

The High Tariff and the Coming Election

By Victor L. Berger.

HE Socialists are surely not friends of the "high tariff." We consider it an invention of the capitalist devil, Mammon. And we know it is benefiting the manufacturers only—that it is not protecting the workmen in any way.

The opposition to the high tariff can be made an issue—and a sensible issue—but only by people who understand the question.

The following are the facts in the matter: Only last week a dispatch from Boston reported that around Boston there are about 50,000 textile workers out of work, and that their number will be doubled during July and August.

But these are not all the wage-earners out of work. The woolen industries are a good deal more depressed than even the cotton industries. The American Woolen company—that is the name of the wool trust—which controls thirty big factories in New England and usually employs 35,000 hands, has stopped about 40 per cent of its machinery.

Conditions are very much the same in the cotton factories of the South and in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Now, what is the reason for all this? It is because people must spend so much for bread and meat that they have no money for industrial products. In spite of the high prices of raw materials, manufactured articles as a general rule have not gone up much in the last four years.

In other words, although the masses were better employed last winter than they were two years ago, they have considerably less buying power than they had two years ago.

The high prices of all the necessities of life—especially of bread, meat, butter and eggs—have considerably delayed the economic recuperation of the masses from the last financial crisis of 1907.

There is also comparatively little fight left in the workingmen at the present time. The economic movement this spring was very languid. Strikes for higher wages were tried only in rare cases, because in most cases workingmen had little chance for winning them.

But the railroad got left, because the ruling party, the Republican party, looks upon the high price of everything as a very dangerous enemy at the next congressional election.

That is the reason why President Taft interceded with the railroad presidents. He told them that if they persisted in raising the freight rates, there would be a strong tendency toward nationalization of the railways, even in the middle class. This might lead to a great strengthening of Socialism generally—at least to what Taft understands as Socialism.

The soft coal owners in Illinois and elsewhere finally consented to raise the wages of the miners. But they did so at the price of a strike lasting a number of weeks, and precipitated by the mine owners, in order to get time to reduce their surplus coal on hand.

Otherwise, the labor movement in this country this spring simply manifested itself in small strikes of the building trades here and there. And in most cities there has been an over-production of houses during the last two years.

Therefore, it would be absolutely nonsensical if the Democrats of the country should try to put all the sins of the capitalist system on the tariff and make the tariff issue their only war-cry and sole issue.

Because, after all, it is a fact that a good many of the articles used under a high tariff have not gone up in price during the last ten years to any considerable extent—as, for instance, cotton goods, clothing and furniture. But articles which we export, and which are not benefited by the tariff, like flour, meat, butter and eggs, have gone up tremendously.

Please let this sink in your mind—articles of which we export many hundred million dollars' worth every year, have gone up 50 to 100 per cent. And they have gone up because people in foreign countries can be squeezed still harder and made to pay still more for them.

The only way this rise of prices of foodstuffs could be checked would be by putting a tax on everything that is exported, as was done in olden times.

We are facing a very queer condition in this country. The colonial conditions of America are a thing of the past. The production of foodstuffs and of certain raw materials, particularly wool and cotton, is smaller than the demand. The same will be the case with lumber in a year or two.

This has resulted in a lowering of the standard of living of the masses not only in the United States, but in several other countries which depended on our export.

We are not ready to state how this part of the social question can be solved in a hurry. In some respects, we have to suffer for the sins of wasteful capitalism during the last thirty years.

Nevertheless, there is still another reason peculiar to this country. Farmers' associations and associations of agriculturists have

Capitalism has one thing over the feudal stage which it supplanted, it actually possesses the philosopher's stone. The big capitalist who cannot transmute some baser substance into gold is the exception rather than the rule.

Human nature is human nature. Mayor Seidel was looking over the old Schlitz park, Milwaukee, now a public park. He noticed the many broken windows in the old pavilion building and asked the care-taker about it.

One way in which the old parties fought Socialism in Milwaukee in recent years was in keeping Socialists wards intact where they were large enough to cut into more wards. More wards in these districts meant more Socialist aldermen. Thus the Eleventh ward was kept together, although it has a population as large as the entire city of Racine, Wis., although Racine is now divided into 11 wards!

Such associations may not be trusts de facto, because these industries have not been centralized in a few hands. However, the effect of their agreement to limit the output is the same.

In short, there are many problems of this kind that have to be studied carefully by the Socialists, and will have to be solved by the Socialists. The Democrats will never do this—and they never can.

Voluntarily agreed to limit the output. This is the case with cotton, tobacco and wool.

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And the Eleventh isn't the only overgrown Social-Democratic ward in Milwaukee by any means.

Under the state law the redistricting of wards must be done in the month of May not more than two years after a national census and the wards must not contain less than 8,000 nor more than 20,000 inhabitants. Thus the duty will fall to the Socialist common council next May to redistrict the city—and they will do it honestly, without fear or favor, even if it does give them more aldermen!

Gompers is earning his seat at the Carnegie Civic Federation banquets by attacking Socialism. Years ago, when he was a job hunter he was employed for a time as a collector for The New York Daily Volkszeitung (Socialist) and ever since, when there was an advantage in doing so, has posed as a man who was formerly a student of Socialism, but who later saw the fallacy of it.

The Continental Rubber Company, which controls 15 per cent of the world's output of rubber and in which John D. Rockefeller, Jr. is said to be the largest individual stockholder, is in control of nearly all of the rubber producing land in Mexico.

It is declared that all these financial interests, so heavily indebted to Diaz, have paid the obligations by bringing pressure on the federal government to accomplish Diaz's ends, pleading danger to American capital unless Diaz's wishes are complied with.

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Disreputable Action by Old Party-ites Milwaukee Republican and Democratic Aldermen Go the Limit to Block Hospital Bonds. Great Indignation Felt-- Other Bond Issues Go Through--Street Railway Measures Are Introduced.

NEW APPOINTMENTS Superintendent of Streets—John J. Handley, business agent Machinists' union. Civil Service Commissioner—Frederick C. Runge, business agent Plasterers' union. Police and Fire Commissioner—Dr. F. A. Kraft. Public Debt Commissioner—Carl Landsee.

Milwaukee: The bi-party blockade got into action again on Monday and killed a bond issue of \$100,000 for a new isolation hospital because it was to bear interest at 4 1/2 per cent, the same as other bonds issued. "It's a mistake," was echoed on every hand when the action of the capitalist representatives was learned. It is considered the gravest error of the opposition so far. The Seventh street hospital is so crowded that not long ago one child was accommodated in a clothes basket, there being no bed. The south side hospital was declared fifty years behind the times by Ald. Rummel (S.-D.). The building on Seventh street has been condemned by the building inspector.

Dollars vs. Human Life Ald. Victor L. Berger's blood boiled and he plainly told the opposition that their action would bring on them the responsibility for what might happen in case of an epidemic. "You are placing paltry dollars above human life," he said. "And you cannot save more than \$200 or \$300 a year." Health Commissioner Rucker has said that a new hospital is needed badly.

When the ordinance to issue hospital bonds came up, Ald. Bogk (D.) opposed it saying foxily that he wanted to wait until money was easier to get, that under a Democratic administration the money could be had at 4 per cent, while it now costs 4 1/2 per cent interest; that he would vote for the street bonds, but not for the hospital bonds.

Ald. Welch (S.-D.): "I am just as anxious to protect the interest of the city as any one else, but you must put these bonds in the market as soon as possible and when they are in the market the brokers will offer a premium for them and the bonds will then be really sold cheaper."

Ald. Carney (D): "We can wait until we get the interest cheaper; I will vote for the park bonds, but not for the hospital bonds."

4 per cent and had to pay higher interest, so it was not the fault of the present administration. Other cities have to now pay a higher interest. Money at this time is not available. The health commissioner stated that the hospitals are in a deplorable condition and therefore action must be taken now. If the Democratic and Republican members wanted to delay this they must assume the responsibility.

Ald. Berger (S.-D.): "Human life is above dollars; the price of interest is made in Wall street and the people should not be made to suffer for the Wall street speculators. And in this case the saving—counting the premium—would not amount to more than \$200 or \$300 a year. The city's credit is not worse than it ever was. Why should it be? Because the administration is absolutely honest and nobody doubts that. This is simply a plot of certain aldermen even at the risk of human life. It is a disgrace when in the midst of a typhoid epidemic you conspire to prevent issue of bonds for hospitals."

