

WAYMAN'S GRAFT PROBE IS DONE; REFUSES TO LET HIS JURY INDICT AGNES BARRETTE

Graft Witnesses Take Advantage of Wayman's Delay and Obey Orders of Kenna to 'Get'

PLENTY ARE LEFT IF WAYMAN WANTS THEM

"Hinky Dink" Looks Haggard and Says, "I'm Feeling Fierce if You Want to Know—Just Fierce"

During the interval which is kindly being furnished them by State's Attorney Wayman most witnesses of value and many of the criminals of the south side vice district are fleeing the city.

"Hinky Dink" Kenna, when the storm first broke on the west side, immediately jumped into a taxicab and began to visit his clients in the south side vice district in order to advise them to take a vacation.

RUNS NOTORIOUS RESORT

ALDERMAN LOOKS HAGGARD

STILL ENOUGH LEFT

Wayman's Graft Monoplane Circles All Around Wheeler's District but It Never "Lands"

INSPECTOR CAN SEE VICE FROM WINDOW

Investigation Made on the South Side Reveals the Names of Many "Hotels" and Resorts

Inspector John J. Wheeler, of the Harrison street station, around whom State's Attorney John E. W. Wayman is cutting numerous circles in his graft monoplane, is in the center of the most vicious and lawless "hotel" district in Chicago.

From the window of his private office on Harrison street between La Salle and Clark streets, numerous so-called hotels are in plain view where every form of vice is permitted.

Women and negroes and white women alike are permitted to occupy the rooms which are sometimes let out for as low as twenty-five cents.

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"WHERE THE VILLAIN COMES IN"



throughed with the election crooks and others who work in the Lorimer districts, and with the men who were under charges.

The papers were taken into Judge McSurely's court and a nolle prosequi was entered in each case and the last charge against the illegality of the election of Wayman or the violation of the law either at the primary elections or the general election for state's attorney was wiped out.

It was only a bare half hour after the quashing of the indictments came down that the second announcements from Wayman followed that the graft probe will be dropped.

Every indication today points to the fact that Inspector John Wheeler had been tipped off by the state's attorney's office to the effect that he would not be investigated—that all "fourflush" investigation was after in his "fourflush" investigation was the indictment of Inspector McCann of the Desplantes street station.

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White, Plains, N. Y., July 28.—Testimony to the effect that Harry K. Thaw made a practice of whipping women created a sensation late yesterday at the hearing on Thaw's application for release from the Matteawan asylum.

Young Girls Alleged Visitors "He had dozens of visitors, mostly girls from 15 to 18 years old and a little older," the witness said. "When they called they said they had come to see Prof. Reid and wanted to get positions on the stage. Many of them were from places outside New York."

THAW ON STAND ATTACKS WHITE

Rich Pittsburger Trying to Prove by Own Words That He Is Sane

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"MAN'S DUTY IS NOT TO STARVE," SO THIS ONE STEALS

"Every man has a divine right to live. If he gets out of money and tries honestly to get work and can't, he has the right to appropriate some one else's goods to buy food with which to live."

Such was the defense of George Williams, self-styled philosopher and psychologist, when arraigned yesterday before Municipal Judge Newcomer on four charges of stealing plumbers' tools valued at \$150.

"Are you guilty?" asked the court. "I took the stuff," replied Williams, "but I am not guilty of larceny. There was another man who was in the same condition mentally and financially as I was. It was steal or starve, and we decided it was no man's duty to starve."

"So we formed a partnership. I was to do the stealing and he was to sell the stuff. He neglected his part and I'm afraid he had deserted me."

"I'll have to hold you to the grand jury under \$1,500 bonds," said Judge Newcomer.

JUDGE BETHEA FREE FROM PAIN, BUT HE IS WEAKER

Sterling, Ill., July 29.—Judge S. H. Bethea rested comfortably last night and is free from pain. He is weaker today and in a slight stupor.

CAPITALISM IS ZUEBLIN THEME

Chautauque, N. Y., July 29.—The government would be wise to pay Mr. Harriman a million dollars a year to continue his work of consolidating the railroads of the country and to keep out of finance," was the opinion voiced here yesterday by Professor Charles Zueblin, sociologist of Boston and former professor in the University of Chicago.

"Harriman is a kind of financial prodigitor," he said. "He is the kind of a man to take fifty millions in one hand, transfer them to the other hand, when to behold there is a hundred millions in the other. It's wonderful, and unfortunately, true."

