

WESTERN TRAINMEN MAY STRIKE SOON; DENIED MORE PAY

Attitude of General Managers Forces Crisis for Which Union Prepares

WAITED WITH PATIENCE

Conservative Stand of B. of R. T. Has Been Imposed on, Say High Officials

Conferences were held by the officials of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen at which preparations were made to issue instructions to the men, who may immediately go on strike as a result of...

The question whether a strike is to be called may be determined at a conference with the railroad managers tomorrow. If the managers continue in their refusal to grant an increase and break off negotiations...

Influenced by Results The fact that the arbitration board appointed under the Erdman law to adjust the controversy between the Illinois Central railroad and its telegraphers refused any general wage advance...

Have Granted Nothing "The managers have offered us nothing that we have not already on some of the roads. They offered to make conditions more uniform, but that is all. Their effort to submit to arbitration I regard as no offer at all..."

SAVANT FEARS COMET'S TAIL

Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 10.—"If the astronomers are right in their estimations of the amount of cyanogen gas in the tail of Halley's comet, and if that body's vapors do envelop the earth, we may have a chance to feel the sensations of the bugs and insects which are killed by the use of this deadly gas as an exterminator..."

TEN-HOUR FIGHT NOW AT CRISIS

Attorneys Brandeis, Calhoun, Hoffheimer, Harper, With E. T. Davies, Leave NOW ON TO SPRINGFIELD

State Supreme Court Hears Arguments Thursday; Labor Has Hopes

Armed to make the strongest legal fight for women made in this state in years, State Factory Inspector Edgar T. Davies and a host of attorneys arrived in Springfield this afternoon, where an appeal from the opinion of Judge Richard S. Tuthill, Circuit court of Cook county, who had declared the ten hour law to be unconstitutional, will be heard by the Supreme court of Illinois.

Crippled Through Wayman Crippled somewhat by the failure of State's Attorney Wayman to procure the Brandeis brief on time, the counsel for appellants will incorporate in their oral arguments portions of the text of that document. The constitutionality of the law will be upheld by Attorney Louis D. Brandeis of Boston; William J. Calhoun, appointed ambassador to China; William T. Stead, attorney general of the state; Zach Hoffheimer, from the state's attorney's office, and Samuel A. Harper, representing the state factory inspector.

Attorneys Haynie and Lust, representing the Illinois Manufacturers' association, which is backing W. G. Ritchie & Co. in the fight, will attack the law. The law in question was passed by the Illinois legislature at its last session, providing that no women in any shop or factory should be employed more than ten hours a day.

Under the Police Power "All legislation for the protection of labor which restrains individual liberty and property rights, falls directly under the police power, and the great mass of labor legislation is enacted in the interest of health and safety, and in factory and mining regulations we find, especially where women and children are concerned, provisions to protect decency and comfort and in the language of a recognized authority on this subject 'laws of this character rest upon a clear and undisputed title of public power.'" argues Harper.

With Consent of Oppressed "Economic oppression regularly proceeds with the apparent consent of the oppressed, whose weakness compels him to accede to onerous terms, and such oppression cannot be dealt with otherwise than by restraining the freedom of contract. To emphasize this freedom in the face of oppression, is to deny the legitimacy of the police power for the protection of economic liberty; whatever may be the theoretical strength of this position, it does not constitute a sound principle of constitutional law."

Teaches Tuthill Law Quoting a number of decisions, Mr. Harper says: "With the exception of the Ritchie case they all hold clearly and unequivocally that the right of the legislature of the state to reasonably regulate the employment of females cannot be questioned. The Massachusetts court points out that it does not prohibit the employer from working as many hours as she may please, in other classes of establishments, and that it does not prevent the employer from running his factory day and night, by means of two shifts of labor, if he desires to do so."

2 UNION BAKERS ARE GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY

Municipal Judge Uhlir Dismisses Case Against Men Who Aided Labor

MAY ADVERTISE UNIONS

Court Holds Passing Out of Anti-Scab Handbills Is Legal

Municipal Judge Joseph Z. Uhlir at the Shakespeare avenue police court found no evidence of a conspiracy in the case of Charles Vincina and George Kern, two union men, who were distributing circulars of their organization in the vicinity of the non-union bakery of Charles Schweizer, 220 North California avenue.

The court intimated that he also "saw it in the Socialist." The Charge Made Schweizer charged that the two union men were in a conspiracy to ruin his business. He declared that the defendants who were distributing the circulars with the announcement that bread made in non-union shops was not made by men who receive full pay for their work was meant to injure him, and that the statement in the circular that scab bakeries are unsanitary was intended as an insinuation against his business.

