

U. S. SUPREME COURT DODGES BIG CASE

Highest Tribunal Dies Speedy Trial to Test Minnesota Primary Law; David Morgan Off Ticket.

In refusing to advance the date of hearing of the case brought by the Public Ownership party (the Socialist party of Minnesota), to test the validity of the primary law of that state, the United States Supreme Court dodged the issues raised and made it impossible for David Morgan to run for congress Nov. 8, from the fifth congressional district of Minnesota.

WRIGHT IS TO BE RE-ELECTED

State Labor President Will Continue in Office Is Prediction.

Rock Island, Oct. 20.—Today was woman's day at the Illinois Federation of Labor convention. Mrs. Raymond Robins thanked the union men of Illinois for their efforts to have the present ten hour law for women passed, and asked for renewed energy to influence the next legislature to extend that law to all industrial and mercantile establishments.

BY BEN OLIN (SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.) Rock Island, Ill., Oct. 20.—The pretty fight which was predicted for the State Federation of Labor convention here by some of the delegates to develop on Friday over the election of president will, to all indications, not be realized.

Edwin R. Wright, the present incumbent, although opposed by some because they think he lacks force and by others for purely personal reasons will be re-elected.

Delegates representing the United Mine Workers are endorsing Wright and as more of them are arriving each day their number, it is thought by Wright's friends, will probably help to overwhelm any opposition.

Chicago's delegates, many of them, are taking a different stand and are assuming an attitude of security regarding the election of their man.

This is Ladies' Day. The reins of the convention will be turned over to them and they will be permitted to reign supreme. There is a larger proportion of women in attendance than in any previous year.

President Wright has announced the appointment of the various committees which have gone to work. They are as follows: As the Committee on Union Label—J. E. Farrell of the Cigarmakers' union was appointed chairman; H. J. Brown, P. A. Halzer, Mike Whalen and Chas. F. Colson are the other members.

The Officers' Reports Committee consists of J. L. Lewis of Panama; James Mullen of Alton; T. K. Ball of Springfield; J. B. Connors and Geo. O. Johnson of Chicago.

H. J. Conway was made chairman, and the following are the other appointees on the Resolutions Committee: John W. Clifton, Wm. Vogatz, Sam White and John Harding.

Organization and Constitution Two other committees were also appointed as follows: Committee on Organization: Chas. F. Towner, Chris C. Rakow, Frank M. Comb, Harry Payne and J. Olvey. Constitution Committee: Chas. Mendlein, Geo. N. Schmidt, D. W. Davis, A. J. Jackson, Stephen E. Swain.

MASS MEETING SUNDAY AT GRAND CROSSING TURNER HALL John C. Chase, ex-mayor of Haverhill, Mass.; Caroline E. Lowe, national organizer of the Socialist party; Nels Anderson, candidate for state senator in the Thirtieth district, and Barney Berys, candidate for the state legislature, will be the speakers at a mass meeting to be held Sunday afternoon, Oct. 23, at 2:30 o'clock, at the Grand Crossing Turner hall, 75th street and Dobson avenue.

BOY STEALS GLASS EYE TO BUY DRINK—ARRESTED (By United Press Association.) Boston, Mass., Oct. 20.—Because he wanted a drink and in order to raise the wherewithal to pay for it, he stole George McClusky's glass eye. Eddie Foley was sent to the house of correction for three months. Foley saw McClusky place his false optic in a glass of water before retiring last night, and when no one was looking he picked it up. A policeman got him in a paw shop.

FILES OF LITERATURE FOR DISTRIBUTION IN "SECOND" All Socialists living in the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Thirty-third wards, which comprise the Second Congressional district, are urged to call at 863 East Sixty-third street to get literature for distribution. There is a large amount of it on hand. Get busy!

HOW THE BOSS IS TAKEN CARE OF

The Mooney & Boland Agency. Special and Expert Detective Service. Representatives in all parts of the World. Chicago, Oct. 13, 1910.

Gentlemen: We note that present indications are that the United Garment Makers are about to make demands upon you that in all probability will not be acceded to as they are unwarranted and unreasonable. Should your employees engage in a strike you will undoubtedly need more or less protection such as we furnish in matters of this kind and we take this opportunity of advising you that we prepared to furnish men to guard your employees and place of business, as well as secret service men to associate among your employees keeping you posted as to their movements and intentions at the lowest possible cost.

A call from you will bring a representative to see you at any time and you can rest assured that any work undertaken by us will be prosecuted with the utmost vigor and to your entire satisfaction.

Very truly yours, THE MOONEY & BOLAND AGENCY Wm. Sutherland Vice Pres. & Gen'l Manager

MORE JOIN WITH GARMENT STRIKERS

Cutters At Main Building of Hart, Schaffner & Marx Quit; Union Replies to the Firm.

UNION MAKES REPLY. PUBLIC WITH STRIKERS. BULLETIN A stranger, a man who had the appearance of an Italian, ran up to George Albrecht, foreman at one of the Hart, Schaffner & Marx shops at Monroe and Market streets, yesterday and made an attempt to either hit or stab him. The crowd set up a cry and Albrecht jumped aside in time to catch the blow on his left hand. Albrecht made a statement to the press immediately that the man was a striker, but could not swear to the fact because he did not get a good look at the assailant. The man escaped.

General Organizer Haskins, who had just arrived in the city this morning, declared that the statement of Albrecht was to be expected. And that many other such accusations will be forthcoming from the same source.

Angered over the statement issued by Hart, Schaffner & Marx officials, who stated that their employees are happy and busy, the strike committee made a reply as follows: "Owing to your statement in the morning papers, we are compelled to answer the same: 'First, we wish to state that your statement relative to 90 per cent of your people being satisfied with the conditions, with wages, is an absolute falsehood, and we invite you or any one else to come to our meetings and learn the contrary.'

Strauss Said: "No Trouble" "You also state that no demands have been made on your concern for better conditions or more wages. In response to that we wish to state that our committee called on your Mr. Strauss some time ago and offered our assistance to adjust the existing difficulty, but Mr. Strauss informed us that there was nothing to adjust. We requested at the said time that wages be restored to those who had been cut in your pants shop, and we also requested at the said time that the people be treated with more respect than they are by the foremen, and several other demands which we made at the same time. We also advised you at the same time what it might mean to your concern to have the whole industry tied up, but you answered, 'that will be all right.'

"We requested the following conditions in the factories: '1st. Recognition of the union. '2nd. Increase in wages. '3rd. To abolish the system relative to passes in the factories. '4th. To abolish the system paying for oil cans, bobbins, spools, etc. '5th. Time and one-half for all week workers. '6th. That the people be treated with respect by the foremen and assistant foremen. '7th. That the system prevailing at the present time in regard to pay tickets be changed. 'The above demands are just ones, and we consider that we are entitled to them. 'Trusting that the public will consider our demands fair and reasonable. 'Respectfully submitted, 'ROBERT NOREN, 'PHILIP ROSENSTEIN, 'JOS. S. BRIMM, 'J. M. FLINT, 'A. MAROTTA, 'Committee."

