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BURNS ALIAS ORCHARD!

Jury Box Reduced

Prosecution Is Dumfounded at the Action of Officials in Indianapolis

After filling the jury box the following have been removed by challenge, and the defense may challenge the remaining today and if this is not done Darrow will be unable to do this later on. The men removed are as follows:

Robert Bain, who organized the first labor union in Los Angeles.

F. D. Green, who said that he was acquainted with the use of explosives and that there was no prejudice in his mind as to the guilt of the defendant.

Byron Lisk, who said that he had no opinion as to the cause of the explosion of the Los Angeles Times.

Sam Mendenhall, orange grower, also without opinion.

Walter Clark, who said that he took neither sides either way.

The challenges were made alternately, the state leading off.

The defense excused Geo McKee when it was shown that McKee was an unfair juror.

The state excused M. T. McNeely, an officer of the tailor's union.

The defense then excused the following as the prosecution declared that it would not challenge any more at this time.

Geo W. Johnson, former factory superintendent.

Dr. G. S. Case, a retired physician of Pasadena.

W. Frampton, who believed that the Times was blown up by dynamite.

A. C. Winte, who said that it would require much evidence to remove from his mind the guilt of the defendants.

Jury Box Filled.

For the first time the jury box has been filled and it is probable that few if any of those in the box will be allowed to serve as they are all held for further examination.

The following are the jurors: Robert Bain, F. D. Green, A. C. Winte, W. M. Frampton, G. W. Johnson, S. Mendenhall, F. Frakes, B. Lisk, Walter Clark, M. T. McNeely, McKee and Morton.

Morton created consternation in the mind of Prosecutor Horton when he stated that the trouble, in his estimation, was between capital and labor and not between the State of California and the McNamars.

"Why do you hold that opinion", asked the prosecutor.

"Because you are asking me so many questions regarding capital and labor, personally I am of a free mind but you make me think that the trouble is elsewhere" replied Morton.

"Then you believe that there is a system that you do not sympathize with, is it this government" interrogated the court.

Morton leaned forward in his chair and was visible irritated and said "I have made no such remarks. I fought for this country during the Civil War and I am proud of it. I am in sympathy with this government not against it."

"Are you a Socialist?" he was asked.

"I may be but I have a free will,

REGISTER THIRTY DAYS BEFORE ELECTION



Can They Answer These Questions?

THE HARRY ORCHARD-PINKERTONS ORTIE McMANIGAL-BURNS PARALLEL FIASCO

Who Was It That Secured the \$10,000 Tip Offered by Detective Burns if Somebody Could Be Indicted For the "Times" Explosion?

WHY DID THE KEYS OF JOHN McNAMARA FALL TO FIT IN THE BASEMENT OF THE AMERICAN CENTRAL LIFE BUILDING?

Why Did the Piano Box Full of Dynamite Recorded by the "Indianapolis News" Dwindle to Nine Sticks at Jones' Barn?

Judge Remster Declared by Implication in Another Decision That Officers by Night Took John J. McNamara Illegally, at Their Own Peril, and They Had No Right to Do so by Law.

And Why Was Ortie Arrested in Chicago Last January For Stealing Four Wagon Loads of Brass?

and let my conscience think." "Do you read the "Appeal to Reason?" "Yes."

Talesman Andrews then took the stand and was questioned by the prosecution. He declared that he had not made up his mind as to the guilt of the defendant but it would require less evidence to convict than it would to acquit him. He also stated that he had made toward the defendant but no more than he would have towards any other criminal.

District Attorney Fredericks said that he thought that he would make a good juror and that he could be accepted.

"Still he seems to have a state of mind that he ought not to sit" declared Judge Bordwell. "He says that he would make a fair and impartial juror, but that does not end the matter and therefore he is excused."

The next man examined was Frank Hester and he claimed that it would require no evidence to him to bring in a verdict of guilty, he also stated that he was employed by a biscuit factory which was allied with the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association and that they had difficulties with labor and therefore he was opposed to labor unions as a whole.

Attorney Darrow wished to further examine Talesman George McKee, as he had some new information, but the court ruled that an application for the same should be made out whereupon Darrow said that he would do so.

Alexander Having Hard Time.

With hopes of inducing the authorities of Indiana to surrender certain documents obtained (?) in the raid of the offices of the Structural Iron Workers, District Attorney Alexander exchange 27 telegrams with the Indiana officials. The officers of that

state claim that they will use this evidence (?) against the McNamars in an action brought against them for transporting dynamite from one state to another. The officers of Indiana by that statement insinuate unconsciously that the McNamars will evidently be brought to Indiana for that purpose and that the case against them at Los Angeles will result in acquittal. Detective Burns in Indiana made the statement that the books of the McNamars would show that money was paid to the dynamiters but he was proven as the author of a worthless statement by Prosecutor Baker. Every day the talk of important evidence is originated in the offices of the prosecution and just as regularly these statements are proven worse than lies.

Indiana Officials Refuse to Surrender Exhibits.

Los Angeles, Cal.—That the prosecution in the McNamara case is driven to extremities is shown by the fact that they are exerting every effort to over-ride the state courts and get the affair of John J. McNamara into the hands of the federal officials.

Ever since the decision of the higher courts of Indiana that the McNamara "exhibits" should not be permitted to leave the state, Prosecuting Attorney John B. Fredericks of Los Angeles has been casting about for some way to get possession of the "Burns material" that is in Indianapolis.

It is believed Burns has come to the rescue with the brilliant idea that the United States court is the proper place to make his appeal to get the "evidence" into the possession of the Los Angeles authorities.

