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MAURER PROVES BIG POLITICAL PROBLEM

Socialist Fighting for the Workers in Corrupt Legislature.

EDMOND M'KENNA
Special Correspondent.
Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 8.—James H. Maurer, of Reading, the only Socialist in the present session of the Pennsylvania state legislature, is the political problem of Harrisburg, the state capital.

Seeks No Favors

He asked for no committee appointments from the powers that be, in fact sought no consideration of any kind. Without solicitation he was appointed on eight of the most important house committees, labor and industrial corporations, railroads, pensions, library, constitutional reform, retrenchment and printing.

Choked in Committee

Cox, speaker of the house, when asked why he put Maurer on eight important committees while to others familiar with the procedure he gave only four or five appointments, replied: "I put Maurer on these committees at my own personal wish. Mr. Maurer is said to have some theories and I think the committees will be a better place than the house for him to try to put them into effect."

Notwithstanding the reasons given by the speaker for the eight appointments it is generally known about the capital that this plan is part of a scheme to get rid of the Socialist in the body of the house by giving him more work than he can attend to in the committee meetings, or as one member expressed it: "To let the freerater blow his head off in the committee rooms."

Maurer's First Bill

Maurer's first bill—an act to repeal the law creating the state constabulary.

GOULD FORTUNE OUTWITS TIME

Titled and 44, Lord Decies Weds Vivien Gould, Aged 18.

New York, Feb. 8.—The old story of American wealth and a foreign title meeting at the altar was re-staged today in the marriage of Miss Helen Vivien Gould, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Jay Gould, to Lord Decies of England.

"Rude Persons" Gape

As is usually the case in international alliances of such prominence, today's wedding again demonstrated the morbid curiosity of the public and thousands of persons crowded about St. Bartholomew's to get a glimpse of the bride and the notables in attendance.

What It Cost

Those who like to follow the elaborate weddings among New York's millionaires estimate the total cost of Miss Vivien's transformation into Lady Decies at close to \$75,000, to say nothing of the "dot" of several millions that she will take her titled husband.

Near Parents' Age

Lord Decies, who is only two years younger than his father-in-law, has seen much service as a soldier, having been in the Boer campaign.

FOR SENATORS' DIRECT ELECTION

Columbus, O., Feb. 8.—Ohio is today on record for the direct election of United States senators.

AID GOMPERS, SAYS WARREN

Disregard Differences, Says Appeal Editor, and Rally to Labor.

BY FRED D. WARREN
(Managing Editor of the Appeal to Reason.)
Girard, Kan., Feb. 8.—Push the protest meeting for Feb. 12 against judicial tyranny.

Taft's action came just in time to vindicate our position and confirm all that we have said about corrupt courts. Let us remember that the liberty of the press is at stake in the trial of Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison in the case now being heard before the United States Supreme Court.

No matter whether or not we agree with the tactics of these men, or with their politics, let it not be forgotten that they were sentenced to jail while fighting the battles of the working class.

If the decision against them is permitted to stand it takes from all of the workers one of their strongest weapons, the right to refuse their trade to unfair firms.

That right can be maintained and those trade unionists saved from prison if the cry of protest is heard around the world, as in the Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone case and my own.

Not only will the attention of the city of Chicago be centered on the monster campaign rally at which Fred D. Warren will speak at Dexter Pavilion, Root and Halsted streets, on Lincoln's birthday, but the hundreds of thousands of those who voted the Socialist ticket all over the United States will want to hear all about it.

Warren's Attitude Shown

The telegram from Fred Warren shows his feeling in regard to the Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison case and indicates that he will have some things to say which will delight all union men in Chicago.

The Jewish Socialists of Chicago are pushing the sale of tickets, and at their hall to be given Saturday night, Nov. 11, at the Seventh Regiment Armory, 35th street and Westworth avenue, will make still further efforts to sell tickets.

Ward organizations of the Socialist party are also doing all in their power to make the meeting a success. Besides being a tremendous protest against the use of the courts against labor it will be the real opening of the Socialist majority campaign in Chicago.

Will Get Full Story

To those outside of Chicago who are waiting with eager interest to gain a full account of the great meeting, the Chicago Daily Socialist will give a detailed story. To read the paper will be to the thousands outside of Chicago as stirring as to attend it.

SAYS TAFT HAS THE GOUT; HOT MUSTARD WON'T CURE

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 8.—That President Taft is suffering from the gout is the discovery of Mrs. Elizabeth Cherry, pastor of the Divine Church of Science here.

JOHN MITCHELL IS SILENT UNDER ATTACK ON LABOR

New York, Feb. 8.—John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, who spoke on "Capital and Labor" at a dinner here last night, sat complacently while F. Hopkinson Smith, author and builder of lighthouses, said he wasn't sympathetic with labor unions or the walking delegate.

\$500 From National Executive Committee

Daily Socialist Given Big Boost by Committee Now in Session Here

The national executive committee, at its session in Chicago, today voted \$500 from the treasury of the national office to be paid when we have reached \$10,000.

In doing this the committee went on record in support of the method pursued by the board of directors of the Daily Socialist in issuing a call for a fund to enlarge the paper to eight pages.

The committee, in discussing the matter, emphasized the importance of enlarging the party press as speedily as possible.

Issues are looming up in the horizon of the great labor movement of the country which must be dealt with by the political arm of labor.

To meet this situation the Socialist party must get a strong press without delay.

The need of such a weapon is felt more keenly today than a year ago and will be doubly next year.

The Daily Socialist naturally appreciates the assistance from the party's headquarters, and we are certain the rank and file of the movement throughout the country

will also appreciate the emphasis laid upon the upbuilding of the party press by the national executive committee.

May we not consider this a reminder to many thousands of members and friends of the Socialist movement to lay greater stress than ever before upon the urgent need of supporting and upbuilding the Socialist press.

There are many, many more who have not yet contributed to the Daily fund.

Will you not join us in getting the \$5,000 before Feb. 12?

Several coupons were filled out and sent in as soon as the paper containing them was out.

It is your duty to aid the Daily in this effort. You have a few dollars to spare now, and, if you have not, you will a month from now. Send us a subscription today.

Many of you have subscription lists. Don't forget to push them for all you're worth.

Point out the system followed in the Daily and get a few to line up in one of the ranks.

IF WE WORK TOGETHER WE WILL WIN!
Itemized list on page 4.

SOCIALISTS ARE NOT FRIENDS OF TARIFF, SAYS VICTOR BERGER

Socialist Congressman Also Tells About High Cost of Living.

HEARST MEN MAY STRIKE

Printers Employed on the American and Examiner May Walk Out.

Disaffection among printers working on the Evening American and the Chicago Examiner may cause a walk-out today of the mechanical forces of both papers.

Situation Acute

An acute situation has arisen between the Examiner-American composing forces, and Gilbert R. Jones, foreman of the American's ad room, resigned his positions last night, it is said, because they anticipated the possible strike. They are both union men.

Situation Muddled

The printers are at a loss to know under which agreement they are working, and have called upon the executive board of the Chicago Typographical union No. 16, who, it is understood, will attempt today to conciliate the differences which have arisen.

Cause of Controversy

It is the question of the continuation of this practice which has given rise to the controversy between the union printers and the Hearst sheets.

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 8.—The position of the Socialist party on the tariff question and his own personal views as to the causes for the present high cost of living are given in the following statement prepared for the United Press by Victor L. Berger, the first Socialist elected to Congress:

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BY VICTOR L. BERGER
(Congressman-Elect From the Fifth Wisconsin District.)

The Socialists are surely not friends of the "high tariff."

We consider it an invention of the capitalist devil, mammon.

And we know it is benefiting the manufacturer only—that it is not protecting the workmen in any way.

High Cost of Living

However, it is ridiculous to blame the tariff for the high price of the cost of living in general, including meat and agricultural products.

The tariff is a factor in the high prices, but it is only one factor.

Only a short time ago a dispatch reported that around Boston there are about 80,000 textile workers out of work.

The American Woolen company—the wool trust—which controls thirty big factories in New England, and usually employs 35,000 hands, has stopped about forty per cent of its machinery.

