

BUSSE-WUZZY

By H. G. Creel
(After Rudyard Kipling's "Fuzzy-Wuzzy")

We've 'ad a few of mayors in our time,
An' some of 'em was good an' some was not,
The Harrisons, John Hopkins and the rest,
But Fred Busse was the finest of the lot.
We never got a ha'porth's change of 'im,
'E gave av'ay the streets and alleys, too,
The telephone franchises an' the like,
All went to swell the boodle for 'is crew.
So 'ere's to you, Busse-Wuzzu, 'ere's to you an' all the clan,
You're a makeshift for a mayor, but a first-class grafting man.
'Ere's to secret school-board sessions, which is education's doom,
An' the School Book Trust a-makin' goo-goo eyes across the room.
The Tribune stole a school lease from the town,
The packers all the water they could take,
The Illinois Central got its share—
The land that forms the border of the lake.
But all the graft we knew of such as they
Was pop to what Fred Busse makes us swaller,
An' now 'e's humbled us another way—
Why blow for blow Fred Busse knocks 'em 'oller.
So 'ere's to you, Busse-Wuzzu, an' the functions which you grace,
As the mayor is requested—to denote 'is social place.
'Ere's to 'omes where you re invited. Though we try, an' try
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We can't read of any, lately, an' we asks you, Busse—why?
'E rushes into bed when 'e's exposed,
An' then 'is gang puts up an awful kick.
'E's in the trough each minute that 'e's well,
An' 'e's generally shammin' when 'e's sick.
'E's a daisy, 'e's a ducky, 'e's a lamb,
'E's a boodle politician on a spree.
'E's the tool of them that doesn't give a damn
For the workers and Chicago's treasury.
So 'ere's to our brand-new harbor; let us understand it clear,
'E's to give away our birthright for a recreation pier.
Oh, 'ere's to you, Busse-Wuzzu, you're one good Republican,
You're a makeshift for a mayor, but a first-class grafting man.

DECENT G. O. P. MEN DRIVE BUSSE FROM CITY FOR TAFT TRIP

The mooted question of "When is it time for the mayor of a city of 2,000,000 people to take to the woods?" has received a definite answer at last. It is when that mayor is Fred A. Busse, and when the President of the United States or some other person of like caliber is about to arrive.
Mayor Busse has been prevailed upon by his friends to seek the seductive Jackrabbit in the tall grass out in North Dakota, or if he prefers, to hunt the gurgly alligator in the swamps of Arkansas, or do anything else as long as he gets out of Chicago and stays out of Chicago during the visit of President Taft, who will arrive here next Thursday morning. The main desideratum of the mayor's friends is that he get out of town and stay out of town while the president is here.
Of course, the anxiety of Busse's friends to get him out of the way while the president and his entourage were here has given rise to various rumors of a decidedly satanic nature and the rumors do not concern the president. The spectacle of a city of 2,000,000 people being compelled to run the mayor out of town while it received honored guests is a unique one in the history of America and also in the history of Chicago.
The deep and dark reasons why alligators in Arkansas or Jackrabbits in North Dakota, or even polar bears, are exerting their unwonted lure on the mayor at the present time are said to be known only to a few members of the reception committee of the bankers' ball. The usual practice at the cities which Taft has visited and will visit is for him to be received by the mayor and his wife and for the grand march of the reception ball to be led by the highest dignitary of the city and his wife. Whether Taft expected this when coming to Chicago is not known, but it is as being the general practice along the routes which he had traveled and will travel.
It has remained for Mayor Busse to feel the call of the wild and flee back to nature when he sees the president coming. The fact that the mayor never felt the call of the wild before is said to be significant by those close to the bankers' ball committee.
President Taft, when he arrives next Thursday, is to leave the Lake Shore station at Fifty-fifth street and will be met by a committee of "the interests" which have had charge of the arrangements for his reception. He will then be informed that the mayor has gone back to nature and will doubtless express suitable regrets.
There was a joint conference between all the interests that are to join in the entertainment of the president at the office of Chief of Police Steward yesterday afternoon. Chief Steward got the data, and set down last night to prepare a program that will account for every minute of the president's time. Roughly speaking, he is to be the guest of the Commercial club from the time he arrives until 3:15 o'clock in the afternoon; the Hamilton club has him from that time until 11 p. m. and the bankers, from 11 until midnight, when he will be left to his rest.
Direct bearing on Mr. Harriman's illness, they tended to increase the alarm.
Think He Was Operated On
New York, Sept. 10.—There is apparently excellent authority for the statement that E. H. Harriman was operated on Tuesday at Arden for a cancerous growth. This statement was made by a man who has been indirectly associated with the Harriman interests for years.
"Mr. Harriman was in a weakened condition at the time of the operation," he said, "and in spite of reports of his improvement he is in a dangerous condition."
The reason no bulletins are coming out of the Union Pacific's offices is that no favorable news can be given out.
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HARRIMAN NO BETTER TODAY

Arden, N. Y., Sept. 10.—Dr. W. G. Lytle issued the following bulletin at 9:15 a. m. today concerning E. H. Harriman:
"Condition unchanged."
"W. G. LITTLE."
Dr. Lytle's statement in writing was brought from Mr. Harriman's house by a chauffeur in an automobile. It was given to the newspaper men at Turner, near Mr. Harriman's home.
Rumors Gain Renewed Currency
Rumors that Mr. Harriman was in a critical condition gained renewed currency shortly after 1 a. m. At the same time the brilliant arc light which had burned on Tower hill all night suddenly was extinguished.
Repeated calls to the telephone exchange at Highland Mills, which gives connection to the Harriman residence, brought no response. Previously connection could be obtained at all hours of the night.
"The Friend: I thank you so much for your great kindness to my daughter Ella. God has given to us so many friends that I can never thank Him enough for His great goodness. My prayers are with you and the good Orangeton that have been so Godlike in your actions to my child. Dear Sir, you can understand a mother's heart better than I can write to you. I would like Ella to remain in Ireland. America is not what it was in years past. Thanking you for everything that you have done for me through my child, I am
"Most thankfully yours,
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MRS. GINGLES SENDS LETTER OF THANKS