This is looked on by the defense as a confession of weakness of the

prosecution's case. Nearly every day new "identifiers" are brought into the court room to get a look at J. B. McNamara. In every instance Jim looks over his identifiers and tells Harriman, Darrow, or the other attorneys whether he has ever seen the man before. This week an attempt was made to get the "identification" from a San Francisco launch owner who was supposed to have transported high explosives for James Brice. The attempt failed utterly and the prosecution was much chagrined.

Not Destroyed by Dynamite.

The defense has every reason to believe that it can show that the Los Angeles Times was not destroyed by dynamite. If this is successful the state's case will fall to the ground as the district attorney is building his entire fabrication upon the theory that dynamite was planted in the building with malicious intent.

The fact that the families of eight of the victims have sued the Times company for large sums in damages has made a deep impression upon the public. In the suits it is alleged that the building was destroyed by fire and that its occupants were caught in a terrible death-trap where no adequate means of escape were at hand.

It will be shown, the attorneys say, that only two persons who were in the ancient rookery at the time the fire broke out, escaped by natural exits and that these were clerks who were on the ground floor in the business department. That any others escaped is looked upon as a miracle. Attorneys declare that both the civil suits and the criminal action will establish the fact that the Times was destroyed by fire which followed an accidental explosion brought about the criminal negligence of the owners of the building.

It is the strength of this claim and

Socialist Victories

Down With the Capitalist System---Workers Want Freedom, Liberty

SOCIALIST GAINS.

New York.

Schenectady, N. Y.—The Socialists of this city elected all the officers except one, this includes the mayor and other prominent offices.

The Socialists of the county also made a tremendous gain on the county board, and in addition to this the assembly district in which Schenectady is located re-elected a Socialist Assemblyman.

Ohio.

The Socialists of this state elected ten mayors with more still in question. The showing of today is in advance of any showing that they made so far and puts them in a class easily with the other parties.

Then ten cities electing Socialist mayors are: Loraine, St. Marys, Martins Ferry, Mount Vernon, Postoria, Salem, Cayahoga, Barberton, Lima, and Toronto.

In Canton it will require an official count to decide whether the democratic or Socialist candidate is elected, the republican candidate running far behind the Socialist.

In Dayton the Socialists elected three aldermen and at Cleveland, Columbus and mostly every other locality the gains made by the Socialists are only short of mysterious.

Political leaders of Ohio say that the great showing made by the Socialists is the result of organized campaigning. In Columbus it is claimed that the street car strike of 1910 is the cause.

The feature of the election was the tremendous gain made by the Socialists, their candidate for mayor of Columbus ran a close race with the republican nominee for second place.

The Socialists of Toledo elected two aldermen with more precincts to hear from.

Schenectady Elects Socialist Pastor.

For the first time the Socialists of this city have polled a counting vote, electing a mayor and all but one of the other offices.

Rev. George R. Lunn, pastor of the United People's Church and editor of a Socialist paper, is the mayor. A few years ago he was compelled to resign on account of his Socialistic teachings. The platform of Dr. Lunn calls for the busting of the paving trust, cheaper gas and a cut in the city payroll by eliminating useless officers on the city payroll.

Lieutenant Governor in Mississippi. A Socialist headquarters it is claimed that their candidate for lieutenant governor has been elected over the democratic nominee.

The Socialist gain in the last few years has been tremendous running from 100 to 500 per cent.

Mayor at Crookston, Minn.

N. L. Larson, Socialist, was elected mayor by a plurality of 91 votes. The Socialists also elected one alderman.

Socialists Ahead in Sacramento.

The Socialist candidate for mayor

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INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM ON OUR RAILWAYS

The chief aim of the master class is to keep the workers divided in various crafts...

The reason for this is very simple and we might understand, that when the boss desires to have the workers divided that way...

Did you ever hear of an admiral of a fleet sending out only one ship at a time to fight the enemy?

Did you ever see a farmer boy go after honey when the bees were around the hive?

Now, when a committee of employes visit the employers for better working conditions the boss sees to it that the bees are safely caged up...

The railway employes, almost to a man, believe in this principle but do not practice it.

If craft separation was a good thing for the workers the general managers would not grant it.

Years ago when there was a strike in a foundry everybody went out and the strike was usually won now when the same firm has trouble...

The best definition that I ever heard of organization was given by Mr. C. O. Young, organizer for the A. F. of L.

"Be organized before trouble, during a difficulty and after victory."

The time to organize is now. Don't wait for some one else to do it for you, but do it yourself.

Some people say that this was tried before as in the A. R. U. strike and it proved a failure as results proved.

And even at that there was not even good organization to start with and the railway managers knew it.

You Can Gauge Your Strength by the Fear of the Boss.

The boss will never be alarmed unless there is something to be alarmed about and he will never be pleased until you please him.

The System Federation that is being launched ad over the country is alarming the boss.

The merchants in the south are denouncing the officials of the I. C. Ry. for not admitting defeat and when that class realizes the state of affairs that ought to be good authority.

THE STRENGTH OF LABOR.

Let us liken the labor movement to a huge compound locomotive, with its high pressure side and its low pres-

sure features each of which is extremely powerful.

The two forces of labor consisting of industrial action and political power.

Every working man is either a full fledged Socialist or has tendencies in that direction of which he is not aware...

The worker must obtain all he can by going after it directly and when he has done that let him, like the compound engine...

Join the party of your class, vote the Socialist ticket.

SAFETY LAW VIOLATED.

Government Inspector Will Make A Thorough Investigation.

Violation of the federal boiler inspection and safety device laws by the Illinois Central must be stopped.

So says the interstate commerce commission, which has intervened to prevent the company from recklessly endangering the lives of its employes as well as the traveling public any longer.

The information that at last the commission, aroused, would begin an investigation of the methods practiced in the shops of the Illinois Central since the beginning of the strike...

A federal inspector will reach Chicago within the next few days to make a thorough-going inspection of the Burnside yards...

