

## MAYOR FINDS MAN TO 'RESTORE' POLICE; HE IS COL. STEWARD

### Ex-Chief's Appointment Will End Criticisms of Rottenness of Force

### WHAT WILL BE RESULT?

### Action by Mayor Is Forced by Exposures Made by the Daily Socialist

Mayor Busse has at last found a man who he thinks can restore the police department of the city of Chicago to its lost position of decency in the public mind.

This man is Col. Leroy T. Steward, a man of proved executive ability and a trained organizer, who is at the present time superintendent of the Chicago post office, in charge of the city delivery of mails.

The necessity of appointing a civilian of the reputation of Col. Steward was brought about by the Daily Socialist, which so exposed the rottenness of the Chicago police that, as a measure of self preservation, Mayor Busse had to do something to "rehabilitate" the department.

### Appointment Is Confirmed

The new chief is expected to assume his duties within a few days. He was confirmed by the city council in special meeting this morning and immediately gave bond.

The new head of the department of police declares that he will not be a chief in name only. His manner of expressing it is that the "tail is not going to wag the dog" while he is police head.

No sensational developments are expected from the appointment of the new chief for some time as he says himself that he is not familiar with police practices in the city of Chicago and must have some time to "feel out his way before starting upon any definite policy.

The appointment of a man like Steward is directly due to the Chicago Daily Socialist, because of the fact that nearly every paper in town has at one time or another been forced by circumstances to attack these two officers savagely. The Daily Socialist, the minute that any intimation of the appointment of these men was given out, fought and fought hard.

The new chief of police declares that he will be a worker and not a talker, although he says that he will talk frankly when occasion demands.

### No Radical Change

The newly appointed chief outlined his policy in a general way during an interview at his flat, 229 Sixty-first place. He let it be known that no very radical changes were to be expected at present, either in the personnel of the department or in the methods under which it is now being conducted.

Some of the things that may be looked for when the new chief dons his uniform are:

- Little talk and lots of work on his own part.
- Frank statements when the occasions of talking do arise.
- Strict discipline in the department, which will at least make it come up to the standard of the traffic squad.
- No "books" to be kept on what has gone before in police circles.
- No shifts of under officers unless later developments warrant them.
- Police is not to figure in his work. Soft s/s/p policemen will have to go to work.
- A general business systematizing of the department.

### Won't Talk About Vice

On vice the new chief declined to state his plans. He said he had not made any as yet, but indicated that he favored strict segregation of the streets. He is better acquainted with the gamblers and the gamblers' methods he will do nothing to stop gambling or the gamblers' war.

The worries of being chief of police began yesterday with Mr. Steward. Inspectors, captains and lieutenants of the force called him over the telephone or went to his residence to congratulate him on the appointment, and incidentally to get a "line" on him. He was besieged by callers all day and until

late at night. Nearly every police officer in the city sent congratulations. Scores of friends from the post office expressed regret at his leaving the superintendency of Chicago's mail delivery system, where he has been for nine years.

In order to step into the vacancy made by the resignation of George M. Shippy, and at once begin to aid the Busse administration, the new chief will sacrifice a month's vacation on which he would otherwise have started today. He will resign from the postal service at once and be actively in charge of the police department probably by the end of this week.

### Busse a Friend of His

"Why did you accept the place, considering that so many had refused to take it?" Mr. Steward was asked yesterday.

"Merely because Fred A. Busse is a good friend of mine, and I believe in him and what he is trying to do. I want to do everything I can to make his administration a success.

"There is a chance here not only for a man to make good for his friend, but for the people of Chicago and for himself. I believe in the business administration, and so far as I am able, want to carry out the ideas which will make it a success. If I can't do it I have no business in the place, and wouldn't expect to stay there."

"What is to be your general policy in conducting the police department?" Mr. Steward was asked.

"It's too early to talk about what I am going to do. Did you ever notice that the man who talks about what he is going to do seldom does it? Well, I believe in doing the work first and then letting some one else talk about it."

### Not Tied to Any Plan

"I am not tied down to any plan. I am to work out the police problems according to my own ideas and for the public good. So I shall bring to bear whatever executive ability I have and study things out. I expect to learn a good many things, which will be of just as much benefit to me as to the public."

"But there is some general idea on which you will work?" It was suggested.

"Just a general proposition of applying business principles."