"He is one of the overspecialized business men who disregard the public morals—men of force, who are violators of law."

Business Man's Trilogy

"The decalogue has been supplanted by the business man's trilogy: 'Business is business,' 'Stand pat,' 'I want what I want when I want it.'"

"Business is business," is the masculine equivalent of the feminine "Because." "Stand pat" is the most immoral of all economic or political watchwords and has never been proclaimed by a politician nor subservient to business.

"I want what I want when I want it" is the cry of the spoiled child, overspecialization being akin to immaturity. We need a prophet today like Carlyle to proclaim the iniquity and futility of the philosophy "Every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost," and to announce the "discovery" of a nobler hell than that of not making money."

"The business man subsidizes our religion. The church is responsible for the slums, though primarily business is responsible for them. It is primarily because the church has to be subsidized by the state's man that it finds it convenient to overlook the conditions that he has caused."

Vice—and Business

"Today Chicago is run in the interest of vice and business," exclaimed the former Chicago social scientist. "If you know of Hinky Dink and Bathhouse John, I need go no further. The worst part of it is that these pernicious politics continue in business with the whole city looking on. I know perfectly honorable men as business men—men whom I am glad to have in my home as friends—who wouldn't raise a hand to cast either of these men, or others like them. It must interfere with their business. It wouldn't pay to break up the alliance between vice and business."

Captured After Two Years

Detroit, Mich., July 28.—Detective Wood of Memphis has been having in custody J. L. Boyd, alias James Robinson, wanted in Memphis on the charge of killing Joseph Black two years ago.

ARMY CABINET TO RULE SPAIN

Maura Ministry Will Resign in Favor of Militarists; King Is on Scene

Hendaye, France, July 29.—Upon receipt of dispatches from Barcelona King Alfonso today hurriedly left San Sebastian for Madrid. It is rumored that the Maura ministry will resign in favor of a military cabinet, as the movement at Barcelona is considered clearly revolutionary.

Apprehension Over Situation

Madrid, Spain, July 28.—Apprehension is felt here over the situation in the provinces of Catalonia, Tarragona and Gerona, where constitutional guarantees have been suspended. Latest official reports from Barcelona, which were delayed, indicate that the city is almost at the mercy of the mob.

Cardenal and Herreros, the notorious anarchists, are represented as the leaders in the rioting, which was accompanied by incendiarism and the destruction of property.

Events in Catalonia province have caused a reaction in public opinion. The conservative newspapers of Madrid protest against the revolution while the country is fighting to maintain its honor on foreign soil and they appeal to the public to abandon political differences and support the government in the vigorous repression of anarchy and sedition at Barcelona.

Spanish Officers Are Killed

Fighting between the Spaniards and Moors was resumed yesterday outside Melilla, and Gen. Pintos and several of his officers were killed.

Every detail of the battle July 22 proves the gravity of the Spanish situation. The Moors ambushed a Spanish column in the Aler ravine, killing and wounding 400 men. The fragments of the column escaped under the protection of the Spanish gunboat Martin Alonzo Pinzen and the Melilla forts, which fired 2,000 rounds.

Must Capture Tall Mountain

Melilla, Morocco, July 29.—Spanish batteries are ceaselessly bombarding the camps of the Kabyle tribesmen at the foot of Mount Guruga. Several of the camps have been burned, but it is the opinion here that until the Moors are dislodged from Mount Guruga, which is 3,000 feet high and dominates the entire peninsula, the Spanish positions around Melilla will be threatened.

To accomplish this object, it is estimated that 25,000 men will be required. Facilities for treating the wounded here are utterly inadequate. A theater has been converted into a hospital.

Situation Creates Pessimism

Oran, Algeria, July 29.—Reports from Melilla are pessimistic. Gen. Marina, head of the Spanish troops there, is described as being unpopular with his men. The camps at Sidi Mura and Mount Atalayou, where the Spanish dead were buried, where they fell, are threatened with epidemic.

J. P.'S DAUGHTER UP IN BALLOON

Nancy, France, July 29.—Miss Morgan, daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan of New York, made a trip yesterday aboard the dirigible balloon Ville de Nancy.

Home Built in 1760 Burns

Brunswick, Ga., July 28.—The Retreat, a summer home of the Winnesboro family built in 1760 by James Oglethorpe, was burned yesterday. How it caught fire is not known. The summer home's children Aaron Burr and Francis Kemble. After burning more than two centuries the heavy live oak timbers in the structure were still sound.

