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GEORGE NEWSHOLME DEAD.

Many Socialists throughout the country will be pained to learn of the death on April 4, in London, England, of Comrade George W. Newsholme of Phoenix, Ariz. Comrade Newsholme acted as state secretary of Arizona for several years, preceding Comrade Bradford, serving without pay. That there is a Socialist party in Arizona today is due more to the generosity, patience and service of George W. Newsholme than to any other single individual in the state.

THE FINAL PROOF.

"Doctor," said the sick man, "the other physicians who have been in consultation over my case seem to differ from you in the diagnosis."

"I know they do," replied the doctor, "who had great confidence in himself, "but the autopsy will show who was right."

Early to bed and early to rise will make your boss healthy, wealthy and wise.—Cotton's Weekly.

OKLAHOMA HARVEST IS ON.

The biggest wheat yield in the history of the state is expected. Old residents say the country is as productive as any Kansas land.

The Colorado war is not a local war, it is not even a national war, it is an international war. Colorado is simply the scene of one of the big battles of this world-wide war between those who make things and those who take them. It is the social revolution and there is no end in sight so long as the private ownership of the means of life continues.

TIME TO REBUILD.

Signs of things that need attending to are on every hand. Almost every great happening has its significance to those who look seriously below the surface.

Mrs. R. was an extremely careful mother, and had repeatedly cautioned her 6-year-old daughter against handling any object that might contain germs. One day the little girl came in and said:

"Mother, I am never going to play with my kitten any more, because she has germs on her."

"Oh, no," replied her mother, "there are no germs on your kitten."

"Yes, there are," insisted the child. "I saw one hop."

HER CHOICE.

Wife—I believe the best place for a regional bank is the stocking.

Husband—There is one thing sure; the depositor will be well heeled.

H. M. Sigelah, secretary of Oklahoma, writes: "We in Oklahoma were confronted with a debt of $3,255.55 last year and by the strictest economy were able to wipe it all up during the year. As a result the membership has taken on new life and the same has increased from less than 3,000 to more than 10,000 and is still coming at a rate of 500 new members per month."

MACEDONIAN CRY FROM KANSAS.

About $50,000 is spent annually in this state for [illegible]

HOUSE SANCTIONS PEACEFUL PICKET.

Washington, June12.—Strikes and peaceful picketing were sanctioned by the house when the Webb amendment to the Clayton anti-trust bill was agreed to almost unanimously, making such acts of strikers not unlawful under the Sherman law.

Labor's so-called "bill of rights"—immunity from injunctions—rule and legalizing strikes and secondary boycotts was submitted as an amendment to the administration anti-trust bill by Chairman Webb of the judiciary committee. He said it embodied the ideas of both President Wilson and officials of the American Federation of Labor.

The amendment was to section 15 of the Clayton bill which provides that nothing in the section—which permits strikes, peaceful picketing and assemblings—shall be unlawful.

Consideration of the amendment sidetracked some time ago by the word "or" which Representative Murdock, progressive, Kansas, insisted, must be inserted in the first part of the section to make it apply to strikers.

"This amendment should be added to preserve the rights of labor," said Henry, "and restrain the courts from interfering with labor at times of dispute."

Chairman Webb said the amended section would legalize only "secondary boycott."

SMOKE AND SOOT COST CITY $20,000,000 A YEAR.

London, June 12.—Coal smoke and soot, with its accompanying disease and dirt, costs London $20,000,000, an expert told the local governing board.

PAT QUINLAN APPEAL LOST AT TRENTON.

Trenton, N. J., June 12.—New Jersey supreme court handed down an adverse opinion in the case of the Socialist who helped strikers. The grounds are not known. Henry Marelli, attorney for defendant, says the case will be taken to court of error and appealed at once.

The conviction of Pat Quinlan has been affirmed by the supreme court of New Jersey, and he must go to jail for from two to seven years and pay a fine of $500. He incurred the hostility of the owners of Paterson by his sturdy advocacy of the cause of the strikers in the course of the silk strike. He did more. He advocated the capture of the forces of government by the working class. Whatever else he did, that was sufficient to damn him.

The immediate charge, that he "incited to riot," is the sheerest rot. He did nothing of the kind. He advocated solidarity of the workers, he advocated the standing together of all the men and women of the working class in the shop, in the union and in the political field.

THE ONLY WAY HE COULD.

A man fearfully addicted to stuttering stepped up to the ticket window at a railroad station and asked what it would cost him to go to New York by freight.

"By freight?" exclaimed the astonished ticket agent. "What in thunder do you want to go by freight for?"

"Be-c-cause," stammered the man, "I s-c-c-ain't exp-p-press myself very w-well, c-can I?"—Suburban Electric Railway Magazine.

SOLD TRAIN OF KANSAS FLOUR.

Wellington Millers Ship Thirty-Five Cars to South Africa and Asia.

Wichita, Kan., June 12.—The Hunter Milling company at Wellington will start a train load of thirty-five cars to New Orleans tomorrow billed for South Africa, Asia and European points. The flour in the shipment will weigh a million pounds.

COMIC ONE.

"I sent Flo my portrait the other day." "Made quite a hit, I suppose?" "Well, I don't know. She asked me if I had sent it to her husband."

The Workers Are the Majority

A PROFESSOR WELL PLEASED

Montana University Professor Gets all Worked Up Over Kate O'Hare's Great Speech in London at the International Peace Conference.

The following is clipped from the Weekly Kalmin, published by the students of the University of Montana, at Missoula, Montana, and is part of a letter written by Dr. Underwood, telling of his travels abroad:

"Last night again heard a woman carry off the highest honors, and the most spontaneous cheering of one of the most extraordinary platforms I ever expect to hear, and it was an American woman. I wanted to cry and yell myself. Only I never do. It was Mrs. Kate Richards O'Hare of St. Louis, and she spoke from a platform of giants of the Socialist party at an international peace meeting. Those were great men—big men—men of brains and power and eloquence. It is impossible not to be affected somewhat by their enthusiasm, no matter how cynically scientific one is. Three great English leaders spoke, including Kier Hardie, and the president of the German Social Democracy, and VanderVelde, the greatest scholar of the movement, son-in-law of Karl Marx, and the Belgian leader, and Jeane Jaures the French leader, reputed to be one of the greatest orators of the world. I couldn't understand a word he said, but, although he made the longest speech, I was thrilled with the prodigious force of the man. Anatole France, perhaps the greatest living author, finished with a graceful and humorous address."—Rip-Saw.

Send in your subscription now.

REDS WIN IN FLORIDA.

Socialists of Lakeworth, Florida, secured control of the town in the recent municipal elections, electing the mayor and also the commissioners. Lakewood is under the commission form of government.

WORKERS NEGLECT POLITICAL RIGHTS.

There are now 101 Socialists in the French parliament, and none in our congress. Of course, the American workers can do without parliamentary representation, political affairs do not interest them. All they care for is the right to work and vote for the political agents of their masters, and to pay heavily for the inestimable privilege of being made the tools for other people's interest.

It is a pitiable spectacle to behold yet the time may come when the workers of the United States will be compelled to fight for the right to send their own men to congress, for a right which is not used is easily lost, and it will then be a very difficult matter to regain it.

There never can be freedom

HARVARD MAN EMPLOYED.

Asked if he had employed Prof. Bruce Tyman of Harvard, at $10,000 a year to deliver lectures in the interes' of the New Haven, Mr. Mellen replied:

"I suppose so."

Mr. Mellen said he believed the New Haven spent less in its campaign for publicity than other roads had spent in a similar way.

"Was not something paid to practically every newspaper in New England?"

"I do not know as to that."

"The record shows that more than 1,000 got something," said Mr. Folk.

"Well, I have no doubt that is correct," Mr. Mellen replied.

START TO HARVEST.