Members of the police department who are under civil service took hope yesterday that the civil service idea would be a popular one in the new administration. The position with the federal government that Mr. Steward leaves is under civil service. It pays \$3,000 a year. The new place will pay \$3,000 annually.

On the whole, the appointment of a civilian is considered by most members of the department as a means out of a difficulty for the mayor and a harmonizing element for the force.

### Appointment Is Confirmed

On motion of Alderman Bernard W. Snow, Colonel Leroy T. Steward was this morning confirmed by the city council as chief of police of the city of Chicago.

The bond of the new chief of police furnished by the Illinois Surety company, in the amount of the bond was \$55,000. The mayor's commendation for the new chief was transmitted by the city clerk and read, as follows:

Chicago, Aug. 16, 1909.—To the Honorable City Council—Gentlemen: By virtue of the authority conferred upon me, I hereby appoint Leroy T. Steward to be general superintendent of police of the city of Chicago, vice George M. Shippy, resigned, and respectfully ask the concurrence of your honorable body. Respectfully submitted, FRED A. BUSSE, Mayor.

### Sketch of New Chief

The new chief was born at Dayton, O., March 24, 1862. When he was 10 years old his father was chief of police of that city and he was the proud possessor of the title "captain." After going to school there he came to Chicago April 1, 1879. For fifteen years he was with Wilson Bros., most of the time as superintendent of their manufacturing department. Then he entered the postoffice as a clerk at \$300 a year, and in three years was promoted to superintendent of deliveries at a salary of \$2,700, on the death of Capt. W. J. McGrath in 1901.

The title of colonel was received by Mr. Steward as a member of the Illinois national guard. He was successively an officer in the First and Second regiments and inspector general of the First brigade. He was one of the earliest members and a president of the Marquette club and is a member of the Hamilton club. At the time of the opening of the World's fair he was on the committee of one hundred on information of the Loyal Legion.

Flourishing six revolvers, a squad of half a dozen policemen from the Canalport avenue station raided a Socialist street meeting Saturday night that was being held peaceably at Blue Island avenue and Loomis street. They claimed they couldn't understand the speaker, who was talking in Bohemian. After they had intimidated the crowd and evidently grown disgusted because they could not start a fight, so they would have a pretense for making arrests, the officers departed and the "soap boxers" continued with their meeting.

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## A SIMPLE LITTLE DEVICE TO PREVENT AGITATION



## KILLS WIFE AND SON; SLAYS SELF

### Bookkeeper, Who Could Not Get Work, Enacts a Triple Tragedy

Gustav Herring shot and killed his wife, Louisa, mortally wounded his son, Gustav, Jr., who had come to the aid of his mother, and then committed suicide by sending a bullet through his own brain at 5 a. m. today in the family home at 2138 North Francisco avenue. At the time of the triple tragedy Fred J. Biederman, a son-in-law, Biederman's wife, Clara, and another daughter, Margaret, were sleeping in the house.

### Son Ran Into Death

None of them was molested by the elder Herring and it is believed he would not have shot his son had he not been aroused and run into the room where his father had killed Mrs. Herring. As the son tried to seize his father the revolver was turned on him and he fell to the floor with a bullet in his head. The father then ran into an adjoining room and ended his own life.

It was learned from the son, who was taken to the Alexian Brothers' hospital, that his father had acted strangely for two years. He was formerly a bookkeeper, but had not been employed for four years, and the fact that he could not get work preyed on his mind.

All of the family were slumbering when he crept silently from a room in the front of the house where he slept alone. He entered the room of his wife, who was sleeping with her 15-year-old daughter, Margaret, and without any warning placed the revolver to her head and fired.

### Young Daughter Unharmed

The shot aroused the daughter, who screamed and jumped out of bed. "My God!" screamed the child, "you have killed mamma! Oh, what do you mean?"

At this moment the son ran into the room. "Stop it!" he cried. "Are you crazy? Before he could speak further he was met with a bullet.

## OFFERS \$50 FOR PROOF OF VIOLATION OF 'DRY' LAW

Nashville, Aug. 17.—Attorney General McNair personally offers to pay \$50 reward for the first proof brought to him of a violation of the prohibition law by a white man on or after Aug. 14 and before the opening of the Criminal court on the first Monday in September. This money is to be paid on the final conviction of the violator, and the offer applies only to sales made between the dates mentioned. The money is to be paid by Mr. McNair personally and not by the state or county.

