

PENSIONS FOR AGED PROVE A BIG SUCCESS

Nations of Europe Recognize Value of Plan; Probe by Lundin

(By United Press Associations.) Washington, D. C., July 30.—Old age pensions in foreign countries have been the subject of investigation by Congressman Frederick Lundin (Rep., Ill.).

Germany a Pioneer "Germany was the pioneer in the movement," he says, "with a law passed in 1889; amended in 1891, and perfected in 1899. The present law covers 25 per cent of the population and is compulsory in many instances and voluntary in some. The pension is granted up to \$7.50 a year, according to class and weekly premiums paid. Beyond 70 years of age no incapacity need be shown to avail the beneficiary his or her pension."

Denmark fell into line in 1891. All persons over 60 years of age are eligible to pension benefits, with certain limitations as to residence, health and record of citizenship.

New Zealand Acts "Laws were passed in New Zealand at intervals from 1897 to 1908, when all of them consolidated to create a liberal and enlightened system. Sixty-five years is the pension age, and to all those who are without a minimum competence and can show twenty-five years' honorable residence in New Zealand the government pays \$2.50 weekly. The cost per capita of population is small. The benefits conferred are great and not only redound to the benefit of pensions but to that of society in general."

Belgium adopted an insurance annuity and nationally sustained pension act in 1900. Annuities are granted according to age and amount of premium paid. Pensions are paid to all over 65 years of age under certain prescribed conditions of want and disability.

Italy, France, and Austria are operating systems of annuities and pensions. Old age relief is recognized in these countries as an institution of worth, and the system cannot fail to grow with the advance of the times.

Australia probably presents the best example of growth and modernization of the old-age pension idea. The general plan there is about as follows: Men over 65 and women over 60 are pen-

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An ambitious young man once went into business. He felt sure that he could make a success of it. He had an "idea" and he tried it out. He carried on an advertising campaign in a small way, and put his plan to work in his own way.

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The result was, that while he was spending his time figuring out what he would do in the future, he forgot all about the present, and his business felt a slump. By the time he had his new scheme in working shape he was broke, and although the plan was good he couldn't use it.

There is a lesson in this which it is well worth while for our readers to consider. It applies with force to the Daily Socialist Purchasers' League. Week after week we show you the importance of patronizing our advertisers and using the Purchasers' League book. We have said it so often that some have remarked that we should get something new.

By this time most of you have realized that advertising is of great importance to the paper. And so, whenever it looks as though the advertising is not on the up grade or does not come up to the mark set, many people stop to figure out new plans and schemes to get some more, because they think the one we are working on now is "old" and "played out."

Of course, little or nothing can be said against this. It is always a good idea to bring forth new ideas. It is always a good plan to lay out new plans. But you will never get anywhere if at the same time you fail to use the one that is in working shape.

Our "Patronize our advertisers" idea may have its weaknesses. Our plan of using the Purchasers' League book may not be perfect. But this is the plan that is here and in working order, and before you get something better, use it.

Then, when you have something better, you can easily change. Remember, that if you are on a journey afoot and keep on walking you will reach your destination. If a wagon happens to come along and you get a ride, well and good. But if you sit down and wait for a wagon you may never get there.

After years of consideration England adopted an old age pension law in 1908. Under its provisions all persons over 70 years of age are pensionable, if they meet the requirements of regulations as to income, habits and character. The amounts paid run from 25 cents to \$1.25 weekly.

Canada passed an annuity law in 1908. Under it people beyond the age of 55 years may draw from \$50 to \$3000 annually. It is a government insurance proposition, pure and simple, and dependent upon premiums; but as a step, is encouraging to every believer in the humane policy of making provision for old age a matter of governmental regulation.

MONROE'S PLAN STRETCHES FAR

Doctrine Relative to South America Cloak for Aggressive Acts

(By United Press Associations.) Washington, July 30.—Recent diplomatic developments and international discussions involving the attitude of European powers—especially Germany—toward Nicaragua, have brought the Monroe doctrine into the world's spotlight again, and the impression is strong that it will be given a new application.

Elastic Garment The Monroe doctrine is an elastic diplomatic garment—not as elastic as the popular imagination depicts it, but capable of so much stretching, when occasion demands, that it will fit a multitude of situations however different. There had not been an administration since its inception in which this guiding principle has not been hauled out of its historic recesses to do service in connection with one difficulty or another, and indications are that President Taft's will be no exception from this rule.