Same in Other Places

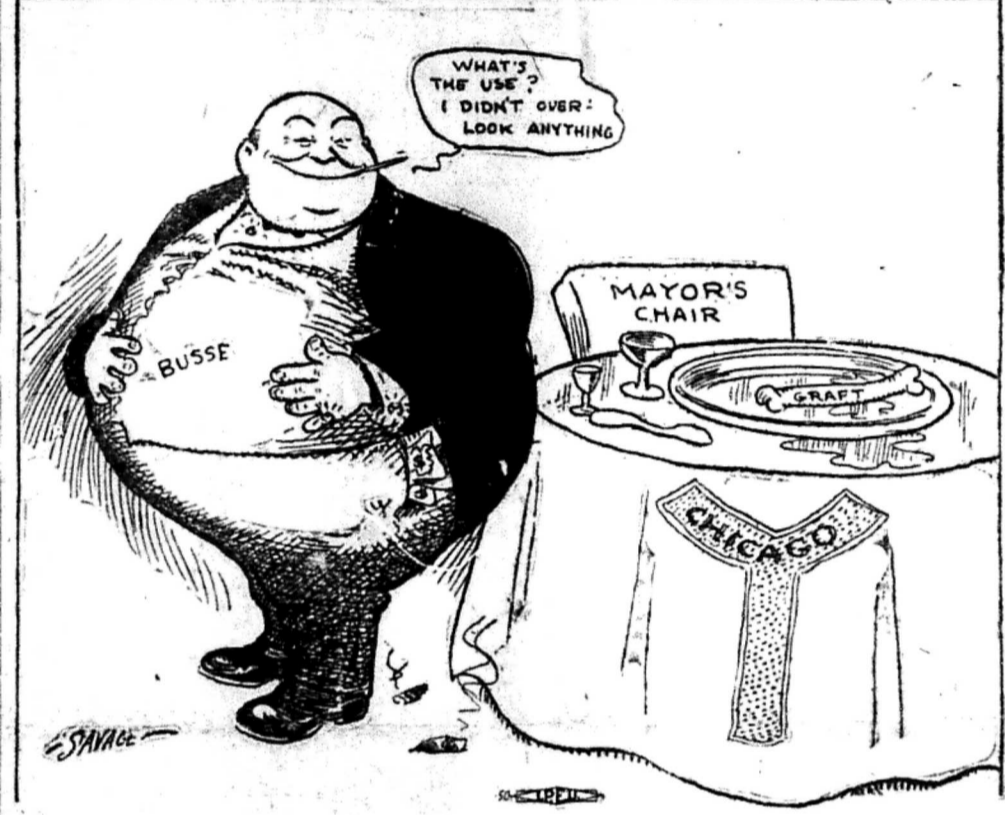
Other woolen factories which do not belong to the trust employ about one-half of their force. Conditions are very much the same in the cotton factories of the south and Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

The reason for this is that the people must spend so much for bread and meat that they have no money for factory products.

There is also comparatively little left now left in the workmen's pockets.

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SATISFIED



NEWS ITEM: "MR. BUSSE DOES NOT WISH TO OCCUPY THE MAYOR'S CHAIR AGAIN."

WOMEN HELP TO RECALL MAYOR

Twenty-Three Thousand Exercise Right of Suffrage in Seattle.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 8.—Mayor Hiram C. Gill, who was elected last March by a plurality of 3,500 votes, was recalled for alleged misconduct in office by a plurality estimated at 4,000.

Women Did It

The votes of the women, who were recently enfranchised in this state, were largely responsible for this result.

Gill was accused of conducting the city government in the interest of a vice syndicate.

The women marched to the polls in large number yesterday, all jubilant over their first opportunity to exercise the right of franchise.

There Were 23,000

Twenty-three thousand women are registered, out of a total of 71,000 voters.

Gill is opposed by George Dilling, of the Public Welfare League. Although Gill won the election in March of last year, by 3,300 plurality, he carried only the four downtown wards.

Fight Was Bitter

The fight on Gill is very bitter. Ministers and the women of church societies made strenuous efforts to get out the entire vote.

ONE DAY IN CONGRESS

(Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1911.)
Senate

The army appropriation bill, carrying \$93,678,582, was passed. An amendment was incorporated establishing a corps of dentists for the army.

AGAINST DIRECT ELECTIONS

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 8.—A resolution directing senators from Pennsylvania to vote for the direct election of United States senators by the people was reported negatively by a committee of the lower house of the state legislature.

WEATHER INDICATIONS

Washington, Feb. 8.—Forecast for today and Thursday:
Illinois—Cloudy in northern, rain or snow in southern portion today; Thursday fair.
Ohio—Unsettled Wednesday, snow in northern, rain or snow in southern portion. Thursday, generally fair, moderate east winds, becoming variable.
West Pennsylvania—Snow in northern, rain or snow in southern portion today or tonight. Thursday generally fair; moderate east winds, becoming variable.
Lower Michigan—Local snows today or tonight; Thursday generally fair, moderate, variable winds.
Indiana—Local snows or rains today; slightly colder in southern portion, Thursday fair.
Wisconsin—Generally fair today and Thursday; moderate west to southwest winds.
Missouri—Fair today in northwestern, rain or snow in eastern and southern portion, Thursday fair.
Iowa and Minnesota—Fair today and Thursday.

GALESBURG DOES NOT LIKE PLAN

Turns Down the Commission Form of City Government at Polls.

Galesburg, Ill., Feb. 8.—With 55 per cent of the total vote of the city cast the commission form of government was defeated at a special election here.

Workers Against It

The vote was 536 for and 2,183 against the proposition. In some districts the vote was 8 to 1 against.

The heavy railroad vote was almost solidly against the commission plan, the railroad men feeling that under the franchise clause they might be prohibited from holding office.

These Want It

Pekin, Ill., Feb. 8.—By a majority of 138 Pekin voted today to adopt the commission form of government. About 65 per cent of a full vote was polled.

BLOW AT BLACKLIST

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 8.—A bill prohibiting the blacklisting of employees was passed by the lower house of the California legislature.

TWO MILLION ARE STARVING

Try to Help Them by Spending the Sum of \$360,000.

Nanking, China, Feb. 8.—For the relief of the two millions of famine sufferers, the provincial authorities of Anhui and Kiangsu provinces have authorized the expenditure of \$360,000.

It Takes Weeks

Agents have already been dispatched to the south to buy food supplies. These will be sent out by pack trains and it will probably be weeks before the remote farming villages, where the suffering is worse, can be reached.

Meanwhile the peasants are dying daily by the hundreds, and the presence of the unburied dead presents a fearful menace to those who would endeavor to bring relief.

Crops Destroyed

To prevent a recurrence of the famine, which was caused by the destruction of last year's crops, due to the flooding of the country by the Hwai river and its tributaries, permanent relief works are planned.

It is proposed to drain the vast network of canals in the stricken country, build embankments, and hold the waters within them.

Efforts are also being made to drive the people away from the river bottoms, into the higher region.

WILL INVESTIGATE FIRING ON THE RED CROSS FLAG

By United Press.
Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—Upon complaint of Representative W. H. Smith of the El Paso district of Texas, Ambassador Wilson at Mexico City was ordered today by Secretary Knox to investigate the charge that Mexican troops had fired at the red cross flag during the fighting near Juarez last Saturday.

Dr. Bush of El Paso reported that he was fired on several times while displaying a Red Cross flag on the battlefield.

152 TRUE BILLS DUE IN DANVILLE

Three Indictments Have Been Voted Against County Treasurer.

Danville, Ill., Feb. 8.—The Vermilion county "vote market" is in a state of intense excitement in anticipation of the preliminary report of the grand jury today, which, it is said, contains 152 true bills, forty-seven of them against vote sellers and alleged perjurers.

Indict County Treasurer

Three indictments, containing more than 150 counts, have been voted against Hardy H. Whitlock, the defuncting county treasurer and ex-sheriff, who is alleged to have embezzled \$7,500 of the county's funds.

The heads of the various political machines are predicting the end of the vote traffic investigation, but nevertheless they are laying plans to repel the efforts of Foreman Isaac Woodyard and his twenty-three jurymen.

The politicians base their claims of victory on the defeat of the grand jury's effort to depose State Attorney Lewman and to obtain a special prosecutor.

True Bills Ready

The inquisitorial body had planned to make its return of indictments yesterday, but a number of important witnesses appeared and occupied its time.

The true bills have been prepared by Assistant State Attorney Crayton and only await the signature of the grand jury to make them valid and ready for presentation to Judge Kimbrough.

CAN'T STOP DIVORCE BILL

Reno, Nev., Feb. 8.—That the first effort to touch the present divorce law by legislative enactment was to meet an ignominious death was realized when 39 out of the 47 members of the assembly voted to adopt a report unfavorable to the Hooker bill.

KILL IMMUNITY BATHS

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 8.—The first bill passed by the Michigan legislature this year is an anti-trust measure, designed to do away with immunity baths in trust prosecutions.

TAKES KNOCK AT COLONEL ROOSEVELT

Chicago, Feb. 7.—Theodore Roosevelt today ran against another snag.

