

HOW THEY HARASS FIRE FIGHTERS

Evidence of Plot to Destroy Unionism Among City Employes.

HOW ONE MAN WAS TREATED

Rocky Road Ahead of the Union in Blue, Unless All Labor Comes to Rescues.

An organized effort to destroy the firemen's union is in existence, according to F. S. Wilson, attorney for the union.

In conjunction with attacks being made upon labor organizations comes a very strenuous one on the firemen, the attack being led, it appears, by Fire Chief Horan.

One of the significant facts in connection with these attacks is the summoning of so many union firemen before the civil service commissioners. In the last few years this has been a very rare thing but in the last month there have been eight men brought before the commissioners and in every case it is a union man who is summoned, or one about to become a unionist.

The particular first battalion is getting the brunt of these attacks. It is working under the platoon system.

Ball, the man who was discharged, received the hardest treatment. The charges were read to him by Commissioner Frank Wenter. He pleaded not guilty, but was not given an opportunity to introduce evidence on his own behalf. The only evidence produced against him being a transcript of the proceedings of the testimony of the Maynard case, which was taken down by Chief Horan's stenographer.

What the Facts Are.

Evidence was there shown that he had not refused to answer, but said that he would rather not answer. He asked Commissioner Wenter if he was required to answer. The reply was that it was not necessary. Then the anti-union dailies published reports that he had flatly refused.

There were several who testified that Maynard was not guilty, and charges against him were dismissed.

At this hearing the captain, lieutenant and battalion chief testified that Maynard was guilty. This evidence caused Ball to state that he would rather not answer as he was afraid to testify against his superior officers.

The charges against Maynard originated in the fire marshal's office and were brought against him by that office.

A little story in this connection will prove that it made no difference to the officials who they get, just so it is a union man, and they are satisfied.

The chief called up the battalion commander and told him to come over to his office. After he got there they sent for Maynard. In some manner a man named Clancy came instead. The battalion chief walked up to him and said: "What do you mean by being in this condition? Do you think you are in a fit condition to drive a fire engine?"

Clancy was struck dumb, he being, as a matter of fact, perfectly sober. The chief, seeing the way Clancy received this, said: "You've got the wrong man."

Another Case.

One case brought up was that of an engineer and his assistant, who were brought in for not keeping up steam on their engine. They testified that the reason they could not keep up steam was because of the poor coal which was supplied.

Another case was that of a captain who was brought in for not keeping a chemical engine in repair. The testimony in this case was to the effect that they could not get the tools with which to repair it. They had sent in requisitions after requisition but were not recognized at the chief's office.

STEALS DEAD MERCHANT'S FUR OVERCOAT.

While thousands of dollars' worth of jewelry and plate was left untouched at the Marshall Field residence, 1005 Prairie avenue, last night, a sneak thief succeeded in escaping with a fur-lined overcoat valued at \$1,000. Mrs. Field, the widow of the late merchant, was in the house at the time but was not disturbed by the episode. The coat was the favorite winter wrap of the Merchant Field when he was alive and was kept as a sacred memento by his grief-stricken widow.

Read the history of the Chicago School fight. It is as interesting as any novel. It has mystery, tragedy and even comedy in it.

MARGARET BURKLE CAUGHT.

Comerford Foils Plot to Save Millionaire from Jail.

Margaret Burkle, the unfortunate fifteen-year-old child, made the sport of A. L. Streeter, now in the hands of the Chicago police. How she was spirited away from a house of refuge by conspirators that, either duped Judge Carpenter or found another way, is to be the subject of an investigation.

The poor girl wants to kill herself. When she was found yesterday in the house of Charles Muercke at Marinette, Wis., by Police Attorney Comerford and two detectives, she tried to kill them, and herself.

Her testimony is depended upon to convict Streeter, now hiding in Canada. He held her at the Rensu hotel as a "white slave." A police raid rescued her.

GETTING SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

Butler Brothers Make Thousands Every Day by Forcing Unorganized Workers to Labor Free.

TIP ON HOW TO GET RICH

President of Company Admits They Get Service Without Payments—Remedy in a Uni. n.

Butler Brothers, whose big wholesale store is one of the prides of Commercial Chicago, just now houses as unhappy a lot of under-paid and harassed workers as probably ever were gathered under one roof.

Like all other "efficient business men," Butler Brothers require every employe to be ready for work on the minute. They are in a position to demand this promptness but the workers being unorganized are not in a position to demand overtime pay or prompt release from duty.

This big firm is just now making thousands out of unpaid labor. Practically every one of the hundreds in the big house are required to work from 6 o'clock to 10 o'clock every evening, including, of course, Saturday night, for they can sleep all day Sunday.

If a thousand men work four hours every evening and are not paid anything for it, the employer has secured the equivalent of 500 days' work of eight hours each. At \$2 a day, more than the average in the Butler sweat shop, this would be \$1,000 a day. Butler Brothers probably work 2,000 persons every evening, so you see if they count the labor cost in ordinary times, they are earning \$2,000 a day. This amount comes from workers who have not intelligence enough to organize a union and take a hand in deciding what their labor is worth.

E. B. Butler, president of this concern, is a member of the Merchants' Club, which wants to reform the public schools. He knows that without a union men and women can be forced to work for nothing. He hopes to see the school teachers' union busted by law.

He poses as a philanthropist and a "public spirited" citizen.

His store is typical of hundreds of others. He gives each worker who labors at night "supper money." If the employe starves himself he is able to get some overtime pay.

When asked to discuss the facts given above Mr. Butler refused to talk at first. "Interview my men," he said, "I am willing to leave it to them." After repeated questions he admitted that no pay is given for overtime.