The Monroe doctrine is already spoken of as a most suitable diplomatic habilliment to enfold the international eyesore, into which the chaos of Nicaragua is fast developing, while the United States restores order and sets the struggling republic on its feet again. Agitation has already begun, too, in the pan-American conference on the part of the Latin-American governments, which owe much of their development to its existence, to make the doctrine—now merely a declaration of the United States—a guiding principle for the entire western hemisphere. Such a political profession of faith would mark a new era for the two Americas.

Has Been Changed There is little doubt that the Monroe doctrine of the present day contains much that was not contemplated by the president who first gave it formal expression. Much administration, in a crisis, has backed a new meaning in it, or stretched an old meaning to the greater lengths, until it has become a coat of many colors, but none the less a stout garment and showing no signs of wear.

What Monroe Said President Monroe, in his message of December 2, 1823, said: "The occasion has been judged proper for asserting as a principle in which the rights and interests of the United States are involved, that the American continents, by the free and independent conditions which they have assumed and maintain, are henceforth not to be considered as subjects for future colonization by any European powers. We owe it, therefore, to candor, and to the amicable relations existing between the United States and those powers, to declare that we should consider any attempt on their part to extend their system to any portion of this hemisphere as dangerous to our peace and safety. With the existing colonies or dependencies of any European power we have not interfered, and will not interfere. But with the governments who have declared their independence and maintained it, and whose independence we have, on great consideration and on principles, acknowledged, we could not view any interposition for the purpose of oppressing them, by any European power, or in any other light than as the manifestation of an unfriendly disposition toward the United States."

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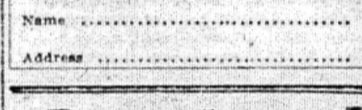
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Dr. J. E. Cannaday, 91 Park Square, Sedalia, Mo. Could you do a better act than to send this notice to all some poor sufferer of eczema? References: Third National Bank, Sedalia, Mo.

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MARKETS

WINTER WHEAT—Weak; prices off 1/2c. No. 2 red sold local and trans-Mississippi miller at \$1.84 1/2. No. 2 yellow, 4 1/2c. No. 2 mixed sold local and trans-Mississippi miller at 44c. No. 2 yellow, 4 1/2c. No. 2 mixed sold local and trans-Mississippi miller at 44c. No. 2 yellow, 4 1/2c.

DAIRY PRODUCTS—Eggs, fresh gathered, extra, 21c; butter, extra creamery, 27c. POULTRY—Live, per lb.: Turkeys, 28c; fowls, 14c; chickens, 12c; broilers, 17c; ducks, 12c; geese, 7c.

NEW YORK METAL MARKET—Spot and July, \$12.10@12.25; August, September and October, \$12.10@12.25. In London, spot, \$15.50@16.00; futures, \$15.50. Lead—Spot, \$14.85@14.90; in New York, \$14.20@14.30; in East St. Louis, in London, spot, 112 1/2.

BUILDING PERMITS

Table listing building permits issued by the building department yesterday, including address, type of building, and value.

CLASSIFIED

HELP WANTED WANTED—Young lady in office on South Water st.; good writer and quick at figures. Salary \$100. P. A. H., care of Daily Socialist. Agents MEN AND WOMEN AGENTS—You can make money selling a good family medical work. Large profits. See the book: "A Physician in the House." Call or write, Dr. J. Greer, 12 Dearborn st., Chicago.

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CONSUMERS' CO-OP. UNION (Consumers' Alliance—National) C. R. CAHILL, Cook County Organizer, 3547 N. 64th st.—Phone Irving Pk. 597

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He apparently covers all his most telling assertions by reference to court and senate records, and the book will prove a mine of great value to all who protest against things as they are.—Chicago Evening Post. Every fact Mr. Myers uses is supported by documentary evidence, taken from government reports and contemporary witness. His whole book is most interesting and significant, and new volumes will be awaited eagerly by students of this first volume.—Indianapolis News.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

At the Lyric... At the Lyric... The doors will be thrown open Monday night for the fall season at the Lyric theater. The inauguration production will be Lew Field's "The Midnight Sons." This play has been at the Broadway theater, New York, for thirty-six weeks, and is transported to the Lyric for an indefinite period.

At the Ziegfeld... The management announces that it will be withdrawn from Chicago Saturday night, September 3. The play has been here since December 26. At the National... The National theater opens the fall season Sunday evening, July 31, with "Ross and the Red Gate." The management announces matinees for Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

A CRIMINAL'S CHILDREN... BY RALPH WALDO TILLOTSON... PART I... A prolonged silence reigned in the miserably bare and cold little attic room. Now the long silence was broken as the chill wind whined slightly and blew through the broken window pane into which the two small children had stuffed the two old coats...