Ald. Rummel (S.-D.): "A few weeks ago the committee on health visited all hospitals on the south side as well as the city hospital on Seventh street. They are in a bad condition, and if an epidemic should come we would soon be without hospitals. The Seventh street hospital is condemned and in spite of this it has to be used and is full of children suffering with diphtheria and scarlet fever. To me human life is worth more than a paltry few dollars."

Mark Well Their Names! When the vote was taken the following voted against the hospital bonds: Bogk, Carney, Dick, Wittig, all Democrats; Braun (August), McKinley, Sanger, Republicans. As it requires four-fifths of the votes to pass a bond issue this was just enough to defeat the hospital bonds.

Two weeks ago these aldermen were in the midst of a complete back-down in their position for the issue of 4 per cent bonds, admitting that they could not be sold. Ald. Arnold predicted that they would repeat the performance two weeks hence. In the midst of the barrage Ald. Bogk criticized the administration for telling the people a deficit existed, probably still mourning because the budget Rose crowd had been so sadly shown up. He said he had been informed that different sorts of figuring produced different results and that by a little juggling the deficit might have been covered up. There is no juggling being done now, however, and Ald. Bogk should be informed that the

flattery by jousting collectivism.

But it has its bitter side to "Sammy" (as Grover Cleveland used to affectionately call him at Civic Federation meetings). It has placed him in the position of the hen that hatched out ducks with fate still putting more duck eggs under him. The ducks will rush to the waters of Socialism and force him to stand and scold like an old ternagant. Poor "Sammy!"

Efforts are being made to get the Mexican situation squarely before congress. John Kenneth Turner, author of "Barbarous Mexico," and L. Gutierrez de Lara, his co-worker and Mexican author and lawyer, will produce documentary evidence.

It is capitalism rather than Diaz that is the enemy in Mexico, or rather it is capitalism back of Diaz. Evidence will be introduced by which it is hoped to show that Wall Street interests, owning concessions in Mexico worth \$900,000,000, given them by Diaz, have forced American officers to persecute mercilessly those Mexicans in the United States who oppose Diaz.

Just how American capital is interwoven in the Mexican situation is indicated by the following:

The Guggenheims control absolutely the entire copper output of Mexico, own practically all the smelters and the mines.

The Standard Oil company has a practical monopoly of all the petroleum in the republic.

The Southern Pacific Railroad company and the Harriman heirs control two-thirds of the railway lines in Mexico—about 8,000 out of 12,500 miles.

The sugar trust has gained a practical monopoly of the beet sugar business in Mexico through recent exclusive concessions granted by Diaz.

The Wells-Fargo Express company has an absolute monopoly of express business in Mexico.

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Mayor Seidel of Milwaukee, was the main speaker at the Socialist party picnic in Chicago last Sunday, at which the attendance is estimated to have been between 20,000 and 30,000, the largest picnic of the kind ever held by the party in Cook county. Comrade Seidel's relation of what had been done in Milwaukee was listened to with rapt attention and he was greeted by cheer on cheer.

Comment on Passing Events. By Frederic Heath

Roosevelt, the man who gave us Taft. Just think of the patriots who are just dying to ride into office on the backs of Roosevelt!

One thing is pretty certain, neither Ballinger nor Lorimer is jealous of the other's prominence just now.

In Zurich, Switzerland, the Socialists captured two additional members in the city council, against an old-party combine.

Tom Watson, blatherskite political adventurer, has got back home. He is now again enrolled as a member of the Democratic party. I congratulate neither.

The Social-Democrats of Milwaukee use the term "Honorable" as applied to their elected officials, rather charily. After such a word has been rolling from the tongues of old party grafters for years, it becomes a bit tarnished.

Taft is a master at adjusting things according to the dictates of harmony from the old party standpoint. How would it do for him to ease off the Illinois situation by putting Ballinger on the supreme bench and giving the Hon. Billy Lorimer the vacant seat in his cabinet!

Roosevelt began as a chance-President. Now the royalty of Europe want to appoint him emperor of these United States. By the way, some of the snapshots that the strenuous Roosevelt publicity bureau are getting into the magazines of his meetings in Europe do not show the tremendous crowds in the background that we have heard so much about.

Are you reading Walter Thomas Mills, special articles now running in The Herald on the British labor movement of which the Socialists are practically the dominant part? Every American Socialist should familiarize himself with the remarkable political development in England and the manner in which the Socialists have paved the way for the trade unionists to become a political factor. The Socialist movement must necessarily develop along different lines in different countries, for such development is largely a matter of tactics.

What a little, what an insignificant thing is a ballot! How easy it is to value it lightly! And yet this insignificant little ballot that the workers of this land have cast so thoughtlessly these many years have been so powerful collectively as to elect the capitalist presidents, capitalist congresses and capitalist courts that have oppressed them. Capitalism itself has not enough ballots to elect a national dog catcher. The workers make the government. They can make it to suit themselves or their oppressors.

While the incentives are toward dishonesty, a moral, honest world is impossible. Hold the daily mirror up to the capitalist system and the crimes, debaucheries, loots, and immoralities are simply a true reflection.

street-cleaning at \$2,000 per year. Ald. Reicheld (S.-D.) introduced the following:

WHEREAS, It is necessary to buy land for a terminal and other public purposes, in accordance with the instructions of the voters at the last election; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the committee on finance be and it is hereby authorized to negotiate purchases of land within the district prescribed in the order submitting the question of the terminal to the vote of the people, and to report the same to the council.

The Socialists introduced a bunch of measures to meet street railway abuses, the one for lifting jacks being in full as follows:

AN ORDINANCE requiring lifting jacks to be carried on all street and interurban cars. The common council of the city of Milwaukee do ordain: Section 1. After Sept. 1, 1910, no street car or interurban com-

of the system the mirror confronts. White slavery does not merely come about from the pure cussedness of men. The alleged graft of a million and a half in the Illinois Central repair shops is the sort of thing that is bound to occur in the kind of a society we have. It is capitalism that produces the Mexican misgovernment. Capitalism is the tempter.

If the people need a change to Socialism, and the trusts need the retention of the present system, then it is the function and duty of the president of the United States to fly to the interests of the trusts. At least this is what Taft has been doing in his recent speeches. And the Washington Times says it will not end with speeches. "We have little doubt," says the Times, "that his Jackson speech is the forerunner of other speeches and probably of messages to Congress in which he will urge that the time is at hand when, in order to prevent Socialism, regulation must be had, and that it must be such regulation as will regulate." And there you have it!

The United States senate has, by a vote of 34 to 16, voted down a clause in the sundry civil bill that provides that no money appropriated by the measure should be expended for suits against labor unions.

The senators know their business, all right. They mean to keep trade organizations in the same class with the trusts, knowing that anti-trust laws are honored in the breach so far as combinations to injure the people go, and honored with malevolence so far as organizations that benefit the people are concerned.

Yet it is the fool people's fault, and especially it is the fault of the craft workers. Have they not for years marched to the polls and plumped in their votes to fill congress with their economic enemies?

A stream cannot rise higher than its source. The workers generally get what they vote for.

According to Dr. Kellogg of the Battle Creek sanitarium all the people will be insane 265 years from now if the present ratio of increase in insanity keeps up. Well, if the capitalist system, which is the procuring cause of practically all insanity is permitted to last as many years the people will deserve to be put in the crazy house. But trust the fertile, agile capitalist mind to come to the rescue of capitalism. The Pittsburgh Sun, admitting that Dr. Kellogg's figures are correct, argues that there need be no alarm about the matter for the reason that if all become crazy no one will be left to know it.

The matter is not one for jest, however. The human mind is giving way under the stress and rigors of capitalism. It is as much a warning against an abnormal social system as poverty, suicide, prostitution, or the slums.

In this day of bread lines why send millions to foreign missions, observes one of the popular magazines. Why, indeed!

pany shall run or cause any car to be run on street car or interurban tracks upon or along any of the streets of the city of Milwaukee without the said car being provided with, and carrying, a suitable lifting jack, or lifting device, which said lifting jack or other device shall be sufficient to enable the man in charge of the said car to promptly lift any part of the said car eighteen inches.