LORIMER MAY BE FORCED TO QUIT

Pressure in Republican Circles Alleged Reason for Chicago Meet.

New York, Feb. 8.—The New York Sun publishes the following this morning under a Washington date:

Majority Favor Ousting

Senator Lorimer has gone to Chicago and there was a renewal this afternoon of the rumors that strong pressure is being brought to bear on him to get him to retire from the senate and thus relieve his colleagues of the necessity of voting on the question of excluding him.

Senator Lorimer was told before he departed for Chicago that he could not hope to retain his seat.

Senators who are outspoken in his favor admitted that a substantial majority of the senators are in favor of excluding him.

Lorimer Claims Illness

Senator Lorimer's personal friends explained that his hasty departure to Chicago was due to the necessity that he submit to treatment for a throat affection that has troubled him for years.

"Many senators were inclined, however, to associate Mr. Lorimer's departure for Chicago with a report that he is considering the wisdom of retiring voluntarily from his seat in the senate rather than submit to what at this time appears to be almost a certainty that he will be excluded."

Pressure Brought to Bear

"Left to his own inclinations in the matter the senator from Illinois would undoubtedly decline to quit. But the pressure from his party colleagues may become so strong that he will feel impelled to yield."

BILL COUNTY OPTION

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 8.—A county option bill, introduced by Representative H. H. Rines and which was the special order in the Minnesota house, was defeated by a vote of 50 to 60.

Left of the country, who has received the homage of Europe, counsels large families."

Speaking of international marriages Bishop Fallows said:

"Today we have a wedding in New York which has created widespread gossip. I would not forbid the bans of Lord Decies or any of his species where true love and other conditions are sure."

CONDENSED NEWS

LOCAL

1,000 TO REPORT FOR WORK
About 1,000 former employees of the steel corporation's Gary plant have been told to report for duty Feb. 15, when it is expected the entire plant will resume operations.

INJURED BY A CAR
Miss Frances Adelman, 23 years old, 2455 South Park avenue, was run over and probably fatally injured by a south-bound Cottage Grove avenue car at 23d street. She was taken to the Post-Graduate hospital.

TWINS COME; MAN DIES
Shock caused by the arrival of twins at his home brought about the death of Martin Tuohy, 27 years old, 2041 North 42d avenue, an iron worker, according to his brother. Tuohy was to have been arraigned before Judge Sabath on a charge of wife abandonment, but his brother informed the court that Martin had died.

FAMILY IS FOUND STARVING
Police found the family of Peter Neuman, 4065 Park avenue, starving. Neuman, his wife and three children—Hazel, 12 years old; Margaret, 8 years old, and Harold, 4 years old—had been without food for three days and the children especially were in desperate condition. Neuman was out of work for three months. Aid was given them.

NEW BOER'S FIRST MISHAP
The first accident in the new Washington street tunnel since it was opened to street car traffic occurred at 8 o'clock when a west-bound Madison street car on which eight Madison street riders left the track about twenty feet from the mouth of the tunnel at Franklin street. None of the passengers on the car was injured. Traffic through the tunnel was suspended for two hours.

JOAQUIN BOROLLA IS HERE
Joaquin Borolla, the Spanish painter, accompanied by his wife, arrived in Chicago to superintend the hanging of his paintings for the exhibition, which will open at the Art Institute next Tuesday evening. Two years ago this artist's new York exhibition had such a phenomenal success that all the pictures were sold before other cities had a chance to see them.

TO DEPORT GIRL AND BABY
Ellen Barocki, a 20-year-old Lithuanian girl, who left Russia a year ago to come to America to live with her brother, whose home was said to be in Chicago, soon will begin a return journey to the fatherland. The police found the girl and her baby alone in a room at 19th and Halsted streets and took them to the poorhouse at Oak Forest. When the young woman was made to understand that she was to be deported she shook her head and said: "No, no. Starve. Baby starve. No, no."

STATE COURT CONVENES
Springfield, Ill., Feb. 8.—The February term of the Illinois Supreme Court will convene today. The docket contains 111 cases.

TO INVEST \$2,000,000
Washington, Feb. 8.—The executive committee of the American National Red Cross society met to plan the investment of \$2,000,000 being raised by popular subscription. No decision was reached.

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY NOT ILL
Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 8.—Reports that James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier poet, is seriously ill, are denied. His condition is better now than it has been at any time since he had a paralytic stroke three months ago.

MUST RESPECT U. S. UNIFORMS
Washington, Feb. 8.—The Hobson bill to prevent discrimination in theaters and other places of public entertainment against men lawfully wearing the uniform of the army, navy or marine corps, was favorably reported from the senate committee on the judiciary.

THAW'S LAST HOPE GONE
Albany, N. Y., Feb. 8.—Harry K. Thaw's final hope of being released from Matteawan was dashed this afternoon when the Court of Appeals dismissed his appeal from the decision of the Appellate Division adverse to his contention that he was being illegally detained.

SEE PROFANITY IN HELLO
Trenton, N. J., Feb. 8.—The members of the Second Reformed Church of White Horse have begun a crusade against the use of the word "hello," as they declare it verges on profanity, and they have requested the telephone companies to instruct their centrals not to use it. Rev. Harry M. Hitchcock declared "it is an improper word."

OWEN KILDARE IS DEAD
New York, Feb. 8.—Owen Kildare, the novelist who became widely famous three years ago after falling from the stairs of the Times Square Subway Station, died at the Manhattan State Hospital on Ward's island. His body was brought here by his former wife, who is now married to Lieutenant Commander Charles A. Adams, U. S. N., retired.

PLAGUE THREATENS RUSSIA
St. Petersburg, Feb. 8.—The bubonic plague is rapidly sweeping westward from Manchuria toward Europe, menacing hundreds of millions of inhabitants.

Amusements
Grace SAUCE FOR THE GEORGE GOOSE
LYRIC FINAL MATINEE WEEK TOMORROW
AUDITORIUM MAT. TODAY
New York Hippodrome
GARRICK
Forbes-Robertson

ants. It has already made its appearance in Trans-Baltica.
AID GOES TO ICE-BOUND SHIPS
Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 8.—In response to appeals from the ice-bound coast of Nova Scotia the department of marine and fisheries dispatched the ice breaker Stanley to Bridgewater and the Straits of Canso to release ships laden with lumber and coal.

49 DIE OF PLAGUE IN ONE DAY
Peking, Feb. 8.—The Russian legation has received advice that forty-nine deaths as a result of the plague occurred at Taidikar in one day. Previous reports from there indicated that the situation had improved, but this shows a sudden recrudescence.

JAPAN TO FIGHT PLAGUE
Tokyo, Feb. 8.—Dr. S. Kitasato, accompanied by the chief of the colonization department, will leave for Manchuria Feb. 12 to investigate the plague situation. The government has requested an appropriation of \$500,000 to fight the epidemic.

BUSINESS

BONDS NOT SECURITY FOR NOTES
Washington, Feb. 8.—The Treasury department bill prohibiting the use of Panama canal bonds as security for national bank notes was passed by the senate. It has not been acted upon by the house.

\$10,000,000 BELT LINE IN VIEW
Milwaukee, Feb. 8.—That the St. Paul railroad is planning a belt line around the city and that will be built within the next two years was a report circulated here today. The project, it is said, would mean an expenditure of \$10,000,000. The line, it is said, will connect with the inner belt line touching all points in the surrounding country and giving the company access to the big industries in the outskirts of the city.

SPORT

M'CURDY FLIES AT HAVANA
Havana, Feb. 8.—A. D. McCurdy, who recently nearly crossed the straits of Florida in a biplane, a spectacular flight from the drill grounds at Camp Columbia to Morro Lighthouse, which he covered in sixteen minutes and twelve seconds.

'FIELDS' WORSE THAN SWEATSHOP
Rickert Tells About Girl Workers in the Factories.

That the wages paid by Marshall Field & Co. are less even than the sweatshop wages of the garment workers in the factories is shown by the statement of the head of the United Garment Workers testifying before the senate investigation committee.

Question to Rickert
Thomas L. Rickert, international president of the garment workers, was asked: "How do the wages of girls in the factories compare with the wages of girls in large department stores, such as Marshall Field?"

"Oh, they are not in the same class," answered Mr. Rickert. "Girls at Marshall Field's call themselves ladies and these others are only factory girls. I am not prepared to state what the wages are at Marshall Field & Co."

About Factory Girl
"I do not think the factory girl averages more than \$7 a week the year around, and she has to be at the factory every day, whether there is work or not, to hold her job."

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Peoria, Ill., Feb. 8.—A splendid bronze figure of Robert J. Ingersoll, seven feet high, has just arrived in Peoria and will be erected on a massive granite pedestal in a commanding position at the main entrance to Glen Oak Park.



