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The Ghouls of Finance

The Dying President--Lawson Attracts **Attention of Revolutionists** Across the Sea.

the feud between Standard Oil on the one hand, and Pierpont Morgan and Lawson, one-time "Copper 'Everybody's Magazine" is one to spoiled their operations! which Thackeray's mordant pen It is a charming story, and makes might have done full justice.

flashed through the states, the oil next time Mr. Balfour is arguing, trust magnates foresaw that with his as he so powerfully did at Newcastle death would come a heavy fall in in favor of protection as the best securities. They stood to lose mil- means of developing the badlylions in Amalgamated Copper. needed trust system in this country, Lawson alleges that they thereupon some one might hand him a copy placed around the bedside of the of "Everybody's Magazine," with dying man influential emissaries of the story of the ghouls of finance at their own, whose business it was to the dying Presidents bedside .issue news that the president was London Labour Leader.

When Trust magnates fall out hon- sure to recover. Under the influest men get-information. But for ence of this news the markets picked All the cases recorded were among mill men belonged to that church. I its shares safely before the Presidents death came about. Subsequently, with the assistance of Stan-King," on the other hand, we should dard Oil manipulations, the fall in never have been favoured with the Amalgamated Coppers was such revelations as to Insurance Corpor- that, in these shares alone, some ation methods. The same feud is 150 million were lost-including responsible for Lawson's exposure 12 millions lost by Lawson-and of the copper deals which ruined presumably the whole amount was him and put hundreds of millions pocketed by the Rockefeller group. into the Standard Oil coffers. One They offered to recoup Lawson for can hardly be surprised at any meth- his own losses, naively pointing out ods adopted by the Rockefeller if they hadn't deceived him he group, but Lawsons latest story in might have given them away and

one wonder more than ever who in-When the news of the murderous spired that brilliant idea of burn-

MURRAY E. KING ON RUSSIAN AFFAIR

Below we print an extract from a letter from one of the ablest American comrades.:

Isn't it good to be alive nowadays FOR A STANDING ARMY with the unmistakeable portents of revolution and vast hopes shaking the world? I am so absorbed in the tremendous Russian upheavel that I can scarcely wait for the papers from one day to another. We socialists have at last, through the desperate valor and might of the Russian proletariat, thrust ourselves to the very front of the world's stage.

Every paper and magazine is at last forced to mouth over and over again the dread, hated word, cialist." The terminology of our philosophy is becoming the current language of the day. Our view is becoming palpably the viewpoint of humanity. The fight is on; we will never recede from our position. Long live the Russian proletariat who have thrust us to the front in the affairs of the world.

MURRAY E. KING.

STRIKE AT THE BALLOT BOX

The following union of employers and the reserve army of the unemployed shows the chance that organized labor has outside the ballot box:

OF NON-UNION WORKMEN Great Scheme.

INCLUDE EVERY So That When They Want to Fill Places Vacated by Strikers They Can Give the Command and the Men Will Go.

Chicago, Dec. 14.-The Chicago Em ployers' association, at a meeting today, formulated plans for the establishment of a standing army of laborers, both skilled and unskilled, and representing every branch of trade, to be prepared to go to any city in the United States to fill the places of strikers when necessary.

The scope of the association will be extended so as to include every city in the United States with a population of 50,000 or more. Employment bureaus will be maintained in all cities of this class, where non-union workmen can register and when the eccasion arises these men will be used to take the place of strikers.

VIOLENCE YOU DON'T READ ABOUT IN THE DAILY PAPERS

believe in unions and would give seize on and magnify any incident their support to the labor movement that can possibly be construed into if it were not for the "violence" a story of violence on the part of connected with the trade-union the unions. On the other hand, do movement. This idea of violence you ever see such heads as these in they get from the daily press ac. the daily papers: "Fifty Women counts of strikes in large cities, Died of Hunger as a Result of Starvwhere mobs of irresponsible rowdies ation Wages in New York Sweatand thugs congregate during labor shops," or, "One Hundred Girls troubles and improve the opportun- Driven to Suicide This Year Beity to get even with the police. It cause of Low Wages in Department is conceded by fair-minded men Stores," or, "A Hundred Children that not one-tenth of the violence Murdered by the Cotton Mills of connected with strikes is attribut the South." No, you never see able to the strikers. Mr. August such heads in the newspapers, but Belmont recently made the state all the same this sort of violence is ing a living. Life is too insecure their labor, which would keep ment that, in justice to the labor going on all the time-violence for a man dependent upon others for them in comfort, and all young people to the collective idea through unions, he wished to say that of the sanctioned by the sacred "business employment to attempt to establish people could marry from love and your concentration into a solid score of men arrested for rioting in interests." If you kill a man, you a home with its constant and in not compulsion, and have homes connection with the recent Interboro commit murder; it matters not whestrike in the city of New York, not kid glove method preferred by the a single one was a member of the "business interests."-Typographi-Street Railway Employee's union. | cal Journal.

You often hear people say they The press of the country is quick to

CHILD SUICIDES FROM OVERWORK Back

May Beals Reproves Wealthy Church for Its Heartlessness-Asks Congregation If Christ Would Have Spent Millions for Luxurious Churches.

We print the following letter from those who were absolutely unable to May Beals in regard to her cotton help themselves. And I asked them

Dear Comrade: Please tell them in a footnote to my story, or an Chirst would build such a house for editorial or something, that the himself while his brothers were sufnumber of child suicides is increas- fering so. ing all the time. In France in 1901 there were four hundred and seven- that was because I didn't know that six children who committed suicide. the coal mine owners and cotton up again, and Standard Oil unloaded the poor. I haven't been able to called them my poor blind brothers find the United States statistics on and sisters, but I wouldn't have the subject. I don't think any re- claimed kin with them if I had cord is kept separate from adult known as much about them then as civilization. cases, for I wrote to a friend in I do now. Washington who has exceptional facilities for finding out things.

Notice that it is "poor children" the disinherited—who have no share in the earth, who take themselves out of it. Some good people say that the rapid increase in are shaking hands and patting them-France is due to the spread of free thought-the decay of religion.

