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COURTS ROB CRIPPLES BY JUDGES' LAW

Flora Exposes Vicious Decisions; Rodriguez Talks on Harrison.

The Socialist campaign was pushed forward yesterday with two big rallies...

Flora Is Hurt While at work on Friday, Flora, who is a union carpenter, had been injured by a door which fell, striking him on the head and inflicting a deep flesh wound.

At both meetings William E. Rodriguez assailed the two old parties, asserting that Merriam, because of his backers, could and would do little or nothing for the men in Chicago who work, and showing that Carter H. Harrison had used the police against strikers and had made a football of municipal ownership.

Aldermanic Candidate Talks At the meeting in Stern's hall...

Only by electing Socialists to that body," he said, "can the interests of labor be protected in the city of Chicago."

Most People Work "Most of the people in Chicago work for a living and yet the greater part of the activity of the city administrations of the past has been devoted to the welfare of the business interests."

Rodriguez asserted that the greater part of the city government in the hands of the men and women who work for wages.

On City Beautiful "We hear a great deal about the city beautiful and nothing from the old parties about sanitary housing. The Socialist party has a plan for a city beautiful, too, but that plan is based on sanitary homes built by the city and rented at the lowest possible rate, or sold on the lowest possible terms."

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HERE IS FRENCH PREMIER



ANTOINE ERNEST MONIS.

M. Briand's successor as premier of France, Senator Monis, is a radical republican, moderately inclined towards Socialism.

He is a lawyer and has been vice president of the French senate since 1904.

Paris, March 5.—The new cabinet met last night and drew up the declaration which will be delivered in the chamber of deputies today. This declaration says that in the interests of social peace the railroad employees of the state who were dismissed at the time of the recent strike will be taken back into service, with the exception of those guilty of gross insubordination and destruction of property.

The declaration outlines the government's policy in respect to the law, the liquidation of the schools, social reforms and foreign affairs. It affirms the government's determination to pursue a policy of pacification, based on the one hand on a system of ententes and alliances and on the other on a strong navy.

IT'S POOR POLICY TO SWAP HORSES WHILE CROSSING A STREAM--



BUT IT'S ALL RIGHT TO SWITCH FROM AN ELEPHANT TO A JACKASS

REBELS ARE ON TOP IN MEXICO

Starvation Comes as One of the Revolution's Results.

By United Press. El Paso, Texas, March 6.—Encouraged by the reports from Chihuahua that the inhabitants are facing starvation as the result of the blockade established by the insurgents, revolutionary leaders in that vicinity today renewed their efforts to make the blockade more complete.

Rebels Dominate Situation In spite of the desperate attempts by the federal government to repair the lines of the Mexican Central and Mexican Northwestern sufficiently to permit the entrance of supply trains into Chihuahua, officials of the roads admit that the insurgents absolutely dominate the situation, tearing tracks up in all directions from the city and otherwise establishing a complete state of siege.

With food already at famine prices and rapidly rising higher, the situation in Chihuahua is becoming desperate. Coffee is selling at \$4 a pound and sugar at not less than \$1 a pound and many other classes of food are not to be had at any price.

Report Success General Torres, commanding the federal forces near Hermosillo, today reports the utter rout of the insurgents and the capture by the federal of the town of Ladara.

Torres declares many insurgents were killed. Torres also reports that Col. Chila is on his way northward from Montezuma to engage the troops under General Blanco, insurgent leader.

CAR STRIKE IN OKLAHOMA CITY

By United Press. Oklahoma City, Okla., March 6.—No attempt was made today by the Oklahoma City Street Railway company to operate its cars, the die-up having continued since 10 o'clock yesterday morning, when every conductor and motor-man went on strike.

About 300 carmen are demanding recognition of their union. No wage increase is asked.

Because the city administration declines police protection, President Clasen of the company refused to allow any cars to be taken from the barns.

"Organized labor stands ready to arbitrate the strike," said Richard Cornelius of San Francisco, a member of the general executive board of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America.

"If the people of Oklahoma City are forced to walk it is not the fault of labor."

Automobile lines have been established throughout the city.

Fill Out This Coupon at Once

YOU HAVE DELAYED YOUR CONTRIBUTION TOWARD A LARGER PAPER. CAN'T YOU SPARE SOMETHING NOW? OVER \$8,000 HAS BEEN GIVEN BY SOME OF US. NOW DO YOUR SHARE. GET YOUR PENCIL AND WRITE YOUR NAME ON THIS BLANK AT ONCE. DO IT BEFORE YOU FORGET. DON'T FORGET YOUR PAPER.

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I hereby enclose the following contributions: Name, Address, Kindly send us names of any who might contribute and we will write them.

THE DAILY SOCIALIST IS THE GREATEST DEFENDER OF LABOR IN CHICAGO.

NINETY DIE IN THEATER FIRE

Forty Persons Are Also Injured in Russian Holocaust.

By United Press. St. Petersburg, March 6.—Ninety persons, mostly children, were burned and trampled to death in a fire that destroyed a moving picture theater at Bogolovo. Forty persons were injured, many seriously.

Theater Old Building The fire occurred yesterday, but the origin of the disaster was not received until today.

The theater was an old building and caught fire from the picture machines. Five hundred persons were in the building and they immediately made a mad rush for the narrow doors at the rear.

Exits Clogged All might have escaped had order been preserved, but the exits were soon clogged by the scramble. The men in attendance beat down the women and children, their cowardice being described as barbarous.

WEATHER INDICATIONS Cloudy and probably threatening tonight and Tuesday; not much change in temperature; lowest tonight near freezing; moderate northeast to east wind.

LECTURE BY DARROW DRAWS BIG AUDIENCE

The lecture on "Ibsen" by Clarence S. Darrow at the Garrick theater Sunday afternoon drew a splendid audience, notwithstanding the charge for admission.

One of Darrow's chief points was that Brandt, a stern ultra good man, left suffering and disaster everywhere in his trail because of his determination to make others live as he wished, while Peer Gynt, the useless loafer, spread sunshine everywhere because he gave everybody the right to act as their own individuality suggested.

The lecture was a magnificent indictment of Mother Grundy and plea for the liberty of the individual.

Next Sunday afternoon at 8 sharp at the Garrick, Lewis will lecture on "The Attitude of the Universe Toward the Human Race." This lecture is free.

LABOR DELEGATES DENOUNCE SEPARATE SCHOOLS FOR POOR

Reports in morning newspapers to the effect that Principal A. O. Baps of the Ray school, 57th street and Monroe avenue, had made speeches advocating separate schools for the children of the rich and the poor, with separate courses for study, according to social position, aroused delegates to the Chicago Federation of Labor Sunday.

As a result, Principal Baps will be given an opportunity to defend his utterances before the next meeting of the federation. Some of the members were for asking the school board to oust him, but others, although they declared him to be mentally incapacitated, held red in hearing his side of the case.

"Such dope for the children of the workmen is rotten," declared Benson of the Stone Planer and Joiner's union. "It's his right to make a hungry horse leave his oats. The cast steel nerve of such a rat really ought to be ignored. If he comes here we will make him look like two cents."

MAIL CLERKS NOW FACING WORST SEASON

Sweating of Government Employees Is Now Going Beyond Limit.

The Chicago postoffice clerks are in for the worst season they have had for years. During the next three months no sweating of employees can be compared with that which will be given Chicago postoffice clerks.

So says Oscar F. Nelson, business agent of the Chicago Postoffice Clerks' union.

Weighting Season On "At the same time that the amount of mail in the postoffice is insufficient," he added, "the weighting season starts."

The number of clerks in the postoffice has been entirely too low for years. Now the few clerks there are will be compelled to handle the abnormal increase of mail due to padding by big mail order firms at the instance, no doubt, of the railroads.

The local postoffice building is insanitary in every degree. And now that Hitchcock's steam roller will roll a little harder we can expect a clerk to drop in his tracks now and then from overwork. Even the rural carriers will suffer.

Will Increase Hours "Ten hours' night work at present will soon increase to twelve, because of the unnatural interest of the railroads and the big catalogue and business houses in padding the mails. It is quite a non-probability that the business men should dump this mail on so sudden, just when they are trying to set the ratio at which the railroads will be paid during the next four years for this rotten work."

Charges Not Denied By United Press. St. Paul, Minn., March 6.—Morgan Perkins, superintendent of the Teuth District Railway Mail Service, does not deny that mail is being weighed more than once.

Mr. Perkins was shown an article charging that mail is being weighed twice or more times. He refused to state whether or not the allegations were true.

Official government mail train between Minneapolis and Chicago, No. 57, Chicago, Minneapolis and St. Paul railway, arrived from Chicago today with 200 sacks of unworked mail, according to the clerks.

This mail was destined to local points in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Montana. It was sent out promiscuously on different lines.

A large amount of mail was sent out on coast train No. 3, Northern Pacific railway today. Mail clerks on this train who are scheduled to start work at 8 p. m. were ordered on at 9 o'clock in the afternoon.

The train left at 10:30 p. m. A large part of the mail was still unsorted. The clerks charge that the present force is inadequate to handle the volume of mail.

As a result unworked mail is being carried 25, and down the lines and being weighed several times.

Call It Joy Riding In the course of its "joy-riding" this mail will be weighed 2 or 3 times. The clerks charge that the present force is inadequate to handle the volume of mail.

