

LAKE VIEW VICE ABOVE THE LAW Police Afraid to Stop the Dainty Brand Flaunted on North Side

A report from Lieut. Hutchinson of the Town Hall station, 860 North Halsted street, on the vice conditions in Lake View has been made to Inspector Stephen K. Healey, who took up the investigation of vice when it was first reported to him by the Daily Socialist.

Lieut. Hutchinson declares that while he has found one woman and her "daughter" who "go down town some times and come home with 'em," he is unable to plant any vice which can be reached by the police.

Lieut. Hutchinson is not at all enthusiastic in trying to make good on a vice investigation in Lake View. He declares that such vice as exists in Lake View is of such a nature that the police are powerless, and it is not within their province to interfere with it.

Vice Privately Conducted

From the statements made by the lieutenant it would appear that the vice of the hall on 75th above criticism, or at least above the law, and in this the lieutenant is absolutely right according to the standards of the Society for Pure Living.

Called "Delicatessen" Vice

Lake View vice is "delicatessen" vice. Lieut. Hutchinson admits that vice exists up there of the delicatessen nature, but he declares that there are no open resorts and no places where vice flourishes openly in such manner that it could be suppressed legally.

Lieutenant Fears for Job

Lieutenant Hutchinson is a bluff and hearty man, but he is also a wise old owl. He knows just how far he can go, and he goes no further.

Official Says "Show Me"

"If the Sheridan Park people or anybody else will show me where any vice resorts are in this district I will close them at once and run them out. I won't stand for it a minute," retorted the lieutenant.

COMES HERE TO WED AND SUITOR ROBS HER OF \$300

A woman about 30 years old and fashionably attired today told Lieut. Ryan at the Harrison street police station a story of having been robbed of \$300 in a downtown hotel last night by a man with whom she had come from Vancouver, B. C., to Chicago to be married.

HOOSIER HOUSEWIVES PERIL AGAINST HARVEST DINNERS

Indianapolis, Ind., June 23.—Wives of central Indiana farmers have rebelled against the practicing of preparing big dinners for thrashing hands, and the owners of machines that go from farm to farm thrashing wheat will have to provide dinners for their own men.

BANDITS GET \$5,000 FROM EXPRESS COMPANY SAFE

Green Bay, Wis., June 23.—Two bandits entered the night office of the United States Express company here at 7 a. m. today and with a revolver compelled the man in charge to open the safe.

EVANSTON, ATTENTION!

Evanston Socialists who will sell Riverside picnic tickets can secure them at Peter Miller's harness shop on Sherman avenue.

CAPE COD CANAL TO BE STARTED TO CURE PERIL

New York, June 23.—August Belmont started for Massachusetts last night to officiate today in the breaking of ground for the Cape Cod canal from Sandwich, in Barnstable bay, Massachusetts, across Cape Cod to Buzzards bay.

The canal will be twelve miles long and thirty feet deep. It will shorten the route from Boston to New York by seventy-four miles over the Vineyard sound route and 142 miles over the outside sea route around the cape.

GALLAGHER GIRL GIVEN \$10,000

Emma Gallagher was awarded \$10,000 against the Singer Sewing Machine company this morning in Judge Abbott's court as a result of her suit against the company for attempting to restrain her from selling sewing machines.

The big machine trust, which had boasted that it was above the law and that she could not do anything because it was above all regulations, was found guilty by the jury of libel for printing an advertisement to the effect that Miss Gallagher had been discharged for forgery.

Another Suit Is Started

This suit calls for \$25,000 damages due to the conspiracy into which the three employees of the Singer Sewing machine company are said to have entered with the same purpose which is alleged to have been back of the advertisement.

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Investigate Jury Tampering

It was alleged by Miss Gallagher's brother, after the decision had been rendered, that one of the jurymen had seen and talked to a friend of Mr. Wayne, one of the attorneys for the Singer Sewing machine company.

Union Holds Agreement Binding

The matter was referred to the union and the members held that the agreement signed in good faith was binding. A letter to that effect was sent to the company and a reply received much like the letter above quoted and containing the information that the pact with the union was to be regarded as "no agreement."