Sec. 2. Each day that any such car shall be operated without the lifting jack or other lifting device as provided for in section 1, shall be considered a separate violation of this ordinance. Sec. 3. Any company violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less than ten (\$10) dollars and costs, and not more than fifty (\$50) dollars and costs for each such violation; and such fine, when so imposed may be recovered from any company so convicted, in an action at law in the proper court.

### Easy Nuts to Crack A Few Plain Reasons Why Farmers and Other Workers Should Wake Up

A vote for a Democratic or Republican candidate for office means a vote in the interest of the banking interest.

Republicans at the congressional caucus at Washington emphatically declared that the postal savings bank bill as promised in the 1908 Taft platform should be passed. Then they adopted the Davidson amendment, which made the provisions of the bill unconstitutional. Real patriots, those Republicans!

Everything is unconstitutional that interferes with the bankers.

If the bankers find anything that is constitutional which they don't like, they might soon find a way to make the thing unconstitutional.

If the bankers want to unmake any legislation that threatens interference with their profits all they have to do is to pick out a man like Congressman Davidson of Wisconsin, or any Democrat or Republican member of congress, and he will do their bidding.

Congressman Southwick of New York, denounced the postal savings bank bill as Socialistic. This much-talked-of bill never was dangerous to the bankers, and therefore it NEVER was Socialistic. Some day we will give you the real thing, Mr. Southwick.

Elihu Root, according to the capi-

alist press, while in London on his way to the Hague conference, held an important interview with Mr. Roosevelt. Root refuses to tell the nature of the conference and Teddy is equally silent. J. Pierpont Morgan could tell something about it, perhaps.

Elihu Root is paid \$50,000 for a single opinion, or piece of legal advice. No use for a hod-carrier to go to Elihu if he wants to know things. The hod-carriers' class produces all the wealth, but the other fellow gets it. Funny, isn't it? Yes, it's a real joke.

When Elihu Root or any other corporation lawyer is paid \$50,000 or \$100,000 for a piece of legislative advice you can wager all you have that the fellow paying the fee gets his money's worth. Puzzle: Who pays the big fee—the workingman or the banker?

The fellow who gets nothing for something is all the time making something for the fellow who does nothing. Figure out that puzzle if you belong to the useful class, and then vote right the next time you get a chance.

Roosevelt and Root belong to the same class and they have a perfect right to meet and discuss the most advantageous way to do things. The only difference between Root and Roosevelt is that Root doesn't pretend to be anything but a representative of corporate interests, while Teddy Roosevelt, on less a representative of the interests, poses as a champion of the people. How much longer will this man of the shining teeth be able to keep up this despicable "wooly horse" role?

There are postal savings bank bills and postal savings bank bills. The one the Taft administration is handing to us apparently has been muddled up with a meat axe.

Read the capitalist press if you want to learn how really rotten the capitalist system is. Read the Socialist press if you want to learn how to clean up the rottenness.

Even the capitalist press can't cover up the rottenness of the system it upholds.

Unconstitutional. Repeat that word to yourself several times and the more you think about it the less reverence

## The Minimum Program and Final Aims of Socialism in the Light of Modern Technical Progress

By Isador Ladoff

(Written for The Herald.)  
**K**ARL MARX established the fact that the mode of production of the necessities of human life is the foundation on which all culture and civilization rests. He was the first to point out the so-called industrial revolution and its social-economic significance, after having devoted a lifetime to the study of the mode of production of the past ages and of his own time.

Karl Marx was not only a careful investigator, but also a great logical thinker. To know meant to him to predict—savoir pour prévoir, as August Comte said. And the predictions of Marx proved to be correct as far as the progress in the modes of production, in the technical world, could be foreseen.

During the lifetime of Marx technical progress followed along a straight line. All inventions and improvements were directed towards perfecting the tools of production and the elimination of any necessity in the individual skill and special training of the industrial worker.

The followers of Marx elaborated on the conclusions drawn by their great teacher assuming that technical progress is bound to follow the same direct line of mechanical perfection of the means of production.

This assumption has to be revised in the light of new tendencies of modern technical progress and rejected accordingly.

Modern technical progress is honeycombed with surprising and unexpected factors. Inventions and discoveries lately followed each other with wonderful rapidity, opening new fields of endeavor hardly suspected by science. Technical progress shows no resting point, it has no all stability. The

you will have for the constitution.

The constitution of the United States. Forget the reverence you ever had for it if you were ever so weak-minded.

The wise man changes his mind; the fool never does. This applies to women also.

Wake up; we are living in the twentieth century and in the United States, where every farmer and every other workingman's vote counts as much as Rockefeller's, J. P. Morgan's or John I. Beggs's.

You are a free-born American citizen, but where will your freedom be if you continue to vote the old party tickets? You are free to starve to death; that's about all the freedom you have if another fellow owns the majority of the means of your life. Forget that freedom business from the point of view of the capitalist mind.

Be good and you will be happy, preach the church people. Wrong! Why? Because a starving man may be good, but he can't be happy when his tummy is wondering if his throat is cut. But show me a race of well-fed people and I'll show you a happy, contented and GOOD outfit. Goodness follows happiness as naturally as any cause creates one sure and certain effect.  
HENRY T. JONES.

### Religious Toleration in Spain

The government of Spain announced on the 9th an impending decree abolishing the article in the constitution which forbade non-Catholics to worship publicly in Spain. The dispatch which reported this news stated that this prodigious step in religious toleration had caused a sensation and was likely to arouse much opposition. The step had been taken under the leadership of Premier Canalejas and other Liberals, who had been aided by the sympathy of the king with the proposal. On the 11th the decree was issued amending the constitution, and authorizing the edifices of non-Catholic religious societies to display insignia for public worship and other ceremonies. This decree became promptly the subject of protest from the Vatican. On the 13th the premier declared in the chamber of deputies that unless the constitution were respected he would resign. He asserted that he was undisturbed by the protest from the Vatican although the government was still corresponding with the Vatican upon the matter. He announced that the government was resolved to live up to the constitution and to settle the religious question from the standpoint of reform; and further, that they meant to regenerate Spain intellectually, and from the economic and military points of view.—Ex.

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agents of the contemporary investigation and inventor turned revolutionary. The task of finding new and improved ways and means of utilizing known forces of nature receives nowadays only secondary consideration. New modes of organic energy are being discovered and exploited. These new kinds of natural forces unfold before us fascinating vistas of apparently endless possibilities.

Moreover, each accomplished technical task calls forth hosts of new problems more tempting to the thinking scientist than those solved.

The fragmentary nature, the incompleteness of human knowledge and the application of the latter to the useful arts is getting more and more obvious to thoughtful men. And this realization of the incompleteness of knowledge and its application serves as a powerful incentive, as a strong inspiration to dare and do things our fathers never dreamed of.

There is a magic charm in the meager glimpses we succeed in snatching from the mysterious domain of the unknown and unsuspected forces of nature. We receive the impression of infinity of things achievable by the human mind.

In his book, "Le Forces de l'Industrie," Bourden states as follows:

"The world is full of hidden, hardly suspected forces, mysterious forces, the co-operation of which seems priceless, hover around us. These forces are our prospective slaves. They are, like the geni of the Arabian fairy tales, silently waiting our orders to turn over to us hidden treasures."

Indeed we hardly mastered the power of steam when electric energy appeared as a serious factor in the economic field. We barely started in utilizing the seemingly limitless possi-

bilities of applied electrotechnics, when the amazing, truly revolutionary discovery of intermolecular, radio-active forces dazzled our eyes and inflamed our imagination. Even such a sober scientist as Ramsey considers seriously the possibility of technically utilizing the incalculable forces latent in the atom. Whatever may be the explanation of these wonderful phenomena of radioactivity, it cannot be gainsaid that we have here to do with the beginnings of an affair, which may and probably will most deeply influence the future of the human race. If we consider the starting points of the discoveries of Gilbert, Franklin, Volta, Faraday and compare them with the developments resulting from these discoveries—the electric telegraph, telephone and dynamo, we hardly can avoid the conclusion that many greater discoveries are hidden in their bosom. It is true that the discovery of intermolecular forces—Curie, Hertz, Leonard and Becquerel did not make any practical application of these forces. But there is never a deficiency in men with a practical turn of mind, who will find ways and means of applying these forces to the satisfaction of human needs and wants. (See Ramsey's "Past and Future of Chemistry.")