WOULD END MARTIAL LAW San Salvador, Republic of Salvador, March 6.—Dr. Manuel E. Araya, who was inaugurated president of Salvador March 1, has recommended to congress the rescinding of the decree proclaiming martial law, and the granting of amnesty to all political exiles.

RAISE GIRLS' WAGES TO STOP BIG PHONE STRIKE; MANY SPIES

CAMPAIGN EDITION IS GREAT HIT

Over 50,000 Are Reached by the Special Daily Socialist.

It made the biggest kind of a hit. That first special edition of the Daily Socialist was the biggest thing in Chicago politics Sunday.

Bigger Than Lorimer It didn't make as big an impression on the sheets of the newspaper trust as Senator William Lorimer's "triumphant" return from Washington, but it did make an impression on the people of the city.

More than 50,000 people in Chicago were reached by the Daily Socialist, Sunday, most of them probably never having read it before.

"The people in our ward were eager for the Daily Socialist Sunday," said William Acker, treasurer and one of the old-time war horses of the Twenty-first ward.

Times Are Changing "There was a time when they would not read our literature, but threw it away. That time is over, however."

"We could have used 5,000 instead of 2,000 in our district," said C. H. Esdorn, of Painters' Union No. 124, who hails from the eleventh district of the Twenty-seventh ward, where they are going to elect George Koop to the city council.

The members of the First ward, with a keen sense for finances, sold many of their papers to the downtown features, and made the issue one of the throngs of their meeting at State and Congress streets.

Russian Exile Helps One of the hundreds of distributors all over the city was Isadore B. Bellin, who has just arrived in Chicago from Lutz, Russia, where he spent two years in prison for being an official of the labor unions of the czar's domain.

It was an agreeable experience for Bellin, who had been accustomed to go about with literature carefully concealed in his clothes that had been smuggled across the frontier into Russia from Germany, Austria, Switzerland and England.

The only thing that troubled Bellin was that all of the workers did not belong to the Socialist party, which he claimed was true in Russia.

SOCIALISTS START SCHOOL TO STOP FRAUDS AT POLLS

The First ward, at its regular meeting, decided to start a political school for ward captains and precinct workers. A force of three men, including a deputy, a watcher and an outside man, all Socialists, is to be placed at every polling place in the first ward.

Lists of voters registered in the primary election are to be gone over by the precinct workers and every voter located. With this plan in full operation illegal voting will be practically impossible.

The stag and smoker Saturday night drew a crowd of 200 and the wrestling matches were enjoyed by all.

Women, teachers are needed for the children's classes Saturday afternoon. Inquire of the county secretary, 180 Washington street.

28 WOMEN GO TO SPRINGFIELD TO FIGHT AGAINST GREEK

The Legislative Committee of the Woman's Trade Union League left Wednesday morning for Springfield, Ill. Nearly all of the members of the committee, twenty-five in number, will be present.

The ten-hour bill, so called because it limits any day's work to ten hours in all vocations and to fifty-four hours a week, is in the hands of the committee on Labor, Mines and Mining.

The chairman of this committee is Senator Hanson, the chairman of the senate committee which investigated the Garment Workers' strike.

Accompanying the women will be a representative from the Amalgamated Street Railway employees, Mrs. Dorothy Madson, all represent Cook county in behalf of the women of the Socialist party.

By order of the County Executive Committee a mass caucus of all the members of the Socialist party of Cook county is hereby called, to be held at 180 Washington street, Thursday evening, March 9, for the purpose of selecting candidates for the coming judicial election, for which a primary will be held April 11. Members must bring their membership books as credentials to vote in this caucus.

First, How? The Workers' Meeting Before the judicial caucus is held there will be a mass meeting of all the workers who are going to do anything in this campaign.

It is essential that the comrades understand what is to be done and what can be done. The campaign and executive committee believe that we can do wonders at this election. Old war horses in the movement are going to tell you about it Thursday evening.

The Bosses Take Extreme Methods to Crush Attempts at Organization.

Confronted with the possibility of an operators' strike, the Chicago Telephone Company today posted notices raising the wages for overtime and Sunday to time and a half.

How Wages Are Affected When asked how it would affect their wages, one of the girls replied: "Well, they have brought so many spies in from surrounding towns that we don't have to work overtime like we used to. We have to be awfully careful who we talk to now."

Another method to keep the girls away from meetings during their spare hours is by the entertainment method. The company has sent out some very attractive folders announcing an illustrated stereoscopic lecture to be held at the Ashbury Methodist church tonight.

Strikebreakers Here The men who are serving as strikebreakers against the striking electricians have been quartered in the south construction barns at 55th street and Wentworth avenue, in a five-story building, not equipped for housing men.

Horses occupy the basement and first floor, wagons the first and second, the equipment and feed fill the third and fourth, and the strikebreakers occupy the fifth.

Swear In Deputies Ninety odd men were sworn in as deputies this morning in the second floor parlors of the Hunt Hotel, Dearborn and Madison; about sixty yet remained to be made special policemen.

Many were recognized by the reporter for the Daily Socialist as being the thugs used to break the garment strike. They had been sent in by the private detective agencies and will be put to work this afternoon.

The chiefs of the north, south and west divisions—O. Zarr, Warbley and Bidde—visited the homes of all the installers who are out on strike.

Went Out in Sympathy They stated to the families just before they went to climb into their automobiles that if the installers did not show up for work Tuesday morning they would be discharged.

The installers went out in sympathy with the plant men who were discharged for belonging to the union.

Efforts on the part of Father Edmund A. Kelly, pastor of St. Ann's Roman Catholic church, to interpose his influence and prestige against the unionization of the girl operators in the employ of the Chicago Telephone company were the subject of scathing criticism at the hands of President John Fitzpatrick of the Chicago Federation of Labor Sunday.

Get Two Telegrams Mrs. Raymond Robbins, president of the Women's Trade Union League, which organization is now actively engaged in organizing the telephone operators, has received two telegrams from Father Kelly, who is now sojourning at Hot Springs, Ark.

These telegrams were received shortly after she started getting the girls into the Commercial Telephone and Telegraph Operators' union. Both telegrams were the same, but one was mailed to the offices of the league at 275 La Salle street and the other in care of the Chicago Commons.

The text of the telegrams follows: "Mrs. Raymond Robbins: It would be a positive injustice to the telephone company operators to disturb the relations between them and the telephone company. In no employment are girls better cared for or better paid. I hope you will discountenance the agitation as much as possible."

"REV. ED A. KELLY." Fitzpatrick Talks In denouncing the peculiar interest taken by Father Kelly in favor of the company and against the union, President Fitzpatrick said:

"The telegrams do not come from the locality where the fight is on, but from Hot Springs."

"Why do gentlemen go to Hot Springs at this time of the year? There must be a reason. I never had to go there."

"He does not send advice to the girls, but in the interest of the company. He asks that they allow themselves to be used as a tool."

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THIS IS AN OFFICIAL CALL

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There will be half a dozen ten-minute addresses right to the point, telling you just what you can do and what we can all do if we pull together. It will not be a propaganda meeting. It will be a heart-to-heart talk about the great opportunity before us and a call to every Socialist to put forth his best efforts this time. This mass meeting of Socialist workers will be held in the Young People's Hall at 180 Washington street, Thursday evening, March 9. After it adjourns the caucus will be called to order. Lay aside all other duties and be there.



CONDENSED NEWS

LOCAL

INJURED IN FALL FROM CAR

Peter Henitz, 22 years old, 7255 Barton Avenue, fell from a north-bound Rogers Park car at North Clark street and Carmen Avenue, suffering a fracture of the skull. He was taken to the Ravenswood hospital.

SWITCHMAN CRUSHED TO DEATH

Lawrence Wagner, 23 years old, 514 West 131st street, a switchman of the Erie railroad, was crushed to death between two cars while making a coupling at the West 54th street and the Western Indiana Railroad tracks. The police of the South Englewood station removed the body to undertaking rooms at 3359 South Halsted street.

HOLD UP MAN AMONG CROWDS

With a revolver against his ribs, Arthur Herskovits, 2807 Michigan Avenue, quietly was led by two holdup men from a crowd of pedestrians on Twenty-third street, near State, to an alley, where he was forced to give up his money, \$8.75, and his overcoat. The holdup men escaped.

CATHOLICS EAT MEAT FRIDAY

Catholics may eat meat on St. Patrick's day, even though it falls on Friday this year. A special dispensation from Archbishop James F. Quigley granting this concession was read in all of the churches in the city. This is the first time that such a ruling has been made in the diocese of Chicago.

TO SIFT EAST CHICAGO GRAFT

Evidence that "graft" men, that spent money like water for political supremacy and "bribe" East Chicago, Ind., by turns, have controlled the steel city since its organization fifteen years ago will be submitted to the special Lake County, Indiana, grand jury by State Attorney Charles E. Greenwald when that body convenes a week from today.

AGED MAN HOMICIDOUS 4 DAYS

Following four days of unrelenting hiccoughing, Patrick Lehan, aged 74, a Waukegan railroad man, was taken to the McAllester hospital there in a dying condition. He was sitting at a dining table in his home and had just taken a mouthful of pie when he choked. He began to hiccough. Friends tried to frighten him and throw water in his face, but every effort failed.

