

CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE CAUSED DEATH OF 400 CHERRY MINERS

Report of Attorney Rockhold to Austria and Russia Pillories Company MIGHT HAVE SAVED ALL Law-Breaking Shown in Six Instances; Owners Alone Responsible

Total indifference of the safety of the miners, willful neglect of safety appliances and criminally negligent operations of the Cherry mine is charged against the St. Paul Coal company by Frank A. Rockhold, in his report prepared for the Austro-Hungarian and Russian consulates.

Text of Report The report to the Austrian consul reads: "As to the liability of the company, I believe it to be responsible for the accident on at least seven grounds:

"First—For its failure to take prompt means to notify the miners at work in remote parts of the mine, as soon after the fire was started as possible, so that the men would have been given opportunity to get out of the mine while there was yet chance to do so.

"Second—The fire was negligently started. The company maintained a guile shed underground in the second vein, and was sending down in the cage in the main shaft a large lot of baled hay, for use in the stable.

"Third—The company was negligent in failing to properly superintend or manage the fire after its inception.

"Fourth—The company was negligent in reversing the ventilating fan, thus causing a strong draft up the air shaft, and thus drawing the fire into that shaft to be stopped, so that none of the men could be raised through the air shaft, and leaving the only means of escape through the main shaft.

"Fifth—The company was negligent in having in its service incompetent and inefficient foremen, superintendents and servants.

"Sixth and seventh violations comprise the two statutory violations, which are failure to provide a continuous stairway in the air shaft from the bottom of the third vein to the surface above the shaft, and failure to have the main shaft equipped with a cage capable of being operated from the bottom of the third vein to the top of the mine.

E. P. BURNELL BLOCKS RELIEF Red Cross Head and Mayor Demand Reduce Supply of Food

BRITISH SOCIETY IS READY TO SNUB A. G. VANDERBILT, INVOLVED IN RUZE TRAGEDY

London, Jan. 7.—News from New York that Alfred G. Vanderbilt will return to London was received with surprise here.

Society is not ready to welcome the American millionaire, and those in a position to know say he will not be received by the fashionable set.

The reason for the hostility toward him is the suicide, on May 16, 1909, of Mme. Mary Agnes Ruz, a famous beauty, who killed herself when the American millionaire ceased to visit her, and whose death was kept secret by the coroner's office.

FOUR EXIST ON \$2.50 A WEEK

Charity Report Boasts of Family That Is Ground in Poverty

Boston, Mass., Jan. 7.—How a family of four is fed on \$2.50 a week is told in the annual report of the Associated Charities.

The report contains a menu for each day of the week, showing just how the frugal mother manages to make ends meet.

Monday's dinner is served every other Thursday. Aside from this meat appears but twice in the weekly menu.

Tuesday's dinner is listed as soup and crackers, bread and butter, and cereal pudding.

Wednesday's dinner is macaroni and tomato, crackers, bread and butter and rice pudding.

Thursday's consists of tomato soup, mashed potatoes, bread and butter, bread pudding, Friday's, fish chowder and crackers, bread and butter.

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UNIONS TO WAR ON TAFT'S SHIP SUBSIDY PLANS

Proposed Appropriation Will Only Aid Fight on Labor, Says Furuseth

SHIP OWNERS NOT SINCERE

Claim That They Want to Sail American Ships Not True, Say Seamen

Organized labor is planning to war on the proposed ship subsidy bill, one of President Taft's pet measures to assuage the ire of the people over his tariff perjury, according to Andrew Furuseth, of San Francisco, president of the International Seamen's Union of America, who is in Chicago to lead encouragement to the striking seamen on the lakes.

Furuseth has just arrived here from Washington, D. C., where he became familiar with some of the legislation for the benefit of the workers that will be introduced before congress.

"If the ship owners are given a subsidy of \$3,000,000 or \$2,000,000 that will mean that they will only have that much more in their treasury to fight the unions," said Furuseth.

Shipowners Insincere The members of the Marine league, who are putting up a patriotic cry for an American Merchant Marine, are also the members of the Lake Carriers' association, which is seeking to impose conditions worse than slavery upon those who man its ships.

"I have sailed under five flags and never anywhere have I found that the employers have succeeded in reducing the wages to a point low enough to suit themselves.

U. S. Gift to Shipowners The ship subsidy is nothing more nor less than a gift of the government to the ship owners.

"I do not know the exact nature of the ship subsidy bill that will be brought into congress, so we can not decide just what action we will take.

Refuses to Discuss Frisco "No, I can't say anything about the McCarty labor administration in San Francisco," said Furuseth.

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RUSSIA DECIDES TO CRUSH FINNS

Czar Plans to Absorb Finland and Will Exact Heavy Tribute

St. Petersburg, Jan. 7.—The last word in favor of Finland's independence has been said and Russia has decided that Finland is to be free no longer.

Drastic Action Assured If the offer is rejected, Russia, for safety's sake, may be compelled to take drastic action.

Finns Want Freedom For a century past the Finns have enjoyed the freedom of their ancient and somewhat primitive government;

Black Handers Slay Merchant Benedetto Senena Murdered by Three Men, Following Money Demand

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CALLS U. S. TYRANNY BLACK AS MEXICO'S

FAMOUS DRED SCOTT DECISION IS OUTDONE

New York Judge Attacks Striker and Makes the World Laugh

New York, Jan. 7.—"Divine Right" Baer of the anthracite coal field has been outdone by Justice Olmstead. In the Children's court, speaking to a striker, the latter said: "I know that you are not working and are on strike. You are on strike against God and against nature, whose prime law is that man shall earn his bread in the sweat of his brow."