And it is not necessary to postpone the practical application of newly discovered natural forces till the latter will be duly investigated, understood and classified by science. This fact is fully demonstrated by the marvelous development of electrotechnics. Poincaré once expressed his amazement at the fact that man needs to know so little about the world he lives in in order to be able to accomplish so much in turning it and compelling it to submit to his will. A thing to consider is also the fruitifying retroactive influence of new discoveries and inventions on old ones. Beside this interdependence between abstract science, arts useful and ornamental, and the life of the masses is getting more and more pronounced.

Karl Marx could not possibly foresee the tendencies of technical progress just briefly outlined in this essay. However, it were folly to ignore these tendencies in our own time. Indeed if the technical progress affecting the mode of production, distribution and other social-economic functions shows new tendencies—it appears imperative to study them as thoroughly as Marx did study the tendencies of his time. And if we do it—we may be compelled to revise, modify or even reject some of our orthodox cast-iron notions as to "the final aims of Socialism."

The business of a prophet is getting more and more hopeless and unprofitable in a field where the direction, scope and nature of development is getting more and more elusive and problematic.

In view of the new tendencies of technical development it is hardly rational to insist on the infallibility of the assertion: "Socialism AS WE AT PRESENT UNDERSTAND IT, is inevitable." It seems wiser to state with Prof. Charles Zueblin: "The future belongs to some kind of Socialism."

We are not ready to join our revisionist comrades of Germany in their somewhat dogmatic dictum: "The final aims (of Socialism) are nothing, the movement is everything."

However, we cannot help feeling that the center of gravity ought to be transferred to the minimum program of the Socialist party and its daily realization in actual life. Ideals are necessary to all men. But let us not forget that it is our privilege to take care of living issues while we are alive. The future generations will take care of the future and the latter will take care of the day in its turn. Sufficient to the day the trouble thereof. ISADOR LADOFF, Ohio.

### What Makes Milwaukee Famous?

Western Teacher: Milwaukee is now "on the map" as never before, and it is no longer famous merely for foam. The Social-Democratic party recently placed in power by an overwhelming vote, is pre-eminently a people's party, and has always been noted for its friendly attitude toward the public schools.

The enemies of the public schools (of whom there are some in Milwaukee) will get up and cry out against the men now in control of the city's affairs; the ones who merely tolerate the public school idea are of course duly shocked at the proposition to take up public school extension work, making the schoolhouses social and civic centers, but arrangements are already made to bring this about. Penny lunches for hungry children—or possibly lunches without the penny—will also be greatly extended. The free text-book system will be adopted in the near future. In view of these and other reforms, including playgrounds and better buildings, it is comical to hear the dough-faces bewail the trend of the age toward "paternalism."

The city of Milwaukee is now in the hands of the alumni of the public schools.

### "Card Men" in Congress

It may be worth while to remember that there are some union card men in congress, though the proceedings scarcely ever disclose their presence. There are nine such, according to a statement that may be taken to be official from the labor union standpoint. Only one of them seems to be making things lively for the plumes, and that one is John A. Martin of Colorado, member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Firemen. John is still on the trail of the Philippine Friar land frauds, and will force an investigation in spite of the opposition of the president and all his hirelings.—Miners' Magazine.

There is no wealth but life.—Ruskin.

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### What Is the Matter With the Co-Operatives in United States

By P. Vlag (General Manager) American Wholesale Co-operative, 306 East Fifteenth Street, New York.

(Written for The Herald.)  
**W**HAT did co-operation fail in the United States?

This is a question confronting every American when reading about the phenomenal success of the co-operatives in Europe.

If, however, we expect to make a success of the co-operatives in the United States, it would be well to become acquainted with the various reasons why co-operatives failed in this country heretofore.

The principal reason why co-operatives have not been as successful in this country as in Europe is, in our opinion, the extreme individualism of the Americans.

The ideal of an American workingman is to become a small employer or business man, with the money accumulated while working as an employee.

The ideal of a European workingman is to earn a good wage, be esteemed by his fellow workers, and be economically and socially well situated.

This difference of ideals is responsible for the lack of success of the co-operatives in the United States.

The workingmen of Europe realized that there was no hope for them to improve their conditions individually, so they did so collectively.

The American workingmen, on the other hand, have tried to improve their economic conditions individually. As a result of their individual efforts, we find speeding along competition, disorganized organizations, and many other peculiar characteristics of the American working class movement.

The organized American workers seldom consider their organizations as anything more than individual protective fraternity. Therefore these organizations usually develop into bodies whose aims are rather to protect the members, than to improve the conditions of their trade or their class as a whole.

This individualism is one of the obstacles which made co-operatives difficult in the past in the United States.

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## A Surprised Muckraker—By Robert Hunter

TALKED with a muckraker the other day about Milwaukee. He was keenly interested in Milwaukee and wanted to know all the Socialists had done there and all they expected to do there.

Milwaukee had surprised him, amazed him, astounded him. It was not that the workers had won or that Socialists had gained a great victory. The thing that astounded the muckraker was this—it seems amusing—not a single Socialist had asked for a job!

The Associated Press sent out the news and it was telegraphed to all parts of the United States and it WAS news because such a thing had never before happened in America.

It was contrary to the ordinary idea of politics in America. It was a violation of every political law in America.

And so the astounded reporter sent out the astonishing news that astounded the world and deepened the awful mystery of Milwaukee. Not a single Socialist had asked for a job!

It never occurred to me that there was anything remarkable in that fact until I talked with this muckraker and then I, too, began to get a glimmer of what it meant.

I began to see in that fact some philosophy.

I began to understand better the revolution that had occurred in Milwaukee.

The fact is politics in America are entirely unlike politics in any other country of the world.

We are ruled nearly everywhere by Mañias and Camorras, dominated by professional politicians, office seekers, grafters, thugs, lawyers and ex-convicts.

They are not exactly of the working class nor are they of the capitalist class.

Politics is their business and its whole philosophy to them is summed up in jobs, in rackets, in bribes, and in blackmail.

These professional gentlemen control the offices, the legislatures, and the courts, and they sell privileges at so much per horse power to our financial grand dukes.

The capitalists are too busy to take an active part in political routine.

The workers are also too busy to take an active part in political routine.

The capitalists are exploiting the country and the people and they have enough to do attending to that.

The workers are trying to get a livelihood, and to escape out of wage slavery and they have enough to do attending to that.

And so both capitalists and workers leave politics to the professional whose object in life, like that of the capitalist and the wage-worker, is to get rich.

But the worker has no money to buy the professional politician, so the politician doesn't serve the worker.

The capitalist has money and he buys the politician to do his work as he could buy any other Hessian.

The day is here, however, for the capitalist and for the worker to get rid of the professional politician.

The capitalists are getting tired of being bribed, of being blackmailed and of getting inefficient government.

And so the capitalists are making an effort to get what they call good government, which means to get in control of government college-bred gentlemen who will do by instinct and from class interest what the professional politician will only do for bribes.

The workman also wants to get rid of the professional politician.

He has been lied to, sold out and betrayed so often that he sees now the necessity of taking matters into his own hands.

But neither the working class nor the capitalist class wants the jobs. They want only the power.

They want the government to represent their interests, to fight their battles, to do their bidding and over to the city hall to ask for political jobs.

They went to work as usual the next morning in their shops.

They wanted clean streets, better tenements, protection in the shop and a government that stood for them.

Their ambition was not to quit work and to become public officials who in the past have been little more than parasites.

And, therefore, not a single Socialist asked for a job!

And they don't particularly care who gets the jobs providing they will serve the working class.

Recent Herald Callers: Paul P. Glaser, J. W. Born, Chicago, Ill.; J. E. Cray, Prairie du Chien, Wis.; Walter Huggins, Chicago, Ill.; Albert Michand, Boston, Mass.

The Roumanian Socialists will hold a convention in Cleveland, O., July 4-5. The Scandinavian Socialists will meet in Chicago July 2-4.