If one of Butler's clerks should steal 20 cents worth of merchandise he would be arrested and sent to prison, and justly so. But Butler can take through his power and the weakness of his employes their time and be within the law. Time and labor are the only things the workers have to sell, and yet they must give much of both for nothing.

TO SELL WORK DONE BY BLIND PERSONS

Boston, Dec. 14.—The first sales-room for the blind under state auspices in this country will be opened in Boston today. Miss Helen Keller, who is one of those in charge, is enthusiastic over the undertaking. The sales-room displays a variety of articles, all of them made by the sightless.

SAILOR'S CRUISE ASHORE.

Boston, Dec. 14.—Henry McHenry, 20, a veteran of the United States navy, arrived here after walking all the way across New York and Massachusetts. McHenry was returning from Milwaukee, where he went to bury his sister, and was robbed in Buffalo. Being unwilling to ask aid he started to walk to his home in Abington, Mass. He declares the jaunt has done him good.



THE REAL REINDEER. Old Santa—Reindeer are good enough in pictures, but not in getting goods delivered.

SWAMP CHICAGO CARRIERS WITH SUBSCRIBERS

City delivery of the Chicago Daily Socialist now is assured, if one thing is done and done quickly. Every newsdealer and carrier must be given such a number of subscribers that the delivery of this paper will be an important feature of his business.

Circulators employed by other daily newspapers are paid as much as \$10,000 a year and they have expensive and expert machinery to get the papers to city subscribers. This gives an idea of the magnitude of delivering a daily paper in Chicago.

The Chicago Daily Socialist has met with all kind of difficulty in organizing city delivery service. An expert circulator was taken from the Chicago Daily Tribune. He worked two weeks and quit because he was offered more money by another paper.

Then it was found that the teaming contractor was not discharging his duties. It was found that he slighted the work and scores of bundles never reached the carriers.

Another contractor has been engaged. He is doing the work in much better style.

A circulator has been trained and has the city in his hands, but after all, delivery is up to the man on the route. If the newsdealer has but four or five subscribers, or even ten, he does not become interested in the paper.

EVERY DEALER MUST HAVE TWENTY-FIVE OR MORE SUBSCRIBERS FOR THE CHICAGO DAILY SOCIALIST.

This paper has an asset that cost it nothing, yet it cannot be bought for a million. This is the devotion of Socialist laborers. This devotion to the cause of Socialism is the only asset this paper has that is of great value. With it Chicago can be awakened.

With this asset the daily can have 100,000 subscribers before the spring election.

Solicitors have been withholding subscribers and delaying the campaign until the carrier service was organized and delivery could be assured.

THE TIME NOW HAS ARRIVED AND EVERY ONE MUST GET TO WORK.

Do not collect money from a new subscriber. Simply take his name and send it to 163 Randolph street, or give it to the newsdealer in the district.

Before Socialists can capture Chicago or the state, the party and justice must be represented by a daily newspaper. You now are reading the first Socialist daily published in the English language. Its success and its wide circulation will bring nearer the revolution which will make earning a living easier.

SWAMP THE NEWSDEALERS WITH SUBSCRIBERS.

The paper costs but 25 cents a month, paid after the paper is delivered. The newsdealer will collect. GET IN THE NAMES.

STANDARDOLIZE ICE BIZ.

Chicago Monopoly Trying to Hatch a Big Thing.

TOOK POROUS PLASTER INTERNALLY.

Italian Trips Heroic Treatment for Pain in His Chest.

ATTACK NON-UNION METHODIST CONCERN.

Prospect of Trouble for Churchmen Who Are After Profits.

War on the Methodist Book Concern was opened by the Chicago Federation of Labor today when 10,000 posters declaring the concern unfair to organized labor were sent out to ministers and laity of the Methodist church in Chicago. The Federation plans to send 300,000 of these circulars to unions throughout the United States in order to force the concern to employ union men.

The threat made by representatives of the Methodist Book Concern, Messrs. Jennings and Graham, to obtain an injunction against the Chicago Federation of labor was not carried out. Labor leaders believe that this method of putting the concern on the unfair list will bring about a settlement as it will involve, directly and indirectly, over 10,000,000 men throughout the United States.

OPERATOR GOES TO SLEEP.

Overworked Railroad Man Rests and Mail Bags Are Stolen.

[Scripps-McRae Press Association.] Columbia City, Ind., Dec. 14.—The mysterious "theft" of three sacks of mail from the depot at Columbia City, Ind., last Tuesday has been solved.

According to Postoffice Inspector Hennens' report, Clinton Frailich, night operator at Conroy, Ind., worked all last Sunday night and on Monday was sent to Columbia City to relieve the regular operator that night. After getting off duty Tuesday morning he went to a watchman's shanty near the depot and fell asleep. Waking an hour later he picked up the mail sacks, which were in front of the depot and put them aboard a train. Inspector Hennens says that Frailich, when arrested, said that from the time he awoke until he was arrested his mind was a blank. His act is attributed to somnambulism. The U. S. Commissioner dismissed Frailich.

FRENZIED DRUG FIENDS STEAL COCAINE

Five men, victims of the cocaine habit, the police say, driven to a frenzy by their inability to buy the drug because of the recent crusade against druggists selling the opiate, besieged the drug store of Adolph Brandecke, Randolph and Sangamon streets and, after beating the clerk when he refused to sell, seized a box of the drug, and fled from the store. So great was the men's desire for the soothing poison, the police say, that they were unable to wait until they reached their room in a cocaine resort, but stopped in an alley and satiated themselves. From a group of wild-eyed, fiendish-appearing creatures the men were transformed by their orgy and emerged from the alley cool and self-possessed.