The first direct news received from Ella Gingles, the little Irish lace maker who was tortured by white slavers in the Wellington hotel and whose case was fought from the beginning to its successful conclusion by the Chicago Daily Socialist, was received yesterday in a letter from Mrs. Mary J. Gingles, mother of the girl, which was sent to Rev. R. Keene Ryan, of the Garfield Boulevard Presbyterian church.
The letter from the mother to the minister reads as follows:
"Loughview, Killybeggie, Lerna, Londonderry, August 27, 1909."
"The Rev. R. Keene Ryan, 1309 S. Dear Sir: I thank you so much for your great kindness to my daughter Ella. God has given to us so many friends that I can never thank Him enough for His great goodness. My prayers are with you and the good Orangeton that have been so Godlike in your actions to my child. Dear Sir, you can understand a mother's heart better than I can write to you. I would like Ella to remain in Ireland. America is not what it was in years past. Thanking you for everything that you have done for me through my child, I am
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PEARY TELLS STORY OF HIS QUICK DASH TO THE NORTH POLE

London, Sept. 10.—All England is hardly less enthusiastic than the United States as a result of the first real news of the discovery of the north pole by Commander Peary published in the London Times, in a message received from Peary, dated Battle Harbor, via wireless to Cape Ray, yesterday, Sept. 8.
In his message Commander Peary tells of leaving his arctic exploring ves-



Commander Peary

sel, "The Roosevelt," on Feb. 15, 1909, with the first approach of better weather following a cessation of the winter's cold.

Careful Plans Made for Dash
Careful plans had been made for the dash to the top of the world. Only the most experienced of his followers, the sturdiest of the Eskimos, the best dogs that could be secured, were taken along. During the long winter, since The Roosevelt had reached Cape Sheridan, Grant Land, Sept. 1, 1908, and winter quarters had been established, the plans for the polar trip were made and re-made by the anxious explorers.

The expedition was equipped with every facility known to explorers as it started north of Cape Columbia on March 1. Every member of the party was fresh and strong from the long winter's rest and eager to push on to the coveted goal.
The little party passed the British record on March 2, when further progress was suddenly halted by open water. For days and days the members of the expedition waited patiently until March 11, when they were again able to continue on their way. In the first spur the eighty-fourth parallel was reached.

Open Water Encountered
An open lead was encountered on March 15, so that it was not until three days later, on March 18, that the eighty-



Mrs. Peary in Arctic Garb

(The pole discoverer's wife accompanied him on a previous trip.)

ty-fifth parallel was finally crossed and put in the rear. Traveling was good for the next four days and on March 22, the eighty-sixth parallel was crossed.
Open water was again encountered on the following day but progress was delayed but little, the spirits of the party

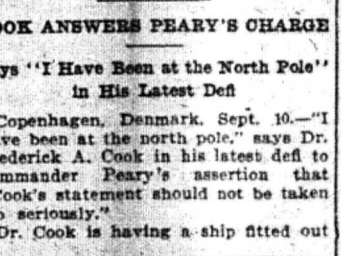
being cheered by the fact that the Norwegian record was left behind on this day.
The next day the Italian record was equalled and surpassed by Commander Peary. The bitter cold was unnoticed, the fatigues of the journey unfelt, the obstacles that were to come only thought of as something to be met with and overcome.
More open water was encountered on March 24, while the eighty-seventh parallel was crossed on March 27. This was five days since the eighty-sixth parallel had been crossed, requiring the traveling of about fourteen miles a day. The expedition was held up again by open water on March 29, after it had successfully passed the American record on March 23. The eighty-eighth parallel was crossed on April 2.
When the Pole Was Reached
The little party was now within striking distance of the pole. It was only two days later, on April 4, that the eighth-ninth parallel was crossed. The last spur ended in the reaching of the coveted goal on April 6, and the planting of the stars and stripes at the north pole.
Only one member of the party, Prof. Ross G. Marvin, was drowned in the final dash, this being rather miraculous on account of the season of the year and the amount of open water that the party had to contend with. The return trip to the ship began on the day following the discovery of the pole, April 7. The trip was made in twenty days.

COOK ANSWERS PEARY'S CHARGE
Says "I Have Been at the North Pole" in His Latest Despatch

Copenhagen, Denmark, Sept. 10.—"I have been at the north pole," says Dr. Frederick A. Cook in his latest despatch to Commander Peary's assertion that "Cook's statement should not be taken too seriously."
Dr. Cook is having a ship fitted out

for the next year's expedition to the north pole. He is a candidate for the position of leader of the expedition, which will be a more aggressive campaign to replace the Boot and Shoe Workers' organization—the Tobin faction—with the new organization.
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and will return to Greenland to bring back the Eskimos whom he claims were with him at the pole. In the meantime the Cook-Peary controversy engages the scientific men of all Europe.
"I am willing to place facts, figures and worked-out observations before a joint tribunal of the scientific bodies of the world."
"Right Will Prevail"—Cook
"In due course I shall be prepared to make public an announcement that will dispel any doubt, if such there be, of the fact that I have reached the pole. But knowing that I am right and that right must prevail, I will submit at the proper time my full story to the court of last resort—the people of the world. I will not enter into any controversy over the subject with Commander Peary further than to say that if he says I have taken his Eskimos, my reply is that Eskimos are nomads. They are owned by nobody and are not the private property of either Commander Peary or myself. The Eskimos engaged by me were paid ten times what they demanded to accompany me."
Makes Charge Against Peary
"As to the story that Commander Peary says I took provisions stored by him, my reply is that Peary took my provisions, obtaining them from the custodian on the plea that I had been so long absent that he was to organize relief stations for me in case I should be alive. Of this I have documentary proof."

HUSBAND SLAIN IN MIED
AND YOUNG BRIDE IS HELD

Cincinnati, Ohio, Sept. 10.—Mystery surrounds the shooting and death early today of Scott Sprague, a machinist, who came to this city from Williamsburg, Ohio, and his bride of two weeks is being held by the police on suspicion. The shooting occurred in the sleeping room occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Sprague at 225 West Eighth street. The bullet entered Sprague's right side, penetrating his liver and lung. The location of the wound is said to be an unusual one to be self-inflicted, and this, taken with the fact that there were blood spots on Mrs. Sprague's night robe, caused the police to place a charge of suspicion against her.
Mrs. Sprague said she was awakened by the shot and found her husband lying huddled up in a corner of the bedroom in his night clothes. She declared her husband had no enemies, and she knew of no reason why he should have shot himself.
Mrs. Sprague is the daughter of Frank Cross of Rockford, Ill., and was married to Sprague two weeks ago in Chicago.

Corn Day in Schools Nov. 5
Springfield, Ill., Sept. 9.—"Corn day" will be observed in many country public schools Friday, Nov. 5. Boys will exhibit ten ears of white and yellow corn for prizes given by the state.