ROBERT J. INGERSOLL, IN BRONZE
The statue of the noted orator and agnostic is the work of Frederick E. Triebel, and is being financed by the Ingersoll Memorial association, composed of Peorians.

Col. Ingersoll, though a native of New York, made his reputation as a lawyer, soldier and orator while a citizen of Peoria.

lary, was read in the house and submitted to the committee on judiciary general.

This move revealed a piece of political maneuvering worthy of the late Mr. Quay. The sending of a bill relating to purely military affairs to a judicial committee composed of twenty-five lawyers, when in the ordinary course such a measure should be submitted to the committee on military, shows considerable sagacity on the part of the capitalist lawmakers, but it is too flimsy and transparent to deceive Socialists.

However, the introduction of the bill is in itself significant, in light of the fact that a bill will be introduced later to increase the numbers and raise the salary of the members of the constabulary.

Victory for Workers
The defeat of such a measure would be no small victory for the working class for whose special benefit the Cossacks were organized. Maurer has a number of other bills which will be presented in a short time. Among them is a workmen's compensation act.

On the enemies' side of the house there is in sight several vicious measures tending toward centralized government.

Needless to say everything possible will be done by the Socialist representatives to arouse the people of the state to the true use and purpose of these bills, in order that they may be defeated and their framers and upholders exposed as foes of the working class.

Since Maurer took his seat in the legislature hardly a day has passed but there has appeared in the capitalist press, both in the news and editorial columns, monstrous lies as to his work and purposes.

Such baseless utterances are so clouded and distorted as to make him appear a bad man. Of his every action the newsmen makes a pretext to hold him up to ridicule.

Still the Socialist is the most powerful man in the house. Not, of course, in the sense of personal power, but because of the might and determination of the organization behind him.

In this connection his position is unique. His constituency is not geographical; is not circumscribed by the narrow limits of Berks county. Maurer represents the working class and the working class realize it.

Miners Ask Aid
This point was brought out clearly the other day when a powerful miners' organization in a part of the state widely separated from Maurer's district wrote him asking aid for a certain measure of benefit to them.

The man representing their own district was disgraced as being but a political hireling, and rightly so. It is because the workers of the state recognize in Maurer a representative of the working class and a champion of working class interests, that although he is but one against 106 his power is so keenly felt.

The lying capitalist press is his bitterest assailant and it is up to the Socialist and labor papers to show the working people that when their representative is attacked, denounced and vilified, he has dealt a blow at their masters somewhere.

TEN YEARS FOR WHITE SLAVES
New York, Feb. 8.—Samuel Rubin, 22 years old, was sentenced, to not less than ten years nor more than seventeen years and six months' imprisonment and a fine of \$1 in the Court of General Sessions. Rubin is the first person convicted under the new white slave law, which makes it a felony for a man to subsist on earnings of women of the underworld.

SENT TO WHIPPING-POST
Baltimore, Md., Feb. 8.—Five lashes on his bare back and two months in jail was the sentence imposed by Judge Duffy in the Criminal court here on George E. Woodson for assaulting his wife and terribly mutilating her face with a knife. The last time the whipping post in the jail here was used was in 1907.

"TICKLED"

With the Bargains at Benson & Rixon's Gigantic February Sale

FREE! WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEB. 8



Most Remarkable Demonstration of Bargain-Giving Ever Attempted—for Ten Days, Beginning Wednesday, Feb. 8th

Twenty thousand people took advantage of this sale last year and everybody was "tickled" with the bargains obtained. There will be more this year—lower in price and better in value than ever before. A merchandise event of supreme importance to every man, woman and boy. Sale begins Wednesday, Feb. 8, at 8:30 a. m., in our large four-story building at Milwaukee Ave. and Paulina St. It is a stupendous undertaking to sell this magnificent stock in ten days, beginning Wednesday, Feb. 8, but the prices placed on so fine a lot of merchandise will shout louder than words and make the ten days, beginning Wednesday, Feb. 8, the busiest in our history. Remember, Benson & Rixon Co., 1295-99 Milwaukee Ave., the oldest, largest and most reliable outfitters for men, boys and children, guarantee every statement made and will exchange goods or refund money on request.

OVERCOATS
Here's an item that must compel attention. Our regular \$12.00 line of Overcoats for men or young men have been thrown together into this lot at the ridiculously low price of \$5.85, but we are fixed in our purpose not to carry over a single garment and, therefore, you can choose almost any color you desire from this lot in either the large, roomy, convertible collar coat, or the plain velvet collar styles; all sizes. \$5.85

SUITS
All-Wool Clay Worsted Suits; a few pure worsted serges, plenty of Thibets, unfinished worsteds and colored cassimeres, serge lined, single or double-breasted coats. Think of it! Pure wool worsted suits at a price too low to pay for the making, but they are from broken lots—in all 885 suits, all sizes—and they must go. \$5.85

Several Hundred Hand-Tailored Suits—both men's and boys'—buttonholes, hand-felled and padded collars, and shoulders, etc. Suits that we thought cheap at \$15.00 last spring and fall because of the fine, soft finished silk mixed worsteds they are made of; all shades of blue, tan, gray, brown, green. Exceptionally fine are the lighter weights that will be found in this lot. Anticipate your wants for spring. \$7.95

Here's the best lot of \$18.00 Coats that ever came to Chicago. They are "Pronto" two-in-one styles or regular semi-form fitting Chesterfield coats, with velvet or cloth collars. Every coat hand-tailored and of absolutely purest wool material; guaranteed for two years; Skinner satin sleeve lining. The assortment of colors would do justice to any advance season showing; sizes 32 to 46. \$9.85

\$20.00 and \$22.00 English Vicuna, Black and Oxford Overcoats. It's wonderful, really wonderful; how such garments can be sold for the price we offer them, but we disregarded cost to clean up this stock, knowing that every item sold will make its purchaser a booster for Benson & Rixon Company quality—that point is as important to us as the desire to effect a complete clearance. There are several hundred coats in this lot; \$20.00 values. \$12.65

We are putting it mild when we say \$25.00 Overcoat at \$14.95. We don't take one boy's size coat that perhaps is worth \$35.00 and put this one high-price item up as a blind to mislead you. We take the general average and when you see garments such as we offer at this price, you'll realize the sincerity of our business methods. These coats bear labels of manufacturers whose clothes can't be retailed for less than \$25.00, and you'll recognize them because they are well known. Ask to see this line. It comes in every style and pattern and we have your size. \$14.95

Don't be afraid to ask for UNION-MADE OVERCOATS with the Union Label in them, if you are a strong-hearted Union man. We have all the best Union Label garments the market affords, at the same prices as other goods. \$14.95

PANTS
Men's Pants of Black Cheviot and Kentucky waterproof jean material. \$8.9c
\$2.00 and \$2.50 values in Men's Pants—600 pairs we place on sale Wednesday morning, fancy worsted cassimeres and hair line. \$1.29
\$3.00 and \$3.50 Dress Worsteds—Pants in best striped effects; well-made pants with belt strap; flaps on hip pockets, with cuffs, if you desire. \$1.95

McMillen Elephant Brand Working Pants; the heaviest and best wearing trousers made. \$2.19
Men's Finest Quality Trousers; every pattern you could wish for, including fine and black all-wool serges, good heavy weight, peg tops for young men; conservative styles for older men. \$2.95

BOYS' CLOTHING
\$2.00 Boys' Double-Breasted, Also Children's Novelty or Buster Brown or Sailor Suits. \$9.9c
\$2.50 Children's Overcoats, all sizes, 3 to 8, special. \$9.9c
Boys' Two-Piece Double-Breasted Knicker Suits, neat dark gray cassimeres; some are all wools, others have enough cotton mixture to make them even more durable than the all-wool kind; coats are lined with strong imported Italian lining. \$1.48
\$4.00 Boys' Overcoats, combination collar; all colors, all sizes to 17, special. \$1.95
Two Pair Knicker Pants Suits; just the kind that your boy needs for school wear; the extra pair of pants match the coat and practically makes these garments as good as two suits; all neat dark gray coats, all sizes 11 to 17. \$2.69

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Special Correspondence.
Redlands, Cal., Feb. 8.—A Socialist and photographer here named E. F. Everett has a fox terrier that has been distributing Socialist literature for years.

His master is thinking of getting the camera in line some of these days and catch the terrier in one of his characteristic poses while at work, so the public may see how it is done.

Tuck Faces Fall
Special Correspondence.
Oakland, Feb. 8.—H. C. Tuck, editor of the World, a Socialist weekly published here, is still detained on a bond under a charge of criminal libel. It will be remembered that his arrest arose through the exposure in the columns of the World of the police department and the system of detention in the city jail.