If the function of religion is to hold children in a life of torment, that nothing else can force them to endure, the sooner it decays the better. Truly religion is worth more attack on President McKinley was ing up the Russian oil springs. The to the masters than either the constable or the hangman if he can beast begins to growl, and the "dear keep the children alive while they publie" stops aghast because "orare being despoiled. Even capitalism cannot grind profits out of a

of the richest churches I ever was the carnings of the roals would be de in-they had raised a great many thousand dollars to finish paying for it and the pastor praised them for it point to get at that, is to cut wages. patted them on the back and made There is no getting away from the in them feel virtuous-and I knew then evitable logic of the thing. The pubthat I MUST, but I waited till he lie looks blue, the trainmen look omhad finished his sermon and then I been laughing for some time, and he's went up in front and stood on the going to laugh as he sees his predicsteps of the pulpit and told them tions verified with every turn of the that in that same city there were so capitalist wheel, and he'll keep on many disinherited that the Y. W. C. laughing until the silly public knows A. had to have a policeman to keep hands of the barnacle private owner, rder among the horde that applied for relief in the winter. They contentedly the rest of his natural couldn't help all who came, only life.

-those hypocrites who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers-if they thought that

I didn't call them hypocrites, but

Yours for the revolution, MAY BEALS.

HAS ANOTHER LAUGH Once more the socialist has the laugh

on his side. Just as the "reformers" selves on the back because Roosevelt is going to "regulate the trusts", and he is handing a bunch to the railroad magnates, and we are going to have cheap rates, and the little butcher, and baker, and candlestick maker can take a little summer jaunt with wife and babies, and the days of "exorbitant rates" and "shameful extortion" are a thing of the past-right here a new ganized labor'' is protesting against rate legislation, and it has the audacity to say that such interference would bring low wages. And sweating Once, in the richest church-one toilers complain that is such an event creased, and of course that means that expenses would have to be decreased instead of dividends, and the first easy inous, and the socialist laughs. He's enough to take its business out of the and then he will sit down and smile

Bachelors Scored

Individuals Branded for Society's Shortcomings --- Security of Life Means Comfort.

editorial in which it hurls anathemas the machine oust the superfluous and all of the indictments implying at bachelors, and complains bitterly of their increase. All the crimes of the decalogue are heaped on the defenseless heads of those who have refused to take on themselves the chances of life by himself as the responsibilities of heads of families, and inane suggestions are made for meting out punishment to them, presumably for the purpose of forcing them into some sort of a marriage as the lesser of two evils.

When the capitalist press shall have learned what every scientific French. He is a wise man who de thinker knows today, that all social phenomena are the result of economic determining causes, the public will not be inflicted with such silly twaddle in regard to what are serious results of existing conditions.

Individual personal considerations no more enter into the question of a decrease in marriages than they do into that of the frightful increase of the army of the unemployed.

Young men are not marrying because of the precariousness of getcreasing expenses. The young and no anxiety for the future. Do clerk or mechanic sees the fate of you think you could do anything to his fellows who have endeavored to help on the dawn of a better somaintain the domestic life. He ciety?

The Helena Independent has an sees the trust dismiss the extra clerk, been ten indictments of senators, mechanic. He sees the strike fail, crimes have been committed for the lowered wage, the reduced stan- money. It is time the senate is tesdard of life, the sickness with no lifying to the world that this is no money to pay doctors and he is warned, and elects to take the

> Nature protests at the thwarting of her purposes, and the horrors of prostitution, disease and outcasts are the result. Capitalism is destroying the home in America, as it has practically done among the mands a secure chance of existence before he undertakes to be responsible for new lives brought into the

Under a scientific and rational system of life, under socialism, there would be no scramble for gold in order to get the means of living.

Industry would be so systematized that all would be trained and educated for work, all would have they are not prepared for it. If I work and plenty of leisure besides, all would have the product of

the Land

Cause of Conta on in Contaminated Cities---Flas Are Hatched in & Carcass.

of homeless poor, who, year o er year, Butte Evening News. drag out a miserable existence-fertile valleys and fruitful plains uninhabited -these are the paradoxes of American

New York cries out in distress for fresh air and elbow room-Montana's acres and valleys lie with ground untilled. Though meal may be grown for 'a penny a peck and water may be had for nothing"-the poor of the East cling to the fringes of civilization and feed upon the crumbs which fall from the table of wealth.

A man with an axe and a spade can build himself a house and grow enough in two acres to feed a family a year, with pure water, pure air and God's golden sunshine to cheer him at his work, still the poor cling to the stifling

Although in a small way, benevolent societies are now endeavoring to grasp the opportunity this paradox presents and endeavoring to relieve distress by establishing colonies. They are trying to lead the slum-dwellers from their squalor to the land of fresh earth and running water. It is a splendid example of practical philanthropy, and the men and women who are behind the movement are worth a million

Congested cities, harboring gusands | dreamers. May their tribe increase!-

It would be better to say: These are the paradoxes of capitalism, in America, Russia, Japan, Africa, Dahomey or Patagonia. Wherever two or more "civilized" persons are gathered into a social compact will be found 'homeless poor, who, year after year, drag out a miserable existence", and, within a stone's throw, vast parks of rich soil dedicated to waste for the pleasure of exploiters-the masters-of labor. Under the co-operative commonwealth the homeless poor, the slumdwellers, will be led "from their squalor to the land of fresh earth and running water", or they and others, whose energies are wasted or misdirected, will be placed where they will accomplish the most good for all humanity with the least expenditure of labor and in the least time. While the various organizations of Europe and America, who are attempting to alleviate the sufferings of the millions of poor, are deserving of some credit they are to be blamed for this ignorance of the economic cause for the conditions existing. Flies are hatched in a carcass. Capitalistic philanthropy, acting through such agencies, removes only a few of the flies. Socialism-the Cooperative Commonwealth-will remove the carcass-the cause-the breeding place of flies-therefore all the flies. -ANDREW JACKSON ALDRIDGE.