PREFERENCE SHOWN TO NEGRO TESTIMONY—MAIN WITNESS Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 20.—When the trial of Major Elmore F. Taggart of the Twenty-fourth infantry, on charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and prejudicial to military discipline was resumed here today, the impression prevailed that Taggart would be exonerated of all of the more serious charges against him. Corporal Gustor, the negro cavalryman, whose testimony has been favorable to Taggart, has been accepted as the most important witness in the case.

Lieutenants Malloy and Lagarto of Taggart's command testified today. Ethel Roberts, the negro girl employed as a cook, was not placed on the stand.

JOHNSON-OLDFIELD RACE POSTPONED BECAUSE OF RAIN (By United Press Association.) New York, Oct. 20.—Jack Johnson will have to wait until Saturday to try conclusions with Barney Oldfield as an automobile racer. Today's rain made it necessary to postpone their race for \$5,000 a side at Sheepshead Bay. The race will be two best five-mile heats in three.

INDIANS COME TO CHICAGO Ramshackle Polk street station, with its gas-laden air, was the scene of a vari-colored spectacle, as thirty-one Indians of the Sioux tribe of Pine Ridge Agency, South Dakota, en route to New York city, waited for their train. Bedecked in gaudy colors, feathers and furs, with faces painted with the brightest vermilion and orange yellows, a group stood at the entrance to the depot and stared at the sights of the city.

BRIEF FILED IN LIBEL CASE (By United Press Association.) Washington, Oct. 20.—A brief setting forth that the federal courts have no jurisdiction in the New York World libel case was filed in the Supreme Court today, in argument on the government's appeal from the quashing of the libel indictment against the World by the United States Circuit Court in New York.

DAVID B. HILL DEAD Albany, N. Y., Oct. 20.—Ex-Senator David B. Hill died at his residence, Woolford's Roost, at 3:45 this morning.

6 DEAD IN EXPLOSION

Boiler Bursts Hurling the Bodies of Machinists Through Wall.

(By United Press Association.) New York, Oct. 20.—Six machinists were blown to bits, two were fatally injured and a score or more seriously hurt, when a big ten-ton boiler exploded today in the plant of the American Manufacturing company, a job concern, at Green Point, Long Island.

Employees Stamped When the huge boiler let go, tearing through the walls of the building and hurling mutilated bodies over a block, twenty-five hundred employees in the building stampeded for the exits. Two thousand of the employees were women and girls, and they jammed the doorways and stairways, trampling upon each other in their panic stricken effort to leave the building.

Blown Through Wall There were a dozen men at work on the big boiler when it exploded. Work had just begun for the day, and the big tube factory was filled with employees. Without the least warning, the big cylinder split like a bomb, hurling the workmen through the wrecked walls, and driving four big cylinders' heads up through three floors of the building. The bodies were blown out through the walls.

GUSTAFSON CONFINED TO HIS HOME WITH RHEUMATISM Dr. Axel Gustafson, a member of the county executive committee and active in the affairs of the Socialist party in Cook county, is confined to his home with rheumatism. He hopes to be up and around again in a few days.

ROOSEVELT PLEADS FOR LODGE Boston, Oct. 20.—Members of the Massachusetts Republican club here are getting in readiness for a big hurrah welcome to former President Roosevelt, who will reach Boston tomorrow to make a plea in behalf of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge.

J. P. SEEKS EXTRA DIVIDEND The J. P. Morgan interests in International Harvester are trying to force the payment of an extra cash dividend on the common stock, according to reports in financial quarters of La Salle street, Cyrus H. McCormick, the president of the company, is said to oppose the dividend policy, until the corporation has a surplus of at least \$25,000,000.

ALL BALLOON RECORDS BROKEN Quebec, Canada, Oct. 20.—It is possible that one of the St. Louis balloons has broken all records by hundreds of miles by reaching the Lake St. John district in Quebec province. It is said that a large balloon passed over Kiskinew yesterday, traveling eastward. This is 1,500 miles from St. Louis.

WOMEN MAKE WINTER PLANS

SEEKS UNION OF WAITRESSES Miss Elizabeth Maloney Finds Work at State Convention.

Rock Island, Ill., Oct. 20.—Waitresses in this city, also Moline and Davenport, will not be allowed to remain unorganized, if Elizabeth Maloney, a delegate from the Waitresses' union to the State Federation convention, has her way.

No Union Buttons Miss Maloney discovered that none of the girls who were serving dinner in the Industrial Home were wearing union buttons, whereupon she demanded the reason why.

Williams Speaks John E. Williams, a wealthy theater owner of Streator, was asked to appear and make a speech to the convention, by the delegation from his town.

Lauds English Workers The way that the English unions take advantage of the governmental powers and use them to the workers' advantage were also lauded by the speaker.

LOOMIS DIES AS RESULT OF WOUNDS SELF-INFLICTED Cortland, N. Y., Oct. 20.—As the result of the wound he inflicted on himself after he shot and killed Lillian Elms Dodge, who had refused to marry him on the ground that he already had another wife, Dr. Loring R. Loomis, mining promoter and speculator, died early today in the Cortland hospital. Loomis was a physician and a lawyer, and was a director in the Nevada-Utah Mining corporation, a \$15,000,000 concern.

RATE ACT GIVEN FULL FORCE Washington, D. C., Oct. 20.—In a formal order issued late yesterday the interstate commerce commission announced its intention to administer strictly section 4 (the long and short haul provision) of the recently amended interstate commerce act.

LIQUOR COMPANY GAINS Net profits of the Mergenthaler Linotype company from all sources in the fiscal year, ended Sept. 30, were \$2,763,869. This was an increase of \$121,401 over the net in the preceding year.

WEATHER INDICATIONS

The official weather forecast for the thirty-six hours ending tomorrow at 7 p. m. is as follows: Chicago and vicinity—Cloudy and cooler tonight; Friday partly cloudy; moderate to brisk northwesterly winds. Illinois—Cloudy and slightly cooler tonight; Friday partly cloudy. Missouri—Partly cloudy tonight and Friday. Indiana—Partly cloudy and much colder tonight, with frost; Friday fair and cool. Lower Michigan—Threatening and colder tonight, with killing frost; Friday fair, with warmer in north portion.

WOMEN MAKE WINTER PLANS

Among the activities of the Central Socialist Women's Agitation Committee are the educational meetings, held every fourth Saturday of each month, in the hall of the Y. P. S. League. These meetings started in a small way. But they are constantly growing, both in attendance and interest.

At the June meeting, the last one held in doors, when the Boy Scout question was discussed, the hall was filled to its capacity. The discussion, an animated one indeed, lasted until 11 o'clock.