AXES TO ENFORCE CHILD LABOR LAW

Give us authority to break down doors of factories with axes and we will stop the child labor evil in twenty-four hours. Factory Inspector Mitchell made this declaration today in commenting upon the difficulty in preventing child slavery.

DISCOVER "SPARROW PARK."

"Splashing Fountains," Wine, Women and Song Stories Based on Grimy Court.

The prosecution in the labor conspiracy case has discovered "Sparrow Park," where "teammies" were wont to gather in the hot days of the big strike. "Sparrow Park" is an awful place in the eyes of the pure Chicago Employers' Association and the virtuous Mr. Job, its secretary. For those who have the time a trip to the precincts of the "splashing fountains" said to make lovely the park, will be worth while. The park is a court ten by fifteen feet in the rear of a saloon at the southeast corner of Washington and Franklin streets. When the pickets and President Shea and the "witty" Hugh McGee, the muscular "Jimmy" Barry and others were not busy with the strike they went to the saloon. As they munched rye-bread sandwiches and drank "suds" they threw crumbs into the court. Eager sparrows, dirty and unkempt, came in swarms to feed, and hence, "Sparrow Park."

Evidence was introduced yesterday to show that Shea is a czar and ordered railway express drivers on strike without giving the rank and file an opportunity to vote on the question.

CATHOLIC LAYMEN OBEY FRENCH LAW

Paris, Dec. 14.—The duke of Orleans, according to some reports, is preparing a violent manifesto inviting all royalists to combine to defend the Catholic church in the conflict with the state.

It is declared that the duke will declare against passive resistance, contending that active measures must be taken to place France again in her former position as the eldest daughter of the church.

On the other hand, a reporter who interviewed M. Beziro, the political representative here of the duke of Orleans, was assured that the claimant of the French throne has held from the outset that the church question is simply a religious, not a political one, and that he had never intervened in it nor authorized his partisans to intervene.

Laymen Obey Law.

In many parishes, both in Paris and the interior, Catholic laymen came forward to-day and spontaneously filed declarations for the holding of services in the designated churches during the coming year. If this practice is generally followed it will be a distinct victory for the government, relieving it of the possible necessity of closing the churches and throwing on the clergy the responsibility for the discontinuance of public worship.

The ecclesiastics charged with violations of the law have appealed to the commissaries of police. They claim that in celebrating mass they are within their rights. The trials will take place before the Correctional Court.

GOING AFTER LAWS IN TEXAS.

Workers Growing So Selfish They Plan to Ask for Legislation.

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The Texas State Federation of Labor has appointed a legislative committee, which will be in Austin during the coming legislature to look after the interests of labor generally and especially after a number of bills the federation desires to have made laws.

Among these bills the following are the most important:

A bill providing for the creation of the office of state mine inspector; a bill providing for the safety of employes of railroads by requiring all trains run at night to carry electric headlights on the locomotives; a bill prohibiting railroads from attempting to operate trains with crews insufficiently safe to handle them; a bill prohibiting corporations from exacting from employes contracts limiting the liability of such corporations by requiring notice of claims for damages to be given within certain limits and from pleading failure of notice in bar of suits for damages; a bill creating the office of labor commissioner of the state, whose duty it shall be to collect and publish information relative to labor matters, similar to the labor law in effect in most of the states of the Union.

PEASANTS LIVE LIKE BEASTS.

Brutalizing Effects of Oppression and Poverty Drive to Riot.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—One hundred thousand peasants in the provinces of Russia, made desperate by their terrible sufferings in the famine, have become brutalized to a point almost beyond belief. They are living like beasts and seem to be stirred by only one impulse—to bring about destruction.

Terrible famine riots have occurred in the Samara and Simbirsk provinces, where the famished peasants have made raids on estates of landowners. In seven instances so far reported starving hordes killed the landlords and their families, hacking the bodies of their victims to pieces with axes, spades and other implements.

Troops sent into the district have been unable to restore order.

Valuable buildings have been fired in numerous instances and the estimated value of property destroyed is \$10,000,000.

LIBERAL HAWL SON-IN-LAW OF JOHN D.

Harold F. McCormick has donated \$100,000 to the Harper memorial library fund. It would be a little more in keeping with the fitness of things if that \$100,000 had been used to increase the wages of workers at Deering who created the McCormick fortune.

Or, better still, to clean up his binding twine department where the conditions of female employment are unmentionable.

NOW IS SOCIALISTS' GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Reichstag is Dissolved by Royal Bill—Working Class Prepares for Battle.

ACT MAY UNDO KAISER

Representatives of Parties Talk—Nobles Fear for Result—Bebel Pleased.

[Scripps-McRae Press Association.]

Berlin, Dec. 14.—A contest between the kaiser and pope, overshadowing the Russian convulsions, will result from the dispute between Emperor William and the reichstag, is the prediction of political prophets prognosticating on the outcome of the next elections.

Forecasters assert the reichstag will be majority in the next reichstag will be stronger than in the one just dissolved. The opposition will obstruct the kaiser step by step, bringing on a deadlock not only in the colonial bureau, but in the foreign, naval, military and domestic departments. Yesterday's dissolution, it is claimed, is only the first step in a terrific contest between Kaiser William and the nation.

To-day the predominant feature of the situation is the popular resentment against the ultramontanes, in clerical party, which, acknowledging the vatican's supremacy, was able to exercise decisive influence in the vote yesterday on a question of national importance, thereby forcing dissolution.

The situation may develop into a clerical fight almost similar to that being waged in France. Political leaders interviewed to-day by the correspondent of the Scripps-McRae Press Association expressed widely varying opinions.

Herr Rebel, the Socialist leader, said: "We will be winners in the elections. The Socialists will be the strongest party in the next reichstag. The death knell of absolutism has been sounded, and the employers' personal rule has passed. A democratic regime is ahead."