Southern Kansas is almost ready to start cutting wheat, and in another week the cutting will be general over a good deal of the state, extending to the northern portion by about June 15. The condition is even better on the eve of harvest than it was two months ago ,or one month ago when it was almost all that could be asked. Estimates of crop experts place the yield at 120,000,000 bushels, not much short of 50 per cent from that figure the estimate runs up to 200,000,000 bushels. It will probably require upwards of 50,000 additional hands to harvest the wheat and already men from the colleges, and those in the cities who make annual pilgrimages into the wheat fields, are reaching the scene of action. Several optimists in Topeka already are figuring on how Kansas will spend $100,000,000 received for her wheat, and another $100,000,000 for her corn, saying nothing of the odd millions received for other products.

WHY IS AN ENGINE BOILER?

The sweet young thing was being shown through the Baldwin locomotive works.

"What is that thing?" she asked, pointing with her dainty parasol.

"That, answered the guide, "is an engine boiler?"

She was an up-to-date young lady and at once became interested, "And why do they boil engines?" she inquired again.

"To make the engine tender," politely replied the resourceful guide.—Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.

SAFETY FIRST IN BERLIN, TOO.

Mirrors Have Been Attached to the Sides of Street Cars.

In Berlin, Germany, mirrors have been attached to the sides of cars at the height of a passenger's head when standing on the lower step. It is hoped by this means to reduce the number of accidents to passengers through being run down by oncoming traffic.—Electric Railway Journal.

The land belongs to the United States now. But Rockefeller wants it. What is the national government that it should hinder the progress of Standard Oil?

OWNERS ARE BLAMED FOR SEA HORROR

Ship Workers, in Convention, Declare Empress of Ireland Was Undermanned — Crew Inefficient, Also Charged.

(By John D. Williams.)

Boston, June 12.—The blame for the Empress of Ireland disaster, which cost over 1,000 lives, "and all other recent sea horrors" was placed directly upon the owners of the ships who themselves were scathingly denounced, in a resolution adopted by the delegates of the International Seamen's Union, assembled in convention here.

The union has a membership of 16,000, and includes in its ranks sailors, firemen, stewards and cooks.

It controls the labor situation on the Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf coasts and on the Great Lakes.—New York Call.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL TRY TO BLOCK MUNICIPAL GAS

Battle Creek, Mich., June 12.—Although the voters of Battle Creek at the last election decided by a vote of 4 to 1 that they wanted municipal ownership of gas, the mayor and city council are trying in every way to obstruct the installation of a municipal plant. So far has this now gone that the Socialists are threatening to invoke the recall to get rid of the present officials.

PEAK SHOOTS STEAM 700 FEET.

Renewed Activity of California Volcanic Mountain Reported.

Red Bluff, Cal., June 12.—A column of steam seven hundred feet high shot out of Mount Lassen. It is reported the mountain was emitting fire.

Mount Lassen is part of a volcanic range in Southern California, which was reported to have developed into an active volcano a week ago. Investigators later said the rocks and steam which it was emitting resulted from a new geyser.

DODGING THE LAW.

Some Boston men, who bought a spring supplying a Canadian table water, found themselves in a fix when a tariff of 25 cents a gallon was imposed on the importation of spring water into the States. They wrote to a New York lawyer, and asked him how they could get round the law.

The lawyer thought hard. Then he winked.

"Freeze your water," he said. "Import it in cakes and bottle it on this side of the border. There ain't any duty on ice."

The scheme worked, and is still working. This particular spring water is drunk all over the States today, and on every gallon of it the firm is saved 25 cents.—Exchange.

PRIDE REBUKED.

Thou shouldest not have looked on the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger; neither shouldest thou have spoken proudly in the day of distress.—Obad. 12.

Did Rockfeller speak "proudly" when he would not see Mother Jones nor Judge Lindsay?

TURN HOSE ON JOBLESS ABOUT FORD SHOP.

Detroit.—Two hundred employees of the Ford plant, recently laid off for 20 days during the "quiet season," and other job seekers were drenched by a hose in the hands of Ford guards when they made an ineffectual attempt to storm the employment bureau of the Gray Construction company, which is erecting a $100,000 addition to the Ford plant. The incident had the effect of [illegible]

NO IMPROVEMENT AT CALUMET.

Washington, June 12.—That conditions in the Calumet field have not improved since the "settlement" of the strike is the substance of a significant letter sent by President Sidney Thomas of the Keweenaw Miners' Union, No. 125, to Representative MacDonald, the congressman who forced the Calumet investigation upon congress. Thomas makes a hopeless appeal for federal help. His letter is as follows:

"I don't know if you can do anything to help out the situation, the mine managers have not lived up to their promise.

"About three weeks before the strike was called off a committee from each local called on the different managers and tried once more to get things settled up, the only condition that things could be settled was the men surrender their cards and sign a slip never to join the W. F. of M. again while in their employ.

"The committee asked if there would be any discrimination and they asked if ever that man would be taken back, but those that the grand jury indicted, and those arrested for any other serious charge. But many are turned down that have not been arrested or even have been conspicuous in the strike, some are turned down because they went before the investigating committee, one manager said that those who went there will never get any more work in the copper country—so far as I know, no one has been hired from this end of the mining country who did go there.

"It seems to me, now that the strike is over, they want to crush the spirit of unionism out of the men by keeping them without jobs and making them go elsewhere to seek work—then it is an expense to move their families after they are settled.

"The poor men are left in a sad plight at the mercy of the heartless set of mine owners who never gave us anything and don't intend to. A job to a man with a large family means something and it looks like as if they are going to make a job look so good to him that he will put up with most anything before he will go on strike again.

"It makes men say very often—how long will the government allow such things to be done by the men who own everything and don't do anything."

COMING FAST.

Private capitalism in the United States has so completely collapsed in such wide spheres that an almost immediate transformation to the stage of government ownership is at hand. The swift extension of the parcel post is confiscating express stock in a most rapid and gratifying manner. Nor can this process be stopped. The demand for extensions grows by what it feeds upon. There is no logical place to stop in increasing weight and increasing facilities.

It requires no mysterious power or foresight to foretell that before the end of the present administration many long steps will be taken in the direction of government ownership of railroads, telegraphs, telephones and even coal mines.

These steps will not be Socialism, but they will be performing some very necessary tasks preliminary to the coming of Socialism. They will be part of the preparation for that industrial revolution which shall really give the workers control of production and the enjoyment of the product. Moreover they are steps that will make possible a peaceful revolution instead of a violent upheaval.

Already the government of the United States is by far the largest employer in the world, and it is by no means a model employer. Action must come day in safeguarding the interests of public employees.—Milwaukee Leader.

AMERICAN KRUPPS?

The news dispatches say that if the shipment to Huerta of rifles, [illegible] guns and ammunition [illegible] We have a department [illegible]

LOSES HOPE IN MEDIATION

WILSON IS READY TO QUIT AND PLACE HOPE IN CARRANZA.

If U. S. Allows Antilla to Land Arms, Further Peace Effort Will Be Fruitless—Same Is True if It Allows Federal Interference.

Washington, June 12.—With the steamer Antilla, carrying three million rounds of ammunition, due to land its cargo at Tampico within the next to-eight hours and Provisional President Huerta of Mexico ordering his two gunboats to blockade the port so that the munitions of war may not reach the constitutionalists, a crisis in the Mexico situation is now hourly expected.

President Wilson, it was asserted in high quarters tonight, has virtually abandoned all hope of the success of mediation at Niagara Falls and is not only willing, but anxious that the negotiations should be brought to an end. Some of his advisers feel that the proceedings at Niagara Falls are now a menace to the plans of the administration in Washington and are likely to result in great embarrassment to this government.

FISHERMAN WINS FIGHT WITH HUGE DEVILFISH

Los Angeles, June 12.—Wrapped in writhing tentacles of a devilfish during a 20-minute fight for life was the fate of Capt. A. H. Mason in a small launch 14 miles off Long Beach, Cal. Mason was fishing for sturgeon. While pulling up his lines he was seized by the tentacles of the 15-foot devilfish that had become entangled in the lines.

