

CONVENTION OF MINERS IS IDEAL

1,200 Delegates Are Accepted; Mitchell Is Not Entitled to Vote in Body

BY A. W. MANOE Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 20 (By Mail).—This morning I had my first opportunity to see the thirteen hundred delegates representing the miners of America in a body in their convention hall.

1,200 Seated This Morning

Twelve hundred delegates were seated this morning as a result of the first partial report of the credentials committee, and the indications are that the final report will seat one hundred and fifty more.

Two Candidates for President

There are only two candidates for president—President Lewis and John Walker of Illinois. The election will be by referendum vote, but the result is not known, and probably will not be until the first of next week.

Van Horne Probable Vice President

None of the candidates for vice president have a majority vote, so according to the election laws of the organization the election of a vice president will be thrown into the hands of W. D. Van Horne, who will probably be chosen as vice president, is an active Socialist party member.

Bitter Fight Is Likely

When the charges of crookedness are taken up it is said they will not stop with the anthracite district, and every indication shows that there is likely to be a bitter fight, and both sides are preparing for it.

Mrs. Raymond Robins Speaks

Mrs. Raymond Robins of Chicago also addressed the convention on the condition of women and child labor, in which she is an indefatigable worker. She prefaced her remarks by saying that it was a great pleasure for her to stand in the presence of so vast a throng of miners.

Socialist Delegates Are Young

The Socialist delegates to the convention that I have met are a splendid lot of young fellows that the world will hear from in the future.

APOLONE DEATH MASK, LONG LOST, MAY BE RECOVERED

New Orleans, La., Jan. 22.—Information is said to have been received here that may lead to the recovery of the death mask of Napoleon, which disappeared from the city hall in the early part of the last century.

LANDLADY WHERE CARMICHAEL DIED SUING FOR DAMAGES

Port Huron, Mich., Jan. 22.—Miss Minerva Hughes, the landlady of the boarding house in Carthage, Ill., where the Rev. John H. Carmichael ended his life, has put the landlady's best attorney on a claim of \$100 against Carmichael's estate.

RICH BANKER IN PLEA FOR CHILD

Isaac N. Seligman Says the Socialist Spirit Is Everywhere Spreading

"It is the paramount duty of the state or nation to care for those people who through misfortune or injury are prevented from earning their own living. Child labor is dangerous to the moral welfare and destructive to the physical welfare of the nation."

America Remains in Duty

In the United States, in spite of the prodigality of the national government in other directions, there has been no doing so little for the poor. What ever may be said of the efficiency of private charity in this country, and sometimes private aid may be better than government help, still the government has a duty to perform.

Wants Children's Bureau

It is the object of this conference to have a children's bureau created at Washington which shall collect national vital statistics, and information on child labor, and all records pertaining to childhood. That is much, but child labor is a more serious matter, and is injurious and physically destructive to the nation.

Points to Ohio Example

Before the meeting Delegate Clopman of Ohio, who inspects the coal mining states for the conference, said that the Virginia coal fields, where boys are employed in the mines to travel with the mule carts in the mine shafts and galleries and in other work. He declared that safety laws are being enacted and gradually lived up to.

Tells of Comer Fight

Owen R. Lovejoy of New York, general secretary of the National Child Labor Committee, told the Daily Socialist reporter of the fight made on Governor Braxton Bragg Comer of Alabama to force child labor legislation in that state. He related the story of the fight which Dr. J. A. McKelway had when he went through Comer's Avon mill, a cotton mill located near Birmingham, which Comer worked great numbers of children in insular surroundings.

Irvine Works Up Case

Rev. Alexander Irvine of New York wrote to Comer's Alabama mill and worked there several pictures of conditions and prepared an article for Everybody's Magazine, which a change of management prevented the magazine from using.

TAFT JOB NEAR; OTHER JOBS NOT

President-Elect's Inauguration Coming; Prosperity Has Not Started Yet

BY MAY WOOD-SIMONS There are some indications that business is no longer descending to lower levels, but there is no evidence that the advancement to better conditions will be anything but extremely slow.

There are some indications that there is now a slight increase in bank clearings that will hold, although it is still too irregular to say definitely. One of the unusual phenomena in the present depression is the remarkably high level of commodity prices that have been maintained.

Steel Far From Normal

The condition of steel is still far from normal. The Iron Age says: "There is a feeling of some disappointment even among those who refused to join in the chorus of exuberant predictions of last November. There is no snap in the demand, and what requirements there are come out in a hesitating way."

Big Slump in Pig Iron

The production of pig iron in 1908 was 9,882,000 tons less than in 1907. The production of pig iron in the month of December, 1908, was 1,740,886 tons, making 15,630,391 tons for the year 1908. This is a decrease of 9,882,000 tons as compared with the preceding year, and a decrease of 642,000 tons compared with the depressed year of 1904.

United States Steel Trust

Financial journals state that if anything finishing mills of the country are operating less capacity than they were three months ago. Such conditions are regarded favorably, as they indicate a heavy accumulation of iron. People who are looking for a favorable outlook in the iron and steel industry are disappointed.

Reflecting Depressed Conditions

Reflecting the depressed conditions which have prevailed in most lines of activity during the greater part of 1908, the report of the General Chemical Company for the year ended December 31, 1908, will show a decrease in gross sales of more than 20 per cent from the total sales of 1907.

League Activity Increases

A further call has been issued by the league to all corporate bodies in the country. Before the end of February the league expects to have several hundred thousands of pamphlets in the hands of citizens throughout the country. It was declared at league headquarters yesterday that the call to the editor has been mailed.

WHY IS IT?



THE HARD-WORKING YOUNG MAN WHO BURNS USUALLY GETS A MEDIOCRE JOB LIKE THIS. THE MIDDLE-CLASS OIL STARVING TO ATTAIN A HIGH PLACE IN LIFE—



AND THE CARELESS, GOOD-FOR-NOTHING FELLOW WHO STANDS IN WITH THE GANG— USUALLY SECURES A POSITION OF PUBLIC TRUST.

ROOT'S DECISION WILL BE BRUTAL

Secretary Will Stick to Cold Letter of Law in Sending Rudowitz Back

The opinion of the American people is not to have any weight in the case of Christian Ansoff Rudowitz, demanded by the czar on a political charge, pro or con.

TUBERCULOSIS REGARDED AS LEGAL CAUSE FOR DIVORCE

New York, Jan. 22.—A little tragedy of plain life came before Justice Hendrick in the Supreme court yesterday, when he took up the case of Estelle F. Baum against Harr Howard Baum for annulment of their marriage.