Shippers Complain. Spurred on by the many complaints made by shippers and strikers from many cities along the Illinois Central...

The law requires that boilers, air brakes, and rolling stock be inspected constantly by experts men so that the danger may be reduced to a minimum.

Even in times of prosperity it is difficult for the company to get competent inspectors, but since the strike was called and the inspectors struck...

Air Equipment Is Defective. Engineers have reported again and again that the air equipment of their trains was either defective or totally useless.

Despite their protests, the company has ordered the trains to be kept in use, thereby making a big wreck sooner or later almost inevitable.

Hurts Big Business. The Chicago mail order houses are protesting against the continuance of the strike on the Illinois Central...

War of Shopmen to Spread, Is Belief of President Kline. "I wouldn't be surprised to hear of the shopmen going out on strike on the Texas Pacific and other Pacific lines in a short time..."

Investigation Conducted—Appliances Not Standard. H. W. Belknap, chief inspector of safety appliances of the interstate commerce commission...

Strike Inevitable. "The shopmen of the Texas Pacific issued an ultimatum to the president of the road demanding a recognition of their system federation some time ago..."

All Are Refused. Hundreds of the strikers have applied for work at Pullman, but all were refused.

Why Taft Train Broke Down. Ogden, Utah.—The cause of the breakdown of President Taft's train in Utah has just been learned by the

date of Oct. 16, signed by Messrs. Murray, Osten and Malloy, relative to existing conditions of the Illinois Central railroad with respect to all-brake equipment.

Encouraging reports were received last week at the headquarters of the Illinois Central strikers, reports which lead the officials to believe that the Illinois Central is even now at its last ditch and about ready to give up the ship.

At Memphis, Tenn., forty-seven steamboats and smaller river craft, which had been lying idle along the wharves for a long time, have been recommissioned since the strike began...

Rivermen growl gray in the service say they never before saw such an enormous amount of commerce being carried on the river.

The most complete tie-up anywhere on the system is on the Cedar Rapids branch, over which no freight train has been moved in the last two weeks.

There was a serious wreck on the main line near Cedar Rapids. Two cars were derailed, but the engine was making such poor time that the damage was slight.

President J. W. Kline of the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths & Helpers predicted that the result of the referendum vote just taken by the Rock Island system federation...

SCABS ARE INCOMPETENT. The following confident statement was made public by the executive committee of the Burnside strikers:

"An engineer reported something wrong with the flue or smoke box of an engine and had it sent to the yards for repairs. A scab boilermaker, without knowing what the trouble was or where or how to look for it, merely opened the front end, pulled out the cinders, and marked the engine O. K."

"On good information we can positively state that there are not 150 scabs in the Burnside hops to fill the places of 3,500 men who laid down their tools and walked out."

Can't Endure Conditions. Paducah, Ky.—Four Clerks who were admitted to the union shortly before the strike, went back to work, but were unable to endure the conditions imposed on them by the bosses.

Ministers Aid Strikers. Council Bluffs, Iowa.—The ministers' association has taken up the fight for the strikers and has representatives at every meeting of the shopmen.

Shippers Make Protest. Evansville, Ind.—Shippers here are beginning to feel the effects of the strike on their business and are protesting against the action of the company in refusing to recognize the system federation.

Bill Clerks Quit. Vicksburg, Miss.—A bunch of bill clerks shipped in by the company quit as soon as they had reported for work and joined the union clerks on strike.

Truckmen Walk Out. Bakersfield, Cal.—All truckmen in the Southern Pacific freight station here have gone on strike.

Waterloo, Iowa.—A Nelson, a heavily armed guard in the employ of the Illinois Central, was arrested in East Fourth street as he was boasting to a crowd of by-standers of his prowess as a policeman.

Waterloo, Iowa.—I am confident that we have the Illinois Central whipped," said Frank Paquin, vice-president of the International Brotherhood of Railway Carmen.

Memphis, Tenn.—The demoralization of the freight traffic department of the Illinois Central at Memphis is complete.

Car No. 11842 was carded Oct. 1 from Memphis to Birmingham, Ala., but by mistake of the scab clerks was sent to Greenville, Miss., as a carload of cottonseed.

As cottonseed, it was not treated as perishable goods, and so was not opened at Greenville until a few days ago, when the condition of the butter was such that it can be used only as fertilizer if anyone can get close enough to it to handle it.

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Kruttschnitt's Son a Scab.

Bowie, Ark.—Judus Kruttschnitt, Jr., son of Julius Kruttschnitt, vice president and director of maintenance and operation of all Harriman lines, is working as a strike breaker in the Southern Pacific shops here.

Dressed in greasy overalls, with his face and hands covered with smoke and dust, young Kruttschnitt, who was assistant division superintendent of the Tucson division, oils boxes and hammers car wheels.

Women Raise Funds.

McComb, Miss.—The Ladies' Auxiliary to the I. A. of M. has begun a campaign to raise funds for the needy strikers and their families. No call for assistance has been made by the local federation, but many donations are coming in each day.

Council Helps I. C.

Cairo, Ill.—The city council flatly turned down a petition of the strikers that all the strike breakers employed by the Illinois Central be ordered to keep inside the yards at all times.

The local federation based its petition on the fact that the chiefs of police of many cities along the Illinois Central have themselves ordered the strike breakers not to leave the company's property.

Ten of the strikers appealed to Deputy Sheriff Greaney to be appointed special policemen to protect the interests of the strikers, but he told them Superintendent Porterfield objected to the employment of any of the striking shopmen as deputy sheriffs or special policemen.

Wrecking Crew Incapable.

Carbondale, Ill.—The company has no wrecking crew which is capable of picking up engine No. 1880, which has been lying along the tracks ever since the wreck of freight trains in the yards twelve days ago.

The freight department has been almost totally wrecked by the strike.

Issue Daily Newspaper.