INJURED LABORER DIES

Michael Ziccardi, 56 years old, an Italian laborer, who was injured at the plant of the Midland Steel company at Chicago Heights, died at the Presbyterian hospital, Ziccardi, who lived at 210 East Twenty-second street, Chicago Heights, was crushed in a steel roller. He attempted to save himself but his back and left leg were torn by the machinery.

DOMESTIC

MOB SHOTS NEGRO

Marianna, Fla., March 6.—Calvin Baker, a negro, was shot to death by a mob at Cypress, near here, after, it is said, he threatened to shoot the town marshal. The mob broke in the jail door to get to the negro.

LEAVES ESTATE OF \$25,000,000

San Bernardino, Cal., March 6.—The will of E. C. Sterling, the Redlands millionaire, was filed for probate. While the petition for probate merely gives the value of the estate at over \$100,000, it is believed that Sterling was worth in the neighborhood of \$25,000,000.

BIGLOW ON WAY TO HIS HOME

Kansas City, Mo., March 6.—Frank G. Bigelow, the former Milwaukee banker, is on the way to the home he left six years and two months ago to begin a sentence in the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan. He refused to discuss his case. His son Lester is accompanying him.

THIRTY HURT IN CAR WRECK

Pittsburg, Pa., March 6.—Thirty passengers were injured, three seriously, when a large electric car on the Erie division of the Erie Railroad company left the track at Castle Shannon, an suburb, and turned over. While rounding a sharp curve a king-pin fastening the front truck to the car snapped and the car shot off at a tangent.

TRAIN HITS ENGINE; 5 HURT

Jefferson City, Mo., March 6.—The Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 1, due in Jefferson City at 6:30, but running late, crashed head-on into a loose engine in the railroad yards here and five persons—two passengers and three crew members—were injured and nearly all of the passengers on board were bruised more or less severely.

HONDURAS TO RECONSIDER

Washington, March 6.—Dispatches to the State Department from Minister Dawson at Puerto Cortes say that the political settlement in Honduras includes an agreement that the Honduras Congress shall again take up the question of the \$10,000,000 loan from the New York group of bankers. It is expected that the new congress will agree to the loan and that the money will be advanced. Much of this money is to be used in railroad building.

TO DECIDE "BOSS" COX'S CASE

Cincinnati, O., March 6.—Marking time until Judge Hunt passes upon the eligibility of Judge Gorman to sit at the trial of George R. Cox, the indicted political leader charged with perjury regarding the county's fiscal affairs, the grand jury of Hamilton county will transfer attention to investigation of labor matters. The affidavit made by

attorneys representing Cox, which charges Judge Gorman with "prejudice and political bias." It is understood, will be considered by Judge Hunt today and that a decision will be rendered possibly on Wednesday.

VOLUNTEER AS TARGET'S CREW

Norfolk, Va., March 6.—A call for fifteen volunteers to remain aboard the battleship Texas while she is a target for the big guns of modern battle ships has been issued at the Norfolk navy yard, and it is said that the squad of brave tars willing to risk their lives in the experiment was three times the number needed. They are to prevent the Texas from sinking after the test if possible.

BIG FIRE IN MINNEAPOLIS

Minneapolis, Minn., March 6.—One of the most disastrous fires ever known in this city destroyed the Standard Block on Nicollet avenue, between Fifth and Sixth streets. The total loss is estimated at \$1,000,000, and it is possible that two lives were lost, although this has not as yet been definitely determined. The entire business district of the city was threatened for a time.

TO ASK GIFTS FOR POPE

New York, March 6.—At the next meeting of the archbishops of the United States Cardinal Gibbons will bring to their attention a plan, which already has met with wide approval in Roman Catholic ecclesiastical circles, of yearly contributions to the pope by the clergy of this country. The ordinary sources of revenue for the papacy will be curtailed to considerable extent this year and it is argued that special gifts this year will be most timely.

GUARD "NIGHT RIDER" WITNESS

Hopkinsville, Ky., March 6.—With a detachment of military guarding the state's star witness, Milton Oliver, who was brought here from Metropolis, Ill., where he now resides, all is in readiness for the trial of six prominent citizens of western Kentucky who are charged with "night riding." The men indicted are alleged to have participated in a raid upon the City of Hopkinsville Dec. 1, 1907, during which three men were shot.

HUGHES AS COMMISSION HEAD

Washington, March 6.—It is expected President Taft, perhaps within a few days, will announce the personnel of the commission provided for by the post-office appropriation law enacted for the consideration of the proposed increase in the rate on second-class postal matter. It is suggested, because the act provides that one of the members be a judicial officer of the United States, that Justice Charles E. Hughes of the United States Supreme court may be the head of the commission.

FOREIGN

U. S. MILLIONS TO HUNGARY

Vienna, March 6.—The records of the Hungarian postoffice show that \$7,600,000 were sent to Hungary during 1910 by Austro-Hungarians living in America.

PERSIAN POLICE ON STRIKE

Odessa, March 6.—A dispatch received here from Tabriz, one of the chief cities of Persia, says that all the members of the police force there have gone on strike because their salaries have not been paid for three months.

NEWFOUNDLAND BLIZZARD

St. Johns, N. F., March 6.—Newfoundland is in the grip of the worst blizzard that has been known on the island for thirty years. The storm has been in progress for two days and railroad traffic is practically at a standstill. The storm shows no indication of ceasing.

REBELS SACK TWO TOWNS

Mexico City, March 6.—The "presidents municipalities" of Huizucoco and Balaes, north of Chilpancingo, in Guerrero, were killed by revolutionists, who sacked the towns several days ago, according to news here. Two hundred infantry men and a company of artillery with machine guns have been sent to that district.

CHINESE IN FEAR OF RUSSIA

Peking, March 6.—The fear of Russian aggression is increasing here. Reports published in the Russian newspapers and reprinted in the Peking papers greatly exaggerate the dangers from the plague. Many of the higher class Chinese fear a campaign destined to alarm Europe and justify military occupation. Dispatches from Harbin state that Russian military circles are advocating occupation.

ANNOUNCES EMPRESS AT CHURCH

Berlin, March 6.—The empress was subjected to an embarrassing incident while attending service at the Garrison church. A clerk in the statistical bureau, Frank Lukat, suddenly sprang to his feet during the service and, in a loud voice, read the introductory sentence of a letter which he drew from his pocket. Then he threw the letter into the royal pew, at the feet of the empress. The man was arrested. He is apparently deranged.

BUSINESS

MAKE 94 CARS CORNCOB PIPES

Jefferson City, Mo., March 6.—Corn-cob pipes continue to bring fame to Missouri and shakels to the five towns which make a specialty of manufacturing and shipping them to the consuming centers. This unique industry netted seven factories \$450,418 in the year 1910. In cob pipes alone the production amounted to 26,455,584 pipes, all made from Missouri corn-cobs, with more or less fancy stems and of varying values. It took ninety-four ordinary size freight cars to haul this quantity to market.

SPORT

CHICAGO AVIATOR HURT IN FALL

William G. Purvis of this city was perhaps fatally injured at Baton Rouge, La., when he fell in his Curtiss biplane and was buried beneath the tangled mass of wreckage. Physicians, however, express some hope of his recovery. In the impact a rod was driven entirely through one hip. The engine had to be cut off before the injured man could be extricated.

OVERSEA AIR RECORD BROKEN

Nice, March 6.—Lieut. Bagot, ferryman of the Algerian sharpshooters, left Naples at 8 o'clock, this morning in a "Merlet" monoplane, intending to fly to Barcelona, Sardania, Sicily, and Tunis. The wind, however, baffled him and he ended on Gorreria, a rocky, desolate land facing Lezhora. In his landing his aeroplane was smashed. He covered a distance of 140 miles. This breaks previous overseas record.

ENCOURAGED BY NOON MEETINGS

Campaign Rallies at Factory Gates Are Proving Successful.

NOONDAY FACTORY MEETINGS

Tuesday March 7  
American Car and Foundry company, Paulina street and Elise Island Avenue. Polish speaker: A. Hinkelman.  
Jos. T. Ryerson & Son, Seventeenth street and Campbell Avenue. Speaker: L. W. Hardy.

Chicago House Wrecking company, Thirty-fifth and Iron streets. Speaker: G. T. Francis.  
Hart, Schaffner & Marx, Forty-first Avenue and Polk street. Speaker: A. A. Patterson.  
Eisenrath Glove company, corner Elston and Armitag-Avenues. Polish speaker: M. Sokolowski.

Burnside shops, Ninety-fifth street and Cottage Grove Avenue. Speaker: J. Berlyn.  
Deering Harvester company, Fullerton Avenue and River. Speaker: John M. Collins.

"I was especially encouraged by the factory meetings of last week," said John M. Collins, Socialist candidate for city treasurer, who is taking direct charge of these campaign rallies.

Hold Big Meetings

"On last Friday we held four big meetings out of a total of five, which is very satisfactory, considering that the weather is not yet favorable to open air meetings."  
"I estimate had a good crowd at the American Calotype company. A. A. Patterson had about forty people at the Swedish-American Telephone company plant and that was the smallest crowd of the day. H. C. Meester spoke at the Marx Engraving company building."

Collins Speaks

"I speak at the plant of the Woolf Plumbing Supply company and Lester Henson spoke at Wilson brothers."  
The factory meetings are being pushed hard and will continue to prove great factors in the campaign.