SENATOR BAILEY **GRUESOME JOKER**

Senator Bailey is proving himself rather a gruesome joker. In the dismal debate in the senate, as to whether to eulogize or not to eulogize Senator Mitchell, referring to the criminal record of our "most potent, grave, and reverend seniors," he delivers himself of the following homily, cited by the press under the humorous head of "All Honorable

"You on that side may sometimes look upon us on this side (democratic) as demagogues, and I know that we sometimes look upon you on that side as mere creatures of corporate greed, yet we all, in our sober moments look upon one another as upright, honest men.

"In the last ten years there have place to come to make money dishonestly."

LET THE BIG THIEVES DISGORGE

I see by the Missoulian that the Hon. Joseph Dixon, M. C., for Montana, has served notice on the committee of agitators at Helena that he is a standpatter on the president's railway rate regulating scheme without any mutual reservations whatever. (Am glad he used that word). Also from the same paper I read that he had introduced a bill for the purpose of forcing civil service employes to settle or be suspended, and finally removed for failure to do so. Now it would be an innovation if he, in his capacity of reservation promoter, would introduce a measure to compel some or all of those land thieves to disgorge, by turning back to the people the millions of acres they have stolen, so that the class he wishes to force into honest ways would have a chance to own a home, and thereby evade the landlord and also encourage the grocer and butcher to leniency, because of his improved prospects in life, But I suppose Mr. Dixon does not wish to be called a Socialist. -T. P. CRUMLEY.

WILL SOCIALISM COME IN THE NEXT FIVE OR SIX YEARS?

If the capitalists were clever they you are carrying on. John D. adwould force socialism on the people in the next couple of years. It is generally believed that the capitalist class will force a panic before 1908. The wealthiest man in the United States admits that in case of a panic there will be somewhere in the neighborhood of from five to seven million idle men, in the land of the free and the home of the

Now, Mr. Capitalist, I think i you were quite shrewd, you would force socialism on the people while were a capitalist I would argue with my brother capitalists to force socialism with the new crash. You, Mr. Capitalist, are educating the body of oppression. You are giving the laboring people too much time to study socialism. Force socialism on the producing class. If you give us four or five years more study in the socialist college which

vocates putting the idle people to work on public roads.

In the arid states they have already thrown a sop to the working class the way of government ditches. So I say to you, Mr. Capitalist, force the socialist idea quickly before the workers are educated to the point where they can do their own thinking, for if you prolong or retard the process you will lose your job of throwing sop to the workers, for in a few years they will own the jobs themselves. If government roads and ditches are going to be built we socialists want the government to construct them, and not let them out by contract to some private individual, to skin the workers, by working them long hours and then calling it "overtime," as is being done in the city affairs of Living-

Now is your chance Mr. Capitalist. Head off Socialism by bringing it too soon.

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RETROSPECTIVE AND PROSPECTIVE

The year which has just ended has witnessed remarkable activity by the Socialist party in Montana. Reviewing the work done and results accomplished, one cannot help but feel inspired with hope for the future of the party in this state. Our organization has been strengthened and built up considerably.

New locals have been organized and old ones developed.

Our speakers have reached places and have had audiences that we could not hope for a year ago.

hundred and seventy six meetings cialist Party is on deck and will play arranged by or under the auspices ball. of the state organization, an average of twenty three each month, Comrade Hazlett alone addressing one hundred and thirty meetings.

Fifty-five unorganized places were visited and meetings held.

In some of the unorganized districts that were invaded. There time till it does, as every student of were no socialists known to the or- social problems well knows. How ganization, no one to secure a hall well founded are the prophesies of there, who had never been to town in or advertise the meetings.

ten dollars had to be paid for a hall speech in a hall in Phildelphia a few in which to hold the meeting and days ago. The socialists were hold in which to hold the meeting and days ago. The socialists were hold- him to town. I gave him his first enough money raised the first night ing a meeting when a policeman drink of whiskey and hired a barber to pay the expenses of a meeting entered, and said if any remarks and a hypnotist to remove the hair for the following night; literature sold, subscriptions for socialist papers taken, names of symathizers secured, as well as some person loplace an audience of one thousand blems. stood on the streets and listened to our speaker for over two hours and remained for over half an hour discussing the lecture.

Nineteen locals were in good December 1905.

There were ten business meetings held by the locals in December 1904 and reports indicate that there were close on to eighty meetings held by the arch thief who cries "thief!" ies," who soon taught them the wiles from the police authorities. The bad the locals in December 1905.

Considering that there were no elections (except municipal) held last year the amount of activity shown was remarkable, and argues breeds such spawn, these flabby- the love of crime? Who ever heard of under a so-called reform government well for the results that must be expected at the next election. In fact, the year 1905 was the greatest in the the game. history of the socialist movement in Montana from the standpoint of from all over the state, and everywork done and results accomplish- thing points to an aggressive cam- of all evil. ed. While the work that was done paign in Montana in 1906. last year was large, we must do more this year.

held under, the auspices of the state | per thousand,

organization must be quadrupled. A greater number of unorganized districts must be invaded. A larger amount of literature must be sent out by the state organization. More thorough organization must be ef-

Our party paper must be strengthed and made more efficient. Funds greater than ever will have to be raised to carry on the campaign of

The work that lies before us is immense; the task that we have undertaken to accomplish is great, and will require the utmost care and sound judgment. Mistakes we will King, and with the savings thereof make, but let us be ever ready to found my way back to Golden. rectify them and adapt ourselves to meet the situation without making a compromise of principle.

We must prepare to meet the combined attack of the corporate wealth and corrupt politics, she was always of power. Every man in the old maof the state which has among its regal in her demeanor and sympathetic armor bearers the best and brightest political brains of the state, as well as the greatest and most unscrupu- her enemies-how they feared this lous grafters.

The needs of the hour are: A more powerful organization, more young recruits, and a return of the old veterans to the front.

opportunities present themselves at that he would be revenged. this time to the socialists of Montana that our comrades in other tant organization, we can push our cause to the front, otherwise we will have to wait a few more years be- for his party, and yet in jail. fore the same chance presents itself

Let us be up and doing, with a militant spirit, clear heads, and sound organization.

