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LINCOLN'S MESSAGE FOR US TODAY

Labor is Prior to and Independent of Capital ===The Laborer Should Have the Whole Product of His Labor.

Today is the anniversary of America's greatest man, her bravest apostle of Freedom, her wisest prophet. We may well consider his solemn, prophetic, warning words. No man dare ignore them. They sound startlingly sharp and clear against the threatening conditions of today, which he so forcibly foretold, and point to THE ONLY POSSIBLE SOLUTION of the gravest problem that ever confronted a nation of liberty lovers. We can quote only a few striking extracts from his many words on this momentous subject;

A Crisis Approaching.

"I see in the near future a crisis approaching that unnerves me, and causes me to tremble for the safety of my country. As a result of war, CORPORATIONS HAVE BEEN ENTHRONED, and an era war, CORPORATIONS HAVE BEEN ENTHRONED, and an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign BY WORKING UPON THE PREJUDICES OF THE PEOPLE until all the wealth is aggregated in a few hands, and THE REPUBLIC IS DESTROYED. I feel at this moment more anxiety for the safety of our country than ever before, even in the midst of war. God grant that my suspicions may

be groundless."
"Monarchy itself is sometimes hinted at as a refuge from the power of the people. In my present position I could scarcely be justified were I to omit to raise a warning voice against the approach of returning despotism."

Labor is Superior to Capital.

"I need not here argue in favor of popular institutions; but there is one point, with its connections not so hackneyed as most others, to which I ask brief attention. It is assumed that labor is available only in connection with capital; that nobody labors unless somebody else owning capital, somehow by the use of it, induces him to labor. LABOR IS PRIOR TO AND INDEPENDENT OF CAPITAL. CAPITAL IS ONLY THE FRUIT OF LABOR, and could not have existed if labor had not first existed. LABOR IS THE SUPERIOR OF CAPITAL, and deserves much higher consideration. I bid the laboring people beware of surrendering a power which they possess, and which if surrendered, will surely be used to close the door of advancement against such as they, and fix new disabilities and burdens upon them until all of liberty shall be lost."

To Labor Belongs its Whole Product.

"In the early days of our race the Almighty said to the first of our race, 'In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread,' and since then, if we except the light and air of heaven, no good thing has been or can be enjoyed by us without first having cost labor. And inasmuch as MOST GOOD THINGS HAVE BEEN PRODUCED BY LABOR, it follows that ALL SUCH THINGS OF RIGHT BELONG TO THOSE WHOSE LABOR HAS PRODUCED THEM. But it has so happened, in all ages of the world, that some have labored, and others have, without labor, enjoyed a portion of the fruits. THIS IS WRONG and should not continue. To secure each laborer THE WHOLE PRODUCT OF HIS LABOR, as nearly as possible, is a militia were going to capture and deport worthy object of any government."

"It seems strange that any man should dare to ask a just God's assistance in wringing bread from the sweat of other men's faces."
"THE COUNTRY WITH ITS INSTITUTIONS BELONGS
TO THE PEOPLE WHO INHABIT IT."

Lincoln was no alarmist, and if he spoke like a 20th century so cialist it was because he profoundly felt the utmost need of it. In the name of God and Lincoln, men, awake to realize that ALREADY the wealth of the nation is in "few hands." Rochefeller alone has more power than any king who lives, or ever did live. Already the mass of people are helpless wage-slaves, the "Era of Corruption in high places" has already come, the republic is already destroyed, except in form. The constitution is daily set at nought. Corporate wealth and its purchased political minious rule for greed alone regardless of the lives, prosperity or liberty of the masses either at home or abroad. It is high time for the people to arouse themselves from their strange sleep and take full possession of "The Country," which, "with its institutions," rightfully wish you success in your efforts. "belongs to THE PEOPLE who inhabit it"—not to the few who Through the efforts of hund robbed the people of their hard earned wealth and usurped authority militiamen there have been arrested in the people's prejudice."

Through the efforts of hundreds of ers were not ready and had no evidence. militiamen there have been arrested in the people's prejudice."

Six months' time about seven alleged evidence will be offered against Parker

BE NO LONGER DECIEVED. STRIKE FOR LIBERTY.

HIS TRIPLE CROWN

Remarkable Editorial in Commercial-News, Danville, III.

This remarkable editorial from the Commercial-News is well thought and well expressed. But what is there in Brother Jewell's political progam to remedy such a gigantic, over shadow

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The Standard Oil Co. now controls the copper supply and the copper market of the world.

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that he may not cross. There is no field he may not enter and be monarch. Think of the tremendous power of this king.