Acted Lawfully "The two men I suppose have been engaged to advertise their union. They have a right to pass out circulars, if they do not interfere with anybody's business. I have followed the evidence carefully and have given it some thought. If I should turn over these men to the grand jury, my conscience would rebel against me."

Hits the Courts Judge Uhlir found occasion to take a fling at the courts. "I am not in favor of punishing the little fellow and letting the big fellows go," he said. "That has been the trouble with most of our courts. The big grafters are frequently permitted to escape, and the little fellows are made the scape goats."

Kern and Vincina were arrested about two weeks ago. Schweizer saw them distributing the circulars in his neighborhood, and called a police officer when they were near his store. One of the witnesses—a little girl—testified that she was asked by Vincina to take the circular home and give it to her mother. The city charged the defendants with violating the city ordinance against distributing handbills. The city case was continued. Attorney G. J. Chott, former justice of the peace, defended the two union men.

MINERS MAY MEET BOSSES

According to the present outlook agreements between the representatives of the Coal Operators' association and the United Mine Workers of America will not be held until after the miners' convention at Springfield, beginning Feb. 15. It is expected that the joint conference will be held immediately after the convention.

SWOPE CASE IS GHOULS' BATTLE

Horrible Greed for Money Shown by Evidence at the Inquest

TESTIMONY SENSATIONAL

Senational testimony adding to the mystery surrounding the death of the Independence millionaire was given by Miss Pearl Keller, a nurse; Mrs. Logan H. Swope and Dr. Frank Hall.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 10.—When the inquest over the body of Col. Thomas H. Swope opened at Independence, Mo., today Dr. B. C. Hyde was called to the stand. His attorneys, however, refused to let the physician testify and he was excused for the time. Miss Pearl Keller, the nurse, was then recalled.

At the request of the coroner Miss Keller again detailed that part of her story of yesterday in which she had described the condition of Col. Swope from the time he had taken the capsule handed to her by Dr. Hyde, until he died. Miss Keller described the first convulsion experienced by Col. Swope. Dr. Hektoen also made a verbal report that strychnine had been found in minute quantities in the stomach, and that the examinations are not finished.

Prof. Ludvig Hektoen of Chicago—Dear Doctor: On January 15 you delivered to me for analysis certain portions of the body of Thomas H. Swope. I have given the same a careful scientific examination and in accordance with the latest method. The result of my analysis is that I have found strychnine in the liver of the deceased, Thomas H. Swope, in well marked quantities.

"On January 21 I delivered to Prof. Hektoen a small quantity of strychnine which I had obtained from the laboratory of the University of Chicago. It was of the highest purity and was identical in every respect with the strychnine found in the body of the deceased."—Walter C. Vaughan.

On Doctor's Oath "That is sworn to," said Dr. Hektoen. "Now I will read the affidavit from Dr. Vaughan, Mich., Feb. 4, 1910.—I hereby certify that on Jan. 21 last I received from Prof. Walter H. Haimes 450 grains of liver substance, said to be a part of the liver of the late Thomas H. Swope. I submitted 200 grains of this material to physiological examination and I obtained characteristic and distinctive tests, both chemical and physiological, of the presence of strychnine in this material. In the 200 grains of material submitted for examination I obtained an amount of strychnine which I estimate to be not less than one-sixth of a grain."—Victor C. Vaughan.

TEXAS WOMEN WIN IN RACE TO BECOME CENSUS COUNTERS

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 10.—The ratio of successful applicants for census enumerators in San Antonio and Bexar counties is three women and two men, according to calculations of the local census officials who have begun the examination of "test" papers handed in last Saturday.

JUDGE IS FLYED FOR HIS RECORD IN HIS HOME TOWN

URION BEATEN; ENDS FIGHT ON D. H. PERKINS

Board of Education Loses in Fight on Man Who Built Safe Schools

Attacks upon Dwight H. Perkins, architect of the board of education, with the demand that he resign his position, having proved to be hot coals in the hands of Alfred R. Urion, president of the board; Joseph Downey, chairman of the buildings and grounds committee.

HANBERG'S NAME ON VOUCHER CALLED FALSE

Some One Forged Signature of Public Works Commissioner, Now Asserted

Finding of the name of Commissioner of Public Works John J. Hanberg, written with an indelible pencil and not in that official's handwriting, signed on a voucher for \$34,149.19 in favor of M. H. McGovern and paid on September 9, 1908, as the last payment for the construction work upon section D of the Lawrence avenue sewer, placed an air of mystery around that voucher and brought forth numerous rumors, much discussion and explanation in the city hall and in the Criminal court building today. Mr. Hanberg declared it was all a temper in a teapot.