## EXCESSIVE HEAT IS FATAL TO 7 PERSONS IN OMAHA

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 17.—Seven deaths occurred in this city yesterday as a result of the high temperature. Of these five died from the direct effects of the heat and two from other ailments, with the heat as the chief contributory cause. The maximum temperature of 96 degrees was reached at 2 p. m. yesterday.

## NEW CABINET IN DENMARK

Copenhagen, Aug. 17.—The ministerial crisis which followed the resignation of the Danish cabinet last month because of its failure to secure the support of parliament for its project of military defense, came to an end today with the formation of a new cabinet under the premiership of Count Holstein-Ledeborg.

## ORVILLE WRIGHT IN LONDON ON WAY FOR GERMAN TEST

London, Aug. 17.—Orville Wright, who arrived here today from New York, will spend only twenty-four hours in England. He is going on to Germany tomorrow. He will not be able to do anything in the flying line here, although his aeroplanes are completed, the motors for them have not yet been delivered.

## POLICE FLURISH REVOLVERS AND TRY TO STOP SOCIALIST MEETING

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## LABOR PARADE LINE-UP GIVEN

No effort will be spared to make the coming Labor Day, Sept. 6, the most notable one for years, and organized labor will turn out in force, according to plans made at the meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor yesterday. The parade, which is to last two hours, has been divided into three divisions.

## FORMATION OF LABOR PARADE

The formation is as follows:

Division 1—Carpenters' district council, members of the council and the thirty-two local unions of carpenters.

All members of this division are to assemble on Jackson boulevard and Ashland avenue.

Division 2—Freight Handlers' district council and local unions. Stationary Firemen No. 1, American Firemen's Union, Workers' union No. 1, Barbers' union and delegates to the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Members of this division will assemble at Jackson boulevard and Loomis street.

## WILL INVESTIGATE LAW

The legislative committee which finished its work at the last meeting turned in an additional report which stated that joint resolution, No. 43, which was injurious to the securing of any effective employers' liability law was in the copy of the state statutes as passed by the last general assembly in spite of the fact that the minutes of the house showed that the resolution had been reconsidered and the resolution lost and that therefore it had failed to pass the house and could not be a law. An investigation was ordered.

## LEGAL DEFENSE FUND

An appeal was read from the Polish Bakers' and Confectionery Workers' International union asking for funds to aid in the defense of four union men who are held in jail as the result of the death of a nonunion bakery driver, for whose demise the union men assert they were in no way to blame. A legal defense fund will be raised by the various unions in response to the appeal from the bakers. The bakers' joint council has sanctioned the appeal.

## JEALOUS SLAYER WILL LIVE

Joseph M. Aug. 17.—Carl Dietz, who shot and killed his wife because he thought she had been unfaithful to him and then shot himself, will live. A bank clerk whom Dietz accused of being an infidel denied that he was Mrs. Dietz.

## SWIMMER DROWNS IN LAKE

Louis Olson, 45 West Erie street, drowned while swimming Sunday in the lake at the foot of Rosemont avenue. He was 47 years of age.

## MAY YET CALL CAR STRIKE; ARGUMENTS WILL BE REOPENED

Workers' union was introduced to speak about the situation in Chicago relative to his organization.

### Effective Against Boot Workers

"We know," he said, "that a year and a half ago James Van Cleave, then president of the National Association of Manufacturers, had a fund of \$15,000,000 to fight organized labor and the fight has been largely effective against my organization here and elsewhere. In Chicago I notice that the organization is split in two, one faction calling itself the 'Progressive Boot and Shoe Workers.' This creates trouble.

"Contrary to what has often been said lately the Douglas Shoe company is on the unfair list."

The head of this company is W. L. Douglas, formerly governor of Massachusetts.

### Truth of Douglas Controversy

The following cards were given out on behalf of Cates:

To Whom It May Concern: In reply to many inquiries we say positively that the W. L. Douglas shoe company, which manufactures stamp shoes, almost their entire manufacturing is done in five country factories without regard to shoe workers. Brocton quality shoes made and sold by the Douglas company, are not made in Brocton, but are made in the Douglas country factories.