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One of the biggest weekly magazines bought this article from Comrade London, but they did not print it. They found it too full of facts menacing the capitalist system of society. From the capitalist viewpoint such facts are better suppressed. It is wiser to leave the workers in ignorance of the tremendous strength they can wield if they will only stand together.

The August Review will contain many other good things. Read it and pass it on to your friends. The Review is just the thing to sell at open-air meetings. One Comrade in Cleveland disposes of 170 copies every month; bundle orders are pouring in every day. Our bundle orders alone amount to more than the entire circulation of the Review was two years ago. Price, 10 cents; 10 copies for 60 cents; 40 copies, \$2.00.

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PLAN UNION TO FIGHT MADDEN

Call to Form a New Building Trades Council Is Formally Issued

Efforts to organize a building trades council in Chicago as an adjunct to the American Federation of Labor and opposed to the Associated Building Trades, of which Martin R. ("Skinny") Madden is president, are to be made at a meeting called for next Monday night at 275 La Salle street.

To Meet Mitten Friday Representatives of the south side street car men's labor organization will meet President Mitten of the Chicago City Railway company next Friday to receive the answer of the board of directors to the demand for an increase in wages from 27 to 30 cents an hour.

Big Stir Among Brick Makers Circumvention of the stringent anti-trust laws of Illinois by seeking the shelter of patent laws and possibly forming a brick combine which will be within the limitations of the state code is planned by makers of building brick in Chicago, it is believed.

PHTHISIS KILLS A POLICY HOLDER EVERY 32 MINUTES New York, July 23.—The Metropolitan Life insurance company has begun a war against tuberculosis. It has asked permission of Superintendent of Insurance Hotchkiss to purchase a tract of land to be used as a site for an institution for the treatment of policyholders who may be afflicted with the disease.

BRIAND UPHELD BY DEPUTIES

Paris, July 23.—The ministerial declaration with which the new Briand cabinet presented itself yesterday in the chamber of deputies declares that the remainder of the present session of parliament will be devoted to passing the budget, the workmen's pension bill and the income-tax bill, postponing the electoral reform bill until the next parliament.

SKYSCRAPER HATS ARRIVE TO REPLACE PEACH BASKETS

New York, July 23.—A consignment of 250 of the monumental hats for women, which it is predicted will displace the wide spreading peach baskets got here today from Paris on the steamship Kronprinz Wilhelm. The hats are made of fur and suggest the bearskins of the Old Guard. They are called Russian togues. The toque does away with rats, and the spreading collar that makes a woman's head good enough umbrella in a rainstorm. On the other hand it is a skyscraper.

Latham Again Falls in Sea Dover, England, July 23.—Hubert Latham's second attempt to fly across the English channel ended disastrously yesterday. Almost in the moment of victory his monoplane fluttered down into the sea two miles beyond the Admiralty pier, like a bird with a broken wing.

Baby Is Found on Sidewalk

A baby boy, about one month old, was found abandoned on the sidewalk at the intersection of Madison street and La Salle street, near the intersection of Superior street. He was wrapped in a woman's dress.

THE HUSTLERS' COLUMN BY A. W. MANCE

QUICK ACTION NEEDED

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WRIGHT BEATS BROTHER'S MARK

Orville Makes Government Test by Going 50 Miles With Passenger

Washington, July 23.—The world's aeroplane record for two men, as to both time and distance, was broken last evening in a beautiful flight of 1 hour and 12 minutes and 40 seconds—upward of fifty miles and at a speed averaging about forty miles an hour—by Orville Wright at Fort Myer, with Lieutenant Frank P. Lahm of the Army Signal Corps as passenger.

Brother Made Last Record The former record was made last year by his brother, Wilbur, joint inventor with him of the machine in which both achievements were performed. At Le Mans, France, with Professor Painleve of the French Institute as passenger, this flight was 1 hour 9 minutes and 21 seconds. Wilbur was an eager supporter of yesterday's flight by his brother.