Radical leader Schrader said: "The watchword of all good Germans is 'Down with the ultramontanes.' Herr Basserman, national liberal leader, said:

"The two elections war cries will be 'Down with the ultramontanes,' and 'Up with colonial expansion.'"

Herr Kardorf, leader of the conservatives, expressed a similar opinion, saying:

"The government is wise to declare war on the ultramontanes."

For the clericals, Herr Reerew, their leader, said:

"Dissolving the reichstag was a disastrous mistake for the government. The opposition will be stronger in the next house. The colonial policy is unpopular and the elections will reduce the government to impotency."

[Special Correspondence.]

Berlin, Dec. 14.—Contrary to expectations, the emperor has dissolved the reichstag. When the clericals refused to vote for the South African budget this gave sufficient support to the Socialist opposition to defeat the measure.

Chancellor von Buelow, as soon as the vote was announced, rose and read the royal order dissolving the reichstag. The order was received with applause from the Socialist benches. There were a few moments of confusion, and then some one proposed the regulation three cheers for the kaiser.

As these were given some one noticed that all the Socialist members had already gone out. They had decided that "cheers for the emperor" were of far less importance than preparations for a new election. A conference of the general committee of the social democrats was called at once and preparations made to enter upon the campaign.

WORKERS READY.

The splendid organization of the Socialists gives them a decided advantage over other parties in such a sudden election as this promises to be. Moreover, it was Bebel's great speech attacking the South African colonial policy that opened the fight upon the budget, which has finally ended in the defeat of the government and dissolution of the reichstag.

No date has as yet been set for the election, but it cannot be long delayed.

BOY KIDNAPED; HELD FOR RANSOM.

New York, Dec. 14.—Sixteen thousand police and scores of detectives are trying to find to-day little George Brucato, kidnapped near his home yesterday. The kidnapers have sent word to the father that if \$1,000 is not paid to them immediately the boy will be killed.

SANTA CLAUS SHIP COMING.

New York, Dec. 14.—The heaviest Christmas mail that has ever crossed the Atlantic is coming on the White Star liner, Majestic, which is carrying 4,568 sacks of mail. This is a record-breaking shipment of mail.

Snow To-Night.

Rain or snow to-night. Saturday probably fair and colder.

THE RECORDING ANGEL

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When Robert saw his father go with Arndt and the sheriff he supposed that it was with the intention to secure bail for Arndt, and so save him from prison.

Many a man who has stood in the way of the money power in this country discovered their methods—to his cost—and has been disposed of easily enough—without killing him either.

But neither Eugene Johnson nor Robert Endy calculated on the genuine affection which had grown up between Arndt and Robert's father; neither did they nor any one else know of the slowly crystallizing resolution of ten years' growth which had become hard as diamond on the day when Robert Endy stood by the coffin of Angus MacDonal.

And this lack of knowledge was the fatal flaw in the chain forged by the plotters. Mr. Endy for his time, even forgot that the man he was fighting against was his son; for when Robert said that the officer was at the door waiting to arrest Arndt, every sense of hospitality in his father's being was shocked to its foundation, and that weighed with him even more than the implied threat or hint of his mental unsoundness.

So Robert laughed as he saw them leaving the grounds, well knowing that no bail could be secured for Arndt that day, and fully intending that none should be accepted for him on the morrow; since Johnson had assured him that the magistrate was "amenable to Reason"—whatever that may signify.

He, therefore, went whistling into the house and decided to retire quite early, since there was nothing to be seen or done in Steelton—there being not even the works to interest him—his standing dark and silent for the first time since they had been erected. The company had always been prepared for previous strikes, and by doubling up the force had heretofore kept at least a part of the plant running.

So, after sauntering around the grounds until dark he went back to the library, and after smoking a cigar while he made a few more plans he went to bed and soon fell asleep; but his last conscious thought was one of amusement as he imagined the disappointment he was sure had come to his father and Arndt.

He arose early in order to take the first train for Clyde where he would have to appear as prosecutor in the case against his former friend; and he now began to get nervous as he realized, for the first time, that the suit implied a doubt as to the mental condition of his father. Oddly enough, this had never attracted his attention—although it was the first thought of his father and Arndt on the preceding day.

He was now sorry for the part he was going to have to play; but he was so bitter against Arndt, whom he held personally responsible for the strike occurring at this time, since it upset all his plans and calculations—that he braced himself to face the matter to the end—for, he argued with himself, "It's partly true anyhow: Father must be getting weak in his mind to have made such a will."

Nevertheless, he did not feel quite comfortable about it; and it was while he was endeavoring to find some way out of this unpleasantness without releasing his hold on Arndt—and while still seated at the table trying to eat his early breakfast—that he was started to hear the servant who was waiting on the table say: "Mr. Robert, sir! Mr. Craggie is in the library and asks to see you at once."

Robert did not get up at once; but it did not take him long to finish the meal. The presence of the president of the largest corporation on the face of the earth was enough to spoil the appetite of any ordinary mortal; and Robert never realized until long afterwards, that he had not asked Mr. Craggie to be seated.

Mr. Craggie was evidently angry at the slight delay, and as Robert entered the library he stopped his walk and promptly handed him the telegram containing the heading and editorial which he had seen prepared. The newspaper, or some member of its staff, served the corporation well, and had promptly notified Mr. Craggie of the blow which was preparing. This had been foreseen by Chandler—as was appreciated by all those who read carefully the last paragraph of the editorial. As a matter of fact, the very newspaper that contained this matter also contained—in letters twice as large—as so-called interview with Mr. Craggie (which was really dictated to Chamber) as they traveled swiftly through the night.

