

COAL KINGS TO EXTORT PROFIT FROM PUBLIC THROUGH BIG STRIKE

Prices Are to be Raised and Strikers Fought; Workers Will Suffer; Laws Opposed

The members of the Illinois Coal Operators' Association determined at their meeting not only to continue the fight against the Illinois miners, but to make the public stand the expense of the strike and pay a big profit to the operators, through famine prices for coal during the winter. Under the plan that the railroads will confiscate coal in transit for their own use, the mine owners will raise prices and try to make the public believe that the miners are to blame for the increased cost.

Hold War Council
Another meeting of the coal bosses was held yesterday to determine the means for fighting the miners and a long court battle is expected, in which the operators will attack the constitutionality of the shot-firers' law and the statute which requires that men who mine coal in the state of Illinois shall pass an examination as to their fitness before being allowed to mine coal.

Determined to Fight
The operators are standing pat. The Illinois miners threw us down and now we will throw them down." Other employers admitted that the fight against the miners will be pushed. The Illinois strike, it is said, has cut the

HEIR TO WEALTH IN CELL AS "VAG"

WISCONSIN MAN QUITS POLICE STATION TO CLAIM ESTATE

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 24.—After spending the night in a police station here because he did not have money enough to pay for lodging in a hotel, Carl Fehner of Sheboygan, Wis., who claims that he is heir to an estate of his sister valued at \$200,000, took steps today to engage an attorney in an attempt to collect the claim.

Fehner carries a copy of the will with him, and because he does not speak English, the police aided him in engaging an attorney. His sister was Laura White, who was found dead in Lawrenceville, near here, in January.

Besides valuable property here, the woman also owned a ranch in California, besides property in Los Angeles, San Diego and Lucaden Park, Cal., it is said.

COPPER KING FACES SUIT BY A DIVORCEE

**MRS. LILLIAN HOBART FRENCH
THREATENS MORGANATE**

New York, Aug. 24.—The proverbial fury of the woman scorned is evidenced again today in the declaration of Mrs. Lillian Hobart French, a beautiful divorcee from Butte, Mont., that she will get the law on Fritz Augustus Helme if the copper magnate weds Miss Bernice Golden Henderson, an actress.

Mrs. French lives in a luxurious apartment in Riverside Drive and says she has been an intimate friend of Helme since she was divorced twelve years ago.

Mrs. French says Helme offered her a pension of \$150 a month, but that she has spurned the suggestion.

A year ago Mrs. French came into some notoriety as the associate of Mme. Diss de Bar, when the "Institute" of the notorious psychic was raided.

Has Common Fund
"Each of these pools," said Congressman Humphrey, "places a portion of its earnings in a common fund, and that fund is then divided among the different lines according to the basis previously agreed on by conference at Jena. This, regardless of the earnings of the different lines. At the head of these united pools is Herr Ballin. This one man virtually exercises dictatorship over the commerce of the entire world."

Has No Power?
"It seems to me that these companies are within the jurisdiction of our courts. However, up to this time, the interstate commerce commission has ruled that it has no authority to prohibit these practices."

The congressmen also attacked ex-Senator Spooner, at one time the administration spokesman in the Senate. "It might be worthy of recollection," said Representative Humphrey, "that John C. Spooner (now counsel for the world-embracing monopoly), before he resigned, strenuously opposed the merchant marine bill which, had it passed, would have put a decided check on the operations of this trust. Further, it is interesting to note that Mr. Spooner took the membership for his present employment as counsel for the trust."

Los Angeles Labor Pleads for Aid in Great Struggle

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., JULY 30, 1910.

TO ORGANIZED LABOR—
GREETING: A BATTLE TO THE DEATH IS NOW ON IN LOS ANGELES, CAL., BETWEEN ORGANIZED LABOR AND THE MERCHANTS' AND MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION. THE BATTLE IS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE. A VICTORY FOR ORGANIZED LABOR WILL FREE THOUSANDS OF WORKMEN IN LOS ANGELES FROM A SYSTEM OF CHATTEL SLAVERY THAT IS A DISGRACE TO OUR AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS AND A MENACE TO YOU. IT WILL ENTRENCH OUR MOVEMENT ON THE PACIFIC COAST AND WILL MAKE THE POSITION OF OUR FORCES IN SAN FRANCISCO IMPREGNABLE.

OUR BROTHERS IN LOS ANGELES ARE ONLY THE ADVANCE GUARD. THE BATTLE IS NOT THEIRS ALONE; IT IS THE CONCERN OF THE LABOR MOVEMENT OF THE ENTIRE COUNTRY, AND OUR UNITED EFFORT MUST BE USED IN SUPPORTING THEM IN AN ENGAGEMENT WHICH MUST BE WON IN ORDER THAT THE GREAT LABOR MOVEMENT MAY BE PRESERVED.

THE FORCES OF ORGANIZED CAPITAL HAVE BEEN AND ARE NOW AT THE COMMAND OF THE MERCHANTS' AND MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES. THEY ARE BOASTING LOUDLY THAT THEY WILL DESTROY THE UNIONS, ROOT AND BRANCH, AND THEY WILL MAKE GOOD THEIR THREAT UNLESS ORGANIZED LABOR HASTENS TO THE SUPPORT OF THE MEN WHO ARE NOW FIGHTING IN LOS ANGELES.

THE BATTLE FOR SUPREMACY WAS BEGUN ON JUNE 1, WHEN THE MERCHANTS' AND MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION THREW DOWN THE GAUGE OF WAR BY DARING THE MEN TO FIGHT FOR THEIR RIGHTS. THE BREWERY WORKERS, BOTTLEERS AND DRIVERS WERE THE FIRST TO MEET THEM, AND ON MAY 19, ON BEING NOTIFIED THAT THEIR VERY REASONABLE DEMANDS WOULD NOT BE GRANTED, THEY STRUCK. IMMEDIATELY THIS ASSOCIATION OF UNION-BUSTERS INDUCED THE BREWERY PROPRIETORS TO DECLARE "OPEN SHOP" AGAINST THE BREWERY WORKERS, BOTTLEERS AND DRIVERS.

NOT ONLY DID THIS ASSOCIATION SHOW ITS SLIMY HAND IN THE BREWERS' FIGHT, BUT REPEATED REQUESTS ON THE PART OF THE IRON TRADES COUNCIL FOR A CONFERENCE AT WHICH CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE EMPLOYMENT OF ITS MEMBERS MIGHT BE DISCUSSED HAD BEEN IGNORED, AND THE UNIONISTS WERE FINALLY INFORMED THAT THEIR REQUEST FOR A CONFERENCE "HAD BEEN THROWN IN THE WASTE BASKET." THIS LAST INSULT WAS BEYOND HUMAN ENDURANCE AND 1,200 METAL TRADES MECHANICS THREW DOWN THEIR TOOLS AND WALKED OUT OF THE SHOPS. SO GRIEVOUS WERE THE BONDS AFFLICTING THE WORKMEN THAT UNION AND NON-UNION MEN ALIKE WALKED OUT SIDE BY SIDE, AND THEY ARE STANDING SHOULDERS TO SHOULDERS TODAY, FIGHTING THE ENTRENCHED ENEMY OF ORGANIZED LABOR, THE MERCHANTS' AND MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES.