COLOR LINE SAID TO RE ENGINEERS' STRIKE ISSUE

Cincinnati, O., March 6.—Firemen in the employ of the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific railroad today sent out ballots for a mail vote which will decide whether a strike shall be called on that system.  
While the notice declares that promotion according to seniority is the main issue, it is understood that the firemen are insisting on the elimination of colored men.

JUDGES' LAWS ROB CRIPPLES

nothing for the health or welfare of his tenants, but whose one interest lies in getting the highest possible rent.  
Is Not Charity  
"There is no more charity in the city's renting or selling water, or running an electric light plant. Businessmen don't care if they hurt the city, so long as they get big business, but when the Socialists propose to use the city government for the good of the masses of the people, businessmen will undoubtedly call the plan any name which will tend to prejudice the workingmen against it."  
Speaking at the Young People's Socialist League hall, Rodriguez said in part:

Harrison Only Bluffing

"Carter Harrison talked about municipal ownership, but never made good when he had a chance. The people in Chicago have had democratic and republican administrations in power continuously since before 1837. Yet in that year the first traction ordinance passed by the city council, on which the street companies based their claims; called for municipal ownership in twenty years."  
In 1865 the state legislature extended these "rights" of the street car companies for ninety-nine years.

Played With Traction

"While Harrison was playing with his traction lines, Yerkes sought and secured an act from the legislature to rob injured workmen were never passed by any legislature. They are based on decisions handed down by judges, many of them in England, in the early days.  
Workers Are Robbed  
"The only thing that the workingmen can do about these actions of the courts is to capsize the enactment of a law which will replace the infamous decrees which I have named."  
"When the Employers' Liability commission was in session we found that the widows and children of killed or injured workmen were disgracedly robbed by the courts because of ancient judge-made law."

DUNNE RECOUNT DELAYS ACTION BY BIG LABOR BODY

No action was taken by the Chicago Federation of Labor Sunday regarding the political situation in Chicago. Many of the delegates are awaiting the result of the Dunne votes at the primaries. Others declare themselves through with old party politics.  
At the meeting Sunday the question of endorsing Daniel Cooney for judge at the republican primaries and John D. Farrell, on the republican ticket, were referred to the political action committee.

A Garibaldi Draws Sword to Help Mexican Revolution



MEXICAN INSURETO BOARD OF STRATEGY CONFERS IN THE FIELD. (1) GARIBALDI, (2) GENERAL SOTTO, (3) CHIEF ENGINEER HAY.

Special Correspondence.

El Paso, Texas, March 6.—The revolutionary army of Mexico now has a strategy board. In the fighting so far each leader has acted independently.

The result has been a series of disconnected victories with no tangible results.

Since Francisco I. Madero has taken the field he has organized this board of strategy which will hereafter direct the movements of the different commands. The strategists will be attached to Madero's camp.

General Jose De La Luz Soto, chief of staff next in command to President Madero, is the hero of the battle of Ojinanga, which was fought in the eastern part of the state of Chihuahua.

He comes from a fighting family, has had considerable military experience in the country.

His chief adviser is Guiseppe Garibaldi, grandson of the great Garibaldi of Italy.

He has been engaged in the revolutionary activities in South America and was associated with General Christmas in his revolution in Honduras.

Eduardo Hay, chief of engineers, is a graduate of Notre Dame university, at South Bend, Ind. His father was a prominent Scotch engineer in Mexico City.

Young Hay was a civil engineer in Mexico City when the insurrection broke out when he hurried to Juarez and joined the revolutionary army.

should be allowed to work at night in theaters, were denounced.

Art vs. Childhood

"If we stand for 'art' by allowing the doors to be opened for the child to lose its natural life every one of us would be traitors," was the way Mary O'Reilly, delegate from the Teachers' Federation, put it.

"As a teacher, I have found children who have not been able to do their school work properly because of their employment in theaters at night. They lose their child life and develop abnormal tendencies," she added.

President Fitzpatrick declared the discussion was out of order, saying that the policy of the federation would be adhered to, that is, to stop any encroachment of the manufacturers on the hard-fought-for child labor law. A strong fight will be made against the pending bill.

GUARD PRINTERS AGAINST UNFAIR RESTAURANTS

Pottolli's restaurants, especially the one at the corner of Franklin and Madison streets, were denounced at the Chicago Federation of Labor meeting Sunday because of the fact that their servers did not carry the union buttons nor was the union card displayed in the barroom. Many union printers work near the restaurant.

Attempts to abolish the barber's inspection law of the state by a delegation of master barbers at Springfield will be met by the united opposition of the labor lobby.

The federation declared that the law was a good one and will instruct its legislative committee to vigorously fight any moves to abolish it or modify it in order that it might be emasculated.

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Woman's Central Agitation Committee  
Will meet Wednesday, March 8, at Twenty headquarters.  
Electrical Workers' Union No. 9  
164 Washington street, W. E. Rodriguez, speaker, Monday night, March 6.  
Twenty-Fifth Ward  
A big Socialist rally will be held by the Twenty-fifth ward branch, Tuesday evening, March 7, in Orphan hall, at 920 school street. Every Socialist in the ward should attend this meeting, as it will be the largest and most important yet held by the branch.

LABOR CALLS ATTACK ON CHILD LABOR LAW HIS WORK.

John M. Glenn, secretary of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, was "the nigger in the woodpile" seen by organized labor in the efforts being made at Springfield to change the provisions of the child labor law so as to permit the employment of children in theaters.

Up in Labor Body

The matter came before the meeting of the Chicago Federation of Labor Sunday when it was made known that the Chicago Theater Managers' Association had proposed an amendment to the child labor law and was lobbying at Springfield. Theatrical write-ups in the newspapers, in which it was argued that, for the sake of art, children

'HONEST MEN' JOIN REGULARS

Merriam and Dunne Make Peace With Gang Politicians

The sham battles fought before the primaries are being forgotten in both the Democratic and Republican camps.

Charles E. Merriam, who posed as the foe of "bossism" before the primaries, is now lining up the "regulars" to muster votes for him at election time. He has sent out letters to 124 precinct committeemen to call on him.

Edward F. Dunne, "people choice" in the Democratic ranks before the primaries, has caused it to be announced that if the recount sustains the nomination of Harrison, he will help Harrison to win the election.

Now that the factions have fought for control in their respective party organizations, "boss" they are uniting to get the good thing, "the city hall has to offer" for the April election.

Dunne and others who supported Busse, even in the midst of his orgy of graft in the city hall, are now rallying to Merriam.

La Verne W. Noyes, head of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association who said that body fought against the regulation of hours of work for women, and Charles R. Crane, the foe of union labor, who backed Merriam, have now given their protegee vote to the "regular" machine for election.

SEEK TO STOP PHONE STRIKE

(Continued From Page 1.)

be manipulated to the interests of greed.

"Even though the girls work but eight hours a day, the work is the most nerve-racking known and, at the same time, the most health-destroying. After a few years of occupation in the employ of the telephone company the girls are practically destroyed, as far as all usefulness is concerned and, at 22 years of age, would become burdens to the company."

"The company drains the community of its very best girls. There are few that remain until they are from 25 to 30 years of age. Girls are wanted who are quick and alert and can compete with the older ones by making quicker connections. This exhausts the older ones and they are consequently fired."

"The employment of these girls thus becomes a curse. This is the kind of work that Father Kelly is interested in. I remember Father Kelly for some years back. During the Stock Yards strike he and a few other priests tried to play upon the feelings of Mike Donnelly, who was then in charge of the strike."

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SEAMEN'S CONGRESS

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10 3/4 across the street from Siegel-Cooper's, between WABASH AV. and STATE ST. GET IT FIXED NOW—SPECIAL OFFER one month or make you one plate of teeth at cost of material. WHY? We want you to know our business method and our straight-forward way of doing business. We want you to TELL YOUR FRIENDS.

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There is a dash about this shoe that appeals to the young man who likes to have his clothes and dress in accord with the latest vogue.

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McVicker's Theater Building. Van Buren and La Salle.

WE have put this label in every garment we have made for the past ten years.

Our workmanship, style, fit and fabrics stand up supreme in competition with the highest priced tailors in the loop district.

Our Prices Are Moderate

Kaster Showings Now

The Leading West Side Tailors

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COOK COUNTY SOCIALIST NEWS

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MARBLES' CRACK IS HEARD AGAIN

Kids Need No Weather Bureau Notice to Start Games.

Spring is back again. Can't you hear the marbles cracking plain? Leave it to the kids to find out when spring comes.



The boy who sat on the ground scooped up the marbles the others had scattered about him, thrust them into his pocket and gave way to another guardian of the game.

"Say, don't you boys know anything about ring law?" he demanded. "Don't you know about 'ten dubs' and 'ten your avaries'?"

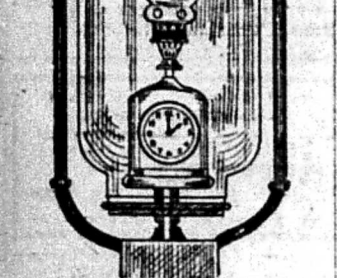
"Now," said the biggest boy, "we don't play them kid games. They're a back number."

The man sighed. He had the gang at the old Kinkie school used to scratch a big circle in the dirt and open operations two hours before school time.

"Aw, you snuck!" The cry would be the signal for a wordy babble. "I fanned." "You didn't." "My shoot!"

"My shoot!" The kids don't go it that way now. Still, they know when spring comes 'round.