East St. Louis, Ill.—The strikers, goaded by the false reports in the local newspapers concerning the strike, last week issued the first copy of a daily newspaper to be published every day during the strike so that a true account of the great labor war may reach at least all the strikers.

The paper is called "The Daily Strike Bulletin" and contains enough ads to pay for the publication of the sheet and leave a small margin of profit to the local federation.

The strikers held a mass meeting in the city had to give the general public an opportunity to learn the truth concerning the strike at East St. Louis and other points along the system.

CAN YOU ANSWER THESE VITAL QUESTIONS?

If You Can Answer and Still Be Content to Keep Voting Against Yourself, There Is Something Wrong With You.

Why so much hardship among the laboring class?

Why so many strikes among the trades?

Is a workman human, or is he just a dumb beast?

Is a mere existence enough in return for his time, brain and muscle?

Is a man free who must work ten or twelve hours a day in order to keep his dear ones from want?

Has his family no claim at all on his time and person, except for his life—which gives them bread?

Can he do justice to his wife and children and still labor from day light till dark?

Does he not make more than a mere living in the number of hours he works?

Is gold worth more than human blood and brain and muscle?

Are we not entitled to a part of the good things in life?

Or are we like the dumb horse, willing to exist on a measure of oats and a bundle of hay?

Is it fair that our employers enjoy so much for our labor, while we live so scant?

Are his loved ones any dearer to him than ours are to us?

Are they entitled to so many more luxuries than ours are out of the very profit, that but for our labor would not be produced?

Can we afford vacations, balls, tours to Europe, laces, velvet, silks, wines and kindred luxuries that our employers enjoy?

WAR WHAT FOR? By George R. Kirkpatrick, is the greatest book on economics by any living American author. It is a book that fairly bristles with sharp points that puncture the hide of capitalism and makes this old monster squirm and hunt cover. No "Dare-Devil Dick" writer ever imagined such "blud curdling" episodes as Kirkpatrick describes as true history, the history of the befuddled, the betrayed and slaughtered working class, on many a goary battlefield. The class who had nothing to gain but misery and death, or if they survive, long hours of grinding toil to pay the war expenses.

All classes of labor as well as business and commercial institutions are organized into associations to advance their welfare. The farmers are the class that is not organized for mutual protection. Even the beasts of the field as well as the human that prey on the farmer is organized self protection. It is time that the farmers were organized into unions to secure the benefits and protection that can only be got by force of numbers.

Organize a farmers union in your district. Further particulars can be had by sending a letter of inquiry to Union Farmer, Box 908 Helena

Must we always be bound with the chains of labor, so that if we miss one day we also miss the money that buys us bread?

Do ours get their rights when they work in factory, shop, store, laundry and house, because their fathers, husbands and brothers cannot get enough for their labor to feed them bread?

BOILERMAKERS.

The Strike on N. Y. C. L. Will Be Spread This Week.

The chances are about a hundred to one that the boilermakers' strike on the New York Central lines will spread to the various branches of that gigantic corporation this week, as has been predicted in the "Citizen" for several weeks.

As an outcome of the executive board meeting in Kansas City, which has just been concluded, President Franklin was instructed to wire the N. Y. C. L. in New York, giving the latter until Saturday at 10 a. m., to agree to settle the strike on the called out on all branches.

Brown replied to Franklin that the N. Y. C. L. has a full complement of boilermakers and would not discharge them to employ union men, and so on. Consequently there is nothing else for Franklin to do but give the signal for a general walkout.

The railways that will be affected—besides the Lake Shore, the Michigan Central, the Boston & Albany, New York Central and New York, New Haven and Hartford, are the Big Four, Pittsburg & Lake Erie, the Hoeking Valley, Chicago & Illinois Southern, the Lake Erie & Wheeling and several other lines.

Nearly a thousand men will be added to the strike roll today unless some unforeseen circumstance occurs, which is hardly probable, and with cold weather coming on, the New York Central combine, which is already badly crippled despite President Brown's claim to the contrary, will have a desperate struggle to keep its engines alive.

Late last week 400 boilermakers walked out of the plant of the American Locomotive Works at Schenectady, N. Y. when they were asked to prepare new engines for the New York Central. Unless the American Locomotive Works management withdraw their orders the strike may spread to other plants of that company.

All members of Local No. 5 are hereby requested to attend the meeting at 310 Prospect Ave. They will hear some things to interest them.

Vice-President Louis Weyand, of this city, has been chosen as one of the delegates to the A. F. of L. convention in Atlanta, which begins November 13.

LADIES GARMENT WORKERS

Rowe Makes Another Mean Attack Upon Strikers.

While the garment workers were returning to the shops the early part of the week, Acting Chief Rowe could not neglect the opportunity to deliver another cowardly blow.

Monday night 13 pickets were arrested and spirited into the Central police station upon the theory that they had beaten a strike-breaker, who afterwards died. No warrants were issued and when Attorneys Katz and Dawley and Harry Thomas went to the station Tuesday morning to bail the men they were informed that the garment workers were not in jail. Later the attorneys began habeas corpus proceedings and when Rowe and his advisers heard of that move they released the prisoners. Some of the latter claim that they were given a taste of the third degree and Rowe is being denounced in unmeasured terms.

The strikers believe that the man who was beaten was attacked by some of his own kind of people, as a number of fights have taken place among the strike breakers during the past 19 weeks.

There are still nearly a thousand strikers unemployed, a large number of whom are blacklisted, but all will be cared for by the international union until they can secure work in this city or out of town.

Cloakmakers of New York are out strong for the Socialist party. They are holding mass meetings in order to elect Ren Schlesinger to the State Legislature in one of the down town districts. They are attacking Tammany Hall in a manner that is giving Boss Murphy a pain.

Cooks Get into Line.