Let Us Keep a Childhood for the Young... BY VERNE E. SHEKHAN... One day I was rummaging through a trunk I had stored in the basement of the place I made my home while in town. I was singing while at this work and stopped singing sometimes just long enough to get a breath and whistle.

Household Hints... CHINA CEMENT... Rub the edge of the china or glass with the beaten white of an egg. This very finely powdered quicklime in a muslin bag, and sift it thick over the edges of the dishes that have been previously rubbed with the egg. Match and bind the pieces together and let them remain bound several weeks.

A Dreamer, Dreaming His Dream... BY OSCAR EVERTZ... Not far from one of the large western cities there is located a "Co-operative Communist Community," the inner workings of which "fascist all human understanding." To get a proper conception of the "Community's" activities, it should be stated that it has been in active operation for over a third of a century.

FOR HOME DRESSMAKERS... Ladies' Waist with French Lining... A prevailing style for a dressy waist... 8637... At the Whitney... My Cinderella Girl... At the Colonial... With the 19th performance scheduled for tomorrow, "Madame Sherry" has not lost the popularity had at its initial performance at the colonial theater. At the Princess... There is no change at the Princess theater for next week. "Baby Mine" remaining the attraction of the house. At the Olympic... "The Fortune Hunter" Winchell Smith's comedy, is nearing the end of its long run at the Olympic theater.

PART II... With furtive glances and gestures Mike tore off a piece of his shirt and wrapped it about the bottom of his wooden leg. On he went again, now the thumping of his leg on the pavement annoyed him no longer as he hurried down through dark alleys and over vacant lots.

Apron of Oilcloth... Three-quarters of a yard in length will be sufficient to cut an apron with bib, without seams. The skirt part should be somewhat circular, to fit the form, and this can be cut by the front of a circular skirt pattern, but can be first made of common newspaper, fitted and cut out to suit. Bind all around with some contrasting color of bias strips of any thin cotton goods.

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In America First of All

In many things America has lagged behind the progress of the world. Here entrenched power has seemed to cling harder than elsewhere.

While the legislative bodies of Germany, Austria, England, France, and a dozen other countries are filled with the representatives of labor, in America the workers whisper in the lobbies, cringe at the back doors and crawl before political boodlers while begging for favors.

While in other lands old age is cared for, the unemployed given help, children barred from industry, the courts shut out from industrial disputes, and those injured on the battlefield of toil receive relief without chancing the expensive losing hazards of class justice, in the United States we are still under the rule of the injunction, we watch babies work in Southern cotton mills, while old age pensions, and insurance for the injured, and the compulsory idle are scarcely thought of by the political rulers.

Yet, in spite of these things, it may well happen that when the nations of the world march beneath the banner of industrial freedom that the foremost place may be given to the United States.

It is for us who know that road to say, Industrially America stands in the forefront. Nowhere else has concentration proceeded so far. The trust is marked "made in America."

America is the "melting pot" of the earth. Its cosmopolitan peoples have been gathered from every hunting ground of the wage-slave trader. Here the crushing power of greed is pressing them into a compact mass that knows no nation save that of the disinherited workers.

Though the growth of the Socialist vote has been small, the vital inspiration of the Socialist philosophy has entered into every mental fiber of the American workers.

It has torn asunder old political machines. It has furrowed vast fields of thought and deed and harrowed them ready for the sowing of the crop.

True, the organized labor movement has long held back from intelligent use of the ballot. It has kept its political arm tied to its side until sometimes it seemed to have withered and lost the power to move.

But now the thrill of life is entering into the unused muscles. It still moves somewhat crudely. But it is moving. It is alive.

We know how America moves. Sometimes in panic, sometimes almost in hysteria, always with swift suddenness that startles and almost frightens.

We are on the eve of such a movement today. The avalanche that has been so long gathering is waiting but a touch to bring it tumbling into the valley. The plant that has lain dormant for the century is sending up the great shoot ready for the blossoming.

The old society is a crumbling wreck. Its political organizations are breaking into fragments without form and void of reason. In a dim way these wandering ideas, and political outcasts are looking toward Socialism. The light which appears dimly as a beacon of hope to labor, and as a torch of destruction to the strabismic eyes of the profit grabbers is the Socialist movement.