The committee recommends that we concur in the report of the general president. We commend the local unions for their patience and perseverance in maintaining our contract to its close with the Douglas Shoe company; we commend the action of the general executive board in refusing to renew the contract under the existing circumstances; we endorse the action of the general executive board in authorizing the strike of the Brocton shoe workers; and we condemn the action of the Douglas company in placing upon the market shoes made in the Douglas country factories, and securing orders from same.

With only three negative votes out of 30 delegates the union officers were sustained in refusing the company's offer of a wage scale not union made unless they bear the union stamp.

### BOOT AND SHOE WORKERS' UNION

John F. Tobin, general president, 248 Summer street, Boston, Mass.

## STATIONARY FIREMEN STRIKE

Announcement was made at the meeting that the stationary firemen have struck against the Fulton Market company because of the firm's continual violation of the eight hour day and the refusal of the firm to pay overtime when it worked the union members nine hours. Forest Park was declared to be unfair to the bakers.

## NEW LINCOLN PENNIES USED EXTENSIVELY IN PHONE SLOTS

Washington, D. C., Aug. 17.—It has been discovered that the new Lincoln penny is five times as valuable, in one respect at least, as the old Indian-head cent. Being a trifle larger and heavier than the old 1-cent piece, the new coin, it has been ascertained, to the exceeding discomfort of the telephone companies, will answer the place of a 5-cent piece when making a call. Already many Lincoln pennies have been found in its pay station boxes by the local telephone company.

## FOUL EFFORT TO CAPTURE BOSTON

Boston, Mass., Aug. 17.—The first "clash at arms" between the red army of invasion that is attempting to capture this city and the blue army of defense, the latter composed wholly of Massachusetts militiamen, occurred early today near Wareham at the base of Cape Cod. It was nothing more than a skirmish between a detachment of the cavalry of the invading force and the second brigade of Massachusetts infantrymen, which had been pushed forward at the extreme left of the line of defense.

## OBJECT OF THE ATTACK

Brig. Gen. William A. Pew, commander of the blue army at Bridge-water, sent his second brigade across the Colchester brook, along the east side of the great cedar swamp, through Halthax to East Middleboro, with the extreme left resting at Wareham. The front of the second brigade left had hardly reached Wareham when a detachment of the red army cavalry appeared, and a sharp encounter began.

## DID NOT SWALLOW BAIT

These regiments are the main body of Gen. Tasker H. Bliss' red army of invasion and it was evident that their commander wished to strike the blue army at Middleboro. He had sent a small detachment of cavalry to the blue army's extreme left at Wareham, hoping, it was supposed, to draw away from the vicinity of Middleboro and thus give Gen. Bliss an opportunity to push the main strength of his red army up through Lakeville and Middleboro and on to Boston.

## Lake Disappears in Night

Locks, disappeared in the night, when a 50-foot gas house.

## Men Now Refuse to Consider Anything but Complete Contract

Peace between the traction companies and the 10,000 motormen and conductors in their employ again hangs in the balance owing to the unwillingness of the union members, employed by the Chicago City Railway company, to consider anything but a complete contract which shall contain the company's attitude on the closed shop and on the wages to be paid barn men and car repairers. The negotiations which seemed closed on Saturday have been re-opened and efforts will be made to induce the companies to grant a more favorable wage scale.

## WANT BETTER WAGE SCALE

At the meeting on the south side Saturday night the sentiment was such that it was decided not to put the result of the negotiations to a vote of the membership till the contract was complete. This move was taken because of opposition which developed among the membership and which it was feared might have caused hasty action.

## OPPOSITION AMONG MEMBERSHIP

Conferences will be sought today with Walter L. Fisher, special traction counsel for the city, and his aid will be enlisted in re-opening the negotiations with the companies. On Thursday the men employed by the Chicago Railways company will meet and it is hoped that a complete contract will be ready for them then.

## CONFERENCES WILL BE SOUGHT

Fisher did not regard the re-opening of negotiations as anything which hindered his work.

"It is only natural that there should be some who are not satisfied with the new wage scale and that these men should protest. I think, however, that the results of the meeting of the south side men have been given undue importance. In my judgment the men feared that if they consented to the most important part of the contract—the part dealing with wages—they would be in a less favorable position in negotiating the other features."

## IN MEETING WITH ROACH

The officials of division 241 Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees are meeting with John M. Roach, president of the Chicago Railways company, today in an effort to adjust the wages of the barn men.