A real, live cook has been discovered who talks socialistic. He is none other than Fred Eberling, president of the Chicago union, who writes to the Daily Socialist to complain that cooks are compelled to work seven days a week. He wants to know whether Berger will introduce a bill in congress to provide a six-day week for all wage-earners, and declares that the only hope of American workmen now is "to see more Bergers in congress."

This is mighty encouraging news, fellow citizens. Heretofore we were of the opinion that there were only two members of the Hotel & Restaurant Employees' Union and Bartenders League of America socialistically inclined, the same being a bartender in Los Angeles and a waiter in San Francisco. The Chicago recruit is an in-

crease of no less than 50 per cent, and his conversion ought to send thrills of joy coursing through the red blood of the red-eyed revolutionists who rip, roar and rave against the raw rapacity of the rotten rich. Cleveland Citizen.

STOVE MOUNTERS.

Where Strikes Are in Progress at the Present Time.

Stove Mounters' International Union has sent out a circular stating that strikes are in progress in the following shops. Members are requested to remain away from those concerns and the public is urged to purchase none of their products:

Excelsior Stove & Mfg. Co., Quincy, Illinois.

Favorite Stove & Range Co., Piqua, Ohio.

Indiana Stove Works, Evansville, Indiana.

Southern Stove Works, Evansville, Indiana.

Evansville Stove Works, Evansville, Indiana.

Crecent Stove Works, Evansville, Indiana.

Thuel-Phillips Stove Co., Florence, Alabama.

The strike that was on in the Kalamazoo Stove Co. has been settled satisfactorily to the Union.

WOMEN AND WAR.

The opposition of women to war is growing daily more outspoken. In a war which they look upon as just and necessary, women will encourage their men to fight, as the women, both North and South, did in our own civil war. But to wars of mere conquest and aggrandizement women have a rooted dislike, and especially so when it is a war for the enrichment of a few at the cost of the blood of the many. In this Italian war over Morocco, it is pathetic to read of the women in great numbers lying down on the railroad tracks, to block with their own bodies the trains that were to carry their men away to fight. In Spain a few years ago, when there was a call to arms for a trivial cause, the women actually turned out and fought those who were trying to force their husbands and sons to rally to the colors.

Wars are more and more coming to be fought mainly for business considerations to protect a concession that has been given to some corporations for opening mines or factories in a foreign country, to close or open a door for trade, to seize some coveted market from a rival. Women's great business is rearing the new generation, and they are coming to realize that their business is the most important of all, and should not be sacrificed to any other. It is a cheering sign when the women of the Latin nations, so long held in strict subordination, grow active and emphatic in their protest against having their sons taken away to be "food for powder."

The soldiers hauled the poor Italian mothers of the tracks like any other obstruction. Their ballots could not have been disregarded so lightly.—Exchange.

Enfranchisement for Women.

Considerable satisfaction is expressed by the national officers of the Socialist party at the fact that at the forty-third annual convention of the American Woman Suffrage Association, just held at Louisville, Ky., notice was given by the association that the aid of political parties in the contest for suffrage would be welcomed.

Without endorsing Socialism, the convention adopted the petition by which the Woman's National Committee of the Socialist party seeks enfranchisement for women through an amendment to the Federal Constitution, and pledged the association to co-operate in obtaining signatures to the amendment which will be presented by Congressman Victor Berger during the coming session.—Cleveland Citizen.

The sectionmen of the different railroads in Georgia won a great victory when the companies allowed their demand for a shorter workday.

The Lithographic Press Feeders of New York City have received an increase in wages of 10 per cent.

Great restlessness is apparent among the employees of the Midland railroad, as it is shown that a great number of men are being daily discharged for little or no cause. It is claimed that old men are replaced by men who were loyal to the company during the recent strike.

Are we going to be free men and free women? In a land of plenty is there not enough for all?

Is a leaky house, coarse common food, a hard bunk to sleep on, overalls and calico all we are worth as human beings?

CONSPIRACY of the Money and Land-owning Kings of the Period of the War of the REVOLUTION EXPOSED IN

'UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND SOCIALISM'

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Montana News Helena, Montana.

HEADQUARTERS FOR UNION PRINTING.

Comrades and Brother:— We desire to call your attention to the printing office of the Montana News. We do all kinds of printing for labor organizations, Constitutions, By-Laws, Letter Heads, Envelopes Working Cards, all stationary and printed material used by unions.

The Montana News is the only paper in the Rocky Mountain states that advocates the right of labor at all times and in all places. Regardless of what the greivences may be we stand by the strikers in the struggle of the union against the corporations. In more than one instance we have turned public opinion in favor of the strikers, and in more than one city and camp have we made the union label respected. The Montana News is supported exclusively by the workers and the profits from job work of the labor organizations of Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Utah.

Perhaps your union has not required the assistance of any paper in times of trouble, but rest assured, should you organization ever become involved in a strike; the Montana News will be found on your side and ready to give all the assistance that press and pen can do to win the strike. A labor press should be built up, and we need your assistance will you send us your order for the printing of your union? Why support print shops whose paper attack you or treat your cause with silence and indifference when you are involved in a strike?

The capitalists know the power of the press and control the papers accordingly.

Should your union require anything in the line of printing give us a chance to bid on same. Ask us for our prices. We may charge higher than scab shops, but we pay all express charges on packages sent out. Remember we are the headquarters for Union Printing in the Northwest and the shop that has made the Union Label respected.

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News From Milwaukee

CAUGHT AT VOTE BUYING.

Here is the Proof, Black on White. Only Dirty Politics.