In this so-called interview the president emphatically denied any responsibility for the arrest of Arndt, and said that it was the last thing the company wished—which was true enough—and that he expected to go and that it was all a trick of the strikers themselves—which he knew to be a lie.

Robert, for a few moments, stood there perfectly dumfounded at the unexpected turn events had taken, and all that Mr. Craggie said to him was, "Have you read that, Mr. Endy?" and then he resumed his walk as Robert started to re-read the words that showed him that his chances for ever being president of the company were slipping away—and very fast at that.

Therefore, when he looked at his guest he was not surprised to have him stop directly in front of him and order: "Please sit down and say in writing, over your own signature, that the company has had nothing whatever to do with this matter; that it is entirely your own private affair; and also, that the company's name has not even been mixed up in it, in any manner, shape or form—first or last."

At the concluding sentence Robert winced and then said, "I cannot say that," since I tried to serve the company at the same time as myself by making it a condition of my proposed abandonment of the suit that Arndt should use all his influence to secure the return of the "pen to work at once."

Mr. Craggie, "it is even worse than I expected," he would like to know—on what authority you acted? I would like to know how you obtained the information that I desired the men to return to work at all! If the strikers don't win this time I think that we will have them whipped forever; for they never had such another chance. And if they put you on the stand you will have to swear to that?"

Robert simply nodded his head. "Botheration!" said the president, "and so I've got your conscience to fool with, have I? I would not for ten thousand dollars that this had happened. There isn't but one way out of it. They will have a good lawyer—they have learned that much—and you simply must not be put on the stand. You've got to let your private affairs go for the present, and telegraph to your attorney to withdraw this suit—at any cost. You can send the bill to me."

"I am able to pay my bills, sir," said Robert haughtily, "and I will gladly withdraw the suit; but not entirely on account of the company. I have made a blunder, and I will do my best to correct it at once."

"Do so!" was the ingracious reply of Mr. Craggie as he went toward the door, and then together they passed out of the house.

As he stepped into his carriage, which awaited him at the door, he paused and said, "I forgot to mention that after today the company will have no further use for your services, Mr. Endy."

"Precisely so!" said Robert. (To be continued.)

Labor Union News

Tell your neighbors that if they want to know the truth about the school question it can be found only in the Daily Socialist.

A mass meeting is planned by the Iron Molders' Union, Local No. 233, to discuss the school question. A call for speakers was sent to the secretary of the Chicago Federation of Labor. As soon as speakers are obtained the date of the meeting will be announced.

Since the paper announced that a union depot would be established in Chicago where farmers will sell their products direct to consumers and small merchants, I have received letters every day inquiring where the depot will be established, said Otto Doederlein, editor of Haus und Land, the official organ of the American Society of Equity. "The farmers are very enthusiastic about it. Many planters are urging their neighbors to buy only union label articles. The plan is to force all merchants that desire the farmers' trade to sell label merchandise."

The Machinists' Association of Detroit, Mich., passed a resolution at a meeting recently to withdraw from the Detroit Federation of Labor.

"The exposures of the department stores made by the Chicago Daily Socialist are none too strong," said H. J. Conway, president of the International Retail Clerks' Association, who is in Chicago to-day. "The conditions of the employees in the big stores are decidedly bad, especially in Chicago. In the East the conditions of the employees are far better than here."

The Garment Workers' Union is the largest union in the United States which is composed chiefly of women.

Four new branches of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners will be formed in Alameda county, Cal., under the auspices of the Alameda Building Trades Council. The crowded conditions of the present unions is responsible for the move.

The prison board of the Chester penitentiary has decided to establish a chain plant at the penitentiary to solve the problem of the employment of prisoners. The board holds that the manufacture of chains will not conflict with free labor in this state.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 14 (Special).—The latest in the labor field in this city is an attempt by the Buck Stove & Range Company to compel their workmen to recede from a nine to ten-hour day. This move, though in contravention to the movement and spirit of the times, is conceived by the company to be just, as it will help increase its earnings.

Train dispatchers are organizing for more money and easier working conditions. They are tired of being considered "officials" at \$75.00 to \$100 per month.

Striking lithographers are jubilant over a victory won in New York. A telegram received by B. J. Tighe, president of the Lithographers' Union, says that the lithographic establishment of R. Souia & Co., one of the largest in that city and a member of the Employers' Association, has granted the demands of the strikers. Mr. Tighe also received letters stating that one other firm granted the demands of the union and that several more are expected to do the same the next few days.

ATTENTION! Did you tell your grocer to send up a package of Nutrito? Made in Girard, Kan. By wholesale at Sprague-Warner's or Illinois Brokerage Co.

Circulars advertising the "History of the School Question in Chicago," now running in the Daily Socialist, have been prepared. Comrades should call for these at 163 Randolph street and assist in their circulation.

DEBUTANTES SAY CLERKING IS EASY

Rich Young Woman, Accused to Luxury, Discuss Shop Girls' Labor.

The charming daughters and wives of Chicago's rich men gave a charity bazaar at the Coliseum last week. It was called "The Streets of Paris." During the week young women, who enjoy every luxury great wealth can buy, acted as "salespersons" in the booths and mimic shops.

"It is no harder to be a shop girl than a debutante," they say, now that the bazaar is in the past. Life on the Lake Shore drive and Michigan avenue is laid once more in the familiar grooves. As the price, at the end of the play, ceased to be the pauper, so the girls who sold gloves and candlesticks and books and "chances" have laid aside their aprons and their caps, their salesbooks and their twine balls.

Belles and Buds Once More. They are belles and buds, once more. But the memories of the days and nights when they were "salespersons" linger, and so they deem themselves competent to answer the question as to the relative difficulty of the life of the girl who is in business and the girl who is in society.