URGES U. S. OWNED STEAMSHIP LINES

San Francisco, June 12.—A Representative Lafferty, Oregon congressman, in San Francisco for a few days, is out with a proposal for government ownership and operation of steamships.

"I favor building a fleet of 400 great liners and would vote a bond issue of $500,000,000 for this purpose," he said.

"The people of the United States pay to foreign ship owners about $250,000,000 annually in freight and fares. Ships should have been provided to operate in conjunction with the Alaska railway.

"It is coming, and that before long. Senator Lewis recently introduced a bill for the construction of 100 government-owned steamers."

INSULTING THE FLAG.

I fought way back in '61, I fought in Cuba, too—I've served in many, many years the good ryk, white and blue. I've spilled my blood on a battlefield where all was strife and din, and many a scrap in Cross Bones' lap is that I've been in. I fought to make the Stars and Stripes a standard of the free, and when you're out of patriots real, jes' take a look at me! And maybe it doesn't make a "vet" jest boil inside with rage, when he looks out West where the miners got their bloody bullet wags! Insult the flag! That flag was flying o'er all the shooter's camps, when the kids and wives of the men lay dying, shot, by their midnight lamps. Their only crime to want more bread, their only need to live, their only strife a wretched life. And what did the owners give? A howling rage of shot and shell, the dogs of war let loose from hell, with manhood steeped in basest slime. And the Stars and Stripes flew all the time! I say that action, low and gory, insulted the folds of our Old Glory. Those cowardly men, money-owning knaves, are trying to make my brothers slaves, 'neath the selfsame flag which in '61 I helped to set men free!—The Fitzburg Leader.

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Government by Gunmen

By John Kenneth Turner

By special arrangement with The Appeal, the Co-Operative papers will also publish this thrilling expose of America's most daring and brilliant writers.

GUNMAN PROFESSION FIRST FOUNDED BY JAMES FARLEY

James Farley was the first notable figure to surpass the Pinkertons as an exponent of the science and art of Government by Gunmen.

In the great white light of the Homestead exposures much of the glory of the Pinkertons departed from them. In the A. R. U. strike, which followed soon afterwards, the Pinkerton uniform was not seen. The General Managers' Association preferred to recruit its private army direct, imitating, however, the Pinkerton methods.

Five thousand city toughs were gathered together and sworn in as deputy United States marshals. The railroads, through John M. Egan, "strike manager," appointed them, armed them, commanded them, paid them: the federal government clothed them with its authority.

At the same time other city toughs were hired to go among the strikers, incite them to violence, and to commit violence in their name.

The gunmen deputies precipitated a reign of terror. They robbed and burned and slew—but they accomplished their purpose. Federal troops were called; the strike leaders were sent to prison; the cause was lost; and America's first great industrial union was utterly destroyed. Incidentally, twelve workingmen were shot to death in the struggle.

The sudden disrepute of the Pinkertons, coupled with the success of the General Managers' Association in directing its own mercenary fighters in the Chicago strike, caused cautious employers for a time to fight shy of private detective agencies. Great corporations associated themselves together for the purpose of providing "minute men" —with guns—to send against their workmen whenever the latter made an effort to better the conditions of shop or factory.

As an example, a man named Ernest F. DuBrull was employed by the National Metal Trades Association to organize a force of strike-breakers and strike-preventers in the non-union plants of the association. In explaining his work DuBrull was quoted as follows:

"The main object of the National Metal Trades Association is to protect its members in case of strikes, and it is thoroughly prepared for this. It has a regular force of strike breakers—men who are not afraid to go anywhere to work, and who are ready and able to defend themselves in case of necessity. This force numbers something like 500 men, who are all employed by members' of the association in various cities. But when a member has a strike on hand, he lets the commissioner (DuBrull) know, and that worthy sends on the men needed to operate the plant. These men draw their regular wages, and are paid in addition $1 a day by the association itself. About [illegible] of them are on the time by the association, the balance being placed which would otherwise be idle from labor troubles."

But the private detective agencies soon came to the fore again in the labor-baiting trade. While it costs more, it is safer for a corporation to let its rough stuff by contract, instead of hiring it done by the day. Thus it becomes more difficult to trace responsibility for murder and assault back to the heads of the corporations themselves, who quite frequently are most eminent gentlemen, Sunday school teachers, patrons of numerous charities.

The Pinkertons bobbed up again in Colorado and other places. The Thiel Agency, an offshoot of the Pinkertons, was formed by a branch manager for Allan P., who went into business for himself in order to make more money.

Thiel imitated Pinkerton closely and in those old days was second only to the Pinkertons in furnishing spies and gunmen to employers. Thiel operated side by side with James McParlan in the Cripple Creek strike, and side by side with Waddell & Mahon in the war in the Black Hills. He furnished guards in the Grand Trunk strike, recruited for Farley in preparation for the latter's devastating march on the San Francisco carmen in 1907; and down in Arizona put up a job on Ed Crough, Western Federation of Miners' official, the idea being to cause fellow unionists to assassinate Crough as a spy.

On one occasion Thiel hurried with thirty-two "secret service operatives" to Toronto to prevent a threatened strike of carmen, and succeeded. His special representative in Canada was one Sir Carrington, Montreal. Today Thiel, like the Pinkertons, though not averse to furnishing labor spies, is a comparatively obscure figure in the gunmen traffic. His specialty is railroad checking, otherwise known as "spotting."

The extent to which the iron heel was employed as long as a decade ago is suggested by some alleged statistics on industrial war casualties printed by a writer, Sisson Thompson, in the Outlook of Nov. 17, 1904. Thompson went over old newspaper files and with pencil and paper, jotted down the cases of violence reported during strikes. His totals for the two and one-half years ending June 30, 1904, came to:

Killed, 1,839.

Injured, 1,651.

Arrested, 5,583, of whom 5,189 were strikers.

Deported from the state (all Colorado) 879.

Purely strike cases were taken into account. It will be seen that the fatalities exceeded the number of Americans killed in the Spanish war several times over. On the other hand, the number is small in comparison with the workingmen killed yearly in peaceful industry through the lack of proper safeguards.

The significance of figures of this kind can be appreciated only when one reflects that for every striker murdered by a corporation gunman scores are beaten and thousands intimidated.

Thompson's figures, as to the killed, are very probably an underestimate. Certainly more strikers have been murdered in the past two and one-half years than in an equal period ending ten years ago.

Pinkerts and those who followed in his steps did a legitimate detective business—if any private detective work can be called legitimate. The labor-spy—labor-gunmen traffic was only a department, though a large and lucrative one, of their activities. James Farley ushered in a new era. He devoted his entire attention to thwarting workingmen in their efforts to organize or to strike. Farley was the first great specialist in Government by Gunmen.

Farley is credited with conceiving the idea of becoming not only a specialist in strikes, but a specialist in street car strikes, and then with making arrangements with the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company to work two years for that corporation, passing from one job to another in order to familiarize himself with all departments of the business.

But I have it from one of his old lieutenants that this is only one of the numerous myths created by Farley himself for advertising purposes.

According to this worthy—as unpalatable a person as one could meet in a dark alley—Farley came to New York from "up-state" (where he was born in 1873) an overgrown, lumbering youth, who in time found a job on a street car.

When some little misunderstanding occurred between the company and the men, Farley, instead of standing with his fellows, ran blabbing to the division superintendent. Not only that, but, without any prompting from his employers, he further showed his "loyalty" by proceeding to discipline a little conductor—the smallest he could find—by beating him up.

According to this version, the first great strike specialist began his career as a scab and a traitor. Next we find him working for twenty dollars a week as a slugger for the Drummond Detective Agency, a strike-breaking concern operated by Lewis Drummond, an ex-captain of police.