NON-UNION MEN WHEN THEY WALKED OUT OF THE SHOPS, THEY ARE NOW MEMBERS OF THE UNION, BUT NON-BENEFICIARY ON ACCOUNT OF THE LAWS OF THE UNION THAT REQUIRE AT LEAST THREE MONTHS' MEMBERSHIP BEFORE STRIKE BENEFITS CAN BE PAID. THESE NON-BENEFICIARY MEMBERS NUMBER THREE-FOURTHS OF THE MEN NOW ON STRIKE. UNION MEN AT HEART, THEY HAD BEEN UNABLE TO JOIN A UNION ON ACCOUNT OF THE SLAVISH CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY THE LABOR-CRUSHING AGGREGATION OF LOS ANGELES, BUT WHEN THE OPPORTUNITY ARRIVED THEY LINED UP WITH THE FEW UNION MEN AND THEY ARE FIGHTING YOUR BATTLES AS WELL AS THEIR OWN.

SAN FRANCISCO AND CALIFORNIA UNIONS ARE SENDING BETWEEN SIX AND SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS A WEEK INTO LOS ANGELES. THE CALIFORNIA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR, CALIFORNIA STATE BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL, SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL AND SAN FRANCISCO LABOR COUNCIL HAVE ASSESSED THEMSELVES TO WIN THIS FIGHT. NEARLY FOUR THOUSAND MEN ARE INVOLVED, WITH MORE COMING OUT EVERY DAY. SURELY WE CAN ASK YOU TO SEND SOMETHING TO ASSIST IN THIS STRUGGLE.

THE MEN OF LOS ANGELES WILL FIGHT THE BATTLE—YOURS AND THEIRS. THE UNIONISTS OF THE COUNTRY MUST PROVIDE THE AMMUNITION. WE WILL KEEP UP THE BATTLE UNTIL GENERAL OTIS AND HIS UNFAIR "LOS ANGELES TIMES" ARE FORCED TO CONCEDE THE RIGHT OF MEN AND WOMEN TO ORGANIZE.

A PROMPT RESPONSE TO THIS ASSESSMENT WILL CONFINE THE BATTLE TO LOS ANGELES. IF YOU FAIL TO RESPOND WE WILL HAVE TO FIGHT THE BATTLE IN SAN FRANCISCO. IF YOU FURNISH THE AMMUNITION PROMPTLY A VICTORY FOR LABOR IS SURE.

THERE MUST NOT BE A SINGLE LAGGARD IN THIS FIGHT. THE SAN FRANCISCO LABOR COUNCIL HOPES EVERY UNION MAN WILL DO HIS DUTY.

WE ASK YOU TO HELP, AND WE TRUST YOU WILL DONATE SOMETHING TO THIS CAUSE. SEND WHAT YOU CAN; IF YOU ARE ABLE TO MAKE A WEEKLY OR MONTHLY DONATION, SO MUCH THE BETTER. OUR COMMITTEE EXPECTS THIS FIGHT TO COST ABOUT \$200,000. WE HAVE SENT NEARLY \$50,000 TO LOS ANGELES FROM SAN FRANCISCO. NINETEEN SHOPS HAVE UNIONIZED SINCE WE STARTED. HELP US IN THE GOOD WORK.

P. S.—SEND ALL CHECKS OR MONEY ORDERS TO ANDREW J. GALLAGHER, 318 FOURTEENTH STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. FRATELLERNALLY YOURS,

ANDREW J. GALLAGHER,
SECRETARY-TREASURER GENERAL CAMPAIGN STRIKE
COMMITTEE FOR THE UNIONIZING OF LOS ANGELES.

O. A. TVEITMOE, PRESIDENT.

INDOSED BY CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF LABOR, CALIFORNIA STATE BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL, SAN FRANCISCO LABOR COUNCIL AND SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL.

The above communication was sent to the Chicago Federation of Labor and read before its meeting last Sunday. By motion, it was ordered that it be printed in the Chicago Daily Socialist, and a copy sent to the secretary of every union affiliated with the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Every union secretary should consider the above as a communication to the union and read it before the body, and try if possible to provide ways and means to help the brothers who are fighting so valiantly on the western coast.

WEATHER INDICATIONS

The official weather forecast for the thirty-six hours ending tomorrow at 7 p. m. is as follows:

Chicago and Vicinity—Cloudy and cooler; probably with a local shower tonight or Thursday; moderate, southerly winds, becoming northerly and westerly and increasing.

Illinois—Unsettled, probably with showers tonight or Thursday; cooler Thursday and in extreme north portion tonight.

Indiana—Showers tonight or Thursday; cooler Thursday and in northwest portion tonight.

Missouri—Partly cloudy, probably with showers tonight or Thursday; cooler Thursday and in west portion tonight.

Lower Michigan—Unsettled weather, with showers tonight or Thursday; cooler Thursday and in west and north portions tonight.

Upper Michigan—Unsettled weather, probably with showers tonight or Thursday; cooler.

Wisconsin—Cloudy, probably with showers tonight or Thursday; cooler.

League.

TRIAL WILL SHOW HOW DETECTIVE AGENCY PAID FOR SLUGGING UNION MEN

JURY IN HALF HOUR FREE
GIRL WHO SHOT BETRAVER

New Orleans, La., Aug. 24.—Mamie McLaughlin, charged with the murder of Hugh Smith, whom she killed because he failed to marry her, she alleged, was acquitted by the jury yesterday after half an hour. Alice Blake, Smith's fiancée, who was with him at the time of the tragedy, was the chief witness against the accused.

Chicago Federation of Labor Will Push Charges Against Hirelings of Taxicab Companies

Union Card Angers Bosses Who Hire Sluggers



At the Maxwell street station further sensational details will be given today in the attack by the Chicago Federation of Labor against the Interstate Detective Agency, charged with paying sluggers \$1 for each assault on striking union chauffeurs. Attorney Daniel L. Cruise is in the case as a special prosecutor.

"Our turn has come at last, and we are taking advantage of it. Fifteen or more of our men have been sent to the hospital during the five months we have been on strike. They all were the victims of sluggers hired by the Employers' Association. We could not lay our hands on the sluggers for a long time, but now we have them, and they will get theirs if there is any law left in this city."

E. N. Nockels, secretary of the Chicago Federation of Labor, hit his chief with his first as he made the above declaration about the slugging of union chauffeurs by the Interstate Detective Agency, officials of which are now being prosecuted by the Chicago Federation of Labor. In reviewing the hardships that the chauffeurs' organization has to contend with during the last five months, Nockels said:

Employers Desperate
"About two months after our men were ordered to walk out the Employers' Association realized that we meant business. The men could not go back to work at anything short of the union demands. Therefore the employers had to adopt new tactics. What these were we soon found out, when broken and man came in with his head after and

face banged up. This was kept up for a long time, and it was done very skillfully, for we could get no trace of the sluggers.

Secret Comes Out
"All things have an end, however, and one day one of our men came in with a story of how a stranger had hired his car, and then introduced himself as a driver. This stranger told the chauffeur that he had been ordered to slug him and that for doing so he was to get \$7 a day. The stranger then told the chauffeur that he was a union man himself and had no intention of slugging his union brothers, but that he needed the money. Both the stranger and our men then plattered up their faces.