BLOODY REVOLT MENACES SPAIN

Overthrow of Present Government Expected; 'Butcher' Weyler On Hand

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INSANE ASYLUM PATIENTS FREEZE

Startling Report of Atrocities Is Made by Oklahoma Investigator

Guthrie, Okla., Jan. 7.—"Hearing frightful screams emanating from behind a closed door, I entered the cell to find a violent female patient who had torn bedding from her bed and pitched it in the middle of the floor while she was sitting on the edge of her bed screaming and shivering."

Shores Lined With Wrecks "I have journeyed along the Detroit, the Soo and the St. Croix rivers," said Olander.

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Victor A. Olander, Union Seaman, Says Slavery of Workers Exists Here

CHICAGO IS LIKE MEXICO

John Fitzpatrick Denounces Local Conditions; Flays Montgomery Ward's

"There is only one difference between the slavery in Mexico and the slavery existing in the United States," declared Victor A. Olander of Chicago.

Slavery at Worst in Chicago "If there is anywhere in Mexico, or in any other part of the world where the conditions of slavery are any worse than they are right here in Chicago, I wish someone would tell me about it," said John Fitzpatrick.

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PORTO RICANS ASK TAFT AID

Students Declare Their Island Home Is Subject to Cruel Oppression

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LAND PROBE TO PROVE FARCICAL

Ballinger Will Be Investigated by Cannon and Other Confederates

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—The entire west is watching with the greatest interest the proposed investigation of the official conduct of Richard Ballinger, secretary of the interior, and chief of the United States land office, who has been specifically charged with aiding in water power sales and with abetting the water power exploiters in their war on the water users' associations.

GIRL STRIKERS DEFEAT POLICE

Waistmakers, backed by unions, are confident of winning fight

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Socialist News

Minneapolis woman buries cat collie in a coffin of plush velvet and silver

EXPECT TO COMPLETE JURY FOR VINCENT ALTMAN SOON

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Attorneys for Altmann are planning to again take the wind out of Inspector Eddy Lavins' bomb plot as they have already done in the trial of Joseph Altmann.

Chicago congress has just been organized as 17th Congress Street, with Armando Arroz as president, N. Mores, vice president, and Charles Auz, secretary. The work of organization is being carried on by Alfonso Lastra and E. S. Prats, both students at Valparaiso University.

When the work of organization has advanced far enough it is planned to hold a convention in Washington, D. C., with delegates from every section of the United States.

"We are trying to advance the political struggle of Porto Rico as the industrial struggle on the island is being advanced by the labor organizations," said one of the organizers, who is a personal friend of Santiago Iglesias, an organizer of the American Federation of Labor, and Abraham Pena, who recently called on President Taft to notify him of the misery of the toilers on the island.

"The protest sent to Taft continues in part: 'We are Porto Ricans and lovers of Porto Rico, and therefore defenders of our native land.'

"You, Mr. President, who sign the appointments and resignations of the governors who, in the name of the great republic of North America, go to our country to rivet the odious chain of political tyranny, you are not ignorant of the fact that in the colony which the United States possesses across the Atlantic, the three governing branches, the legislative, the executive, and the judicial, are only partially established. You cannot fail to know, Honorable Sir, that this is infamous and despotism.

"You, Mr. President, have not forgotten that when General Miles, aided by shot and cannon, caused the American flag to wave on the castles of San Juan de Puerto Rico and on the government building, the insular affairs of Porto Rico were being conducted wisely by the Porto Rican people. You remember, worthy sir, that the Spanish monarchy restored to us that which the kings of Iberia unlawfully withheld for three hundred and ninety-eight years—our liberty. Even the recent legislative conflict must be latent in your memory. Yet the Americans at the executive council were the only ones responsible.

"The portrait of the great Washington will certainly speak to you, with the mute language of his great work, of English despotism, of the memorable 'Boston Tea Party,' and of the struggle for the independence of the thirteen states.

"Now then, Mr. President, we who here in the very heart of the United States, are enjoying the excellent food of knowledge and educating ourselves in American practices and methods, are ashamed when we direct our sight toward the poor isle of the Caribbean, and our young souls suffer righteous indignation.

"We trust that our voice may find an echo in your breast, that you may be clear, and that it may be known that our aspirations and the aspirations of the people of Porto Rico are to be independent.

"PORTO RICAN-LATIN COLONY (ORGANIZED). 'ALFONSO LASTRA, Secretary.'

Ghent Quits Band School

New French Socialist Daily

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COLLEGE GIRL

The favorite shoe with women, its high top protects the ankles from wet skirts, bottoms in slushy weather, built strong, neat and nobby. This indeed the ideal walking and outdoor shoe for women.

TAFT EMULATES SALOON BOSSES

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—In ward and precinct politics when the petty bosses get together in gay grogeries that grand old phrase, "Don't do nothin' for nobody who don't do nothin' for you," furnishes the keynote for the actions of those local statesmen.

DO NOTHIN' FOR NOBODY WHO DOES NOTHIN' FOR YOU, IS NEW SLOGAN

President Taft was but following honored precedent when he decided that the insurgent republicans shall have no patronage to give out.