The program committee is arranging a complete program for the season, which promises new and interesting features. All the questions that are proposed lend themselves well to discussion. Full discussion of all questions by all women present is the main purpose of the educational meetings.

Next Saturday, Oct. 22, at 8 p. m., at 180 Washington street, the first meeting of the winter season will be held. Dr. Mina McEachern will be the speaker. Her subject will be announced later. Miss Stanley will act as chairman. There will also be several musical numbers.

The new season should open with a big attendance. Its first meeting should be up to the standard of the one in June. Let us all be there and make it so.

PROCTER & GAMBLE OBJECT TO DEMURRAGE ON FIRM'S CARS Washington, Oct. 20.—Serious objection to a railroad rule requiring Procter & Gamble, a Cincinnati firm, to pay demurrage charges on their own cars on their own private tracks was made at the hearing before the interstate commerce commission today. Lawyers for the firm argued that when their private cars are on the private tracks of the company there should be no demurrage charge.

The case was taken under consideration by the commission. CROWN CLOSES PROSECUTION AGAINST DR. CRIPPEN London, Oct. 20.—The crown closed at 1 o'clock this afternoon the prosecution of Dr. H. H. Crippen and the dapper little American doctor at once prepared to take the stand in his own defense. It was expected that he would enter an emphatic denial to the charges. There was general belief in the courtroom that the crown had failed to make a strong case.

SOCIALISM ABROAD

IRELAND COMING TO SOCIALISM

James Connolly Writes of Conditions in the Emerald Isle.

In continuation of the article on Socialism in Ireland by James Connolly, editor of the Harp of Dublin, Ireland, we give the following:

"The Jesuits, ever with their ears close to the ground to detect the rumblings of innovating movements, arranged for one of their most eloquent orators to deliver a series of Lenten lectures against Socialism in Gardiner Street church, Dublin, and, in order that these might have the greatest effect, induced the home rule capitalist press to print verbatim copies of the lectures on the Monday succeeding their delivery.

"Probably no sermons in Ireland have been more extensively circulated in our generation—a fact that in itself shows the alarm felt at the progress of the ideas so combated.

"The interest aroused by the lectures was shown by the fact that a two-penny pamphlet written by myself in answer to the reverend lecturer, sold to the extent of a thousand copies in Dublin and Cork in the course of a month.

"If comrades in Great Britain, who are always bewailing that there are no Socialists in Ireland, could only convince our capitalist clerical friends that such was indeed the case, I am sure the latter would lie more tranquilly on their beds at night than they do.

"In response to the invitation of the Socialist party of Ireland, I have spent a month in propaganda work in the island, coming from the United States for that purpose.

"This month has been devoted to meetings in Dublin, Cork and Belfast, and in opening up correspondence with interesting men in other parts of the island. In Dublin the meetings were large and enthusiastic; at one in particular, held in the Trades' hall, granted by the Trades' hall committee free for that purpose, the veteran secretary of the trades council took the chair, and declared himself in full agreement with the lecture.

"I had been told that I would be mobbed in Cork, as passions in that city had been stirred to fever heat by the warring home rule factions. But my first meeting in Cork was attended by a crowd estimated variously at from 600 to 700.

"At the second meeting on Sunday night, the street was blocked from pavement to pavement with a crowd of over 2,000 persons—earnest eager, working men and women. Not a single hostile note was heard, a fact commented upon by one of the Cork capitalists papers. I spent a week in Cork, and formed a branch of twenty-four members.

"In Belfast another branch was formed, and it has already secured the support of many men and women who would not join the L. P., as they regard it as too unresponsive to Irish sentiment and aspirations.

"Permit me to say here that the L. P. has done yeoman service in Belfast for the Socialist cause, that it still has a function to perform, but that the only logical Socialist movement for Ireland is a party that rests upon Irish conditions, continues the traditional work for national freedom for Ireland as a part of its mission, and draws its inspirations from the revolutionary history of the past as well as the social development of the present.

"Such a party is the Socialist party of Ireland. It is already attracting the support of some of the brightest men and women in the literary and national world of Ireland."

DEMOCRAT ON SOAP BOX

Jacksonville, Ind.—Owing to the poor crowd that turned out to his meeting here, the Democratic candidate for congress was compelled to desert the hall he had hired and speak to the people on the streets from a soapbox, which had been used a few days previous by a Socialist speaker. The Socialist local has re-organized and is doing good work.

Where to Eat

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Open Day and Night
112, 114, 116, 118 FIFTH AVENUE
Between Madison and Washington
Music: Vocal and Instrumental

Gatling Gun Combination

For a DOLLAR we will mail you enough Socialist ammunition to rout a whole regiment of capitalist politicians. It includes:

- 500 Center Shot Leaflets, assorted, 4 pages each.
- 100 Socialist Stickers, six kinds.
- 50 Socialist Books, 32 pages each, all different.
- 50 Socialist Post Cards, with pictures of the Machine Gun the capitalists have ready for you, and portraits of Debs, Warren and others.

10 late numbers of the INTERNATIONAL SOCIALIST REVIEW.

These will sell like hot cakes at 10 cents each, so that you can give away the rest of the literature without any cost to yourself. Extra copies of the REVIEW 6 cents each in lots of five to fifteen; 5 cents each in lots of twenty or more. Use the blank below.

Charles H. Kerr & Company,
114 West Kinzie St., Chicago.
Enclosed find ONE DOLLAR for which please mail at once your GATLING GUN COMBINATION, as advertised in the Chicago Daily Socialist.

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SOCIALISM AT HOME

Condensed News LOCAL

MILWAUKEE GETS U. S. OFFICE
The federal government now is considering the advisability of abolishing the Light House inspection office at Chicago and transferring the headquarters of the Lake Michigan district to Milwaukee.

WEST SIDE CARNIVAL PARADE
More than 250 floats, automobiles, drays and single wagons, profusely decorated blazed the way on West Madison street last night in the "merchants' parade" of the West Madison Street Carnival.

PACKERS GET EXTENSION
The ten packers indicted by the government have been granted an extension of pleas until Dec. 10.

DOMESTIC

KEEPER CRUSHED TO DEATH
New York Oct. 20.—"Queen," a trick elegant, home straged at Robert Shields, a new keeper who tried to shake her in her winter quarters in Jersey City yesterday and crushed him to death.

JUDGE DENIES DIETZ BAIL
Eau Claire, Wis., Oct. 20.—Circuit Judge Wyckham yesterday declined to act on application for bail for John F. Dietz, his wife and son Leslie, saying he had no jurisdiction because no record was presented. A further hearing will be held at Hayward, Oct. 26.

ELKINS SERIOUSLY ILL
Elkins, W. Va., Oct. 20.—Senator Stephen B. Elkins is still a sick man at his home, Hallehurst, near here. Dr. W. W. Gordon has issued a strict injunction that none but his immediate family be permitted to see him.