EX-MAYOR HOPKINS BACK; IS GREETED BY SULLIVAN

Former Mayor John P. Hopkins arrived in Chicago today on his return from a European trip. He was accompanied by Roger C. Sullivan, Senator John J. McLaughlin, and former Senator Benjamin Mitchell. The latter two went to New York to meet him when he landed. The party was welcomed by friends at the La Salle station.
Mrs. Hopkins visited London, Paris, Vienna, Berlin, Brussels, Norway and Sweden.
Grey Woodson of Kentucky, secretary of the Democratic national committee, who made the European trip, is also in the party.

SHOE WORKERS PICK SOCIALIST

Lynn, Mass., Sept. 10.—The United Boot and Shoe Workers, an organization which grew out of internal dis-



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CRANBERRY CROP RUINED BY FROST

Necedah, Wis., Sept. 10.—Reports received here from various points in this, the greatest cranberry district in the West, show that the crop has been practically ruined by frost and fire. Many of the largest marshes are completely ruined and no attempt will be made at picking. Others have suffered a loss of 50 per cent. Near Norway Ridge enough damage has been done to throw 2,000 people out of employment in the picking season.

Reyes Home; Crisis Acute
Monterey, Mex., Sept. 10.—Gen. Bernardo Reyes arrived home in the night, coming from El Porvenir on horseback. With his arrival the political situation grows more serious. No reception was given him. It is said he has resigned as governor.

U. S. WON'T ENFORCE LAW IN LAKE STRIKE

The Lake Carriers' association has refused to punish at the hands of the government for the practice of poeage on their ships, and where ships have been known to be under-manned the department of commerce and labor has decided that it will follow up only such complaints as are accompanied by complete legal evidence, thus placing the members of the Lake Seamen's union in an impossible position.
An Impossible Requirement
This evidence could not be gathered unless the union seamen had the ingenuity to board a scab boat, evading the special police, and then assume the authority of a government officer to examine the ship's papers. For, to make a complete case, the department demands knowledge of the ship's legal complement of men, the number on board when she was short-handed, their names and especially the names of men who are willing to give evidence. This evidence should be gathered by a government officer, but it is not being done.
Acting Secretary of Commerce and Labor McFarg has issued an order which states that the "safe arrival of a vessel in port is not conclusive evidence that she is sufficiently manned and that a vessel is insufficiently manned, under the law, when in the judgment of the inspector members of

WAYMAN IS RULED AGAINST BY JUDGE IN M'CANN TRIAL

ANOTHER CAPITALIST LIE
ABOUT SWEDEN IS NAMED

Dispatches from Stockholm signed "Branting" printed in the French newspapers indicate that the capitalist press has been caught in another monstrous lie about the Swedish strike. The capitalist press a few days ago carried stories to the effect that the women of the working class had made overtures for peace and were using their influence for conciliation and the breaking up of the strike.
The truth of the matter as revealed in the dispatches is that thirty women of the intellectual and highest social circles of Sweden offered their mediation to the government in the interest of the families of the country. It was this fact which was distorted by the Associated Press into a surrender of the women of the working class in the great struggle.

FALL OF TWO HUGE BEAMS
ENDANGERS 100 NEWSBOYS

The lives of nearly one hundred newsboys were endangered today when two wooden beams weighing several thousand pounds crashed from the top of the new La Salle hotel at La Salle and Madison streets, to the "newsboys' alley," off La Salle street.
This alley is frequented by newsboys and jobless men waiting for the afternoon editions of the newspapers. The first warning they had of their danger was the crashing of the giant beams as they tore away fire escapes and other impediments to their downward flight. As a result of these obstructions everyone was able to get out of the way before the beams reached ground. The accident was caused by the giving way of the derrick chains.

Throat is Cut;
Found in River

The body of a man believed to have been murdered was found in the river today at the Chicago avenue bridge. It was that of a man 35 or 40 years old. The clothing consisted of a white silk shirt, dark trousers, silk underclothing and tan shoes. There were deep cuts in the man's neck. The body was taken by the police to 1022 West Chicago avenue.
The body was seen floating in the river by a pedestrian who was passing over the bridge. Police of the West Chicago avenue station were notified and took the body from the water to Korzenewski's undertaking rooms, 1022 West Chicago avenue. The man's throat was cut in two places. Both cuts were under the chin and were severe enough to cause death, the police say. They are working on the theory that he was murdered.

Eight Jurors Accepted
Wayman's Discomfiture was so complete that during the examination of the next veniremen he did not even whisper the word "witness" or mention the quality or character of the men with whom he expected to testify for the state, which is the first time that he has omitted to do so since the beginning of the McCann trial.

Questions Put by Wayman
Wayman had been asking each venireman if he had any prejudice against the testimony offered by owners of houses of prostitution, conductors of the same, or men who lived off the avails of prostitution and he has been prompt to challenge any man who has had any prejudice against the testimony of these persons since the beginning of the trial.

Reiterates Bribery Charge
"If Louis Frank says he did not see me and offer me this money, or if he says that he did not offer it on behalf of his brother and himself, he is a liar," said Hettler this morning in the Criminal court building. "Of course, I have no means of knowing who was behind the offer. If it was the state's attorney's office there was no indication of that in the offer made to me. It would be more or less to the benefit of the state's attorney's office to have me turn around and swear to things that I do not know in order to get McCann convicted, but I only know that this offer of money to testify against McCann came from the Franks."
"Mike the Pike" was waiting in the ante-room of Judge McEwen's court to see what the new return of the grand jury against him would be when he made this declaration.
Louis Frank was seen down stairs before the doors of the office of Circuit Clerk Harris.
Frank Denies \$20,000 Offer
"Mike the Pike" or anybody else who says I tried to bribe them lies," said Frank, who is a brother of Julius Frank and a keeper of a notorious resort on the west side. Frank had been called on the " Carpet" by the Circuit court clerk, regarding certain leads

State's Attorney Comes Out Second Best in Clash With Col. Lewis

Judge Albert C. Barnes this morning called State's Attorney Wayman down for continually ringing in the name of "Mike the Pike" Hettler as a probable witness in the case against Edward McCann, the accused police inspector, and on complaint of Attorney James Hamilton Lewis, for the defense, Wayman was compelled to cease reference to witnesses, who might or might not be used by the defense in the case, in the examination of veniremen.