"Wade Haskins, the chauffeur I am speaking of, told me of his adventure and said he had arranged a meeting place with Henry J. Hunt, the stranger. The same day August Schroeder, another chauffeur, told me of a similar experience. I determined to meet Hunt and settle matters once for all. For I saw a chance to get at the bottom of the slugging affair.

"The chauffeur was first approached by Hunt about July 24, and two days later Hunt walked into my office. We had a long talk, during which he told me he was a union member and showed me a paid-up card. Hunt lives at 1023 Wabash avenue. He had been working at the Coliseum for some time, but was watching help wanted ads continually, waiting on getting something better. One day he noticed an ad stating that a good, easy job and fine pay might be secured with a responsible concern. He

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TUTHILL TODAY ATTACKS WOMEN

**Jurist Who Granted 10-Hour
Writ Enjoins Union
Waitresses**

**INJUNCTION SWEEPING
Judge Lends Ear to Law-
yer Once Indicted on
Perjury Charge**

Judge Richard S. Tuthill, chancellor of the Circuit Court, who issued the notorious injunction against the woman's ten-hour law, came into the public limelight yesterday by issuing an injunction against the Waitresses' union, which is involved in a strike against Mrs. Theresa Mahler, a restaurant keeper at 275 La Salle street.

The injunction of Judge Tuthill against the woman's ten-hour law, it will be recalled, was reversed by the Supreme Court of Illinois.

The injunction, which was asked for in behalf of Mrs. Mahler by Robert E. Cantwell, a lawyer who was once indicted for subornation of perjury, is sweeping in its terms, restraining the strikers as well as all other members of the union from picketing around the restaurant, from approaching employees, from visiting the homes of girls employed by Mrs. Mahler and from any other acts.

The Waitresses' union was not represented at the court when the injunction was applied for. Although the writ was issued late Tuesday, the defendants have not been notified of it officially even in the forenoon today. Miss Anna Willard is made one of the defendants.

Calls Agreement Illegal
In her bill of complaint Mrs. Mahler charges, in the language of her versatile attorney, that the agreement between her and the Waitresses' union is illegal and void because the agreement calls for a closed shop, and a closed shop, she declares, is against public policy in the state of Illinois.

She also charges that during the past few years there have been many strikes in the city and that as a result there have been many numerous and certain assaults committed by the strikers and their associates.

The effect of such successive strikes that is called in the various business enterprises, she further complains, has tended in each successive strike to injure the public interest.

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BOARD IGNORES PUPILS' NEEDS

Action toward the institution of penny lunches in the public schools of the city, despite strong agitation on the part of citizens interested in seeing poor pupils properly fed in school hours, has again been deferred by the board of education.

Mrs. Ella Piagg Young, superintendent of schools, stated that she knew nothing of the matter and that so far as she knew there are no arrangements under way with this end in view.

**GRAFT CHARGES SEND
EAGLES' BIG CONVENTION**

(By United Press Associations.)
St. Louis, Aug. 24.—After an all night session, lasting until daybreak, the hearing of the graft charges against four prominent members of the fraternal order of Eagles was resumed at 10 o'clock today by the special trial committee. The trial is expected to consume the greater part of today's session.

The men on trial are Grant Krause, past grand worthy president, Wilmington, Del.; Martin Gray, New Haven, Conn.; Thomas C. Hays, Newark, N. J.; B. F. Monaghan of Philadelphia.

The men are accused of participating in a scheme by which \$2,200 was divided among them as the proceeds of the sale of receipt punch machines to local lodges. John Dodsworth of Leavenworth, Kan., representing the company which supplied the machines, is the chief witness for the prosecution, although the charges were originally formulated several months ago by Theodore A. Bell of California.

Friends of the accused men deny that they have been guilty of grafting and say the investigation will result in vindicating them.

**CHIEF COMPELS VOLKSBUCHEN
TO SUBMIT PLAYS TO CENSOR**

Berlin, Germany, Aug. 24.—Von Jagow, the Berlin chief of police, has issued orders that in future the plays that are performed in the People's Theater, the "Folk Volksbuehne," must now pass through the censor's hands. Hitherto this theater had enjoyed immunity from police interference, and has been quite free in the choice of the plays to be performed.

SHIP TRUST CIRCLES GLOBE; GERMAN AT HEAD

New York, Aug. 24.—A world-wide steamship trust that levies a tribute of hundreds of millions yearly on the United States and grants big privileges to the Standard Oil company, the Steel Trust and the harvester combine was exposed by Representative William E. Humphrey of Washington today. Ex-United States Senator John C. Spooner is chief of a swarm of attorneys who handle the ticklish legal business of the mammoth monopoly. The headquarters of the giant trust is at Jena, Germany.

The trust is of such a sort as to be proof against low tariff or free trade and other Democratic cure-alls.

Rates Are Fixed
Mr. Humphrey said: "At Jena the rates of both passenger and freight traffic all over the world are agreed on; here the various plans for the conduct of the big steamship companies are made, and here each month the representatives of the big English continental and Mediterranean pools meet and divide the spoils—tribute levied on the American shippers."

The trans-Atlantic trade of the United States, according to Congressman Humphrey, is divided into the British, continental and Mediterranean pools. There are seven companies in the British pool, the Canadian line being the largest, twelve in the continental

CONDENSED NEWS

LOCAL

FIRE WRECKS CHURCH

Fire of a mysterious origin, which was preceded by an explosion, partially wrecked the First Congregational church early yesterday.

NO BOXING LABOR DAY

Patrons of the Labor day carnival of the Chicago Business Agents' association, scheduled for the Hawthorne race track, may be treated to a surprise if Sheriff Strassheim carries out a sudden intention to stop the boxing contests advertised as the feature of the program.

SIXTEEN PASSENGERS HURT

Sixteen passengers and the crew of a northbound Hinsdale street car were injured when the car, controlled on the front vestibule blow out as the car reached Sixteenth street. The police obtained the names of only six of the victims, four of whom were removed to the Englewood Union Hospital.

PLAN \$3,000,000 THEATER

Chicago is to have a theater with a woman's smoking room and a ticket selling system especially for women. The new theater will be housed in a twenty-story office building which Wm. Morris (Inc.) will build at the southeast corner of Madison street and Washington avenue at an announced cost of \$3,000,000. The playhouse will be called the American Music hall.

RAILROAD SUES FOR \$213

A suit for damages amounting to \$213 was filed yesterday in the Municipal court against George W. Milligan, a manufacturer's agent at 169 Wabash avenue, on behalf of the Pennsylvania railroad, regarding the richest American railroad company. The defendant, it is charged, evaded paying fare amounting to that sum by locking himself in a compartment of a train on a run from North Philadelphia to Jersey City on Jan. 4, 1919.

CHICAGO POPULATION 2,135,000

The federal census of Chicago for 1910 will show the western metropolis to have a population of approximately 2,135,000, according to the reports from authentic sources yesterday. This is an approximate increase of 436,426 inhabitants in the last decade, or nearly 25 per cent. The official figures which will be made public by the census bureau in a few days will show, it is said, that Chicago's population has gained at a rate on a par with that of New York, if not greater.