Clear the way comrades! Relegate the sluggards to the rear! Clark During the year there were two and Heinze take notice! The So-

At the present time every issue of the capitalist press gives evidence the world. It is only a matter of on." In some instances six dollars and attempt of the police to repress free was to feel the touch of a razor. Two people and divert their attentions from were made against President Roosevelt he would disperse the meeting.

patriots that think this country, is Murphy,' who had died ten years be- and their every move was known to cated who would arrange for future free from class rule. Despotisms are fore. They said I couldn't do it, but the authorities. Their very publicity meetings, and the seed sown for fu- here in embryo, only waiting the I did." ture organization. In one town in determined resistance of the workwhich a small local exists, the state ing class to blaze into a fierce reorganization had to pay as high as pressive movement of class control. twenty-five dollars for a hall in or- The Independent tells us to use our der to carry on our work of strength- ballots. It is right. We will use ening the movement at that point them as long as the ruling class which is a place that should receive will let us. The Independent is also brothers of the name of Meyer. The considerable attention from the right in saying that a man who boys were from the old sod in Gerstandpoint of the working class doesn't know enough to vote right movement, as it is the center of mi- doesn't know enough to shoot right. litia activity in Montana, the place We have said the same on the platwhere the militia will be mobilized form for years. Workingmen learn in times of industrial strife. The to vote with your class first. After last time a socialist spoke at that that we are ready for the other pro-

The Toledo Socialist very truly after the meeting was over the crowd points out that John R. Walsh, matter up. In looking over the pre- such infernos as the blocks of Golden banker, railroad maghate, and own- cinct lists I discovered that two young City. er of the Chicago Chronicle, which Swedes had left town. The Swedes was the chief Chicago sheet to voice standing December 1904. Thirty- its bitter hatred against socialism. nine locals were in good standing has proved himself a greater wholesale "confiscator" than even he declared the socialist movement to be.

He only stands where the rest of the capitalist robbers stand. It is

As soon as the working class learns to quit supporting by their ballots the idiotic system which fleshed soft-handed thieves will be politicians betraying their fellowmen in Golden City. where they deserve to be-out of and debauching the laws of their coun-

leaflets on hand yet which will be

OLD PARTY MACHINES AND HOW THEY OPERATE

BY ONE WHO HELPED TO OPERATE ·

(Continued from last week)

VI.

The Aftermath.

Next week after election, Rose Spinney took a trip to Mexico, and I had enough left out of the wreck to permit me to visit Honolulu. After I had spent what I had I worked for a few weeks handling sgar-canes for a sugar

I went directly to the St. George and was warmly received by the Spinney sisters-one a whirlwind, the other an angel in calmness.

In spite of Rose's mania for intrigue in her nature. No man or woman who ever helped her to win could ever say of her that she was ungrateful. But beautiful Jezebel of the badlands!

For two more years there was nothing doing politically.

Finally Hank Grady wakened up. When he discovered that he was in the city bastile, his anger knew no bounds. The campaign of 1906 is on and He swore in true Kentuckian fashion

To think that a young "kid" and a school girl could get him into such a ack-pot was more than his blue-grass states do not have. Providing we pride could stand for. In the Tombs take advantage of such opportunities that night were nearly 400 persons and work in harmony with a mili- charged with election frauds. These fellows had done something, and therefore had something to answer for; but he did not have a chance to do battle

In the morning he was turned loose with all the other fellows. Nobody was even tried. Both sides had their prisoners there, and it was deemed a fair exchange to free them all.

Two nights afterwards I met Grady. He smiled, and though outwitted by a woman who didn't even have the right to vote, he was as smooth and doublefaced as ever.

"Well, Max," said he, "let us go into Scotty's place and get warmed

Scotty's place is a very commodious inn. Here all the sleekest ward healers congregate and swap stories over of the alarm of that class lest the the flowing bowl. it was here that revolt of the workers against in- Grady made the boast that he could dustrial slavery should spread over vote 'anything with a human face On this occasion Hank was re-

"One day," said he, "I was out in the woods. I met a man in a cabin the socialists is substantiated by the 33 years, and who never knew what it to sleep while the barber operated up-

> doubtful tramp would be "laid away," and a "safe one" voted in his name.

I can remember of being a party to a case of voting that is almost incredible and yet actually a fact. While clerking in the St. George, I knew two many. They were employed in a Dutch bakery, and could speak but lit- half a million. tle of our language. They were in

They insisted that I should introduce them to some of the damsels at the Castellano. I agreed to do so if they country. I told them I would look the were about the age of the Meyer boys, and both of them were deaf and dumb. I suggested to the Meyer boys to go up and vote the Swede names and play mute. A man was sent from the got \$2 apiece for the job, and finally were introduced to a couple of "furof modern civilization.

Why will men stoop to do such things heard of a man committing a crime for try for the love of being crooked? Nomoney-which is said to be the root

Men sell their votes for money; men buy votes for money, and men en-There is a large number of Weeks gage in "ward-healing" for money.

strive to make a living at that kind of an occupation when there is the least enslavement. It is, therefore, this law of least enslavement that makes a ward-healer in preference to a grape-picker out of a man who refuses to live on a dollar a day, as advocated by Colonel Otis of the Los Angeles Times. It is a law of human nature to advance. But under modern economic conditions it is more respectable and more profitable to get the day's pay of an assemblyman or a wirepuller than to pick grapes for a dollar a day, or even saw wood for a hand-

The month following election, the reform machine took hold of the reins chine was retired to private life, and

an army of new men went into office. Burns, himself, held no official position, but as the boss he built up the most perfect of any political structure ever organized on the Pacific coast. Every man, who was apointed to fiill any kind of an office from the heads of departments to the "white wings" on the public streets, was required to surrender ten per cent of his salary to the coffers of the machine. In fact, Boss Burns made it a law to exact his tithe from every "interest" in the city that needed the protecting arms of the machine.

The first move on the part of the new regime was to stir up the wild animals of the bad lands. The "painted fairies" of the cribs and the helldives of Barbary were wiped into oblivion by one stroke of the pen.