Farley was lieutenant of Drummond in the Second avenue, New York, car strike. The Brooklyn Rapid Transit company strike came on and Farley was its employer the double cross in order to start in business for himself. Drummond was to break the Brooklyn strike for $5 a day for every man furnished, but Farley cut under him, bidding $4.50 and got the job. His men cost him $3 and he ended his first independent "operation" with a bigger wad of the mazuma than he could have earned working a life-time at $20 a week.

Farley now bought a detective license of his own; for it is technically as detectives that gunmen concerns operate, though they may never in their lives detect anything except the mirthfulness longest of the nation's toilers for more food, better clothing, decent shelter, cleaner air.

Farley prospered. "Break their heads." "Put the fear of hell into them." "Make 'em wish they'd never been born."

These were some of his favorite mottoes.

I even met one New York gangster, a former satellite of Farley—he had the face of a gorilla and the voice of a polar bear—who insisted that it was not Theo. Roosevelt at all but James Farley, who invented the expression, "The Big Stick" (!).

Farley had very little use for scabs in his business. A scab is a workingman who really wants to work, and who will take another's job when the latter is on strike. "Strike-breaker," on the other hand, is the class name for men who are employed to break strikes only, whether they be pretended workers or "guards."

A strike-breaker would spurn a permanent job if it were offered him. Scabs are a special prize for breaking a strike, and when the honest workers have won or lost he goes to another strike-breaking job. Strike-breaker "generals" before Farley usually considered a necessary part of their work the finding of bona fide workmen to take the places of at least a percentage of the strikers. Farley, recognizing the growing class consciousness which makes the scab a sneer and scorner article on the market, sought to eliminate the scab altogether.

With the advent of Farley, strike-breaking became very much less of a scab-hunting and very much more of a gunman trade. Ten years ago it was a matter of common gossip in Sing Sing prison that any convict with a strong arm or nerve to use a gun, on leaving the penitentiary, was sure of a "berth" with James Farley.

The street railway business is one in which the employees come peculiarly close together. Wages in this business are about the same, a large body of men are assembled on a corporation. In no other line is it easier to organize the men provided they are not interfered with.

But they are always interfered with. The Amalgamated Association of Street & Electric Railway Employes is a great organization, yet it comprises a very insignificant percentage of the street and electric railway employes of America. In some of the largest cities of the United States there is no union at all. The men are paid ridiculous wages and work dangerously long hours.

This situation is due entirely to the methods worked out by Farley and his successors. These methods will be set forth in detail in future articles in this series, dealing with various labor dramas, and in presenting the confessions of certain professional gunmen.

James Farley's career as a gunman specialist lasted only a brief half dozen years. Bankers, no matter how well backed by capital to begin with, usually think they need to work twenty-five or thirty years before they can safely retire. Farley began with nothing and retired a millionaire at thirty-five.

In retiring, he claimed to have broken about fifty strikes and to have prevented scores of others. Perhaps his biggest "operation" was the New York Interborough strike. One gunman told me that for this job the company paid Farley three and one-quarter millions. Another told me that his net profits for the job were $184,000.

For his work in the San Francisco carmen's strike in 1907 Farley is supposed to have received over a million. Here was the strongest union town in America. The carmen, after a series of strikes, had won recognition and unusually good conditions. The city had looked upon as one of the strongest and most permanent in the country.

But Farley invaded the state with train-loads of his mercenary fighters; the company and the city government gave him a free hand, and in a few weeks he had bludgeoned the union to death.

Farley is said to have retired with $5,000,000. He ought a string of race-horses and lived in a magnificent suite of rooms at the Hotel Astor, which he retained even after he built his palace "up-state."

But it is not to be supposed that Farley lived to a ripe old age and enjoyed it while he lived. Night and day he was haunted by a terror that some one of the tens of thousands whom he had wronged would take justice into his own hands.

Farley quit business in a panic of fear. Detectives hovered about him wherever he went, guarding his life. He dropped out of the public view and cringed alone in his palace, suspicious of every new face, startled at every unusual sound, fearful even o this own special protectors.

He died forty. Consumption, some said; others said a nervous disease brought on by fear.

So died the great strike specialist. But his profession did not die. Government by Gunmen flourishes under the direction of men of harder nerve and harder deeds, if of less spectacular personality, than James Farley.

OKLAHOMA STATE NOTES

(H. M. Sinclair, State Secretary.)

The double dues stamps are now ready for delivery. These stamps are the same price as the single stamps. The stamp is divided between the husband and the wife. We are sorry for the single comrades, but a little bit of (economic) determinism will put you in the double stamps. Stamps will be sent out only on the order of the local secretary.

Sixty-four new locals in Oklahoma for the month of May, with a membership of 515. 515 brand new fighting, rampant, "rairin to go" pieces of animated propaganda. Sixty-four new bases for recruits. Well, I reckon that this will be sufficient to make the machine politician open his eyes and wish for "clubs" of the old brand. But the poor fellow can't make 'em stand and listen any more. The greater part of these new locals were formed without the aid of an organizer. They just naturally got together

The state secretary, H. M. Sinclair, will speak at the Encampment at Byars, on the 4th of July. He will tell the comrades something of the wonderful growth of Socialism in the state of Oklahoma and the nation, during the past year, the work that has been done to produce the results obtained, and what will be necessary to put Oklahoma in the Socialist column this fall. It will be a rare treat to those who have not been in touch with the working of the state office. You are certain to derive great benefit from the talk.

OUR WEEKLY STORY

THE CHICKEN STORY.

(By D. K. Young.)

(Continued from last week.)

But the chickens were now in a very bad way, and many of them actually started to death. So the rooster said:

"You must not do that. It would be the height of ingratitude if you should all starve to death, for if you should all die what would become of me? Why, I might actually be compelled to scratch for my own living, and my Vast Domain, without its Teeming Millions, would be worthless."

"Well, then, we do not see," they said, "if the Teeming Millions give all the value to the Vast Domain, why the Vast Domain does not belong to the Teeming Millions."

"Well, I certainly do despair of ever teaching you anything about Political Economy," said the rooster.

"Now," continued he, "when you get to the verge of starvation come to me and I will generously lend you some of my worms and you shall pay me Interest."

"What's Interest?" said they.

"Why just before you starve come to me and I will lend you enough worms to keep you alive, and for every ten you borrow, you shall pay me back eleven."

And often the chickens were so hungry that they were in desperation, compelled to borrow from the pile of worms, but they soon discovered that it was easier to go without than it was to pay back both Principal and Interest.

And now many of them declared that if they could not get enough to keep themselves alive it was a sin and a shame to hatch any more chickens in the world. Then the old rooster read them a long lecture on Race Suicide, because if they all died he and his recluse would be compelled to scratch for a living.

One day, after reading his "Political Economy," he beamed all over and said:

"The trouble is Overproduction." "Overproduction!" said the chickens in astonishment. "We call it underconsumption. The idea of calling it Overproduction when we are starving to death."

He got out his "Political Economy" to convince them that they could not get enough to eat because there were too many worms, and that the only way in which they could get any worms to eat was to dispose of the Surplus, so that there would not be so many worms, and they could go to work and dig more worms. The chickens fled, fearing some new disaster, but he explained to the few that were left that what they needed was a Tariff on the Surplus, and that they must Build up a Large Foreign Trade, and that if they made their land The Workshop of the World, and Sold More than They Bought, and Produced a large Balance of Trade, they would all get rich. So now he advocated the Open Door and Foreign Missions to Convert the Heathen, and went into the world and bought all kinds of tinsel and rewards and slim cracks to hang around the necks of his wife and daughter. These gim cracks were not at all comfortable, but they tickled the vanity of the fat hen and her silly daughter and made the starving chickens envious and miserable.

But the pile of worms still grew.

Then the old rooster said:

"See how prosperous we are. See what an enormous Foreign Trade we have built up."

But the chickens said:

"It may be General Prosperity, but it is also Private Starvation and as usual the General gets all the honors, while the Private gets the knocks."