### Taft and the Socialists

What President Taft had in mind as Socialism when in his speech he promised the well-trained service of the Republican party to put it down, is not Socialism; neither is it any other kind of social creed. Far be it from us to accuse Mr. Taft of intentional distortion, difficult as it is to harmonize his words with a statesman's intelligence in this part of his speech, but his notion of Socialism is antiquated. He thinks it proposes to abolish private property. And the persons he alludes to as "Socialists" are not those of Socialist organizations, but those that hail as leaders such Republicans as La Follette and such Democrats as Bryan. In fact, however, there is no considerable number of Americans who favor the abolition of private property. There are not so many now as there were when President Taft was a boy. Except for a small number who may be distinguished as "communists," nobody at all in this country favors the abolition of private property. Everybody to whom President Taft alludes ad-

## "Inspector" to be Inspected!

### Milwaukee Supervisors Discover Flagrant Partnership of Contractor and Inspector. May Mean Prison for Some One

County Trustee Elected—Herman Wartchow.

Milwaukee: At the meeting of the county board of supervisors Tuesday Supervisor Boness (S.-D.) introduced a resolution to investigate an inspector, as follows:

WHEREAS, The city engineer has reported to this board that the laying of the water main from the city to the county institutions has not been done according to plans and specifications, but that the work was done in a dishonest manner; and

WHEREAS, One Math. O'Connor, was appointed inspector to watch the work of excavation and represent the interests of the county, being paid therefor the sum of \$4 a day, or a total of \$892 to see that the work was properly done; and

WHEREAS, By the exercise of reasonable diligence the said O'Connor would have discovered,



DR. F. A. KRAFT, Fire and Police Commissioner.

if he did not, that the work was being dishonestly or improperly done, and should have reported same to the county board; therefore

RESOLVED, That an inquiry into the conduct of the said inspector, be at once begun; and further

RESOLVED, That the joint committee on laws and legislation, and institutions for county poor and insane, together with the district attorney, determine in what way the said O'Connor can be held to account for his apparent negligence.

The resolution was sent to committee with instructions to investigate.

While there is a possibility that the inspector will be able to extricate himself from the peculiar position he is now in and thus save his hide from criminal prosecution for obtaining money under false pretenses, the case certainly has a dark look.

A contractor named Hickey was employed by the county to excavate and lay a water main from the city limits out to the county institutions some five miles away, in Wauwatosa. The contract obligated him to lay the main six feet under the surface. O'Connor was employed to watch the work in behalf of the county to see that the terms of the contract were lived up to. The work was completed, the inspector drew his pay of \$4 a day and the contractor began to clamor for his. However, the supervisors conferred with Mayor Seidel and it was arranged that the city engineer should have borings made

along the line of the water main to ascertain how deep it had been laid. The result showed a shameful, if a typical, contractor's job. For long distances the big pipe was only three and some places two feet, nine inches under ground. If left that way the water would be liable to frost for months at a time. And where was O'Connor all the time this outrageous and dishonest work was going on! That is what the committee will now probe into, and if the inspector either saw the fraud and stood in with the contractor, or did not go near the excavating for days at a time while still drawing pay for faithful work, he ought to be jailed for his own good and a notice to the contractor fraternity at large that public work must be honest work while the Social-Democrats are in charge.

### Ask Schoepferle's Removal

Another feature of Tuesday's meeting was the disposal of the Schoepferle matter—the case of the deputy sheriff who brutally slugged a citizen



JOHN J. HANDLEY, Superintendent of Streets.

in the city hall and was protected by the sheriff, Herman Franke. The district attorney had been asked as to the right of the county board to demand of the sheriff that he discharge a deputy and an opinion from his office was read to the effect that the board could not demand such action with any authority, but custom had given it the right to express itself and speak for the public in such matters.

Supervisor Archibald (D) made a plea for the minority resolution asking for a censure of the deputy and his transfer to some other beat. He thought the deputy should be considerably handled. Supervisor Bell (R) denied that there were political considerations in his previous stand, and said he would even vote for the majority resolution which called for the discharge of Schoepferle, if the word "demand" was dropped and the word "petition" substituted. He voted for the minority report, which was lost, 9 to 4, and then moved to amend the majority report.

Supervisor Heath (S.-D.) said that the sheriff and his deputy had forfeited all right to consideration by the public and for the board, and opposed the word "petition" as being synonymous with begging or beseeching.

It was finally agreed to amend the report by employing the word "request" as being in keeping with the district attorney's opinion, and the

majority resolutions were then passed 11 to 2, the negative votes being those of Supervisors Archibald and Woelner, a Democrat and a Republican respectively. The sheriff can recognize or ignore the board's action as he may elect, but if he ignores it, any citizen can appeal the matter to the governor, who possesses the power of removal. The board simply did its plain duty in publicly taking up the brutality of one of the county's servants and preventing the evident intention of the sheriff to hush the outrage up.

### Wants the County Books Audited

A resolution was introduced by Supervisor Heath (S.-D.) calling for the auditing of the books and records of all the county offices and departments, institutions, and courts, as follows:

RESOLVED, That the county clerk be and he is hereby instructed to advertise for proposals for the auditing of the books and records of the following county offices, to-wit:

The office of the register of deeds, county clerk, clerk of coroner, county treasurer, sheriff, coroner and district attorney, the accounts of judges, officers and clerks of the probate courts and probate offices, the judges, officers and clerks of the circuit courts, the judges, officers and clerks of the municipal and district courts, the

accounts of the county hospital, the county almshouse, the house of correction, the poor office and the home for dependent children.

It was referred to the joint committee on treasury and taxes and laws and legislation.

Supervisor Mies (S.-D.) introduced a resolution calling for an inquiry into a claim made by a suicide in a note which he left that he had been driven to take his life because refused admission by the hospitals in the county. It went to committee.

Supervisor Moerschel (S.-D.) introduced a resolution to have the sheriff's automobile labeled "Milwaukee County." It was passed. This action may put a damper on the custom of deputy sheriffs and county officials sailing around the county in the automobile during campaign times for campaign purposes.



FREDERIC C. RUNGE, Civil Service Commissioner.

### Wartchow Made Trustee

A year ago, when the Socialists were a minority in the board, it took weeks to decide the election of a trustee for the county poor. Trustee Manegold finally being chosen to succeed himself. This year, with the Social-Democrats in the majority, it took about as many minutes. There are five members, one elected each year to serve five years. The salary is \$600 a year and the trustees look after the county poor department, the almshouse and county hospital. Supervisor Moerschel named Herman Wartchow, an active Social-Democrat, for the vacancy. Then there was a pause. Chairman Sheehan asked if there were any further nominations, and finally Supervisor Jacobus (R.) arose and placed a Social-Democrat

Charles E. Jeske, in nomination. While Comrade Jeske had been among several names considered our comrades had united on Wartchow, so that the situation was a rather unusual one. The vote resulted in the nine Social-Democrats (Supervisor Mensing being absent from the city) vot-

ing for Wartchow and the four Republicans and Democrats present voting for Jeske. The Social-Democrats of the city are quite elated that at last we have a party member among the trustees who have such power for good or evil over the unfortunates of the community.

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- Men's Ribbed Cotton Union Suits, 75c values, in sizes 34 to 46, any size on Monday. 39c
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By A. W. Mance.

Renewed activity in Socialist circles is reported from every state in the union as the result of the hope inspired by the Milwaukee victory. To get the full benefit of this victory you should get the people in the habit of reading what the elected Socialist in Milwaukee are doing. It is much easier to get people to read about men in action than it is to get them to read theories of what Socialists would do if they had an opportunity.

Thousands of letters have arrived from all parts of the continent since the Milwaukee Socialist victory, saying, "The eyes of the continent are upon you; Milwaukee Socialists must make good." The best way for you to assist the people to see and learn what is going on here, is for you to go after a club of new readers for The Social-Democratic Herald. It prints a faithful record of all the happenings from week to week. Get at least one new reader for The Herald during the coming week.

Remember every individual Socialist is in duty bound to "make good" as much as Mayor Seidel and the Milwaukee City Council. One of the best ways for you to do your little share is to increase the circulation of The Social-Democratic Herald.

The Socialist Local at Sheboygan Falls has hired a boy to sell The Social-Democratic Herald in that city, and order one hundred a week to start with.

A week seldom passes but what Rev. Gilbert Shaw, Watertown, Wis., lands a club of four.