TWO MORE LIONS TAKE THE COUNT

Nairobi, British East Africa, June 23.—All the members of the Roosevelt expedition, in camp on the Loretta plains in the Sotik district, are in excellent health.

RED HANDKERCHIEF STOPS BLACK HAND TESTIMONY

"The trial of Joseph Bertucci, so alleged 'black hand' murderer, came to a sudden halt yesterday afternoon in Judge Windes' court when an Italian entered the courtroom and waved a red handkerchief at Bruno Nordi, indicted with Bertucci, while he was preparing to testify against his co-defendant.

YOUTH NEARING THE END

Paxton, Ill., June 23.—Rapid progress is being made in the trial of Joseph D. Klotz, the young Chicago millionaire on trial here for killing Earl Nelson last summer on an ammunition car while the troops were on the way to the Springfield riots.

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IN CONSPIRACY TO BREAK UNION

A lockout, the cause of which has every appearance of being a conspiracy on the part of members of the National Association of Manufacturers to break the Machinists' union, is in progress at the Chalmers and Williams plant at Chicago Heights.

Machinists Locked Out at Chicago Heights After Van Cleave Plan

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Contract Signed by Hall

In pursuance of this request the matter was "taken up" with Hall who signed an agreement which was the same practically as that of the years before, save that it provided for a half holiday on Saturday, and that if the union was unable to furnish enough machinists the company should have the right to hire non-union men, provided these men joined the union after they were employed.

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KIDNAPER SLAYS MERCHANT; KILLS SELF WHEN TRAPPED

Khabarovsk, Asiatic Russia, June 23.—The 8 year old son of a rich merchant of Khabarovsk was kidnaped while playing. One of the kidnapers yesterday presented a letter to the merchant demanding \$25,000. The latter sent for the police, whereupon the kidnaper killed the merchant and committed suicide. The fate of the boy is not known.

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BASEBALL GAMES TODAY Results Yesterday—Standing of Clubs

Table with columns for National League and American League, listing teams and their records.

AWAIT RETURN BIG FINANCIERS

Washington, D. C., June 23.—With the expected arrival soon in New York from Europe of J. Pierpont Morgan and other leading financiers, it is expected in Washington that negotiations having in view the completion of the organization of a pan-American bank, with branches throughout Central and South America, soon will begin.

HARRISON IN MOUNTAIN TRIP

Vienna, Austria, June 23.—The condition of E. H. Harriman was reported at noon today as good. Accompanied by the members of his family, he will leave Vienna this afternoon in a motor car for the Semmering, the mountain resort about fifty miles from the Austrian capital.

WILSON TO QUIT TAFT'S CABINET

Washington, D. C., June 23.—James Wilson of Iowa, the secretary of agriculture, who has been in the cabinet since the beginning of the administration, will retire from office in December, according to a well authorized report.

SAYS DOCTORS ARE TO BLAME FOR FAITH HEALING FAD

Detroit, Mich., June 23.—Faith healing, the Emmanuel movement, soul cure, etc., are marked as a return to the attempts to cure disease by the laying on of hands were all denominated as loud, emphatic protests against the abuse of drugs by President William D. Foster of the American Institute of Homeopathy.

LA GRANJA, SPAIN, JUNE 23.—QUEEN VICTORIA gave birth to a daughter at 6:25 a. m. today.

PATTEN'S MOTHER NEAR DEATH

Mrs. Agnes Patten, mother of James A. Patten, is seriously ill. She is at the home of her son in Evanston, and her death is expected at any time. Mrs. Patten is 87 years old and is suffering from a general breakdown due to age.

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WOMEN LABOR HOTLY SCORED

Their Employment in German Mines Denounced at Miners' Conference

Berlin, June 19.—Leblanc of Belgium took the floor the second day of the International Miners' congress in behalf of the resolution providing for the abolition of the work of women in mines.