EIGHT JURORS ACCEPTED Barnes Orders Prosecutor to Stop Tactics; "Mike the Pike" Offered Bribe

Wayman began his offensive tactics at an early hour, when the first venireman, Louis Krumkopf, was placed on the stand for examination. His first questions were all directed as to whether the testimony of such a person as "Mike the Pike" Hettler would have any influence on him.
Colonel Lewis was on his feet at once objecting to this line of examination of the venireman and the court called the state's attorney to task and told him that no more direct personal references must be made in the examination of veniremen. The clash between the attorneys was the hottest which has yet occurred in the McCann trial and the decision of Judge Barnes in favor of the defense is the first big victory which the defense has been able to score during the selection of the jury.
Eight jurors have now been accepted. Wayman's discomfiture was so complete that during the examination of the next veniremen he did not even whisper the word "witness" or mention the quality or character of the men with whom he expected to testify for the state, which is the first time that he has omitted to do so since the beginning of the McCann trial.
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Unless a man could swear absolutely that he would accept the testimony of such persons, the state has been challenging the venireman as a petit juror. This is taken to indicate that Wayman's whole case rests entirely upon the testimony of people of this character.
"Mike the Pike" Hettler, who was alleged to have seduced from Chicago by a local paper, following the charge that he had been approached by Wayman's salesmen and offered \$20,000 to testify against McCann, was in the Criminal court building this morning in Judge Ewen's ante-room and reiterated the story that the Frank Brothers, Louis and Julius, through their agents had approached him and offered him the money in order to persuade him to testify against McCann. According to Hettler this money was offered to him in the Palmer House and there is a witness to the offer who will be produced in due time to prove his assertion.
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which have been given lately in the case, but no explanation of this angle of the difficulty could be obtained by this reporter.

More Indictments Expected
The grand jury had not reported any new indictments in Judge McEwen's court at noon today, although several were expected in the west side graft cases.

LOOP STRIKES UP AT MEETING

Members of the Masons and Contractors Association met this morning in the association rooms, 222 Chamber of Commerce building, with the arbitration committee of the hoisting engineers and other building trades row on strike on the La Salle Hotel building, the People's Gaslight and Coke company and the Blackstone hotel. Each of the unions involved in its contract a clause providing for the settlement of disputes and the calling of the committees was caused by the failure of the new building trades council and the contractors to hit upon general plans of arbitration.

ILLINOIS SOCIALISTS TO HOLD WHOOPER CELEBRATION OCT. 2

The Socialists of Williamson County, Illinois, will give one of the largest celebrations ever held in that county in northern Illinois, in the beautiful city park at Carterville, Ill., Saturday, Oct. 2, 1908. The Williamson County Socialists, being of the live variety, have already prepared their hand bills all over northern Illinois, advertising the meeting. Arrangements have been made for the best speakers obtainable for the occasion.

DOCTOR ARRESTED IN CASE OF SLAIN DETROIT GIRL

Detroit, Sept. 15.—Dr. George A. Fritch of this city is arrested and locked up on suspicion of being connected with the death of Mabel Millman of Ann Arbor, whose dismembered body was found in a bag in Ecorse Creek. Miss Marjha Henning, intimate friend of the dead girl, was also taken into custody as a witness.

CURTISS MAY WIN IN BRESCIA

Brescia, Italy, Sept. 10.—Aeroplane new at Brescia today in the contests arranged by the committee, including the grand prix, the 50-kilometer (31.06 miles) race and the "quick starting" race. Glenn H. Curtiss, American, crossed the line for the grand prix to avoid penalization. He took part also in the "quick starting" event and succeeded in leaving the ground ninety yards from his starting point and covering the distance in the prescribed time. This prize was to go to the aviator starting within sixty yards, but if no contestant fulfills this condition the distance will be extended to 100 yards. The prize will probably go to Curtiss.

Cortlandt F. Blislop, president of the American Aero club, asked M. Bleriot today to go to America. Bleriot replied that he regretted that he could not accept the invitation, as he had engagements until the last of December.

SOCIALISTS OF OHIOINNATI TO HOLD A BIG GATHERING

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.) Cincinnati, O., Sept. 10.—Cincinnati Socialists are planning for a big day next Sunday at Chester Park, one of the largest amusement places in the middle west. The entire park has been rented for the occasion.

The opera house, with a seating capacity of 2,000, has been secured, and in the afternoon there will be speaking by John Collins of Chicago and others. The admission will be free. There will be a special display for the Chicago Daily Socialist with subscription cards for sale, and also a special literature stand.

Free vaudeville, foot races, boat races and an swimming contest in charge of Nicholas Klein, the creator of "O. U. Grump," familiar to the readers of the Chicago Daily Socialist, will be some of the features of the day.

Send notices of your own meetings to the Daily Socialist.

MONEY FROM SWEDEN ARMY GIVEN TO AID SOCIALIST STRIKERS

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)

Stockholm, Sept. 10.—"Svenske" (The Answer), the only Swedish newspaper allowed to appear in Stockholm by the typographical union, being the official organ of the national workmen's organization, publishes the following: "Considerable contributions have been received from regiments of militia and from the standing army, as well as from some of the battalions. All accompany their contributions with cheering messages to the strikers never to surrender."

State-Church Minister Aids

"Sympathies are coming from the most unexpected sources. A minister of the state church sends in 200 kroner and his best regards."

"The treasury of the typographical union was to have been sequestered the other day for damages to the amount of 52,000 kroner, adjudged to newspapers. The sequestrators found only about one-half a dollar. The types had saved in time what little funds were on hand."

"Labor organizations are growing apace, there being a general awakening among those still non-organized. Desperate efforts are being made to induce typographical workers to return to work, but without any success whatsoever."

"The workers are buying in their own co-operative stores and this makes the corner grocery dry."

Nobleman Couldn't Get Coat

"Mr. Tham, one of the industrial lords of Sweden, wanted new coat badly and fabulous prices were offered the starving tailors to furnish the wealthy nobleman with his attire. But Mr. Tham could not get his coat made in Sweden. Now the tailors in London, England, are buying their needles on Mr. Tham's coat."

General Bent Strike Oct. 1

"The Swedish general strike committee has issued a proclamation of a general strike on October 1, when quarterly rents fall due. This is calculated to touch a very tender spot in the hearts of all mortgage holders. It will probably be impossible to find hands willing to assist in a mass eviction."

SWEDISH DELEGATE MONDAY

C. E. Tholin, representing European Strikers, to Solicit Funds in City

C. E. Tholin, one of the delegates sent to this country by the Swedish strikers to gather funds to help them carry on the struggle, will arrive in Chicago next Monday to begin a campaign among labor unions, Scandinavian organizations and others interested in the struggle in Sweden.

The Chicago Federation of Labor, at its meeting last Sunday, adopted a motion giving Mr. Tholin permission to collect funds from all the unions affiliated with that body in this city.