Beginning the latter part of last week, when its joke voting-contest has only attracted responses from less than two hundred people, the Journal desparately and suddenly threw off its mask and started out to buy votes in order to save its contest from utter collapse. It had blank ballots printed, a dodger hysterically appealing to its readers to come to the rescue, and envelopes with "Your News-boy will Call for This," printed on them, and these it gave out to its newsboys, together with a little circular (which we reproduce herewith) by photographic engraving process, telling them to begin a campaign of hustling in votes and that for each vote they were able to wheedle out of their customers they would be given five cents.

Read Every Word of This Letter.

To the Newsboy— Today you are being supplied with printed circulars and blank envelopes containing blank ballots.

These printed circulars and blank envelopes are to be delivered by you to your regular customers (one of each to each customer). On Saturday cad on each customer and gather in the envelopes.

After you have collected the envelopes, take them to your district or branch manager's office and there you will be rewarded for the service you have rendered us. Do your work thoroughly and profit more by your work. You will get Five Cents for each envelope that you turn in Saturday.

Be sure that you do not accept more than one envelope from one person.

Be sure to ask every customer you call on Saturday for his "Voting Envelope."

Yours very truly,

THE JOURNAL COMPANY.

The Journal, we learn, has been sending reporters all over town trying to get leading old party politicians to express favor of its nonpartisan voting contest, but without result. Bu it shows this. That the Journal, while pretending great civic virtue for its efforts, has not been borne again, by a long shot, and that it is simply playing a game, and a very nasty one at that, because absolutely hypocritical.

According to the Journal's own admission, the votes it bought Monday cost it \$50, and the votes it bought Tuesday \$40. And so on. It is still buying votes, in the hopes of making an artificial showing that will fool the gudgeons!

LOCAL LABOR NOTES.

City Fathers Turn Down the Union Men of Helena.

The city council of this city totally ignored the reasonable requests of the Central Trades & Labor Assembly when they granted the North-Western Metals Co. a free franchise to run power over a private line to their plant, and then refused to answer a courteous letter sent to them by the workers. The letter to the council is in part:

Honorable Sirs— Some time ago you granted a free franchise to the North-Western Metals Co. * * Now, if you wish to see a man get a fair day's pay for a fair day's work, we think that before giving free franchises, that the workers should be concerned. If we are wrong in this matter then send us a letter that can be read before our meeting."

To date that most honorable (?) body has not sent a word of correction, instruction or explanation.

Chinese Restaurants.

Last week witnessed a class struggle between those upholding union conditions and those who do not give fairness a thought.

The parties concerned are the Cooks & Waiters' Union of this city and the Chinese restaurants.

The Cooks & Waiters, through their able representative Mr. Lewis, gave out a statement that the conflict was due to the refusal on the part of the Chinamen to give union conditions to their employes.

The Cooks & Waiters insisted that there were a great number of unemployed union men in town that were entitled to work but would not betray their confidence in their fellowmen, thus the difficulty.

By careful picketing, the union men were able to turn more trade to union houses and in that manner give the union men out of work a better chance to earn an existence. It is understood that there is consternation in the swill rooms of the enemy. One restaurant is about to close down

completely while another is to vacate because of a difficulty with the land owners.

The unions of this city are getting so progressive that a non-union house of any kind will be a curio in a short time.

In the meantime the union houses continue, with their employes, continue to prosper.

BOOSTERS COLUMN.

An order comes in from Carbon County for 25 papers per week. Carbon County will be represented in the legislature after the next election.

Comrade John Katvala sends in for the News.

Comrade O. O. Sletton nearly took the office cat off it's feet when he sent in ten names accompanied by the wherewithal. Sletton is a railroad man and has taken up the fight. We will help him and the rest of the locomotive firemen.

Missoula still sends in for the News this time Comrade B. H. Mercer hands in a list of five. Mercer ran for mayor in Missoula and is awake to the needs of the workers.

Mr. John Bolt of Deer Lodge renews his sub.

Com. Geo. Lodge sends in \$12.50 to help the good work aiong. Lodge is a coal miner and realizes the benefit of a fighting paper.

Two railroad operators at Rivulet send in their subs to the News, and like all railroad men, they are with us.

Com. W. M. Johnson of the Federal Union sends in for a bundle of 25 per week.

Bozeman sends in eight subs this week which goes to show that the people there are up to date.

A shower of subs come from Livingston. The office boy has not counted them all yet.

The Street Car men of Helena insist upon lending their good support. "We admire the grand manner in which you handled the outrageous Militia Law."

Up to date no Chinamen have subscribed to the News. Hard Prods!

Com. A. Gray and Geo Cockrell, both of Deer Lodge, want their names on the list.

Anaconda sends in an even dozen

The Railroad men of Helena still names, they want a line on the facts, pour in their subs. More nails in the masters coffin, Hurray!

A Geat Northern railroad man sent his sub. Oh, no it didn't come from Jim Hill.

JURY BOX REDUCED

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said that he was a Socialist and that he had no prejudice against capital punishment. He said he was willing to lay aside his opinion and try the case thoroughly upon its merits and on law and evidence.

To the deep disappointment of the defense Judge Bordwell ruled that inasmuch as Coward had asked several former miners regarding the action of dynamite and discovered from their replies, there were no developments in connection with the Times disaster such as always follow the detonation of dynamite or high explosives he had made "an independent investigation" and so was ineligible.

This decision hurt the defense deeply as there had been, up to that time, some hope of getting men who admitted their belief in the gas theory.

When Coward took the stand, the district attorney could scarcely await the man. He instantly shouted:

"You are a Socialist," and as the drowsy court awoke he continued in a high tone. "You don't deny you are a Socialist?"

Coward quietly said he was a Socialist; that he had read Socialist books and literature; that he read the "Appeal o Reason" and Los Angeles Times. To questions he said he did believe much he read in the Times—in fact doubted about all of it but wanted to keep posted on what was being said. He said he had subscribed for some Socialis papers and paid five years in advance. He reads California Social-Democrat.

