly unemployed in the manufacturing industry, although their existence was mentioned. There were numerous other checks on the total which were mentioned, and which, if included, would raise it far above the sum given in the head-lines and text of the article.

Anarchy in High Places

The Economist is greatly exercised over an attempt on the part of the state of Illinois to secure possession of the ninety-three acres of land, valued at \$457,743, that belongs to the state according to law, but that is now held by the Illinois Steel company.

The Economist states that this policy of the state against large corporate enterprises is hurtful and that the Gary steel works might have been located in Chicago but for activity irritating to the corporation, though that activity was merely an effort to make the Steel Corporation observe the law.

The Economist is a conservative capitalist paper. Apparently it would not have the law enforced when the wrong-deer is a wealthy corporation.

THE PETTY LITTLE RICH

BY CHARLES H. FITCH

Few things did more to make the American people say "Amen, so be it" to the prosecution of the Spanish War than the exhibition of the pictures of the Reconqueradores, starved, diseased, emaciated bundles of skin and bones, illustrating the cruelty of Weyler. The disparity of present conditions, and the cruelty of capitalism is a like means of arousing the people to the point of economic revolution. Such pictures speak louder than words and should be shown everywhere. In magazines, store windows and nickelodeons, until the people are waked out of their lethargy.

But it is a mistake to suppose that all the well-to-do or that all business people are to be classed as enemies to the coming order. I believe that the most active Socialists, most kindly alive to the wrong of present conditions, are business people. In fact, it is not until the factory employe begins to see the game, and take a hurtling hand in it does he begin to work for better business in Socialism. The cause leading down a coast is, in fact, from those who have it, and sympathize with the revolution enough to contribute it in co-operation. These people are not merely unaided by altruistic feeling. They are people who see the contemptible measure of social injustice till they hate, ridicule and despise it. They see the possibility of a greater, grander life, which can be reached only by breaking down a coast and injustice, and making a life worth living, and that no human soul shall be excluded. Frances Prout in a recent communication to your paper expresses this position. This ambition for a better human life so-

cologically and physiologically, and she adds with beautiful simplicity the telling words: "I have desired it."  
I am not myself a skin and bones proposition. I have never suffered real ranges of hunger in my life, except once, when I got lost in the Rocky Mountains. But I have got to get out of the suffocating atmosphere of little riches, of the pettiness of narrow-minded bourgeois exclusiveness. A man who, as was said of Burke, "making born for the universe narrow," has his mind, and in party gives up what was meant for mankind, has ceased to be a man to me. Whatever millions he may possess, he is only a small spot on the horizon of the world. I would like to submit to you some blistering exhortations of such people like Patrick Henry's denunciation of Hook, the government contractor, which made the jury roll on the grass and Boe's sided, while Hook fled for fear that someone would do him harm. I believe I could do something toward making born for the universe narrow a popular.

I understand the Republican convention to be accompanied by a series of pink teas. The Republican party needs to be chaperoned by a list of lady partisans. It is not a man's party any more, nor a woman's party. It is a lady's party, a party of females at ease who have forsaken the deeper, higher, nobler instincts of humanity, and flatter themselves in a small circle of insinuates, with motives so small that they must be put under a microscope to be seen at all.

SOCIALISTS AT WORK

BY EUGENE WOOD

A book may be said to possess the elements of success in proportion as it keeps a man from doing what he ought to do at the moment, such as going to bed—the holy baptized Christian ought to go, instead of burning the gas like that; it ought to interfere with business in other words. And I can conscientiously give Robert Hunter's book, "Socialists at Work," that tribute of high esteem. It can readily be seen that interrupting important conversations as to whether a yard and a half will be enough, and whether the pettinish bed should be this side or "yan" side the year tree, with "Here! Listen to this." And, when the book is done, turning from the back page of all to the front page of all to read it all over again, and other similar symptoms of eager interest, are all included in the statement that reading "Socialists at Work" unites a man for business. And, since that is what a book is meant to do, the cake is Robert Hunter's. Take it. Palmam ferat qui meruit, as it says in the back part of the dictionary.