He has both brains and money. Jay Gould said Mr. Rockefeller's brain was 'the finest organizing brain of this generation." That was a generation ago when John D. was only the ruler of a province. Now he is thrice a king of industry.

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Power? Why he can sliake a whole continent. Why he can shade a whole continued the can manipulate the iron and steel trade—well named as the barometer of business—in such a way as to prosper or ruin the nation commercially.

What power save the government is able to restrain this modern Alexander?

Is government?
He already wears a triple crown.
In a republic he is thrice a king.

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"What power save the government is able to restrain this modern Alexander? Is government?"

Not on the present plan, Brother Jewell, when government is merely the method by which the capitalists exploit the people. The Co-operative Commonwealth is the only solution to the question you raise. It is being forced upon us by modern the alongments. We must accept socialism or slavery under the money lords worse than slavery under Alexander or Neso.

READ, THINK, ACT.

LINES TO AMERICAN WORKINGMEN

BY W. B. GALLAHER

Labor's curse is ignorance Of its Right and of its Might; Weak is Labor's boasted lance And its triumphs feather light.

When with brain to will and do
It might be the king and lord
Of its own this great land through.
Not by might of fire and sword;

Not by keys of life and death, As its masters rule this hour, But by ballots, freedom's breath— Like the cyclone in its power.

Yes, by ballots, not by blood, Brain-Shots, not great cannon balls; Shots to make our country flood With new life, when "duty" calls;

Not to make it waste and bare, Soaked with brothers' blood and tears; But to make it everywhere, Free from hopeless wants and fears.

Read and think, with purpose hot, Burning in your hearts and brains; Until thought in ballots shot, Like swift lightning breaks your chains.

Only helpless, whipped things lie Trembling in some master's pen, Be not such—with courage high, Act as brave, enlightened men.

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THE SITUATION

rict began August 10th, and the end is not yet. On the part of the unions the and full obedience to the laws. On the part of the Mine Owners' Association and militia there have been constant and repeated acts of violence and lawlessness. The constitution has been trampled upon and the laws violated with impunity. This has all been done in the name of law and order.

In the beginning of the fight it was all such persons. A few days ago the Mine Owners' Association confessed that ore thieves were more numerous and successful than ever before. There are no union men working for that asso ciation, so from the confession of these gentlemen the ore thieves are "scabs" and not union men. It is said that all men working for the association are compelled to join the "Citizen's Alliance" and the inevitable conclusion follows that all ore thieve are at present members of that distinguished organisation. If all other criminals can now be induced to join their fellows, the forces of law and order will be complete. We congratulate you, gentlemen, and

criminals. This is not a bad record for out that he will be arrested by the mili community in which it was claimed tia on some specious pretense. This is that about one-half of the people were surely despotism and persecution. desperate criminals.

It is clear that General Bell and his force of skilled detectives, ore thieves, affidavit men, attorneys and soldiers, are dubs and weaklings or that the statements made about the people of Teller

county are wholly and absolutely false. In November Victor Pool was arrested by the militia. He is a strong, healthy good natured young man. The fact that he belonged to a union was crime enough for General Bell and Governor Peabody. The District Court decided that Pool should be released. The court was defied and its judgment ignored. The Supreme Court was appealed to for relief. Gen. Bell claimed that the military were all-powerful and that they were holding Pool because the various proclamations of the governor gave them the right to do so in spite of the courts. Some one gave the bellicose goneral a tip that the Supreme Court did not share his peculiar view of the law. The ridiculous haste shown by the military authorities in their search for a justice of the peace to help them let paradox. The fact is that the union go of Pool convinced the public of the absurdity and iniquity of their claims. They did not dare to face a final adjudication of their rights. Pool was charged with an assault to murder but when the with an assault to murder but when the case was called these law and order saints could not and did-not produce a single witness against him. After spending about two months in custody Pool is now at liberty. He is at work and even the militia let him sione. No excuse has been offered for the outrageous and criminal treatment of Pool.