Tillman Says Jurists Are Well Provided For by the Great Corporations

Washington, D. C., Jan. 22.—Increase in pay for federal judges and their selection by congress and not by the president, as is the present practice, were the themes of a hot debate in the senate yesterday, when it was proposed to raise the pay of the federal judges from \$7,000 a year to \$9,000.

JUBILEE YEAR FOR INTELLECT

1909 Celebrates Centenaries of Geniuses Who Were Human Benefactors

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST). London, Jan. 22.—The Daily Mail has called attention to the fact that the year 1909 is the greatest of all the great years of "centenary" celebrations.

Men Born to High Honors

The year 1909 ground out in its first of children, destined to sorrow, shame and death, a few who rose to high honors through exceptional opportunity.

Interests Throttle Papers

Russian activity is seen in the reports adverse to Rudowitz appearing in certain daily papers known to be more or less closely tangled up with Russian banks and securities. It is nearly all of these organs the first bloom of popularity has worn off the cause of the refugee, especially when it was discovered that certain moneyed personages higher up might lose favors from the Russian government if America were not "acquiescent" in the matter of allowing the czar to hand over seas and dragging them back to his penitentiaries from the four corners of the earth.

Darwin Honored at Cambridge

In the University at Cambridge, a chair will be created in honor of Darwin on the centenary of the birth of the man who made the term "evolution" a word with meaning to men.

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The coroner intimated that after the preliminary inspection by the jury the inquest will be adjourned today for about one week, to give the police, the city law department, the state's attorney and expert investigators an opportunity to ascertain the causes and blame for the disaster and also the exact scope of the horror, so far as the number of dead is concerned.

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FURTHER WRATH  
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Displaying an Intemperate  
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Washington, D. C., Jan. 22.—Braving further contempt proceedings and suppression by Justice Wright of the Supreme court of the District of Columbia, President Gompers, Vice President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor have denounced the justice and his decision in the current issue of the American Federation, the official organ. "Disobedience to a tyrant is obedience to the law," says President Gompers in his statement.

Leaders Ask No Mercy  
Each of the leaders has a signed statement. They ask no mercy, expect none and urge their friends to refrain from any efforts to secure clemency to prevent them from serving a prison term. All through, the statements are remarkable and firm protests against the action of Justice Wright.

President Gompers asserts that the "We Don't Patronize" list was removed from the American Federationist as soon as the injunction was issued and that there was no intention to defy the court. He declares that the leaders of the federation are not disrespectful to the court.

MINERS WITHSTAND THE PANIC  
Routine Reports Show Body in Good Shape Despite Times

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 22.—At today's session of the convention of the United Mine Workers of America—the third day—a committee to examine the reports of the officers, which were submitted yesterday, was appointed. The report of the auditors is also expected to be heard.

Judge Who Defies Law  
Here in another statement

"What a judge issues an injunction like that in the Bucks Store and Range company it is the judge who defies the law and not the citizens who refuse obedience to his injunction mandating which would deprive men of their constitutional rights."

LAKE CARRIERS WAR ON UNIONS  
Canadian Owners Join Americans in Fight for Open Shop

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 22.—The Lake Carriers' association declared war on the marine unions at its meetings today. President and General Manager Coulby of the Pittsburg Steamship company opened the battle, by reaffirming the "open shop" principle.

Representatives of \$60,000,000  
Besides the open shop action, vessel owners made their plan for a reduction of cost of insurance through organizing to carry it themselves a certainty by drawing up an agreement and signing it.

SOLDIERS THREATEN BOYCOTT  
ON A SKATING RINK

Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 23.—Interest centers here in the proposed boycott which the soldiers in question in this city threaten against a local skating rink which is charged with discrimination against Jews in uniform.

"FATHER" LUBICK, ALLEGED  
PRIEST, IN TOOLS AGAIN  
Socialism Felt  
in Legislature  
Three Party Members Win  
Committee Seats in Wisconsin Law Body

BY WM. M. LEISERSON  
(OFFICIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST)  
Madison, Wis., Jan. 22.—The forty-ninth session of the Wisconsin legislature—the third in which members of the Socialist party take part—met this week. The Socialists are here ready to fight for concessions to the working class from the government of the state.

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Keir Hardie May Speak  
I was informed this afternoon that the national officers have sent Keir Hardie an urgent request to visit Indianapolis and address the convention while it is in session.

Policy Somewhat Different Now  
The policy of the Socialists in the legislature this year is to be somewhat different from the one they pursued last year.

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Wisconsin Labor Has Learned  
Labor men in Wisconsin, instead of sending their officers to beg favors from politicians, send them as legislators to force through their demands.

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NAVAL CONGRESS  
RUNS ON SNAG

London, Jan. 22.—Unless the various delegates arrive at a settlement of their difficulties there is a strong probability that the labors of the international naval conference, which has been in session here since last month, will come to naught.

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Beginning Sunday, Jan. 23, 3 p. m. Mr. Louis F. Post, member of the School Board, will speak on the Rudowicz case and the extradition treaty with Russia.

GOTHAM'S MAYOR FEARS SOCIALISM  
New York, Jan. 22.—Unless the legislature increases the borrowing capacity of New York City, subway construction and other public improvement work will have to be halted for at least two years, according to a statement made yesterday by Mayor McClellan before the legislative committee which is investigating the municipality's finances.

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# AUSTRIAN FIGHT A DIFFICULT ONE

### Askew Tells of Social Democratic Struggle in Land of Francis Joseph

**BY J. B. ASKEW**  
(Special European Correspondent.)

Stuttgart, Jan. 10.—In the Arbeiter Zeitung for January 1, Victor Adler has an article on the twentieth anniversary of the foundation of the Social Democratic party in Austria. Since December 31, 1888, the party has had a common program and organization.

When the party was first founded the Socialist law was in force in Austria, as in Germany and in many regions the state of affairs was worse because, though the Austrian system is less brutal than the German, it is far more open to the individual whims and fancies of the leading officials.

**Is a Hard, Soulless System**

The German system is a hard, soulless one, it may be said, but there is a system and the officials are bound by it, at least to a certain extent.

In Austria the pleasant, smooth-tongued officials could do almost exactly what they liked. That naturally made it very difficult to fight them. There was always in advance what it was possible to do.

But far more than through the arbitrary measures of the government was the party hindered by the differences in its own ranks. The rank and file were at daggers' points with the moderates.

The radicals inclined to anarchism—that is, they were in general opposed to parliamentary methods, while the moderates had an equally strong objection to all violent methods and advocated strict loyalty.

But, as Victor Adler points out, excellent as the legal method undoubtedly is, it is only possible in a state where there is a real law, where it is rendered possible for the workers to act on legal lines and where they are not placed outside the law.

I may add that it is not always even then certain that a revolutionary class such as the proletariat can allow its freedom of action to be impeded by too great a respect for the law.