"The chief duty of the workmen's and Socialist organizations," said Leblanc, "is to protect the weak against the strong. When women, with their physical disabilities, are made to do the work of men, at less pay than men get, it is time to call a halt. Work in the mines is not for women. Weak women and weaker children have no place in the tremendous toll of the mines. Better for the girls that they be buried in the slavery of servants for fine ladies—I say slavery advisedly. (Cheers greeted this statement.)"

GIVES TIP TO SUFFRAGISTS

"It is all very well for the suffragettes to cry aloud for votes for women, but it would be a much better thing if these suffragettes would take a walk through the mines, through the big industrial establishments, and see at first hand how their sisters are compelled to live. Then they might understand that votes for tax paying women only did not mean votes for women. (Cheers.)"

CHILD LABOR PROHIBITED

Following Leblanc's speech the vote was taken on the matter of the working of children in the mines. The absolute prohibition of child labor in mines received the votes of the German, Austrian and Belgian delegations and was carried. The English delegation refrained from voting on the proposition for absolute prohibition of child labor.

BROOKLYN CARPENTER HAS "PERPETUAL MOTION" DEVICE

New York, June 23.—Another man registered a claim today as a discoverer of perpetual motion. He is Frank McMahon, a white-haired carpenter, of Brooklyn, who has invented a wheel with twelve spokes. On the end of each of the spokes is a sliding weight, which is connected with a piston on the wheel behind. These sliding weights, Mr. McMahon says, made one side of the wheel heavier than the other. Thus, gravity makes the wheel revolve. Fearing that some one might steal his invention McMahon will not show it until he hears from the patent office.

GIRL BORN TO SPAIN'S QUEEN

La Granja, Spain, June 23.—Queen Victoria gave birth to a daughter at 6:25 a. m. today. The accouchement was in every respect successful. The dowager queen, Christina, the mother of King Alfonso, and Princess Beatrice, mother of Queen Victoria, were at the bedside of her majesty.

Booming of fifteen guns announced the birth of a girl, and the rejoicing thereafter was general. Half an hour later the king, accompanied by the mistress of the robes, his face beaming with joy at the happy deliverance of the queen and the fulfillment of their wish for a daughter, proudly presented the infant to the dignitaries assembled in the antechamber. As the baby nestled in the basket, which was richly adorned with exquisite lace, it was seen that she was a blonde and healthy in appearance, although smaller than her brothers.

PRIZE CONTEST ON

Get in the Race and Win One of These Prizes—Sell Tickets. The following desirable prizes will be given to the men and women selling the highest number of Riverview Park picnic tickets:

First prize for woman selling the highest number of tickets—\$35 brass bedstead; donated by the Humboldt Furniture Co., 709-711 W. North av. First prize for man selling highest number of tickets—\$25 suit of clothes; donated by Benson & Rixon, Milwaukee av. and Paulina st.

Second prize for woman selling second highest number of tickets—Ten-dollar gold piece. Second prize for man selling second highest number of tickets—One of Tom Murray's high-grade \$10 suits of clothes. Third prize for women—One pair of Ruppert's \$5 shoes. Third prize for men—One pair of Ruppert's \$5 shoes.

To the next three women and the next three men selling the highest number of tickets—\$3 worth of any literature they may select from the Chicago Daily Socialist book department. To the three men and three women selling the next highest number of tickets—\$1 worth of any literature they may select from the Chicago Daily Socialist book department.

If you are not yet in this contest, call at the office of the Chicago Daily Socialist at once and secure tickets and go after one of these prizes.

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FOUR RENT—FLAT. FOR RENT—Four-room front flat, bath, steam heat, 64 Dearborn, between Taylor and 11th sts., walking distance; E. A. resident agent. SPECIAL NOTICE. VISITORS GOING TO SEATTLE WILL FIND their home paper at the southeast corner of First Avenue South and Washington at Northwest corner of Second St. and Chestnut St. INTERNATIONAL NEWS AGENCY, Seattle, Wash. PIANOS. TEN NEW PIANOS REGULAR \$200 VALUE, offered special this week at \$125; easy payments. SAMUEL BLOCK, 23 Walnut st.