DOMESTIC

TALKING PICTURES NEXT

New York, Aug. 23.—Thomas A. Edison announces today that he is near the solution of making moving pictures that talk. His device will record the words as well as the action of performers.

CUDAHY'S DIVORCED

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 24.—Mrs. Jack Cudahy filed suit for divorce in Judge James H. Slover's court this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, and at 3:44 a decree was granted. The petition was on account of "incompatibility." It had been agreed that the four children should be given to the care of Mr. Cudahy's father, Michael Cudahy of Omaha. Mrs. Cudahy was on the stand ten minutes only.

ENDS LIFE FOR WIFE

New York, Aug. 24.—Because he wished to leave his wife free to marry a better man, Bruno J. Fefer, 25 years old, of 316 and 218 East 14th street, manager of the Lenox Labor agency, killed himself in the Grand Union hotel by shooting himself through the head. On a mantelpiece of the room was a photograph of his wife—a pretty girl of 19—so placed that he could see it with his last glance.

BUSINESS

MONON HEAD HERE

Fairfax Harrison, elected by the directors of the Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville (Monon) road last week to succeed the late Ira G. Rawn as president, arrived in Chicago from Washington, D. C., to assume the duties of his new office.

STUDY U. S. METHODS

Commercial and agricultural conditions in the United States are being investigated by J. Mitsumatsu, secretary of agriculture, and Y. Opanoto, secretary of commerce, of Tokyo, Japan, who arrived at the Congress hotel late last night from New York.

DEMAND ROAD VALUATION

Washington, D. C., Aug. 24.—A demand for a physical valuation of railroads operating east of the Mississippi river is to be made at the hearing of the Interstate Commerce commission to be held in Chicago on Aug. 29. The shipping associations which protested in May and June against proposed increased freight rates intend to raise the issue. The fact became known here through representatives of the association concerned.

SELL IMPURE FOOD

Further evidence that Chicago is the center of federal prosecution of violators of the pure food and drugs act was given when Assistant District Attorney

RIVERVIEW EXPO Wrecked All Records Yesterday. Still counting tickets—won't have the exact attendance until tonight, something like 187,000.

101 RANCH Real Wild West Sold every seat both performances Twice daily until next Sunday, 8 & 7:15 p.m. Seats at Lyon & Healy's, 50c, 75c and \$1.00, including admission to Riverview.

STREET PARADE THIS MORNING The route will be as follows: From Riverview down Chicago street to Dearborn, then to Kinzie st. to State st. into the loop district, returning on State st. to Division st. to Irving Park Blvd. to Lincoln av. to Belmont to Riverview.

NEXT SATURDAY COOK COUNTY DEMOCRACY PICNIC

A. R. Hulbert filed ten new cases against alleged offenders. Charges involving interstate shipments of foods and drugs either adulterated or misbranded in violation of the food and drugs act are made. Swift and company, packers, charged with shipping a misbranded "salad oil," are among the defendants subject to fines, if convictions are obtained. Pleas of guilty have been the rule in like cases in the past.

POLITICAL

POLITICAL POT BOILING

The political pot in Cook county has reached the boiling point and is singing merrily. Various organizations, such as the Legislative Voters' league, the Anti-Saloon league, and the United Societies, are working hard over the lists of candidates for various offices who will receive their endorsements. Candidates are coming out with declarations of what they will do if nominated and elected, and meetings are being held nightly in almost every ward.

TAFT FOR MORE REVISION

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 24.—In the letter he has written for the Republican Congressional campaign book, President Taft advocates revision of the tariff by separate schedule. The president dwells at length upon the work of the tariff board which has been investigating the cost of living at home and abroad. Summing up what he hopes for this board, the president says that whenever it reports to him facts which in his judgment warrant a revision of any particular schedule, he will recommend such revision in a message to congress.

FOREIGN

OPEN SOCIALIST SCHOOL

Helsingfors, Finland, Aug. 24.—The Socialist party school, decided upon at the congress of 1909, for the education of propagandists, will be opened in October in this city.

TO STOP FREE SPEECH

St. Petersburg, Russia, Aug. 24.—The ministry of the interior is preparing a bill which is calculated to abolish freedom of speech in the duma. The new bill is to be called the bill for "the responsibility of deputies in slandering imperial officers." Until now no action could be taken against deputies for expressions used by them in the duma.

NEW TITLE FOR PRINCE

Berlin, Aug. 24.—Crown Prince Friedrich Wilhelm, in accordance with the precedent set in the case of his grandfather, has been made rector magnificus of the University of Koenigsberg. He was formally invested with the honor there today with imposing ceremonies. He wore gold embroidered silk robes.

CARDINAL LEADS AGITATION

Madrid, Aug. 24.—Cardinal Aguirre, archbishop of Toledo, and primate of Spain, has assumed the leadership of the Catholic agitation against the anti-church measures of the government. He has authorized the publication of his approval of Junta's plan and has bestowed special blessing and benediction on those who protest against the government.

CHAMBER TO MEET SEPT. 14

St. Petersburg, Aug. 24.—The Finnish chamber will be called together on Sept. 14 to hold sessions for the period of two months, during which plans will be laid for the election of the Finnish members of the Russian duma and the Imperial council.

SPIES PESTER GERMANY

Berlin, Aug. 24.—In connection with the recent discovery of the operations of spies in Germany, it is discovered by investigation of the night attack on a military post at Neditz, near Potsdam, recently, that this also was a case of spying. Several attempts have been made lately to seize German arms and ammunition, and this is known to be the object of the night attack at Neditz.

SPORT

HOPE TO REVIVE RACING

New York, Aug. 24.—Lovers of harness racing are today enthusiastic over the prospect that their favorite sport may succeed to the popularity formerly enjoyed by running races in the East. The feeling was given impetus by the attendance at yesterday's opening of the Grand Circuit meeting at Yonkers.

FIGHT FOR BIG PRIZE

Newport, R. I., Aug. 24.—The top honor notch of the greatest All-Comers single tennis tournament in the history of the game in America was the prize fought for in the finals at the Casino today. The contestants were Beals C. Wright of Boston, the 1906 title holder, and Thomas C. Bundy of the Pacific coast.

PLAY BALL AT NIGHT

Night baseball is now assured. Twenty flaming arc lamps with a combined candle power of 2,752,000, lighted the new Sox park last night. Every nook and corner was brought out in the strong radiance, and it is asserted that baseball is possible under the system. The only criticism from a baseball point of view was that it is feared that direct line drives might not be so easily distinguished in the new light as flies or grounders.

DENEEN, LIKE PEACOCK, DAZZLES GAFING CROWD

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 24.—Governor Deneen appeared at the state camp of the Illinois National Guard yesterday in a garb that would have turned Solomon, who, according to authentic reports, was a somewhat gaudy gentleman, green with envy. The plump form of the executive was arrayed in flowing olive drab silk garments. There was a blouse with brass buttons and there was a pair of great "balloon" breeches. The gubernatorial legs were clothed in tan puttees.

STRAUSS IS DISCOURAGED—WILL STOP MILK FIGHT

Berlin, Aug. 24.—Dwelling to the persistent attacks of the New York Herald on his milk pasteurization ventures, Nathan Strauss announced today that he would abandon his work in New York city.