"Why," says the rooster, "see what a Profit I have made. I now own all these Foreign Gim Cracks and my pile of worms is greater than ever before. The High Title of Prosperity will enable us to Drive all the rest of the World Out of Business and we shall Have the Entire Market to Ourselves."

"Well, what good will that do us?" said the Chickens. "Shall we have to pay less Rent?"

Why, of course not, stupids. Rents will advance on account of General Prosperity and Increase in Population through Foreign Immigration. And I want you to understand that I will not have any foolish talk about Labor Troubles and Arbitration from Crazy Agitators, who only Stir up Strife and Array One Class Against Another. You must understand There are No Classes in this Country and that There is Nothing to Arbitrate."

But the chickens were getting so restless than he said to some of the clever ones:

"Come, now, you preach to the chickens and tell them that God Made One Rich and the Other Poor, and you can live off of my pile of worms. You tell them that Poverty is a Blessing, that they Must Be Content With Their Lot and Must Not Rebel Against the Will of the Most High."

This quieted them for a while, for they said: "If we have a hard game here, we shall have just so much better hereafter."

But it was only for a while, for their poverty was awful, and the Upper Classes used to say that The Lower Classes Really Liked to Live in Dirt and Filth, but the chickens said.

"We have no time to plume our feathers or even to take a dust bath. We are too busy trying to get enough to eat. Give us enough to eat and you will see that we will keep clean."

But the old rooster said:

"We will found Charities, and I will give ten worms every day if you will give the same, and we will get up Charitable Organization Societies."

"Oh, yes," said the ungrateful chickens, "you take a thousand worms from us every day and give us ten back, and think you are very holy and righteous."

"Now, see here," said the rooster, "you have been listening to the Agitators again. Let me tell you that the Interests of the Laboring Chickens will not be Looked after by the Labor Agitators, but by the Christian Rooster, to Whom God in His Infinite Wisdom Has Confided the Property of This Country."

One day he came home from his Foreign tour all in a flutter. For he said that a Duck, or a Duke, as he called it, had asked him for the hand of his daughter in marriage. The Duck had told him that he was awfully in debt, but that it would be a fine thing for his daughter to be called a Duckess, as he called it, and that papa rooster could pay off all the debts of the Duck with his immense pile of worms, and in that way he could effectually Dispose of the Surplus and be relieved from Overproduction. The Duck also told him that they could all still live off of the interest and the Profits of the chicken yard. The rooster said further that they were all going to Live Abroad with his daughter and son-in-law, the Duck, and that he bought a place which he had called Skylow Castle, and that the chickens must all be very proud that their country chick was going to be a Duckess.

"Glory Hallelujah," shouted the chickens, "when he is gone we can have the yard to ourselves again."

But the Rooster had left an Agent to look after his Interests, and the and the chickens found that the Agent was harder than the master, because the rooster had a big lot of rotten debts of the Duck to pay off. But when they all came back and the wedding day arrived the chickens all kissed the feet of the rooster and roosteress, and the Duck and the Duckess, and said how proud they were that one of them was to be duckess, and he begged of her if possible, to make Ducks and Drakes of them, which she solemnly promised to do.

It was not long after that the news arrived that the rooster had so swelled up that he had burst and was dead.

"Hail Columbia," cackled the chickens. "Now we shall surely have the yard back again for ourselves, just as we had it before."

"Not much," said the Agent, "he has left a will and has given the whole yard to the Duck and the Duckess."

"But what right," said the foolish chickens, "has the dead rooster to give away our land. He is dead and so long as he has any interest in it. It is bad enough to pay Rent and Interest and Profit to a live rooster without being compelled to give the whole yard to the Duck and Duckess."

"They have not practiced Abstinence, nor do they even earn the Wages of Superintendence, and they are not entitled to seven-eighths of the product of our labor. They do not even live here. Why should we be compelled to give them seven-eighths of our time when we are starving?"

"Now, I want to tell you" said the agent, "that we are living under the Capitalistic System, and a man has the right to do with his own property as he pleases. When we first started the Capitalist System in this yard so cheap and think you are very good boast of it, but now all the other chickens in the world have this same Capitalist System, and they are one and all producing a bigger pile of worms than they can consume. For that reason we can no longer sell from our pile of worms, and unless you use it to support the Duck and Duckess in idleness and luxury we shall be compelled to stop all digging of worms and shut down the works."

"Well, if we cannot dig worms how are we to live?" cried the chickens.

"That is just it. You will all starve, so you might as well submit."

"Well, now, see here. We are not going to starve, nor are we going to submit. We are going to take this chicken yard and stop paying Interest and Profit."

"What," shouted the Agent, horrified, "would you violate the sacred rights of Capital? Would you trample on Vested Rights? Would you break the laws of Rent and Interest and Profits? Would you treat with disrespect the laws of Political Economy? Would you confiscate other chickens' property?"

"All right," said they, "this can be borne no longer, and we are going to have that which was stolen from us. We are going to own our own yard and we are going to eat all the worms that we find."

And when the Agent saw that they were determined he decamped and was never seen in the yard since. And the whole yard once more belongs to all the chickens, and they have a right to scratch where they please, and all the worms that ever finds their way to the finder and all have enough who are willing to scratch for a living.

"Well, we did not think it was so easy," said the chickens.

(The End.)

(Next week—"The Lost Ark of Gold" by Ivan Tharp Dowell.)

YOUNG FOLKS COLUMN

DO ANIMALS UNDERSTAND HUMAN'S TONGUE?

Many nature students contend that intelligent horses, elephants, dogs, and cats and some other animals understand much that is said to them. Dr. Dan W. Hull, in writing on the subject says:

"Your dog, and probably your horse, understands when you speak well or ill of them, and the dog will manifest his displeasure by barking or wagging, or hiding his tail. Your dog is a religious creature, and you are the god he worships, and he is as reasonable in that worship as you are in the worship of your anthropomorphic god. If you sit down to read, he will often place himself near your feet and look up into your face with admiration for your profound and majestic wisdom. No matter how mean and contemptible a man may be, his dog will die for him."

The doctor tells an interesting story about a cat his wife owned. He says: "The cat had one fault: she brought kittens in our house faster than we knew how to care for them. One night she had climbed on Mrs. H's lap, and while she was caressing her the said to me, she wished I would take those kittens off and drown them as she could not afford to care for so many cats. Instantly the cat jumped down, and in its mewing, there was a tone of pleading in it that I thought I could not be found for several weeks. Though Mrs. H. [illegible] the house. The cat always scrutinized off to a place of woods near the house when she discovered she was being watched. When the kittens became large enough to show themselves they were discovered in a recess made by nailing up an old cellar door of the house. Mrs. H. managed to keep them from "mewing" and thus betraying their hiding place was known only to herself. Now I have no idea she understood the exact language used by Mrs. Hull, but she sensed the import and knew enough to hide her kittens."

I have known and read of similar instances that furnish pretty strong evidence that some animals understand language to some extent at least.—R. A. Dague.

HAPPY SAVES LIVES OF A WHOLE FAMILY.

Southington, Conn., June.—Happy, the children's playmate, sounded a fire alarm early today in the home of Robert Graham, who lives on Queen street with his wife and children and after saving the family he kept faithful guard all day over the ruins of the homestead, refusing to permit outsiders to approach within fifty feet.

When the fire started from an unknown cause, Happy was on the back porch. He unlatched the back door, ran to the bedroom of his master and pulled the clothes from the bed. Then he rushed to the house and in turn aroused by Graham, some neighbors and with barrow enough [illegible]

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO MINISTERS AND OTHERS.

PLUCKED FROM HERE AND THERE

To Any Minister of the Gospel.
Central City, Ky.