**Too Much Respect for Law**

It is to me, for example, only too clear that the German labor movement, like the English trade unions, undoubtedly suffers from the too great respect shown by them for the forms of the law.

Still, he says it may, it is clear that legality is at least under certain conditions quite out of the question. However, gradually, the Austrian workers came to see that both extremes were wrong; that parliamentarism was necessary, but only as one of the methods and only as one of the stages in their progress toward emancipation.

But also they have found that the fight for parliamentary rights is one of the most effective methods of propagating Socialism. Few parties have achieved what the Austrian Social Democrats have.

The Austrian movement has been able to write in one party workers of the most diverse nationalities and to give them a common aim. Finally, in the Arbeiter Zeitung, the party has a central organ which is recognized as one of the best edited sheets in the German tongue and that despite the difficulties which were put in its way by confiscation and prosecutions.

**Confiscated Almost Daily**

What cost was put on the managers of the paper alone by confiscation of the printing press? The paper must have been enormous, because up till quite recent times confiscations were almost a daily occurrence when any great political action was in the wind.

Humanities now cost \$2,700. In Paris alone in addition to the subscriptions, a table is published showing the fluctuations of the sales in the course of the year. These varied considerably, but the highest point was reached at the end of July, when the massacre occurred at Villanave, when somewhere about 25,000 were sold. At the beginning of the year the sale was 19,326.

Humanities is also now the only Paris daily which has no city department, the resolution having been adopted to abolish this department. This resolution, which was for a long time the wish of the Socialists, was delayed by the fact that as to whether a paper could exist without such a department, but now that the existence of the paper seems to be assured it has been resolved to put an end to it.

**Paris Paper's Position Difficult**

Without doubt the position of a Paris Socialist paper is always very difficult because in contrast to Germany the number of subscribers is relatively very small. Forwardists almost wholly depend on its regular subscribers, the occasional sales being almost nothing in comparison, but it would really seem as though the position of Humanity were very favorable despite the unfavorable condition.

The German Wood Workers' federation celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary on December 27. The Carpenters' federation was founded in 1884 and in 1908 this was transformed into the Wood Workers' federation.

The suggestion for the foundation of the same came from Stuttgart. The furniture makers had locked out their workers and this arbitrary act called forth the solidarity of the workers so that collections were got up in various parts of Germany, which brought in much money, and the workers won the day.

The consequence was that the workers saw what an advantage it would be if they could always do the same, and it was resolved to found a union of the various trade societies, and a carpenters' conference was consequently held in Mayence, December 27, 1882.

**Have Steady Membership Increase**

At the end of the first business year 53 branches, with 4,182 members, belonged to the federation. At the end of 1887 there were 84 branches with 6,013 members, and in the following years there was a steady increase of branches and members. That is, it must be added, despite the fact that it was not possible to put the whole labor movement practically at the mercy of the police bureaucracy. This naturally was a great hindrance to the spread of trade unionism.

In 1889 the federation had grown to 10,480 members and 127 branches. After the fall of the Socialist law the federation grew still faster, and in 1908 the membership was 22,745. In 1906 there were 170,000 members. In the course of the last year Karl Kloss died. He was practically the founder of the federation.

The Hungarian Social Democrats seem, if the reports are correct, to have given a splendid example of how a general strike can be carried out in a big town. Budapest.

**Strike Shows All Business**

None of the papers appeared and no business could be done. That is the way to make the governing classes see that the workers are a power in the state, and the only argument which would appeal to the aristocracy of

Hungary or the cowardly bourgeoisie which has found refuge under the wings of its former enemies.

The example of what the Hungarians are doing will, if successful, be a powerful incentive to the German working class in its fight with the Prussian reaction, and perhaps it may be induced to try the same plan.

The Russian government, like all despotisms, is compelled from time to time to call forth the demons of demagoguery, and when the cry of all is able to do what it comes to that, and thus we find them coming forward as the protectors of all the Slavs, as the representatives of the Slav race, and so on.

That this cry is only a humbug is absolutely sure when one remembers that it is raised in combination with the claim to use the Bosphorus channel for her ships of war.

**Slavs Would Be Victims**

Were Russia free to do this the Balkan states and the Slav population there would be at the mercy of the government, and not only that, but the Russian government would certainly ruthlessly sacrifice these if it saw that an advantage could be gained by doing so.

Although the plea was obviously a comedy, the peasants and the Social Democrats were the only parties that refused to support the government in the duma.

But it is certainly interesting to see that demagoguery, which all opponents of conservatism are always describing as the inevitable outcome of democracy, is the inevitable outcome, on the contrary, of an autocracy, which, unable to render itself independent of public opinion, is driven to appeal to the worst and blindest passions of the mob.

**Have Opposite Demands**

Democracy demands that the mass of people shall be able to reason. Autocracy demands an utterly unreasonable, and in its turn can serve as an example of the necessity of a strong government independent of the mob.

**SELLS WIFE TO AGED CREDITOR**

**Husband's Debts Paid to Secure Pretty Spouse; Buyer Thrashed Afterward**

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)

Amblerle, France, Jan. 22.—Driven to desperation because he could find no work and his creditors threatening to sell his home over his head and set him out in the street, Jean-Marie Bourger, a householder, aged 36 years, has taken the unique course of selling his wife in order to pay his debts.

The wife, who was 22 years old and pretty, had long been admired by M. Dente, one of the creditors. Dente is 70 years old and ugly. He made advances to the woman and was rejected.

**Pays Debts of 2,400 Francs**

He then went to the husband and offered to pay off all the debts if he would consent to sell his wife. The debts amounted to 2,400 francs, and the septuagenarian wooer and creditor offered to add another hundred francs to the amount necessary to clear off the debt if the husband would consent to the plan. The husband, driven mad by worry, consented and sold his wife.

After the contract witnessing the sale of the wife had been duly drawn, he called the woman aside, told her of the bargain he had made, and urged upon her to play the role of the English girl who married Louis XII. of France. It was all old news in other words, to keep M. Dente at arm's length until such time as the husband should be able to get matters straightened out.

The woman consented. She even went as far as to depart with Dente on a trip to Algeria, afterward returning to this city by way of Brittany. It is a matter of record here that before the trip was finished the purchaser was very sick of his bargain.

**Wife Buyer Got a Beating**

He called on the husband on his return and demanded the 2,500 francs back, but received for his pains a beating. The husband, just to give good measure, also kicked Dente out into the street. He then proceeded to reappropriate his wife.

The young woman declared that she returned to her husband spotless. Dente threatened to use the law, but found that if the details of his purchase were made public he would be a laughing stock, and getting into prison himself, and so concluded to drop the matter.