All these facts are of vital concern to the working class. If the system of jailing and holding workers on suspicion and trumped up charges is allowed to continue in means that none of us is safe from arrest.

Editor Tuck feels confident that he has facts which need only to be produced to justify himself and his paper.

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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 struggle.—Longfellow.

POLITICIANS IN BID FOR FAVOR

Steam Engineers Resent Use of Indorsement Without Permission.

Chicago politicians, anxious to make it appear that they are being looked upon with favor by organized labor, have been using the indorsements of a few individuals in newspaper statements, representing that they are indorsements of entire unions.

Engineers Explain
The following statement of the committee representing 3,000 union steam engineers, is self-explanatory:

"Feb. 4, 1911.
"It being the fact that publications have appeared in the various newspapers of Chicago indorsing certain candidates for office in the coming election under the name of the International Union of Steam Engineers.
"The standing committee of the local joint executive board of the International Union of Steam Engineers of Chicago wishes to state that the International Union of Steam Engineers has not indorsed any candidate so far, and further states that the publications in the various newspapers were published by engineers who are not affiliated with the International Union of Steam Engineers, nor the Chicago Federation of Labor, nor the American Federation of Labor.

Bump Indorsement
"A few individual engineers, representing themselves as engineers of a local called No. 3, which had its charter revoked in the International Union of Steam Engineers, are now using the name of the International Union of Steam Engineers illegally, and we beg the various candidates and the public to take notice of this."

GIVE ESCH BILL O. K. OF LABOR

Chicago Federation of Labor Indorses Fight on "Phossy Jaw."

The fight against the use of white phosphorus in the manufacture of matches in the United States was given indorsement Sunday by the Chicago Federation of Labor, which pledged its support for the Esch bill, now before congress.

Obstacles Removed
"The last obstacle against the use of white phosphorus," said Luke Grant, delegate from the Carpenters, "was removed when the Diamond Match company surrendered its patent rights to the French substitute."
"The only objection that independent dealers have to the law," he explained, "was the fact that the cost of making matches would probably suffer a slight increase."

No "Phossy Jaw" in Europe
White phosphorus is prohibited in the making of matches in Europe because it causes the most frightful and loathsome disease called "phossy jaw." This disease rots away the gums and the teeth of the lower jaw.
A resolution was unanimously indorsed recommending a favorable consideration by congress of the Esch bill, which will make the tax on white phosphorus prohibitive.

Labor Briefs

The Confederation of Labor of Paris has determined to use motion pictures in education of the workers, showing in strike pictures, slums, life in workshops, etc. The idea might be copied with profit by American workers.

HEBREW IMMIGRANT IMPORTANT FACTOR

If the ultimate American has not yet appeared, he is certainly in the process of formation, and the poor Hebrew immigrant who has found shelter within our gates is an important factor in that process.

His keen appreciation of the manifold advantages he has found here, particularly our public schools, eminently fit him to be one of the ingredients, and a very important one, from which the coming American is to be made.

His love of liberty and his willingness to sacrifice everything he possesses, even life itself, for its sake, is a quality of such excellence that it makes him one of the most desirable of citizens and a national asset of inestimable value.

His humanity and brotherly love, his friendliness and care of the needy and his respect for infancy and old age, are also qualities deserving of emulation by everyone who has hopes and aspirations for the salvation of mankind.

His willingness to help his brother and the strong co-operative instinct that dominates his every act are the qualities above all others that we need most in our development which, if he teaches it to us, will more than repay us for any welcoming effort we have made in his behalf.

Who can remember without feelings of admiration the superb lesson he gave us during the great garment workers' strike in New York last year, or the splendid solidarity which brought success to his newly acquired grasp of trade unionism upon that occasion?

Who can forget the splendid sacrifices he made during the long struggle and the brotherly solicitude he showed for his fellows and the helpful way he assisted those who were in more needy circumstances than himself, sharing his all with them even if it were but a crust?

These co-operative qualities, manifested so splendidly upon that occasion, will become more apparent still should circumstances arise likely to call them forth, and the trade unions need have no fears that the Hebrew immigrant, poor and despised though he may be for the time being, will ever prove a weak link in the chain of progressiveness that is being forged by labor organizations.

They are workers, and their sympathies are with the lowly and their devotion to their class and the interests of their class is a virtue that could be emulated with much advantage by many of us who make claims of a higher and greater pretense to trade union righteousness.

Their hopes are our hopes, and their success is our success, and the coming time, for which we are all working and struggling, will only come through such co-operative effort as they have taught us and the bestowment of all jealousies caused by racial misunderstandings and the false teachings of malice and ignorance. Knowledge will give us liberty, the truth will make us free.—Machindler's Monthly Journal.

Trades Unions

Foster education and uproot ignorance. Shorten hours and lengthen life. Raise wages and lower usury. Develop manhood and balk tyranny. Enlarge society and eliminate classes. Establish fraternity and discourage selfishness. Reduce prejudice and induce liberality.

Create rights and abolish wrongs. Lighten toil and brighten men. Cheer the home and brighten life. Make the world better for those living today.

All wage workers should be union men. Their progress is limited only by those who hold aloof. Get together. AGITATE, EDUCATE, ORGANIZE! Don't wait until tomorrow. Tomorrow never comes. Don't wait for someone else to start. Begin yourself. Don't harken to the indifferent. Wake them up. Don't think it impossible. Three million organized workers in the American Federation of Labor prove different. Don't weaken. Persistence wins results.

ACTORS WIN IN THEIR DEMANDS

A strike of actors in Chicago vaudeville houses was obtained by the managers of several billing agencies concurring to the demands of the White Rats' Actors' union to employ none other than union actors and to live up to their contracts with the union.

The Metropolitan Booking exchange was one of the agencies to come to time to stop the practice of suiting themselves without regard to the rights or conditions of the actors.

Manager Cox of the agency has an agreement with National Secretary Mountford of the White Rats' Actors' union, which provides that managers and agents shall pay salaries to actors for the periods of their engagements.

Other large booking agencies have already signed this agreement.

LABOR Deter Power Writes ON GOVERNMENT FIGHTS EIGHT-HOUR LAW

There seems to be a big conspiracy on in Washington to break down the national eight-hour law.

Not only did Taft damn the law in faint praise, but last week bids for the construction of two gunboats were opened and it was found that the outside builders had made no offers.

Not only that, but George van Lengerke Meyer, secretary of the navy, has ordered that all of the construction of machinery for the big battleship to be known as New York, now building at the Brooklyn navy yard, be transferred to the shops at Schenectady.

Schenectady is a ten-hour shop. The Brooklyn navy yard is an eight-hour shop. The usual protests are being sent, but it is doubtful whether they will receive attention.

TRANSPORT TOILERS WORK LONG HOURS IN BRITAIN

London, Eng., Feb. 8.—Revolving conditions, especially in the point of hours of work, are the lot of the transport and dock workers in Great Britain.

One of the grievances that might serve as an example of conditions in general was the discovery that men work in shifts of twelve hours each, seven days a week, at the Surrey Commercial dock, under the port of London authority. The men are not even allowed meal times.

The wages are also low. Men in other departments also are given much less pay than that paid by private employers.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE FOR LATE M. J. BOYLE PASSED

News has been received by the Chicago Federation of Labor of the death of M. J. Boyle of the Switchmen's Union of North America, and a member of the Employers' Liability Commission, appointed by Governor Deneen to investigate into the subject of industrial accidents. Resolutions of condolence were passed by the federation.

RAILWAY MAIL CLERKS HOLD SECRET MEETING

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 8.—Considerable mystery surrounds a meeting of the railway mail clerks of the Tenth district, held here.

The proceedings were secret. The clerks refused to say whether a walk-out had been ordered, but it is intimated that an ultimatum to the postoffice department was framed as an alternative to a general strike.

THE STRIKE BREAKERS

Who is far worse than knave or fool. Who never read the Golden Rule. Who is the tyrant's willing tool. The scab.

When labor's won or lost the day. And peace resumes her gentle way. Who gets the grand bounce right away? The scab.

Who, when men stand up for the right. And for their wives and children fight. Who in all their efforts tries to blight? The scab.

Who is the man with coward face. Who steals his fellow toiler's place. Who is despised by all his race? The scab.

MAIL CAR WRECK MAKES ORPHANS

Fathers of Nine Babies Are Killed Because of Neglect.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—This is a story about four men who lost their lives, and about nine little children who would have been happy last Christmas eve, and about grieving widows—and it all happened because Postmaster General Frank Hitchcock's feelings are so tender toward the railroads.