To Any Minister of the Gospel:

I was reared by devout Christian parents and taught during my tender years to observe the Golden Rule. My father being a prominent Baptist minister of Tennessee and western Kentucky, I naturally took a great interest in baptist literature, and during my adolescence took a great deal of interest in the religious work of Mr. John D. Rockefeller and one of his sons, whom I think was a very prominent Sunday school worker in New York City several years ago.

I pointed, with a great deal of pride, to the fact that the richest man in the world was a member of the same church to which my father belonged, and conscientiously believed was a great and good man. At that time I knew nothing of economic conditions in my country. The struggle between human and property rights had not become so bitter at that time, and, to be perfectly frank, I knew very little about it. Upon the death of my father, I was compelled to sell my labor, and within a few years fate decreed that I should take an active part in the great labor movement affecting the class to which I belong. It was then that I began to see things in an altogether different viewpoint. I went to church, and in the front pews I saw wealthy mine owners take an active part in the services, whom I knew were stockholders in a great corporation that was actually stealing from 500 to 1,000 pounds of coal off every car loaded by their slavish employees. I saw deacons of the church kneel and pray for sinners, when I knew positively that they had armed thugs hired to murder any man who dared to contend for his constitutional rights. I heard men pray to God to save the victims of the white slave traffic, when I knew they were receiving rent from the victims for whom they so fervently prayed. Then I began to read of the revolting conditions in the mines, mills and factories of the country; of the child slaves in the cotton mills of the South. Later I went to Colorado, and on the Sabbath day, possibly at the hour when Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., was teaching Sunday school in Cleveland, Ohio, I saw a band of black-hearted murderers march forth in battle array to murder men, women and children who were being paid a salary by a soulless corporation of which this same great and good man in whom I took such a great interest when a child, was the largest stockholder. Then it was that a sudden change came upon me. I began to doubt the sincerity of the man in whom I once had so much confidence. Some evil spirit drove the question straight home. Is there such a thing as Christianity? I was treading on dangerous ground. I am still on dangerous ground, and I want some man of God to answer these questions: Can a man who owns stock in a corporation that enslaves and robs its employees escape personal responsibility for the crime? Can a man who owns stock in a corporation that hires thugs to murder men, women and children acquit himself of wrong doing by placing the management of his business affairs in the hands of other men? Is there such a thing as a sin of ommission, and if so, is he who refuses to prevent murder when he has the power to do so not guilty of transgressing the laws of God?

Ten million working men in the United States are asking these same questions. Will some man of God answer them?

Very respectfully,
W. O. SMITH,
International Representative United Mine Workers of America.

What a Minister Thinks of Strikers.

Nothing that has been said by defenders of What is quite equals the utterance of the Rev. H. W. Pingree, pastor of Denver Asbury Methodist church, in a sermon on the coal strike situation. It helps to clarify the atmosphere, of course, when it is perfectly known that Dr. Pingree is a National Guard chaplain. But that is not the point. Here are a few sentences from his sermon:

"In Colorado in the southern coal fields are for the most part ignorant foreigners. They come from countries where men are ruled by an iron hand and the bayonet of soldiers. They are used to this rule of iron and steel. The only way to rule them is by iron and steel. I speak as a Christian minister. There is no hope for the present generation of this people. There may be hope for their children.

"There was a story in the papers about the militia tearing away the ceiling in a miner's home. Well if I had had any thing to do with it, I would have lighted a stick of dynamite and blown up that house. The militia received the information that arms and ammunition were concealed there. When they tore away the ceiling they found rifles and much ammunition hidden behind the boards.

"What should have been done long ago and what should be done now is to organize a vigilante committee to call on these striking miners and say to them: 'Are you United States citizens? Do you intend to become United States citizens?'

"All who answer 'No,' should be boxed up and deported to where they came from. Box up every man of them and deport them and you will end this reign of anarchy. There will be a wonderful rent in heaven. Such a thing is done, but it is the only patriotic thing to do; the only religious thing to do.

"There is no better, finer class of men in all the state than those who belong to the Colorado National Guard. I have been with General Chase day and night and I know him to be a Christian gentleman."

The question that arises is: What does Dr. Pingree want of a Bible?

If you can't see any good in anybody or anything, and can't digest malted milk, just take a day off and go out where the birds sing and the flowers bloom, and there is no "evil under the sun" and you'll feel better.

Attempt to Oust Priest Fails.

An attempt was made to oust Rev. John Yates, priest of the Episcopal Church at Middletown, Ohio, because he participated in the campaigns in this section, speaking in behalf of the Socialist party. Some of the vestrymen demanded that the bishop of that district remove him or they would resign from the church. They were told they could resign. Yates is now speaking to a packed church every Sunday as a result of the publicity secured.

Pastor Brands War As Murder.

Chicago.—Even from the economic standpoint war is without reason and can result only in waste, according to the Rev. Frederick W. Millar, of the Kimbark Avenue Universalist church here.

"Men should refuse," he said, "to become murderers or assassins at the command of any earthly authority.

Of the cost of war he said:

"In the nineteenth century the nations spent 40,000,000,000 in destroying the lives of men—a sum equivalent to nearly one-half the wealth of the United States, the richest nation on earth.

This vast sum would buy the German empire or the French nation complete, or it would purchase the great Russian empire and leave $5,000,000,000 to spare. It would purchase Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium and the Netherlands and then leave five billions to spare.

"Our Spanish-American war cost us $700,000,000. For a much smaller sum than this Spain would have parted with its possessions. The British-Boer war cost in money alone $1,300,000,000—more than enough to have purchased the entire South African republic.

"During the last century more than 40,000,000 lives were sacrificed to the god of war.

"The day is dawning when the mothers of our race are joining forces with the press and the pulpit and the men who have to do the fighting and are condemning this useless waste of life and money, demanding arbitration."

Endorse Socialist Party.

The Christian Socialists of Belgium, at their recent conference, endorsed the entire program of the Socialist party and advised all religious workers to support it. The resolution adopted says:

"The national congress of Belgian Christian Socialists holds fraternal greetings to all the comrades affiliated with the international labor movement.

"Whereas, the church, faithless to the spirit of Christ, has too often placed its forces at the disposal of capitalism, we are nevertheless persuaded that there are many Christians who are ready to accept the economic principles of Socialism, and

"Whereas, the hour has now come to give our active support to bring about the certain triumph of universal suffrage, therefore, be it

"Resolved, that the religious workers should be true to their oppressed class and give their votes solidly to the candidates of the Socialist party."

Crowd Hears Strickland.

Dayton, O.—The Rev. Frederick Guy Strickland, Socialist candidate for the third congressional district, was greeted by a crowd of 500 in Ludlow park, Sunday afternoon. It was the final address to be made in this city until fall when the campaign will be on in earnest.

Pastor Wins Big Labor Audiences.

Hamilton, O.—The action of the Rev. John Yates, pastor of the Episcopal church, Middletown, O., regarding the speaking at public meetings for the cause of the Socialist party, has won for him larger audiences of the workingmen class than the average. However, he says that the vestrymen are remaining away with their families.

These men attempted to secure the resignation of the Rev. Yates because he spoke in behalf of Socialism prior to the opening of the campaign for the Third congressional district in this city, several Sundays ago. Failing in this, these wealthy vestrymen threatened to resign unless the bishop of that district of the Episcopal church ordered the resignation of Yates and the report is that the bishop instructed the vestrymen that they could resign, which they did.

Last Sunday was the second after the above stated affair. The congregation, Yates says was very gratifying in its size and has greatly encouraged him.

N. Y. Ministers Like Pharisees of Ancient Days.

Uphold Church thugs for attacking Bouck White, who asked about Rockefeller and Colorado massacre.

According to interviews in the New York World, the ministers of New York are as unanimous in condemning the actions of Bouck White as the scribes and pharisees were in condemning the interruption of the temple services in Jerusalem 2,000 years ago.

The Rev. Dr. Christian F. Reisner, pastor of Grace Methodist Episcopal church, says:

"Folly, folly, folly! What other words can you apply to White's actions? He is the product of impatience. Of course, there are a lot of wrongs to be righted, and some of them are being righted from day to day.