For years the alleys running paralel to the main arteries of commerce were tenanted by the "scarlet sisterhood." These unfortunate creatures had lived so long in these public allevs that even the "unco guid" came to look upon them as a necessary evil not to be disturbed. But there came a time when public sentiment was greater than the machine and so the cribs along the main streets had to go.

The Barbary Coast, the home of the most desperate criminals and cutthroats ever known to modern slums, and famed in every seaport from the rising to the setting sun, had run its

Such places as the "tenderloin" and the slums generally become ''a political issue'' when a great moral wave strikes

Such issues give birth to new parties and frequently such parties are labeled "Refor,m" when, in fact, the whole thing is but a subterfuge to fool the

great transformation in the bad lands. The cribs and the dives disappeared, from his face. The hypnotist put him but the "blocks" rose like a modern Sphinx in their stead. In the days of on him. Then I brought him to the the cribs and the dives the denizens of Where are now those trusting polls and voted him as 'Old Man the bad lands were exposed to view, was a protection to society, but of all Grady had a mania for voting dead the hells that ever made slum life a men. It was even whispered that a hades the "blocks" certainly take the

> During the first summer of the reform machine the blocks were filling up. It was simply a harvest for the owners-for verily "the wave of prosperity" had struck them broadsides. The price of rooms increased from 300 to 500 per cent. The Spinney properties, rose in value from \$100,000 to

The hallways and the stairways in their own estimation, great "lady-kill-" the Castellano, the Alhambra, the Espanol, the Madri and such other blocks as were adaptable were converted into "cribs" and "parlors." From every little window along the coridors there would vote our ticket. They told me peeped out the glistening orbs of some that they were not citizens of this shameless wretch. Dante in his wildest dreams never could have painted

When the crib rows of the tenderloin were abolished, the best and most decent of the girls migrated to other cities or else fell back into the dance halls from which most of them had come. Some of them became "box-St. George to vouch for them. The rustlers" in the numerous variety German boys played their parts well. shows of the city, but the lowest and most degraded went into the blocks.

In the blocks they were hidden away lands of a city under the best mode of government are frequently the scenes as described above? How often has this of robbery, fighting and moral dissipaold chestnut been asked? Who ever tion; but history has no record anywhere of such iniquities as prevailed

All over the world these blocks were advertised, and from every quarter of body. Men commit crimes, betray their the globe the depraved of all the nad Calls for speakers are coming in friends, and violate law for the love of tions came. Babylon in her palmiest days could not boast of so much wickedness. From the stern and rugged shores of Scandinavia, from the frostbitten steppes of Russia, from the woodland plains of Germany, from the No man was ever born with the de- vine-clad hills of France, Italy and The meetings arranged by, or sold at 25 cents a hundred, or \$1.50 sire to be a slave, and any man with Spain, from the home of the Angloa spark of manhood in his veins will Saxon and the Celt, from the mystic



HUNTERS HOT SPRINGS

Sand the second second

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shrines of the Orient, from the East South, there came to the blocks of Golden City the lowest and the most demoralized of all the human race.

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In the train of this great army of the lost sisterhood" came a force of parasites so abeet, mean and vile that the annals of history can be traced in vain for a parallel-men so low in the scale of civilization that the very Hottentots would be kings in comparison. But these moral lepers were the lords of the tenderloin. They had neither politics nor principles nor manhood. They sunk so low in the social scale that it was not even necessary to buy their votes. The machine simply commanded them to vote, and they voted. They were reached by means of the poor unfortunates upon whom they

Between the dusk and the dawn these fellows were the rodents of society. Their occupations varied in proportion to their mental and physical abilities. A few of the ablest of them were ward healers. They lived in luxury and were the consorts of the landladies who made profits out of the earnings of fallen women. Some of them were highwaymen who went out into the night and committed a cowardly hold-up. Some of them were sneak thieves, fellows who crawled into houses with footsteps as light as a velvet paw. Some of them were "confidence men," others fakirs, some pedlers of "phoney" jewelry, others gamblers.

But the vast majority were mere par asites who spent the earnings of their victims in drinking whiskey, playing cards, smoking opium or injecting mor phine into themselves. All of them fiends incarnate.

(To be Continued.)

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Lake Como Local of Socialist Party has obtained a Charter from the State Committee and is now ready to receive applications for membership from any farmer or wage worker in Ravalli county. For further information writh to the address-Lake Como Local, Como, Montana.

The Awakening of the Human

The human has awakened.

Through his physical life there swells the tide of mighty clamoring, cosmic forces.

He knows his destiny, his wrongs;

He sees himself as the heir of the agony, the despair, the aspiration of the weary past.

He moves toward a conscious goal;

A child of the universe.

The pathos and suffering of the ages swell his mighty heart to tenderness and love.

He stands at the dawn of the destiny of the man.

The childhood of the human is past.

Look up, brother-you who are bowed with ignorance, discouragement, physical toils; crushed by ancestral woes.

The day of your opportunity is here.

They that have fought the age-long battle have brought to your door its culmination.

From the sweet-scented valleys of hope blow the winds of the morning of purpose.

See! they lift up the gates of the night of the past, and prop them open with the morning star.

The clouds of brutality and superstition skulk to their gruesome caves. The sun of Truth appears, and mankind goes forth to the splendor of noblest achievement.

Yes, the human has awakened. How beautiful is his beautiful soul.

IDA CROUCH-HAZLETT.