QUESTIONS OF PUBLIC POLICY

Sign Three Times—Once for Each Question—Voters Only

Send to Daily Socialist, 180 Washington Street, Chicago, Before Sept. 1. THIS IS IMPORTANT

To the Hon. James A. Ross, Secretary of State, Springfield, Ill.: We, the undersigned registered voters of the state of Illinois, hereby petition for the submission of the following question of public policy to the voters of the state of Illinois at the General Election to be held on the eighth day of November, 1919, as provided for in "An Act Providing for an Expression of Opinion by Electors upon Questions of Public Policy at any General or Special Election," Approved May 11, 1917.

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PROPOSED QUESTION OF PUBLIC POLICY Shall the next General Assembly submit to the voters of the State of Illinois at the next following state election an amendment to the state constitution, providing for the control of legislation by the people, by means of the initiative and referendum; said amendment to provide for the initiation of legislation upon a petition of eight per cent of the voters, and for the reference of legislation upon a petition of five per cent of the voters, the action of the majority of the electors voting to be final; thus reserving to the people the power they once held, but which they delegated to the General Assembly by the Constitution?

PROPOSED QUESTION OF PUBLIC POLICY Shall the next General Assembly extend the merit system by the enactment of a comprehensive and adequate civil service law, thus promoting efficiency and economy?

PROPOSED QUESTION OF PUBLIC POLICY Shall the next General Assembly enact a corrupt practices act, limiting the amount a candidate and his supporters may spend in seeking office, and providing for an itemized statement under oath showing all expenditures so made, for what purposes made and from what source or sources received, thus preventing the corrupt use of money at elections?

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600 MISSING IN FIRE ZONE Company of Rangers Are Thought to Be Victims of Blaze in West

KAISER'S TALK FORTUNE'S BASE Family of Boys Advised by the German Emperor Grows Rich

Hunt attacked Rellly near his home, the police were on hand, and arrested both, after chasing Walsh some distance. That's all there is to the matter, at least all we care to publish while the trial is on; but take it from me, we have the goods on at least this agency and the officials will be convicted.

(By United Press Associations.) Spokane, Wash., Aug. 24.—The end of the northwestern forest fire is not in sight, despite the improved conditions, according to today's reports to the United States Forestry Service from all parts of the fire zone. The apprehension expressed by Supervisor Wiegelo at Ellenburg yesterday over the fate of 300 rangers of his fire-fighting force, was increased today, when a report came from Thompson Falls, Mont., that 600 forest rangers fighting the flames in that vicinity have not been accounted for.

(United Press Cable.) Berlin, Aug. 24.—A frank, fatherly talk by Emperor William to the family of the late Countess Alversleben, given nearly ten years ago, but published in the Berlin press today for the first time, is believed to be responsible for the business success that has attended the three sons of the countess since Dec. 19, 1900, at a private gathering of Count Alversleben's family at Neu Gattersleben, the occasion being the unveiling of a monument to the Countess. After the unveiling the kaiser gathered the three sons of the countess about him and addressed them as follows: "Dear boys, I want to give you a straight talk. I want you to reverse the memory of your mother, for she was an angel. You are descended from an ancient and great family which has given Germany many distinguished men. But I know that all your family have a wicked vein in them. Remember that your father has met with misfortunes, and that your circumstances are not such that you will be able to take life easy. You must make your own way in the world and must give your fellow nobles proof that it is possible to be noblemen in poverty. Don't live beyond your means. Give me your hand on it."

Do Dirty Work "Let me tell you, the deputies are doing such dirty work, and doing it so openly, that the sheriff had to fire Nichols and several others for too much gun play. Municipal Judge Gemmill grew so indignant at the work done by these made-to-order deputies that he fined them without much ado and declared himself strongly opposed to placing deputies for strike breaking. Placing the policemen on taxicabs with the scab drivers is another outrage that must be condemned. The policemen are not protecting the scabs. They are aiding in breaking the strike and are helping to defeat us in our struggle for better conditions. The scabs don't know the city and the police must guide them to their destination."

WILL BARE A SLUGGING PLOT (Continued from page one.) wrote to the place and discovered the concern was the Interstate Detective Agency at 324 Dearborn street. On accepting the position he was given a revolver and "Jimmy" and was sent out to guard the home of a woman who feared the house would be attacked. The job lasted ten days, and Hunt received \$250 per day.

Fire Spreads (By United Press Associations.) Sacramento, Cal., Aug. 24.—The United States troops fighting the forest fire in the Tahoe national forest in Placer county are making little progress. The flames are spreading rapidly through Placer and El Dorado counties and are edging over toward Lake Tahoe from Michigan Bluff. The property loss will be enormous, but no lives have been lost.

Roller Skates Free With every Boy's suit selling at \$9.95 we will give away a pair of Roller Skates. \$1.00 value. While stocks last. \$1.00 value. 1224 NORTH ASHLAND AVENUE

Six Hundred Disappeared News of the disappearance of the 600 men was brought here by Forester Barney, who reported that the 600 men four days ago were sent to the Cabinet reserve to fight the flames. Barney says that Forest Supervisor Bushnell at Thompson said that he had no word from the 600 men since they left Thompson. He expressed the belief that it would have been almost impossible for them to obtain food in the Cabinet reserve, and he feared they had been cut off from relief.

Told to Slug Haskins "Hunt met Walsh the following night in Wade's saloon, Wabash and Twelfth street, and was instructed to slug Wade Haskins, who was then stationed in front of the place in his taxicab. Hunt hired the car and told Haskins all about the part he was to play in it. After scratching his face bad enough and plastering it so that it would seem that he had been in a fight with Haskins, Hunt went back to Graham and told him Haskins "had got his." Graham complimented him and handed him over \$1 with the order to "keep up the good work." Fredericks was the next victim pointed out by Walsh, and Hunt acted as he had done with Haskins.

Central Drug Co. 100 STATE STREET

UNION FARMERS INCORPORATE In line with the declaration adopted at the recent conference of the organized farmers in St. Louis, the American Co-operative Union has been incorporated with a capitalization of \$1,000,000. The society has been a crusade against high prices and to eliminate middlemen in the sale of products raised or used on the farm.

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VISITING PAINTERS, ATTENTION No. 521, of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, meets every Friday evening at 732 West Madison Street.