J. Stanley Webster Charged With Selling Prisoner's Confession for \$800

WAS PROSECUTOR THEN

Case of Feudists Lost in Court Because of Official Betrayal

BULLETIN

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 10.—The trials of Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and C. L. Fillgou, on charges of criminal conspiracy, are expected to come up in the superior court here today. It is thought that they will be tried together before Judge J. Stanley Webster.

Not for His Health

It was said in Washington that Webster went to the Pacific northwest for his health. The people here know differently. He left here because of his loss of professional prestige and public censure. His past here is very interesting.

Is a Young Man

Judge Webster is a young man about 35 years old. He was raised in Cynthiana, Ky. After passing the bar examination he began practicing law in his home town. From the start he began making a record for himself that was judged everywhere as being "crooked."

Confession Sold for \$800

The sale of the Curtis Jett confession to Judge Webster so weakened the prosecution that all of the feudists involved and tried after the confession had been made public were acquitted.

Admitted the Offer

He said that he had been offered \$800 for it by another paper and the Enquirer correspondent wired his headquarters for instructions, securing the information that they did not want to go that high.

HE JUST CAN'T HELP HITTING SOMETHING



THE WOODS ARE SO FULL OF GAME

Victor C. Vaughan a part of the liver, and I inclose herewith an affidavit showing the result of Prof. Vaughan's examination. In about one-seventh of the liver he found not less than one-sixth of a grain of strychnine, from which we may conclude that the entire quantity contained upward of a grain of poison. This amount is a fatal dose. I have repeatedly examined specimens of Frigid Embalming fluid and never have found the faintest trace of strychnine in it.

left for Washington and hasn't been in this part of the country since. This is only one instance of Webster's professional crookedness. Jett is now serving a life sentence in the state penitentiary and claims that he did not get any of the money that Webster secured for the confession, and the latter stated he was to get.

SUBWAY PLAN A HUGE BLUFF?

Plans No Further Advanced Than They Were a Year Ago

His Domestic Life
Webster's domestic life indicates the same unprincipled nature. He brought charges of adultery against his wife in connection with his law partner at that time, Bailey D. Berry. The two chief witnesses in Webster's favor were a man who is not her husband at the present time, and a man by the name of George Kearns, who is known as an irresponsible character.

The situation in the subway problem is just the same as it was a year ago, and it appears that still another year will pass before anything definite will be done, and the work started. In 1908 John Ericson prepared plans for a single deck subway and included with it a scheme for furnishing the necessary funds by the city, thus making it a municipal ownership project. At that time Milton J. Foreman, opponent of municipal ownership, advised against submitting such a scheme, and it has since been kept hidden away from public consideration. Figures and data were included in Mr. Ericson's report and the system appeared entirely practicable. The scheme for the appropriation of traction funds which were intended for the purpose of purchasing and constructing street car lines for the city, is being violently denounced by the advocates of municipal ownership.

Some Jokers Later On
The probability of "jokers" in the municipal ownership law and in the traction settlement ordinance has been broadly hinted at. However, according to Edward F. Dunne, there is no possibility of any such clause. However, the Republican majority in the legislature is strong enough to pass any law that would serve corporation interests.

The recent developments in the subway deal are construed as revealing a scheme for a gigantic steal. The fund to be raised amounts to \$4,000,000, and would prove a rich plum and at the same time deal a staggering blow to municipal ownership, from which it could never recover. Milton Foreman and Traction Counsel Walter L. Fisher are at the head of the scheme to deliver to the traction companies all the rights and the complete control of the future subway.

TEN HOUR LAW NOW AT CRISIS

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quoted approvingly the language of the lower court.

"Surely an act which prevents the mothers of our race from being tempted to endanger their lives and health by exhaustive employment, can be condemned by none save those who expect to be profited by it."

Mr. Harper takes occasion to sneer at the absurdity of some of the statements made by the Ritchie company, asserting: "The bill of complaint in this case makes out a very attractive place for the employment of women, in the box factory of Ritchie & Company, appealing to us in its difficulty of happiness and contentment of the female employe with the further allegation of the bill that it is well-nigh impossible to get women to work in the factory, even after offering inducements in the form of prizes. The situation is rendered all the more puzzling when, upon consulting the last bi-annual report of our State Bureau of Labor Statistics, we find the commission, in reporting on the paper box factories, using this language: 'In the better class of plants, help is readily obtained.'"