The election bill, compelling the appointment of election inspectors Comrade Murray E. King will be before the next municipal election, with us in a few days. Comrade and languid little limbs into statishas passed the Wisconsin legisla- King is well known to the readers ticts, but if our legislators could by ture. This is a great gain for the of the International Socialist Re- any means whatsoever, be brought Milwaukee Social-Democrats. It view through his scholarly articles to see clearly the meaning of these will be remembered that Mayor that have appeared in that maga- eight words, one milion seven hun-Rose refused to appoint new in- zine from time to tlme. He was at dred thousand child wage earners, spectors, thus leaving his machine one time the editor of the Salt Lake the evil would once for all disappear men to hold over for the next elec. Crisis. He has been doing propa- from this country, but they are figtion. The Social Democrats were ganda work in Minnesota and South gures; we see not children and figabout to carry the matter into the Dakota this summer and fall. He ures are forgotten. courts, but the new law will obviate expects to remain with us for awhile New York has not so many chilthat necessity. Of course, this will and assist the movement in Mon- dren, all the thousands of the streets save a great deal of expense and un- tana, and incidently help out on the are not so many as these children certainty. Moreover, under the News so the editor can get out now of the workshops. The evening new law the numbers of inspectors and then and do some organizing crowds at Brooklyn bridge are few is based upon the presidential vote, work. which gives us the advantage of our most recent and consequently largest vote. The Social Democratic tor of Monarch that arrangements party therefore will be entitled to will be made for Comrade Petersen 238 inspectors, ballot clerks, and at the Belt Park schoolhouse, seven clerks in the city election next spring. miles from Monarch between Mon-This goodly number of Social Demo- arch and Neihart, the Mason schoolcratic election officials will have a house seven miles north of Monarch, tremendous effect in preventing Kibbey, Upper Otter schoolhouse frauds at the polls. The grafters already look blue.

The Social Democratic amendment limiting the working day on the new capital building to eight hours, which passed the assembly last week, has been turned down in the senate. The cause is obvivus. The assembly contains many members from the cities who feared to antagonize the wage workers. The senate is more representative of the agricultural districts. And the only remedy for this state of things in Wisconsin, as in almost every other state of the union, is to make socialists of the farmers.

Two more new locals in the agribeen organized by Comrade Thompganizations in the same counties.

A new Finnish local has been organized in Iron county with 25 members, and others are expected to join at the next meeting of the local. The number of Finnish branches is Wisconsin is steadily Helena for a few months, Comgrowing.

ning to make preparations for the ning the phonograph at the meet- lion are killed each year while domunicipal campaign. A committee ings and making himself useful ing their work. And about 10,000. on speakers and a committee on otherwise. halls have already been chosen.

breaks ground for their new two ber of copies of Blatchford's "God ary disease is too far prevalent from story hall which is to be 36x100 and My Neighbor," a hundred "By the unsanitary condition of tene with 14 foot ceiling to their hall.

A strike of compositors has been ordered against the book concern of the Methodist church in Chicago. The concern has allied itself with the Chicago Typothetae (employ- list of six names. It also sends for ers) against the eight-hour day demands of the printers.

We have word this week that

Word comes from Comrade Recseven miles northeast of Kibber: and Armington. Kibbey will be organized. A dance is arranged for Armington, and Monarch figures on a dance in January.

Local Billings sends in an order for the "Big Four," "Mass and Class" by Ghent, "War of the Classes" by Jack London, "Social Unsest" by John Graham Brooks, and "Poverty" by Robert Hunter. We have had a number of inquiries from Helena for these works, and expect soon to have a supply on hand to meet the entire demand.

Comrade Petersen of Butte is starting out on a propaganda trip cultural districts of Wisconsin have through the state. Comrade Graham is arranging a route for him. son. These are situated in Dunn He is remarkably well posted on and Polk counties, and bid fair to the economic side of our philosophy be the nucleus of several other or- and a close student of our most scientific literature. His talks are especially valuable in communities that need instruction on the socialist position.

Comrade Moyer and wife of Butte have taken up their residence in rade Moyer is an old time "agitator," and will be of great assistance to work. About 2,000,000 are em-Milwaukee comrades are begin- to the local work here. He is run- ployed in factories etc. One mil-

Local Lewistown has sent to the December 18, Local Virginia Kerr company an order for a numthe Throat the Trust Has Seized the ment existence. Farmer," and one hundred "All Get

> Billings local sends in another 40 due stamps and a set of books. Billings is moving right along.

Women's Clubs

The Great Falls club had a most excellent meeting December 20, at members and supporters of the Inthe home of Mrs. J. W. Patterson. dustrial Workers of the World: The house was crowded, all report most excellent entertainment, and Workers of the World in every inthree more names were added to dustrial center of this land, the capthe membership. The ladies are italists became aware of the fact that planning to give a social in the near this organization was rapidly befuture, and report that they believe coming a factor for good for the they are doing a great deal of good wage workers. Persecution manifor the socialist cause.

by the members which are of such next step in their fight of resistance a high degree of excellence, that we against the awakening forces of laexpect to publish a number of them bor, assisted therein by the labor in this department.

The following article is by Mrs. Waller on

Child Slavery.

A well known educator has said. Play is the first and only occupatiou of our childhood and remains the pleasantest our whole life long. To toil like a beast of burden is the saddest lot of the lowest and most unfortunate. After one hundred years of war has been waged for the abolition of child slavery, over one million seven hundred thousand children under fifteen years of age are toiling in fields, factories, mines and workshops

Margaret McMillan has said, you cannot put tired eyes, pallid cheeks,

compared with the million seven hundred thousand working children. This evil of child labor was brought into existence by the factory system, as the street child was brought into existence by the tenement. Eighty thousand children, most of them little girls, are at present employed in the textile mills of this country. In the south there are now six times as many children at work as there wero twenty years ago. The women and children turn out of bed or rise from mattresses on the floor and eat hurriedly a cold lunch, then to the mill for the day of 14 hours labor. Much of the best legislation for child labor and betterment of the working classes, have been won only after a bitter fight, with the propertied interest and legislation once secured cannot in most cases be enforced because the political machine is owned by the propertied classes and the so-called reform administration does not enforce the laws. There are in prosperous years no less than 10,000, 000, persons in poverty, that is to say, unfed, unclothed, and poorly housed. Of these 4,000,000 persons are pudlic paupers, over 2,000,000, men, unemployed from 4 to 6 months out of the year. About 500,000 male immigrants arrive yearly and seek employment in districts where unemployment is greatest. Nearly half the families in the country are propertyless.