Among the latest contributors to the strike fund sent from Chicago was \$100.00, received from Rockford, Ill., and \$10.00 from the Fridholm Lodge, Independent Order of Vikings.

LAST EFFORTS FOR CAR PEACE

Union officials in attempt to bring companies to Terms

Union officials are now exerting their last efforts for peace and attempting to bring the traction companies to time in dealing with the 10,000 motornen and conductors employed on the lines of the Chicago City Railway company and the Chicago Railways company.

William D. Mahon, international president of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, after meeting the wage scale committees of all three interested locals of the union, declared that they now await word from President Mitten of the Chicago City Railway company, who is now in Buffalo.

Walter L. Fisher has requested Mitten's company to request its president, in his name, to come to Chicago as soon as possible.

Mahon is noncommittal. Mahon ridiculed the strike talk and with a wink said there are nothing but "details" of arbitration to be worked out between the companies and the union men.

"What is there to arbitrate but the wage question?" said he, and then refused to commit himself as to the "details." "It might be well," said Mahon, "to have Walter Fisher step in and adjust the controversy between Cook and Peary over the discovery of the North Pole."

Just at that moment Michael Buckley, president of local 260, came along with T. J. Mahoney, William Quinlan, president of local 241, and his committee also arrived and Mahon went with them to his room to confer.

The Arbitration Scheme

It is not necessary, according to Mahon, to refer to the men the matters to be arbitrated and it is regarded as certain that the south side committee and Mahon will take the same proposition to Mitten that the north side men will take to Roach, namely, that they will arbitrate their original demands on the basis of a one-year contract.

Walter Fisher said today that it seems impossible to get any new proposition from the companies and that arbitration is the next step. On the terms of this, however, unless the companies back down, agreement is impossible. It is evident that the companies are trying to entangle the men in a complicated series of negotiations with the hope that the membership will become dissatisfied with the officers. As an evidence of this comes the rumor, circulated among union men, that Michael C. Buckley is to resign as head of local 260. Buckley grinned when asked about this.

Mitten is Morgan's Man

Mitten is in Buffalo, where he formerly headed the street railway interests dominated by J. P. Morgan. While Mahon is unwilling to admit it and calls the differences over arbitration "mythical" it is evident that a crisis is impending.

CAREY, NOT THE CARPENTERS

Unionists Say Hawthorne Facing Was Not Held Under Them

Smarting under the attacks of the capitalist press of the city of Chicago members of the carpenters' district council today are denouncing the caricatures of the picnic held at Hawthorne on Labor Day. They declare that the carpenters had been "let in" by a crowd of gamblers, headed by "Tom" Carey, who owns the Hawthorne grounds.

The carpenters declare that the horse racing, gambling and other games which were exploited by the capitalist press at Hawthorne formed no part of the carpenters' program, and that the district council merely accepted the park from Carey as a place to hold a picnic.

Louis Schalk, 24 Fifth avenue, who

WARNS AGAINST MAN CHARGED WITH DEFAUDING SOCIALISTS

A letter was received at the office of the Chicago Daily Socialist this morning from D. Hanrahan, 21 East Columbia street, Detroit, Mich., in which charges were made that a man named Fred Oddy had been trading upon the Socialist name in Detroit and defrauding Socialists there. A portion of Hanrahan's letter concerning Oddy reads as follows:

"He is from London, Eng., and claims that he is getting subscriptions for a Montreal and Toronto Socialist paper. He claimed that he had a check coming from England and had the landlady of a rooming house get his security at the bank for \$5. He slipped out. I thought it would be a good thing to warn our brothers through your valued paper as such fellows as these are hurting our cause."

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HOW TO JUMP OVER THE MOON

Meat prices are soaring again. Choice cuts advanced yesterday from one and one-half to two cents per pound, and the outlook for a decrease is not good. Ordinary cuts remain at the same price, but the high-class meat will again advance this morning from two to four cents per pound at the retail stores.

The cattle receipts at the stock yards yesterday were small, and the advance to the butchers was posted early in the afternoon. No. 1 hogs went from 19 cents to 21 cents per pound, while the best ribs went from 18 1/2 cents to 18 cents per pound. The prices posted yesterday are the highest in many years.

Retail dealers say the increase will not have much effect on the small retail trade as the best cuts are sold mostly to restaurants and hotels and to the better markets.

ESTATE WORTH \$1,000,000 IS LEFT BY A POEMER POET

New York, Sept. 10.—That Bloodgood Cutter, the former poet, possessed a fortune of nearly \$1,000,000 became known yesterday when former Judge Harrison S. Moore, attorney for the executor of Cutter's estate, filed his accounting with the surrogate of Nassau county, at Mineola. Mr. Cutter left \$900,000.55. This will make the Bible Society of Manhattan the chief beneficiary, about \$655,000 going to that organization.

Mr. Cutter lived at Little Neck, L. I. He was a noted figure at county fairs and always bobbed up with poetry praising pumpkins and cabbages. He dressed queerly and no one suspected that he was a millionaire.

The farmer-poet's art collection is willed to the Metropolitan Museum of Art and a nephew, John Cutter, gets the farm at Little Neck.

GERMAN AIRSHIP ROAD FINANCED

Frankfort, Germany, Sept. 10.—Capital for the projected Air Navigation company, which plans the carrying of passengers daily between Frankfort and Berlin, has been subscribed. The company contemplates the erection of large hangars in Frankfort and in Berlin for the construction of four dirigibles of the Zeppelin type. The company hopes to be earning dividends by next summer.

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If the venture proves profitable, stations will be erected at cities between the first two and throughout Germany.

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Pole Hunting for Profit

"What's the use of finding the pole?" is a question that has been asked very frequently during the last few days.

There are still a few scientists who answer the question in the old-fashioned way by telling of new stores of truth to be added to human knowledge by such explorations.

Either of these is undoubtedly strong enough to create polar explorers. They have done so in the past. The long list of men who laid down their lives in arctic regions in the past had no other incentive.

Thousands of scientists are daily risking their lives in scientific research with the hope of no reward but the satisfaction of extending the boundaries of the world of knowledge.

The expeditions of Cook and Peary have brought out new incentives. It appears that hunting for the pole has become exceedingly profitable. The first message that was rushed over the wire by Peary did not contain news of any great scientific achievement.

The dispatches published up to this time from both men have been overshadowed by the elaborate copyright notices that surround them when published. Each newspaper hopes by this means to frighten away its competitors from using the "valuable scientific truths" which polar exploration is unearthing.

