

BOYS AND GIRLS, THEIR HANDS CUT OFF BY WHIRLING MACHINES, TURNED OUT TO STARVE IN CHICAGO'S CONGO

\$10 Is the Price Big Employers Pay for Loss Which Means Creation of Industrial Derelicts

BY DONALD GARRET MILEOY

The Belgian fiend, Leopold, who ripped arms and legs from the bodies of starving natives in the Congo to let them die in torment, has been rivaled in cruelty by capitalistic gluttons of Chicago.

In this story is a partial list of young boys and girls crippled by punch presses within the last few weeks. Nearly all were young people just out of school and between 15 and 18 years of age.

The case of Antony Szopinski, 17 years old, who was given \$9 for the five fingers of his left hand (\$1.80 cents a finger) by the Continental Can company, and whose "hand" is reproduced at the top of this column, is typical of hundreds who have received the same treatment.

Charles E. Milroy, 100 Washington street, Szopinski's attorney, said: "Szopinski's fingers did not cost the Continental Can company a cent. He was paid his miserable \$9 out of what these big manufacturing 'slaughter-houses' term the 'Accident Benefit' fund.

The case of Mary Donovan, a young woman of 19, is representative of hundreds of other pitiful mangled. This young woman was injured at the Union Stock Yards and Transit company through criminal negligence.

The following is a partial list of young girls and boys of the working class injured by punch presses within the past few weeks:

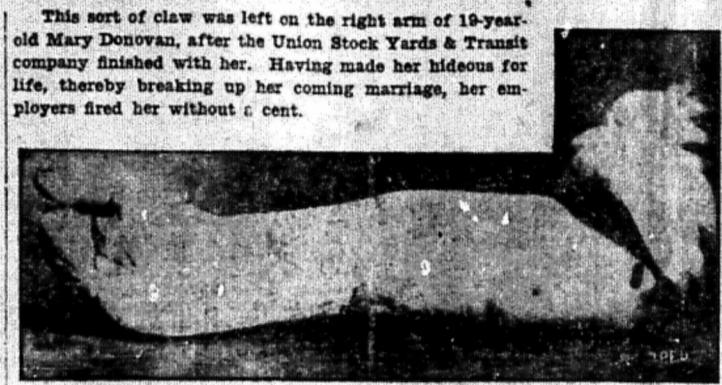
- William Blake, 2242 Fulton street, left third finger; Adams & Westlake company.
Mary A. Haw, 657 Blackhawk street, left second finger; Adams & Westlake company.
Herman Junge, 1503 Emmet street, first two right fingers; Imperial Brass company.
John Wentack, 1421 Emmet street, first two left fingers; International Stamping company.
Valentine Tozek, 710 Milwaukee avenue, right arm; Greiss-Edger company.
Sarah Curran, 657 Blackhawk street, right little finger, Adams & Westlake company.
John Mick, 1522 Cornell street, left second and third fingers; Gordon City Plating company.
Harry Johnson, two middle fingers; C. J. Lawrence company.
Joseph Augustauak, 887 West Thirty-first place, right thumb and first and second fingers; Bauer & Black company.
Joe Slovinski, 3348 Elk street, left thumb; Nelson Morris company.
Andrew Chee, 135 One Hundred and Fifty-fifth place, right arm; Standard Steel company.
Felix Urlik, 2940 Throop street, right thumb; Rathbone, Hair & Ridgeway company.
Juraj Kruto, 850 Elston avenue, right index finger; Adams & Westlake company.
Anthony Szopinski, 1514 West Kinzie street, five fingers of left hand; Continental Can company.
Rudolph Shall, right thumb; firm unknown.
Annie Deering, all first joints of right fingers; Adams & Westlake company.
Grace Besser, 1650 West Twentieth, left index finger; Schultz Bed company.
Tekis Johnson, Division and Larrabee streets, three right fingers; Adams & Westlake company.
Olga Cook, right index finger; Adams & Westlake company.
Miry Potek, Huron and Kingsberry streets, two joints of first and second fingers of right hand; Adams & Westlake company.
Edward Teckler, two fingers of right hand; Adams & Westlake company.
Sam Colletto, index finger of right hand; Adams & Westlake company.
Fred Hemmings, third finger of right hand; Adams & Westlake company.
Annella Polczak, Ashland avenue and Forty-third street, two fingers of right hand; Libby, McNeil & Libby.
Allee McCarthy, Lake View, index finger of right hand; Adams & Westlake company.
Total, twenty-five.

A queer condition of affairs, due to a ruling of Attorney General Stead,

HOSPITAL OUSTS CO-OP PROBLEM POOR WOMAN UP TO CONGRESS

After being turned away from the Robert Burns Maternity hospital, owing to poverty, Mrs. Luina Funk gave birth to a girl baby in a patrol wagon early today.