Cheering Led by Taft The cheering which heralded the setting of a new mark in the conquest of the air was led by President Taft in person, who had sat an intensely interested spectator throughout the flight, and who insisted at its conclusion upon personally congratulating the brothers upon their success. This success was all-important to the Wrights in that it completed the first of two crucial tests of their machine imposed upon them by the United States government—the so-called "endurance test," which required them to remain one hour continuously in the air with one passenger. Orville did nearly thirteen minutes better than that, and could have kept on indefinitely—three hours and a half, the limit imposed by the gasoline capacity of the supply tank.

Trip Recalls Tragic Incident The other test, that for speed, will be completed with today, weather permitting, when Orville is to take Lieutenant Benjamin Foulois of the Signal Corps on a cross-country flight to Alexandria and return, a total of ten miles, over a measured course at a speed required to average forty miles an hour.

Poignant was added to yesterday's achievement of Orville Wright by the realization by everybody present that upon his last attempt to navigate the air with a passenger that passenger, Lieutenant Seifried, was killed and he himself was terribly injured.

THE ROAD TO POWER

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Fixing Responsibility

When "Mike the Pike" and "Monkey Charley" and Louis Frank were shown to have taken money from resorts on the west side they were indicted for conducting a "confidence game," because it is alleged that they agreed to furnish "protection" which they were not able to deliver.

It is quite certain that these individuals could not, by themselves, give protection. Yet the resorts which paid this money DID CONTINUE TO OPERATE IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW.

WHO, THEN, DID GIVE PROTECTION?

The officer on his beat knew they were running. He knew that the law forbade their operation. Why did he not stop them? Why did he stop those that were not protected?

But the patrolman, by himself, could not grant protection. Above him was the sergeant who often visited the district. He knew these criminal acts were being permitted. He did not stop them.

WHY?

The sergeant alone could not have given immunity from arrest. Above him was the captain of the station. He was familiar with his precinct. He knew these things were going on. He had taken an oath to punish crime. He knew these things were criminal. He permitted them to continue.

WHY?

The captain, by himself, could not have guaranteed protection to criminals. He was responsible to the inspector. The inspector was a man familiar with Chicago. He knew these things were in existence. He had sworn to enforce the law. It was his business to see that the captain and the sergeant and the patrolman on the beat did their duty. He did not order these crimes stopped.

WHY?

The inspector AND the captain AND the sergeant AND the patrolman could not, by themselves, have maintained great districts within which crime, very profitable crime, was permitted. Above them was the chief of police. He knows Chicago, especially criminal Chicago, thoroughly. It is his business to know it. He knew that these things existed. He knew that certain persons, in certain districts, were permitted to commit crimes, horrible crimes, but very PROFITABLE crimes, day after day, week after week, year after year, without interference from those who are hired to prevent and punish crime. Yet he did not interfere with these favored criminals and their PROFITABLE crime.

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Fighting Alone

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Even after the state's attorney had been driven into action the other papers have dragged along behind. While the Daily Socialist was printing day after day things the state's attorney had not yet discovered, they were trailing along with incomplete reports of the work of the grand jury.

The Daily Socialist has been making news, the others have not even been reporting it.

Several weeks ago this paper told of the west side "vice trust." Some of the other papers have just printed the story of its discovery by the grand jury. Yesterday the Daily News first discovered the disreputable hotels and the flats as a source of police graft that had been described the day before in this paper.

Only with reluctant, dragging steps have they been forced to take up the fight editorially.

Not one of them has dared to speak out what they know. The self-righteous Lawson organs have joined the sensational reform papers of Hearst in this vacillating, cowardly silence.

This is not the first time we have fought alone. We fought alone for Rudowitz against Russian czar and American capitalist—AND WON. We fought alone for the workers at Argo against the power of Standard Oil—AND WON.

We can fight and win this battle against the foul alliance of slum and boulevard that controls the city government of Chicago if those who read this really wish us to win.

We are small, but we wear no muzzle. We dare to speak the truth, because we know the power of the truth.

If the people of Chicago care for such a paper, if they care to know the truth about those things that are of most vital interest to them, then we have no fear of the result. For then we are not alone, but have an invincible host at our side.

A CAMPAIGN ISSUE WANTED

BY ROBERT HUNTER

The Committee of One Hundred is seeking a campaign issue. It is very hard for them to find one.

Mr. Gary of the Steel Trust, Mr. Schwab of the Steamship Trust and Mr. Outerbridge of many trusts find it difficult to discover any serious flaw in the Tammany administration of New York city.

But they have set experts to work to discover if money has been wasted, if taxes might not be lowered and if the finances of the city might not be more wisely spent.