MAY MAKE SHOE STRIKE GENERAL

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 7.—General Secretary of the United Shoe Workers of America M. J. Tracey, together with Business Agents William Smith and Frank M. Kidder, of the Packing Room Workers and McKay Stitches unions, held a conference with the firm of A. M. Creighton at which in case a settlement of the trouble could not be reached, the ultimatum was to put up to the firm that a general strike in all departments of the factory would be called.

PHILADELPHIA BOSSES CIRCULATE FALSE REPORT IN WAISTMAKERS' FIGHT

Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—In an attempt to discourage the striking ladies' waist makers the bosses today circulated a report that 1,500 strikers had returned to work at conditions laid down by the Manufacturers' association.

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think of a firm like that talking of paying grounds for their workers and other philanthropic enterprises? Fureseth told of the manner in which the seamen's union had bettered the conditions of the toilers on the ships and assured them of the financial support of the men on the Pacific coast.

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More Meetings Scheduled

An enthusiastic meeting was held in Milwaukee Tuesday night. Additional meetings will be held at Detroit, Port Huron and Marine City, Michigan; Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio; Erie, Pennsylvania, and Tonawanda and Buffalo, New York.

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CANDY DEPARTMENT EXTRA SPECIAL 80c 1 lb. Assorted Candy Nut Caramels, 1 lb. \$1.35 80c 1 lb. Central Special Chocolate and Bonbons, 1 lb. \$1.35

CIGAR DEPARTMENT SPECIAL SALE J. & E. MOOP VAN HIBBER, A Fine Clear Havana Cigar out below cost

BOYS' ALL-WOOL SUITS \$3.95 Continental

CLASSIFIED HELP WANTED MEN WANTED who can invest from \$1 to \$10 in an insurance business should be considered a big dividend payor.

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FURNISHED ROOMS TO RENT THREE furnished rooms for rent separately, one with hot and cold water; one black from metropolitan elevated. 452 Colorado st.

NOTICE INFORMATION wanted of the whereabouts of Max Schwartz. It will help his wife who is in Gaithersburg, Md. Write to Mrs. M. Schwartz, 125 W. 34th St., Chicago.

PURE HONEY FOR SALE FOR PURE HONEY—WISCONSIN, 50c per pound. Call on Mrs. J. H. Kelleher.

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A MASTER PROBLEM OF MODERN THOUGHT

Is presented by that group of institutions called "The State." Where did the State come from? What have been and are its functions? What is its destiny? These are questions Lewis will answer at the Garrick Theater Sunday morning. Doors open at 10:15; Meeting begins at 10:30. FREE.

Subject: "The Birth, Development and Destiny of The State"

GREAT DEBATE TONIGHT.

At the Hebrew Institute, corner of Taylor and Lytle streets, tonight at 8 o'clock, there will be a clash of arms between Arthur M. Lewis, Garrick lecturer and editor of "The Evolutionist," and William F. Barnard, poet, author, lecturer and journalist.

Question: "IS SOCIALISM IN HARMONY WITH SCIENCE?"

This debate will cover the entire range of the Socialist philosophy: The Materialistic Conception of History, Labor Theory of Value and Surplus Value, the Class Struggle, Theory of Panics, Necessity for Political Action, and a Social Revolution by the Working Class.

Lewis will defend Socialism and Barnard will attack. The debate is under the auspices of the State Federation of the Jewish Workingmen's Circle. Admission 25 cents. The hall is only fifteen minutes from the loop by the Taylor street car.



ARTHUR M. LEWIS.



WILLIAM F. BARNARD.

Just Off the Press

The December number of "The Evolutionist," held up to get the Lewis-Kennedy debate, and then caught in the holiday rush, goes into the mails today. It will more than compensate its readers for the unavoidable delay. The debate is complete in this number. Subject: "Is the Marxian Theory of Value Exploded?" Prof. Kennedy of the University of Chicago believes he has completely overthrown Marx in this debate. If you wish to distribute this among your friends the magazine will help you by sending you six copies for 25 cents or twenty-five copies for one dollar. Don't overlook the Library Club article in this number. Address "The Evolutionist," 180 Washington street, Chicago.

What Do You Say?

I have published "The Evolutionist" now for six months without asking anybody to donate one cent to the enterprise. I have contributed a good deal of labor gratis. Through this magazine I have put into the hands of its readers nearly \$2,000 worth of the best books ever written from the point of view of working class education. I have also contributed freely from my salary as lecturer to the maintenance of the magazine. Never before in the history of Socialism in this country was any Socialist publication in such a sound and flourishing condition at the end of the first six months. Other similar enterprises have had to sell shares of stock to keep going. "The Evolutionist" goes into the new year without a single debt and with money enough in the bank to pay for this issue when the bill arrives. If you think this is a good work and worth while, and desire to take part in and encourage it, why not put a paper dollar in an envelope, along with an order for one dollar's worth of subscription cards to sell or use for yourself or friends? Cards 75 cents one year, 50 cents eight months, 25 cents four months. What do you say? Address "The Evolutionist," 180 Washington street, Chicago.

P. S.—You will surely want to read the Lewis-Darrow, Lewis-Hubbard, and Lewis-Henry George Jr. debates, which will be published in "The Evolutionist." Yours, ARTHUR M. LEWIS.

LABOR AS KING, SEEN BY EDISON

Inventor Says Workers Will Live in Opulence While Machines Work

New York, Jan. 7.—Thomas A. Edison, looking into the future, thinks the prospect of the laboring man is a particularly bright one.