F. A. Etrick, Dodge City, Kansas, is throwing the bricks in the Herald's circulation wall lively these days.

Pasadena, Cal. Herald list went up a dozen or more this week. Nichols is a live member in that niche of the woods. He sent \$5 to pay for his last catch.

F. H. Thomas, Providence, R. I., is pushing the circulation of the Herald up several notches every once in a while. Five new ones this week.

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Winfield R. Gaylord, 344 Sixth St., Milwaukee, Wis., state organizer, to whom news and other matters of this department should be sent.

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Owing to unfavorable conditions locally, the Monroe county convention, which was to have been held on Tuesday of this week, was postponed, and will be arranged later by Comrade R. C. McCaleb of La Crosse.



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FRIDAY Second Ward Branch—John Catel's hall, 300 Fourth street.

SATURDAY Town of Lake No. 1—255 Highland place.

County Campaign Fund (continued) Second Ward Branch, on literature account 10.00 Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund No. 172 2.00

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Advertisement for Jos. Schostak bicycles. Includes text: PRESENTS FOR THE GRADUATE We have a special sale on boys' and girls' high-grade BICYCLES.

# Snap Shots in Seidelburg

Mayor Seidel is on the trail of some queer looking actions in the city meter repair department. A meter valve worth \$10 and some thirty hours of labor at 60 cents an hour appear to be unaccounted for and the mayor intends to find out some whys and wherefors. There are going to be no grab-bag distributions under this administration.

The boil the water order is bringing a new suffering on the poor people. Thousands, too poor to afford ice, are compelled to drink warm water, or take chances with typhoid. The water now is being treated with hypochloride of lime, but the health commissioner says boil the water just the same for a time to be sure the danger is avoided.

One of the really pathetic occurrences since the new administration came this week when Truman H. Curtis left the health department, not on his own accord. He has been in the service about twenty-five years and had grown too old to be retained. His past record is said to be one of faithful public service. For a number of years he has been chief sanitary inspector. But just now, top notch, high pressure efficiency is most important.

Milwaukee sat up and took notice when Mayor Seidel swore out a war-

rant for John I. Beggs early this week, charging him with violation of the ordinance requiring a license in each street car. At the same time a civil suit was begun to collect \$72,000—almost one-third of the Rose crowd deficit—which have accumulated in unpaid license fees during the last ten years. The criminal suit has been adjourned to July 5.

When, in a newspaper interview, Beggs undertook to say the city attorney did not know the law, that Social-Democratic official laconically replied, "We'll take our law from the supreme court; not from Mr. Beggs." And to the supreme court the cases will go as fast as possible. There is no longer any dilly-dallying in the city attorney's office and Mr. Beggs cannot reach out and say "stop."

Just why these license fees had not been collected for ten years is not clear. But the Social-Democrats are after the money. If they fail to collect they will enact a new ordinance so as to get the money in the future. These are the points upon which the case hinges:

Franchise ordinance passed Dec. 28, 1874, granting Cream City Street Railway company rights on certain streets, including East Water street, on which Mayor Seidel and City Atty, Hoan secured evidence Tuesday, also fixing license fee of \$10 per

car, with penalty of from \$10 to \$50 fine for failure to pay.

Ordinance passed Feb. 13, 1888, raising fee to \$15 per car per year.

Supreme court decision in seventy-second Wisconsin, upholding city's right to raise license fee to \$15.

Ordinance passed June 2, 1890, requiring that license be displayed in each car operated.

There are going to be some more hanging swords tumble before many moons. This is an administration of probing and finding out and doing.

My, what angels Bogk and Carney are, anyhow. They'd save the city a bagatelle in interest and see it go to the bow wows for a hospital. Fine business, aldermen, but it won't make good campaign material for you eighteen months hence.

The Free Press rises to remark that now that they are in office the Social-Democrats don't seem as voracious as before. Maybe that's just because The Free Press doesn't like to back down and can't afford to lose any more readers. We would advise The Free Press, moreover, to scan our platform and then tell us what we promised that we either haven't already secured or gone after with both feet.

Health Commissioner Rucker is knee-deep in the housing problem. He finds that while the city has not much of a tenement problem it has a vicious lodger evil. He says he will not be hasty about applying a remedy until he knows the situation fully. He believes that the greatest factor in applying a remedy will be rapid transportation, at low cost, to suburban points. He says congested places cannot be broken up until the people inhabiting them are provided for elsewhere at prices they can pay. The commissioner has found some appalling evils in his investigations and he has already issued some summary orders to owners of hovels and tenements. One of the prevailing evils is unsanitary toilets of insufficient number. Protests of owners do no good in these cases with the new commissioner. He has given some plain talk to a number.

**Slaughter's Den Blacklisted**  
John Slaughter's colored gambling den, Janssen-protected for years in spite of all efforts to get the place closed, has at last been denied a license. It is claimed that Slaughter had a silent partner in one of the members of Janssen's city detective force.

In all twenty-nine saloon licenses have been denied already by the council license committee, as follows:

- John Slaughter, 217 Wells street.
- John M. Irwin, 92 Mason street.
- Paul Reichman, 474 Market street.
- Henry Schraufnagel, 189 Wisconsin street.

- John Schmitz, 555 Twelfth street.
- Christian A. Koenitzer, 3031 North avenue.
- Samuel De Brozzo, 125 Huron street.

- George Nagy, 322 Chestnut street.
- Joseph Zolar, 419 Clinton street.
- Walter Koch, 207 West Water street.

- Jubius Scheunemann, 478 Reed street.
- Alia Erdmann, 512 National avenue.
- Jackson L. Gilles, 1629 Walnut street.

- Dora Kuchler, 835 Winnebago street.
- Dora La Fontaine, 569 National avenue.
- Otto C. Dreyfuss, 873 Muskego avenue.

- Arma Kirchoff, 305 Fourth street.
- Frank R. Trotman, Star theater, 107 Third street.
- Harry Harris, Gayety theater, 156 West Water street.

- William H. Burgess, hotel, 312-314 Sycamore street.
- Mrs. Elizabeth Lorbiecki, 420 Maple street.
- Nicholas Behrendt, 719 Thirteenth avenue.

- Ernest L. Wolke, 693 Hanover street.
- Henry A. Behm, 723 Kinnickinnic avenue.
- Frank Jablonski, 729 Sixth avenue.
- Frank Badura, 577 Lincoln avenue.
- Casimir Kozlowski, 733 Lincoln street.

Mayor Seidel will order the annual audits.

**Paving Tricks**  
(TO THE EDITOR)

In regards to the paving of Oakland avenue, between Newberry boulevard and Folsom street; Kinnickinnic avenue, between Montana and Russell avenues; National avenue, between Twenty-second and Twenty-seventh avenues, the subgrade from Newberry and Folsom street, the south wing of the street not being rolled at all, the excuse given was that the subgrade was too wet as it was, but they went right on and laid concrete on the wet surface and in the mud puddles.

The concrete was not up to the standard or up to the requirement of the specifications. The mix was made of the following: two wheelbarrows of sand and three of crushed stone and one-half of a sack of cement, and the concrete mixer was crowded so that the proper mix was not given. To demonstrate that the proper mix was not given, the overcrowding of the mixer broke the engine valve stem on account of an overload and it was not very long after this accident the machine wore out its friction that is used to lift up the conveyor. Where the capacity of the machine was to turn out 700 to 800 yards a ten-hour day, at this rate it was turning out only 100 to 150 yards a day. Concrete was laid in the rain and cement was washed through so that it had to be slushed again, making a smooth surface where it ought to have had rough finish, so that binder would have had a tendency to stick where it had a smooth surface, so that topping would roll or creep and get wavy. That not the required amount of binder was used, that the binder and topping was laid in the rain on this smooth and wet surface; that the intersection on Oakland avenue and Newberry boulevard was or is too flat, that water has no chance to drain to the catch basins. That Maryland avenue was rolled with a five-ton roller for the subgrade and was used for the entire job, and it was done by an incompetent roller man that has had no experience in such work and an incompetent foreman who does not understand his duties. That the granite blocks used next to the street car tracks were not properly filled on account of street being opened to traffic too soon, and

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Michael Jankowski, 733 Becher street.

Matthew Deguta, 727 First avenue.