"But these wrongs will never be righted after White's fashion. Really, I feel very sorry for him. But it was about time to put an end to this nonsense we've been having all winter and spring."

To Bouck White.

(By Henry Frank.)

They have caught you, Bouck, they have caught you.
In the church of the Christian
And with Christian clubs they smote you,
And gave you a martyr's meed.

They blessed you with Christian prayer,
And struck you with Christian fists;
They gave you a Christian's share
Of a Christian's faith in Christ.

They kicked you and cuffed with joy—
Their joy in the Holy Ghost;
And prove you a foolish boy,
To put faith in their Christian boast.

They gave you a stone for bread,
A scorpion's sting for meat;
And proved what the Saviour said,
Of those who barter and cheat.

They proved what a lying thing
The whole of Christendom is,
How fraught with venomous sting
The love they offer as His!

'Tis well the world should know
What wolves in the House of God,
Devour the meek that bow
Beneath the Oppressor's rod;
That blows of grey are wings
The altar's sacred cloth,
To seize the first who cry
Aloud the workmen's wroth.

Their shrine is clothed with gold,
Their god is a brutal king;
Why fear the poor that scold,
But have not gifts to bring!

The poor are the hated of God,
Who blesses them that have;
But smites with a bitter rod
The masses unworthy to save.

He smiles alone on the clean,
Washed in the waters of wealth;
Despises the dirty and lean,
Who labor devoid of health.

There's no room in Heaven for them,
Why burden the church below?
Let them not touch the hem
Of His robe the hypocrites slow.

The flat is the fool's reply
Of fear to the charge of Truth;
'Tis a vow the Monstrous Lie
Has challenged with claw and tooth.

They have smitten and cursed alway,
The few that durst lead the throng;
But their message they cannot slay,
Nor still the joy of their song.

What though they smite and clutch
With fists of Christian greed;
They cannot the truth besmutch,
That wells from Humanity's creed!

Belgian Clerics Switch Over to Socialist Party.

(By Alphonse Octors.)

Brussels.—(By mail.)—The Christian Socialists of Belgium have adopted the entire program of the Belgian Socialist party.

The principal leader in this action is a nobleman, Baron F. de Bethune, who has expressed a wish that his title be dropped when he is addressed or referred to. He is already a member of the Belgian Socialist party and a co-operator in the Maison du Peuple of Brussels.

In his address to the congress of Christian Socialists he said: "We are convinced that in taking this action, we are following the mandates of our consciences, and are convinced that if He lived in Belgium today Jesus would enter with us into the Maison du Peuple and into the political party of justice. The tyrants have oppressed mankind too long i nthe name of Christ."

It was pointed out that the Socialist party considered religion as a private matter, and that it is open alike to believers and unbelievers in religion.

Will Mayor Mitchel Reply?

According to press reports, Mayor Mitchel said in speaking of the disturbance caused by the police at the Calvary Baptist Church:

"It seems to me that time for vigorous methods has arrived. You can rest assured that they will be resorted to. I have told my Commissioner to use vigorous methods. I guess you know what that means."

What does it mean, Mayor Mitchel? Does it mean that methods are to be used that are still more brutal and unlawful than those employed by the police that Sunday? Methods more brutal than even those characterized by the New York Sun as lawless and wicked?

The Sun said in speaking of the methods of the police during the events at Calvary Baptist church:

"But not even the courts have the power of inflicting corporal punishment. It is repugnant to the whole spirit of our civilization. How much more repugnant is it that police officials, blind with rage, should inflict such a beating upon a citizen."

If there is truth in that, Mayor Mitchel, is it not still worse, we ask you, for the mayor of New York, in defiance of the law, to give instructions that such lawlessness and brutality shall be practiced by the police? Or have you not mere unlawful beatings in mind, Mayor Mitchel? If unlawful beatings are not vigorous enough for you, what have you in mind, Mayor Mitchel? Colorado? We demand an answer, and we shall ask this question until we receive it.—New York Call.

Socialists Gain Heavily Despite Swedish Priests.

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The Liberals obtained 245,000 and the Conservatives 256,000. The Socialists increased their vote 17,000. The Liberal vote increased only 2,000, while Conservatives gained 28,000.

The principal reason of the Conservatives was in the rural districts where the priests, at a Russian invasion was used to stampede the more ignorant voters. Here the priests and the preachers of all denominations told their congregations that if the Socialists won all Christians would be massacred.

Pastor Praises White and Assails Wealthy.

Speaking on "Foes of the Flag," the Rev. Harold Pattison in the Washington Heights Baptist church, upheld the attitude of Dr. Woelfkin and Calvary Baptist church in dealing with the recent raid upon it by Bouck White and members of his church of the Social Revolution. He did not attack Bouck White, but recognized him as a fellow clergyman of no mean ability.

"With money riding up and down Fifth avenue and poverty only a few blocks away," said Dr. Pattison, "It is a wonder to me that nothing more serious than raids upon churches attended by the wealthy have not occurred.

"Of course none of us believe in breaking up a church service, and I am sure we all honor Dr. Woelfkin and his church in the manner they handled such a serious situation. But do not let us fool ourselves that such men as Bouck White are cranks. He is a Harvard and Union Seminary graduate and no fool. The Christian Church will do well not to array itself on one side or the other too quickly.

"The distance of patient endeavor; the disinclination on the part of many of our best citizens toward civic affairs; the spirit of unbelief and the lack of faith in the future—all of these are foes of our nation. It is time that men took a deeper interest in the affairs of the nation and of casting their ballot on election day. Look at the figures of the large proportion of citizens who do not vote. If woman suffrage will help, then I pray for suffrage."

The rich always have been accustomed to being served by the poor in this world, but through his action, he was following the mandates of our consciences, and are convinced that if He lived in Belgium today Jesus would enter with us into the Maison du Peuple and into the political party of justice. The tyrants have oppressed mankind too long i nthe name of Christ."

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Belgian Clerics Switch Over to Socialist Party.

(By Alphonse Octors.)

Brussels.—(By mail.)—The Christian Socialists of Belgium have adopted the entire program of the Belgian Socialist party.

The principal leader in this action is a nobleman, Baron F. de Bethune, who has expressed a wish that his title be dropped when he is addressed or referred to. He is already a member of the Belgian Socialist party and a co-operator in the Maison du Peuple of Brussels.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

CONGRESSMEN BETWEEN FIRES.

Trust Program a Joke.

Washington, June 4.—How to avoid the wrath of labor and yet help their jobs as congressmen is the proposition which is today before several hundred congressmen. They are endeavoring to escape from this dilemma by operating the "Unwarped machine" in the House of Representatives in such a way as to rush through their fake trust program without a roll call, on the proposition to exempt labor unions from prosecution under the Sherman Act.

The democratic platform of 1912 said that "labor organizations and their members should not be regarded as illegal combinations in restraint of trade." The Clayton anti-trust bill declares that "nothing in the anti-trust laws shall be construed to forbid the existence and operation of fraternal, labor, consumers', agricultural, or horticultural organizations, a proposition of absolutely no meaning or importance, whatever. The few friends of labor in the house have proposed an amendment to the effect that "nothing in the anti-trust laws shall apply to fraternal, labor consumers,' agricultural or horticultural organizations."

The democrats do not want a record vote on this amendment, for if a public and open vote on this amendment could be had, either the democrats would be forced to vote in favor of labor, or else every democrat from the weakest labor district would be retired permanently to private life.

A terrific parliamentary battle will be pulled off when this part of the Clayton bill is reached. It is probable that the Rules Committee may have to bring in a special gag rule to force the reactionary program of Woodrow Wilson, the "reversible president" through congress.