It met a long felt want with me. I suppose I am not the only one in these United States who has been drawn two ways at once, to the great peril of his intellectual buton: First, by the pipe dreams of how things will be "under Socialism," when we shall have become really sensible and civilized, planning out society as a whole as we plan out a garden—that is, to get the greatest all-round good out of the whole patch, and, second, the realization when the pipe is cold and all gone out, that a beginning has to be made now, when we are very far from having good sense or being civilized, and run our garden on the principle that the hold, brave burdock has the inherent right to struggle for supremacy with the bashful butter bean, and may the best one win! To hold an ideal of a useful, happy world is "visionary," to let things slide is "practical."

Our own Columbia, however, has suddenly discovered within the last half hour or decade or some such matter that whereas she has been thinking that she was a great deal better than she should be, she isn't at all. Up to a few minutes ago, why no kings, no lords—everybody just as everybody else, money in the bank, organ in the parlor, meat in the "kettle." If you don't like it here what did you come for and why don't you go back! And now—look! More babies working nights, predatory wealth; all kinds of scoundgery in high places and low places; automobiles and starving men, strikes, lockouts, Moyer Haywood, and Harriman-Ryan—just the same as if we weren't a republic and had our choice between Pat McCarren and Charley Murphy.

The poor lady wrings her hands and moans, "Behold and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow!" And this book comes up and says: "Sure thing! It's just the same in every civilized country. They've all the same sorrow. And mud-headedness like unto my mud-headedness. Only, on the other side, they have outgrown some foolishness that you still hold to. They do not expect to gather grapes in the thorns and figs of thistles, as you still think you can if you're right smart."

"They have found out that reduction of hours and increase of pay is not to be expected of men who thrive by increase of hours and reduction of pay. They don't expect their old parties to make life tolerable for people who are so foolish as to work for a living. No they've organized a new party."

"And," Mr. Hunter goes on to say, when he observes the poor lady shake her head dolefully, believing that it is of no use to think of such a thing, "it works out. When you are lost in the woods, you certainly do have to get out of there step by step, but if you look ahead only that one step, you just wander round and round and never get anywhere. But if you fix your eye on some distant object—maybe an unattainable star—you take

one step after another just the same, but you finally do get out of the woods. It sounds reasonable. Better still, it is practicable."

This book has put my feet on the solid ground. It has shown me what I ought to have seen, and did in a way—see that it is not so much the program that counts as the movement. Very interesting to discuss what we shall do "under Socialism," very interesting and to a certain extent worth discussion. Shall we have toothbrushes in common?

Shall we print our labor-time checks on red paper or blue, and had we better have oatmeal for breakfast on Wednesday or Thursday? Worth while talking over—when there's nothing better. But in the meantime, here's the trade union man, who thinks he ought to have more of what he earns, but isn't prepared to go to the wild extreme of demanding ALL he earns, who would like to have an eight-hour workday, but wouldn't know what to do with himself if he had a four-hour workday; here's the farmer, who would like to have the railroads run for the common benefit; here's the single taxer, who agrees with us that rent is wrong, but thinks interest and profit haven't benefited to the human race; here are all sorts of reformers, who think it wicked to work children 16 hours a day, when they are only eight years old, but approve of their working 15 hours a day when they're nine years old—I'm only joking now, but what I mean is that there are many, many, who thoroughly agree with us on the preliminary things that have to be conquered from our masters, while at the same time we are gathering strength and wisdom for the problems before us, but who differ with us as to the advisability of crossing the bridge, which is still some distance ahead of us. We shall all of us know more than we do now when we get to the place where the very next step will be on the bridge or not. Whatever sort of a genuine well-wisher of his country rather than of himself each of us may be, up to a certain point we all agree with the Socialists.