LIGHT DOES ITS OWN TURNING ON AND OFF This is a picture of the latest word in gas lights. Its inventor, Dr. P. P. Page, Cleveland, O., says that it will do



away with the small army of people employed to light the street lamps each morning. Also, he maintains that it will greatly reduce the consumption of gas.

The lighter will light every lamp in the city at the same minute, and turn them out next morning at the same time. A clock operated by electricity controls the supply of gas. Between June 21 and Dec. 21 it will turn on the lights one minute earlier each day; from Dec. 21 to June 21 the lighting time will be reduced one minute daily. It now costs about \$7 a year to maintain a lamp, but this inventor expects to reduce 50 per cent.

Y.P.S.L. Notes

Meet your young friends face to face at the Young People's Socialist League, 180 Washington street, Chicago.

Smiles are always in fashion at the league. "Aak Fritz!" You are "Paid in Full" when you join. Lectures, entertainments, debates, dances, banquets, library, pool and cigars—all for 25 cents a month. Can you beat it?

The league's March lecture program is ready for distribution. It is a good one and copies can be had from the hall manager.

Wednesday, March 8, 8 p. m.—Miss Mary O'Reilly, of the Chicago Teachers' Federation, will speak on the opposition to the big courts. Free discussion, everybody welcome.

Thursday evening, March 11, the league will give a reception and dance at Phoenix Hall, 215 North Dearborn street. Tickets in advance, 25 cents; at the door, 50 cents. Tickets may be secured from the league members or from the hall manager.

The Y. P. S. L. dramatic club gives its services to ward branches or other Socialist organizations desiring it. Write to Y. P. S. L., 180 Washington street.

The dramatic club is already booked for March 18, at 8 p. m.—Nineteenth Ward Branch Socialist party, Hull House Theater, Park and Erie streets.

March 24, at 8 p. m.—Maywood-Melrose Branch Socialist party at Dimes' hall, Fifteenth and Lake streets, Melrose Park.

A four-day banquet will be held April 22, 23, 24 and 25, at the home of Mrs. J. J. O'Connell, 180 Washington street. Please make no other dates and watch for further particulars in the near future.

OUR HOME TOURISTS IN DENMARK, LAND OF HAMLET—AND CO-OPERATION

BY CO-OPERATION AND BUSINESS HONESTY THE FARMERS OF DENMARK HAVE MADE THEMSELVES THE WEALTHIEST PER CAPITA IN EUROPE.

(THE DAILY SOCIALIST TOUR OF THE WORLD.)

Copenhagen, Denmark.—The bacon and eggs of the "Land of Hamlet" are of more real interest to the world than Elsinore castle, where Hamlet lived.

For Denmark is the master of the world in the matter of bacon and eggs and butter and the like.

One of the smallest nations of the world, and not long ago one of the poorest, Denmark is today leading the world in certain agricultural matters, and leading Europe in the matter of per capita wealth.

Co-operation is the keynote of Danish success. Handicapped by poor soil and an unfavorable climate, the Danish farmers have, by putting their heads together and pulling together, made Denmark famous the world over for its butter, eggs and bacon.

When you buy an egg in Denmark you find it stamped with the name of the man who owns the hen that laid it, and with the brand of the co-operative poultry society to which the man belongs.

The stamp is a guarantee that the egg has passed a most rigid inspection. It has made Danish eggs the most sought after eggs in Europe and the highest priced. The same is true of Danish butter and bacon.

Through co-operative organizations and frequent and rigid inspection of products, the standard has been raised till a Danish brand of butter or bacon is an absolute guarantee of purity and excellence.

Thus by doing teamwork—by pooling their interests and bringing experts to advise them and run their creameries and co-operative slaughter houses, the Danish farmers have worked up in less than fifty years from near the bottom of the prosperity column to the very top.



A DANISH DAIRY MAID PACKING "CO-OPERATIVE" BUTTER

So really a keg of Danish butter is of more vital interest to the world than Elsinore castle, and the Danish dairy-maid pictured here than the ghost of Hamlet's father. For the butter represents the product of the cow that made Denmark famous—and the girl represents the Danish people—honest, industrious, virtuous, democratic—one of the most admirable races in the world.

From Denmark the Daily Socialist globe trotters will cross into Germany.

HUSTLERS' COLUMN CONDUCTED BY WM. CHERNEY

3133 for February

Well, we are through with February and we made a good job of it. You went a long ways in a short month. Here is the report:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Net gain, Feb. 1 to Feb. 4: 582. Net gain for week Feb. 4 to Feb. 11: 824. Net gain for week Feb. 11 to Feb. 18: 770. Net gain for week Feb. 18 to Feb. 25: 644. Net gain, Feb. 25 to Feb. 28: 313.

Total gain for February 3-133

In spite of February being a short month we had a bigger gain than in January. The increase for January was 2,647. For February, 3,133—486 MORE.

From these figures you can see what you have done this year; 5,780 SINCE JAN. 1, and still they come!

The striking and significant part of the remarkable activity of the hustlers is that there is no lull in their enthusiasm. Letters pour in every day that show that the entire Hustler Army is "on the job" with its fighting spirit at high pitch. "HURRAH FOR AN EIGHT-PAGE PAPER," is the battle cry that is heard on every hand.

If you keep up your subscription record as you have in the past few months, the eight-page paper is assured.

Double the power of the Daily by adding on a few more readers.

Over three thousand gain in February! Can we beat that in March?

A bundle of a hundred is ordered and paid for by Comrade O. K. Osa. Minn.

"We have decided to send for 25 copies of the Daily Socialist to be sent daily, which we are going to have sold by our Socialist agents."

Enclosed find one dollar and fifty cents as a deposit on this order. Possibly the demand may be greater than 25 copies, but we will try that for a starter. —Ben Dempsey, Socy Local Aberdeen S. Dak.

Three are scooped up by Comrade A. J. Payne, Okla.

"I expect to arrange for the sale of the Daily on the new stands here in the near future," writes Comrade James J. Stewart, Ind., as he sends in three.

Well, well, there seems to be no style here in another list containing that number from Comrade T. Kay, Okla.

LOCAL FRIENDS The following are the Socialist party locals that have "emitted recently" the dust of a month's work:

El Campo, Texas. Mayville, Pennsylvania. Springfield, Illinois. Lockland, Ohio. Roxbury, Massachusetts. Zanesville, Ohio. Sacramento, California. Nelson, Indiana. Belle Plaine, Iowa. Plover, Utah. Nevada, Massachusetts. Brush, Colorado. Mishawaka, Indiana. Springfield, Massachusetts. 25th Ward, Chicago. New Dresden, Alabama. Pleasant Branch, Indiana.

Tombagh, Nevada, is stepping forward into the limelight. Comrade S. L. Lott sends in a list of nine with a fifteen dollar remittance.

DISGRACE OF ILLINOIS NOW BEMIRCHES NATION

Politicians and church-goers are much worked up today over Sunday's sermon of Rev. W. H. Head of the Seventy-seventh Street Methodist church, who said of the Lorimer case:

"Until it went to the United States Senate, the disgrace was Illinois' shame alone. But when the case was transferred and a committee so partial that such members as Burrows and Bailey spoke like paid attorneys defending a client, and when the Senate set its seal of approval upon Lorimer and his political thugs, the disgrace became that of the nation, and every flag should fly at half-mast and every citizen should wear a badge of mourning."

NEW HAREM SKIRT

New York, March 6.—"Teddy" Green, a show girl, today had her skirt caught in a revolving door. She then made a harem skirt of it with the aid of pins.

MORE HONOLULU CHOLERA

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ELECTION BILL BADLY BUNGLED

Attempts to Secure Non-Partisan Balloting Fail of Success.

Special Correspondence. Milwaukee, Wis., March 6.—That the non-partisan election bill was passed so hurriedly by the state legislature that it has been badly bungled in the hands of many prominent Social Democrats.

What Law Provides The bill became law and provides, among other things, that the names of the two candidates having the highest votes shall be placed on the official ballot.

The new law does not say that "no other" names shall be placed on the ballot so that the field is still left open for independent candidates, who can file petitions under the law as it stood.

This defeats what is claimed to be one of the objects of the bill, namely, that the candidates to be declared elected shall have the majority of all of the votes cast. At least, it may happen that neither of several candidates has a majority.

The law applies to Milwaukee county only and to the judicial and the school board tickets.

Unless Procedure One of the worst features of the new law is that it requires that a primary election be held, even if there be but two candidates for each office, an entirely useless procedure.

The law is evidently designed to allow the capitalist parties to unite against the Socialists without doing so openly. The majority clause is intended to provide against another Socialist victory at the school and judicial elections, such as was won at the city election last spring.

Special Offer

For \$5.00 will give One Year's Subscription to The Daily Socialist, One Year's Subscription to The International Socialist Review and The Science Library of eight volumes under the following titles:

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Life and Death, cloth bound.....50c
The Making of the World, cloth bound.....50c
Human, All Too Human, cloth bound.....50c

ENGLISH KEEP \$150,000 TITIAN FROM AMERICA

London, March 6.—Sir Hugh Lane has just sold the famous Titian portrait, "The Man in the Red Cap," for \$150,000.

The Morning Post says: "It is a great relief to know that an English financier has prevented this famous picture from following the Gainsborough and the Rembrandt to America."

Sir Hugh purchased the picture at Christie's in 1906, when it was catalogued as a portrait of Lorenzo di Medici, for 2,100 guineas. It was sold for only 21 guineas in 1876.