Mail Car Law

On June 1, 1910, a law went into effect that postal cars must have certain "standard specifications," that is, that postal cars in the future must be safe.

It is a notorious fact that postal clerks by the score have lost their lives because the rickety old cars in which they have been compelled to work are always smashed into kindling wood when such cars meet with an accident.

On July 29, 1910, the Norfolk & Western railroad put a new postal car into service: A wooden car, which had been passed by Hitchcock's agents as answering the safety test and requirements.

Cause of Death

On Dec. 24, 1910, five months later, J. R. Herndon, L. W. Dowdy and C. C. Goode were instantly killed, and O. M. Bell was so badly injured that he died two hours after this very car had been smashed to small pieces because it left the track in tunnel No. 6 in the West Virginia mountains.

These men were all railway mail clerks. No one else on the train was injured—the postal clerks would in all likelihood not have been injured if the car in which they worked had been made of steel, according to the intent of the law.

Call in Vain

Nine children called in vain for their dead papas on Christmas eve. Twenty-seven other railway mail clerks—making thirty-one in all—were killed during 1910; 100 more were injured for life and 617 more suffered injuries.

Nearly all this death and agony would have been saved had steel mail cars been in use.

The old wooden cars, placed between steel engines and steel passenger coaches crush like eggs in every wreck.

These grim facts, together with a package of vivid statistics on unsanitary and death-trap cars hurried at congress by Editor Urban A. Walter of the Harpoon, and a storm of public protest, have at last secured action in the house.

A resolution was passed providing that an agitation against cigar box postal cars in which Uncle Sam's postal clerks must risk their lives if they would earn a living; and this agitation makes this belated Christmas eve story timely and good, for an account of it the house of representatives has adopted a resolution which provides that after June, 1911, no more wooden rattle-trap postal cars shall be run on the railroads to kill postal clerks and make sad widows and rob babies of their papas, perhaps on Christmas eve.

Want Steel Cars

The railroads get over three years in which to make the change, even now, though it should have been made years ago.

The house having taken this course, the senate will hardly dare do otherwise than act favorably on the bill—though it must be acknowledged that the senate dares much.

If the senate concurs, even a Hitchcock having tender feelings for the railroads cannot long prevent installation of strong steel cars to safeguard the men in the railway mail service.

DIAZ SEEKS THE AID OF STRIKE BREAKING GUN MEN

By United Press. Denver, Colo., Feb. 8.—Noted Colorado gun-men are being hired by President Diaz to help put down the insurrection in Mexico.

The first to accept Diaz's proposition was Robert Boykin, a noted gun fighter and former policeman here, who has been in charge of the guards at the mines of the Northern Coal company, where the union men are on strike.

His record for shooting affairs is one of the longest in the west. He is said to be in command of a company of 125 fighters from Colorado and New Mexico. They are to join the federal forces at Juarez.

ABOUT THE TEACHERS

The Askren bill to remove the high school qualifications for common school teachers, will be taken up after the Keegan measure.

EARLY CLASH IS SEEN BETWEEN COLOMBIAN FORCES

By United Press. Panama, Feb. 8.—An early clash between 1,500 Colombian troops and a large revolutionary force in the province of Cauca is indicated in today's dispatches from Colombia.

PLAQUE GRAVITY UNCHANGED

By United Press. London, Feb. 8.—A Reuter dispatch today from Peking says that there have been 7,000 deaths from the plague in Manchuria and China and that the gravity of the situation is unrelieved.

10,000 Mail Clerks to Petition Congress Over Hitchcock's Head



"STUCK" MAIL AFTER CHRISTMAS, FROM A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN DEC. 26 IN THE DEPOT AT DENVER, BY EDITOR WALTER OF THE HARPOON.

Revolt in Service Reaches Threatening Proportions.

Denver, Colo., Feb. 8.—Revolt is spreading fast among the railway mail clerks and other postal employees—revolt against Hitchcock's "economy" program and drastic use of the gag rule to prevent protests.

Now they're going to take their protests over Hitchcock's head—to congress—relying on their constitutional right to petition, without jeopardy to their jobs.

Urban A. Walter, editor of the Harpoon, is leading the fight. Walter is an old railway mail clerk. His Harpoon is a militant journal of protest.

In the current January issue he calls for 10,000 signatures from railway mail clerks, to go on the petition to congress. He is getting them, and along with them a flood of information that bids fair to cause a genuine sensation when published.

Rumors of a possible strike come from many directions, but such action is not generally advocated. The instant dismissal of a St. Paul clerk, who signed a telegram of protest on behalf of 200 fellow clerks has inflamed the men in the service, however, and added much to the undercurrent of bitterness.

Responses to my call for signatures to the congressional petition received up to date indicate clearly that the men in the railway mail service will carry their grievances over Hitchcock's head," says Editor Walter.

"The petition is intended to call public attention to the fact that Mr. Hitchcock has set aside our guaranteed constitutional rights, as well as to present our other grievances.

"I have already forwarded to congress a report of 140 unsanitary mail cars. That offers an excellent opportunity for Hitchcock to save the price of car rental, for the government has ev-

FIGHT ON BILL FOR CHILDREN

Struggle Pending Against Juvenile Labor in Indiana.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 8.—The big struggle in the house on the child labor bill started when the measure was called up as a special order of business.

Many representatives of manufacturing interests, as well as labor leaders and advocates of child labor reform, were on hand when the discussion of the bill started.

A majority of the committee on labor has proposed amendments to the bill which Representative Keegan declares would only practically kill his present bill but weaken the present child labor laws. Keegan said that he would fight for his bill to the last ditch.

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Panama, Feb. 8.—An early clash between 1,500 Colombian troops and a large revolutionary force in the province of Cauca is indicated in today's dispatches from Colombia.

The government troops have already crossed the Quindio Pass. The revolutionists are said to be well armed.

Both Cauca and Bolivar are threatening secession from Colombia, on account of the alleged misuse of Bogota and the subservience of the capitalists to the interests of the eastern part of the country.

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Order From Washington

"Take up the slack" is the order from Washington that has started most of the fuss—the order that tied up Christmas mails in a fearful tangle, and drove railway mail clerks to desperation.

In effect, it is an order against any additional appointments of clerks, despite increased business, or even to fill vacancies, if the work can possibly be overthrown by the present force, whatever puts upon them. Walter has obtained copies of two letters sent out from Washington in October to superintendents of the railway mail service, one of which quotes the following order of the second assistant postmaster general:

"I am returning to you a number of clerks for the appointment of additional clerks in the railway mail service.

"In regard to these and all other cases of new appointment or employment in the service the division superintendent should hereafter submit in each case the statement that he knows of no slack in the service in his division which could be utilized to meet the needs for which the appointment is asked.

This instruction is given in accordance with the directions of the postmaster general.

A second order, issued soon after, says that the above order to take up slack "is intended to apply not only to proposed increases in the regular force, but also to the employment of temporary clerks for emergency service, of substitutes for clerks on vacation, of acting clerks in place of clerks injured while on duty."

Walter publishes in the current issue of the Harpoon a mass of information regarding Christmas mail congestion with highly illuminating photographs. Some of these show the congestion still terrific after Christmas.

In peevishly taking photographs of undistributed mail stacked high in the depot at Denver, Walter was temporarily placed under arrest, and the smashing of his plates was threatened.

But significant second thought resulted in Walter's quick release, with plates unaltered.

MAIL CLERKS IN FIGHT TO WIN

Struggle Pending Against Attorney for Government Workers Says Toilers Won't Quit Struggle.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 8.—"The mail clerks are in this fight to stay and to win."

James Manahan of St. Paul, attorney for the railway mail clerks of the Tenth district, made the above statement as he was leaving for Washington, D. C.

"I shall lay the clerks' grievances before congress in an endeavor to have an investigation instituted into the railroad-serving economy methods of the postoffice department," continued Mr. Manahan, "and take up the matter with Minnesota senators and congressmen to determine a plan of action.

"Conditions are worse than anticipated, I find upon investigation.

"The men are right in their demands for shorter hours and additional men. No overworked or under-paid man can render good service, and the public demands good service in handling mail.

"The trouble lies with the politicians. The postmaster general is discrediting the administration, disorganizing business, playing possum politics and calling it economy.

"I have investigated the earnings of mail cars under government contract and know that the railroads of the United States are overpaid many millions annually."

Philadelphia, Feb. 8.—Continued improvement marked the condition of Archbishop Ryan today.

The attending physicians believe that the prelate has a chance to recover.

PRISON BROOMS UP TO COUNCIL

City Fathers Also Asked to Cut Out Printing at the Bridewell.