"In 200 years, by the cheapening of commodities, the ordinary laborer will live as well as a man now does with \$300,000 annual income. Automatic machinery and scientific agriculture will bring about this result," Mr. Edison says in the current issue of the Independent.

"Not individualism but social labor will dominate the future. You can't have individual machines and every man working by himself. Industry will constantly become more social and interdependent. There will be no manual labor in the factories of the future. The men in them will be merely superintendents, watching the machinery to see that it works right.

"The work day, I believe, will be eight hours. Every man needs that much work to keep him out of mischief and to keep him happy, but it will be work with the brain, something that men will be interested in, and it will be done amid wholesome, pleasant surroundings. Less and less man will be used as an engine or a horse and his brain will be employed to benefit himself and his fellows.

"The clothes of the future will be so cheap that every young woman will be able to follow the fashions promptly, and there will be plenty of fashions. "Communication with other worlds has been suggested. I think we had better stick to this world and find out something about it before we call up our neighbors. They might make us ashamed of ourselves.

"No Waste in Fuel
"Among the many problems which await solution in the future, one of the most important is to get the full value out of fuel. The wastefulness of our present methods of combustion are tremendous. There is not as much power in a ton of 60 per cent dynamite as there is in a ton of coal. Everything in nature would burn up if it were not for the fact that nearly everything except coal is already burned up. Iron would burn and make a good fuel if it were a very fine powder, but it has already been consumed in nature's furnace. We may discover the germ of getting all the power from fuel tomorrow, and then again it may take a long time to find out.

"To get rid of friction in our ma-

CHINESE IS ONE OF THE FUTURE PROBLEMS

The only machine without friction that we know is the world, and it moves in the resistless ether."

FEMALE BOOTLEGGER TAKEN IN TEXAS HAS 36 BOTTLES OF INTOXICANTS ON BOARD

Denison, Tex., Jan. 7.—Anna Wolf was arrested here and charged with bootlegging. The young woman resides on the Oklahoma side of the Red river bottoms.

She had twenty-one half-pints of whisky concealed in her clothing. The bottles were suspended from small hooks attached to her skirt. She also carried a valise which contained twenty-five half pints. The liquor was sold at \$1 a bottle.

Miss Wolf's method of disposing of the intoxicant was unique. She would go to a small settlement on the rail "runway," station herself in the woods and fire two shots from a revolver as a signal that she had arrived.

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COUNCIL KILLS SWEATSHOP PLAN

The municipal efficiency plan of Elton Lower, president of the civil service commission, was not approved by the city council finance committee. Mr. Lower asked for an appropriation of \$50,000 for its establishment.

Among things the committee did not approve were:
To raise the salaries of the policemen.
To raise the salaries of the firemen.
To raise the salaries of various other municipal employees.

To inaugurate the double platoon system.
To appropriate money for a municipal lodging house for women.
Only two of the many appeals for funds which besieged the committee were granted, and in each case the committee made a compromise proposition. One was in the matter of ward appropriations, and the other had to do with supplying extra men to relieve bridge-tenders.

ACCIDENT ON 'L' ROAD; THOUSANDS LATE AT WORK

Thousands of passengers were late in reaching their places of employment today because of the breaking of an axle on a train of the Metropolitan West Side Elevated railroad at Van Buren street and Fifth avenue. The accident happened shortly after 7 o'clock, and the blockade caused by the crippled train prevented the passage of trains around the loop for nearly half an hour.

Starch Cause of Man's Death
Laporte, Ind., Jan. 7.—Ald. Chulip died today of blood poisoning caused by the starch in a new handkerchief affecting his sore nose.

The Daily Socialist is delivered by carrier in Chicago for 5 cents per week.

COP LOSES STAR; DESERTED WIFE

Trial Board Discharges Four Others; Gamblers Again Foil City's Sleuths

Because he failed to provide for his wife and children, but led the "gay life," Milford S. Palmer, patrolman detailed at the Fifth street station, was deprived of his star and discharged from the service by the police trial board.

For more than four weeks Mrs. Palmer and her three children have been cared for at the Harrison street police "annex," where she was forced to seek shelter and food; while Palmer spent his time in Michigan, where he says he intends to purchase a farm.

Huddled with her children in the diamond basement of the police station, Mrs. Palmer received the news of the discharge passively.

Deserted His Wife

"He has been of no help to me," she said, "and any disgrace to him doesn't seem to touch my heart. A husband who deserts his wife and shows no interest in his children cannot awaken any love in the breast of a woman. I only grieve that my children cannot get the protection they need."

Four other policemen who were discharged by the trial board are:
Henry A. Feller, patrolman of the Austin station; charged with conduct unbecoming an officer.
Berthold R. Franz, probationary patrolman of the West North avenue station; charged with willful maltreatment of a prisoner.

George W. McGuire, patrolman of the Rawson street station; charged with entering places where intoxicating drinks are sold and loitering on post.
Paul F. Scholz, patrolman of the A-trill street station; charged with drinking intoxicating liquor while on duty.

Two hundred and fifty halls in the city have been reported to the theater inspector, Edward Keating, as violating the ordinances for the safety of their audiences. Mr. Keating promised to make a thorough investigation.

"After the Iroquois fire nearly every hall in the city was closed," he said. "Changes were ordered and those which did not comply were ordered not to allow seats to be given in their places. Since that time some shows have crept in and scenery has been used. I understand, and we intend to go after them."
"Guess! Foiled Again!"
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Conservatives Admit Upper House Is Useless; Budget Fight Grows Hotter

London, Jan. 7.—Among the many "impossible" things happening during the election struggle now taking place in England, is one to the effect that the peers themselves are now beginning to admit that the house of lords needs reforming.