2 MEN ARE HURT; STREET FIGHT

Stiletto and Revolvers Play Dramatic Role in West Side Tragedy

One Italian is dying and two others suffering severe injuries today as the result of a fight at Forquer and Jefferson streets. Stiletto and revolvers were used during the encounter, and not until all three combatants, weakened from wounds and loss of blood, sank to the sidewalk from exhaustion did the conflict cease.

TAILORS WIN A GREAT VICTORY

Bosses Who Locked Out Union Men and Women Yield All

After an eleven weeks' struggle the Ladies Tailors' union has won completely in all of its demands against the bosses, the men returning to work this morning with contracts signed up for a period lasting until Sept. 1, 1911.

Every demand made by the men has been granted by the bosses. The employers have agreed to an eight-hour workday, the payment of time and a quarter for overtime, the same wages for the full as for the busy season and the recognition of the union. In case of a disagreement under this contract the matter under dispute is to be taken up for settlement by a member of the union and a representative of the employers. If they cannot agree the matter is to be left to a third party.

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WINTER WHEAT—Steady to 1/2 higher. No. 2 hard, 1.17 1/2; No. 3 hard, 1.15 1/2; No. 4 hard, 1.13 1/2; No. 1 soft, 1.18 1/2; No. 2 soft, 1.16 1/2; No. 3 soft, 1.14 1/2; No. 4 soft, 1.12 1/2; No. 1 white, 1.19 1/2; No. 2 white, 1.17 1/2; No. 3 white, 1.15 1/2; No. 4 white, 1.13 1/2; No. 1 yellow, 1.20 1/2; No. 2 yellow, 1.18 1/2; No. 3 yellow, 1.16 1/2; No. 4 yellow, 1.14 1/2; No. 1 red, 1.21 1/2; No. 2 red, 1.19 1/2; No. 3 red, 1.17 1/2; No. 4 red, 1.15 1/2; No. 1 black, 1.22 1/2; No. 2 black, 1.20 1/2; No. 3 black, 1.18 1/2; No. 4 black, 1.16 1/2.

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BEEF JURY TO INDICT TWO?

The federal grand jury which has been seeking evidence of violations of the Sherman anti-trust act against the Chicago packers has about completed its work so far as local matters are concerned. It is believed the jurors are now considering whether indictments shall be voted.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY

Researches in the Lines of Human Progress from Savagery Through Barbarism to Civilization
Lewis H. Morgan, LL. D., the author of this book, is the one American scientist whose pre-eminence is recognized in all the universities of Europe. He gave a lifetime to original research into the life and customs of barbarous tribes, and from the data thus secured has thrown a flood of light on the early history of our own race.

TO EXPAND THE BOSTON HARBOR

Boston, Mass., Feb. 10.—A plan for Boston harbor improvement which includes a great enlargement of harbor facilities, great railroad terminals on the East Boston flats, with a marginal railroad along the entire East Boston water front, is provided for in a bill introduced in the legislature on behalf of Henry M. Whitney, who characterizes it as practically the only solution of the port problem of Boston. The measure is now before the committee on metropolitan improvements.

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ASK FOR BREAD, GIVEN A STONE; HAVEN OF REST

Municipal Lodging House, Touted by Business Men, Proves Joy to Homeless Men

BY F. S. The city of Chicago has established a municipal lodging house for the benefit of all homeless and indigent men and boys in this city. Lodging, a bath and food are provided, free, for every applicant for one night and longer if he is honestly seeking employment.

The above names are enough to stamp the words with the seal of hypocrisy. John V. Farwell, Jr., is now head of John V. Farwell and company, the great wholesale house, which buys vast quantities of clothing from the reeking sweatshops.

Shedd as a Business Man appreciates the value of sub-sidewalk space, stolen from the city, understands that when women are paid less than a living wage they are apt, under the influence of wine and a gentleman friend, to stray from the straight and narrow path and perhaps get into court and there tell of the less than living wage which Marshall Field and company pays to women.

Ask for Bread, Receive a Stone This is not, however, the story of Shedd, but of the Municipal Lodging House, which is so feelingly recommended by Shedd and his confederates.

The Third Degree Superintendent Charles F. Rogers: "What is your name?" "Bob Flannigan," was the reply. Rogers: "Why do you come here without money?" There was no answer.

Rogers: "Where do you come from?" "New York," was the answer. Rogers: "You better get back there or 'k."

Rogers: To John Miller: "You say your wife left you. What's the matter with your wife? You look bad to me." Rogers: To Mike Kelley: "Where are you going this morning?" Kelley: "To the powder mill."