Once the true character of that movement becomes apparent, once the curtain of falsehood and misrepresentation that now obscures its view has been torn away there will be such a mighty rush of peoples toward its illuminating light as this old world never looked upon before.

We are at the turning point of American history. We are where much can be done with little effort, for the little effort will release mighty forces.

If those of us to whom the truth has been given will but realize the power that is within reach of our hand, the opportunity that has but to be grasped, the possibilities of the years that are upon us, America may yet lead the procession of nations into the co-operative commonwealth.

Ten million Socialist votes in the world today. The common estimate of five persons to each voter in a family would give 50,000,000 Socialists. But there are some wives who are not Socialists, and probably more than these are Socialist wives and old party husbands.

Paddy Lavin hunting for a gambler somehow reminds me of Wayman looking for grafters.

"Hitting Hearst" is a regular order of business in union meetings these days.

On the Firing Line

It is only wrong for the mob to show discontent; in the elect it is a virtue.

Dear workers, rejoice that you have this advantage: When you recognize the truth of Socialism you are free to embrace it. The capitalist must bury his convictions and neck at the coming light.

"A twelve-hour day and a seven-day week are a disgrace to civilization!"

STORIES OF AN AGITATOR

BY RALPH KORNGOLD. WEST VIRGINIA

Maggie had tidied up the room—had put the beans with the little piece of bacon, and the potatoes on the stove to cook for supper—had filled the wash-boiler, which she had first placed on the stove with water, so that Hank might have warm water to wash with when he returned from the mine—

TAKING A POSTAL CLERK'S SCALP

BY A SOCIALIST POSTAL CLERK

I am grieved. Another man has been sacrificed to the cause of the oppressed. This time it is Oscar F. Nelson, president of the Postal Clerks' union of Chicago. The very reasons given for his dismissal are the very reasons in the opinion of all liberal minded men why he should be hailed as a martyr.

Paragraphs for People

BY R. P. PETTIPIECE

"Coal miners spend the major part of their time in the darkness underground, in the most dismal and uncomfortable and unhealthy positions, are daily and hourly running the risk of death in its most terrible forms—death by poisonous fumes, by explosions, by being crushed under some falling boulder, or by slow starvation, imprisoned in a living tomb. It is not merely coal that we burn in our grates, but the lives of human creatures, and many despairing widows and orphans are the price of the bright fireball. This is true only because coal mines are owned and operated for profit. In the light of present day knowledge and ingenuity the science of coal mining could be made as safe and almost as agreeable as any other avocation. If the motive for coal production were the safety of human life, the satisfaction of human needs; in a word, produced for use, collectively, instead of profit."

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF WOMAN'S COMMITTEE

Table with columns for RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES, listing dates and amounts for various activities like balance on hand, collection at educational conference, and rent of hall.

FIVE NEW RIGHTS

BY ROBERT HUNTER

Some time ago Professor W. E. B. Dubois of Atlanta University spoke in New York. He spoke of the five rights which all men, white or black, should enjoy. The first was, he said, "THE RIGHT TO INDIVIDUALITY, and I mean by this the right to his own color, and his own way of thinking, and to his own prejudices, so far as these things do not interfere with other people's rights to the same things."

OPEN FORUM

OBJECTIONS TO POSITION OF SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC HERALD. I see by the last issue of the Appeal to Reason that the Social-Democratic Herald of Milwaukee has come out in defense of the American Magazine, for suppressing the Turner articles.

Them Flowers

(To My Good Friend, Eugene V. Debs)

Take a feller strick and laid up on the shelf,
 All shaky, and ga'nted and pore,
 And all so knocked out he can't handle hisself
 With a stiff upper-lip any more;
 Set him up all alone in the gloom of a room,
 As dark as the tomb, and as grim,
 And then take and send him some roses in bloom,
 And you kin have fun out o' him!

You've send him, 'fore now, when his liver was sound,
 And his appetite notched like a saw,
 A chaffin' you, mebbly, fer romancin' round
 With a big posy bunch in yer paw
 But you ketch him, say, when his health is away,
 And he's flat on his back in distress,
 And then you can trot out your little bokay
 And not be insulted, I guess!

You see, it's like this, what his weakness is,
 Them flowers makes him think of the days
 Of his innocent youth, and that mother o' his,
 And the roses she used to raise;
 So here all alone with the roses you send,
 Bein' sick and all trimbly and faint;
 My eyes is—my eyes is—my eyes is—old friend,
 Is a—leakin'—I'm blamed of they ain't!

—JAMES WHITEHEAD RILEY



SAVAGE