The fact that the man was a Socialist caused the newspaper men to jump to the instant conclusion he would not be allowed to serve. They were correct though many believed the district attorney would preserve a semblance of fairness and that there would be no undue haste in dismissing the man.

SOCIALIST VICTORIES.

(Continued from first page.)

here is running ahead of the republican choice and the result is still in doubt, as to whether or not the democrats or Socialists have elected their mayor.

Toledo, Ohio.

The Socialists of this city elected two aldermen with more precincts to hear from.

Reading Penn.

Elwood Tefler, Socialist, is running neck and neck with the democratic and republican opponents for mayor and only 50 votes separate them at an early hour this morning.

Columbus, Ohio.

The election of a Socialist councilman is without precedent in this city.

Primary Elections in Los Angeles

Los Angeles, Cal.—No political campaign ever waged in America has approached the fight that is now in progress in Los Angeles. Job Harriman and every other candidate on the Socialist ticket went triumphantly through the primary election with the highest vote ever cast in this city.

The lowest vote for any Socialist candidate, with one bare exception, was higher than the highest opponent on the so-called Good Government ticket.

Labor hating organizations in Los Angeles are appalled at the size of Harriman's vote and the way the workers stood solid for every man on the Socialist ticket. Harriman's big vote was scarcely one thousand higher than that of his comraes who ran with him on the ticket. This shows that labor unions on Socialists are standing solid, shoulder to shoulder in the fight and that all fines have vanished, and the union men are in the ranks of the Socialists and that the Socialists are in the Union.

Los Angeles is today seething with Socialist sentiment and thousands who voted for Mushet, who ran independently for mayor against Harriman, have made a quick flop to the leader. There is an unprecedented demand for Socialist literature and hundreds who have been voting the ticket are joining the party and enlisting as active workers.

Re-organization Necessary.

Campaign managers are swamped with work so that a reorganization has been necessary and a better system of departments has been adopted. This divides the labor which has grown to be of such magnitude that it can no longer be carried by the few.

A feature that makes the whole campaign unique is the registration and prospective voting of the women.

Women of the working class have been slow to awaken and it has taken heroic measures to get the interests of their class. On the other hand the club women and the wives of the big merchants have long been dabbling with politics and these "intellectuals" are bending every effort to get their class registered so that they may vote to keep their less fortunate sisters in economic slavery.

Organizations of women who worked for suffrage have now been turned into political clubs for boosting the capitalistic political ring which now has control of the city administration.

Women Working.

Since the primary election the women Socialists have entered with redoubled energy upon their task of enlightening and registering the working women and the wives of the workers. The method has been to sound Socialist women ahead as "runners." When a woman announces her willingness to register and vote the Socialist ticket a "high sign" is given and a deputy register clerk instantly appears and enrolls the woman as a legal voter. If the "prospect" is not open to reason and cannot be aroused to class consciousness then the clerk leaves her to be registered by a "goo-goo" or go unregistered. This method has been adopted by the club women and the wealthy workers in the cause of capitalism and it has been worked well, but they reckoned without the knowledge that the working class is reaching into their very kitchens and enlisting the women in behalf of the Socialist movement.

In the stores and offices every kind of coercion has been practised and scores of men and women who have dared to express a hope that the workers would win have been discharged. This hardship put upon the discharged ones has made them the most earnest workers in the Socialist cause. Many of them have been employed at Socialist headquarters and

Police Respectful.

are the best devoted workers. Precincts captains in the districts where the heaviest capitalist votes were cast at the primary, report there was a distinct thawing out when it was seen that the Socialists were

about to carry the city. The police who have heretofore, unhesitatingly clubbed the Socialist speakers and workers, are now in a most deferential mood. As a matter of fact a large number of the patrolmen of the city have joined the party and red cards are resting beneath many a blue blouse. The police realize in most instances that they are of the working class and that their interests lie with the success of the movement.

Thirty-three German societies represented by delegates met last night and decided to throw their entire strength back of the Socialists in the final election. This means several thousand votes which did not figure either way in the primary election. The Germans have aroused their women and they are registering in large numbers. But eight days remain for the women to register and the county clerk's office is almost swamped with returns.

Bankers Revengeful.

The bankers of Los Angeles are snarling and making covert threats about what will happen in case the Socialists are elected at the final voting day. They are growing louder in their mutterings and their first open action will be met by the Socialists who are perfecting plans to meet the bankers on their own grounds. As soon as arrangements are completed, the Socialists will try to get before a Clearing House committee with the news that 20,000 accounts will be withdrawn within the next ten days if the bankers insist that credits will be impaired when the Socialists go into power. If the war is to begin it may as well begin right now. Los Angeles has a Postal Savings Bank and a method can readily be found whereby thousands of accounts can be placed there.

Prohibition Taken Up.

Simultaneously with the "Good Governments" announcement that the city was to be "cleaned up" came the announcement that an initiative petition had been filed to place a prohibition law on the ordinance books of the city of Los Angeles. This has thrown a thrill of alarm through the liquor camp and the small business men are greatly shocked by the prospects of a temperance town. The liquor interests voted solidly for Mushet for mayor and there has been much speculation as to where the Mushet vote would go now that he is eliminated from the race. Before the primaries the Kept Press declared the Mushet supporters were the worst element in the city but now they are claiming the vote has gone into their camp. This is not strictly true as 80 per cent of the Mushet vote will go for Harriman.

Following is the vote:

Table with 2 columns: Candidate Name and Vote Count. Includes Job Harriman (20,183), Geo Alexander (16,790), W. C. Mushet, Ind.-Rep. (8,191), Scattering (379), Harriman's plurality (3,393), For City Attorney (John W. Sherk, Geo-Goo (20,485), Edward W. Tuttle, Soc. (19,986), L. D. Bechtel (2,189), City Auditor (John H. Myers, G. G. (20,517), Geo W. Downing, Soc. (19,732), Lewis C. Halter (2,216), Assessor (Walter Mallard, G. G. (19,606), A. M. Salyer, Soc. (17,398), A. C. McGinty (938), C. M. Smith (5,222).