There are those who claim that there would be no progress without the incentive of profits. Here is an excellent illustration of the mixture of exploration and exploitation, and the result is not exactly of a nature to arouse enthusiasm in the lover of scientific research.

So long as arctic explorers found their main reward in the knowledge of truth discovered there was little jealousy and no allegations of fraud.

No sooner are the rich rewards of platform and publisher held out than we have the amazing spectacle of alleged gigantic faking, mutual charges of bad faith, corruption of natives, invasion of private stores of goods (the one thing considered most sacred in arctic regions) and the withholding of the facts by both sides until they can be most profitably exploited.

Those who urge that only under capitalism would there be an adequate incentive to action may well ponder the result of capitalizing polar exploration.

Busse Will Not Be the Next Mayor

The Inter Ocean is correct when it says that "the one best bet" is that Busse will not succeed himself. There are some things that are a little too raw even for capitalism.

The nomination of Busse by any political party would at once force the publication of matter long on file in every newspaper in Chicago, but which has been withheld because its publication would now do no good and would injure innocent persons, but that would drive Busse completely out of public life.

The Daily Socialist asked why he was not placed upon the committee to welcome Taft. He has answered the question by announcing that he will be out of the city when the president arrives. The stage has already been reached where Busse is such a stench in the nostrils of even the defenders of capitalism that he is compelled to get sick or take a vacation whenever he is called upon to perform any public function.

The knowledge of his private acts and character makes him the fool of certain powerful newspapers who hold threats of exposure over his head.

No, Busse will not be the next mayor of Chicago, but the present situation is a beautiful one to contemplate when we remember he was elected largely through the efforts of some very few pious preachers who wanted to further morality. To be sure, these were aided by such high-minded citizens as Hinky Dink, Roger Sullivan and the beneficiaries of fraudulent school leases, together with the expectant seekers for street car franchises.

He Helped Mildred the Wise Mr. Phan (roaring from the top of the stairs)—Mildred! What is that young man doing down there so late? Mildred (sweetly)—He's just dopping out how the teams will finish for the pennant.

HERE'S A JOB FOR YOU

BY ROBERT HUNTER.

The Socialist newspapers have been forced into a dirty campaign.

They would prefer to keep their pages free from stories of vice, white slaves and fads of prostitution.

They know that nearly all such campaigns bear bitter fruit.

When Mr. Parkhurst years ago started his sensational campaign against prostitution in New York City, Mr. Bellamy remarked in his "New Nation" that whatever else Mr. Parkhurst might accomplish, one thing was sure, he would exterminate by starvation some thousands of women.

Prostitution can never be done away with so long as capitalism lasts. The non-Socialist will not understand that assertion and I shall not now try to prove it.

But if by chance, reader, you should sometimes be of heavy heart because so many thousands of wretched women are doomed to this life and would like to know if there is any solution to this problem, then I ask you to read Mebe's "Woman."

What I want to explain here is our reason for this campaign. It is merely an incident in a bigger campaign to make men understand what filthy beasts, vile thieves and contemptible crooks rule our cities.

A Republican gang now controls Chicago. It includes every kind of crook from the foul-mouthed thug, who collects tribute from these poor women, up to the suave, lying and thieving corporation lawyer.

This gang derives its income from lawbreakers. The prostitute pays a

portion of her earnings, the thief a portion of his stealings, the gambler a portion of his winnings, the traction thieves and other law breakers a percentage of their earnings.

Between the Republican gang in Chicago and the Tammany gang in New York there is no difference.

The Republicans in control of the towns of Pennsylvania are precisely the same type as the Democrats in control of the cities of the south and west.

City government today is nothing else than the selling at a good price to thugs, gamblers, pickpockets and corporations the privilege of breaking laws.

Laws are the clubs of politicians. The man or woman who refuses to bend the knee to the machine is sent to jail. But let him or her pay tribute and he or she shall have immunity to break the law whenever and however he or she likes.

The papers said the other day that Tammany judges had remitted the fines and penalties of several hundred criminals in New York City. That merely means that these men are wanted for election work and they must now be gotten into training for duties at the polls.

It is the purpose and duty of working class daily papers to expose thugs, big and little.

It is their purpose and duty to carry on this fight until thugs are driven out of every American city.

We shall give no quarter so long as a single issue of these dailies can be published.

We intend to fight growing tyranny and terrorism until every thug, parasite

and pirate shall be driven from the backs of the workers.

The working class pays for it all. The common thug, the petty grafter, the machine politician, the franchise thief, the capitalist exploiter are all part and parcel of a growing oppression that is robbing and enslaving the working class.

The Socialist party and its press is not engaged in warfare upon the helpless women victims of capitalist rule. They are mostly impoverished, underpaid women of the working class.

To make their life sadder or to assist in a hypocritical hunt to drive them from house to house is no purpose of ours.

But those leeches who profit from their misery, who exploit their distress and levy tribute on their sad earnings should one add all, high and low, be hung.

Anti-vice campaigns conducted by the capitalist press end in exterminating by starvation not the leeches but their victims.

Now we ask the public to follow our campaign and they will understand to what a different end we labor.

We intend to exterminate the leeches. We intend to condemn and destroy a system founded upon graft and pillage.

We intend to build in its stead a social order in which all may live by honest toil without robbing or being robbed. A society in which every man shall have work and every worker all that his labor produces.

And we ask: Does that interest you? And have you any thought, or time, or money, or effort for that job?

CARPENTERS' WAGES 100 YEARS AGO

A little handbook published a little more than 100 years ago, or, to be exact, in 1800, to furnish local house builders with a means of handy reference in setting prices on almost every conceivable kind of carpentry work has recently been discovered in the store of a Boston dealer in rare old books.

It is entitled "The Rules of Work of Carpenters in the Town of Boston," and gives a striking demonstration of the great changes that have taken place in a little more than 100 years in the methods of turning out woodwork used in house building as well as in the cost of it.

The preface shows that the little handbook was practically a revision of an earlier one published in 1774 by Boston carpenters, and that even before the revolution master builders had so good an understanding one with another that they were agreed on the prices to be charged for various kinds of work.

The rules and prices of 1800 were professedly prepared by a committee of twenty-one of the master carpenters of Boston with a view to having a price scale "bearing a proper proportion to the price of other branches of labor" at that time and with a view regard to the increased cost of living that had come about since the revolution.