BERGER GOING TO WASHINGTON

He Will Leave City Council for Congress on April 1.

Special Correspondence. Milwaukee, Wis., March 6.—Alderman Victor L. Berger, whose term as congressman to succeed William H. Stafford as representative of the Fifth Wisconsin congressional district began at noon on Saturday, will resign from the council on April 1.

He desires to attend the special session of congress opening on April 4, but until that time will continue as alderman in order to appear on Milwaukee bills before the legislature as chairman of the council legislative committee.

"I have definitely decided to resign from the council at the end of this month on account of the special session," he said. "As my duty to do so in order to take up the new line of work which has been laid out for me."

"There still are many bills in which I am interested in before the legislature and I would like to continue as chairman of the legislative committee, but it will be impossible."

"Naturally I will continue to be interested in Milwaukee, even after I am gone. While I am here I will assist in securing better government for the city, but as a private citizen."

"Of course I would carry more weight both here and before the council if I continued in my present capacity, but, you see, that is impossible, since a special session has been called."

Alderman Berger said he would willingly give up the \$625 a month salary which he will receive as congressman for the \$32.33 which he receives as alderman for the same period, but it was duty rather than a financial matter that forced him to sever his connection with the city government.

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# 17-YEAR LOCUST IS ON THE WAY

Washington, March 4.—Hal Dispatches from the front! Direct from Uncle Jimmy Wilson: The enemy's coming! Seventy million of 'em.

It's the seventeen-year locust, and he's coming with all his brothers and sisters. The whole locust family—in a manner of speaking—will swarm through the atmosphere from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Four stages of a locust's life: (1). A grub just out of the ground.



(4). An adult locust. But don't be alarmed, Mr. Locust, the kind, old soul, isn't going to do more than a mite's worth of damage. He's not like the "rain-sopper" locust, who eats up a million dollars' worth of farm stuff for breakfast.

Apparently he lives more on air than green stuff.

The only permanent result of the invasion of 1911 will be that the farmers' hogs will get some good locust hams when the locust family kicks the bucket, and they won't last very long, anyway; take Uncle Jimmy's department of agriculture for it.

### THE GENERAL RULE

Man waits but little here below  
Except a pile of gold;  
But what he gets most often is  
A swat below the belt.

—Exchange.

### THIS KETTLE LID ON SIDE



Conservative England has produced a radical tea kettle. Here it is, with the lid on the side, and hinged. The lid may be lifted and held up by the thumb of the hand which holds the kettle, while the other hand is free to operate the dipper or water faucet. And escaping steam won't send the housewife's hands, either.

### WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH LAMB AND MUTTON TODAY?

BY KATE KERN.

Not in the dim and distant past, it was the wont of happy ragnimers to warble:

"Of all the meat that's good to eat,  
From turkey down to ham,  
The one that tickles my palate the most  
Is lamb, lamb, lamb."

But the song is not popular now. Neither is lamb, nor the part meat, mutton, if the prices being paid at the Chicago stockyards for sheep and lambs are any indication.

Mutton ought to be the poor man's meat under present conditions, but he either does not want it or the retail prices are not commensurate with the price at the yards.

A year ago specially fat lambs sold at \$9 to \$10. Now at \$5.50 they go begging. Buyers will not pay more

than \$4.25 for fine fat sheep, which a year ago they were clamoring to buy at \$8.

Reason: Last year American housewives wanted best grade lamb and mutton; this year they don't, buyers say.

**DR. AKED DISAPPOINTED WITH JOHN D.'S CHURCH**

New York, March 6.—The Rev. Chas. F. Aked announced to his wealthy congregation in Fifth Avenue Baptist church today that he had received a unanimous and enthusiastic call to the First Congregational church of San Francisco and had been unable to find any good reason why he should not accept.

He regretfully acknowledged his fears that the great enterprises which he had hoped to lead as pastor of what is popularly known as the John D. Rockef-

eller-church were only "such stuff as dreams are made of."

Notwithstanding the recent increase to \$12,000, he did not see how he could continue a permanent ministry here under present conditions.

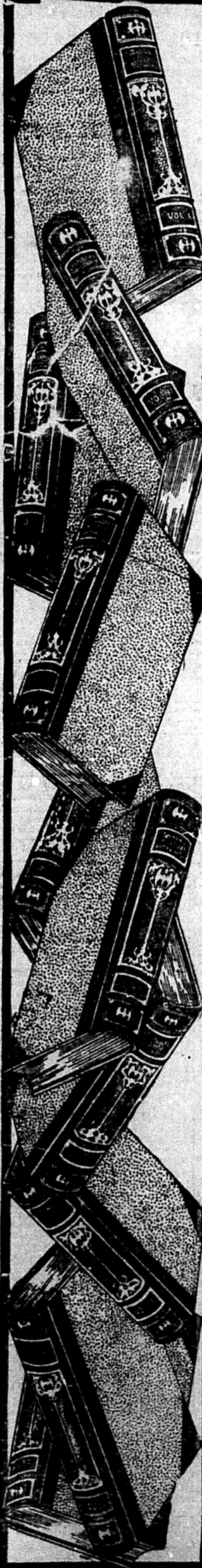
To the admonitions that he should have patience for the evolution of the great things, Dr. Aked replied that such an attitude calls for "the highest type of enthusiasm, the enthusiasm which illumines detail and makes drudgery divine."

"Does such a spirit exist in our church?" he asked. "It is for you to say, not me."

**THE OLD MAN**

"I guess my father must have been a pretty bad boy, said Kid Smithers. "Why?" inquired Kid Jones. "Cause he knows just what questions to ask when he wants to know what I've been doing."

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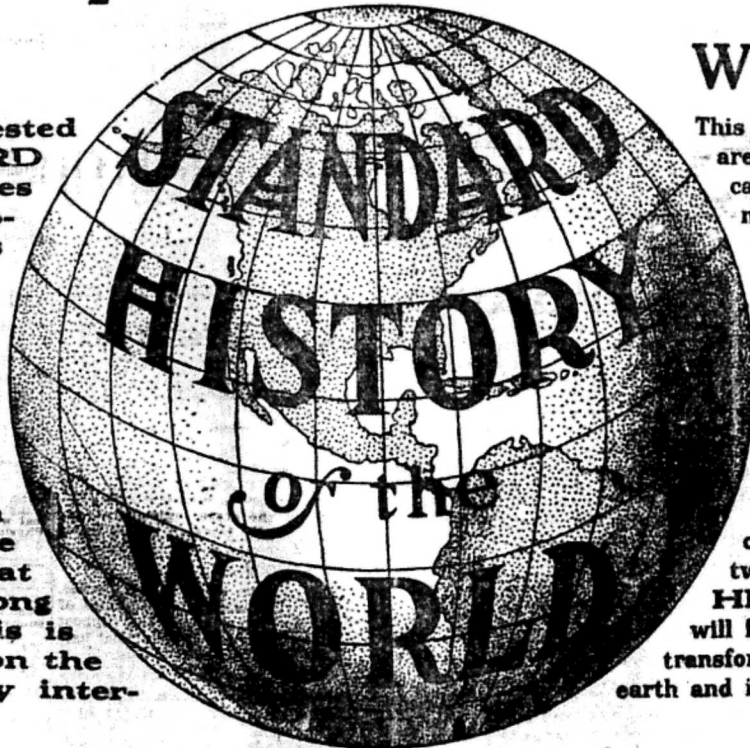
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What Manner of Man Is Dunne?

The feeling between the friends of Dunne and the friends of Harrison runs high. The Dunne backers are looking at the MAN. Morally he is said to tower way above Harrison. His life is as nearly "clean" as can be from the point of view of the "good" people.

On the other hand, the Teachers' Federation is viewing Harrison as the arch-enemy of the Chicago schools. Harrison is feared as no other man among the teachers. All that is said against Harrison is very likely true.

But Dunne says if he fails to win over Harrison HE WILL SUPPORT HARRISON. Now, what do you say, you teachers and you reformers and you "decent" element?

WHAT MANNER OF MAN IS DUNNE? And what manner of people are the teachers and the reformers and the "decent" element, who will support a man like Dunne, who is ready to go over to your greatest enemy?

Can't you see that while individually, personally, he may be "clean," he is UTTERLY LACKING IN PRINCIPLE? Can you conceive of anything worse than a man who flops over and supports Harrison?

And that is the trouble with all "good" men who have no fundamental principle. He is the last man to stand for. A "GOOD" MAN WITH A BAD PRINCIPLE IS A GREAT DEAL WORSE THAN A BAD MAN WITH A BAD PRINCIPLE.

The "good" man can mislead a hundred while the bad man misleads one. The Socialist candidate is a first-class character, and we challenge the world on his principle.

What Chicago needs is an administration by the best men who stand on the best principle. Look up the Socialists and see if they do not stand the test.

Capitalism

"Let it be laid down, in the first place, that humanity must remain as it is. It is impossible to reduce human society to a level. The Socialists may do their utmost, but all striving against nature is in vain.

The above quotation from the writings of a man who commands many votes, and who thoroughly understands the irreconcilable conflict between Socialism and capitalism, states the case for capitalism definitely and unequivocally.

He is wrong in his first assumption. Humanity does change. We are very different from the jungle men of the past ages. We change because we grow. Essentially primitive man contained all but only through the growth of ages have the higher elements of human nature, THE SOCIAL INSTINCTS, COME INTO ACTIVE EXISTENCE.