POLITICAL

RECONCILIATION HOPED FOR
Over the new-filled grave of Senator Jonathan P. Dolliver it is no hope of the standpat Republicans of Congress to be reconciled with their insurgent brethren.

WHITE MAY SUCCEED FULLER
New York, Oct. 20.—The name of Supreme Court Justice White cropped out today as a possible nominee for chief justice to succeed the late Chief Justice Fuller.

PARTY COVERS BILLBOARDS
The Democratic billboard campaign will be started Monday morning. Republican party leaders on learning of the move of the Democrats a few days ago attempted to get similar space, but found that there was not an available billboard in the county.

TAFT VACATION OVER
Washington, Oct. 20.—President Taft arrived in Washington at 7:12 o'clock this morning and went directly to the White House to take up the work of the winter.

FOREIGN

SLAYER COMMITS SUICIDE
Geneva, Oct. 20.—Luigi Lucchini, who assassinated the Empress of Austria in 1898, committed suicide in his cell in the prison known as L'Evoche.

PORTUGAL FACES CRISIS?
Lisbon, Oct. 20.—There are reports of a cabinet crisis. The Ministers of War, Finance and Public Works, it is believed, will resign. The cause of this disruption in the new republic's official family cannot be learned.

BUSINESS

GENERAL DECLINE IN STOCKS
New York, Oct. 20.—The leaders in the stock market generally declined yesterday and the losses in some instances were substantial, amounting from 1 to 2 points net.

PRODUCE BROKERS FIRM FAILS
New York, Oct. 20.—Carrying the cotton seed oil market on the Produce Exchange down one hundred points, Whitman Bros., produce brokers, today announced their failure.

SPORT

HEAVYWEIGHT "COMER"
London, Oct. 20.—Bombardier Wells, the English heavyweight, is being touted by the sporting writers today as a "comer" in his class.

WELLMAN LANDS IN N. Y.
Walter Wellman and his party of daring air navigators, rescued by the steamer Trent when their big balloon America came to grief in the Atlantic, arrived safe in New York last night on board that vessel.

YANKS TAKE THE SIXTH
New York, Oct. 20.—The Yanks won the sixth game of the series with the Giants by bunching their hits at the right time. The series now stands 3 to 2 in the Giants' favor.

GOLF CHAMPION DEFEATED
Boston, Mass., Oct. 20.—Miss Dorothy Campbell, who has won the woman's national golf championship in Chicago, was defeated here today in an invitation tournament by Mrs. Harriet S. Curtis. Mrs. Curtis was formerly the national title holder.

FIVE REPORTED KILLED
Upper Sandusky, O., Oct. 20.—Five persons are reported killed in the wreck of Hocking Valley passenger train No. 33 at Harpster, six miles south of Upper Sandusky. The train was bound from Columbus to Toledo.

ONE REPRESENTATIVE FOR ARIZ.
Washington, Oct. 20.—The census office today announced the following results of the 1910 enumeration: Arizona, entire, 294,354. Increase, 81,453, or 27.3 per cent. This means the new state will have only one representative in congress.

\$500,000 FIRE DAMAGE
East St. Louis, Ill., Oct. 20.—The Chicago and Alton and Baltimore and Ohio railroad freight warehouses were destroyed by fire here early today. The fire spread to a dozen residences near the warehouses, causing damage to property estimated at \$500,000.

MANUEL LANDS IN ENGLAND
London, Oct. 20.—Accompanied by his mother, Queen Amalie, and his suite, Manuel, deposed King of Portugal, is today housed at Wood Norton, Eversham, Worcestershire, the estate of the Duke of Orleans.

SOCIALISM AT HOME

SHOW FEAR OF THE SOCIALISTS

Old Party Politicians Are Routed by Fear of Opposition Vote.

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 20.—One of the many instances where old party political bosses are being stamped by Socialist sentiment throughout the nation is admitted in the Columbus, O., Citizen.

What Newspaper Says
Under a headline stating that the "Socialist vote worries both party camps," the Citizen has the following:

"Admitting that there is a Socialist wave in Columbus of more than ordinary proportions and that it's going to have an effect on the election less than two months hence, the campaign managers of the Democratic and Republican county ticket are trying to find out if possible what it means.

"If you know anything about it will you kindly tell Charles Pearce, Republican campaign manager, or Charles Orison, boss of the Democratic campaign committee?"

Crowd Hears Socialist

"A Socialist meeting at S-henck's hall, South High street, Tuesday night addressed by Fred Warren, editor of the Socialist organ, 'Appeal to Reason,' at which an admission of 10 cents was charged, turned away several hundred people. More than 1,200 were packed in the hall and they took up a collection of over \$80 after paying their admission fee.

"A Democratic meeting Wednesday night at Fourth and Jenkins avenue in the First ward, called for the purpose of 'ironing out' voters who have shown Socialist tendencies, was attended by fifty people and three of them openly declared they were still Socialists, after hearing the Democratic orators assail the Socialist party and its leaders.

"Couldn't Serve if Chosen
"They're strongest on the West Side and are even better over there than the Socialists will carry the Ninth ward. "But they don't expect to carry the county. If they did, some of the candidates couldn't serve if elected.

"Irwin S. Brown, candidate for prosecuting attorney, for instance, isn't even an attorney, although he studied law once. The law requires an attorney for the office.

Strike "Awakens" 'Em

"J. L. Bachman, candidate for congress, is one of the leading characters in the Socialist campaign. Bachman is not one of the rampant, eat-en-alive kind, but is decidedly the opposite, quiet, conservative, but nevertheless enthusiastic.

"He is the husband of Dora Sandoe Bachman, the only woman member of the school board. He is an attorney and has been a Socialist since 1896, when he stumped the state for McKinley. Bachman pro's a Socialist vote of at least 10,000 in the county and big gains throughout the state.

"The street car strike has caused the 'awakening' in Columbus, he says."

STOKES SAYS SOCIALISM IS PART OF COLLEGE COURSE

New York, Oct. 20.—President J. G. Phelps Stokes of the Intercollegiate Socialist society, in his annual report, says that Socialism is being studied and advocated by students in American colleges more widely than ever before.

The colleges, which have permanent Socialist organizations include Harvard, Yale, Cornell, Columbia, Barnard, College of the City of New York, University of Chicago, Stanford University, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin, Oklahoma, the Agricultural College of Kansas, Marietta College and the New York Dental College.

One of the most active college organizations is the Harvard Socialist club, of which the leader is Prof. Walter Lippman. Three hundred Harvard students recently signed a petition urging that the study of Socialism be included in the curriculum of the college.

Speakers' Dates in Illinois

Jas. H. Brower—Thursday, Oct. 20, Peru; Friday, Oct. 21, Monticello; Saturday, Oct. 22, Decatur; Sunday, Oct. 23, Springfield; Monday, Oct. 24, Pawnee.