Charity Toward All Rogers: To John Krehl: "Are you married?"

THE BUYERS' NEWS ARE YOU A SOCIALIST IN NAME ONLY?

Comrades, we might as well face the music. In the great struggle for a cause, many of us have wearied and now lie by the road side yelling SOCIALISM with all our lungs. Those of the Socialists who are still full of energy hear these yells and witness the hulks that lie by the road side as they pass speeding on, and they scowl. They grow disgusted.

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RAILROADS AID UNCLE JOE AND HIS HENCHMEN

Southern Pacific R. R. Ready to Attack Hayes of California for 'Insurgency' Washington, D. C., Feb. 10.—Insurgent Republicans are in danger of losing all hopes of re-election because of the hostile attitude of the railroads, which are co-operating with Speaker Cannon.

Will Defeat Him It seems likely that his influence will secure him the renomination, but if the Cannon Republicans are bent on his defeat, it will be a simple matter for them to split and allow a Democratic victory, rather than the re-election of an "insurgent" Republican.

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BERLIN TO AID JOBLESS MEN

Example of Ghent Is Being Followed in Many German Cities Berlin, Feb. 10.—The movement for the financial support of the unemployed is rapidly spreading. The latest reports from Charlottenburg, Germany, and Zurich, Switzerland, yield the information that the city and canton governments are debating measures of relief.

Socialists Are Active In Charlottenburg the tireless efforts of the Social-Democratic representatives have finally led to results, and effective developments are expected in the near future. It has hitherto been contended that public funds could not be used for such a purpose, but now it is evident that such a stand can no longer be maintained.

It is suggested that since the labor organizations have been the only successful exponents of the measures for the relief of the involuntarily unemployed, that they be given the leadership in the movement that has become official in character. It is a difficult matter to eliminate political considerations and the Ghent system has been opposed on the ground that it will strengthen Social-Democracy.

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posal that the interstate commerce commission have the initiative in the fixing of rates. The 200 railway men and traffic managers assembled in the big banquet hall at the La Salle hotel applauded heartily when the speaker's insurgency seethed out in patriotic generalities, but when the general principles were applied to legislation existing and proposed they recognized the climax only by the most decorous applause, and when the senator lauded Theodore Roosevelt as deserving the credit for the Hepburn bill they simply heard him.

SCABS BALK AT HEARST MINE

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.) Lead, S. D., Feb. 10.—About fifteen men are being imported daily to take the places of the locked out members of the Western Federation of Miners at the Homestake mines. More than half of these, however, desert soon after they arrive. Not more than 400 men are at work in the mines here where 2,500 were employed before the lockout.

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The Loewe Hat Case

One by one the weapons with which organized labor fights are being taken away by the courts. One of the most effective of these weapons has been the boycott. It is one of the oldest methods of fighting. It is the one first relied upon by any oppressed class. It is practically the weapon of the nonresistant. It is the weapon furthest removed from violence. It consists only in letting your opponent alone and in persuading as many other people as possible to let him alone.

If the employers are so proud of operating a nonunion shop they ought not to complain when the unions advise the fact that union men are debarred from a certain industry. The workers have little enough to purchase with. They should certainly be permitted to consult among themselves as to how that little should be spent.

That is what the haters thought. They tried to get the firm of Loewe & Co. to unionize its plant. When this was refused the haters notified their fellow workers throughout the country and advised them to buy their hats of some other firm. For committing this horrible crime the officers of the union have been haled into court, charged with violating the Sherman anti-trust law. To be sure, the oil, steel, beef, harvester and all the other trusts were actively engaged in violating this same law, and also in blacklisting union workers. They were not prosecuted. If they were troubled by some officious official, the Supreme court promptly reversed any annoying decision.

Not so with the haters. They were given the "exemplary fine." The little property of their members has been tied up with writs ever since the suit began. Their homes will now be attached and sold and their little savings confiscated.

Thus will the majesty of the law be vindicated. The Chicago Federation of Labor has decided to assist the haters in their fight. This is good. It is good to give them sympathy. It is better to give them funds. But both of these methods will have little effect in stopping similar suits in the future.

The Chicago Federation of Labor claims to be very much aroused at this decision. It should be. There will soon be an opportunity to test whether that indignation is more than skin deep.

The capitalists will be watching that test. So will the workers throughout the country.

The test will be the coming municipal election. If the members of the unions represented in the Chicago Federation of Labor go to the polls and vote for the parties that stand for this decision, then the employers will know that the union men of Chicago were only joking when they said they were indignant at the Loewe decision.