It's the old, old story. The only issue that affects these distinguished gentlemen is the issue which affects property.

If I may be so bold I would like to suggest to the gentlemen one paramount issue.

The first and most important is the misery of the people.

About one person in every five in the city of New York is in poverty; that is to say, underfed, underclothed and badly housed.

Their life is insecure and they suffer day by day a hopeless, agonizing struggle against want.

About one out of every ten who die in this city goes into a pauper's grave.

Not less than 60,000 little children are so badly underfed as to make it unlikely that they will ever become useful citizens.

At certain periods as many as 200,000 workers walk the streets unemployed. Their children suffer for lack of food. Their wives live in anguish and distress, and they never know when they will be set on the street for non-payment of rent.

In summer they live so packed together in stifling and overcrowded tenements that they faint with exhaustion.

In winter they freeze for lack of coal and at all times they have so little food as to make their labor inefficient.

In these hot days they live on the pavements of filthy streets. Their children die of diseases which arise from insanitary surroundings and impure food.

Beside this multitude there is a vast number of workmen trying to live on inadequate wages—clerks who cannot marry, girls who must lead a life of shame.

Now you can decrease the tax rate one-half of 1 percent without affecting the life of these people.

You can reform your city administration, give what you call good government, without materially bettering the condition of this vast populace.

The fact is there are taxes, their wages are inadequate and everything they buy costs them double or treble what it ought to cost.

The least of their taxes is what they pay to the government. The least of the parasites which live on them are the Tammanyites which rule the government.

Millions and millions they pay to idle, worthless landlords, tenement house speculators and other leeches of that sort.

To the Beef Trust, the Grain Trust, the Coal Trust, the Gas Trust and the Ice Trust, Mr. Gary, Mr. Schwab and Mr. Outerbridge they must pay their tribute.

For every article of clothing they wear, for every bit of food they consume, and for every miserable house that shelters them they pay a crushing tribute.

In fact, they are the victims not only of unjust government, but of a monstrous industrial system that literally forces them into a degrading poverty.

This is the issue before the people of this country. I know you will not present this issue. You will tell the people that the issue is between Bingham and McCallan, or between Tammany and Fusion, or between high taxes and low taxes, or between good government and bad government, and the people will believe you and will vote for the Tammany candidate or the Republican candidate or the Fusion candidate.

Your politics are wiser for the moment. Like yourself, the people don't want to know the truth and prefer to crucify him that tells it.

BENEFICIAL ACTION OF CACTUS UPON ROCK AND SANDY SOIL

Alfred Burbank, who, like his brother Luther, is a plant specialist, says when the cactus is properly improved it will increase the food production of the world by one-third. He explains that an almost unbelievable portion of the earth's surface is practically arid and there are no more great states with millions of fertile acres to be occupied. But the wonderful cactus can grow anywhere.

Either in barren rocks or in clean sand it will flourish. "Each of its myriads of tiny rootlets is armed at the extremity with a little stinger," explains Mr. Burbank. "This is inserted in each invisible rock crevice, where it effects its dissolving fluid, converting the rock into richest cactus food, which it immediately appropriates to its own use. Then the expanding roots burst off the little flakes of rock and nature can immediately begin its process of oxidation. The solid rock in a short time is converted into the most friable soil, capable of supporting all kinds of plant life."

SQUIRRELS AS PLAGUE CARRIERS

The discovery in California that ground squirrels may become infected with bubonic plague is so disquieting as to be matter of national concern, according to an editorial writer in American Medicine. Says this paper:

"It is generally believed that the bacillus pestis is a normal inhabitant of some Asiatic rodent—perhaps the rat—but from the excessive mortality among our rats, it is not likely that they are the ones with the tolerant immunity which keeps the bacillus in existence, for it is a pure parasite in nature unable to exist out of the body of some animal."

"So it is not at all unlikely that the ground squirrels of California now known to be infected have sufficient tolerance to keep the bacillus alive permanently in America. It will die out in time, as the cholera bacillus always does when removed from India. Yet, to know that for a long time it will be possible for the ground squirrels to infect rats of adjacent towns and start new epidemics."

"It is high time to take up the European demand for a world-wide war on domestic rats, which subsist almost exclusively on the wastes of human habitations. Protection of garbage and the destruction of rat nests are essentials

of existence now that populations are so dense. The rats must disappear, and the only way to do it is to starve them to death. Strays are the chief culprits and it is time for a revolution in their methods of management."