**STRIKE AGAINST POLICE TYRANNY**

New York, Jan. 22.—Thirty-two thousand five hundred members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters in this city are planning a general strike as a protest against police traffic regulations, according to the Herald this morning. A member of the union is quoted as follows:

"The police use the traffic regulations as an instrument of tyranny, and not a day passes but that scores of drivers are arrested and fined without any good reason. Every time a teamster is arrested his horses have to stand in the street for hours. The traffic policeman who makes the arrests gets off the street for a few hours in the cold weather and enjoys the relief. The horses suffer, and teamsters, who do not get too much pay at best, have to pay fines."

The strike plan is justified on the theory that it will be an effective method of arousing employers to action and result in procuring the necessary reforms in the police department.

**FORGETS WHO HE IS, ASKS POLICE TO IDENTIFY HIM**

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 22.—The police of Memphis have asked to tell a man who he is and where he is from, but after exerting practically every resource they are no nearer solving the problem than they were when the man walked into police headquarters Tuesday night.

The man, hardly more than a youth, is suffering from "forgetfulness." He declares he can remember nothing of his past, not even his name or from where he came to Memphis or how he is well dressed, but the only mark on his clothing was "J. W. P. 32" pinned with India ink on the inside of his fancy waistcoat.

Berrillan measurements have been taken and in this way it is thought his identity might be established. As to what mental malady he is suffering from physicians who have examined him are unable to say.

# LAND OF GIANTS NOW RECLAIMED

### Patagonia Has Vast Irrigation Plants Installed; Andes Snows Tapped

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)

Buenos Ayres, Jan. 22.—The Argentine government has announced that the plans for the reclamation of Patagonia have been completed and the most inhospitable and desolate section of the two Americas will soon become a land of wheat and corn fields and of prosperous cities and homesteads.

The success of the original experiment, in the valley of the Rio Negro, where some 115,000 acres have been reclaimed, has convinced the government that the whole region to the south of the river as far as Cape Horn can be made into a fertile country by the proper application of the water resources.

**To Tap Snows of Andes**

Under the plan for the irrigation of Patagonia the snows of the Andes range will be tapped at their very sources. Immense plants for establishing a permanent water supply will be built at the foot of the great glaciers and along the edges of the permanent snow beds.

From these stations new streams of an artificial nature will be piped over the whole region, until it has been entirely fertilized.

The government plans include the settlement of the new territory by the best class of thrifty citizens. Special inducements will be extended to the settlers in the form of free water for a term of years, or water rights in perpetuity for a cash payment. Many of the lands will be given away to settlers absolutely free.

**All Kinds of Crops Raised**

The experiments thus far carried out in the Rio Negro region show that the best varieties of wheat and hardy grains, such as barley and rye, can be raised with ease throughout the whole region. Apples can also be grown, and those of the Rio Negro valley are said to be of the best shipping varieties, many shipments having been made to Germany from the reclaimed lands last year.

Experiments will be made with other crops as soon as the great plants are installed and the water turned on the lands.

The work is expected to extend over a period of ten years before the entire district is reclaimed. Some ten millions of acres of arable lands will thus be added to the producing acreage of the country.

**PLAN TO PUSH BILL FOR \$500,000,000 CANAL BONDS**

Washington, D. C., Jan. 22.—Soon after Senator Hopkins returns to Washington the committee on interoceanic canals will take up his bill authorizing the issuance of \$500,000,000 worth of bonds for the completion of the Panama canal. His return will depend on the duration of his fight in Illinois for his seat.

He has expressed a desire to be present when the bill is under consideration, and Senator Kittredge, chairman of the committee, has assured him that this wish will be gratified.

**PANAMA LIBEL MYSTERY DEEPER**

Washington, Jan. 22.—Although the grand jury was not in session today, owing to business in court requiring the attention of District Attorney Baker, the latter's assistants and department of justice officials were active in preparing for the examination of witnesses tomorrow in the Panama canal purchase libel investigation.

The case continues to be one of mystery as to who the defendants in the action will be. It is hinted that the discovery yesterday that the Indianapolis News is not a corporation, but a private partnership, places a different phase upon the inquiry affecting that publication. This is borne out by the fact that, although books and papers were demanded, they were not presented to the grand jury.

The impression remains that an indictment will be returned from the jurisdiction, but effort to obtain information either from the district attorney's office or from the department of justice were in vain.

**DRAFT OF NEW CHARTER IS READY; WILL BE UP JAN. 29**

The now draft of Chicago's charter as revised by a special committee has been issued in pamphlet form by Ald. Milton J. Foreman, chairman of the convention, and will be taken up at a meeting of the body in the city council chamber, the morning of Jan. 29. A compromise is made between the form in which the charter emerged from the legislature before being defeated at the polls and the draft which was sent to Springfield by the charter convention.

Many of the clauses which are believed to have made the charter unpopular before the voters also are eliminated and will be submitted to the legislature in separate bills.

**CHICAGO MAN WALKS 145 MILES TO EASE CONSCIENCE**

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 22.—Visions of St. Peter's record book, with the figures of \$4.90 standing against his name caused Frank Jones to walk half way from Chicago to Madison, Ill., 145 miles, that he might refund that sum to the American Car and Pounding company, which has been at work since last September. The man appeared at the railway station yesterday, with a \$5 bill, told his story briefly and departed, the ragged edges of his clothing flying in the wind and his torn shoes absorbing with each step the slush of the recent snow.

**ARGUES DIRECT PRIMARY LAW**

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 22.—Mayor Busse is using the direct primary law as an argument why Hopkins should be elected to the United States senate. His statement of the case is:

"I do not see how you men who voted for a direct primary law can stand out as Republicans against the vote given to Hopkins by the people. If I was a member of the legislature I would vote for Hopkins if I was the only man in the legislature to do so."

The mayor held a long conference with William Lorimer. So far as it was noticeable he did not budge the congressman from his determination to defeat Hopkins.

The air was set vibrating and the hearts of the statesmen and deep-water-way patriots everywhere, were stirred by the cry of "A Bussa to the rescue" rang forth and Chicago's mayor, with his well known, suave and gentle manner, descended on the capital to save the day for Hopkins.

# NO MORE MISS ELKINS FOR ABRUZZI, SAYS AMBASSADOR

### London, Jan. 22.—Denial was made of the story regarding the reopening of the romance between Miss Katherine Elkins and the duke of the Abruzzi. The duke has been here since Sunday. He registered at the Grand Hotel at Milan. Yesterday he left for Paris, whence he will proceed to Turin.