Over 1,700,000, little children are forced to become wage earners when they should be in school. About 5,000,000 women find it necessary ooo of the persons now living, if the present ratio is kept up, will die of the preventable disease—tuberculosis. We know that unnecess-

In America's largest printing house, individually owned by Matthew Chandler Durpee Borden, the millionaire resident of New York, hundreds of small boys work for Borden, many of them toil ten hours

(Continued on page 4.)

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 23.-To all

With the growth of the Industrial fold and in many forms against Some half dozen papers were read members of the I. W. W. was the lieutenants of the civic federation.

> Undaunted in their spirit, despite these obstacles, the warriors of the I. W. W. forged ahead. Their discharge did not break their courage as long as there were not too many of them compelled to bear the brunt of these skirmishes. With new hopes implanted in their hearts, those who were formerly denied the right to organize joined the I. W.W. realizing, using the words of an officer of the Western Federation of Miners, that this organization meant their placing on a higher level of all those who had heretofore been despairing in their misery.

It is on the recognition of these

principles that the strike of 200 silk weavers of Brighton, New York, New York City, and the strike and subsequent lockout of 400 tobacco workers in Pittsburg must be judged. When this appeal for support reaches the supporters of the I. W. W. the letter of the constitution should give no cause for bickering. Scarcely organized, these wageearners were only manifesting that glorious spirit of working class solidarity when their fellow shop mates were discharged for daring to advocate the rights of the fellow workers. This spirit mnst not be crushed! The hopes of the wageearners must not be destroyed for want of support in the struggle they have been forced to make for the protection of their rights, and yours penter, was assaulted and beaten inalso. Over 600 wage workers must to insensibility and thrown on an be supported in these fights. This electric railway track, where he was into a war with the masters tomor- bers had no hand in the outrages. brothers in this struggle. Collections should be taken up at once in Freat mill shrieks 4:45. The men the shops, the mines, the factories and the mills among organized and unorganized. All unions should contribute their share. Men and women of the I. W. W. show your fighting co-workers that voluntary contributions will suffice to support those now out on the streets in winter's bitter cold. All collections and contributions should be sent to E. W. Trautman, 148 W. Madison St., Chicago Ill., and a statement accompanying the same as to how the contributions should be divided between the striking silk workers and the tobacco workers.

Be up and hustling! Close the ranks! Give your support! victory for them is a victory for

> WM. E. TRAUTMAN, Gen'l Sec'y Treas. CHAS. O. SHERMAN, General President. 流 流

Loraine, O., Dec. 12,—Because the master plumbers declare for an open shop here three buildings were wrecked at midnight last night and a carpenter who indorsed the action of the plumbers was murderously

The journeymen plumbers made demands that the employers insisted they could not meet and they retaliated by declaring for an open

The action was followed by the razing of the Steve Majess block, whick was nearly completed. The building is three stories high and the braces on all the three floors were loosened, a rope was attached to the building and it was pulled another strike. They can gouge

plumbing was pulled out or destroyed, as was the case also in the Dobos block.

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appeal goes to all who, though safe found before the passage of a car. today, may themselves be plunged Union men declare that their memrow, if they fail to support their The police so far have failed to ap-

> The following notification has been sent to organized labor:

We, the members of the International Association of Machinists and Metal Polishers' Union, strike at the Standard Sewing Machine Company since May 5th, 1905, after several conferences with the said company, the said company refuses to grant any concessions, and we respectfully request that your body appoint committees to visit the different agencies handling the Standard sewing machines in your city, notifying them of the strike here; also notify your friends and do all in your power to assist us in this struggle. The men are still out; not a man has broken the ranks. We are in this fight to win, and with your assistance will do so. Please have this circular read at two or three meetings of your meetings of your organization; also let us know what action your body has

Gompers is making a fierce at tack on the I. W. W. by claiming that the Western Federation of Miners diverted the funds sent for the relief of the Colorado miners to the founding of the I. W. W. It is a contemptable method to cripple a rising organization based on correct fundamental principles that are bound to supersede wornout and corrupt union methods. But it is worthy of Gompers, the "Man Friday" of the capitalist class. 液 流 凍

taken on same.

The mine owners in the anthracite coal fields are preparing against out funds from the public by man-In the John Rosenfeld block the ipulating the stock market. The poor devils who strike will only starve and freeze a little more to meet the new strain. Their strength J. W. Seiser, a non-union car- is the justice of their cause.

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More names in from Maiden. Comrade Weiglanda says they'll have a lot more soon.

Comrade Scallon of Great Falls simply takes our breath away by sending in a list of 21.

Comrade Johnson of Helena proved himself chief rustler at the meetings last week. He landed six subs.

Comrade Carleton sends in a list from Jefferson county which takes the paper into points we have never yet reached.

Any stockholder of the Kerr Publishing company may have five copies life. of the International Socialist Review one year to one address for three dollars, and more at the same rate. For \$3 ten copies will be sent or thirty copies two months.

ment Christmas eve and netted \$20, which goes to the support of the sofor years we shall have a movement living or drag their filthy carcasses that is an earnest one and not a off the earth. superficial one.

The little article on primary principles of socialism that appeared a few weeks ago in the News is befour-page leaslet for propaganda purposes. Some additional matter has been added, and the folder is useful for general information. They can be had at 20 cents a hun-

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the corporation of Charles H. Kerr & Company will be held at room 504. 56 Fifth Ave., Chicago, Ill., on the 15th hay of January, 1906, at two in the afternoon, for purpose of electing three directors for the year ending Jan. 15, 1907.

> Signed, MARCUS HITCH, A. M. SIMONS,

CHARLES H. KERR, Directors.

ary movement seems to be upon the fail. 'Phone 364-B.

when it was more important that the listeners. Next to Helena the Great Falls socialist press should be supported. expression. The capitalist papers Comrade Graham keeps shoving in our own state are already opposing us. We have already received several notices to stop the paper be-Local Helena takes two bunches cause of our pronounced sympathy of the subscription cards at \$2.50 a with our heroic Russian brothers. There is no mistake about it. We are a part of the proletarian revolu-Comrade Harsnell of Belt sends tionary movement of the world. Let every voter of the socialist ticket come to the front. We must educate and organize if we expect the working class to readjust government in this country on scientific lines without a preceding chaos.