The making of brooms in the city prison in competition with free labor may be greatly reduced in volume, and probably eliminated entirely, according to a report made Sunday by the prison committee of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

John L. Whitman, it was said, has declared himself against making the broom and butter question of free labor a harder one because of work done by Bridewell prisoners.

The city council will be asked to adopt a recommendation of the prison investigation committee, restricting the printing plant at the Bridewell to municipal work entirely, not to annually exceed \$15,000.

The brickmaking industry, if possible, will be reduced to an output not to exceed 4,000,000 bricks annually if the recommendations are adopted.

W. Kolacek Co.
2030-2042 MILWAUKEE AVE.
SPECIALS FOR WEDNESDAY

Ladies' Out Size Stockings, ribbed top, 25c value **12 1/2c** 4 Pair Limit

Scrim Pillow Ruffing, 4 1/2 yards long; the 25c kind **18c** for.....

1 Lot of Ladies' Gloves, slightly damaged; worth up to 50c; your choice..... **15c**

Dress Gingham—Toile du Nord, Red Seal and other well known brands, in lengths from 5 to 16 yards; regular 12 1/2c **5 3/4c** quality, only.....

Men's \$3 Trousers; made of fancy cassimeres and worsteds; this sale only..... **1.69** 1 Pair to a Customer

Men's Heavy Fleece-Lined Under-shirts; regular 50c val- **27c** nes; your choice..... 4 Shirts to a Customer

Shoes, Infants' patent leather—Button styles, solid leather or vici kid; hand-turned soles; black or red colored tops; **69c** 75c value; pair.....

Tobacco—Tuxedo, Velvet and Prince Albert tobacco; per can, only..... **9c**

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Mail to C. KIRSTENBERG, 1097 Elmwood avenue, Evanston, or telephone MEADWATER 1471, CHICAGO, ILL. ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

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THEY'LL CONTROL WHAT YOU READ

Morgan Denies It But Just Read This and Think.

By United Press. New York, Feb. 8.—Official denials from Morgan & Co. that that firm was trying to get a "strangle hold" on the "muckraking" magazines were received with amusement by Wall street today.

The reason was that the denial admitted the chief allegation in the matter, namely, that Thomas W. Lamont, the newest partner in the big international banking concern, was financially interested in the Crowell company, which has just bought the American magazine.

The denial, therefore, was regarded merely as the usual diplomatic one.

There Are Profits, Too But Morgan and his partners are not to have a monopoly of the periodical literature field.

It developed today that it was not alone for the purpose of muzzling the magazines that the big financiers were in the market to buy.

Instead, they have discovered that by applying trust methods to the magazine and book world fully as enormous profits are to be extracted as have come from oil, sugar or tobacco.

This will precipitate a fight between the financial interests who want control and will materially benefit those publishers who are willing to sell.

Plan Is Simple The plan is a simple one. With the big magazines controlled by a single group of interests the club plan of selling will be developed.

Magazines will be grouped as follows: A woman's magazine, a current affairs magazine and a fiction publication.

To this group will be added a set of books and the canvassers will offer the entire lot on the usual plan of a dollar down and a dollar a month.

The canvassers' commission will be 10 per cent, so that he can earn, for the same exertion he would have to put forth in selling a dollar and a half magazine, five times the amount he would get from the magazine alone.

Ideal Conditions This, of course, would give the combination concern the monopoly of the best canvassers.

The big distributing companies which put the magazines on the market are also to be the objective of the financiers. It is said, the ideal circulation of a successful magazine is 50 per cent stand sales and 50 per cent by subscription.

Therefore, the men who will control the magazine trust would like to get hold of the distributing agencies. That offers have already been made for controlling stock of the bigger concerns is asserted today.

Have the Notes Another report given wide credence today is that notes for upward of \$5,000,000 drawn by certain magazine owners are held by the paper company which has a monopoly of furnishing paper for printing the standard magazines.

This company is alleged to have connections with Morgan & Co., but at its offices no one would discuss the matter.

HOLMBERG FUNERAL TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY AT 2

The funeral of Beda Holmberg, aged 40, will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from 1127 Oak Grove avenue.

She was the wife of Carl Holmberg, 555 East 24th street, a member of the 57th ward branch of the Socialist party.

There are two children, Russell, aged one and a half years, and Norman, aged five years. Interment will be at Graceland cemetery.

Mrs. Holmberg died from blood poisoning last Saturday morning at the Augustana hospital.

FRENCH WOMEN PLAN TO HAVE THEIR OWN ACADEMY

By United Press. Paris, Feb. 8.—As a result of the recent defeat of Mme. Pierre Curie for membership in the Academy of Sciences a movement is today under way for the creation of an academy for women only, to add to the five academies that now constitute the French Institute.

It is proposed that the celebrated women of France, whether in science, art, literature, or just plain heroism, be eligible for membership.

Letters and Comment on \$25,000 Fund

By REV. GEO. D. COLEMAN. Wayback in the early seventies we formed Section 26 of the International Workingmen's Association's Philadelphia, Pa.

There were eighteen of us. We printed circulars and distributed them. This stirred things up so that the

the police should raid our meetings; one said that we should be mobbed; of course, all of this to sustain "law and order."

Eighteen poor men kicked up all this row. And why?

Because we used the press. Because of us met and the Knights of Labor was born. Three of these sixty were Socialists; two of them are now alive, and I am one.

Of those of the sixty that I know of, eighteen are now living, and all are Socialists.

"Gene" came and spoke. He wasn't a Socialist then, but men built on his lines can't help but "jest grow right into it" and he ain't stopped growin' yet."

If I were asked the greatest need of labor at the present time I would say A-CLASS-CONSCIOUS, FEARLESS PRESS.

Had the labor men in the early seventies, instead of worshipping leaders and following them like sheep, had supported a fearless press, they would have had their eyes opened.

SUPPORT THE SOCIALIST PRESS. Bring a light into a dark cellar and see the bugs and roaches run for cover.

The present Socialist press has 700,000 Socialists have got the bugs running.

If a tallish dip goes that, what will an eight-page Chicago Daily Socialist with 500,000 subscribers do?

TURN ON MORE LIGHT. Free press, free speech, and labor free will follow.

We shall then see the vision of all time realized—in the government to be the Social Democracy of the World.

Two of the newspapers declared that

SOCIALISTS NOT TARIFF FRIENDS

(Continued From Page 1.)

economic movement last summer was very languid.

Little Fight in Workers Strikes for higher wages were tried only in rare cases, because in most cases workingmen had little chance for winning them.

Of course the railroad companies made some advances to their men. This was with the expectation that the public in general would have to repay double through higher freight rates.

In fact the railroad unions went into partnership with the magnates and petitioned the interstate commerce commission.

But the railroads got left, because the ruling party—the Republican party—looked upon the high prices as a very dangerous enemy at the congressional election.

Why Taft Interceded That is the reason why President Taft interceded with the railroad presidents. He told them that if they persisted in raising the freight rates there would be a strong tendency toward nationalization of the railways, even in the middle class.

This might lead to a great strengthening of Socialism generally—at least to what Taft understands as Socialism.

The railroad presidents saw the point and postponed their demand until after election.

Otherwise the labor movement in this country last summer simply manifested itself in a coal strike precipitated by the mine owners, who wanted to reduce their surplus, and in small strikes of small building trades here and there.

Sees Overproduction And in most cities there have been an overproduction of houses during the last two years.

As usual, capital went into building, because it could not find more profitable employment elsewhere. And this meant a depression of prices.

Therefore it would be absolutely nonsensical if the Democrats of the country should try to pull all the sins of the capitalist systems on the tariff and make the tariff issue their only war cry and sole issue.

Change of Prices A good many of the articles used under a higher tariff have not gone up in price during the last ten years to any considerable extent—as, for instance, cotton goods, clothing and furniture.

But articles which we export, and which are not benefited by the tariff, like flour, meat, butter and eggs, have gone up tremendously.

The only way this rise of prices of foodstuffs could be checked would be by putting a tax on everything that is exported, as was done in olden times. But of course our farmers would not stand for that.

In some respects we have to suffer for the sins of wasteful capitalism during the last thirty years. This is surely the case with the lumber industry.

In other instances we have to suffer from the fact that our farmers still proceed with the old methods, and that they produce less foodstuffs per acre than the farmers of England, Germany, or France.

Limit Output There is still another reason peculiar to this country. Farmers' associations and associations of agriculturists have voluntarily agreed to limit the output.

This is the case with cotton, tobacco and wool. Such associations may not be trusted de facto, because their interests have not been centralized in a few hands.