# WILL ORGANIZE IN NEBRASKA

The organization forces of the Socialist party are closing in on Nebraska. Clyde J. Wright of the national office was elected secretary of the party in the state and has now been active a week. John Collins, national organizer, will join him in his work Monday, Jan. 25, when he will arrive in Omaha for

### Horrified His Recent Chiefs



JOHN COLLINS

a three months' organization tour of the state.

Collins is a veteran organizer of the party. He has been on the movement for years, traveling from state to state, armed with Socialist arguments and literature. He worked in Milwaukee throughout one entire campaign and there learned why it is that the Socialists of that city have made so much progress. Both of the national office campaigners have vowed to exert themselves to their utmost in organizing the state.

### FOUR JURORS SELECTED IN COOPER MURDER TRIAL

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 22.—With four jurors already in the box and with the court evincing every disposition to hasten the selection of the other men as rapidly as possible, the second day of the Cooper murder trial opened with the courtroom filled.

A second panel of 500 takersmen has been ordered drawn, but the men will not be served until the court is convinced that a jury cannot be chosen from the present list. More women were present today than yesterday.

# MIMICRY GETS A SOLDIER IN JAIL

### Belgian Horrifies Old Chiefs by Mock Drill Maneuvers in Uniform

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)

Scharbeek, Belgium, Jan. 22.—A new way of paying old debts and incidentally old scores was discovered by Louis Herve, a soldier of the second reserve of 1899, who paraded through the streets of this city today calling down "twenty days in barracks" on all and sundry who had not "washed behind their ears."

The soldier had been discharged from the army some eight months ago and, being on the verge of starvation, because he could find no employment, concocted the novel scheme of parading the streets, doing the drill maneuvers with his gun, in full uniform, imitating the officers and their stern commands.

**Secured Winter Quarters**

He finally managed to land himself in the military prison for the winter, where he will be at least fed and clothed and kept from the slow starvation which otherwise faced him.

Herve made his primary outbreak in front of the school of medicine, just as the students were leaving the building. He shouted out orders to an imaginary company, ordered number 2 from the left to go and clean his boots, number 6 to go to the guardhouse for falling to clean the outcure immediately above the two sections of the collar band lying below his ears, number 10 to serve ten days on bread and water for speaking disrespectfully of an officer, number 11 to a year in solitary confinement for "saying things about his gracious majesty King Leopold," and so on down the line.

# GIVE CARLOAD OF BABIES AWAY

New Orleans, La., Jan. 22.—A carload of seventy-five babies was distributed in New Orleans today. The precious freight came from the New York foundling and orphan asylum. Scores of foster-parents were waiting at the station to claim the little ones, for whom they had previously applied.

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# The Telephone Exhibit at the Electrical Show at the Coliseum, Jan. 16-30

Affords you an opportunity to become more intimately acquainted with the devices and methods of telephony—an application of electrical power which has profoundly modified, and promises to increasingly modify, conditions in business and social life.

The public, becoming quickly conversant with the use of the telephone, knows nothing of the complex character of the correlated devices or of the intricacy of telephone service. In these matters the present exhibit will afford an interesting and useful lesson.

### Chicago Telephone Co. 203 Washington Street

# Get a Small Electric Motor

for shop or store to run any machine or group of machines at least expense of space and time. We sell motors on time, if desired. Call Main 1280 for particulars.

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Advertisements and other notices for this page.

LD IS OFF, BUT BOUTS ARE TAME

Not a Drop of Blood Is Shed in Matches at Hospital Benefit

The local boxing lid was knocked from its hinges temporarily last night when as the stellar feature of the big athletic show given for the benefit of the Seventh regiment hospital corps, Illinois national guard, at the Wentworth avenue armory, six bouts with the gloves were staged.

Bantam Bout Pretty Warm

A best bout of the evening was a four round set-to between Johnny Coulon, the champion bantam, and a youngster named Kid Graves of Brooklyn.

Proceeding the Coulon-Graves bout, Johnny Thompson, the 'Sycamore Cyclone,' took on two men, Johnny Connors and George Coulon, each for three rounds.

For Fly-Weight Title

The two little sons of Robert Muehlbauer, Ralph, aged 8, and Harold, aged 10, made a decided hit in their exhibition with the gloves.

No Blood Is Spilled

The contestants in tomorrow night's Marathon race at Dexter Park Pavilion will be a pair of boys, one a Boston Harbor peach grower, disappointed the sword by not showing up.

Hayes Coming to Marathon

London Victor Will Race at Dexter Park Feb. 5

The contestants in tomorrow night's Marathon race at Dexter Park Pavilion will be a pair of boys, one a Boston Harbor peach grower, disappointed the sword by not showing up.

Jeffries Makes a Stage Hit

Murphy of the Cubs stirred up a hornet's nest when, without consulting Pulliam, he recommended a change in the method of handling the National League umpires.

JOHN L. HAS \$75,000 FOR BOUT

Washington, D. C., Jan. 22.—An offer of \$75,000 for a match between Jeffries and Johnson has been made by John L. Sullivan, according to a statement made by the former heavy-weight champion yesterday, who is playing at a local theater here.

JUDGE'S FRIEND STILL IN COURT

The battle between Chief Justice Olsson and Judge McKenale Cleland assumed the aspect of an opera bouffe yesterday, when the parole judge, according to reports, declared that his colleagues on the municipal bench acted the part of "dubs and kids."

Cleland's Enemies Fail to Have Painting Removed From the Wall

The municipal "kids" backed down from their determined stand in so far as to still permit the picture of Judge Cleland to hang in the Maxwell street court. They had decided upon the petty vengeance of turning said picture toward the wall, but at the last moment thought that such action might make more friends for Judge Cleland and his enemies for the "kids," and the picture still looks down on the court room where the parole system originated.

Epstein Enters Affair

Attorney Joseph Epstein gained prominence in the controversy during the day as the result of disclosures regarding the balance of the Municipal court. It has just become known that Judge Olsson's reason for transferring Judge Cleland from the Maxwell street court was a charge "that prisoners employed in the Municipal court were the property of the city and their re-employment to get them off."

Is Your Name Here?

The following persons holding notes against the 'Workers' Publishing Society' are requested to send their portions to the Chicago Daily Socialist at once, as the manager is unable to reach them with information they should have.

THE DOUBLE PURPOSE OF THE D. S. P. L. MEMBERSHIP CARD.

Don't you think it would be a good plan to join the Chicago Daily Socialist at once, as the manager is unable to reach them with information they should have.

PULLIAM AGAIN BACKS MURPHY

THE HUSTLERS' COLUMN

BY A. W. MANCIE

HAVE YOU TAKEN HOLD?

One thousand husky hustlers tugging at the same rope can move the Daily Socialist ahead with a momentum that will beat all the previous records. One thousand men and women all working at once can accomplish the impossible, and then some.