The Hustlers' Column JACK LONDON TO THE HUSTLERS

Many years ago in the Klondike, around a camp-fire one night, half a dozen of us took turns in telling what we would do if we found a gold mine.

Word has just been received that the hands of the hustlers are in the hands of the hustlers. It brings news from the Klondike and we are sure that all the hustlers join with us in extending to him our heartfelt sympathy in his hour of need.

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Strong Propaganda Meetings Are Being Held in Commercial Centers

Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 7.—The Socialists are holding strong propaganda meetings here, followed by impromptu debates. At the last meeting A. C. Reimold, organizer of the local, maintained that the workers of the United States need greater political freedom.

JOHN D.'S SON HAS NEW ROLE

Son of Grasping Oil King to Probe Cause of White Slavery

New York, Jan. 7.—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., has taken his position as foreman of the grand jury in earnest, and there being no matters like re- before the inquisitors, he has taken control and will call George Kibby Turner, the magazine writer, and James Bronson Reynolds, Roosevelt's special man, before the grand jury to tell what they have learned of the conduct of the white slave trade in New York City.

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FACTORY GIRLS IN FIRE PANIC

Thomas J. MacNamara, member of the house of commons from Camberwell, speaking at that place, raised great laughter by observing that Balfour had joined the scare-mongers, and that his scalp could be added to the scalp of Blairford.

THIRTY BOSSES YIELD IN STRIKE

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REPORT FIXES CHERRY BLAME

Charles H. Connolly, the mayor of the town, defeated a plan to purchase a carload of meat at charity prices for the stricken families of Cherry.

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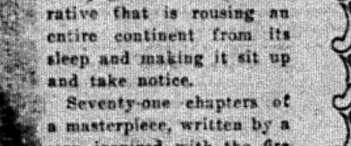
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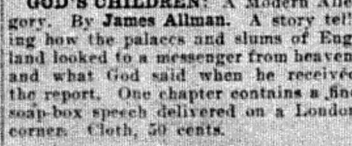
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People's Wholesale Co-operative

The purpose of the People's Wholesale Co-operative just organized by Socialists in New York is to centralize the co-operative stores already in operation, and to form new co-operatives on a uniform basis.

We have put our plan before experienced business men in the wholesale line, and they all consider it a very sound and promising business enterprise.

Any retail co-operative, in order to deal with us, must first buy one share of stock in the People's Wholesale Co-operative for every fifty members.

The retail co-operatives, like those in Belgium, Holland, Germany, France and Sweden, will sell only for cash, either advanced by their members, or paid on purchase of goods.

To raise the capital required we have decided, in accordance with the advice given by Morris Hillquit, to issue \$20,000 of stock at \$25 per share, \$10,000 of which shall be preferred stock and \$10,000 common stock.

FOR HOME DRESSMAKERS



Green-green linen has been used for the development of this frock, which is made in two pieces, the front and back, the fullness of both distributed in narrow tucks.

directors and a board of supervisors. These two boards consist of seven members each, four of whom shall be elected by the retail co-operatives, and three by the adherent members.

We have here in the United States a large Socialist movement and a comparatively small organization. The comrades throughout the country are mostly talking Socialism as an abstract question.

An additional feature of this situation is that our comrades have no practical employment for their suppressed energy, which clamors to be set free for the cause.

The retail co-operatives proposed by the P. C. W. will deal principally with members. In order to become a member the consumer must subscribe to the constitution.

A non-member consumer can deal with the society for cash, but receives only 50 per cent of the dividends, while the remaining 50 per cent is retained until it amounts to the equivalent of a share of stock.

To resume the matter of consumers and dividends. These dividends act on the consumers as a magnet to the co-operatives.

Through the democratic control of the administration, the consumers will participate in the management, first of the distribution, and ultimately of the production of the staples of life.

"NINETEEN-TEN" BY NIXON WATERMAN Glad is all the world to greet you, Nineteen-ten;

Take from freedom every fetter, Nineteen-ten; Make the old world kinder, better, Nineteen-ten;

"A TWISTER" The little girl was starting to join her mother, who was visiting friends in a neighboring city.

The Live Issues

BY SOPHIA SALKOVER

A terrible tragedy happened lately in Cincinnati; a tenement house in the slum district was destroyed by fire, and seven lives were lost.

This unknown person, if he really exists, may be considered as directly responsible for the accident, but indirectly there are other individuals, a whole class of people who can be branded as criminals.

When a law was demanded by the people to put the landlords under obligation to light the halls of the tenements with electricity, the property owners used all their influence to defeat it.

For the same reason every proposition tending to force the landlords to rebuild, or even keep in good order the old tenements is being bitterly fought and prevented from becoming a law.

If perchance such a measure slips through the legislature and is enacted into a law, it remains on paper only, never being properly enforced.

But when a tenant of such a miserable shack is behind his rent, all the instrumentality of the law is quickly put in operation to "protect" the injured proprietor.

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There is what she read: "You better look on the sill under the barn door."

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But one might justly ask, why anybody should write all about it knowing, as we all do, that there is nothing striking in this story.

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HALLOWEEN

BY ELLEN DALRYMPLE MEGOW

"Some one stole our buggy last night and raised havoc around the barn," said Billy as he came into the house after having been to the barn to do the chores.