Up to that point we all know that it would be better if the Socialist platform could be carried into effect than if it would be if the Republican or Democratic platform could be carried into effect. It is just the good point about this book that it shows practically that the only way to get these benefits up to that point of disagreement is to unite with the party that demands those things and won't give up demanding them, because it expects to get a whole lot more on top of that, and that it is mud-headedness carried to the limit to wait till the sky falls to catch larks.

When either the Republican or the Democratic party, of its own free will and accord and without the encouragement of a rough cowhide boot applied where most needed, concedes to the poor folks of this country anything whatsoever that will make life larger or happier than it is now, the sky will have fallen, and we shall all have dinner platters made out of the pieces. "Come! Let's get together. We're all going the same way. If, after a while, you expect to turn off on another road, what difference does that make? We might as well be company for each other. Jump into our wagon and ride. We've got the wagon, and there's lots of room. More room than we need, or in fact, desire. We could stand it very well if we were considerably more crowded. It is very nice to read books about what's going to be. I wish I knew as well what's going to be as some fellows. I'm a dreadful poor hand to prophecy. I don't even know what I'm going to do next Wednesday—that is, for sure, and in detail. But this I do know: That I shall be and do next Wednesday what I cannot help being and doing as a result of my present self. What we shall be and do "under Socialism" is shown by what comes to pass from the efforts of "Socialists at Work."

LABOR AND CAPITAL

By Robert Hunter.

A few years ago, in the wilds of New Mexico, I was staying at a small hotel situated near some extraordinary springs of water. Tremendous volumes, boiling hot, issued from the bowels of the earth, and invalids from all over the West came into this wilderness to bathe in the health-restoring waters. A few old inhabitants had piped the water on to the soil, and a few acres of barren desert had thus been turned into fabulously rich soil.

One evening the director of a great railroad presented to me a plan by which we could make millions. He said the soil thereabouts was perhaps the most productive in the world, and all it needed was water. He suggested getting hold of the springs and using them as sources of irrigation so that thousands of acres could be brought under cultivation.

In order "to get labor" he suggested obtaining the cooperation of the railroads, and advertising all over this country and Europe that free farms would be given to all who came. In this way a great community would grow up there, houses would be built, the land would be improved, and out of this arid desert would arise orchards, fields of grain and kitchen gardens.

But he said we must OWN AND CONTROL ABSOLUTELY the water supply.

The first few years water would be given to the workers at cost, but each year the price would be raised a little, until finally all the profits of all those farms would come to the owners of the water.

To be deprived of water meant that the crops would wither and die, the whole community would be impoverished, and the richly productive soil would be turned again into a treeless, grassless desert. Rather than have that happen, he said, the people would pay anything for water.

"But suppose they organized against you?" I suggested. "Then the courts, the legislatures and the government," he said, "would protect us in OUR rights."

"But the people might become violent when they saw they were being deceived."

"Then the army would be brought out," he said, "to put THE people down."

"But suppose they refused to live and work there on your terms?"

"But they would not refuse," he said. "And if they did WE SHOULD HAVE the houses, the gardens, the orchards, and the land, thoroughly improved."

As I talked with this powerful capitalist my blood ran cold. I pictured in my mind immigrants from all over the world, men, women and children, selling their little belongings and hurrying to this bonanza of the West.

I saw them toiling night and day, erecting on this sandy plain a city of little homes. I saw the earth blossom, orchards arise, and what was bleak and barren become a rich and fruitful garden.

I saw their bright and abundant Hope give way to black and bleak Despair.

And yet there was nothing strange or new in what this capitalist said. He was not one whit different from any other capitalist.

He wanted to control the water supply for the same reason that men now own and control the land, the instruments of production, the coal, the oil, gas, street railways and railroads. All Labor REQUIRES THE USE of these things, and to use them Labor MUST pay a crushing tribute to the capitalist.

This railway director was merely giving me a lesson in political economy. He was showing me in miniature the whole capitalist order. What we call civilization is a struggle to get possession of the instruments of production for the purpose of robbing Labor.