Samuel W. Ball—Moline, indefinitely.

Charles L. Drake—Thursday, Oct. 23,

Grafton: Friday, Oct. 21, East St. Louis; Saturday, Oct. 22, New Baden; Sunday, Oct. 23, Trenton; Monday, Oct. 24, Breese.

Glaude L. Ferguson—Thursday, Oct. 20, Percy; Friday, Oct. 21, Steelville; Saturday, Oct. 22, Sparta; Sunday, Oct. 23, Coulterville; Monday, Oct. 24, Nashville.

Ida Crouch Haslett—Thursday, Oct. 20, New Athens; Friday, Oct. 21, Freeburg; Saturday, Oct. 22, Belleville; Sunday, Oct. 23, Caseyville; Monday, Oct. 24, Lebanon.

Thos. J. Thompson—Thursday, Oct. 20, Christopher; Friday, Oct. 21, St. Jacob; Saturday, Oct. 22, Highland; Sunday, Oct. 23, Granite City; Monday, Oct. 24, Alton.

F. T. Maxwell—East St. Louis, indefinitely.

NEW NEBRASKA LOCAL

J. A. Karsay writes that a new local has been organized at Chadron, Neb., with nine members and fine prospects of a rapid increase in membership.

KORNGOLD IN MINNESOTA

Ralph Korngold has been secured by the Minnesota Socialist party organization to open the campaign of 1912 in that state, on Nov. 15. Dr. E. A. Cowles of Texas will also tour the state.

WILSON IN KANSAS

Ashles, Kans.—Benjamin F. Wilson, having just closed a two years' lecture tour of Europe, is now lecturing day and night for the Socialists of Kansas.

TWO KILLED IN A WRECK

(By United Press Associations.)
Upper Sandusky, Ohio, Oct. 20.—Two women were killed and fourteen persons injured when Hocking Valley passenger train No. 33 jumped the track near Harpster, a small station six miles south of Upper Sandusky, today.

The train was running from Columbus to Toledo at high speed, when it went off the track from some cause unknown. Two passenger coaches rolled down a fifteen-foot embankment. A relief train was rushed from Marion.

OKLAHOMA SOCIALISTS TO CAST 40,000 VOTES NOV. 8

Guthrie, Okla., Oct. 20.—The Socialists are claiming that they will poll 40,000 votes in the coming general election in Oklahoma, and that 90 per cent of those have come from the ranks of the Democratic party.

Patrick J. Nagle of Kingfisher, formerly a member of the Democratic state committee, but now one of the leading Socialists of Oklahoma, states that there are 7,000 card members of the Socialist organization in Oklahoma, but that this only represents about one-sixth of the voting strength of the party in Oklahoma.

Dapper and spruce as a dude, dressed in the height of fashion and showing no signs of nervousness, Crippen walked briskly to the witness stand.

"I knew that my wife had been friendly with Bruce Miller. He often sent her presents and wrote her loving letters, in some of which he signed himself 'With love and kisses to Brown Eyes, Bruce.'

Crippen was questioned regarding purchases of hyocin, the deadly poison which he is charged with having used to murder his wife. He declared that he had never given his wife any poison. The hyocin, he swore, he had given, in very small doses, to several of his patients, who had been suffering from nervous disorders.

Says Plot Existed

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"WIFE ELOPED," SAYS CRIPPEN

Physician on Trial for His Life Tells Story to Jury.

London, Oct. 20.—That Dr. H. H. Crippen was warned in advance by the quartermaster on board the Canadian Pacific liner Montrose, on which he fled to America, that he was under surveillance; that Crippen arranged secretly with this quartermaster to be smuggled ashore hidden in the ship's cargo, and that the threatening suicide letters were to be used as a "blind," were the startling statements made today by Barrister A. A. Tobin, in opening his defense's case.

The crown rested at one o'clock and Tobin immediately opened for Crippen. In accounting for the letters found by Inspector Dew, in which Crippen threatened to kill himself by jumping overboard from the Montrose and asking Miss Leneve to join him in the act, Tobin said:

"It was no surprise to Crippen that he was to be arrested. He knew that he was under surveillance and that the wireless was hourly being used against him."

For the first time since his arrest on board the Montrose at Father Point, Que., Dr. H. H. Crippen this afternoon gave his version of the disappearance of his wife, Belle Elmore, the music hall singer, whom he is charged with murdering.

Says Wife Lives

After a sensational opening statement by his counsel, who related a plot to smuggle Crippen from the Montrose, Crippen took the stand.

He made it clear immediately that the defense will seek to prove that Mrs. Crippen is not dead, but that she fled to America, ostensibly to join Bruce Miller.

Dapper and spruce as a dude, dressed in the height of fashion and showing no signs of nervousness, Crippen walked briskly to the witness stand.

"I knew that my wife had been friendly with Bruce Miller. He often sent her presents and wrote her loving letters, in some of which he signed himself 'With love and kisses to Brown Eyes, Bruce.'

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A Living from Poultry

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The Tragedy of a Miner

BY A LOUISE LAWRENCE

(Continued from yesterday.)

The more experienced among them realized, however, something of what effect the closing of the mine's only exit would have on those people, the relatives and friends of the men in the mine who stood waiting there about the shaft, and no attempt was made to close it. More to satisfy the people than because of any hope they had that the rescue work could be begun, the men in charge ordered the escape shaft unsealed. This was about two o'clock in the afternoon. The dense smoke which issued from it convinced the people that it was impossible to proceed with the rescue work that day and sad and dispirited they went to their homes to wait again through a long night for another day.

Monday, the second day after the disaster, was a cold stormy day. Minna was afraid to take little Frank out at the least and snow that was falling, and as she had no one to leave him with she stayed at home all day. She learned from the O'Haras that nothing was accomplished in the way of rescue work that day. On Tuesday, notwithstanding the fact that there had been no rioting or disorder of any sort in Terry, a company of the state militia was detailed for duty there to safeguard the property interests of the mine owners. The militiamen arrived in Terry in the afternoon. Their presence in the town aroused a feeling of antagonism and resentment towards the mine owners that had been latent before.

On Tuesday afternoon two men with oxygen helmets were lowered in the main shaft to the second vein. Their report was that with a sufficient supply of water and the right sort of hose, they could have put out the fire. The only hose they had was so large and unwieldy as to be almost useless, and the supply of water which was hauled into Terry in tanks on flat cars, was so wholly inadequate that the work of fighting the fire had to be given up for that day.

"Beg" and You Will Be Given?

The capitalistic mind believes in classes. The bourgeois mind, always playing the monkey, also believes in classes and emphasizes its belief by insisting upon class distinction whenever possible. Confess yourself "fallen" and houses of refuge open for you. Admit that you are helpless and "organized charity" comes to your aid. Beg, in the approved manner, according to the code of the "better class," and your platter will be filled at least once in a while. Be contented with your lot, and if you are humble enough and lowly enough "we" will do something for you.