"Ah! Ha!" said Mrs. Billy, "the boys woke up to the fact that last night was Halloween, did they?"

"Oh, you dear boys!" she exclaimed, as she saw that the buggy was all right and only needed to be pulled home again.

"I hope it will teach you not to lock the grain box after this," Mrs. Billy said quietly.

"There, now! Don't talk foolish," exclaimed Billy, exasperated. "You would like to have me go out there and find the grain all stolen, as you know it would be if it was not locked."

"Who would come half a mile off the main road to steal the little grain we have? If I came here and found the box locked, it would make me want to steal it, while if it was unlocked I would never think of it."

"Well, it is locked and how do feed Dan is the question," he replied.

"Give Dan some of that sweet corn that is in the warehouse and I will get the boys to tell me where the key is this afternoon," Mrs. Billy replied, confidently.

"Yes, you will," sneered Billy. "I just see them doing that."

"Wait and you will see," laughed she. Dan was a poor horse. He had a racing stock heredity which would have made it hard to keep him fat under the best of circumstances.

The hay in the cranberry country is nearly all wire grass. When Mrs. Billy first came into the country she had memories of the great fun she had had as a child in New England hay mows.

ground. "If they have broken them I will kill them."

"So would I if I were a man," laughed Mrs. Billy, "for men think things are worth more than people, but being a 'poor foolish' woman, of course, I think boys are worth more than cranberry rakes."

"Oh, here are the buggy tracks in the sand!" she exclaimed as she stepped back into the roadway. She skipped lightly along to the end of the island which was extended by a dam which crossed this neck of the marsh to another island which helped form a reservoir from which water could be drawn to flood the cranberry vines.

Here she found the buggy backed over this dam into the water.

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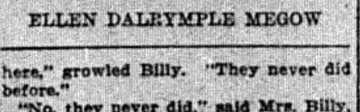
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here," growled Billy. "They never did before."

"No, they never did," said Mrs. Billy, "and I had begun to think these country boys did not know how to have fun."

"They would soon find out if you had your way," said Billy. "I suppose you would go and help them. We've got our dose this time."

Mrs. Billy smoothed out all her smiles and said, consolingly, "Never mind! They didn't do much damage, did they?"

"I did not stop to see," he acknowledged rather sheepishly. "I saw the buggy was gone and what I first noticed was that I could not find the key to Dan's grain box."

"Poor Dan," she responded. "That is hard on him; but don't look so forlorn. We will find it somewhere. Let the boys have some fun for once. I don't believe they did anything that was so very bad. Didn't you play Halloween pranks when you were a boy?"

"I never stole a grain box key," he returned, but his frowns soon lifted and he began to tell of his own doings and he was laughing heartily over his boyhood memories long before they reached the barn.

Mrs. Billy had set the breakfast back to keep warm and put a wrap about her shoulders to go out to see how much real damage had been done.

"There is the harrow over in the strawberry bed," she called as she went. Billy looked up a minute later to see her pulling the wheelbarrow upside down out of a ditch that ran across the island. Then crossing the ditch on the little rustic bridge she came upon a pile of cranberry rakes.

Now she began to be afraid Billy had worked hard to make those rakes and if they were broken she knew the strings of his temper were bound to break. Now a cranberry rake is different from any other tool you ever saw and some day I will tell you about them.

Mrs. Billy did not find one that was broken or hurt in the least so when Billy came up she hastened to say: "These naughty boys gave me a scare this time, but they are all right."

"Are you sure?" Billy asked as he saw the rakes lying about on the

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Relieving the Merchants at Cherry

From start to finish the Red Cross officials at Cherry seem to have been under the impression that their first duty was to preserve the profits of the merchants, and then, if anything remained, it might be time to consider the widows and orphans.

Now that cash is being given in a most niggardly manner, instead of store orders, there is a complaint that the local storekeepers are charging such exorbitant prices that a decent existence on the amounts issued is impossible.

At the time of the great coal strike in Pennsylvania the United Mine Workers distributed hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of relief to the strikers. It was concerned primarily with the question of feeding the strikers and not at all with relieving the distress of little merchants.

If the United Mine Workers had been given full charge of the Cherry relief and had handled it in exactly the same manner in which they have long been accustomed to handle great strike relief funds, there would have been few of the complaints that have come as a consequence of divided management and the acceptance of "expert" advice.

The "Insurgents"

The latest manifestation of the small capitalist revolt against the domination of the great trusts is what has come to be known as the "insurgent" movement within the Republican party.

The constituents of these congressmen do not belong to the inner circle of capitalism. Indeed most of them belong to the working class, but up to the present time these have not learned to defend their own interests politically.

There seems little doubt that the "insurgent" movement will reach sufficient strength to force a new political alignment in 1912. In a union with the Bryan Democracy it could deceive a large portion of the working class into once more seeking to pull middle-class chestnuts out of the trust inferno.

Up to the present time the "insurgents" have done little toward outlining any positive policy. They are simply "agin" "Aldrichism" and "Cannonism." They are trying to revive the old tariff issue that did valiant service for nearly a century in the duping of labor.

Debarred From Pleading

When King Leopold died this paper predicted that if there were any so poor as to do his memory honor these defenders would be found among those who are constantly attempting to fix the slanderous lie of "disrupting the family" upon the Socialists.