However, the effects of their agreement to limit the output is the same. In short, there are many problems of this kind that have to be studied carefully by the Socialists, and will have to be solved by the Socialists. Neither the Republicans nor the Democrats will ever do this.

In fact they could not if they tried.

HERR ERNST RITTER VON POSSART AT PRINCESS

Herr Ernst Ritter von Possart, who since the death of Sontag has been regarded as Germany's foremost actor, is announced by the Messrs. Schubert for an engagement of two weeks, beginning Feb. 20, in the Princess.

Herr von Possart is now concluding in New York an engagement which is rich in interest for the large number of German playgoers in the metropolis and for many Americans of culture who have found in recent years the finest dramatic art on the German stage.

Von Possart plays a repertoire of classic, semi-classic and modern plays, which will bring to Chicago.

His chief d'oeuvre is said to be "The Merchant of Venice." Other plays in his repertoire include "The Daughter of Fabricius," by Adolf Wilbrandt, "Friend Fritz," "Nathan the Wise," and "Ein Falliment."

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RICHARDSON IS GREAT SUCCESS

Indianapolis Hall Packed and Old Parties Are Amazed.

LYCEUM LECTURERS' DATES

N. A. Richardson Feb. 8.—Marion, Ind., Grand Opera House.

Feb. 9.—Muncie, Ind., Red Men's Hall.

Feb. 10.—Hamilton, Ohio, Coliseum.

Oscar Amaringer Feb. 8.—Waterloo, Iowa, Manual Training School.

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C. B. Hoffman Feb. 10.—Franklin, Pa., Court House.

Special Correspondence. Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 8.—N. A. Richardson certainly can deliver the goods when it comes to a lecture.

His lecture here last Sunday was one of the best ever given in Indianapolis and everyone who heard him was well pleased.

Pleases His Audience The audience was with him from beginning to end. His delivery, forcefulness, wit and logic could not help but imprint the lesson of the basis of our industrial problems upon the minds of all who heard him, and the applause which greeted certain telling points showed that he was striking the right chord.

Politicians Amazed This lecture course is amazing the politicians of the old parties here as nothing the Socialists have undertaken in the past has ever done.

They are making it the topic of conversation everywhere and are wondering how the Socialists ever got the money to carry the course and how we got into the Odd Fellows hall, which, by the way, is the finest lecture hall in the city.

No other political party does secure that hall for their political speaking. The secret of securing the hall is that the Socialists give women the same privilege in the party as the men.

Hoffman Makes Hit at Portsmouth Special Correspondence. Portsmouth, O., Feb. 8.—C. B. Hoffman, editor of the Chicago Daily Socialist, made a great hit here.

A large crowd of thoughtful men and women gathered at Kendall hall and the meeting was enthusiastic throughout.

Hoffman stated that Socialism pointed out the fact that nature is bountiful, and labor powerful, and that when these mighty forces are brought together upon a just and scientific basis there is no excuse for poverty to exist.

Richardson at Indianapolis Special Correspondence. Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 8.—N. A. Richardson, Socialist speaker, gave the second of a series of six lectures under the

auspices of the Marion County Socialist party last Sunday.

He urged women to adopt the doctrine enabling men to rear families without fear of poverty.

He declared Socialism is the panacea for all industrial ills. A meeting will be held next Sunday to report plans for the establishment of a daily Socialist newspaper.

Peoria Lecture Success Special Correspondence. Peoria, Ill., Feb. 8.—The lecture of N. A. Richardson here was listened to by a very appreciative audience of over 400.

Fifty-three copies of "Industrial Problems" were sold. A decided increasing interest in the Lyceum Course of Lectures was displayed.

Several calls for membership application cards were made after the close of the lecture. A Swaron protest meeting will be held here, at which F. G. Strickland will speak.

Can't Be Bent Special Correspondence. Murphysboro, Ill., Feb. 8.—N. A. Richardson of California, the second speaker of the Lyceum Course, spoke here Saturday night.

We have heard such men as Debs, Mills and others and wish to state that Richardson on "Industrial Problems" can't be bent.

The Socialists here have also a full ticket for the spring elections, which is headed by J. C. Keough for mayor.

The local branch is making plans to move Milwaukee down here by the first part of April.

MEXICAN FIGHT IS POSTPONED

Claimed That Rebels Have Withdrawn From the Beseiged Juarez.

By United Press. El Paso, Tex., Feb. 8.—There is little chance of any fighting in the vicinity of Juarez for some days to come, if at all.

The insurgents, under the command of Pascual Orozco, are marching south. Sympathizers of the rebel commander here say he is going to give battle to the federals under General Navarro, who are moving northward to reinforce Juarez.

JEWISH LABOR WORLD'S BALL

Big Mask Affair Will Be Held at Seventh Regiment Armory.

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Milwaukee and the "Hobo" Convention

By Victor Berger

Editor's Note.—In commenting upon the recent "Hobo" convention held in Milwaukee, Socialist Congressman-elect Victor Berger issues the following statement: "We are not accustomed to look upon the so-called 'hobo' or 'casual laborer' as a friend of the organized working class—whether economically or politically."

The capitalistic papers and the capitalist pulpit howl about the scarcity of labor. They want more immigrants—even want coolie labor. "This is the case when the master class wants labor. But the moment that want is temporarily satisfied, that moment the laborer becomes a commodity of no value."

Morgan and the Magazines

The gravest danger that confronts the working class today is the ownership of the press by the plutocratic power. And now it comes to light that the king of Wall street is buying up the magazines and trade periodicals as well as the daily press of this country.

Do Rich Men's Sons Go to War? If Not, Why Not?

(From George Kirkpatrick's "War—What For?")

The king of Prussia and the emperor of France had a personal quarrel about who should be or who should not be the new king of Spain—which was none of their business. They got "real mad." War was declared.

To an intelligent rich man an unarmed wage earner in strike for an extra nickel to buy bread as "the enemy," and an armed, trained soldier whose business is murder, as "the enemy"—these look different, you know.

Whose House Is This?

On Fifth avenue and Seventy-Seventh street in the city of New York stands a brand new house. It cost \$7,000,000 to put it up and over \$3,000,000 for furnishings. This house, furnished, costs \$10,000,000.

FROM DIANA'S DIARY

Miss Dillpickles Organizes a Bench Show to Reclaim a Neighborhood That Needs It

BY FRED SCHAEFER



THE DOG CATCHER'S FATE SHOWED ME THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAS ONE ISSUE ON WHICH IT WILL HANG TOGETHER.

When I told you about my scheme to have a bench show for the kloodies of our street so as to inspire them and their owners to higher motives, I said: "Girl, you are crazy—on your pa's side."

PACKAGE FREIGHT

BY FRED SCHAEFER

Josh Wise SAYS: We trust no one will lapse into such levity as to refer to the battleship Arkansas as the "Ark."

False Americanism of John Ireland

By Burke McCarty

Well, we see John Ireland, archbishop of St. Paul, is still working overtime to save this country from Socialism. His efforts would be really amusing were it not for the serious side of it. John Ireland is a menace to this nation, for he is TEACHING THE YOUTH IN THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES FALSE AMERICANISM.

Commission Form of Government

By J. J. Jacobsen

One of the characteristic features of the commission form of government is the elimination of ward representation, all of the commissioners being elected at large.

A bandit robbed a restaurant the other day of \$3,494. Respectable land grabbers have robbed the state of \$250,000,000. The bandit goes to jail. The land grabbers go to congress.

Cap. Anson acted as scab while the actors' union was on strike. There was only one strike and four balls with all bases full. You ought to know better by this time, Cap.

Deneen says he wants to "throw down the bars and make it an open race without favoritism." We were fools enough to think that the primary law itself threw "down the bars."

Even the city council seems to make it hard for big business to go to heaven—especially via the skyscraper.

Smulski also wants to be mayor. He has been close to the money bags before and can toss them around like an expert.

February is playing snowball and has a monopoly on the gate receipts.

MARY'S COMB BOON

Potato Rosettes: Add to 2 cups of hot mashed potatoes, 2 tablespoons of hot butter, the beaten yolks of 3 or 4 eggs, and enough cream to make the potatoes moist enough to pass through pastry bag and fancy tube.

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LITTLE knocks by peons will in time wear away Papa Porfirio. SYMPTOM NO. 2. When your heels hit hard, and your head feels queer, and your thoughts effervesce like the foam on beer, when your friends look sad and talk severe—you are potted.

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LITTLE knocks by peons will in time wear away Papa Porfirio. SYMPTOM NO. 2. When your heels hit hard, and your head feels queer, and your thoughts effervesce like the foam on beer, when your friends look sad and talk severe—you are potted.