## BIG INTERESTS INVOLVED

"While I think that everything will be settled without trouble things are far from settled now and they will not be settled till the company has made terms with the car repairers, car wipers, supervisors, terminal men and others engaged about the barns and in handling cars. These men are members of our organization and must be taken care of. We will have a conference with Mr. Mitten as soon as possible."

## IS IT NOT TRUE?

"Is it not true," Buckley was asked, "that if there is not a closed shop agreement with the company the fact that the new scale sacrifices the new men will make it harder to get the new men into the union, especially if the company offers them little concessions on the side to induce them to stay out?"

## FIVE INJURED IN EXPLOSION

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 17.—Four men and one woman were seriously injured today when a mysterious explosion set fire to the four-story building occupied by the Wicks Moving and Storage company. The structure was partly wrecked by the blast.

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SKY STOPS LEAK FOR THE PICNIC

Good Crowd of Socialists Turns Out in Lull Between Showers

Encouraged by the promise of clear skies, after the rains, and the increasing heat of the sun's rays, Socialists in every part of Chicago put on their lightest raiments, packed their lunch baskets and speeded in the direction of Spachman's grove Sunday until over 3,000 men, women and children packed the two big parks where the ninth annual picnic of the Cook county Socialists was taking place.

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The contest waged hot during the entire time, but was brought to a sudden end by the unexpected downpour. As a result no decision will be given.

Knop Raises Money During the downpour George Knop proved himself to be the man of the hour. Seeing that the dance pavilion was the center of attraction on account of the shelter it offered, he made a dash for it, secured a box, mounted it and for half an hour spoke on the Daily Socialist.

After the rain a big crowd of the picnicers adjourned to that part of the grove occupied by the Swedish Socialists, which offered the best ground for a race course, and there laughed and cheered themselves hoarse watching the anxious Socialist athletes, both young and old, struggle in the grass.

Best part of the athletic contests took place after the races, when the thirty-fourth ward branch, which had attended the picnic in full strength, lined up five of its members and challenged any ward branch to a tug of war.

During the picnic one of the children lost a pocket. If any of the picnicers have found the same it should be returned to the book department of the Daily Socialist and it will be given to the owner.

M'VEAGH IS FOR UNIFORM MONEY

Dublin, N. H., Aug. 17.—With a gigantic scheme for the reformation of the currency, especially the paper currency, of the whole world, Franklin MacVeagh, secretary of the treasury, is busy at his beautiful New England summer home studying the details of his plan.

CHICAGO LOSES \$500,000 IN SALOON LICENSE REVENUE

It is estimated that between \$400,000 and \$500,000 revenue is lost to the city annually because all persons who have a federal liquor permit are not also required to have a city license.

3,000 AT PICNIC HEAR BENTALL

Rockford, Ill., Aug. 17.—Nearly three thousand Socialists and their sympathizers attended the picnic of the Rockford local held at Rood's Park yesterday, this attendance eclipsing all past records.

PINCHOT FEUD TO BE REVIVED

Deliver, Aug. 17.—With more than five thousand delegates and visitors present, from every state west of the Mississippi river, and many from eastern commonwealths, the twelfth annual trans-mississippi Commercial Congress opened today in the Auditorium.

POLICE "DRAW" ON SOCIALISTS

Will Dare Police Again Two meetings will be held tonight in districts where the police have been particularly active. One of these will be at Thirty-third and Morgan streets.

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TOILERS OF ENGLAND, IDEE, GO TO SWEDEN AS STRIKE BREAKERS

London, Aug. 17.—Despite the warning of the British Board of Trade, several shiploads more of English strike-breakers have left Hull for Sweden.

One of the largest additions to the fund being raised in Chicago for the striking wage earners of Sweden was secured yesterday at the Cook County Socialist party picnic at Spachman's grove.

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"WE NEED FOOD, NOT ART."

Rockport, Mass., Aug. 17.—"I am proud of my father and for more than one reason," said Mrs. William Pierston Hamilton, the beautiful daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan, who is spending the summer at Rockport.

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PURE FOOD IS TO BE THEM

Officials Are to Make One More Effort to Get Uniform Laws

The National Association of state food and dairy commissioners will meet in Denver, Aug. 22, to make one more effort to secure uniform state laws for the regulation of the production of food products and the conditions under which they are stored and sold.

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