BOARD AND ROOMS. WANTED—Room and board, new block from surface cars and North Western station. ED. H. GIBB, Irving Park. BUSINESS PERSONALS. SIGN BANNERS WINDOW LETTERS. Chicago, Ill. 301 Dearborn st. Estimates furnished; part taken if desired.

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What Sort of an Investigation?

There is considerable mystery about the committee which it is proposed to appoint at the next meeting of the Chicago council to investigate the municipal finances.

If this committee is not for the purpose of whitewashing the present rotten administration, if the investigation is to be a bona fide one, it will uncover a condition that stands almost unparalleled in the history of municipal waste and rottenness.

The fact that the committee is apparently welcomed by those who are profiting by this corruption does not inspire confidence in its honesty.

Yet we are willing to wait until the committee is appointed before alleging bias. But if that committee is composed of administration representatives, if it is made up of those who are profiting by the present condition, then it will not be necessary to wait for its report to know the object and the result of the investigation.

A committee appointed by Busse, managed by Foreman and controlled by the great financial interests of Chicago can have but one object—to gather AND SUPPRESS THE INFORMATION THAT MIGHT LEAD TO CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

The Daily Socialist was the only paper that dared to tell the truth about the carnival of corruption that is now rioting in the city hall. It has been admitted that it was the exposures of this paper that compelled the appointing of this committee.

Now that an attempt has been made to forestall any genuine action by a sham investigation we shall continue to expose the expositors.

There are plenty of places where the public funds of Chicago are needed. There are schools and parks to be built, there is need of better care for the health and comfort of the people. Therefore the workers are interested in knowing what use is made of the public funds.

The Death Strip

To get more room in which to compel passengers to stand up the Chicago street cars have killed twenty-five persons during the last few months.

Get that fact clear. There is absolutely no other reason for the wide cars. The aisles in the old ones were amply wide enough for passengers to walk to and from the seats. The seats are no wider than before.

But "the dividends are in the straps," said Yerkes. The money that is to pay returns on watered stock, that is to heap up millions to be poured out in debauching exhibitions of high society comes from those who pay a nickel IN ORDER TO STAND UP.

The car requires no more employes full than empty. The amount of additional current needed to pull the full car is negligible.

But the amount of dividends which comes from a car packed like a sardine can be far greater than that of one where every fare has secured a seat and decent accommodations.

The new cars will seat a FEW more persons than the old ones. THEY HAVE STANDING ROOM FOR FULLY TWICE AS MANY. And "the dividends are in the straps."

To gain this additional standing room the cars were widened until to be caught between them is death. It has been proven to mean death in twenty-five cases since the new cars were put on.

For years there has been sufficient room between two cars for safety. With cars running every few seconds on all the down-town streets, and with hundreds of thousands of persons compelled to cross those streets every hour, it is as mathematically certain as anything in human probability that a certain number of persons will be caught between these cars. They have been so caught. They have been crushed out of all semblance to human beings.

There is no chance for the street car companies to plead ignorance. They were told exactly what this would mean before the cars were built. Engineers told them that they were building a death-trap in the heart of a crowded city. No heed was paid to these warnings. "The dividends are in the straps," and the fact that death lurked in the same locality was of very little importance.

Whenever in present society life and dividends come in conflict the former must give way. Do you doubt this? Witness the Illinois steel works, the white lead factories, the sweatshops and the Chicago stock yards.

A majority of the voters of Chicago voted that profits should count more than persons in the street railway business. When the blood of the victims of private greed is spattered upon the streets of Chicago look to your hands. If you cast a ballot for the present city government you should be able to smell the blood upon your fingers.

We are told that the thing is done now and there is no redress. Because these great juggernauts cost money to construct and it would reduce profits to destroy or alter them, we are told that they must continue to spatter, the blood of the people of Chicago upon the streets.

If every car that killed a man were destroyed upon the spot that slight interference with profits might arouse to action. If this did not produce the proper effect it might be well to try hanging a director of the street railway corporation and a member of the city traction committee alternately for each such murder for which they are jointly responsible.