THE CONSOLER

BY THEODOSSIA GARRISON
Time comes to grief as sleep to weariness.
On silent sandals and with shadowy hair
Sleep bends to sooth the fretful daytime care,
And time unto my grief shall do no more.
But yet a little and his hands shall press
Above the weeping eyes and close them there,
Above the trembling lips, till all despair
Lies like a sleeping child in his caress.
And when my sorrow wakes it will not be
My sorrow any more, for I shall smile,
Beholding it, to know it comforted;
No sorrow, but a gentle memory
That still may walk with me a little while,
At twilight, or when April boughs are spread.
—Cosmopolitan Monthly.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Work Among Women

Report of Anna A. Maley, national organizer of Socialist women in Holyoke, Mass., is an industrial town with a population of 50,000. Writing paper, cigars and pumps are manufactured here and there is also a large textile industry. Our movement is weak, no meeting having been held since April. The local committee but twelve members at best. A reorganization meeting was called July 20. J. B. Mooney, 41 Samoset street, was elected secretary of the women's committee. He will push all special issues of the Progressive Woman and will also take subscriptions for The Harp, as there is a large Irish-Catholic population in Holyoke.

At Lynn, Mass., a picnic audience listened with interest to a talk on women and the movement on the afternoon of July 10. With the aid of Mrs. Margaret Goebel, I took thirty-six subscriptions for The Progressive Woman at this meeting. Mrs. Harriet D'Orsay, 74 Mall street, will act as agent for The Woman and as correspondent for the national women's committee.

At River, a town of 100,000, has at least 30,000 file operatives, largely Portuguese, badly organized and very poorly paid. We held but one street meeting there and elected the following women's committee: Thomas J. Royce, 221 County street; Miss Annie Burke, 769 Bedford street, and Miss Rose Brennan, 187 Bank street. The general movement here is in a very slow condition, but the interest in the discussion was lively and the sale of literature considerable.

On July 17 I addressed a picnic meeting at Glen Echo Park, near Stoughton. Here I took forty subscriptions for The Progressive Woman, but there was no opportunity to elect committee.

Milford correspondent for the women's movement, John P. Peterson, 25 Grant street. The chief industry in this town is granite cutting. Work is not steady, the working population shifts and our movement is slow. There are some twelve party members enrolled but no women. I addressed one large street meeting here.

Bridgewater is a stronghold of conservatism. Many of the older residents who are content to live in the reflected glory of their ancestors, threaten to move out of the city because two shoe factories have recently been established. They disdain to touch elbows with those who are

A minister of the town who has been standing for socialism finds it expedient to take a new charge this fall. I took three subscriptions for The Progressive Woman here and addressed a fair meeting from the veranda of the Bridgewater Inn, but as there is no Socialist club in existence I could not elect a committee. Geo. J. Aleotti and Mrs. M. E. Palmer will further the woman's work and attend to any distribution that may be referred to them, but they have difficult soil in which to work.

The Lowell movement is full of inspiration. This is a textile town of about 100,000, with seventy paid up members in the Socialist club. I addressed a meeting on the South Common on the evening of July 18, on the subject of "Woman's Suffrage from the Socialist Standpoint." The interest was close and a good collection was taken. The following night more than 100 comrades assembled in the party headquarters, 159 Middlesex street, to discuss the interests of women. The finest spirit was displayed in this meeting and the following committee was elected: Mrs. Ernest M. Sproule, 24 Orleans street, chairman of the women's committee and special agent for The Progressive Woman; Smith Trevelyan, Arthur Brown, Robert J. Kelley, C. L. Pingree, W. S. Parker, Lowell has a number of interested women, but not many members. The men agree that they can and will get them. Watch the woman's work in Lowell.

Weymouth and East Weymouth, also Quincy, have refused their dates. I am negotiating with Worcester for work there and am also negotiating with Boston for work in and about that city. An attempt will be made to organize there a sort of central committee which will extend the woman's activity throughout the state. Brockton is a promising field for work and I shall meet with their local on Tuesday night, the 27th. These first weeks have been largely in the nature of experiment and the indications would seem to be that in the initial work it is better to confine our efforts to the larger cities in each state, depending upon them to extend the work to the minor points. There seems to be ample work along the lines of general organization in every town, but this special work among the women can be done to advantage only where there is an organized and active movement.