Some may hesitate about making such a promise. They think it is hard to get subscribers. But there are nearly eight thousand Hustlers who have shown that subscribers can be secured by going after them. There are single individuals, working regularly to earn their living, who have scarcely missed a week since the start of the paper in their self-made pledge to secure a new subscriber.

Some think we have set the number too low. They say there are at least five thousand who will want to join in this big effort. Well, there is no objection to increasing the size of the legion. There will be room for all. If the 'Hustler Department' cannot find room for the names we will add another page for that day.

DON'T FORGET THE BONDS.

While this army is getting in motion there must be an increase in the amount of bond sales. We will need to work hard to secure that \$5,000 that has been offered. It will be a shame if we lose any of it. There are several hundred Socialists who can afford to take one of these bonds, who are really intending to take one, but who have been putting it off from day to day. If you are one of these do not put it off any longer. Now is the time when your help is needed.

LINCOLN CENTENNIAL EDITION

Comrades, that Lincoln Centennial Edition is going to be the best Socialist propaganda matter that is likely to be gotten out for some time. No Socialist local in the country can afford to miss this opportunity to present the Socialist message to the unconverted in their locality by this issue.

PLEDGE OF THE LEAGUE OF 1,000

I pledge myself to buy \$5 worth of Chicago Daily Socialist sub cards as soon as one thousand other Socialists have pledged themselves to do the same.

HUSTLERS' BULLETIN BOARD

38 ABOARD SHIP THOUGHT LOST

DO YOU HOLD A MORTGAGE OR PLAIN NOTE of The Daily Socialist

ART INSTITUTE NOW ACCREDITED

Cooley Said to Have Taken Action Behind Closed Doors Yesterday

Though Superintendent Cooley yesterday denied, after a secret session at the Union League club held by the board of education's investigating committee and a committee of the Art Institute committee, that the Art Institute had been restored to the list of accredited schools, it is reported that this is nevertheless what has been done.

Teachers' Requirements Prohibitive

While this affair was being pulled off in the Union League club, behind closed doors, a wealthy patron of the Art Institute started a movement to have a public investigation made of Cooley's charges.

Injury Added to Insult

All-Round Education Wanted

W. C. T. U. Is After Him

MACVEAGH'S POCKET IS PICKED ON A STREET CAR

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Now, Comrades, we will not tell you that these bonds are as safe, commercially speaking, as United States bonds or good first mortgages on real estate. But we believe that they offer a REASONABLY SAFE INVESTMENT to put a part of your savings into.

If you will do this, and do it quickly, your money will not only be safer than in many a bank—safer than in many a home bought on the installment plan—safer than in most any small business you might go into—safer than in most any mine or stock venture, but we know, and YOU KNOW, that it will help the cause that is as dear to you as perhaps life itself; that it will help to make life richer, purer and sweeter; that it will help to secure to the Socialist movement of America that which it has been lacking—a really powerful daily paper.

Comrades, we count on you! Act now!

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NOTE TO NEW SOCIALISTS READ SOCIALIST BOOKS

DAILY SOCIALIST MAGAZINE PAGE BUSINESS DIRECTORY

THE SON OF A MAN WITH BRAINS

BY ERNEST POOLE.

Young Mr. Riggs was the son of a man with brains. The man with brains had used them well, down in the Wall street world, and had recently died, leaving a tidy fortune behind him.

earnest whisper, of which Riggs could hear only snatches. "Always been your chum—better trust me—sell before it drops again."

money—in twenty-four crisp tight packets. On the way to the hotel, neither spoke. "By Jove," muttered Riggs, "I hate to do it! Am I to look in disgust at his companion? It is looked surly."

MRS. CLEVELAND WILL APPEAR AGAINST WRITER



Broughton Brandenburg, a writer and literary agent charged with having sold a bogus interview with Grover Cleveland to the New York Times for \$500, will be placed on trial before Justice Dowling in New York on Jan. 25.

HARVARD'S NEW PRESIDENT

BY JOHN C. CARROLL.

At last the long predicted event has taken place and A. Lawrence Lowell has been elected president of Harvard University to succeed Charles W. Eliot, who recently retired after carrying the university through the most significant period of its career up to date.

WOMEN, WE NEED YOU

BY ERMA VIVIAN JOHNSON.

Circumstances have so prevented me from doing the work among women I should like to have done that I somehow hesitate to write upon a subject which should have practical results to sustain its worth.

not even know that the hopes they cherish, the lives they nurture, and the reward for which good women pray devoutly, have but one avenue open to their yearnings.

FOR HOME DRESSMAKERS



CHILD'S FRENCH DRESS. Paris Pattern No. 3721. All Seasons Allowed.

Bright red calico has been used for the development of this stylish little frock for the small girl. Wide box-plait at the front and back stitched there are the lengthwise stripes of the body piece.

Self-Transferable Embroidery Designs

Directions for using: Place pattern face downward on the material and press with a hot iron, being careful that the material is not damaged.

WHAT EVERY SOCIALIST WOMAN SHOULD KNOW

BY DORA B. MONTEFFIORE

I want to call the attention of English Socialist women to what is going on just now among Russian women; and to point out that the conditions are exactly similar to those which have prevailed among women for some time in England, but that English working women have been lacking in the class consciousness and clearness of reasoning which is marking the Russian working women to the rescue of the caplovers of their middle class sisters, and is helping them to stand side by side with their men comrades in the fight—not for crumbs of patronage, and grudgingly doled out charity, but for full access to the means of life.

Democratism help; but it is just as well, in order to help Russian Socialist women in their class conscious protest, to state once more the truth of what is going on among English women, who are represented as being so united in their struggle for the franchise.

When there is no peace. Until all English women unite in demanding the political franchise as a human right for every adult man and woman, neither the Whigs, nor any other on-looker has the right to say, "English women of all parties are uniting to obtain the franchise."

Business Directory listing various services including lawyers (Stedman & Soelke, Carl Strover), typewriters (TYPENIX), printers (H. G. Adair), and other professionals.

Out-of-Town Business Directory

Out-of-Town Business Directory listing services in other cities like Rockford, Ill., and Peoria, Ill.

Pocket Library of Socialism

Pocket Library of Socialism listing 60 booklets explaining the principles of international Marxism.

MONEY IN WHEAT!

MONEY IN WHEAT! advertisement for a wheat business opportunity.

SMOKE SOCIALIST CIGARS

SMOKE SOCIALIST CIGARS advertisement for Barney Berlyn's Best.

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IF WE DID "SHARE OUT"

BY E. H. HARTLEY.