The Socialist makes no war on religion. It is not concerned in matters of faith and doctrine of its members. But we take this opportunity to call the attention of some of the Catholic opponents of Socialism to the fact that by the rule of the court which requires that the complainant in equity should come into court with clean hands, those who have defended the debauchee ruler of Belgium are debarred from posing as defenders of the family.

Deeds speak louder than words. Here, as elsewhere, the Socialists have stood for those things that preserve the home, while its pretended defenders lend aid to the forces of disruption.

Do Not Neglect to Vote

The referendum for national executive committee does not close until the 20th of January even in the larger cities and is out three days longer in the smaller locals. There is still ample time for every party member to record his position. This is the really important thing. Referendums have hitherto been too largely neglected.

The complex character of the referendum is causing a great amount of confusion. Many letters of inquiry have been received at this office asking for information on various points. The central idea is that every name on the ticket must be voted and that every number from 1 to 27 must be used in marking the candidates.

OUR BRAHMINS

BY R. J. CALHOUN

Menu, whose code and teaching did so much to make the Hindoo what he is, and has been for ages, knew nothing of capitalism as now developed, but he knew the advantages to the favored class of a class division, and he knew how fully dependent was the security of the favored class upon the attitude of the producing multitude.

Religion, being in all former conditions of society, one of the strongest passions of the human mind, it was inevitable that it should be prostituted to the service of the favored class in maintaining their position. In India the Brahmins were the favored class and Menu was their greatest teacher.

It is not a question of how much the worker is able to give, or how he may have prospered; it is only a question of how much capitalism can squeeze out of him. And how strange that the worker can be so easily taught that this is right and as it should be.

Education under the master's point of view was teaching a meek submission to any conditions they might impose, and the sin and folly of rebellion against their injustice and oppression.

Such glaring inconsistency and lack of intelligence surely cannot go on forever. The Socialist party may not be quite perfect, but Socialism is still the hope of the working class, and through them, of the world.

OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED NATIONAL CONSTITUTION

BY CARL D. THOMPSON

1. It would weaken democracy. The referendum should be a means of increasing democracy. But if we insist on having all the details of the party affairs submitted to referendum, it will make it ridiculous.

2. It would entail an endless expense. Every referendum that is sent out costs the party hundreds of dollars in cash for printing, expressing of ballots back and forth, etc., besides days and weeks of labor on the part of the stenographers, clerks, etc., in the national office.

3. This constitution would paralyze our national propaganda. The national office is to receive no dues. All that is allowed it is \$5 per month from each state, except in campaign years. This in itself is unjust for some states are much better able to pay than others.

4. It would destroy the power of the party to act in emergencies. It would require at least two and probably three months to get any action. In case of emergencies—such as the Haywood case, the Rodriguez case, the Mexican affairs and the like, it is immediate action that counts.

God made them high and lowly And ordered their estate. This places the blame higher up, but the benefit to the favored class is the same. Religion aiming at the ideal teaches each one to give "according to his ability," or "according as the Lord had prospered him," and under this teaching the rich give a portion which costs them nothing, and which they never miss, while the poor take bread from their mouths and clothes from their backs to give according to the teaching they have received.

But capitalism has no ideals. With hands bloodstained and relentless it strips the last cent from those who toil for the benefit of those who toll not. "Whatever exists in the world is mine (after I once get it away from you). I but eat my own food; wear my own apparel; bestow my own aims.

One of the best of the pro-slavery writers of the old regime, J. H. Van Buren declared: "The negroes are probably but few negroes—real negroes—who ever abandoned their masters, unless their education had been neglected." This same writer held it little less than criminal to educate slaves beyond the simplest reading, and even this was looked upon with disfavor.

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This should not for a moment be lost sight of even while we discuss the great question as to what may be the matter with the Socialist party.

5. It would give the national secretary altogether too much power. The national secretary is to transact all the business of the party, using his discretion in all matters and at all times except as prescribed by the constitution and by referendum. That means an enormous amount of power; too much to trust in the hands of any man. One man power is dangerous.

6. It would make it certain that the national secretary would be a weak man. It provides that only \$75 per month shall be paid as salary. That is not enough to hire a good man. It proposes to enormously increase the secretary, responsibility and power of the secretary and at the same time to cut the salary in two. Seventy-five dollars a month is utterly inadequate for a man who must live in a city. It would hire some bowery tough, or some "down and out" in the rescue mission—but it would not hire an ordinarily efficient carpenter or hod carrier. How less would it hire an efficient secretary.

7. It would make it impossible for the party to use some of its best, most capable and loyal comrades in official positions. This would still further destroy efficiency in the party. By providing that no editor or director of a paper should act in official capacity in the party, and that no person shall hold office for more than one term, it would exclude the comrades who have had most experience in the party affairs, who have been longest in the fight, and therefore have developed the greatest efficiency.

8. It would make it impossible for the party to eliminate any official who has proven himself unworthy or incapable. This is as far as we ought to go. But the proposed constitution would make it impossible for the party to use a comrade, however valuable or efficient he might have proven himself to be, if he happened to be an editor or even a director of a paper; and it would make it impossible to use any comrade of this sort for more than two years. Such a policy would be absurd.

IGNORANCE OR HYPOCRISY?

BY EVA OSLER NICHOLS

Man created a devil after his own image. Primitive people accounted for destructive lightning, floods and other calamities by ascribing them to the ill-will of a being whom they endowed with the worst traits of humanity, so he was spiteful, treacherous and cruel. The devil might be called, pessimistically, human nature.