Copenhagen, Sept. 3.—One of the problems being taken up by the International Socialist Congress in session here is the question of co-operatives.



This sort of claw was left on the right arm of 19-year-old Mary Donovan, after the Union Stock Yards & Transit company finished with her.

PRICE LIST IN FACTORY BUTCHER-SHOPS
Continental Can Company—For five fingers of 17-year-old boy's left hand (Antony Szopinski), \$9—\$1.80 per finger.
Greiss-Edger Tanner—For one right arm (Valentine Tozek), \$10.
Adams-Westlake—For one finger on left hand of 19-year-old girl (Mary Haw), \$14.
Imperial Brass Manufacturing Company—For two fingers on right hand of 17-year-old boy (Herman Junge), \$15.
International Stamping Company—For two fingers on left hand of 18-year-old boy (John Wentack), \$12.
Nelson Morris Company—For one left thumb (Joe Slovinski), \$25.
Libby, McNeil & Libby—For two fingers on right hand of 19-year-old girl (Annella Polczak), \$20.
Adams-Westlake Company—For little finger of right hand of 20-year-old girl (Sara Curran), \$8.



Nine dollars for five fingers on the left hand of 17-year-old Antony Szopinski. Paid by the Adams & Westlake company.

exists with regard to these cases. When an accident happens it must be reported to the state factory inspector, who is not allowed to make that accident known to anyone until two years after it has occurred.

This means that a "case" must be kept quiet until it dies a natural death and until the injured person has little chance of bringing a successful damage suit.

HOW HE DOES IT!



"I'LL MAKE THE TRUSTS COME TO TIME."—TEDDY ROOSEVELT.

Trusts' \$200,000 "Turned 50,000 Voters"
(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY SOCIALIST.)
New York, Sept. 2.—The New York Evening Post, responding to Colonel Roosevelt's editorial in today's Outlook, says:
Mr. Roosevelt writes in the Outlook that the editor of the Evening Post is a "liar" and adds that objection will be made to that language.

THOUSANDS CELEBRATE ON TOILERS' DAY

Labor's Hosts Are Made Merry Throughout the United States

The Twenty-ninth ward branch of the Socialist party is ready for its record-breaking feast on Labor day, Monday, Sept. 5.

The celebration is to be held at Peterson's park, corner of 59th street and Western avenue, and can be reached by taking a Clybourn and Ashland through route or any south side car to 59th street, with a transfer west on 59th street.

Melons Will Speak
The speech of Edmund D. Melons of Milwaukee is looked forward to by laboring men and Socialists with great anticipation, as Melons, who is an active member of the Newspaper Writers' Union, I. T. U., of America, has been honored by his fellow townsmen of Milwaukee with the presidency of the common council.

Married ladies' race. One half dozen cups and saucers; donated by J. Jurgensen Tea Co., 4220 S. Ashland avenue.
Ladies' race. One new style fall hat; donated by Mrs. W. Sternheim, 4928 Ashland avenue.
Girl race. Japanese novelty basket of perfume; donated by Charles Ruben, proprietor, 1422 S. Ashland street.
Married men's race. One framed picture, \$1.25; donated by Kieker's Studio, 1645 West Forty-seventh street.
Bald-headed men's race. One bottle of "Handkerchief Hair Tonic"; donated by Con. Groh, 5623 Ashland avenue.
Single men's race. One box of cigars; donated by Joe Klocka, Forty-seventh and Lincoln streets.
Young men's race. One box of cigars; donated by Fred Martnek, 4590 Racine street.
Boy race. One box of chocolate candy; donated by J. Lucchese & Sons, 5035 Ashland avenue.
Back race. One box of cigars; donated by E. Berta, 1228 LaSalle street.
Ten-or-war. One case of finest wines; six bottles donated by Johnson & Hunt, 420 S. Wabash street.

Women to Celebrate
The Women's Trade Union League of Chicago is going to celebrate Labor day (Continued on Page Two.)

MILWAUKEE'S PROGRESS AMAZES ALL COMERS

CLOAK WAR ENDS; GREAT VICTORY WON

Bosses Concede Nearly All Demands; Union Men to Get Preference

New York, Sept. 3.—Scenes of rejoicing unquelled in the history of the East Side were witnessed today as the eighty thousand cloak makers, who have been on strike for nine weeks, prepared to return to work after having scored one of the most notable victories in the history of organized labor.

Were Despondent
Yesterday all were in the depths of despondency, facing hunger and eviction, but desperately determined to contest to the end for the right of labor under sanitary conditions, average hours, a living wage and recognition of their union.