So long as union men vote the Democratic or Republican ticket, or the ticket of any other party that sustains the system of private property and profits, then the employers will know that they are safe in continuing to use the courts in the most remorseless manner.

On the other hand, if the union men of Chicago roll up a largely increased Socialist vote, the employers will know that the union is in earnest and that it is time to call a halt.

That Subway Scheme

A few months ago a commission drew up plans for a subway for Chicago. These plans were said to have cost \$80,000. They were very pretty plans and were printed by a scab printing company.

At the time these plans were printed the Daily Socialist published the story that City Engineer Ericson had prepared an addition to them explaining how the subway could be constructed and operated and owned by the municipality, and that this portion of the report had been suppressed. Alderman Foreman promptly declared that this statement was a lie, and very emphatically announced that no such plan had ever been prepared. A little later Alderman Foreman admitted that such a report had been prepared by Ericson and had been suppressed at his (Foreman's) order.

About the same time the George W. Jackson company, commonly reputed to be a Standard Oil concern, secured a patent on a subway. Most people would think that a subway would be about as much subject to a patent as a turnpike road, but the ways of patent offices and Standard Oil influences are dark and devious.

Now we are told that this subway is about to be built out of the money which the city has been receiving from the street car companies. This is the money which we were assured at the time the franchise was adopted was to remain inviolate for the purpose of purchasing the car lines.

Now Bion J. Arnold, who is already drawing several salaries in connection with the traction situation, the total of which is somewhere in the neighborhood of thirty thousand dollars, is drawing up some more plans, for which he will probably receive another salary or two.

So much for the tangled web of subway affairs up to the present time. These things are not wholly clear to the ordinary citizen, but he may safely figure that if the present gang remain in control of the city of Chicago until the subway is constructed, or if they are substituted by some of the various "reform" bunches that are now clustering around Walter Fisher (the original traction "expert" and high-salary grabber), then that subway will be built by the George W. Jackson company, paid for by the city, and will belong to the Standard Oil interests when it is finished.

Make That Ball a Great Success

There is no reason why that masked ball next Saturday evening should not be something extraordinary in the history of Socialist social affairs. Three thousand members of the Socialist party in Cook county, each representing a family of an average of five persons, makes fifteen thousand to start with. Leave off five thousand to account for the poor, the lame, the halt, the sick and the blind (no other excuses will go), and we have ten thousand without going outside party ranks.

But each party member can sell at least ten tickets. That would mean twenty or thirty thousand, and—but what is the use of figuring? That Seventh Regiment Army can be packed until the doors are ready to burst. We can make enough money to lift the Daily Socialist out of its present troubles—and it is having troubles, even if it is not saying so much about them—and supply a campaign fund that will set the town boiling this spring. At the same time every person going will get far more than the value of his money in enjoyment.

In the meantime, see that every acquaintance of yours has a ticket.

INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY

BY ROBERT HUNTER

The most stupendous proletarian battle ever fought in modern industrial warfare was the recent general strike in Sweden.

There are many lessons to be gleaned by all Socialists from a study of that great struggle.

We have heard a great deal of talk about the certain success of the well managed general strike.

After the first general strike in Russia the whole international movement was aflame.

The anarcho-Socialists had their innings and made the most of it.

A great discussion took place at Mannheim on the subject of the general strike. In France syndicalists saw in the Russian strike conclusive evidence that they were right.

The Swedish strike was a terrible, long drawn-out struggle, well managed, loyally supported by the workers, and yet it won a questionable victory.

In addition to the sobering of our own thought by the knowledge and experience gained in this great strike, there is still a further lesson.

The Swedish strike tested the character of international solidarity. It tested the sincerity, the strength and the loyalty of the workers of the various countries.

The following figures show in crowns the amount of money contributed by the labor movement of the various countries toward the support of the Swedish strike:

Germany 1,030,288.71
Denmark 423,227.71
Norway 248,423.71
United States 107,253.82

Table with 2 columns: Country and Amount. Austria: 50,063.24; Finland: 29,194.56; England: 35,778.62; Switzerland: 20,684.96; Holland: 7,011.11; France: 5,442.19; Belgium: 4,542.49; Canada: 1,289.19; Spain: 796.55; Italy: 772.90; Russia: 776.70; Rumania: 719.20; Bulgaria: 189.94; Panama: 40.90; Unknown: 74.90

A study of that table is sufficient to silence many men who speak in such glowing terms of the French syndicalist movement.

The syndicalists have been the foremost advocates of the general strike. They have been the loudest in their support of anti-patriotism.