TUTHILL AGAIN ATTACKS WOMEN

(Continued from page 1)

timidate employees who are anxious and willing to remain employed. The injunction in full follows: "State of Illinois, County of Cook, ss.: "In the Circuit Court of Cook County, "Theresa Mahler vs. "Anna Willard, Maloney, Miss Woods, Miss Alexander, Ada Davis, Lizzie Roberts, et al. "Upon the reading of the bill of complaint and the accompanying affidavit, it is ordered that a writ of injunction issue in the above-entitled cause restraining and enjoining the defendants: "From in any manner interfering with, hindering, obstructing or stopping the business of the complainant, Theresa Mahler, or her agents, servants or employees in her business; "From picketing or maintaining any picket or pickets at or near complainant's premises, No. 379 La Salle street, in the city of Chicago and county of Cook, aforesaid, or along the streets or other places where complainant's employees, agents or servants are engaged in complainant's business, or where they pass along in going to and from complainant's place of business aforesaid; "From assaulting or intimidating by threats or otherwise said complainant's employees or any person who may become or seek to become an employe of said complainant; "Must Not Congregate "From congregating about or near said complainant's said place of business, or about or near any place where said complainant's employes live, or are accustomed to pass, for the purpose of compelling, inducing or soliciting said complainant's employes to leave her service or refuse to work for her; or for the purpose of preventing or attempting to prevent, any person from freely entering into said complainant's service, or from doing business with said complainant; "From interfering with or attempting to hinder said complainant, her employes or agents or any of them in carrying on complainant's business at the place aforesaid in the usual and ordinary way; "From organizing or maintaining any boycott against complainant; "From attempting to create or enforce any boycott against any of complainant's employes; "From following said complainant's employes or those doing business with complainant, or calling upon them for the purpose of inducing them to leave complainant's service, or to refrain from doing business with said complainant, or of annoying, molesting or intimidating said employes, or those doing business or seeking to do business with complainant; "From attempting by bribe, payment of money or promise of money, offer of other positions, or other rewards to induce persons to leave the service of complainant or not to enter her service, or to induce persons not to do business with complainant; "From attempting to induce persons to abstain from working for or accepting work from complainant, and from attempting to induce persons not to do business with said complainant; "From attempting to prevent, by threats, or by threats of calling a strike, any person from doing work for complainant or doing business with complainant; "From in any way interfering with, hindering, obstructing or stopping any of complainant's employes, agents or servants in the maintenance, conduct, management or operation of said complainant's said business, until the further order of this court, as prayed in said bill, upon said complainant filing with the clerk of this court a bond in the penal sum of \$500, with sureties to be approved by this court; conditioned to pay to said defendants and each of them all costs and damages which shall accrue to them or either of them by reason of the wrongful suing out of said writ of injunction. "R. S. TUTHILL. "Aug. 23, 1919."

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Why I Am a Socialist By Charles Edward Russell This book is a sane yet tremendous indictment—not of capitalists, nor of individuals; but of the existent capitalistic basis of society. It is written from the viewpoint of a reporter and journalist with experiences covering five continents during three decades. Its author commenced life a contented individualist. Now he is a Socialist—WHY? His reasons for the change are given in a series of illustrations—typical injustices which he has observed and been called upon to investigate in his capacity as a newspaper man during the last thirty years. His method of explanation is by giving the illustration, tracing this specific injustice home to its generic origin, and then sanely and convincingly pointing out how the same cruelty is of necessity practised the world over and in all walks of life. He does not limit himself to mere vague assertions; everyone of his assertions is set forth with facts, figures, dates and names—all of which are capable of being verified in the authentic sources which he indicates. PRICE.....\$1.50

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LABOR THE WORLD OVER

Thank God we have a system of labor where there can be a strike. -Abraham Lincoln. In the world's broad field of battle Be a hero in the strike. -Longfellow.

FLOOD FRISCO WITH LABOR

Building Trades Being Demoralized; Issue Warning to Stay Away

The Sheet Metal Workers and other unions in the building trades craft are in receipt of the following communication from their brothers in the coast country. Read it and do not fight in the far off west with but a few cases in your clothes and far from the meat ticket at home.

Phoney News Stories Advertisements are being inserted in all the papers of the country that men are needed in this vicinity and at large wages. These advertisements are not only being inserted, but items are being inserted in the news columns to the same effect.

Ask Publicity Your organization can be of great assistance to us in giving this communication as wide a publicity as possible, and you can also be of great assistance to your own members in warning them to stay away from California.

LABOR BRIEFS

The Balkwill Pattern Company, Cleveland, has been unionized. Organized labor will have an exhibit at the Minnesota State Fair next fall. The Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Union paid out \$70,923 in sick benefits during the last fiscal year.

ACTORS' UNIONS ARE GROWING

John Nemo Asks Organized Labor to Fight Unfair Houses

Gratifying reports are being received at the Chicago headquarters of the Actors' Union from the organizers in the field everywhere in the United States. From coast to coast the artists of the moving picture and vaudeville stage are being interested in looking out for their own welfare by joining the ranks of organized labor.

N. Y. STRIKERS STILL GAINING

Cloak Strike Finishes Its Seventh Week; Arrogant Bosses Feel Pressure

New York, Aug. 24.—Today marks the seventh week of the bitterly contested general strike of the cloakmakers, and it is believed by many observers that before the close of the week peace will have once more settled down over this giant industry.

BUY UNION LABEL BREAD

Look at the next loaf of bread you buy, and if it lacks the union label hand it back. You cannot afford to eat scab bread, even if it is given to you. You cannot afford to put tuberculosis germs into your stomach. You cannot afford to help kill the men who do the baking.

BOYCOTTING THE RIGHT OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL

The boycott has been condemned as an unholy weapon in the hands of trade unionists. But every American has heard of the boycotting of the Englishmen who tried to make us buy their tea. Every good Christian believes that it would be a good thing to boycott the scabmen, because they are hurting the people, and for the same reason the workmen has gotten into his head the notion that he has a perfect right to say to his friends that they must not purchase material that is produced by a firm that is "unfair" to organized labor.

STRIKE FILMS OPPOSED BY ORGANIZED LABOR

Washington, D. C., Aug. 24.—A campaign against the display of motion pictures of strikes and strike-breaking scenes was opened last night at a meeting of the Washington Central Labor Union. Resolutions of protest were adopted against the exhibition of such pictures. Copies of the resolution will be distributed throughout the country, and the American Federation of Labor will be asked to endorse the movement.

THE BUYERS' NEWS

It's Coming Soon!

In a short time the fall season in merchandising will begin. Fall and winter goods will be placed on sale. This also means that the fall season in advertising is approaching. For some reason or other the summer season is always dead in advertising, but as soon as the hot months pass away it begins to pick up again.

You are going to buy something because you need it. If you watch the advertising columns of the Daily Socialist, you will find ads of just the goods you need. In a short time we expect to get in a new stock of books for the fall and winter. As you get twenty-five cents credit for every twenty dollars' worth of purchases registered in your Purchasers' League Book, you can easily supply yourself with good literature free of charge.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF SEAMEN OPENS TODAY

Copenhagen, Aug. 24.—An international congress of sailors and marine firemen opened here today, attended by about 100 delegates, including representatives from North and South America and from the British and Danish sailors and firemen's unions.

MARKETS

WINTER WHEAT—Up 4¢. Sales, 5,000 bu. No. 1 red in store ranged at \$9.91. Sample sales on track and Illinois exceptional billing: No. 1 hard, \$10.10; No. 2 red, \$9.81. OATS—Up 4¢. Sales, 2,000 bu. No. 1 northern in store ranged at \$11.91. Sales sales by sample on track: No. 1 hard, \$11.91; No. 2 northern, \$11.81. CATTLE—Native steer supply was small; half the total receipts of 4,477 head held full up to the Monday basis and there were fewer good animals than demand required, although plain and medium meat competition for range and market for native was very active.

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Contains the full text of Fred D. Warren's speech before the Federal Courts at Fort Scott and St. Paul, with a description of the scene in the court room by Geo. H. Shoad. PRICE 10 CENTS. \$1.00 Per Dozen. \$5.00 Per 100. CHICAGO DAILY SOCIALIST, 180 Washington St.