"It was great fun," said Miss Helena Bellas, who made her debut a few weeks ago. "I didn't mind the work one bit, and found it all interesting. There was only one unpleasant thing about it, and I suppose that is one of the hardest things the real shop girls have to contend with. That was the rudeness of some people. There were some who were so impolite they would not answer when we asked them if they had been waited upon. That wasn't pleasant, but everything else was."

Miss Parker Enthusiastic. Miss Elsa Parker, another debutante of the season, was no less enthusiastic. "Our experience was limited, perhaps," she said, "but so far as it went it showed that being a shop girl isn't so bad as it might be. Some of the girls may have been worn out by the work in some of the shops must have been harder than in others, but I was just 'crazy' over it all, and was sorry when Saturday night came."

Miss Lina Small does not consider the life of a shop girl one of ease and leisure; but neither does she consider the life of a society girl as such. "It can't be any harder to be a shop girl than to fly from one thing to another, as we do," said Miss Small. "The first night was hard, undoubtedly, because we weren't accustomed to standing for so long a time, but it was a novelty and that made it enjoyable. The life of a shop girl isn't one of indolence, but, for that matter, neither is the life of a society girl."

Miss Burnes Is Disconsolate. Miss Marjorie Burnes is disconsolate because illness prevented her being at her place in "A la Rose." "I think the work must have been rather hard," said Miss Burnes, "from some of the things I have heard, but everyone seemed to enjoy it immensely and I never was more disappointed than I was because I couldn't help at 'The Streets.' I think it must have been as hard as being real shop girls, but of course I can't say whether it was harder than being a society girl. My experience as a shop girl still lies in the future."

Says Shop Girl's Life Is Easy. A psychological reason for the belief that the life of the shop girl is not hard is advanced by Mrs. Frederick Upham, whose shop "La Boite a Musique" was one of the most successful of the fete.

"The success tends to make us forget the hard things," said Mrs. Upham. "We remember only the good points, now. But at the time, I think it was quite hard. I wouldn't say whether it was harder than being a society girl. My experience as a shop girl still lies in the future."

Patrons Prove Annoying. "On the last day, we charged 10 cents for each fifteen minutes for a chair and many well-dressed, prosperous-looking people seemed offended and left when the rule was explained to them."

Yet "clerking" for fun and in a gown you know to be fetching, is somewhat different from "clerking" ten hours or more for \$6 a week.

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James H. Eckels, president of the Commercial National Bank of Chicago, is in an address before the Missouri Bankers' Association warned business men to combat the trend of public opinion toward Socialism and public ownership.

A debating society in Manayunk, Ore., offered \$5.00 for the best definition of Socialism and awarded the prize for the following: "Socialism is a combination of efforts and theories tending to establish among all mankind the greatest possible equality of wealth or misery."

The Socialists of Milwaukee and Racine are raising money in preparation for an extensive campaign in the spring.

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IT ALMOST HAPPENED IN BROCKTON, MASS.

Recount of Vote Came Near Beating a "Red" as Chief Executive. Brockton, Mass., Dec. 13.—The recount of votes for mayor in the recent election gives 3,812 Republican and 3,782 Socialist.

The first count was 3,875 for the Republican candidate and 3,729 for the Socialist, but fifty Socialist votes were given to the Republicans by mistake of the election officers. The Socialist gained fifty-three votes by the recount. Kent, the mayor-elect, is a Republican and a member of the National Manufacturers' Association.

TRADE UNION MEETINGS. Brass Workers No. 704, Machinists, will hold a regular meeting tonight at 122 W. Lake Street. Special order of business to elect a shop steward. Important. All should attend. J. Lee, Secretary.

Unity Lodge No. 134, I. O. of M., meets tonight at Jefferson and Madison streets. All should attend. J. Lee, Secretary. Apprentices, Keppeler Juniors No. 5, meets tonight at 209 La Salle Street. Important business. E. Behlmeier, Secretary.

Truck Drivers' Union, Local No. 2 of E. T. of A.—Important business and nomination of officers at 2 o'clock Sunday at 10 S. Clark Street. Thomas Macomber, Secretary. Carpenters' Local No. 141 will hold a meeting Tuesday, December 18, at 7050 Cottage Grove Avenue to discuss the school question.

Bakery, Crackers, Pie and Yeast Drivers' Local No. 734 will meet Saturday, December 15, at No. 145 E. Randolph Street. Officers for the ensuing year will be nominated. J. Toepfel.

Cab and Hack Drivers—A meeting of Local No. 701 of the I. T. of A. will be held at 10 S. Clark Street Monday night at 9 o'clock. Prominent speakers. All hack and cab drivers invited. By order of executive board, John Sheridan.

Members' Union—Election of officers will take place at an important meeting Monday night, John Sheridan. Bottle Beer and Liquor Wagon Drivers and Helpers' Union, Local No. 744—Meeting at Halsted and Harrison streets at 2 o'clock Sunday. Officers to be nominated. Thomas Barry.

Sanitary, Clinker Teamsters and Helpers' Union, Local No. 728, J. E. of E. Meeting Saturday night at 42 Clark Street. Business agent to be elected. Polls open Saturday from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. A. C. McGregor.

Sheep Butchers' Union, Local No. 118—Important business meeting tonight at Forty-seventh Street and Ashland Avenue. John Salski.

Brick, Sand and Terra Cotta Teamsters' Union, Local No. 716, I. B. of T.—Meeting Saturday night at 145 Randolph Street. All attend. Thomas Wilson.

Newspaper Delivery and Mail Drivers' Union, Local No. 709—Meeting Tuesday night at 75 Randolph Street. Nominations for the ensuing year. E. H. Hutton.