They have spent much time and energy in denouncing "conservative Socialist" trade unions.

Syndicalism has made no progress outside of the Latin countries of France and Italy. Observe then what little Denmark and Norway have done to support the Swedes and what France and Italy have done.

Compare the action of little Switzerland with the two great countries, France and Italy. Compare Belgium and the support of that poor country with its handful of workers to France and Italy with their millions of toilers.

What has become of the pretensions and the claims of this great movement that advocates the general strike and that sneers at the organized labor movements of other countries? What do we see at the showdown? What is its fruit?

Here the "revolutionary" unionism of France done so well and proved itself their innocence, their tender beauty, their ephemeral gaiety.

Because of this, says Miss Addams, we have the cheap dance halls and places where cheap liquor is sold and the demoralizing picture shows.

The American city has turned over its provisions for public recreation to the most evil minded and unscrupulous members of the community. And her conclusion is that it is the city's neglect that drives the young people in search of innocent amusement into places where they are exposed to influences and temptations which make for their ruin.

Instead of refusing to marry these men which he had put the ban, were it not better if he would ascertain why this or that couple are not enjoying this income, and having found the reason, help to destroy it? And make it possible for them to have and to hold this annual sum?

How does he know that this amount is just what will be needed? There are some of us who could get along on this and there are others of us who could not. There are times in my life when it seems that five times the amount will not even half pay my expenses and there are times when I can manage on so little money that I am actually ashamed to mention it.

Just think how many designing ladies would marry poor unsuspecting laddies, who have this income, and if reverses should come, milady would leave her spouse, giving as her excuse that his income is a continual outpour, and she cannot get along with anything less than \$2,000 a year.

In all faith (?) call on this gentleman in Pittsburgh, and he, mere man, would have to let her know that since she has so foolishly committed herself.

Of course, he would try to hold her to her vows by that "for better or for worse" part of the line of march; still, the way things are, in the present state of society, that does not count for much, and all the lady in question would have to do is, secure her divorce and march off to hook the other fellow with the income.

Either, the man is a fool or he is looking for notoriety, and, take it either way, if he ever gets to realize the monstrosity of his folly, he will, voluntarily, go into hiding for ten years.

YOUTH IN THE CITY

Jane Addams, in her collection of papers just published under the title "The Spirit of Youth and the City Streets," says that every generation depends upon its youth to equip it with gaiety and enthusiasm, and reassure it as to the value and charm of life.

She points out that in ancient cities the theater and stadium were built as soon as market place and temple were built, that in the medieval cities the tournaments, the pageants and the church festivals and processions were for the joy of the people.

"Only in the modern city have men concluded that it is not longer necessary for men to provide for the insatiable demand for play. In so far as they have acted upon this conclusion they have entered upon a most difficult and dangerous experiment; and this at a moment when the city has become distinctly industrial and daily labor is continually more monotonous and subdivided.

We forget how new the modern city is and how short the space of time in which we have assumed we can eliminate public provision for recreation.

"This industrialism has gathered together multitudes of eager young creatures from all quarters of the earth as a labor supply for the factories and workshops upon which the present industrial city is based. Never before in civilization have such numbers of young girls been suddenly released from the protection of the home and permitted to walk unattended upon city streets, and to work under alien roofs; for the first time they are being prized for their labor power than for their innocence, their tender beauty, their ephemeral gaiety.

They are more and more attracted and resort to all sorts of restrictive measures. We even try to dam up the sweet fountain itself because we are afflicted by those neglected streams, but almost worse than the restrictive measures is our apparent belief that the city itself has no obligation upon which the modern city turns over to commercialism practically all the provisions for public recreation.

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On the Firing Line

BY MONOSABIO

I love to ask questions; they go to the heart of things.

What to eat—whatever the trusts decree is food for their pocketbooks.

Under capitalism even the manufacture of shoddy has become an open and respectable business.

Make your brother live in a sub-cellar, or in a hole in the wall, and then blame him for it. This, too, is capitalism.

While most of our capitalist accusers are paying alimony and hush money, they never fail to raise the cry that Socialism would break up the home.

The fact that the American Bankers' Association has decided to spend a million dollars in fighting the proposed government savings banks is the strongest argument for such banks.

Andy Carnegie is an advocate of peace. He was for peace also—at Homestead, when he shot and killed the poor, helpless wage-slaves who had dared to protest against his tyranny.

And so the beef trust is going to teach the people a lesson for daring to complain of the skyrocketing of meat? Good! We all deserve it. Perhaps it will at last arouse a few sparks of manhood that may be left lying around in our anatomy.