> And now the proletariat of Japan is muttering. The returning Japanese army has evoked that nightmare to the capitalist class, the army of the unemployed. The working class is crying for jobs and bread. Any capitalist government is helpless to give it to them. The working class are threatening. Soon they will rise as they have gloriously risen in Russia, and begin a movement of protest that will topple all class goveanments into the dust, and give the people control over their own industries and means of

The American capitalist class is exceeding in nastiness and degenerate filth the most licentious and 6 months, twenty copies three months volumptuous excesses of decadent Rome. Not content with dog weddings and monkey banquets, dis-Local Maiden gave an entertain- gusting divorce proceedings in "high life" staring at us brazenly from every page, we have now the cialist movement in Montana. Those additional debauchee scene of the Maiden people never stop. They Anna Held dinner with the millionhave made their socialism a living aires of Pittsburg held up for the force and not a side issue. When delectation of our sons and daught-American socialists come to do this ers. Under socialism these humam as our German comrades have done beasts would work and earn their

WOMEN'S CLUBS

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per day without a thread of clothing ing reprinted in the form of a little on their bodies. No one except grieve, employees are allowed to enter the works. When it was reported that naked babies were at work in the Fall River mills, the New York Women's Club was thoroughly aroused. They work in big tanks called lime kerr, in the bleach house, packing cloth into vats. This lime kerr holds 750 pieces of cloth and it requires one hour and twenty minutes to fill it. During that time the lad must work inside where his body is soaked in whatever chemicals are used in the bleaching process, of which lime is a prominent factor. The bodies of these children are bleached until the color of their skin rivals that of cotton cloth in whiteness.

MRS. WALLER.

Mme. Gareau's body massage Comrades, the great revolution- works wonders where physicians

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HELENA MEETINGS

The series of meetings held last week in Helena more than fulfilled the expectation of the comrades. A dozen new subscriptions in world. We, the socialists, are a Large crowds were in attendance ed in congress by hirelings of said part of it. There never was a time every night. There was no lack of

It is the only means of proletarian chairman the second evening. He of the public. It is claimed that gave a short address, and was fol- the United States mail system only day nights Comrade Graham was wonder that express companies stock present and presided, giving a most sells for six or eight times its par excellent talk on the class struggle value is in the market when the on the "Political Side of the Social- the service is worth. The public ist Program" Wednesday night, will never have an efficient or ecogram," Thursday night, "The Edu- the interest of the people as long as cational Viewpoint," Friday night. the present system is in power. Saturday night was given to ques- This system of government or polittions. A question box was placed | ical administration sustains the same on a table by the door. It was well relation to the people that a hold-up filled and patient explanations were gang does. It skins and robs the made about "dividing up," "break- people to enrich some corporation ing up the home" and such popular or trust. It avails nothing to appeal of literature was sold, a dozen sub- investigation or prosecution of the scriptions taken for the Montana trusts and corporations while they that with the help of the Helena lo- machine. It only burdens the cal the state organization will not people with that much more ex-

It is expected to make these meettime of the municipal campaign.

LOCAL MEETINGS

Helena local has changed its regular place of meeting from the News office to the Workers' club rooms. Meetings will be held here every Wednesday night, and the public is invited. The program for tonight is as follows:

Socialist Program Paper-"History of Socialism,"

Dr. Willett.

Discussion. Recitation-Gertrude Baur.

"The Union Problem and Socialism"-James Graham.

Discussion.

Reading-Mrs. Moyer.

Next Wednesday night, Jan. 10, the following program will be dis-

Address-"Class Rule," Joseph

Discussion.

Paper-"Co-operation," A. Fair-

Discussion.

Recitation-Ruth Baur. Question Box-Mrs. Hazlett.

the program. Come and bring your the vital object, that is industrial friends, and learn how to build a freedom. more rational society.

CLUB LECTURES.

Workers Club next Sunday night, in the wall. The person wanted Her subject will be "Woman and entered. "Here," said the editor, Economics." She expects to give the evening to discussion of woman's outsiders as to the best way to run

following night on "Some Energies waste- basket, did so. - Washington of Matter."

PEOPLE IN CONTROL

That our United States postal system is operated subordinate to the express companies who are representcorporations should be manifest to all. For years this villainous pol-Comrade Alex Fairgrieve was icy has been pursued at the expense lowed by Comrades Moyer and receives about one five-thousandth Hazlett. Thursday night Rees of the business that logically belongs Davis presided. Friday and Satur- to it owing to excessive rates. No Friday night. Mrs. Hazlett, spoke people have to pay ten times what The Economic Side of the Pro- nomical service or have one run in nursery superstitions. A quantity to the government or to demand an News, and collections sufficient so control and operate the political pense. The only remedy that the people have is a complete revoluings a feature of the winter up to the tion of our industrial system. Let the people own the trusts and monopolies, and operate them in the interests of all the people.

To perpetuate our present thieving criminal system, is national suicide. While it may enrich and exalt the individual it damns the masses. The milk and water policy of the present administration will never win. The flagrant violations of the law by the corporations and trusts demand the most stringent measures. There should be no compromise with these capitalistic criminals who so brazenly defy the law. They are conspirators against ral Hotel. the public interests and should be treated as such.

Public sentiment must be aroused Buy to the enormity of the wrongs that are being wrought by these organizations that have laid hold on our government and are outraging humanity in the name of business.

No nation or people can be free and be dependent upon a few capitalistic exploiters for the means of subsistence. Industrial freedom iom or equality. The one is real the other a shadow or nonentity. Up to the present time we have been blindly groping for the unreal The business session will precede the fanciful now let us seek the true,

J. B. McNAIR.

The managing editor wheeled his Mrs. Hazlett will speak at the chair around and pushed a button are a number of directions from position in society and the causes of a newspaper. See that they are all carried out." And the Office Boy Dr. L. E. Holmes speaks the gathering them all into a large Star.

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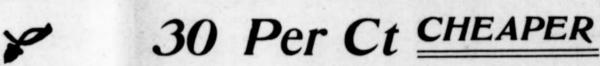
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