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The Peacemakers

BY FRANK HART

Force and deception are the two weapons by which the ruling classes of all times have maintained themselves in their mastery over the destinies of the people.

South African war took place. The Boer republics were wiped completely off the map, while the peacemakers peacefully resided at The Hague.

The Boer rebellion in China was evidence that the Oriental had decided to wipe the mist from his eyes and taken an inventory of himself.

In 1894 war was declared between Russia and Japan. Here our own Theodore, the great peacemaker, reached over the heads of The Hague tribunal, and the famous treaty of Portsmouth was concluded.

But it is of little significance to recount the sins of omission or commission of The Hague tribunal. The significant thing about it is what we should have mentioned before: That this tribunal should have for its founder the Butcher of the East, the monster of the East, the Tartar king, dripping with the fresh gore of his maimed and mutilated subjects, acting as the herald of the world's peace.

Peace forsooth! It ill behooves a class which thrives on the murder and robbery of the toilers, to talk peace. It is but the cloth of gold upon which is spread all the accumulated villainies of bourgeoisdom.

Peace on earth will only come with the advent of the victory of the toilers for those who must do the actual fighting have no material interest in war. Let us also not forget that the local strike is the cell form of international war. For the very reason that we allow the industrial masters to dictate terms of "law and order" at home, we are permitted to declare war abroad.

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Power of Waiters in Chicago

BY T. C. A. E.

It is hard to understand that the present conditions in hotels and restaurants have not long before this caused the formation of a solid organization in that profession.

We have in Chicago four societies: The Western Waiters' Association, about 300 strong; the Union, about 200 strong; the Geneva, about 150 strong, and the German Waiters' Bund, about 100 strong, in all about 750 men, besides several saloons where waiters wait for jobs.

Every one is dissatisfied with his job, and justly so. Wages today are the same as fifteen years ago, when everything was 50 per cent cheaper. In only a few places the men can eat what is given them by the cook or the "boss."

The waiters have to pay the cooks every time they want something to eat or drink, as the chef will not give them anything during their twelve hours of labor in eighty to ninety degrees of heat.

The waiters pay the helpers or bus-boy an average of 35 cents per day, as the house only pays them \$22 per month.

The waiter has to be clean, intelligent, young, healthy, polite, conservative, honest, sober, in short, a model of perfection—all that for \$30 per month, \$1 per day, and no organization whatever, only to spend their surplus in social clubs as the above.

Now, can you imagine why they need and must have an organization to change those conditions. It seems to me the only way the men ("the rank and file") will ever get it, is to "demand" of their present officers in each of their present societies to get together, get a new charter and form one society, a "progressive" organization, with their present membership of 750 men, in such a way that, in case the Hotel and Restaurant association should refuse their demands, a strike should be called and a settlement would only be possible by the presence of all the officers in the organization.

One More

BY W. E. HANSON

"It's no use Mary, I've lived too long, and am too old, they say! They want young men, strong men, no back numbers."

So spoke John Holmes to his wife, a helpless cripple, who, lying on her bed, her white hair framing a face that told its own story of pain and patient suffering.

"If only one of our children had been left us, it would have been a prop to us now in our old age, but our first one, Danny—Oh, God, to think of the way he was taken from us! Others came, but they left us one by one through sickness. Death was cruel, but he at least let us lay them away, and their graves are marked so we know where they are; but when the cyclone came, it tore away the house and carried Danny away—never to know what became of him, alive or dead!"

John Holmes was a man like thousands of others who slave for a wife, who earn dollars and are repaid in pennies. He had married and lived in Kansas, a farmer on a small scale; the second year a son was born to him and he was content. The lure of the city had not as yet attacked him, but after three years of hard work and poor crops he determined to seek the city and make his mark. Many others have tried it and failed, and so did Holmes.

Two weeks previous to his moving to town a cyclone swept over the country and effaced every sign of a habitation, and, while no lives were lost, his baby had been carried away—whether no one ever heard.

That was years ago; now his once busy helpmate was a helpless cripple, he old, poor and out of work. He had tried one place after another, willing to work at anything in order to be kept out of the poor house, for to go there he and the wife would have to be separated, and had he not promised her on the wedding day "until death do us part?"

They needed a man at the repair works to do odd jobs. He applied only to be told by the young foreman "he was too old; a back number." And this was the only job to be had!

To go home to Mary and tell her there was no hope of getting work—back to the little room, bare and uncomfortable, not even a crust of bread in the larder—no!

Onward John Holmes travels; the road is long and dusty; soon he reaches the suburbs where reside the rich. How he envies them their spacious grounds and elegant homes! He and thousands like himself had made it possible for just these kinds of people to own such homes, while the ones earning them sweated, starved and died in poverty or became county charges.

He enters the grounds of an elegant villa, smells the great fragrant roses. How beautiful the world is; with all the sorrow and poverty in it, it is still beautiful!

He wanders on to the thick woods skirting the grounds on the north; he hears the gurgling of a swiftly flowing brook, kneels down and bends over to get a drink, and sees his old, haggard, wrinkled face mirrored in the water.

Memory flashes back a picture of himself as he was—and now. Yes, he was a back number; he lies down; his head falls in the water; deeper and deeper, and the brook speeds and gurgles along and John Holmes sleeps.

The wind blowing through the trees sings his requiem; his knotted, wrinkled hands are clasped as if in prayer. And his last thought of Mary went with him. Where?

The young foreman thinks he has been hasty in turning away the old man, for he is kind at heart, although at times very brusque. If his father were living (he tells himself) he would just about be like the old man. He makes inquiries, finds the invalid at home, and when she finishes her story he asks her when Danny was lost.

She tells him. He bids her wait until he returns, and when he does brings back the clothes and chain that he wore when some emigrants found him. Does she recognize the clothes? Did not her own pained hands fashion them? Was not every stitch in them put in with love?

Her Danny! The first born restored to her again! Never would the old father have to work—nor need to worry! That was only too true.

After three days' search John Holmes' body is found in the brook. The coroner's verdict was accidental drowning. The true verdict is: "Of no further use; worn out by greed and lust for riches that the leeches might live and keep on exploiting the wage slaves; he took the only thing that in old age was his—his life."

Together in life, John Holmes and his wife are together in death, for the shock killed her; and together they sleep—poor, unknown, unheeded and unsung in pages of history, they rest just as the upper class sooner or later must.

And the Danays and John Holmes and Marys are married, and will continue to exist until The Dawn.

THE FINAL TEST

"He was always thoughtful," said Uncle Ethan, reluctantly, "to be one of the charitable men in the whole town, and I guess that he was."

"He always owned a plug hat for one thing, and I never knew him to refuse to lend it to anybody," Youth's Companion.

A FLOREAL TRIBUTE

A young English girl, who visited Boston, sent the following to friends in that city on her return home:

"If strict ideas ever come true, a Boston lady had sent. She did not say 'Chrysanthemum,' but she said 'Chrysanthemum.'"

—Boston Herald.

The Labor Movement in Denmark

BY ROBERT HUNTER

The Socialist and labor movement in Denmark is not the work of a day. For forty years now brave and valiant men have struggled there to unite the workers.

The movement began in the spring of 1871, when a young official of the postoffice, named Louis Pio, became a convert to Socialism.