THE SCHOOL AUTHORITIES OF CHICAGO UNDERTAKE TO SUPPLY BOOKS TO CHILDREN, PROVIDED THEIR PARENTS WILL SWEAR THAT THEY ARE PAUPERS. This is brutal. It debases and degrades. It destroys the self-respect of the parents and exposes the child to the sneers and cuffs of the more fortunate children.

It instills the idea of class—and class distinction, of the "higher" and the "lower" classes. It means snobbery on one hand and trucking on the other. It vitiates the principle of public schools. It taints society with the virus of slavery.

Let the people, irrespective of party, broaden the law in such a manner THAT EVERY CHILD WILL BE SUPPLIED WITH THE MATERIAL MEANS NECESSARY TO HIS EDUCATION.

LET THE STATE EDUCATE ITS CHILDREN IN A LIBERAL, GENEROUS MANNER. THE STATE OF ILLINOIS SHOULD PROVIDE SCHOOL BOOKS THROUGHOUT THE STATE. THAT IS THE LOGICAL, THE CONSISTENT ATTITUDE FOR PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE IN EDUCATION.

Property Rights vs. Human Rights

Johnson's Encyclopedia, in an article on Proudhon, says: "Proudhon's contention is that the fact that a man lives entitles him to the means of existence; if this is admitted, then his conclusion that property is robbery is unavoidable. However, the same logic would entitle a tiger to the means of existence—for a tiger lives, therefore he has a right to live."

The writer in Johnson represents the attitude of the property-owning class which insists that the rights of property are sacred and must be conserved even though human lives are sacrificed. Horrible as this doctrine appears when baldly stated, the fact is that untold millions of human lives are sacrificed to the moloch of private property.

Every war of modern times has had an economic cause. The owning class, either seeking investments, or in defense of existing investments (property rights) have declared war and depended upon the patriotism of the proletariat, the working class, to fight their battles for them and to pull the chestnuts out of the fire for them. The millions who have died on battle fields and hospitals have died to preserve property rights. Wars have retarded, not advanced the cause of human rights.

Every child who dies from the lack of proper material care; every woman who is compelled to overwork; every man whose health is injured and whose life is shortened by toll, or want, or the fear of want, or the terrible strain that the struggle of existence puts upon him, is a victim to private property.

Private property rights, by denying the workers the right to employ themselves—to take possession of and till unused land, to operate idle shops and factories, is the chief cause of poverty, vice and crime. Proudhon was right. Property is robbery.

Let no one confound property with wealth. Wealth is either the gift of nature—natural wealth—or the result of human labor. Property is created by law—by the regulations of society concerning the division among men of natural wealth and the products of labor.

Under capitalism the laws confer upon a class property rights in the gifts of nature, without possession or use, to the exclusion of the workers; and in the products of labor without performing any labor. Socialism will abrogate these laws, and will free the earth and human labor from the incubus of private ownership in the means of production and distribution.

Two Private Phone Lines

The Chicago City Council is considering a proposition made by capitalists to put in a second system of phones. The council will grant the franchise, provided the monetary inducements to the aldermen is sufficient. DO WE MEAN TO SAY THAT THE COUNCIL CAN BE BOUGHT? WE DO. WE GO FURTHER. WE ASSERT THAT COUNCILS OF ALL LARGE CITIES CAN AND ARE BOUGHT AND SOLD BY THE "BIG INTERESTS."

Occasionally a spasm of "moral indignation sweeps over a city," and under its sway men are elected who cannot be purchased. But the spasm passes. The people go to sleep again and the machine elects thieves and grafters. Public utilities privately owned perpetually offer premiums for dishonesty and graft. Their interest and that of the public are not mutual. They conflict and the council is used by the private interests to rob the city. The remedy is not two phone lines. That would only double the evil. There would be two private companies to fatten on the people and to corrupt officials. The true solution is to have one corporation own and operate all the phone lines—and that corporation to be the one in which all citizens are members—the city.

That is a step in the right direction—a step toward the people's ownership of all things necessary to their well-being.

The Republican and the Democratic parties are divisions of the capitalist army. They march under the same commander-in-chief. They quarrel only over the spoils; never on principle.

It is a class struggle now; always has been a class struggle, and will continue to be a class struggle until the earth and all the collectively created wealth shall be owned by the Collectivity.

The highest joy in life is to live in every organ and fiber of our bodies; in and through the lives of every human being and through the infinite manifestation of nature.

The individual man is weak and mortal—the mass—man—the race, is powerful and immortal.

Brotherhood is a fact in nature. It is for man to make it a portal to heaven upon earth or the gate to hell upon earth.

"How can you love God, whom you have not seen, if you do not love your brother, whom you have seen."—Jesus.

We are here now. That is sufficient. Let us live now.

Tag Day in Chicago

By CAROLINE A. LOWE

With eyes opened wide in bewildered astonishment, eight beautifully gowned women, tag in hand, gazed helplessly at a poor little working girl, trembling with indignation before them.

Tag me! Tag me! No, you can't tag me! Why should I give you my hard-earned money? Look at you! The price of that willow plume would clothe me a year; that tailor-made gown I helped to make, Miss Fitchie. Oh, I know who you are—it's your father, that with two hundred other rich employers, went to Springfield last spring to fight a bill presented by five poor working girls. All we asked was an eight-hour day for women and children, but because you had to have silk underwear and hobbie skirts and motor cars, your father fought us to the death. Some of the legislators were in sympathy with us, and had almost promised us a square deal, but he bought 'em off—and we lost. Every day thousands of women and children are at their slave tasks before daylight until long after dark for you—that you may live in idleness and luxury.

What's that? You say that you are sorry for us! That labor is honest, and that you respect us. Respect us? You despise us; you look with contempt upon us. If you respect us, why don't you respect our organizations? Where's the Union Label on this tag? Why do you insult honest labor by patronizing scab shops? If you respected us you would respect the only means we have of escaping from vile, demoralizing charity. Your churches and charity organizations refuse to recognize our union shops and ignore our union label, thereby aiding our employers in keeping us in poverty rather than aiding us in our liberation from the insult of charity.

If you were truly sorry for the wretched conditions of today, you'd investigate wherein the wrong exists. Is it fair to make us work ten hours a day, six days a week, throughout the year, piling up great wealth, only to take it away from us? You divide this wealth into two piles, one four times as long as the other. And then you few rich people take the big pile and leave the little one for us millions of working people—and WE MADE IT ALL! Then you're not satisfied with forcing us to give up the big pile to you—you stand around on street corners, smiling at us so friendly-like, and beg from us the little pile left for us to LIVE on!