During this month I have taken 110 subscriptions for The Progressive Woman.

you are ready to take up the work, we are yours for the cause, THE WOMAN'S NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

The Woman's National committee intends to publish a suffrage almanac, and calls for assistance along the following lines:

- 1. We call for volunteers among Socialist women in each of the twenty-four states giving women some form of school suffrage.
- 2. That from among the volunteers one woman be appointed for each of said states, not necessarily living in same, by our committee, and that she shall subdivide the work for her state as she sees fit.
- 3. That our volunteers be instructed to apply for information to the governors and state superintendents of public instruction, as well as to the mayors of different towns and local school boards.
- 4. That our volunteers be distinctly instructed to obtain full information, not only as to the municipalities where women may vote on educational matters, but also in regard to the dates when elections take place.
- 5. That our volunteers be requested to send all information, as soon as they have obtained a sufficient amount, to Meta L. Stern, 410 West One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, New York, who has been appointed by the W. N. C. to compile the material.
- 6. That the information when gathered, sifted and tabulated be issued as a suffrage almanac by the W. N. C.
- 7. That we urge upon all state organizations of the Socialist party to send women speakers to such localities where women have the school vote at the time of local campaigns, in order to point out to working class women the importance of their intelligent use of the ballot.

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Motor Car Line for Gobi Desert

Among the latest activities of awakening China is to be a service of motor cars across the Gobi desert to replace the caravans of old, says the China Saturday Review. The service will cross the desert between Urga and Kalgan, which will shortly be connected with Peking by rail.

Why We Must Cry

Do you object to this constant cry for help? SO DO WE.

Do you know why we have to call so often and so frantically? Has it occurred to you that we hate this everlasting squealing more than you do? Do you recognize the fact that if we had not informed you of the urgent needs of the Daily the paper would not be in existence today?

These are the facts: When we call, and call HARD, YOU ALWAYS RESPOND. You have refused so far to let the Daily die.

We have reached the conclusion that you don't want us to cease crying if that means the death of the Daily.

We have been very close to the end of our resources several times, but you have found out that this was the case and have rushed in with help so we could go on again.

But each crisis has been met with BARELY enough to make continuation of the paper possible.

When we have asked for three or four thousand dollars you have responded with five or six hundred.

You have always done enough to barely keep us alive and relieve the MOST ACUTE situation: NOT A CENT has been left over to use as working capital. Don't you see where that places us?

If you had reached anywhere near the amount needed to safely carry on the work you would never have heard a word from this end of the line.

NOW LET US FIX THIS UP, ONCE AND FOR ALL. It CAN be done, and this is the way we suggest it be done: LET US CLEAN UP THE OLD DEBTS.

Many of the comrades urge this. Our credit will then be good, and the business will increase so that we can go out with an inspiration instead of a perspiration. We are now sweating blood, and it is hard not to show it.

The total of these debts amounts to \$5,300. We have decided to start a fund to cover this. Let's call it "THE CLEAN-IT-UP FUND."

You will want to help on this fund. Every dollar sent in with the request that it be applied on this fund will go there.

We will report every day the amount received and the cuts made into this evil tree of old debt. Every dollar will chop out a new chip, and we will soon see the old tree falling to the ground.

WON'T IT BE GREAT to find the Daily out of debt some day? If every subscriber sends in 50 cents for this purpose the job is done.

In the meantime don't forget that unless the subs come pouring in we are helpless.

This morning gives us very little encouragement. Have you said stop?

By order of the board of directors, J. O. BENTALL, Sec.



The Proposed Change to the National Platform

I am a farmer owning 60 acres of land. I occupy and farm it with very little hired help. I know the attitude of the farmer's mind. He is a reformer. Therefore not revolutionary. He is willing for the government to own or control the means of transportation while he, the farmer, dreams of owning stores, cotton gins, race horses, and even banks and factories.

He is perfectly willing to make love to organized labor so as to deal direct with them, thus cutting out the profits of the middle man. Meanwhile he expects to add to his acres and employ the displaced middle man, build a marble mansion and live happy ever afterwards.

Now, why am I opposed to the amendment? 1. Because it is reactionary. 2. Because if I am not exploiting hired labor I am exploiting my wife and children to make a living. 3. Because the individual farming of land is a waste of human energy and compares with the collective use of land like the jack daw and a modern planning mill.

I shall vote against the amendment. A. W. RENSHAW, Hennessey, Okla.