I had spent some weeks in Neweastle, and had another ten days to fill, when there came a night off, and there being a half day trip to Leeds, landing me within seven miles of home, I determined to go. I'd just got comfortably settled in my corner when a smart, well-dressed man took the opposite seat, putting a leather case carefully on the rack above him. On the train starting, he always says things, and was full of the fact that walking into the station to find a train for Leeds, he'd discovered the excursion, whereby he could get to Leeds within half-an-hour of the ordinary train and save 5s. After a while he asked, "Are you on the road, sir?"

That was because he had never thought about it—he had heard some silly rubbish and never troubled to think. He, however, seemed to think there was something in the idea of making people all alike, and thought "dividing up" was foolish. He didn't quite see his way. "You know, sir, if everybody did equal tomorrow things would be equal to-day, and I'm sure you'd be glad to see that." "Yes, but men have very different abilities."

I explained that what I wanted to point out was that when Anti-Socialists suggested the "big divide" they should at least have thought out their proposition. "Hut really, I've never thought about such a thing, and cannot, for the life of me, think what position the King and his son might hold under such altered conditions. Have you?" "No, I've never thought of it, because I never suggest such a radical alteration; it is our opponents who do that."

How One City Does It

The Socialists of Philadelphia have worked out a set of literature for organization purposes that may well serve as a model throughout the country. It would require some modification in each place, and some portions would be wholly unsuitable for small places, but there is a mass of suggestions in it for every locality. There is a "Dues Report" blank arranged to be inserted in a loose-leaf ledger, which will enable the central office to know at once the exact situation of every party member. A card-catalogue for members and sympathizers gives information concerning the occupation, union affiliation and party membership of all so catalogued. The ward organizer's report blank compiles this information and some additional points upon sheets in convenient form for use in direct personal work. Having the tools with which to discover the raw material for organization they next proceed to provide the means with which to work upon this material. There is an excellent little folder, neatly printed and in attractive form, explaining "The How and Why of the Socialist Party," for distribution among possible members. This gives a brief explanation of Socialism, describes the workings and method of organization of the Socialist party, the dues system and international working class character of the organization, and closing with an urgent invitation to join the party. This general invitation is followed by a special circular letter beginning as follows: Dear Friend: Your name has come to us as one interested in Socialism. We have informed the Branch of our party in the ward in which you reside of your interest, and you will probably be visited by a party member in the near future. At the same time, you should make it your business to come and see the Socialists.

Who Was to Blame?

Some charred and torn fragments of human flesh are sewed up in canvas bags at the Cook County morgue. They represent all that is left of between forty and fifty human beings, workmen, who were engaged in providing a supply of pure water to the great city of Chicago. For months they had been toiling beneath the surface of the earth, suffering dangers and discomforts such as are unknown to those be-tinseled military heroes of whom our historians prate, or orators shout and poets sing. They were sons, brothers, fathers, husbands with families dependent upon and loving them. Today the mothers, sisters, children, wives have nothing but a numbered gunny sack with hideous contents, which may, or may not, be a portion of the person they knew and loved a few days ago.

Now there begins talk of investigations to determine blame. The coroner will hold an inquest. Witnesses will be examined. A powerful corporation will have highly trained lawyers to lie for it and defend its interests. These lawyers will easily demonstrate that no one was to blame.

We saw all this done in the Iroquois case. We have seen it done a hundred times before. The reason for this failure will be that the real culprit cannot be brought into court.

The murderer of those who clawed at locked doors amid the suffocating fumes and scorching flames of the Iroquois theater, as well as-of those who were cooked and torn to fragments by fire and dynamite at the "intermediate crib" is the PROFIT SYSTEM.

It would have reduced profits to have provided a genuine asbestos curtain and adequate exits for the theater. It would have lowered dividends to have furnished lifeboats, and proper shore communications for the men who were providing the water supply of a great city.

That is all. It is simple. No one can deny that the expenditure of a few thousand dollars in either of these cases would have made these hideous holocausts impossible.

If we are going to apportion the blame, then we must look to those who maintain an industrial system that makes these things possible. It will do no good to rave at the individual capitalists who sought to trade in human life and took terrible chances that profits might be greater. If they had not done it other and less scrupulous ones would have done so and would have proven themselves the best "fitted to survive."

Before we join in any denunciation of such catastrophes we should make sure that there are no blood stains on our hands. A few months ago there was an election. One party in that election stood for the abolition of the system that puts a profit on murder. All other parties stood for that system. Their ballots were soaked in the blood of the millions who have died that profits might flow.

IF YOU HANDED ONE OF THOSE BLOOD-STAINED BALLOTS LOOK AT YOUR HANDS BEFORE YOU RAISE THEM IN HORROR AT THE TUNNEL HOLOCAUST.

Speak to the Congressmen

Secretary of State Root has declared himself above the constitution. He has announced that he will pay no heed to petitions in the Rudowitz case. This is again going the czar one better. Even he does not refuse to notice the petitions of his loyal subjects, although he occasionally receives these petitions with machine guns and Cosack lances. Perhaps Root dreams of the time when he can do the same to those undesirable citizens who disturb his serenity.

Happily Pennsylvania avenue has not yet been made into a replica of the Nevsky Prospect, and there is still some doubt about American citizens quietly accepting the decision that they have nothing to say about the acts of officials.

There would seem to be a decided tendency on the part of American officials to show a most remarkable subservency to Russian tyranny. This was shown in the decision of Commissioner Foote that Russian and not American law must rule in a Chicago court when he presided. It has been shown in the entire readiness of the American government to adopt the position of assistant prosecutor for the Russian government.

All this means that there is need of increased activity in the protest against this attitude of the American government. The great mass of the American people are not willing to admit that the right of trial by jury for workmen, to the lumber room of history. If a sufficient protest is made Secretary Root can be made to see a great light.

It would be a good idea to turn attention to congress for a little time. Very few congressmen are under any direct obligation to Russia. Few of them can afford to take the defiant attitude of Secretary Root. If a petition is prepared in each congressional district calling for the termination of the present treaty with Russia and if this is forwarded to the member of congress there will soon be some interesting developments at Washington.

The Refugee Defense league has prepared a pamphlet setting forth the facts in this case, including the opinion of Dean Wigmore, and the story of the tortures inflicted upon Russian prisoners. This pamphlet will be forwarded to all who will write for it. Address "Russian Refugee Defense League," 180 Washington St., Chicago.

TO THE EDITOR

Stensland's Attempted Release. I quote the following from the Daily News interview with Judge Kerensky: "It is true that I have written and sent a letter in Stensland's behalf to Governor Deneen. In it I expressed my opinion that under the existing circumstances of the case, which I enumerated in my letter, he ought to be released as having been sufficiently punished. I make that recommendation on facts I set forth in the letter."