Not begging for yourselves? You are helping our poor little orphan boys? What do you KNOW about the poor little orphans? I'm an orphan—my two little brothers are orphans—yes, and in that very institution you're begging for. Why are we orphans, Miss Fitchie? Because

SHOULD THE FEDERATION OF LABOR INDORE THE SOCIALIST PARTY

he question: "Will a bona fide labor party do as much for the working class as the Socialist party, is alive today in the minds of thousands of working men. Some think it will; others, myself included, think that a labor party would fall considerably short of accomplishing as much as the Socialist party will.

The Socialist party is simply the political expression of a great philosophy and is organized for the sole purpose of realizing the truths contained in that philosophy. A labor party could accomplish a great deal, no doubt, in the way of introducing and passing laws in favor of the workers; but we know from past experience that most of the laws which had any semblance of favoring the workers, and which had been passed lately, were set aside by judges, the tools of capitalists, whose interests clashed with these laws.

We know that workmen have had to resort to strikes in order to enforce some of the laws, and were used as a force for the militia in the attempt. So long as capitalism holds sway and individual interests are at stake, so long it will be impossible for any party to bring about a permanent relief for the suffering millions.

The Socialist party works hard for the immediate betterment of conditions for the working class; we realize that better food and shelter and more leisure will not only tend to improve men physically but also mentally, give them a chance to read and educate themselves, and make themselves fit to do more thinking.

A man who cannot think, makes a poor Socialist. Men of that kind never stick to one thing, but are easily swayed by momentary impulse and strong language. But our final goal is the complete abolition of the profit system and then, and only then, we will have permanent relief from the ill-worn of this iniquitous system.

Some one might say that a labor party might work on the same lines toward the co-operative commonwealth. In that case it will become simply another branch of the Socialist movement, and why should we have two Socialist parties? Why should not the Federation of Labor endorse the Socialist party of the present, the party which has already accomplished the fact and already hammering away in the political field with some very good results?

The party that has a strong organization, powerful press, plenty of brains and only needs the support of the workers to achieve victories, the results of which are today desired by all the workers.

JOS. P. LAROCHE.

your father wouldn't let the men take the time to repair worn-out machinery on his father's machine—a big rush order was on, and he worked the men long hours overtime—and that belt snapped and threw my father under the wheel, and—they brought him home, dead.

When the lawyer tried to get some compensation for the murder of my father, the judge said that your father wasn't responsible—he said that father assumed this risk when he entered the shop and we could get no redress.

Rather than leave her children alone all day while she was at work in the factory where she had worked before she was married, my mother took in washing. One cold day she was taken with pneumonia and the next day she was gone.

THAT'S why you build Orphan Boys' Charity Homes. You murder their fathers and mothers, you destroy their home, and you think you're being GOOD to them by putting them in a big, cheerless house, where their little hearts hunger and grow hard and bitter, because you have stolen from them the love that only a parent knows.

Why don't you go to your father and the two hundred other murderers who have robbed those orphan boys of their fathers and mothers, and tell them it is a death tax you are gathering, and they are the tax payers. No! You steal from us the wealth we ourselves have produced; you murder us, and then—thieves and murderers that you are—you become beggars by wheedling us out of our paltry bread money, and smilingly pin a tag upon us as a token of our participation in your crime. We go to take the tag, I too, would share your guilt. With you I become the murderer of my father and my mother and the destroyer of my brothers.

Some day the criminal ignorance of the working class will disappear and you will not dare the insult of today. Not only shall the little pile of the wealth we produce be ours, but the large pile also. ALL of the wealth shall remain in the hands of those who produce it. Then we shall protect our own boys and girls, and when it so happens that NATURE robs one of these little ones of both father and mother, no despicable, degrading charity shall poison his life, but justice shall be his by right of life. Society will protect and conserve its own life in protecting and conserving the life of its children.

Suddenly she became aware of the growing crowd, the light of righteous wrath died in her tired eyes, a timid, half-understanding cheer came forth from the lips and hearts of the assembled workers, and she slipped away, carrying with her the conviction of a duty unexpectedly met and bravely performed.

OPEN FORUM

WHAT DOES IT STAND FOR? I have been for some months a reader of your publication, and am much interested in the economic question but I am a little surprised to see the growing tendency on the part of the Socialist to unite the Socialist movement and the labor union movement.

Am I to understand that the Daily Socialist is the organ of the Socialist party of Cook county, or the organ of the labor unions of Cook county? As I understand it the two movements are essentially different. The Socialist movement is intended to correct the existing economic abuses. The union labor movement is simply to secure the best wages and the best conditions for members of the union only, rather than the good of the people at large.

If the Socialist party is the union labor party, does it stand for, and endorse, all the methods of organized labor? If so, will you kindly point out to me, in your editorial columns, or in personal answer to this letter, wherein the success of the Socialist movement would bring better conditions for the people as a whole? Is Socialism a new creed that must be subscribed to, contributed to financially and implicitly obeyed, or is it a great economic movement calculated to benefit the whole people?

Is it the policy of the Daily Socialist to advance the cause of Socialism by abuse of every one and everything that does not happen to agree with it? As one interested in the correction of every economic device, and as one eager to ally himself with any movement that will bring this about, may even as a Socialist, supporting the Socialist cause, may I suggest that thousands of thinking men and women are looking not for abuse of "the other fellows," but the distinct and candid statement of what the Socialist movement stands for and what it proposes to do for the whole people, and that this hope to find in the Daily.

MARTIN H. M'GRATH. It has been our endeavor to show the fundamental difference between the aims of the labor unions and Socialism. Late editorials have treated the subject at length. Our critic must not forget that the labor unions are composed of workingmen whose interests are opposed to the interests of capitalists. They are fighting the same war we are fighting. Their methods are different from ours, and their demands inadequate, but they are our allies and we stand by them against a common enemy.

The Socialist party does not approve "all the methods of organized labor." On the contrary it is endeavoring to convince, not only the union labor organizations, but all workers, that only through political action can the workers gain their rights.

Socialism is a world-movement towards economic freedom. Its philosophy comprises the essential needs of man—food and shelter. It has a practical definite program—the abolishment of the private ownership of the means of production and distribution and the substitution therefore of collective ownership and operation.

To do this requires devotion, energy, time and money. Everyone who realizes the importance and scope of its teachings contributes to the extent of his ability. It is a poor man's cause. Corporations are not contributing to its propaganda—the workers must free themselves or remain in slavery. It is the policy of the Daily Socialist to discuss fully, frankly and without abuse men and measures. We expect to continue to expose the rottenness of the existing order without fear or favor. If we are not conducting a young ladies' seminar and when, sometimes, strong words are used it is because the occasion calls for them. (Editorial Committee.)

F. LENZNER.

BARBOROUS AMERICA

BY ROBERT HUNTER

You will notice that everybody is very sorry that accidents must occur. The bosses, the Manufacturers' Association, the Steel Trust magnates are all awfully sorry.

The St. Paul Railroad was really grieved when four hundred men were buried in the mine at Cherry, Ill.