Demands Conceded
The end of the strike came suddenly, following a conference at which the operators conceded nearly all of the union demands. On the question of recognition of the union, the rock upon which settlement propositions have been wrecked in the past, a compromise satisfactory to the union was reached.

End Came Opportunely
The end of the strike came opportunely. The strikers are rescued from starvation and the employers will save nearly all of their contracts. The strikers have lost \$1,500,000 a week for nine weeks and the manufacturers many times as much.

BRITAIN FACES HUGE REVOLT

Paris, Sept. 3.—Evidence that England is facing a most serious uprising of her colonial history has come to light in the headquarters of the headquarters, near the Champs Elysees of a group of Indian plotters who seek to overthrow English rule in India.

Under the mythical name of "Madame Cama," the organization is sending out its communications, one of which fell into the hands of the authorities today. Similar revolutionary groups are in Berlin and Geneva, the three working in harmony. The communication found today reads in part as follows:
"Let us fill ourselves with the haughty spirit of our ancestors and defend Dharma to the death. Kall (British rule) shall die and a new age shall dawn for Hindustan. Let us clear ourselves of the illusion that we are disarmed. It is true that the detestable 'arms act' passed by the cowardly Briton in 1879 is on our statute book and that our men are not allowed to possess a gun even for self-protection."

REGGIE SICK; COSTS \$75,000

Newport, R. I., Sept. 3.—Regional Vanderbilt has been ill just twenty days and it is conservatively estimated today that it has cost him, his family and his friends just \$75,000. Here are some of the chief items: Fees of Drs. Knapp and Flint, \$10,000 each; wireless and telegraph messages, \$10,000; doctors sent the patient, \$10,000; nurses, extra meals and chauffeurs, \$2,000. Reginald Vanderbilt and his family are pets of the cottage settlement. His daughter, Miss Cathless, has been given a series of afternoon entertainments to have her forget the illness which has suspended social festivities at Sandy-Point farm.

Steady Progress and Hard Work Impresses All Observers

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 3.—The work of city planning is going on here with a regularity and a persistence that is certain to command results. Naturally, there has been much exaggeration and many distorted facts and viewpoints given circulation in connection with the "Socialists at work" in Milwaukee.

Trained Men Visit
But a feature of this which is worth remarking is that keen, trained observers have visited the city and interviewed Socialists and non-Socialists about the municipal work under way, and the one thing which they have then written of as noteworthy has been the terrible earnestness of the men now administering the city government.

It is this more than anything else that accounts for the wide publicity that is being given the Milwaukee Socialists. After the spring election, had there been no congress for new points of routine matters, and had there been any recession from the high ideals of Socialism, and along with this expressions of disappointment at lack of power, then the Milwaukee Socialists would have gone on record as following in the footsteps of the many reformers who have entered office with high ideals and afterwards acknowledged themselves blocked and tangled and frustrated.

Desperate Determination
It is this desperate determination of the Milwaukee Socialists that is the source of their power and the cause of the commendation of many who have "come to see and remain to pray." Every resource that could be laid hold of for the working out of their promises has been utilized by the Socialists here as they have been engaged for new points of vantage has brought forth such by-the-way comments as the one made by John Callan O'Laughlin in a political letter in the Chicago Tribune recently, "The Socialists, by the way, have been giving a very satisfactory administration of the city government of Milwaukee."

No Sullen Quitting
The lack of funds, of course, has been the chief reason for the failure of the Socialists to carry out some of their most vehemently urged designs, that of a municipal survey, for instance. This lack of funds, however, does not mean that there is any sullen sitting-back.

In many directions there is intense study, thought, gathering of facts, and making of plans, so that gradually as the ground has become available there will be sure, steady realization of the city efficient and the city beautiful. The job of city planning requires study of street-widths, depth of blocks, all phases of transportation and housing conditions, actual and ideal.

A group of city department heads, with the Socialist members of the council committee on railroads, is meeting twice a week to work on a model street-travel franchise. A number of observations have been made over various sections of the city where municipal plans are to be made.

Expert Comes to City
John Nolen, the noted Boston landscape architect and expert on city planning, has made several trips to the city and yesterday accompanied a party over the ground about West of the Milwaukee river. Mr. Nolen is doing work of the same nature in a number of other cities and, being thoroughly familiar with the most recent accomplishments in both Europe and America, has been of considerable service.

It is proper and timely to state here that among American Socialists there has been hitherto a most serious neglect of familiarity with the importance of the housing problem. All who are acquainted with the development of the German Social-Democratic movement are aware that "better houses to live in" was one of the propositions that first led them into parliamentary activity. Bad housing means low vitality and low vitality means weak revolutionists.

At a later time, there will be presented in this correspondence some facts and views with regard to "better houses" that will be of interest to many readers of the Daily Socialist.