These few sentences show to what utter contempt Judge Kerensky holds the depositions taken by Stensland's attorneys, and how ready he is to state laws governing the banking business, in the state officials appointed to ferret out any "irregularities" in those laws, and their in the courts, foundations and support to deal with and punish anyone breaking these laws. He says it looks like mockery to have the judge before whom this case was tried, who if any should have all of the facts of the case, being the first to recommend pardon for a criminal such as Stensland. The question comes to my mind, why have mentioned him at all, unless it was to save him from the "wrath of the dupes"? We also see his prosecutor, now Chief Justice Oliver, rush to his rescue, but then we must not forget that one good turn deserves another, especially when we remember that Stensland kindly consented to show back to a home of their own in a premature grave, whose life cavities vanished, and who now must wage an account wretched, those who have started, suffered

SOCIALISM IS COMING, AND WHY

BY LE ROY HIXSON.

Socialism is not coming because Socialists advocate it; it is not coming because it is a nice scheme, or because it will be a "great thing" for the poor, or that it is more moral or more just than the present system; it is not coming because of any of these reasons. It is coming because it has simply got to come. It is as natural a product of capitalism as shoes are a product of a shoe factory.

Socialism was not invented, it was discovered. The word "discovered" is used here in the same sense as when we say that "Newton discovered the law of gravitation" or that "Columbus discovered America" by sailing across the Atlantic and finding it. Marx discovered Socialism by "sailing" into economics and finding that.

China gets into the game of producing a surplus (which is practically all of the foreign markets) and goes to hunting for new markets when there are not markets, then that which causes a panic (no sale for the surplus) will stop production completely and thereby with a chance of starting again except to produce enough to keep the capitalist class in luxury. Then if the working class keep on voting the Republican and Democratic class, it means that they believe that the interests of labor and capital are identical and that they like being robbed of \$2,000 per year (when they can get a job), that they like paucity and are willing to starve to get them.

As Socialism is not, as most people believe (who are not Socialists), a ready-made plan all worked out in detail and laid out for the people to adopt by an act of congress entitled "An act to establish Socialism," it is a process of discovery. Socialism was not invented, it was discovered. The word "discovered" is used here in the same sense as when we say that "Newton discovered the law of gravitation" or that "Columbus discovered America" by sailing across the Atlantic and finding it.

Now multiply this surplus of \$2,000 by the number of workers and you have the amount of wealth taken from the working class of the United States profit. At about 40,000,000 workers (wage workers and farmers) this means that the capitalist class have the job spending eighty billions of wealth; it is the working class produced but we are unable to buy back with their wages or income.

When the capitalist class would have consumed the surplus they would have to go to work to save themselves from starvation, but having been masters they would not submit to slavery but they would rather abiding Democrats and Republicans when the final breakdown of capitalism comes, they will have to starve to death and the present working class will have passed into history.

The food, clothing and shelter are produced and distributed by wage workers who use the machinery belonging to the capitalist class. These workers produce more profit for wages and they have nothing to sell but their labor power and this they sell for a wage, and upon this wage they must live.

As the capitalist class are the few in number as compared to the working class they cannot possibly consume all of the surplus amount of wealth and as it is over and above the amount of wages received by the workers they cannot buy any of it. Therefore, the only thing left for the capitalist class to do is to send as much of it as they can to a market for "foreign" countries. All civilized countries are producing goods by the wage system and are therefore hunting for a foreign market to sell their surplus in.

Therefore the way to prevent panics and the final starvation of the working class is to remove the surplus, by giving to each worker wages to the amount of his product, enabling him to buy back his entire production. This will give each worker the full product of his toil, which can only be done by the workers taking possession (by the purchase of shares or otherwise) of the means of production and distribution and operating them in their own interests.

SOCIALISM AMONG FARMERS

BY J. F. MARLE.

The American farmer is a composite picture, as Simons has pointed out in his book, "The American Farmer," the great territory and varied climate of the United States brings under the head of farmers those who do not speak of the Rocky Mountain states, with whom I am best acquainted and among whom, I believe, is the most fertile field for propaganda. The western farmer is a fugitive from wage-slavery. The black slave hiding in the swamp was no more truly seeking to escape from his master than the small farmer who homesteads a piece of land, often rents a mill from the market, unless himself and family the blessings of civilized society and works longer hours than the black slave did in order to be "independent" and proudly proclaim that no man can take his job away.

They are also the birth pangs of the better social order, Socialism. The surplus sent to the backward nations by the civilized countries, produce a civilized people and a capitalism which in turn produces a surplus which must be sent to some other foreign market. The advancement of Japan in the latter days of the century is proof of this fact. Since the Russo-Japanese war upwards of 500 power plants have been installed in Japan by American capitalists. These power plants are now making other power plants which are being sent into China by Japanese capitalists.

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PAROLE SYSTEM

BY HENRY E. ALLEN.

A large number of people for many months have been intensely interested in the parole system introduced by Judge Cleland. It has given the proof of being the most practical method yet devised of dealing at least with first offenders. I think no fair-minded well-informed person will deny this statement.

To oppose such a reform on the ground of revenue seems monstrous to me, and if revenue is so important why not begin by cutting the six thousand dollar salaries of these municipal judges? Do they earn these salaries in private practice? They tell me that not a fourth of them could do so. I believe that every good citizen should stand by Judge Cleland in this contest. After all, what is more contemptible than a "sharper lawyer?"

And yet it moves. The Pan-Russian Women's congress, now assembled in St. Petersburg, and numbering about a thousand delegates, is a welcome sign that our globe, including the portion designated as the Russian empire, still moves on, in spite of all official orders to stand still, or even go back. The idea of such a congress originated many years ago, and repeated attempts were made to get the government's permission for its convocation, but in vain. Now the congress is a fact, and it will undoubtedly do much good, stirring the public spirit in both sexes alike, and serving as a stepping stone in many progressive directions.

A Question

"Are you a native of this town?" asked a traveler of a manning in a sleepy little town far up in the mountains of North Carolina. "Am I what?" "Are you a native of this town?" "A what?" "I asked if you are a native of this town."

A Stowaway

Captain Pritchard of the Mauretania relates the following: "Last summer, I showed over the steerage. As we were making our tour, the steerage people were eating their dinner, and I could help remarking the tremendous appetite of a red-haired man. I said, 'Just look at the amount of food that fellow consumes!'"

"I suppose, captain," said the young lad, "that he is what you sailors call a stowaway?" "How fortunate that it was a Joe-ior's motor car ran over Downson!" "Yes, it is a remarkable thing about Downson—no always is lucky!"

Miracle, Not Crime

The Angler—Is this public water, my man? The Angler—Then it won't be a crime, and a fish? The Inhabitant—No, it'll be a miracle.

Lucky Downson

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