Prices given in the little book appear to include the cost of lumber to be used in the work estimated on, and are frequently figured on the "per square" basis. Here are some of the prices given in the "Rules for Work":

Framing floors with summers or planks, 10 to 12 inches deep, per square, \$1.33; framing a pitched roof, rafters 8 inches deep, per square, \$1.50; rough boarding, per square, 50 cents; window frames for 24 panes of 6x8 glass, \$1.25;

raising house frames and putting on roofs and floors, to be paid by the day. Shashes up to 8x10 glass, per light, 6 cents; laying shingles, per square, \$1.50; ripping up shingles and clearing the gutta, per square, 33 cents; water tables of plank, 6 inches wide or under, per foot, 6 cents.

Outside doorcases of plank for brick walls, per superficial foot, 8 cents; inside doorcases with framed head, 95 cents; cellar doors with head, fill and strings, matched to the floor, \$3; rough plank partition, solid, per square, \$1.50; rough furring and ceiling, per square, \$1; partitions of boards planed on both sides, matched, per superficial foot, 4 1/2 cents.

Single face architrave, running foot, 6 cents; double face, 10 cents; inside window shutter of planed boards, ends cleated, running, not, 8 cents; planed plank stairs, straight run, per step, 42 cents; if winding stairs, 60 cents.

Wainscoting rooms from floor to ceiling with quarter round work, superficial foot, 8 cents; wainscoting up to the windows, quarter round work, superficial foot, 10 cents; plain risers and returns for window seats, superficial foot, 11 cents; the same, with panels and quarter round work, one side, per superficial foot, 15 cents; eight-paneled door, quarter round work, one side, per superficial foot, 15 cents; same, two sides, 20 cents; putting on mortise locks, 75 cents each.

Casing kitchen chimney with shelf and single cornice, per shelf, \$1.50; plain chimney casings, 75 cents; floors of merchantable boards, not planed to a thickness, per square, \$3; if rabbeted, \$2.25; if planed to a thickness, \$2.75. If laid with narrow boards of the best sort, per square, \$3.50; plain picket fence, running foot, 25 cents; window blinds, for 24 square, or less, of 8x10 glass, in two parts, per window, \$1.25.

A comparison of the above figures with current rates shows the latter in most cases to be at least double what they were in 1800. In a very few instances, such as window sashes and blinds, for example, the cost is lower today, a fact due to their being turned out now by machinery so much quicker than they used to be by hand. The greater cost of carpentering today is mainly due to increased wages and shorter hours that have largely come about during the last thirty years.

On the Firing Line

BY MONOSABIO

There is said to be \$100,000,000 of graft a year in the New York City government. Who would not be a "reformer"?

The Tax Payers' News proposes J. Pierpont Morgan for mayor of the city of New York. Are funds running low? In that case get Harvey, of Harpers' to introduce you.

Public officials are back from their vacations and will now get down to the strenuous work of electioneering.

Breakfasting children will soon be back to school. Think of them when you vote, Oh, woeers!

"Typhoid starts up on the East Side," says the New York Sun. What, has the supply of Apollinaris and other harmless waters run dry?

The New York Stock Exchange may compel its members to boycott other stock exchanges for mayor of the Supreme Court Justice Crane. Do you hear this, Messrs. Gompers and Mitchell?

Willy Willy Hearst is willing to fuse, if given some recognition in "principles" and candidates—especially candidates. Are not capitalists all alike?

According to the New York American, not a single contract for a new public school building has been let in the first and most rapidly growing city in the United States in eighteen months. But at whose behest, and for what consideration, are public schools being thus deliberately crippled? Dare you say, Willy Willy Hearst?

The New York Evening World recently wasted good editorial space in a discussion whether the government is justified in blowing off in noise and smoke, at every discharge of a 12-inch gun what would reclaim enough land to provide homes for 196 people. The World and every well-regulated capitalist organ should know that such expenditure is eminently all right, for does it not provide magnificent homes for the heads of the powder trust?

HOW MRS. SPIDER CLEANS HOUSE

Like all careful housekeepers, Mrs. Spider has her cleaning days, but, unlike other careful housekeepers, she wears her fine clothes when she works.

Maybe you have seen her all rigged out in her yellow and black velvet gown, sweeping and dusting her web, but just remember she is not as extravagant as she seems. Clothes never bother her. She doesn't have to go to a dressmaker when she needs a new gown. She has only to step out of her old one, and lo! just under it is a fresh one all ready made and a perfect fit.

No, Mrs. Spider is not extravagant. She is very economical in fact, for, instead of throwing aside her old dresses she rolls them into a ball and eats them.

There are no old-clothes men in the spider world.

Well, to tell about Mrs. Spider's housecleaning. She has neither brushes nor brooms nor dustpans, so she begins her work by raising one of her eight claws and giving her house a shake that reaches to every corner.

She is careful, however, not to injure it, but she makes the dust fly. When this is done to her satisfaction she looks her web over, first from the top, then from the bottom, then from both sides.

If the walls sag or are the least bit broken, she rolls them into a ball and eats them, just as she does her old clothes. Then she replaces them by new ones.

When everything is in thorough order she sits down for a rest to make her own web.

As her whole body and legs have a rough, hairy covering, she needs quite a little time to fix herself properly.

In her mandibles or jaws are the teeth with which she combs her hair, and her claws serve as brushes for the outer parts of her body.

A LIVING QUESTION MARK

Father had finished his supper and picked up the daily paper, when Willie, who is a living question mark, commenced in a drawing monotone, showing that he was thinking, and that something heavy was weighing on his mind and needed parental enlightenment.

"Papa, Oh papa!" "Well, what is it, son?" father answered.

"Do they make whalebone out of whales?" "Yes, son," said father, glad for once that he could answer Willie's question.

"Then do they make sealing wax out of seals?" Father did not think this question even worthy of reply.

"Papa, are people of Greece greater?" "No answer."

"Then I reckon people of Cork are corkers."

The paper was particularly interesting.

Willie was silent for nearly five minutes, and then asked, "I read in a book today that a man was a flower; does that make me a sunflower?"

Willie was discouraged to think that his questions should be unanswered, and then turned to his mother, "Mamma, do squaws wear war hoops?"

Father was getting tired of these questions, and turned to Willie and said, "William, it is time for you to go to bed."

"Then I started, but at the stair door turned and asked, innocently, 'Is my little trundle bed a boycott?'"

TO PREVENT DAMAGE BY MOTHS

As a preventive of moths in cases containing clothing, there is nothing like making the cases in which they are packed so tight that the moth can not enter to lay her eggs, from which eggs the larvae come. I prefer naphthaline balls to camphor, but if the garments are wrapped in newspapers and put into a protected case and this sealed with strips of paper pasted over the cracks at every possible point of entry, to keep out the moths, there will be no danger of the moths developing.