For the council Fred C. Wheeler, Socialist, president of the Carpenters' Union, the largest in America, led all candidates with a vote of 13,410. Frank E. Wolfe, newspaper man, formerly a telegrapher and a union man of 25 years standing, came next with 16,741. A. J. Mooney, 16,635. Mooney is a Union Mill worker and secretary of the Building Trades council. T. W. Williams, formerly a coal miner, now a newspaper man and Socialist speaker and organizer came next with 16,119. Alexander Kane, a lumber "bucker", came next with 16,025. Fred Knerr, a waiter and secretary of his union, got 15,401. Dan Reagan, a striking iron moulder, now driving a laundry wagon, got 15,178. Cyrus (Curley) F. Drow, metal worker who recently served three months in jail for picketing, received 15,039. G. W. Whitley, a negro who has been prominent in organizing his race for Socialism, received 14,272. All the candidates for the Goo Goo's received less than Whitley's vote. Every Socialist went through a leader and will be in the running at the finals. The election is looked on as a great victory, but there is no cessation in the fight. As a matter of fact it never ceased for a moment.

Browell Excite.

"Judge Bordwell has been reading the election returns", was the comment on the McNamara trial which has been totally eclipsed by the election. The struggle for fair jurors is still on and not one has been put in the jury box. Bordwell's decisions indicate he realizes Job Harriman is to bet he next amyoorhyfet-ETAOO to be the next mayor of the city.

Montana News Prospectus.

The Montana News will be issued hereafter by the UNION PRINTING and PUBLISHING COMPANY, from its offices at Helena, Montana.

The said company is incorporated under the laws of the State of Montana. Authorized Capital Stock \$10,000 Shares \$5.00 each

Object of Corporation.

To print and publish at the City of Helena, Montana, a weekly newspaper to be devoted to the interest of the working class of the State of Montana and the Northwestern States, and for the purpose of transacting, carrying on and conducting a printing and publishing business in all its branches.

Need of Local Paper.

The working class movement must have a powerful local press before it can hope to influence the government or the state as a party. Such a press can be a power in the Northwest as the expression of a working class remarkably aggressive and devoted to freedom and justice. Without a paper of protest against the horrors of a system of profit and plunder it would have been impossible to expose the Donohue Militia bill passed by the late legislature!

There is tendency to reaction in the state at present. Franchisees are being given away lavishly to the exploiters of the working class—street cars, electric lines, electric lighting, and gas— with no provisions to allow the public to own these necessities in the future; whereas, ten and twenty years ago such franchisees contained specifications for the transfer of such property to the commonwealth.

Blows at Labor.

The last legislature in Montana appropriated \$10,000 for the purpose of bringing in labor to compete with the laborers already here.

Montana employes are even advertising in Europe for men to work in the state, while we are already overladen with idle men.

Little Revolutionary Reading.

There are only 9,000 subscribers to Socialist papers in Montana. We must have at least 50,000 persons reading Socialist papers before the spirit of protest can be aroused or the workers make their impress upon the state and municipal governments.

There are 80,000 voters in Montana, and a population of about 275,000. Cold figures tell the tale of work to be done.

Purposes.

The News will fight the battles of the workingclass through all present evils and obstacles of exploitation.

It will point out the emancipation from exploitation in the abolition of the private ownership of the industrial machinery.

It will direct the workers to co-operate production. It will expose the outrages of capitalism which we encounter at our door.

It will enter the arena and struggle with strong and self-interested opponents to construct better laws, institutions, and opportunities.

It will at all times inform the populace of malicious laws passed and enforced by our law making bodies.

It will also be a center from which the Initiative and Referendum will circulate.

Plans of Operation

The News will henceforth be a Socialist party paper, but not a party-owned paper. It will be handled exclusively by the Union Printing and Publishing Company. This company will own its own machinery, equipment, linotype, motors, and presses, and is pleasantly and commodiously situated at 19 Park Avenue, Helena, Montana. It makes a specialty of union job work, bills constitutions, by-laws, headers, and whatever organized labor may require in the way of printing. We support you; you support us. Labor withdraws its support from its enemies and co-operates with its friends.

It will issue special editions dealing with the local issues in any town or community at the minimum cost, so that any such point may have all the advantages of a local paper, and scatter it by the thousands.

Advertising.

The News will carry a special line of high class advertising, covering a widespread territory. It has applications from and companies, book firms, library associations and other enterprises of a general character to advertise on a large scale, and will give special attention to this valuable feature in the future. The News is an unusually able medium as a publicity organ because of its extended circulation, entering almost every state and territory in the United States, crossing the borders of Canada and Mexico, and going also to many foreign countries. It is read by the buyers, the chief consumers, the workers, who are 90 per cent of the population.

Policy and Program.

The News will stand for the constructive program of Socialism. It will work for the industrial revolution through the conquest of political power by a new class, the workers. It will take an aggressive part in all political and municipal activities. It will encourage and serve in every way the organization of the workers both Politically and Industrially. It will be first to serve the unions in time of trouble and to reprove them for errors that obstruct their progress. It will be labor's staunchest friend when in trouble no matter what the cause. It will be the fearless advocate and labor leader of the Northwest, and the rallying-center for the activities of the Socialist movement.

Financial Support.

If you want to help in this grand world movement of labor you want to put some money into it and be a part of it. You want to take several shares of stock and get your union and neighbors to take some. You can pay \$5. down for each share of stock or you can pay \$1.00 a month for five months, or for as long as you please, and every \$5.00 you pay will give you an additional share of stock.

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