It was in the days when the Paris Commune was being crushed in blood and this lad's heart was fired by that great uprising of the people.

He and his friends then established a newspaper called "The Social-Democrat" and in the fall of that year a section of the International Workingmen's association was founded.

In a year it counted eight thousand members, but after a few strikes there came persecution, and the movement was suppressed in 1873 and the leaders imprisoned.

But the trade union work went on. More and more unions were founded, until in 1878 the various unions and associations came together to found the present Social-Democratic union of Denmark.

Outside of the industrial centers the Socialists organized the peasant farmers and agricultural laborers.

They built up a strong movement among the rural workers, which helped them to better their conditions despite the great power of the land owners and big farmers.

The leaders, Pio, Brax and Geleff, carried on an indefatigable propaganda and the carpenters, bricklayers, shoe workers and cigar makers were soon powerfully organized.

From the very beginning the political union and the trade union marched hand in hand and there has never been a time when the Socialist movement has not worked in harmony with the trade union movement.

The Socialists, each year, elect two members to sit in the general council of the unions while the unions each year elect two members to sit in the general council of the Socialist party.

Today the political organization polls ninety-two thousand votes and the trade union organization numbers ninety thousand members—a similarity that is significant.

The union movement has been remarkably successful. It has procured shorter hours and better pay for nearly all the workers and the average working day is nine hours.

Labor legislation of an advanced character has been obtained and pensions for all workers who reach the age of sixty years.

The unions direct the party to introduce and push whatever legislation it desires. The party, when it needs the assistance of the unions to push through a political measure, obtains that support even when it calls for a strike.

In parliament and in all the municipal bodies the Socialists are fighting politically to improve the condition of the people, to abolish the slums, to construct better tenements, to improve the sanitary condition of the workshops, to establish a shorter work day and a minimum wage.

As a result of Socialist activity the cities and towns of Denmark are remarkably clean and well governed.

The aged poor are cared for with tenderness and respect. As state pensioners their position is not more dishonorable than that of a retired army officer in England or America.

The aged pensioners of Denmark live in peace, quiet and comfort. The old married people enjoy a life living quarters of their own and are assured during their last days of all necessary comforts.

It is of course true that nowhere in the world have the workers yet accomplished much, but our comrades of Denmark have made a creditable beginning.

It is small, but the Danish workers have tasted of success. Their powerful unity, their wise and intelligent administration, their high ideals for the working class leave nothing to be desired.

Whatever the workers do elsewhere the workers of Denmark will move at the head of the international.

They will accomplish in their country all that a powerful national movement can accomplish without the aid of the workers throughout the rest of the world.

At best they can only move a little in advance of the other workers because the coming of Socialism must be an international victory—won by workers united, not only nationally, but internationally throughout the world.

The Packers and the Government

BY G. H. RITTERSKAMP

The federal grand jury, which Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis deputized to look into the affairs of the beef trust, has about completed its work.

Indictments will now be drawn against the men "higher up" in the affairs of the National Packing Co., a concern which has never killed a steer nor sold a pound of meat, a company not interested in the slaughtering of animals nor the dressing of meats, but which is a holding company for practically all the big packers on whose board of directors sit J. Ogden Armour, Louis P. Swift, Edward Morris and their confederates.

It is through this agent, the National Packing Co., that the "beef barons" control the markets of the world, and regulate not only the number of animals killed and the price paid, but also the competition in selling and the price received.

It's the same old story of the holding company doing what the individual concerns cannot or rather dare not do.

While congress investigates the high cost of living, and the public boycotts the retail butchers, and the "Ladies Home Journal" papers find substitute dishes, the packers sit idly by on the board of directors of the National Packing Co. and fix the price of meat, which is the laboring man's chief article of food.

They smile at the meat boycott and laugh at the meat substitute, for they know that so long as the public has money it will buy meat, no matter what the cost.

Are the packers guilty of fixing prices? It looks like it. Will they be indicted? Certainly.

Convicted? Maybe. Punished? Never. Not so long as the "beef barons," the "oil kings," and their kind own the government.

How different the tale if the government owned the industries and the "people" owned the government.

The Socialist party offers just such a remedy for present conditions.

It depends on who owns the government as to whom the government will serve.

Today the "people" don't own the government. The Aldriches, the Cannons, the Daisells, as the agents for the "royalty of finance" in America, own the government.

The American citizen is given the ballot as a means of defending himself against the aggressions of tyranny in whatever form.

Will he sit idly by and see this weapon used for his own oppression, or will he become conscious of his power before it is too late and cast his ballot for the Socialist party, the party which advocated that the government own the industries and the "people" own the government.

OUR TAX-PAYING CITIZENS

We very often come in contact with wealthy landlords of our cities who make a great fuss about how the city and the nation derives the revenue to carry on the expense of government because said landlords pay taxes.

Even when we try to explain to the working man who has only his labor to sell and does not pay taxes directly, this same laborer cannot get it thru his head that he is the man who is being taxed to support the government, only the landlord is the middleman who collects the revenue, instead of the tax assessor.

The following article from the Saturday Evening Post of Aug. 20, under the head of "Taxing the Poor Man," states the proposition very clearly. Why not do away with this indirect taxation? Socialism offers the solution.

"Here are two hundred typical workmen's families on the West Side of New York—trunkmen, grocery clerks, ice-men, janitors, stone-carriers, carpenters and so on. They are mostly American, English, Irish and German. On an average there are five and a half persons in a family. A third of them have incomes of a thousand dollars a year or more. The average income is \$301 and rent takes \$162, or over nineteen per cent of it. The details can be found in Wage Earners' Budgets, by Louise B. Moore.

These are the people that pay much of the city's taxes. New York raises over a hundred millions a year by direct tax on real estate. Tenants, of course, foot the bill. Suppose ten families occupy a flat building assessed at thirty thousand dollars. Taxes on the building come to \$504, or rather over fifty dollars a family. Our West Siders are comparatively well off. Scores of thousands of families, especially on the East Side, have smaller incomes. Broadly speaking, the smaller the income the more proportionately goes for taxes. Where the income was \$750 to \$1,100, eighteen per cent went for rent; where it was \$450 to \$650, rent took twenty-four per cent.

The value of New York realty has increased enormously of late years. The higher the land value the heavier the taxes and the greater the rent. Benjamin C. Marsh concludes that the unearned increment accruing to landlords by reason of advanced value of realty amounts to about forty-five millions a year. Our West Side supports this accretion by paying higher rent and taxes.

"IN THE GEOGRAPHY CLASS

"Jimnie," said the teacher, "what is a cape?"

"A cape is land extending into the water."

"Correct, William, definite a gulf."

"A gulf is water extending into the land."

"Good, Christopher," to a small, eager-looking boy, "what is a mountain?"

Christopher shot up from the seat so suddenly as to startle the teacher, and promptly responded: "A mountain is land extending into the air."—Dunlop's Magazine.

THE USES OF ART

"Among the students who did most to prevent my task being a success," says Mr. Beckwith, "was one young woman whose backwardness and total lack of interest finally roused my ire. While criticizing an unusually bad piece of her work, I asked, exasperatingly: 'Why do you come here, anyway?'"

"Because," she answered, "my twin sister takes her music lesson at just this hour, and I have to do something, so I thought I would study art."—Dunlop's Magazine.