We have no fear that the mortality of the directors or committeemen would reach a high point. Such an alternative would cause them to find a way to stop this wholesale slaughter. If it were their OWN LIVES that were being balanced up against profits there would be a different story to tell.

In Manhattan A Good Reason Jack-Hello, Tom, old man, got your new flat fitted up yet? "How was he acquitted?" "Insanity." "He doesn't seem crazy." "He isn't. It was the jury that was off."—Kansas City Times.

AS OTHERS SEE US

BY ROBERT HUNTER.

A century later we shall be living in a Socialist civilization. It will be interesting then to read The Outlook of 1909 and other present day publications to find out what the people of this day thought of Socialists.

under Pontius Pilate, the procurator of Judea. By that event, the sect, of which he was the founder, received a blow, which, for a time, checked the growth of a dangerous superstition; but it revived soon after and spread with recruited vigor, not only in Judea, the soil that gave it birth, but even in the city of Rome, the common sink into which everything infamous and abominable flows like a torrent from all quarters of the world.

were covered with the skins of wild beasts, and left to be devoured by dogs; others were nailed to the cross; numbers were burned alive; and many, covered over with inflammable matter, were lighted up, when the day declined, to serve as torches during the night.

STALE CRUMBS FROM THE RULERS' TABLE

BY R. J. CALHOUN.

When a spokesman of the exploiting class attempts to define their attitude towards the working class he is sure to say something from which the latter class might profit if they were not too completely hypnotized by their masters to be capable of learning or thinking.

that there could be no such thing as freedom under conditions of economic dependence. While the natural resources of this new country were being appropriated we imagined we were free and the chains were for a while nigh forgotten in the scramble to get a portion of the wealth.

Since the president is rehabilitating old ideas we quote further a good solid basis for class distinctions which he should have made use of.

Our heavy-weight president has lately delivered himself of an expression of this kind, full of solid meat for the working class, which, as usual, they will fall to digest or assimilate.

Now the country and its wealth is appropriated and the slaves are waking up to find that as far as they were concerned, the freedom was a short lived dream. Mr. Taft simply tells them the unwelcome truth when he says they must always serve a master in order to live, and they already realize it sufficiently to accept his statement without protest.

We place the blame on Mr. Taft and the class he represents, or more properly the system which he and his class support, and will support rather than sacrifice any of their privilege, even though the world should be deluged in blood.

There is no language strong enough to condemn the action of those who deliberately and knowingly wish to shut out the majority of the human family from this opportunity.

Writing fifty years ago of the same race to which Mr. Taft addressed himself, one of the strongest and most able writers we have been able to find, thus expressed himself:

It is true the schools are free, and thus the exploiting class conscience is eased, but economic pressure works like the law of natural selection, weeding out the unfit—the working class—and reserving the real privilege of education to the fit—the privileged class.

THE RIGHT TO WORK

The Chicago Journal is improving as is shown by the following editorial: "One serious defect of our complex and one-sided system of social organization is the lack of provision for the undeniable right of every man to work and to reap the results of his toil."

field and forest, fish, flesh and fowl, wrest a living for his wife and children. "Inasmuch as originally every man's share of land was equal, and since for the most part land control has been brought into the hands of a few forces, there appears logically to be justice in the demand of every man for the right of labor."

The Rarest American Coins

Dealers say that the fifteen rarest American coins are worth a total of \$16,000. Here is a list of them: First is the New York doubloon, coined in 1787 by Ephraim Brasher, a jeweler; it has a record price of only \$505, but is regarded as the scarcest of all American issues by experts, who believe that if a specimen were offered for sale today it would bring \$3,000 at least.