The strike in the Cripple Creek dis- | the strike, was taken in custody on Nov vember 17, 1903. The Viadicator affair came off on the 21st, while Parker was in the bull pen. Notwithstanding this fact, when he brought a habeas corpus suit, he was charged with murder in connection with that matter. On January 14th, he gave a bond of \$19,000,00 for his appearance in the District Court and was released. He was immediately rearrested by the militia. When an ap plication in his behalf was made in the United States Court a complaint against him was filed before a justice of the peace. On January 20th he was brought before the justice and released on giving \$1,500.00 bond. The war god became frantic because he was at liberty. How ever, Mr. Parker evaded the sleuths and militia and went to the Denver office of Sheriff Armstrong. General Bell appeared and demanded that he be manacled and confined in a dungeon. Sheriff Armstrong responded to Bell's demands by giving Parker his liberty and informing Bell that the law prevailed in Denver and that no attention would be paid to military moonshine. The next day another complaint was filed before a justice of the peace. Parker volunteered to return home at once to meet this new charge but the military authorities insisted that he be taken in cus tody and treated as a felon. When Par ker's cases were called the military pow-

A new fashion has been set by Temple and Crump of the Mine Owners Asso ciation. The affidavit for continuance was sworn to by Mr Crump in the Pool case. He awore that sometime and somewhere he fondly hoped and believed that he might find some person who could be persuaded to testify against Mr. Pool. The first complaint against Parker was sworn to by Mr. Temple and the second one by Mr. Crump. This enterprising firm is indeed very useful to the Mine Owners' Association. We wonder if these services are included in the terms of their employment. Should the practice of these gentlemen become universal, litigants and witnesses would soon be useless. The lawyer would be the whole thing.

Ore shipments are falling off in Cripple Creek. Less ore is mined now than in October. The mine owners say that they have all the men they want. New and valuable ore shoots are being discovered every day. This seems to be men are standing pat and the mine owners cannot get sufficient competent help. No more union men are wanted here now. We have the strike well in

HANNA ON "SOCIALISM AND LABOR UNIONS"

Says Labor and Capital is Paramount Issue of Today. Basis of Right Success is Fairness and Justice.

Senator Mark Hanna contributes an article to the National Magazine on "Socialism and Labor Unions" which is being widely read and quoted. He expresses the belief that "education will solve these problems," and declares that "the basis of right success is fairness and justice." Then he gets off a whopper by saying:

"Until within a comparatively few years, big capitalists, or the employing interests, have had the advantage because there were more workmen than there was work. But conditions have changed, and FOR EVERY WORKMAN, on an average, THERE ARE TWO JOBS NOW, in the day of our prosperity, and it is expecting too much of human nature to suppose that workmen shall not desire a larger share of the profits."

This "two jobs for every workman" saying makes one fairly gasp. Your uncle Mark certainly does not lack audacity. Isn't it strange that with two jobs for every workman wages are everywhere being cut, and that when a strike occurs there are thousands of men willing to scab for a job?

Strokes Union Fur the Right Way.

The following neat compliment to organized labor will make many a man feel as comfortable as a fat cat before the fire when his fur is gently stroked the right way, and will doubtless convince thousands that Marcus is interested only in the welfare of the dear working people:

"No one who is acquainted with union labor for the past five years can fail to recognize the wonderful advancement that has been made by the conservative, cool-headed and thoroughly practical management of these matters by the work-

Unions Not Always Wrong.

But the astute politician evidently tripped himself up and spilled his oily compliments on the sand when he said:

"Labor organizations may be open to sharp criticism at times, but it cannot be fairly stated that they are always wrong. If every man is treated as a man and an appeal made to his heart as well as to his reason, it will establish a bond of confidence as a secure foundation to build upon. While labor unions may have been a curse to England, I believe they will prove a boon to our own country when a proper basis of confidence and respect is established."

It is very kind of him to admit that LABOR ORGANIZATIONS ARE NOT ALWAYS WRONG," and that it is possible that they may SOMETIME prove beneficial to our country. (Presumably after they allow him and his Civic Federation to control them in the interest of Capitalism and the Capitalist party!)

The Paramount Issue Today.

"There is no more encrossing question than that of the relations between labor and capital, which seems the paramount issue today. The instinct of workingment to band together to protect themselves is no more to be wondered at than the same instinct on the part of capital. Now, my plan is to have organized union labor Americanized in the best senso, and thoroughly educated to an understanding of its responsibilities, and in this way to make it the ally of the capitalist rather than a fee with which to grapple."

There can be no doubt in the mind of any thoughtful person that the question of Capital and Labor is "the paramount issue today."
Hanna's foresight in declaring, as early as three years ago, that socialism in some form would be the issue of 1904 does him great credit as a man of keen perception. And we may safely suppose that the large amount of free advertising which socialism receives at the hands of Hanna, Parry, Gompers and the rest, is not intended to bring the subject forward, but is a recognition of the fact that it is already looming big upon the horison and can not be blown back with a breath. But if Hanna and his helpers ever get the labor union "Americanized" according to their notions until they become a servile "Ally of the Capitalist" (that is, his helpless victim) there will be no further dread of unionism. Then the capitalist may sleep in his downy bed without fear while the laborer toils to keep him in luxury.