Places frequented by women and minors are under the ban and there is to be no racket or music after midnight in places granted licenses.

It is interesting.

## AT THE THEATERS

**BIJOU—"Sapho"**  
As the last offering at the Bijou theater by the Klunt & Gazzolo players, Manager John R. Pierce announces a revival of Alphonse Daudet's famous drama, "Sapho." The engagement will start Sunday afternoon, and will continue throughout the week. The usual Wednesday and Saturday matinees will be played in addition to the opening performance. The presentation of this drama is a distinct departure from any offering yet made by the management since the inauguration of the summer stock season.

**EMPRESS—Vaudeville**  
A mysterious woman "Raffles," known by the name of Sironie, will head next week's bill at the Empress, together with five other acts. Buch Brothers, comedy bounding act; Probst, famous mimic and whistler; the Esterbrooks, novelty instrumentalists; Gus and M. Gus Pixley and Maria Malatesta, in a high-class singing and dancing act; Kate and Harry Jackson present their new novelty known as "Cupid's Voyage."

**RAVENNA PARK—Amusements**  
With Philip Pelz, kapellmeister to the czar, and the man who conducted the Russian army band in Port Arthur during the siege of that city in the Russo-Japanese war, wielding the baton, the Russian Imperial band will begin an engagement of three weeks at Ravenna park, Sunday afternoon. The band is making its first tour of this country.

Pelz brings with his band a troupe of Russian singers and dancers who will present in all their variety the national dances and folk songs of the natives of Russia.

**PABST PARK—Amusements**  
Large crowds that are to be found daily in Pabst park are the best evidence that it is the coolest and most popular pleasure resort of its kind in Milwaukee. In the arena Kennedy's X. T. Ranch show is presented twice daily, giving an insight into the daring and romantic life in the far West. On Sunday there will be a complete change of program, including steer roping and rope spinning, hurdle races, Mexican knife impalement, trick riding, chariot races, fancy shooting, South American bolo throwing, and an Indian marriage ceremony. Mayor Emil Seidel was a visitor in the park this week. He went through the Indian camp and enjoyed the hospitality of Chief Blackbeard in his picturesque tepee. The chief's squaw was as proud as could be over the honor paid the family and as a mark of special favor she permitted the mayor to hold her little papoose, who is only 4 months old. The Indians are with the ranch show, "Heap Big, White Chief," is their title for the mayor, who was invited to call again.

**Books to be Audited**  
The auditing of the books of the board of public works was started by the mayor upon the suggestion of City Atty. Hoan. In a letter to Mayor Seidel he recommended that the books of every department be audited at least once a year. Mr. Hoan said that because the comptroller did not audit the books of Frank E. Woller, clerk of the municipal courts, for seven successive years, the city lost \$19,000 by his defalcation, his bond being only \$10,000, while his shortage was \$29,000.

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**BASEBALL**  
Fraternal League

Sunday schedule at National park (National and Thirty-fifth avenues): At 8:40 a. m., Ben Hurs vs. Court Sycamores; 1:45 p. m., Royal League vs. Success, 1518; 3:30 p. m., I. O. F. vs. Miltons.

**SECRETARIES:**  
In sending in names of candidates on various tickets, please be sure to give first name in full, residence and post-office address of each candidate to be nominated. This is necessary in filling out nomination papers.

One of the coziest little places on the North Side is Franz's Summer Garden, located at Locust and Buf-fum streets. Mr. Franz has had an experience of twenty years in this line of business, and is well able to take good care of his patrons. A visit will convince you.



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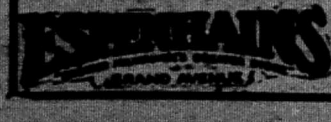
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Every year manufacturers make up as many shirts as they can out of the remnants that have accumulated during the year and then sell them for whatever they will bring. This year a big eastern manufacturer had about 1000 dozen and he offered them to us for 50c on the dollar, knowing that we could use this great amount. We accepted the offer and Saturday they go on sale at all of the stores.—Remember, every shirt would easily bring \$1.00.

space that the tar or A. C. filler was to be used was filled with refuse and other materials the ingredients, to mention, showing up the contractor who has been doing this work to the people of the city of Milwaukee, it being the White Construction company, alias the Barber Asphalt company, should receive from the city of Milwaukee no contracts hereafter.

Remedy for such work: Competent inspectors; instruments that inspectors may use to penetrate asphalt topping and a plant inspector to see that proper ingredients be put in the mixture; inspectors to measure and mark off loads to be loaded and also that when work is not up to standard to have the backing of the board of public works. And last, but not least, the REVISION OF THE SPECIFICATIONS as follows: That a ten-ton roller be used on all subgrade and a five-ton roller be used for all surfacing and all patch work; and a ten-ton roller for all brick pavements and other things too numerous to mention. (Signed) EDWARD A. RUSSELL.

## Carpenters Elect

Carpenters' union No. 1447 has endorsed Adolph Hinkforth for re-election as business agent of Carpenters' District council. Officers have been elected by the union as follows: President, John Kanatz; vice president, Charles Wachholz; recording secretary, John Schallitz; financial secretary, John Schulte; treasurer, Henry Kitter; wardens, Otto Prah, Thomas Potts; conductors, George Lesser, Albert Larsen; delegates, Carpenters' council, J. Kanatz, J. Schulte, J. S. Randall; Federated Trades council, James Hendricksen, William Nagel, John Kanatz; examining board, Jac Schulte, John Nelson and William Sewall.

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**La Crosse**  
The Herald meeting was a success in spite of the terrible heat. A good crowd in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium stayed until after 10 o'clock on Wednesday night to hear Senator Gaylord show "How Socialism is Coming Now."

The young voters here are learning. An old party alderman visited the Gold Leaf club before the last election and remarked, "Boys, there's a barrel of beer any time you want it." "No, thank you!" replied the boys. "We're buying our own beer now, and are voting the Social-Democratic ticket."

Our party polled 447 votes this spring in La Crosse county, as against 103 for governor in 1908. And they will increase that this fall. The old party men are all shot to pieces with graft charges and factional fights, while the workmen in the unions are waking up.

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# Contractor and Inspector on the Carpet.—Was the County Deliberately Swindled?

No one will ever be able to compute the sums that Milwaukee city and Milwaukee county has been robbed of by crooked contractors and crooked inspectors, with the connivance, active or passive, of crooked officials. Scoundrelism ran rampant.

For years and years the majority of contractors have felt that it was legitimate to rob the city and county, and under so-called "business administrations" the robbery has been the most sweeping.

Some idea of how county contract work has been done in the past may be had from the exposure of Contractor Hickey by the Social-Democratic county board.

Hickey was given the contract to lay a water main from the city limits out to the county institutions at Wauwatosa. The contract called for an excavation of six feet all the way out, so the water would be absolutely below the freezing point. After the work was done and Hickey began to call for his money the supervisors decided that they would not take his word for the faithfulness of the work nor that of the inspector on the job, Matthew O'Connor, but would have borings made along the line. They went to Mayor Seidel and it was arranged to have the city engineer have the borings made.

Borings were made every little way, except where the pipe went under a field of growing rye. The result showed that the pipe was down six feet only part of the way, and that for long distances it had been placed only three feet and even two feet nine inches below the surface!

Not only this, but word comes that the owner of the field of rye complained to a county poor trustee that when he plowed the field his plow struck the pipe!

But what of Inspector O'Connor?

What of the man who was paid \$4 a day by the county to see that the contract was lived up to? O'Connor hurriedly drew his pay before the exposure of Hickey's work was accomplished. How did he inspect? How could he inspect and not know that the work was fraudulent? Was he looking the other way, or didn't he show up for days while the dishonest excavating was going on? The county board will try to find out. And if there is any way to get back the pay he drew under false pretenses or to punish him under the criminal law for his work, it will be done.

The whole thing is a flagrant case, and it will be interesting to see what excuses the contractor and the inspector (provided the latter does not skip town) will offer when they are called on the carpet.

Public work should be done direct. Letting it out to contractors is always done at a big risk. But so long as contract work has to be resorted to it must be honest work—so long as the Social-Democrats are on guard.

## Town Topics by the Town Crier

The action of the Republican and Democratic aldermen in killing the hospital bonds is a case of pure cussedness and impure politics!