Asia Peninsula Draws Attention

There is an awakening interest in the Kamchatka peninsula, the mainland of Asia north of the Japanese islands. Its 7,500 inhabitants live by hunting and fishing, though small quantities of barley and rye are raised. The capital is Petropavlovsk, on the east coast, and the exports comprise sable, fox and other skins, whale oil, fish and eggs. The trade is chiefly with Okhotsk. The following report concerning the exploration of Kamchatka has been received from James W. Ragdale, consul at St. Petersburg:

The estuary of the river was studied, ornithological collections gathered, and the Nepchik lake prospected, which until now has never been visited by naturalists. It proved to be larger than shown on maps. It is 45 versts (verst, about three-fifths of a mile) long, 20 versts wide, and its waters are sweet. The study of fishes disclosed large amounts of salmon," says the Dallas (Tex.) News.

Fractions

Teacher (giving a lesson on fractions): "Here, children, is a piece of meat. If I cut it in two, what shall I have?" "Class: "Halves!" Teacher: "And if I cut it again in two, what do I get?" "Class: "Quarters!" Teacher: "and if I again do the same?" "Class: "Eighths!" Teacher: "And if I continue in the same way?" "Class (a duet): "Sixteenths!" Teacher: "Good! And if we cut our pieces once more in two, what then shall we have?" Tommy (after a long silence): "Please, miss, mince-meat!"

A Never Failing Supply

The fond husband was seeing his wife off with the children for their vacation in the country. As she got into the train, he said, "But, my dear, won't you take some fiction to read?" "Oh, no!" she responded sweetly, "I shall depend upon your letters from home."—London Tattler.

The Sacrifice

"People will praise my work after I am dead," said the playwright, gloomily. "Perhaps," answered the cold-blooded actor, "but isn't it a good deal of a sacrifice to make for a little praise?"—Washington Star.

Reassuring

Joan—I'm awful frightened at the lightning! I wish there was a man here. Mistress—What good would that do? Joan—He'd tell me not to be such a fool.—Punch.

Most as Bad

"Were you ever surrounded by wolves?" "No; but I used to open the dining-room doors at a summer hotel."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Hard Part

It's hard to live within one's salary, but there's one consolation—it's harder to live without it.

TO THE EDITOR

The Standard of Value J. H. T. says he has learned "that the amount and quality of the labor required to reproduce an article are the sole measure of its value." You should omit the word "quality" and in place of article say "commodity," and your statement would be more accurate and read thus: "The amount of labor required to reproduce a commodity is the sole measure of its value."

THE ROAD TO POWER

BY KAREL KAUTSKY

CHAP. IX.—A NEW PERIOD OF REVOLUTION

(Continued from yesterday.) Just as clear as these tasks are the means which are at our disposal for their solution. In addition to those that have already been utilized we have now added the MASS-STRIKE, which we had already theoretically accepted at the beginning of the '90s, and whose application under favorable conditions has been repeatedly tested since then.

Incalculable are our statesmen. Their personalities change rapidly and their views more rapidly still. They no longer have any logical, definite policy.

Furthermore, the insanity of foreign politics, which involves so many nations, is still incalculable, so that the incalculableness of the internal politics of such states is increased manifold by the complications of its foreign relations.

The Socialists will be able to assert themselves in the midst of this universal uncertainty just in proportion as they do not waver and as they remain true to themselves. In the midst of this constant wavering policy they will increase the conscious strength of the laboring masses just in proportion as their theory makes possible a logical, definite practice.

The more immovable, logical and irconcilable the Socialists remain, the sooner will they conquer their opponents.

It is to ask the Socialists to commit political suicide when the demand is made of them that they join in any coalition or "bloc" policy, in any case where the words "reactionary mass" is truly applicable. It is demanding moral suicide of the Socialists to ask them to enter into an alliance with capitalist parties at a time when these have prostituted themselves and compromised themselves to the very bottom.

Anxious friends fear that the Socialists may prematurely gain control of the government THROUGH a revolution. But if there is ever to be such a thing as a premature attainment of governmental power, it will come from the gaining of the appearance of governmental power BEFORE the revolution; that is, before the proletariat has actually gained political power.

Whoever looks upon the Socialist party as a means for the freeing of the proletariat, must decisively oppose any and all forms of participation by that party in the ruling corruption. If there is anything that will rob us of the confidence of all honorable elements in the masses, and that will gain us the contempt of all those sections of the proletariat that are capable of and willing to fight, and that will bar the road to our progress, it is participation of the Socialists in any coalition or "bloc" policy.