Gravel Roofers' Union, Local No. 6.—Meeting at 212 S. Halsted Street Saturday night for the election of officers. E. Lind.

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CORPORATION GREED CAUSE WRECKS

Private Ownership of Lines and Search for Profit Prevents Repair of Tracks by Skilled Men.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 14.—An engineer and brakeman were killed and ten passengers were injured in a rear-end collision at Hopkins' Point, one mile east of Mentor, on the Nickel Plate road last night.

The dead: EDWARD F. MILLERT, engineer of freight train; ARTHUR ERUCE, brakeman of passenger train; Joseph Williams, Dorchester, Mass.; badly bruised.

Mrs. Driscoll, Erie, Pa.; bruised arm; back bruised.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Koch, Providence, R. I.; former fractured wrist; latter injured internally.

Mrs. Mary Fisk, Lincoln, Neb.; injured spine.

Mr. and Mrs. David Manchester, Bar Harbor, Me.; former slightly bruised; latter sprained wrist.

Patrick O'Malley, of Erie, leg broken and contusion of foot; taken to Charity hospital, Cleveland.

Leaky Pipes the Cause.

About a mile east of Mentor the train stopped for water. At this point it was noticed that the pipes were leaking badly, and Arthur Eruce, the brakeman, was detailed to make repairs.

BISHOP SAYS FRANCE WILL LOSE.

Columbus Clergyman Gives His Views of the Trouble.

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 13.—Right Reverend James Hartley, bishop of the diocese of Columbus, is confident that the Roman Catholic church will win out in the controversy with the French republic and that, too, without the Vatican receding from its position.

CAR MEN HELD MEETING.

Prepare for Aggressive Campaign in Traction War.

At a meeting of the executive council of the Amalgamated Association of the Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, a committee of eight was appointed to demand an eight hour day and an increase of 8 1/2 cents an hour in the traction settlement.

DARNEGIE'S EMPLOYER DIES IN POVERTY.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Andrew Carnegie's "old boss" is dead. He was 71 years of age.

AN ACCURSED STREET.

More Diphtheria in Paulina Street Where Death and Sickness Reign.

Seven more cases of diphtheria appeared in the famous block of Paulina street between Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth streets yesterday.

For months this block has been marked by sickness and death. The cause is apparent to any person. There are no drains and the street is flooded constantly; even in the dry days last summer a green scum pond was there.

Three weeks ago eleven cases and two deaths were reported in these columns.

Antitoxin has been used with good success, according to reports, but some of the residents have been impoverished by the cost of medical attention.

If the antitoxin treatment is used shortly after the case is discovered the victims are most always saved. If this remedy is used the first day only one in 335 afflicted will die; if the second day, 1.66 per cent die; if the third day, 3.64 per cent; fourth day, 13.03 per cent; later than that, 21.08 per cent, and if the antitoxin is not used at all, thirty-seven per cent die.

If a physician is called it will cost the patient \$5 to \$10 for an injection, but if the patient is poor and unable to pay, the city will furnish the attending doctor with the medicine or will send a doctor to attend to the case when notified.

With all the free medicine for the poor, diphtheria seems to be on the increase, insanitary conditions being responsible.

(Comment—It would be a good idea to apply the antitoxin to the surroundings.)

LEOPOLD AND ROCKEFELLER, PALS

New York, Dec. 14.—According to the official bulletin of the Kongo Free State it is learned here, the rights conferred upon the Ryan-Guggenheim-Rockefeller syndicate by royal decree, dated November last, give it the right to prospect for metals over the whole of the unassigned public domain in the Kongo.

Whatever mines are established by this exploration may be worked for ninety-nine years, but one out of every three is to become the property of the state at once.

To Finance the Concession.

A company called the International Kongo Lumber and Mining Company has been organized to finance the concession. It has a capital of 3,500 shares, half of which have been taken by the American syndicate.

May Harvest Rubber.

Besides mining rights the syndicate has a grant of about 741,000 acres of forest land and the right to harvest a rubber-producing plant, said to be like the Mexican gualupe shrub, over an area of 2,470,000 acres.

Rights on the Rivers.

Besides the concession of 2,470,000 acres the syndicate has secured rights to 12,000 acres on each bank of navigable streams and a ten-year option in 1,000,000 additional acres.

STABBED WITH UMBRELLA.

Newsboy Accidentally Killed By Old Man in Majestic Theater.

Arthur Kolin, 20 years old, a newsboy living at Polk street and Blue Island avenue, was stabbed in the eye with an umbrella by George Dunraven, 1469 Michigan avenue, at the Majestic Theater last night, and died two hours later at the County hospital.

WHITE WINGS WIN VICTORY.

Strike of New York Cleaners Secures Some Relief.

New York, Dec. 14.—(Special)—The street cleaners of this city won a strike for shorter hours. According to the settlement the men will report for work at 6:30 o'clock in the morning, and not at 6, as they did hitherto, and will "only have to work until" 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

AFTER DUNNE.

The Sunday Closing League has notified Mayor Dunne that if he doesn't enforce the Sunday closing law at once it will instruct its attorney to begin court proceedings to force the mayor to act.

WHERE TO GO.

The sixth historical piano and song recital will take place this evening at the Chicago School of Music, 879 Warren avenue.

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DETECTIVE SHOOTS TO SAVE COAL

Agent of Corporation Tries to Inflict Death for Theft of Fuel.

Walter Ryan, 17 years old, 829 Van Buren street, was shot, probably fatally, yesterday afternoon by William D. Wright, a special watchman for the Western Fuel Company, West Adams and Rockwell streets.

The boy was shot two blocks away as he was running away after having been interrupted in taking coal from a car standing on the tracks of the Panhandle Railroad.