It is our opinion that the chief is overworking the Zinda case. And we are sure he knows of worse cases—where girls have been assaulted and thrown into a life that is worse than death—and that he winks at it!

Milwaukee is certainly in luck. The state university has secured Edward Joshua Ward, the playground and school extension expert of Rochester, N. Y., and will locate him in this city in connection with the university extension.

Prof. R. C. Spencer, veteran educator and a man of splendid public spirit, has just celebrated his 81st birthday. Mr. Spencer has grown old gracefully and has never ceased to feel his responsibilities as a citizen. He is a citizen to be proud of—and may he celebrate many more birthdays!

Whatever is The Free Press—a thinking of when it intimates that Ald. Berger agreed with Carney and Bogk that Health Commissioner Rucker ought to have come to the council first? On the contrary, Ald. Berger took up the cudgels for the commissioner and said it was his duty to make the typhoid situation public without delay.

Democratic Aldermen Bogk, Carney, Dick and Wittig, and Republican Aldermen August Braun, McKinley and Sanger voted themselves infamous at Monday's council meeting by blocking the isolation hospital bonds. The voters will remember them on the next election day as the creatures who played with life and death for the sake of dirty politics.

Irving Tarrant, ex-alderman, is going along Lisbon avenue and Walnut street with a petition to have the Beggs line allow the Milwaukee & Western interurban road to come in over the Beggs tracks. He first began to get signatures on Vliet street, but later switched over to Walnut street, claiming that Beggs did not want the line to use Vliet street. Which suggests the question: Is Tarrant working for the Milwaukee & Western, or for Beggs? The Beggs tracks on Lisbon avenue and Walnut street are in bad condition.

There is such a thing as good discipline. And there is such a thing as bad discipline. A police department without discipline would be a sorry failure. But the discipline should be considerate, but firm. And above all, merciful. Is there anything merciful in making the policemen wear heavy helmets in these blistering June days? Is there anything merciful in making the policemen at the downtown street corners stand in the broiling sun all day in those brain-cooking hats? Even John I. Beggs treats his men better.

The police department has given it out that there will be a few days' delay in getting the police "offs" scheduled ready. The department might, if it were so inclined tell a few more

things. But it is not likely to. It might tell how Janssen had Lieut. O'Connor, the department drill master, propose to the patrolmen from the several stations that they send a committee to Janssen to ask that the men be given fifteen straight days off in addition to their vacations in lieu of the new system of two offs a month. This would have given King John a chance to tell the aldermen or the newspapers that the men were not satisfied with the off's ordinance. To the credit of the men we learn that they did not bite, and that where a vote was attempted it resulted unanimously against the scheme of the chief.

How badly cities have been managed by old party politicians and particularly in Milwaukee in the past is well shown by the desperate straits into which the city has been put by the typhoid fever epidemic. Instead of doing things right from the start and making a safe provision for the disposal of sewage and filth this has been allowed to flow into the lake. Result: Sickness, and now of a serious kind, to cope with which the city has had to tamper chemically with the water the people drink, serving alike those who believe in taking chemicals into their stomachs and those who have decided objection to doing so. But in such a crisis the people's stomachs do not belong to them, they must drink the water as it comes to them, and hold their peace hoping that the liberties taken with the drinking supply are in the interests of the general good.

Chief Janssen presented a blacklist containing fifty-four names to Mayor Seidel. The mayor said it was not a straight list, that there were some places omitted and some on it that he was not sure about.

"If you don't sign it, I'll sign it and send it in," said the chief, in substance.

"If you do, I'll send in a counter-blacklist," said the mayor.

The next day Janssen gave it out to the papers that there was no blacklist.

When Janssen first met with the license committee several disreputable saloons were mentioned that were not on his list. The chief then coolly informed the committee that he allowed certain dense to run because the proprietors tipped off information to him. Evidently there are dives with a stand-in and others without a stand-in. But if the favored dives make criminals, where does the civic gain come in?

More than one contractor and ward foreman knows there's a new man on the job in the department of public works. It's about as busy a place as there is in the city these days.

There's a snap and a swing about official business these days that looks fine and bodes well for the welfare of Milwaukee. There's no loafing, no lounging, no deadheads on the payroll.

One of the glaring samples of inefficiency on the part of the old board of public works bobbed up Tuesday

## City Hall

when Aids. Grass and Ries visited the baby pavilion. There they found the building completed, supposedly ready for opening on Monday, with no sewer, water, gas or light connections. A gas stove waited innocently enough to be supplied with fuel. Commissioner Briggs at once got on the job and ordered a crew of men to get busy.

Out of about thirty cases tried by the new city attorney's staff all but one have resulted in victory for the city. Let's see, what were some of the things they said before election?

The council committee on railroads is determined to lose no time in putting the cross-town franchises through and on Thursday the committee toured the proposed routes with Ald. Melms, who introduced the measures. The principal change so far made is the abandoning of the Seventeenth street route, using Sixteenth street instead. One or two minor changes on the south side are to be made. The committee says the cars will have to run somewhere and they should go where they will be of the most use to the greatest number. The wishes of some may have to be opposed, but John I. Beggs must give the city the service it demands and where it will best carry the traffic. The committee believes it has selected those streets best suited, from the general viewpoint.

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## Carney-Bogk out-Herod King Herod

A city, like a corporation or an individual, is subject to the conditions of the money market in its financial transactions.

If a city wants to borrow money it must pay the rate of interest on its bonds that the market demands at the time the money is borrowed.

However, a city, like a family or a private individual, can not wait for certain life necessities until the condition of the market changes.

A family that needs clothes could not postpone buying them because the price of a dress or a pair of trousers had gone up from \$4 to \$4.20.

If any family should postpone the buying of this necessary apparel until the market has changed again and the price has gone down, then they might not buy any at all. And what would the police say then?

And in the case of the hospital bonds the emergency is even a great deal more urgent than in the case of wearing apparel—as anybody can easily satisfy himself by visiting the children's hospital, on Seventh street, where children suffering from infectious diseases are treated.

Yet there were seven Republican and Democratic aldermen who, under the leadership of Bogk and Carney, succeeded in preventing these bonds from being issued. To issue bonds, a three-fourths majority is required.

And it is odd that these capitalistic aldermen who had a share in the Rose administration, and all which that means, are all of a sudden so tremendously saving because these bonds for a hospital were to pay 4 1/2 per cent interest instead of 4 per cent, as the city was accustomed to pay in the past.

It is also odd that these aldermen were willing to vote for about a million dollars' worth of bonds for streets and other things where they were afraid of the masses of the voters. But where only sick children are to be considered and the voters directly interested are comparatively few, these aldermen are willing to appear economical.

The opposition to this 4 1/2 per cent rate on bonds is rather silly, even from a financial standpoint.

The rise in the rate of interest on city bonds is mainly due to the excessive cost of living, as we stated last week.

The rise in the cost of living has not only hit the working class—although this is the hardest, of course—but also the middle class.

Many middle class incomes which five years ago at a rate of 4 per cent interest were sufficient to uphold a certain standard of living, are inadequate today.

Therefore, many middle class investors feel that they must get more income from their investment in order to keep up their accustomed standard of living. They buy timber bonds, power bonds, irrigation bonds, and

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other securities which bring 5 and 6 per cent. Gilt edge securities, like the Milwaukee city bonds, no longer find the ready market they had in the past at 4 per cent. That is the reason why New York, Baltimore and Boston were compelled to go up to 4 1/2 per cent two years ago.

If Milwaukee bonds sold at 4 1/2 per cent could be sold at a premium which would bring down the interest to about 4.20 per cent, the entire difference between the 4 per cent bonds without a premium and the 4 1/2 per cent with a premium would be about \$200 a year for the entire issue of \$100,000 worth of hospital bonds. On account of these \$200 Carney and Bogk and Dick and Wittig (Democrat) and August Braun, McKinley and Sanger (Republicans) are willing to out-Herod King Herod and kill babies without number.

Talk about capitalism being murderous! Here are seven aldermen willing to let any number of sick people die, any number of babies perish, on account of a questionable saving of about \$200 a year.

And supposing the rate of interest instead of coming down to 4 per cent should go up to 5 per cent? What then? VICTOR L. BERGER.



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