Man has finally become master of material nature and no longer needs to EAT HIS SCANTY BREAD IN THE SWEAT OF HIS BROW.

Next he misrepresents Socialism. SOCIALISTS DO NOT PROPOSE TO REDUCE HUMANITY TO A LEVEL. They propose to give every human being the opportunity to supply himself and those dependent upon him with all material necessities and comforts without mind and body destroying toil and struggle.

Socialism declares for freedom from slavery to the material forces of nature and from the self-appointed rulers and robbers who hold their power through the ignorance and consequent stupidity of men.

The Noon Day Meetings

Cook county is conducting noonday meetings on a large scale and in a systematic manner. From all indications this is one of the best methods of reaching the workers and reach them right.

In the first place, the expenses are comparatively small. No hall rent and very little for advertising. The speakers go to the shop and put up the stand a few minutes before the whistle blows. When the men come out they see the announcement and hurry the dinner and come back to listen.

The speakers go to the shop and put up the stand a few minutes before the whistle blows. When the men come out they see the announcement and hurry the dinner and come back to listen. In some instances we are allowed to go inside the shop, which gives a splendid opportunity to talk to the workers while they eat and until they are called to their work by the whistle.

At these shop meetings they can't get away from the facts the Socialist brings out. They are right there with the cold meal and an aching back. They are soiled by labor and weary. They get so little and the owners get so much out of their toil. They see this so clearly right there in their own environment.

It appeals to them. They listen, and then they take papers and literature that is handed out by the speakers and helpers. The way these wage slaves listen is enough to set any speaker on fire. How eagerly they devour the message of their freedom.

We must keep this up and extend the noonday meetings. Every shop in the city should be reached several times during the campaign. The county secretary and the organizer are doing a fine piece of work. So are all the other comrades. Keep going—These are days of big doings.

Lorimer the Hero

Very few men have received such a hearty welcome to the city after a national scandal as Senator Lorimer. He was met at the station by a large crowd and conducted to his home with all the honors that attaches to a medieval hero.

Only a few days ago he was under a cloud. He was supposed to be the blackest man in the nation. But 46 to 40 of the senate washed him, and now he is whiter than snow. Not one iota of the bribery has been changed. Everybody knows that his seat cost hundreds of thousands of dollars.

But they are all of a kind and did not dare to put the suspicious senator to the test. He is needed by the owners. Lee O'Neil Brown was elected to the legislature after his scandalous trial. If a man wants to "get up" nowadays he must engage in some gigantic swindle or bribery. That is the best our civilization offers.

A DYING LAND

Look at this bald mountain. It is at once an accusation and a prophecy. It accuses this passing American generation of being the most wantonly wasteful generation this world has seen since time and of memory, if not the most wasteful it has ever seen before. Unless we stop these wasteful methods we will live in a barren and desert wilderness. This is not a joke. If you think so, go look at the dis-



mal slopes of the Sierra Nevada in Spain, blasted by the scorings of centuries of erosion. Or go look at the weary hills of Italy, seamed and

scarred till their very ribs protrude; or at the doleful plains of Mesopotamia; at the desert and hopeless reaches and ranges of central Asia. Then come and look again at this bleak New Hampshire knob, that has met in the decades just past the same fate that rendered desolate the mountains of central Asia so long ago, and judge as to whether or not this is a joke. In the old world the work of destruction was slow. It took many ages. In a measure it was made inevitable by the pressure of population. Here the work of destruction advances swiftly and ruthlessly. We destroy in decades more than the people of the old world destroy in centuries, not because we have to, but because we choose to. We treat our country as a land to be looted, not as a place we expect to live in till we die, and leave for our children to inhabit after us.

This New Hampshire mountain stands as a sample of the fruit of our looting. Not many years ago this mountain was densely wooded. A lumber company came and looted it. With the criminal wastefulness of the typical American lumber company, this concern cut every tree on the mountain that would make even a railroad tie, then went away, leaving the "slash"—the tops and severed branches—to cumber the ground. Presently the rot into the slash, and the mountain was swept bare of vegetation.

Look at it now. After the fire the floods. The very soil that fostered the forest of old is gone now. The spruce has passed for good. No tree will ever grow there again. The looted mountain will be a blasted mountain from now on till doomsday.

It's an old story. First the trees go. Then the soil, then the people go. They must. This is the evidence of history. The desert places of this world that were once wooded and populated bear silently eloquent witness to this is true.

Of course WE are here still. And there are people in New Hampshire still. But there comes a day—as things go now—when there will be no people here. We, with our wastefulness, are hastening that day. Unless we hurriedly mend our ways, that day will be a dreadful certainty to folk but a few generations removed into the future.

For this home land that we shall leave for our children to inherit is already a dying land.

Joseph Fels, Socialist?

BY GEORGE CROCKER

Whenever you happen to come across a "Fels Naptha soapbox," if you will examine it closely you will notice, just beneath the name, the imprint of a single letter in paint—green paint.

There are three slave pens in this country where these boxes are made. The mills are placed there as the "mill mark," each factory having its own particular mark, thus denoting in which factory these boxes are manufactured.

If the mark should happen to be the letter "P," you may put it down that that particular box was made in North Emporia, Va.

I visited North Emporia last summer, and while talking with a local comrade concerning the awful conditions under which the southern wage slaves are compelled to toil, he pointed to several tall smokestacks and said: "See that factory over there?"

"Fels Naptha soapboxes," he answered. "And if you want to get a glimpse of real slavery go over and take a walk through the mill."

I immediately appointed myself a committee of one and started to investigate labor conditions in one of the southern pens.

Here is what I found: Found hundred slaves, three-fourths of whom were negroes. Their ages ranged from 8 to 40 years. Wages ranged, exclusive of the bosses, from 20 cents to a \$1.19 cents a day. The mill superintendent told me that

he had orders from the owners to keep his salary list below \$1 per day. All employees must work over time when requested in times of "rush orders" or "special orders."

The pay for overtime work is the same as ordinary pay. Two weeks' pay is held back, thus forcing employees to work four weeks before they can collect for the first two weeks' service.

In case employees desire to withdraw from the employ of the company he must give an advance notice of ten days.

Employees discharged by the boss will not be taken back. Departments in which small children are worked are closed on day that factory inspector is supposed to visit the place.

Employees of each department are told that a certain number of cars must be loaded in a given time. If employees are found to be "too slow" they are transferred to other departments, especially in the shipping department.

Employees are continually being changed from one machine to another, thus preventing them from learning or becoming experts in any branch of the business. This, however, according to the bosses, is done to give them a thorough knowledge of the entire plant.

"Now, if you mean, do I believe every person should have the whole fruits of his labor, I am a Socialist." I wonder how that would sound to the several hundred overworked and underfed men and boys, who work long

X-Rays

BY JOHN M. WORK.

It is to the financial interest of at least nine-tenths of the voters to vote for Socialism.

Socialism is in line with natural evolution. It is intensely practical. The present system is entirely impractical, as is proved by its results.

The only way to get rid of classes and the class struggle is by establishing economic equality.

Are you ready to quit fooling with alleged reform parties and line up with a party that stands for something? Socialism declares for freedom from slavery to the material forces of nature and from the self-appointed rulers and robbers who hold their power through the ignorance and consequent stupidity of men.

You who think Socialism is a far-off dream read these figures. The Socialist vote of the United States increased from 96,000 in 1906 to 424,000 in 1908, and more than half a million in 1910. The Socialist vote of France increased from 47,000 in 1887 to 894,000 in 1906. The Socialist vote of Germany increased from 30,000 in 1867 to 2,251,000 in 1907. In 1870 the total Socialist vote of the world was, in round numbers, 30,000. In 1870 it was 428,000. In 1890 it was 1,900,000. In 1900 it was 4,800,000. In 1905 it was about 7,000,000. At the present time it is nearer 10,000,000. It does not require an expert mathematician to figure out from this that the time is not far distant when the Socialists will capture the civilized world.

PROUD OF BROWN "That intelligent looking boy there," said the pedagogue in the top-hatted parent, he was showing over the school premises. "He Brown. I am proud of Brown. I have inculcated in him the love of learning to such an extent that he now prefers study to play. I expect at this moment he is writing Timmy's Latin prose on that sheet of paper there, while all the other pupils are at play. I will ascertain."

"He called the lad to him. "Brown," he said, "let us see the result of your industry." "I—Id rather not, sir," blushed Brown.

"Note his modesty," whispered the schoolmaster. "Corie, Brown, let me see what you have been writing." Still the boy demurred. But the schoolmaster insisted, and forcefully appropriated the paper. And there, in neat imitation of feminine handwriting, he read the following: "Please excuse my son James from school today. He is wanted at home."—Tit-Bits.

FACTS AND FANCIES Aviators—Onward and upward. Real Estate Man's—Deeds, not words. Blacksmith's—Keep forging ahead. Tailor's—Dun or they'll do you. Money Lender's—Never a day without an advance. Burglar's—Do you work quietly and without ostentation. Politician's—Never give in till the offices give out.—Boston Transcript.

DEMOCRACY

Socialists will find little to object to in the following statements on Democracy by Frank Crane, under the heading, "Things as They Seem," as published in a recent issue of the Chicago Daily News.