The only elements that would be served by such a policy would be those to whom our party is nothing more than a ladder by which they can personally climb—the strivers and the self-seekers. The less of such elements we attract to us and the more we can drive away, the better for our battle.

How what has been said will be applied in individual cases it is impossible to say definitely. Never was it more difficult than now to foretell the form and tempo of the coming developments, where all the factors that are to be considered, with the exception of the proletariat, are so indefinite, incalculable.

The only certain thing is universal uncertainty. It is certain that we are entering upon a period of universal unrest, of shifting of power, and that whatever form this may take, or how long it may continue, a condition of permanent stability will not be reached until the proletariat shall have gained the power to expropriate politically and economically the capitalist class and thereby to inaugurate a new era in the world's history.

Whether this revolutionary period will continue as long as that of the bourgeoisie, which began in 1789 and lasted until 1871, is, naturally, impossible to foresee. To be sure, all forms of evolution proceed much more rapidly now than previously, but, on the other hand, the field of battle has grown enormously. When Marx and Engels wrote the "Communist Manifesto" they saw before them only Western Europe as the battle field of the proletarian revolution. Today it has become the whole world. Today the battles in the struggle of the laboring and exploited class for freedom will be fought not alone upon the banks of the Spree and the Seine, but on the Hudson and the Mississippi, on the Neva and the Dardanelles, on the Ganges and the Hoangho.

Equally gigantic with the battle field are the problems that spring from it—the social organization of the world industry.

But the proletariat will arise from this revolutionary era, that may perhaps continue for a generation, wholly different from what it was when it went in.

If today the elite of the workers are the strongest, most far-seeing, unselfish, keener, best and freest organized section of the nations of European civilization, then it will draw to itself in the fight and through the fight the most unselfish and far-seeing elements of all classes, and will organize and educate the backward elements within its own bosom and inspire them with the joy and hope of freedom. It will raise its elite to the height of civilization and make them capable of directing that tremendous economic transformation that shall forever make an end of the whole world round of all misery arising from slavery, exploitation and ignorance.

Happy is he who is called to share in this sublime battle and this glorious victory.

THE END.

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value of the fruit of the South Pacific Islander, would say you confuse use value with economic or exchange value. Things may have great value to human beings and yet not have economic value. Air and sunshine have great use value, but have no exchange value. If that fruit is bought and sold its small labor value is exchanged for an equal amount of labor value in some other commodity, and this regardless of its usefulness. Use value is a prerequisite of the value in a commodity, but not the substance of value nor its measure.

The "model" you mentioned were, valueless, which means they had no use value, and the labor in them did not create exchange value because society will not buy things it considers useless. Those models are not commodities. They have no economic value, the thing we are talking about. Marx says: "If a thing is useless, so is the labor contained in it; the labor does not count as labor, and therefore creates no value." Engels says: "Labor is the only thing which gives the original products of nature a value in the economic sense. Value in itself is nothing, but the expression in a given object of necessary, social, human labor."

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On Negro Problem I was greatly interested in the letter in yesterday's Socialist from Mr. Tolson of Memphis on the negro problem. From my more or less limited experience in the south I feel quite sure that Comrade Tolson's setting forth of the situation as confronting the Socialist party is correct—in fact, it seems to me to be the best statement on the matter yet put forth.

For a long time this matter has troubled me, because it is going to be one of the difficult things for the Socialist to solve—a knotty problem peculiar to this country. At the present stage of progress of the human mind, I believe that segregation of the races is the only solution. ISAAC PETERSON, Chicago, Ill.

The statement should read: "The amount of labor that is socially necessary to reproduce a commodity is the measure of its value."

It is not the individual amount of labor in a commodity which determines or measures its value. It is the average amount of social labor necessary under the average conditions of production to supply the market with a certain mass of a certain article. It is calculated upon the whole lot of a commodity of a certain description.

In answer to your question of the

—Young Collector.