To teach Labor that it should own in common life-giving waters, natural resources, factories and other tools of social labor, we must talk and talk and talk. Millions of books must be written, tons of literature issued from Socialist presses. Up the land and down the land the agitators must go.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Metropolitan Reflections

BY W. B. NICKERSON

The moon was an hour high in the east. The day had been infernally hot and the lake breeze had not performed its duty. The air was heavy and buildings and sidewalks were still radiating the heat of the day. Along the streets the people were crowded in doorways and on doorsteps, and the sidewalks and streets were full of screaming children.

Sick and peevish babies cried in every door or were being trundled about by the older children, and all alike were food for the merry mosquito.

The walks were gritty with sand and the street littered with refuse and bordered with unkempt parkways, void, in most instances, of grass.

Over all was the smell of burnt rage and fertilizer coming up from the south side. Every corner was a saloon and men were "rushing" pails and women were coming out of the family entrances in groups.

Gangs of young mischief makers hung about some of the smaller stores, stealing when they had a chance and annoying the poor old storekeeper when there was no opportunity.

Little girls, who under decent conditions should have been in bed, were gathered in the shadow of the school building with some of the younger boys or sitting in saloon doorways listening to the piano.

The children that thronged the sidewalks, utterly oblivious of the rights of other people, were quarrelsome and playful by turns. Do not jestle them or you will regret that you did, for you will hear language that will shock you if you are not a denizen of the city and so hardened to that which is sure to follow.

So much for appearances. But things are not always just what they seem. Not that I am going to pose as an apologist for these conditions in Chicago, but there is something underneath that is far from wholly wrong in these street scenes.

The casual visitor to some of our streets would reason from that which is wholly superficial. He does not see these people in their home life. He does not know that the condition presented is not a true index of the people.

People do not live in squalor and misery in Chicago because they prefer to so live, but because they must. And the fact that the many have been and are restricted in their choice of living quarters to areas of ugliness is the reason why you will find that this ugliness is intruded into every part and into nearly every street in Chicago. Those who have by some effort of judgment, like the renting of one or two of their rooms, escaped from the hell of the congested districts, bring with them into the outlying districts some of the ills that are inherent in such hells.

With few exceptions, go where you will, north, south or west, and you will find these streets that do not lie within any of the congested districts, and yet that are replete with the ugliness that there had its genesis.

So are we all, who form one people, forced down to the level of the lowest as long as we allow that level to be existent.

It is therefore not alone the wall of the "underfed" and the ill-housed that the Socialist needs to, but rather to all those ills of a common life that he believes may be easily remedied if the people will but take a little thought as

to methods—if they can but be made to think.

There comes in the hardest part of the proposition. Most people, as long as they are not reduced to the point of suicide as the result of the misery of the present conditions—as long as they can exist—will not think for themselves.

The newspapers do their thinking for them and they get what enjoyment out of life they can find easiest. And then again, there are so many people who think that they think to no purpose whatever.

There are those who think that intemperance is the cause of poverty, firmly believing that the closing of the saloons in Chicago would do away with poverty.

There are those who believe that "sweetness and light" can be made to inhabit a rotten social fabric.

There are those who believe that this or that means of reform may be grafted upon a culture so putrid with the forty centuries of its exertions as to have few apologists even among those who still uphold it.

If it can be proven that poverty is the cause of our present ills, and that the cause of poverty is capitalism, and this can be proven, unquestionably, then does it not follow that we can kill capitalism we have the correct solution!

But the roots of capitalism go back into the very foundations of the present culture.

The very forms of contracts and mortgages under which we groan as a people today, the very money lenders' blanks and assignments that are the misery of most of us here in Chicago have been dug out of the sand buried ruins of the deserts of Northern India, on the trade route from China to the west.

If the people will but think, and think hard, they can.

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WILL YOU STARVE?

WORKINGMEN OF AMERICA, WILL YOU STARVE?  
BY JOSEPH E. COHEN

You have now been out of work for months. You have tried in vain to find work. For every call for a laborer hundreds of you have responded. You have fought like mad men at the factory gate for the chance to sell yourselves to a master. You have walked miles and rode the freight from town to town in search of work. And now, tired and weary, you sink down in despair.