Mr. Crane writes as follows: "We little suspect the far reaches of democracy. It is not a device for electing officers; it is not a sort of scheme or machinery. It is a principle of social growth. The gods must laugh at our democratic institutions: they foresee, hence they know that democracy is subversive of every institution we have.

"Democracy not only means the passing of kings, but of every king-like thing, including private, irresponsible and unearned property, for wealth is miniature kingship. It means the revolution of the family, I know not how, but in some way so a man can be born with a fair chance.

"It means an end of inheritances—that no child shall be handicapped, none have an unfair advantage. It means the cessation of competition in business, for there will never be perfect justice until all humanity is taken into partnership; the only business democracy is co-operation.

"It means no more tariffs nor trade advantages nor, indeed, special privileges of any kind. It means the evolution of patriotism into world feeling—the parliament of men, the federation of the world."

"It means no more languages; since the advent of democracy in France and America in A. D. 1870 no new language is possible; provincialism is doomed; from now on speech unifies. It means, of course, no more armies or navies, but also implies no more policemen—no jails. Necessity for force disappears with the complete organization of society and the removal of unfair privileges.

"It means the right of every qualified woman to both motherhood and citizenship. It penetrates even the mind; for the last enemy of democracy is authority of any kind; and as authority has now disappeared in science so it will vanish from all other realms of thought."

HALF DEAD AND DEAD ALL OVER



"You cruel man! Don't you know that your horse is half dead with fatigue?" "He ain't as dead as that bird on your hat."—From Life.

MESSAGES

By Rolla Myer

III. "ON MANY things," continued Demagorion, "neither the retailers NOR the catalogue houses now clear much more than hucksters' wages. I refer to monopoly goods, whether monopolized chiefly by patents (like 'shredded wheat' and trust-made watches), or by triumphantly concentrated capital (like sugar and packing-house products), or by consolidated control of raw resources and manufacturing processes (like nails and steel products), or by all these worked out into a centrally-controlled distributing system (like Standard Oil).

"Thus it is that the grinding trusts above, and the immobile masses below constitute the upper and nether stones of the economic mill wherein the whole retail system is being slowly ground to powder; first the retailers, and then (after these are caught) the catalogue houses themselves."

"What will happen then?" says I. "Nothing," blurted the beast, "— nothing except the burgeoning, flowering, and fruiting of what is germinating NOW."

UNITE

BY AGNES H. DOWNING

Romans taught their children to say, "Carthage must fall," and Carthage fell. There is a real scientific value in a positive, courageous mental attitude. The workers must unite. We know that they must. Let us teach it; not timidly, or probably; but boldly and with the clearness and strength that must tell.

The workers must unite. It is the only way. We have tried individual action—each one for himself. For five or six thousand years we have tried it, and it has deluded us. We have been told to save a little from our wages, be it ever so small, and by saving and wise investment to win success. To make the little savings people have denied themselves every comfort. But the savings were eaten up by sickness and accidents. The little investments were devoured by those who controlled the big investments. We have seen the strongest and the best go down that way.

To be sure there was an occasional one who succeeded, but the success was indeed a rare occurrence. For today in the United States more than half the people own NOTHING; more than half the children never reach the seventh grade; 1/3rd of one-tenth of the children get through high school; millions of children are chained to machines without chance for physical development or education; millions of people live in dire want, while criminals and outcasts are yearly increasing. And this is only a word or two. The worst will never be told.

The vain, blindly selfish way of each one for himself is worn out. The workers must unite. The only sure way of helping oneself is by uniting with one's fellows to help all. Nor is this uniting a fairy dream for the future. It is a practical task for today.

Wages are kept down because so many are out of work and they are not united. Each one asks for work by himself. The employer, taking them one by one, drives with each a hard bargain, rubs his hands gleefully, and says the labor market is good.

But, let the workers inside that shop unite and instead of the ten-hour secure an eight-hour day. The place that before employed eight hundred persons will now have to pay for one thousand. Two hundred of the unemployed are given work and there are two hundred less to bid against each other for the vacant places.

This is a relief from three distinct points of view. First, it has given opportunity to needy workers. Second, it makes a raise in wages more probable because it has relieved labor from some competition. Third, it gives needed rest and chance for further organization and improvement to all so employed. Such is the immediate result of union. Such, indeed, has already been gained wherever we have united. Dull is the brain, and lost the vision, that does not see here a splendid advance over the individual method that tied the many for here and there a private fortune for the few.

The workers must unite. Vote together as we work together. We can gain many vantage points while we are learning. When we have learned the blessings of this civilization will be ours. Again let us repeat, we have naught to lose and a world to gain.

Some New Books

THE CHASM. By George Crane Cook. Frederick A. Stokes Company, New York. Fact and fiction, realism and romance cleverly interwoven, a book with a purpose and yet a fascinating story from cover to cover—that is George Crane Cook's recently published novel, "The Chasm."

It is by far the best Socialist novel since "The J. J. Je." But, unlike "The Jungle," it is not a working class story. With the exception of the hero, Watt Bradford, all the characters are members of the American plutocracy or of the titled aristocracy of Europe, with some men and women of the cultured middle classes.

The working class hero himself is not a representative type of his class as Sinclair's Jurgis. He is, so to speak, a man who has risen above his class, being at the same time a skillful general, a philosopher, writer and orator, a self-made man of unusual character and ability.

Yet the author leads us from the upper strata of society to the conclusion that Socialism is mankind's hope and salvation, just as surely and inevitably as Sinclair leads us to the same conclusion from the misery of Packingtown. It may be said that while "The Jungle" deals chiefly with the economic side of the question, "The Chasm" dwells especially upon the ethical side. It is a sympathetic study of various social philosophies and the striving for a social ideal.

The central figure of the story is a woman. When we first make her acquaintance in the luxurious private car of a west-bound train, speeding toward the factory town practically owned and controlled by her father, the millionaire plow manufacturer, she impresses us as being nothing more than a rich man's spoiled daughter; a restless, whimsical, self-willed girl, who is accustomed to get what she wants when she wants it.

But when we become better acquainted with Marion Moulton, we find that her unpleasing qualities are merely the external proofs of the emptiness and boredom of her life and environment. Beneath them we find the big heart of a woman, capable of deep love and true friendship, and we find a restless mind, craving for something better than gold, bridge and dinner parties—a mind capable of splendid development if given an opportunity.

The opportunity for full development comes to Marion Moulton from two very different sources: her unusual friendship and romantic love affair with her father's Socialist gardener, whose splendid mind exerts a lasting influence over hers, and her marriage with the Russian Count De Hohenfels, that by a succession of events, casts her into the turmoil of Russian revolution.

So the American society girl gradually develops into an ideal type of modern womanhood, rising above class instinct and class prejudice to a noble social consciousness.

The best part of the novel is that this intellectual development is an entirely possible and plausible one. There is nothing sudden or improbable, no miraculous link in the chain of events. We can follow the growth of Marion's mind and soul at every step, and we feel convinced that this particular woman, influenced by these particular circumstances, could develop in no other way.

The same is true of the love story that is woven like a golden thread into the darker meshes of conditions and events. If Marion Moulton, yielding to the romantic impulse of one happy spring

day, had consented to marry her father's gardener in preference to the Russian count, "The Chasm" would not surpass the level of an ordinary love story. It is entirely natural, though, and quite in keeping with the psychology of her character, that Marion chooses the brilliant, elegant man of her own class, and only awakens to the consciousness of her deep, passionate love for the Socialist, Watt Bradford, after she has been developed into a new personality by the sufferings and horrors she has witnessed in Russia, and by the bitter disappointment of an unhappy marriage.

Her married life with Count De Hohenfels and her divorce are perhaps the only phase of the novel that does not ring true, and here also, there are events that appear sudden and unexplained. We are still under the impression that the count and countess are very fond of each other, when we find them parting with no hope of reconciliation. But this one deficiency may be explained by the fact that the author has given his almost undivided attention to the heroine's psychological development.

The greater part of the story is laid in Russia, and the description of the desperate struggle against autocracy is powerful and intensely interesting. Whether people and events are correctly described cannot be determined by an American.

It would be interesting to hear from some of our many Russian comrades whether Mr. Cook is as keen a student of Russian conditions as of American conditions. Yet, without being able to judge Russian conditions, we may say this: That part of "The Chasm" that deals with the Russian revolution serves a great and sacred purpose. It helps to kindle anew the flames of righteous hatred against the despicable government of the czar.

"The Chasm" is a book that ought to be read by every Socialist man and woman. It ought to appeal especially to Socialist women on account of the author's broad-minded and advanced conception of the modern woman. He idealizes woman's striving for economic freedom and for a rich, full life. He idealizes the relation of perfect comradeship between men and women, working together for the same great, social ends.

In the love and ultimate union of Marion, the millionaire's daughter, and Watt, the self-culture workman, the social chasm between worker and exploiter is bridged, and we behold, as a vision, the age when the chasm will not exist any more, because all men and women will be socially productive and will reap the fruit of their toil. To the non-Socialist reader, "The Chasm" will be an entertaining and stirring novel, but it will at the same time irresistibly convey the Socialist philosophy to him and compel him to follow lines of Socialist thought. An old Latin proverb tells us: "Aut delectare volunt, aut prodesse poetae." (Poets either wish to please or be useful.) Mr. Cook, in "The Chasm," has accomplished both in the best sense. His book deserves to be widely circulated. META L. STERN.