Camphor or naphthaline balls can be used in the packages also, but these alone will not prevent the occurrence of the moths, nor destroy the moth larvae after they have entered. The chief point in protecting fabrics from destruction by moths is to keep them in a vessel where the little winged moth can not enter to lay its eggs.

An aid to this is the use of some substance like the balls above mentioned, which act as a repellent. After the clothing is attacked destroy the pests at once by fumigating with blisulfid of carbon.

The State Zoologist of Pennsylvania recommends one pound of this liquid to each 100 cubic feet of space, either sprinkled on cloth or poured into shallow vessels placed on it.—Press Letter, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Vegetable Wrongs

Digging the eyes out of potatoes. Pulling the ears of corn. Cutting the hearts out of trees. Soaking celery. Slashing maples. Pulling the heads of cabbages. Pulling the beads out of rye. Spilling the blood of beets. Breaking the necks of squashes. Skinning apples. Knifing peaches. Squeezing lemons. Quartering oranges.

Thrashing wheat. Plugging water-melons. Felling trees and piercing the bark. Soaking celery. Slashing maples. Crushing and jamming currants. Multitasking hedges. Stripping bananas. Burning pine knots. Burying roots alive.

The Family Skeleton

Teacher—What is your father's occupation? Little Boy—I can't tell you. Teacher—But you must. Little Boy—My father don't want me to tell.

Teacher—I insist on your telling me. I have to know. Little Boy (tearfully)—He's—he's the fat lady at the dime museum.—Youth's Companion.

Do You Want to Give Up?

If you say so, there is no power on earth that can keep you going. You are the only authority, and your decision is final.

Two thousand more half-day wage would make it. You have no reason to give up now. There are over fifty thousand members of the Socialist party in this country. Are there not two thousand of these who will give one half-day to the Daily?

You blame us sometimes for constantly begging. But don't you see how little we get?

Now go right after this business and end it.

Table with financial figures: Original amount \$5,300.00, Previously reported \$1,626.68, Received today 18.35, Total so far 1,644.93, Balance to get \$3,655.07

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

SIMILAR CASES

BY MRS. CHARLOTTE GILMAN

There was once a little animal, No bigger than a fox. And on five toes he scampered Over Terrestrial rocks.

They called him Eohippus, And they thought him very small, And they called him of no value—When they thought of him at all; For the lumphish old Dinoceras And Coryphodon so slow Were the heavy aristocracy In days of long ago.

Said the little Eohippus, 'I am going to be a horse! And on my middle finger-nails To run my earthly course! I'm going to have a flowing tail! I'm going to have a mane! I'm going to stand fourteen hands high On the psychosob plain!'

The Coryphodon was horrified, The Dinoceras was shocked; And they chased young Eohippus, But he skipped away and mocked. Then they laughed enormous laughter, And they groaned enormous groans, And they bade young Eohippus Go view his father's bones.

Said they, 'You always were as small And mean as now we see, And that's your conclusive evidence That you're always going to be. What! Be a great, tall, handsome beast. With hoofs to gallop on? Why! You'd have to change your nature!'

Said the Loxolophodon, They considered him disposed of, And retired with gait serene; That was the way they argued In "the early Eocene."

There was once an Anthropoidal Ape, Far smarter than the rest, And everything that they could do He always did the best; So they naturally disliked him, And when they had to mention him They said he was a fool.

Cried this pretentious Ape one day, 'I'm going to be a man! And stand upright, and hunt, and fight And conquer all I can! I'm going to cut down forest trees, To make my houses higher! I'm going to kill the Mastodon! I'm going to make a fire!'

Loud screamed the Anthropoidal Ape With laughter wild and gay; They tried to catch that boastful one, But he always got away.

Then they all rose up in fury Against their boasty friend, For prehistoric patience, Comed, quickly to an end, Said one, 'This is commercial! Utopian! Absurd!' Said another, 'What a stupid first! Too dull upon my word!'

Cried all, 'Before such things can come, You idiotic child, You must alter Einstein's theories And they all eat back and smile, Thought they, 'An answer to that! It will be hard to find!'

It was a differing argument To the Neolithic Mind!



And All Land

There has appeared many and interesting articles under this heading, but so far as I have been able to discern the main argument in the discussion has been usually overlooked.

The object of the amendment I believe to have been to dissuade the minds of the small property holding class of the idea that the Socialist movement is irrational. To them the argument presents itself that they have the advantage at present of the absolutely propertyless proletariat; that is, they are not quite so close to the point of absolute starvation as the man who works for a dollar to two dollars per day (when he can get work), as thousands do in Texas; he only sees, that the Socialists propose the collective ownership of all land, therefore he will lose what little he has; and its a powerful argument with some people that a "bird in the hand is better than two in the bush."

We Socialists see, and it is demonstrated by statistics, that the small farmer (that is the one that would be exempted by this amendment), is worse off as a rule than his hired hand, or the absolute proletarian.

The gist of the whole matter is to me that nine tenths of the farmers in Texas are really proletarians, but don't realize it.

As a matter of fact, the most of us realize that the institution of our proposed changes in the relations existing between members of society would benefit the capitalists as well as the proletarians, but it is hard to talk to them about it, for they think they have got an easy and lucrative avocation now, and to make a change would be folly.

There need be little uncertainty as to whether the holding by a number of men of small farms, which were not used to exploit labor would hinder the institution of the general collective ownership and operation of farms. Our lecturers, in explaining how we might get rid of the parasitic capitalists of ten use the illustration of the commonwealth operating an industry, giving those employed all they produce, and then of the capitalist operating his business, and the workers getting but a small share of the product.

"Will it hurt?" asked the precise person, he sat down in the big chair. "Don't you know that I advertise myself as the painless dentist?" "Yes. But what I want to know is whether you can guarantee me as a painless patient?"—Washington Star.

Wise Old Boy Mrs. Kicker—If you are going to another one of those banquets, I don't suppose you will know the number of the house when you get back. Mr. Kicker—Oh, yes, I will. I understand it from the door and am following it up.—Chicago City Record.

Two men whose offices were on the second floor were on the first floor waiting for an elevator. "You're not looking extra well, London," remarked the lawyer. "No, Rangle," replied the real estate man. "Think I'll join an athletic club. I need the exercise." "Me, too." Still they waited for the elevator.—Kansas City Times.

In the I Training "Just time you've ever milked a cow, is it?" said Uncle Josh to his visiting nephew. "Well, y' do it a darn sight better'st most city fellers do." "It seems to come natural somehow," said the youth, flushing with pleasure. "I've had a good deal of practice with a fountain pen."—Seattle Week-End.