One of the bullets struck the boy in the back, between the shoulder blades, and lodged against his spine. The Warren avenue police took him to the County hospital. Wright was locked up at the Warren avenue police station and will be held pending the outcome of the boy's injuries.

Wright told the police he had discovered Ryan and a companion throwing coal from freight cars. He ran toward them, but the boys saw him coming and ran away before he could get up to them. He followed Ryan two blocks south along the tracks and then fired his revolver several times. He said he had no intention of wounding the boys. Suddenly he saw Ryan pinch forward and fall. When he reached him he found that he was wounded.

The physicians at the hospital say that Ryan's wound will prove fatal, as the bullet lodged against his spine.

RIGHT TO PRAY DENIED.

Almighty Western Union Discharges Operators Who "Respectfully Asked For More Pay."

The Western Union Telegraph company is discharging the operators who recently petitioned the company to grant them an increase in wages. These operators refused to join the union of their craft for fear of losing their jobs, as the company will not tolerate "union interference" with its business.

It is needless to mention that the operators who petitioned for an increase in wages did not get any of the mining message "graft."

News and Comment

Tell your neighbors that if they want to know the truth about the school question it can be found only in the Daily Socialist.

The Illinois Supreme Court justices at Springfield, for the first time in years, appear in uniform black suits. The new garb is a moderately long Prince Albert, with a silk lapel, and the coat is intended for use on the bench, but can be used on any occasion.

The Illinois Railroad and Warehouse Commission has fixed Jan. 8 for opening hearing on charges of exorbitant switching charges by the railroads at Chicago. The Illinois Central says that the maximum fixed by the commission is unreasonably low.

Representative Hryes of California offered a resolution calling upon Secretary Taft to inform Congress whether it is the government's policy to engage Chinese or Japanese coolies on the Panama Canal.

Mrs. Mary Nieberding, of St. Louis, Mo., committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid. Despondency because of her inability to regain her husband's love was the cause.

Rankin, Duval, an actor of New York, attempted suicide by falling on his knife.

Alie Puckett, a 12-year-old girl of Cattleburg, Ky., was burned to death by a 3-year-old child slipping up behind her and setting her dress on fire.

Mayor Dunne believes that the city hall should be located on the west side and that a new building to house the municipal courts should be built upon its present site.

Dr. Collingridge, the medical officer of the health department of the city of London, has issued a report saying the American label, guaranteeing the inspection of meat, is no guarantee.

Chinese, when summoned to court, seldom come themselves but work a proxy, according to Policeman John Sullivan. He arrested a Chinaman a few days ago and when the name of Charles Lee was called, a man answered. "This is not the man I arrested," cried Officer Sullivan. "Nearly all the Chinese inmates who should be in court are represented by substitutes."

Mrs. Harriet M. Van DerVart, superintendent of Neighborhood House, was forcibly ejected from the office of the Illinois Glass company at Alton, Ill. She was recognized as a settlement worker and agitator against child labor by the president, George M. Levin. This company employs more children than men, and does not want any investigation.

Mrs. Featherstone Osler, Toronto, Ontario, mother of Dr. William Osler, the exponent of the chloroform theory, celebrated her 100th anniversary to-day. She is in perfect health and her faculties are unimpaired by the fullness of years.

In view of the universal opposition to President Roosevelt's new method of spelling, the president announced to Representative Landis, chairman of the joint committee on printing, that he was willing to withdraw the order issued last August requiring "reformed spelling" in public documents.

Cardinal Gibbons at Baltimore attacked France in a bitter speech. He said French law is an attack on God and Jesus Christ.

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CIVIC FEDERATION MAY GO SOCIALISTIC

Conservatives Like August Belmont and Samuel Compers Fearful.

New York, Dec. 14.—Radicalism has broken out in the National Civic Federation, and conservatives like August Belmont and Samuel Compers feared to-day that it would endorse Socialism.

The radical movement is led by Andrew Carnegie and M. E. Ingalls, the railroad magnate. Andy started the gathering of capitalists and labor leaders yesterday by advocating confiscation of big estates when the owner dies. He holds that the vast accumulation of money and real wealth, like his own, should be used for the whole people, not while he lives, but after he is dead.

"I believe an income tax would make a nation of liars," he said. "It is too much to ask a business man struggling to meet his obligations to make public all the inside history of his affairs."

"I am not in favor of touching the bee when it is making honey. Let the bee work. But when he comes away, then, I say, the silent partner—the community that made that wealth, Mr. President—should receive its dividend, and a large proportion."

The iron master gave a good illustration to show that wealth in land created by large population is not due to "foresight, frugality or superior intelligence" of the owner.

BRUTALITY OF POLICE

Inexperienced and Vicious Officers Club and Shoot.

A perfect carnival of police brutality seems to have broken out. Following close upon the story of three policemen beating a man almost to death after he was confined in a cell, came the discharge yesterday of Patrolman Lawrence McElligott for clubbing Achilles Meret to death. The discharge only came when the evidence before the coroner's jury revealed a tale of beastly brutality by the officer. The witnesses agreed that Meret was clubbed into insensibility, without cause, and was then dragged into the patrol wagon in a dying condition, although bystanders offered to pay for a carriage to the hospital.

A couple of dog-catchers and Officer Hugh H. McNally are accused of beating up James Probasco, and then trying to shoot him, failing in the latter purpose only because the revolver missed fire.

Maurice Rice and M. Rahbel have preferred charges against Patrolman Edward Shewbridge, of South Chicago, who, they allege, ordered them to "move on" when they were standing in front of their own store. On their refusal to move he proceeded to "beat them up" and take them to the station. They were discharged by Justice Goodenow.

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