I believe it would be a good idea for the Socialist press to publish a standing list of "enemies of the people," in a department called "The Pillory." Put the choicest villains at the top, with a line or two giving their claims to special distinction. But, as in the matter of jails, the question would arise, Where shall we find space to print all the names?

I was surprised to find the February number of Human Life painted red—in dishonor of Jean Jaures, whom Vance Thompson accuses of being a "demagogue," who "uses the poor man's belly as a drum" with which to drum up wealth for himself. It is not a beautiful picture which this journalist of fortune draws of the foremost Socialist of France. It would not have been published, however, if it had been drawn otherwise, and Mr. Thompson is not at all averse to drumming upon a few bellies himself in order to get money. He is an old hand at it.

LIBERAL SNOBS AGAIN!

"One law for the rich, another law for the poor," has been once more brought out by the case of Lady Constance Lytton and Miss Jane Warton. And by a clever and brave stratagem the utter snobbishness of the home secretary has been exposed. In October last Lady Constance Lytton was sent to prison in connection with a woman suffrage disturbance in Newcastle. After fifty-six hours' hunger strike she was released by order of the home secretary, while other woman suffrage prisoners were detained and forcibly fed. Was this due to her exalted rank? Oh, no! Mr. Gladstone wrote a special letter to the papers to deny the imputation—"the statement that Lady Constance Lytton's release had anything to do with her rank or social position is a willful and deliberate misrepresentation." She was released solely because she was suffering from serious heart disease.

On Saturday week Jane Warton was sent to prison in connection with another suffrage disturbance in Liverpool. No specialist card down to see her. Her heart was examined. She was forcibly fed and subjected to the roughest usage. Was it because she was a working woman? Of course not! It was because she was a fit subject for this operation. But on Saturday last it was discovered that Lady Constance Lytton and Miss Jane Warton were one and the same person, and then an immediate order was sent for her release—London Justice.

A WOMAN SEEKS A PLACE ON THE BENCH
Mme. Grunberg, a young woman lawyer of Paris, has stirred up a great commotion in legal circles in the French capital by putting herself forward as a candidate for a vacant position as magistrate. She challenges her opponents to cite any article in the code that prohibits a woman from serving on the bench, and, carrying the matter into the enemy's country, quotes the case of another woman lawyer who recently, in the unavoidable absence of the presiding magistrate, was summoned to take a place on the bench in order that the work of the court might not be interrupted. If women can serve temporarily, Mme. Grunberg asks, why are they not eligible for permanent appointment to the bench?

CUBIC EXISTENCE

There has been too little reflection on the future which the aeroplane has made possible. We refuse to think how vast a new world will be opened when aerial travel becomes common; how vast must be the changes which it will introduce in our habits, ideas and institutions. When a man becomes an instant of a bird, and, carrying the air of his body, widens and enriches beyond all present conception—life will be a cube where it is now a square. Imagination seems too faint-hearted to allow itself to contemplate the time in which the abode of man shall not be alone the surface of the earth. Yet that time is at hand. Exchange.

Kautsky, writing in the "Humilité," gives some truly awful details about the treatment of Russian prisoners. At Orei, in central Russia, the prisoners are never allowed to speak, if they do they are tortured. They are always beaten on their arrival in prison, after being stripped and searched; and if anyone protests he is thrown to the ground, kicked and beaten with gutters-percha till he loses consciousness, when cold water is thrown over him and he is taken to the infirmary.

THE DOORS OF CONGRESS

More than two months have passed since the present session of congress convened, and not a single piece of important legislation has been passed.

PARAGRAPHS FOR PEOPLE

The workingman who would leave a union because the union cannot provide him with a job, joined that union for the purposes that ignore the mission of unionism.

OPEN FORUM

Why Prices Have Been Excessive
"The undertaking business—for business it is—is overdone. There are too many funeral directors. This great duplication of concerns and employes is wasteful and against economic principles. High prices are the result.

THE COLOR OF WATER

The waters of the seas, lakes, rivers and streams in general are very often colored. For instance, the water of the Mediterranean sea is not colorless, but green-blue; also there is a brilliant red river in South America. The St. Lawrence, in Canada, is pale green, and the Ottawa golden brown; where these two rivers meet quite frequently whole broad patches remain unmixd.

LOOKOUT AT LEAD

The conduct of the locked out men at Lead, South Dakota, has certainly challenged the admiration of all right thinking people. Deprived of the means of life without cause, with starvation of families staring them in the face, they have been quiet, peaceable and even cheerful. The Homestake management has used every means in its power to incite them to violence.