The fashion in which congress is handling the trust question should be a joke, and everyone on the inside here knows that the entire trust program is only a subterfuge and excuse. The political and economic situation was well described by the bull moose floor leader, Victor Murdock, in these words:

"Twenty-two years ago I was a reporter in Chicago, and my paper sent me down to Ohio to report the great anti trust suit that was brought against the Standard Oil Trust, and a high court solemnly and by final decree at that time dissolved the Standard Oil Trust, and I remember distinctly writing the leading upon my newspaper article 22 years ago to the effect that the Standard Oil Co. had been dissolved. What a record of delay, denial of popular demand, and legal helplessness has transpired since. Futility in the highest court of the land ruling every way in the Knight case, and another way in the Northern Securities case. Futility in the congress of the United States. In the Fiftieth Congress the Committee on the Judiciary in this body reported that there was one further amendment necessary to the Sherman anti-trust law to cover the interpretation of the Supreme Court of the United States in the Knight case, a correction that the Supreme Court since made itself. Futility in the arministrative bodies of this government. Inaction upon the part of prosecutors of the government, and now, after 24 years, almost a quarter of a century of confessed helplessness on the part of this great government, we are about to take another step. I am sorry that it is a random step and will be, in my opinion, a futile step. I am sorry that the Covington bill is weak, purely investigative in its powers, born a cripple. I am sorry the Clayton bill persists in the attempt to make this country travel again the old, profitless circle which follows writing rigid inhibition against big business, honest and otherwise, into law and leaving it to the long-lingering delay which waits upon the interpretations of the courts.

I think this is a time when we ought to pause and give ear to the significant events of the hour. What fantastic films the morning newspapers reveal before the eyes of the country. Rockefeller, over at Tarrytown, N. Y., installing a system of electric lights that no may keep, by touching a button at his bedside, his eight guards who surround the house awake through the hours of the night. The testimony just made in Denver, where witnesses stated before the board of inquiry that in troop A, which looted the tents of the striking miners at Ludlow after they had shot the miners down and killed 11 women and children, there were only eight members who were not either mine guards or mine employees. Constitutional government in Colorado has broken down. The man who has been the beneficiary of our delay, of our careless futile, trust legislation, passed at random, sits in his palace upon the Hudson, insecure, fearful that the law will not protect him, and the men out in Colorado who are his victims know that it does not protect them."

A powerful news association with radical tendencies will poll the house so as to present to the public a list of the men who vote without a roll call in committee of the whole for and against labor. The Socialist press service will also carry the names of these gentlemen.—S. P. P. S.

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ORGANIZATION.
(By J. E. Snyder.)

I have said it before, but I am going to say it again—"Build within!"

Make the Socialist party attractive and alive and we will not have to hunt for membership. We should attract by the things we know and do for the good cause of Socialism and not by dances, shows and tea parties. Now days the entertainment or the social time from our program, but as a means to attract new people it always appeared to me to be a sign of weakness. There is something wrong with a movement that has to offer bribes to get people to come near its propaganda. Once in a while, for the purpose of relaxation or a friendly visit, pleasure has its big place in the movement, but never as a means of getting recruits.

Our movement is built of human hearts and hands. These have to be skilled in the art of building a machine, modern and always up to date. The study class is a very essential part of a well builded organization. There we learn of the history and traditions and mistakes and successes of the Socialists of the past. We learn of the scientific basis of our principles and of the outline of the institutions of the future. Education is necessary to progress and discipline in the Socialist party.

Each individual must fully realize the mission of the Socialist party, the size of the problem we have tackled, the strength of the enemy we have to overthrow and the value of one man or woman's work added to a million others working at the same thing in the same way and at the same time. Did you ever stop to ponder on the power of labor if the workers would all think and do the revolutionary act at the same time?

The Socialist party should not allow itself to be lead off into establishing side issues nor supporting side issues. We should concentrate our forces and center our blows. We have but a few funds and not nearly enough trained workers and if we do well for the Socialist movement we must all stay in the party and do our work there for a long time yet to come.

To build well within we need a means of communication. We must have a press. The membership needs to demand it. It must be born of necessity. The habit of buying dope sheets printed by capitalists for profits must be overcome. The habit of buying newspapers printed for the workers, by the workers and of the workers must take hold of the working class and it is up to the Socialists inside the party to set the example.

Sometimes I think that if the workmen and work women of a factory knew as little as the general membership of the Socialists know of their party that the factory would soon go to pieces. We must get closer to the workings of our party machinery. The Party Builder is the medium. It should be in the home of every comrade. If it is not what it should be at any time there is a way to make it the way we want it. An intelligent membership can legislate into existence all the good rules that are necessary for the making of a Party Builder paper that will fill the demands and desires of all.

David Goldstein says that the Socialists are all students, that we are well organized and that we have in all our homes the books of Marx, Engels, Bebel, Bax, Morgan, etc., namely practically all our best books. Would that it were true in America! We have a great literature department. The signs are that we are making progress toward Goldstein's ideal of us, but there are many that cannot as yet qualify in the big ghost story that he tells his Catholic brethren.

PROTEST AGAINST WAR.

Villa and Carranza Real Revolutionists, and for Socialization of Land.

Washington Letter, June.—Like a shock of surprise to officialdom in the capitol have come pouring into Washington the protests of labor and Socialist organizations against war with Mexico. These protests have had more to do with stemming the tide of jingoism and Hearstism than may ever, perhaps, be known. They have strengthened the hand of President Wilson, who is personally honest in his desire to avoid war, but who is woefully ignorant, not only of the game of diplomacy, but of the machinations of the war interests.

As the inside story of the taking of Vera Cruz gradually shapes itself, it is clear that the president had no thought of or desire for bloodshed. Falling into the trap laid for him by the government's military authorities, he ordered the fleet to Mexican waters, and, failing to receive a salute from Huerta, he only tried to prevent the arms of the enemy of the people from being landed.

Now, the treachery of the national banking system, as it does business in America, the home of the brave and the land of the free (?), I will present to the readers of the issue issue of the Socialist, which is devoted to the interests of the working class.

Young Socialist Column

CALL TO THE YOUNG.

(By Jean Jaurez.)

Far be it from us to ask you, young people, to come to us because it is just now fashionable to be a Socialist. Some think that this has given us it will take from us. And we are satisfied that it should be so. But I will ask you, you young men with your twenty years, what will you do with your lives, with your hearts and your mental faculties?

You have been aroused with the only battle cry the present age knows, "Go to war—fight the enemy." But of what value is physical activity alone, without mental effort? It is brutal force, nothing more.

You have been warned not to join the party of peace. They tell you that it will weaken you, make you cowardly. We declare there is no greater war than the war for peace. It is a war in which each man must fight himself and those with whom he comes in contact, to subdue the most bestial of instincts to overpower the degrading desire for robbery and murder.

It is a war against the lowest powers of barbarism, against those who claim to be upholders of culture and civilization.

There is but one field of action for you, action that is based upon knowledge, action that enriches your moral and mental as well as your physical life. We open up before you the possibility of living a fuller life. There are those who could save you fear vs. those who call upon you to support a philosophy of vain ideas, of feeling words and empty imaginings. They appeal to feelings, not to your common sense.

I tell you, my friends, wishes and feelings are nothing unless they are founded upon a firm and clear scientific knowledge of the fundamental causes and effects. When Newton discovered the world system, when Lamarck took the first hesitating steps toward the discovery of the law of evolution they were driven not by nature, not by accident nor by feeling, but by deep thought, by determined investigation. He who would lead mankind must bear upon his standard a new thought; a new light. Where will you find this new light, but in the class conscious proletariat? They understand the laws of reality; they are struggling for their fulfillment.

Turn to the Socialist movement and truth will take you by the hand to show you the way into a world of reality and justice, into a world of the highest harmony, the fullest gaiety, the purest ideals. It is the most wonderful journey you will ever undertake. No other will take you as far, no other has so high an aim. It is, to use the words of a great German poet, a journey that will take us to the end of the world, and its wares.—National Socialist.

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