Capitalism has created an ogre after its own image and called it Socialism. The pseudo-Socialism is the antithesis of the real thing, and it is endowed with all the worst features of capitalism, being treacherous, unjust and tyrannical. Some cannot conceive of a social order without the evils of the present unsocial disorder.

Socialism, they say, advocates "dividing up." Why is this charge made? Because capitalism compels the worker to "divide up" with his employer. The plutocratic mind cannot comprehend more orderly distribution of the products of labor, which is an abstract of the definition of Socialism in the Encyclopedia Britannica.

They profess to believe that under Socialism some would be obliged to work and support others in idleness. The only excuse for such a theory is the fact that capitalism procreates a class of indolent parasites.

Socialists are accused of being libidinous and of advocating what is disgustingly called "free love." Why? Because capitalism decrees that the daughters of labor and the very flower of girlhood shall be sacrificed to the diabolical lust of nabobs. For proof of this statement, consider the Gingles case, and the disclosure made, Barrett commonly called the "white slave traffic," is protected by the police, upheld by the courts and shielded by the press.

Then, again, they forget that human nature is such a burban, and claim that it has made this present state an ideal one, denying that the press is censored, the pulpit subsidized, that this is a government that is rich for the rich. The theory that nothing will remedy existing social evils excepting the education of the individual implies a great faith in this same human nature which is said to make Socialism impracticable.

A Man's a Man for a' That

BY ROBERT BURNS

Is there for honest poverty, Who hangs his head, an' a' that? The coward slave we pass him by, We dare be poor for a' that.

What tho' in hamely fare we dine, Hear boddin' gray an' a' that? Gie fools their silks, an' knaves their wine.

Ye see your birks, ca'ed a' lord, Wha' struts an' stares, an' a' that? Tho' hundreds worship at his word, His but a' cool for a' that.

Can you bear the green an' a' that? For a' that, an' a' that, The man to man the world o'er Shall brothers be for a' that.

DISAPPEARANCE OF LAKES

Whether the globe on which we dwell is gradually drying up or not is a question that has been much debated. Recent discoveries in Central Asia have been regarded by some as favoring an affirmative answer, but others have replied that the observed phenomena are simply periodic changes.

ARROPLANES MAY FLY A THOUSAND MILES AT GREAT SPEED

The aeroplane, according to a statement made by Wilbur Wright, will be developed to a point where it will be able to fly 1,000 miles without landing, attain a sustained speed of 100 miles an hour, and carry six persons. Such a development might be expected to cause a wonderful change in the world's affairs.

CRANBERRIES

Cranberries were formerly known under the name of marsh or fen whorts, fenberries, marshberries, mossberries.

The word so inseparably associated in the New England mind with turkey is not in Johnson's or Bailey's dictionaries. Perhaps the colonists adapted it from the German Kranichbeere or Cranbeere, the berry now known preferably by German lexicographers as Affenbeere.

Then let us pray that come it may, As come it will for a' that. That sense an' worth, o'er a' the earth Maun bear the green an' a' that.

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TO THE EDITOR

The Tyler Constitution

Of all the wonderful propositions which recently have been presented to the membership of the Socialist party for their good-natured endorsement, the proposed national constitution, originating at Tyler, Texas, and now submitted to national referendum, certainly "takes the cake."

He would carry the national headquarters in his trunk, since the national headquarters would be "the residence of the national secretary"—which he might change at will. He would transact "the national and international business of the party, using his discretion wherein not instructed by constitution and referendum." That means that he might recognize or not recognize any one of several contending state factions as his personal advantage.

Capitalism Cannot Be Reformed. Comrade Kiefer's article in the Daily of Nov. 12th finds a responsive chord in my mind.

Berlyn's article, "The Melting Pot," in the same issue contains the kernel of the matter in the last paragraph. "The firm followed him about six weeks later. They employed about 400 hands."

Capital is not fixed or tied to one place. If unions make things disagreeable by demands for better wages or conditions, capital looks elsewhere for labor, and as described by Comrade Berlyn, none of the former workers return to work for that firm. What has labor gained by a thousand millions of United States capital being used to exploit labor in Mexico at 30c per day instead of \$1.00 or \$1.50 per day in the United States?

"Ten-hour" laws, "child-labor" laws, "employers' liability" laws, etc., are not Socialist. They are Imperialistic in nature. Schemes like Thomas W. Lawson's to "beat the game."

So long as Socialists and the Socialist press continue to encourage labor with the delusion that it is possible to beat the capitalist game by such schemes, they will continue to vote capitalist tickets.

The work of the Socialist press is too costly in sacrifice to be wasted on "the game," and should be used to show the fallacy of such schemes, and that the only hope of labor lies in the abolition of capitalism and the inauguration of the co-operative commonwealth.

If capitalism can be reformed, then Socialism is not necessary, and the people will not vote for it.

Waukegan, Ill. H. W. DOWST

Work Is the Remedy. Much has been written lately on what is the matter with the Socialist party. Much has been written on this subject, but nothing as yet has been said on a real cause that has been given.

A LAY QUESTION

"Would you like the floors in mosaic?" asked the architect. The new householder looked dubious. "Would you like the floors in mosaic patterns?" "I don't know much about that," he finally said. "I ain't got any prejudice against Moses as a man, and maybe he knew a lot about the law. As regards laying floors, though, I kinder think I rather have them unsectarian."—Harper's Weekly.