What will be the outcome?  
The little money you saved is spent. You have bought meat and provisions and groceries on credit until the shopkeepers will sell you no more. You have even tasted the bitter drops of charity. But this cannot satisfy you. Your spirit rebels at it. This cannot be the end.

IN YOUR DISTRESS YOU TURNED TO THE FACTORY OWNERS, to the captains of industry, for relief. But their hearts of stone are not softened by your cry for bread. The only language they understand is the language of dollars and dividends. You are of no service to them now. Your suffering is no concern of theirs.

YES, THEY DO UNDERSTAND THE LANGUAGE OF DOLLARS AND DIVIDENDS. They are reducing the wages of what few of your fellow workers they still employ. That means increased dollars and dividends in the pockets of the masters. But it means, at the same time, less purchasing power for your fellow workers, less goods bought, less goods manufactured, less workers employed and more out of work, greater competition for jobs and greater suffering in the working class.

IN YOUR DISTRESS YOU TURNED TO THE STATESMEN, to the men you have entrusted with the task of administering the government "to promote public welfare." But the statesmen are busy with the Philippine question, with the Japanese question, WITH EVERY QUESTION EXCEPT THAT OF CONCERN TO YOU. They are too busy furnishing troops to break strikes, too busy handing down injunctions to disrupt labor organizations, too busy drinking toasts to the czars and the kaisers to trouble themselves about YOU and YOUR family. Only the dropping of your ballots makes music in their ears; they want none of your lamentations.

Indeed, to mock at your distress, they gorge themselves at banquets in New York and Philadelphia, banquets that cost \$100 a plate. THIS IS THEIR ANSWER TO YOUR APPEAL FOR WORK AND SUSTENANCE!

Have you learned the lesson? Are you satisfied now that you have nothing to expect from the master class and nothing to expect from the old party politicians?

THEN DEPEND UPON YOURSELVES!  
If you starve it is because you want to starve!

You, the working men and women and children, as a class, produce everything that is needed to supply your wants. It is YOUR ingenuity, YOUR skill and the strength of YOUR arms that have called into being the marvelous machinery, the gigantic factories, the sweeping railroads, the tremendous industrial forces that go to make the civilization of this, the twentieth century.

YOUR LABOR, AND YOUR LABOR ALONE, has created the great social means of production. YOUR LABOR, AND YOUR LABOR ALONE, will start the wheels of industry going again and save you from starvation.

WILL YOU DO IT?  
To accomplish this result you must thrust aside the hand that holds closed the factory door, the hand of its private owner, the capitalist class. The workshop must no longer be the individual property of a privileged few. It must become the common possession of all the people. WE MUST HAVE SOCIALISM!

In SOCIALISM lies the salvation of the working class. Not until the coming of Socialism will the workers be permanently free from hard times, free from poverty and want, free from destitution and slavery.

To win the nation and the world to Socialism, the workers have organized themselves into the SOCIALIST PARTY. The Socialist party sends forth its speakers, it publishes papers and pamphlets and books, it carries on a never-ceasing campaign of education to reach the INTELLIGENCE of men and women.

THE SOCIALIST PARTY IS THE ONLY PARTY THAT HAS A POSITIVE PROGRAM TO SOLVE THE QUESTION OF HARD TIMES HERE AND NOW!

You have never before heeded the call of the Socialist movement, with its message of deliverance that is ringing throughout the world, that is uniting the poor and oppressed of all countries. You were self-satisfied so long as you had work and food. You took no thought of the morrow.

But now you are out of work. You are hungry. You are weary of the worn-out platitudes of the old parties and the old editors and the old teachers. Will you not now listen to the new thought, the new doctrine, the new message? WILL YOU NOT HEED THE MESSAGE OF SOCIALISM NOW!  
WILL YOU STARVE?  
OR WILL YOU BE FREE?