But nothing could be done about it. It is unfortunate, but it is necessary. And, of course, the employer would properly care for the injured if they wouldn't lie about the matter and make the injury seem worse than it is.

As soon as a man is injured he or his family hire a lawyer, make out the accident as bad as possible and actually try to hold up the employer for outrageous damages.

And so the poor bosses are forced to employ lawyers to protect themselves from being held up by those they have crippled and maimed.

In consequence, accidents cost everybody a lot of money and only the lawyers seem to profit.

Minnesota, some time ago, appointed a commission to study this question. A search was made of the records in one county and it was discovered that the people of the county paid out yearly in court costs, resulting from the trial of personal damage cases, a sum far exceeding the damages recovered by the plaintiffs in such cases.

The tax payers of that county would have saved a lot of money if they had paid out of their pockets all the damages claimed by the injured. Even the damages awarded to the injured, they learned, are mostly paid to lawyers and others who help the injured to win their case.

Its an ill wind that blows nobody any good and when men are crippled in industry the business of the lawyer is fine.

Official reports show that employers pay certain insurance companies about twenty million dollars a year to protect themselves against damage suits and out of the twenty millions less than half goes to the injured and the remainder is used to support needy lawyers.

We find, then, that employers pay out twenty million dollars a year to insurance companies. To cover court costs the tax payers contribute an additional ten millions, making thirty millions, while the victims of the accidents actually receive about five millions.

Of course, this little estimate of the cost of outwitting the injured, their wives and children, does not include the cost to the tax payers of poor-houses and outdoor relief that are needed to care for the injured or for their wives and children.

In perhaps eighty or ninety per cent of the accidents resulting in personal injury, says a well-known professor, "neither the employer nor the employee is at fault."

And the law says for that class of accidents there is no remedy. But it takes a long-drawn out court battle to find that important fact out. However, the law is known at last, but not until the injured are well along the road to beggary, to vagrancy and dependence.

In Germany the government paid out pensions to 150,000 injured employees in the year 1904.

It also awarded pensions to some 600,000 employees who had been injured in previous years and who remained totally or partially incapacitated.

And finally pensions were awarded to 85,000 widows and to some 100,000 children of dead accident victims.

In that year, to make it short, somewhat over thirty millions reached the victims of their dependents and the lawyers got nothing.

And what of America? Well, here it costs an equally large sum to outwit the victims in the courts, and to pay court fees and lawyers fees and jury fees. In other words, it costs about twenty-five millions a year to inform the crippled that nothing is coming to them.

Sidelights on the Capitalist Press

The following extracts are from an article by Professor Charles Zeublin in "The Twentieth Century Magazine" entitled "The Overtaxed Credulity of Newspaper Readers."

"The average newspaper regards the truth with absolute indifference."

"The newspaper is a business institution, not an organ of education, and it must be made to pay, whether the public taste and morals are debauched or not."

"One serious aspect of the capitalist press is the presence of sweatshop methods in the management of the plant. The staff of the newspaper is paid relatively less for the amount of intelligence they are supposed to display than any other class, with the possible exception of teachers."

"While nearly all papers are subject to the advertiser, and especially truckle to the leading capitalists of the community, there are many which are organs owned by the corporations, and never, except through the accidental blundering of a reporter, attempt to tell the truth about these corporations and their allied interests."

"The owners, and even the editors, of most daily papers, by social affiliation with capitalistic interests, are naturally and sincerely sympathetic with the interests of capital, right or wrong. This extends to the coloring and even suppression of news by the Associated Press. The unscrupulous mendacity of corporation papers is known only to those who are familiar with newspaperdom."

"The newspapers habitually misrepresent. There is something to withhold from the public; dust must be thrown in their eyes, and lying becomes a habit. One can understand the San Francisco papers' lying about the bubonic plague or their street railway president, or the Chicago papers' reticence about the mayor or chief of police, but the habit extends to subjects where it can be of no object, and, worse still, to the reckless defamation of character."

"The newspaper world worships the God of things as they were. It is eager to give us the latest news about things as they are said to be, even to manufacturing it, but it has an extreme repugnance to serious discussion of things as they ought to be. Anything the newspapers cannot understand must be folly. From the point of view of conventional newspaperdom any suggestion of economic reform is 'Socialism,' fundamental political reforms are 'Anarchism,' any proposal for reform of domestic relations is 'free love,' religious reform is 'atheism,' educational reform is a 'fad,' moral reform is 'pessimism.'"

"The result of the foregoing attitude is the hypocritical maintenance of a negative, colorless, bourgeois morality. Any discussion of the sex question, not contained in the shorter catechism, is a 'sacred cow,' the newspaper editor's pet superstition. The daily newspapers reviled Gorke without knowing anything about him, although the reputable weeklies defended him. Perhaps it was this excessive virtue that concealed the relations between protected brothers and the police in New York and Chicago until the Socialist press revealed what the capitalistic press refused to print. A press notice said of a social purity congress, attended by the sternest friends of sex morality, that its discussions were not fit for publication. These pious ejaculations will be found in the same issue with page after page of obscenity and scurrility. The same attitude prevails toward anything fundamental that is not part of current gossip, which accounts for the ignorance of sociology and theology."

"The capitalist newspapers are cunning but not clever; detailed but not exact; prudish but not refined; partisan but not patriotic; flippant but not humorous; persistent but not vigilant; captious but not critical; biased but not sophisticated; sensitive but not honorable; conventional but not ethical; emphatic but not true."

A DILEMMA. A story that has done service in political campaigns to illustrate supposed dilemmas of the opposition would likely be revived in the approaching political heated term. A way back, when herds of buffalo grazed along the foothills of the Western mountains, two hardy prospectors fell in with a bull bison that seemed to have been separated from his kind and run amuck. One of the prospectors took to the branches of a tree, and the other dived into a cave. The buffalo bellowed at the entrance to the cave, and then turned toward the trees. Out came the man from the cave, and the buffalo took after him again. The man made another dive for the hole. After this had been repeated several times the man in the tree called to his comrade, who was trembling at the mouth of the cavern: "Stay in the cave, you idiot!" "You don't know anything about this hole," bawled the other. "There's a bear in it!"—Everybody's Magazine.

MR. 'McMIX'. He was a sturdy Scotchman, says the Youth's Companion, with no education and no vestige of a shred of humor. He stood before the new city hall gazing up at the simple legend over the portal. Then he turned to his wife: "Annie," he said, "d'ye see how the Scots will be liver cappin' them a'? I dinna ken who this mon McMIX may be, but his name above the door yonder makes my heart leap with pride." A passer-by, happening to overhear the worthy laborer's remark, could not refrain from smiling. The building bore the date McMIX.

QUICKER. "Why do you consider women superior to men in intelligence?" "A baldheaded man buys hair restorer by the quart, doesn't he?" "Er—yes." "Well, a woman doesn't waste time on hair restorer; she buys hair."—San Jose Palladium.