Vote No on Land Amendment

In the discussion of the proposed amendment to the platform of the party, I desire to reply to the arguments of Lester Geer and Lincoln Braden, if what they have advanced can be termed arguments, relating to a Socialist platform. They both theorize from the point of view of individual effort. Braden's letter would make good material for a leaflet for the Civic Federation in its anti-Socialist crusade. Geer's suggestion that the country be cut up like a cheese cake in forty-acre patches is in harmony with Braden's accomplishment of title to a farm because of having taken it "raw" and he and his wife have made it what it is all by themselves. And more wonderful, having given to all value to each with whom they exchanged!

Wonderful but nothing new. Every capitalist, big or little, says the same. Braden fails to recognize that the tools he worked with contain social value as well as the land he occupied, and from a Socialist point of view the recognition of that fact is all important. The working class as a class is propertyless, particularly in those social factors of production, land and tools, and the Socialist parties the world over are organized to enfranchise the working class, socially not individually.

The Socialist party as it conquers political power has an immense field for its activity and the world over which they exercise it to help lift the propertyless working class to a more advantageous position by urging legislation for shorter work day, better educational opportunities, hygienic legislation and to prevent further alienation of public functions to private individuals or corporations for exploitation. That is our political limitation, because all who are Socialists are agreed on them our tactics should be confined to extend the spirit of solidarity among the working class, to give proper direction to economic determinism, for there are so many that make use of the phrase "economic determinism." In an anarchistic or individualistic sense, that it is the duty of Socialists to show that economic determinism to have force must have class expression.

As to Lester Geer, I desire to call attention to his earnest desire that the Socialist party get rid of the influence of the teachings of Marx and Engels. Is any comment necessary? When the Civic Federation imported Malloch to fight Socialism, Malloch was right in

line with Lester Geer. He confined his efforts to trying to refute Marx. How he succeeded is a matter of record, and I assure Lester Geer that it will be some time before Marx and Engels will be disregarded.

Every Socialist in the party should vote NO on the proposed amendment. Let us be true to our principles. The oppressed small farmer will come to us for relief; the small farmer who wants to secure his property rights, let him go where his interests take him. He has something to lose in his mind. Workingmen, unite and vote NO. Chicago, Ill. B. BERLYN.

Is Against Amendment

With regard to the Land Referendum: I shall vote against it. That part which is not platitudinous is mystifying. The sentence beginning "It demands" is one of those indefinite statements that cause more uncertainty and aimless discussion than they can possibly allay. The same can be said of the following sentence. In fact, each of these sentences is perfectly calculated to stir up difficulties, both theoretical and practical. It would be much better to omit all allusion to the subject than to adopt meaningless words. It seems impossible to me that such a paragraph in the Platform could give to the farmers as a whole any clear notion of what the party intends, or perhaps portends, to them. Farmers who are already Socialists may be satisfied with it, because they are first and always Socialists. But the mass of farmers whose minds are not already filled with Socialism will get little light from this declaration. It is for these latter individuals, and for the farming class, that we should write the paragraph, and not for the enthusiastic Socialists.

FRANK I. WHEAT, Los Angeles, Cal.

Socialism and the Small Farmer

As the land question is likely to divide the Socialists into two camps, why not take the ground that all land actually occupied and cultivated, wife and pasture and woodland belonging thereto, shall remain the property of the owner during his lifetime? At his decease it may revert to the people, a fair compensation being paid his immediate heirs. Therefore, all other lands shall at once become the property of the people.

My observation among small farmers is that this question and the evasive attitude of Socialists upon it is a stumbling block. Men who have cleared their land, detached it, and brought it into a state of production think they have earned it and will not think of surrendering it to others.

JOHN N. TAYLOR.

A Correction

A typographical error appeared in the article of J. Stade printed in the "To the Editor" department of July 26. It reads "exasperate the energy." It should have read "exasperate the enemy."

ROSES IN THE RAIN

BY GRACE MacGOWAN COOKE
The wind comes down the garden path,
And shakes the bough again,
The poplar whittens to his wrath;
But brave and fair you face him there,
And glow the brighter for your share,
My roses in the rain!

Oh, speakers of the silent word,
You utter not in vain;
Your crimson trumpet-call is heard;
The bright drops on each glowing face
Bid me wear sorrow like a grace,
My roses in the rain!
—Munsey's Magazine.