Devoted to the Civic Federation.

"I took some time to consider the work of the Civic Federation, and am firmly convinced that it is the object to which I desire to consecrate the remaining years of my life. I fully appreciate that it is a long struggle, but the progress already made under the motto of the Civic Federation—the golden rule—has surpassed even my most sanguine expectations, and I am sure the American people will sustain a policy based upon the highest moral and social impulse which will eliminate the passionate prejudices that now exist between capital and labor."

Mark Hanna knows well enough that the idea of applying the Golden Rule to competitive business is "an irridiscent dream." The Golden Rule will utterly destroy the Rule of Gold and end Capitalism

The Red Specter Haunts Him

'The menace of today, as I view it, is the spread of a spirit of socialism, one of those things which is only half understood and is more or less used to inflame the popular mind against all individual initiative and personal energy, which have

the popular mind against all individual initiative and personal energy, which have been the very essence of American progress.

"There is a spirit of co operation, or community of interests, which some people may confound with Socialism, that is making headway with us; but when any one attempts, for political or financial reasons, to advocate the whole programme of European Socialism he will find little prospect of the seeds taking root in American soil. This, I think, was demonstrated very conclusively in the Ohio campaign, where higher socialism was brought forth as an issue."

That socialism is less than "half understood" by the Amerian people cannot be doubted by any one who fully understands it. If it were even "half understood" nothing could prevent the people from adopting it. When Hanna refers to Tom Johnson's single tax and public ownership campaign in Ohio as socialism he convicts himself of misrepresentation. Czar Nickolas, Emperor William and King Ed-ward are all in favor of that kind of "Socialism" which is not socialism at all. The chairman of the republican national committee thus tries to brand the Hearst movement with the prejudice of socialism for immediate political advantage. But all true socialists will deny that the Hearst or Johnson movement is socialism at all; so will these two noted democrats. Hanna will find that such a trick will not work when the people learn the truth for themselves. And he will find that "the whole program of European socialism" has not only "taken root" America, but has attained third place among national parties and will soon have first place. That is why this good politician is so greatly worried over this matter.

Monumental Impudence.

"Fairness and prejudice will never agree to the confiscation of the products of one man's toil in order to insure comfort to the idle and worthless. No 'ism' is wanted by the American people that will take from any citizen the just and equitable reward of his labor. Both capital and labor must yield in time to the great law of fair dealing, man to man."

There is more audacity and falsehood in the semblance of truth in the above than can be found in any other equal number of lines. It is "the confiscation of the product of one man's toil in order to insure glorious battle for liberty and unionism.
The mine owners are in a desperate comfort to the idle and worthless' which constitutes the curse of the capitalist system, and against which socialists rebel with all their condition. Their strenuous attempts to subvert the law and destroy liberty are proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the product of one man's toil in order to insure comfort to the idle and worthless' which socialists rebel with all their might. CAPITALISM does, always has and always will "take from the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the product of the remaining the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the product of the capitalist system, and against which socialists rebel with all their might. CAPITALISM does, always has and always will "take from the reason of the product of the remaining the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the product of the capitalist system, and against which socialists rebel with all their might. CAPITALISM does, always has and always will "take from the reason of the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the product of the responsibility of the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the product of the product of the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the product of the proving abortive and when the true interpretation of the product of the prod

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Mr. D. F. O'Shea of Cripple Creek, Colo., Miners, who has been in the city working among the various locals, is now visiting the miners' locals of this district in the interest of the strking metal miners of Colorado.

President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers of America will deliver the Fourth of July address at Hymera, when a monument dedicated to the memory of Nathan Hinkle, a revolutionary soldler, who is buried at Hymera, will be unveiled. James Winn, employed at No. 5 mine at Diamond, was seciously injured in a peculiar way last Thursday night. He stepped on the cage when it was going up, and, after reaching a certain point, he climbed out to do some repair work. He was kneeling down, with his feet hanging over the side, when the cage came down and caught his heels, throwing him back on the cage and hadly bruising his hip. His spinal column was also seriously injured.

those who heed them. "The Vicereine of India," as presented by Waldon Fawcett, deals with the remarkable success of that beautiful American woman, Lady Curzon.

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A Girl's Estimate of the Diggers of

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THE STRICKLAND MEETING

An audience of about one hundred men listened to the address on Socialism Sunday afternoon in Germania hall by the Rev. Frederick G. Strickland. Mr. Strickland is one of the most talented socialist speakers in the country, and his address received marked attention throughout. His talk was not only eloquent, but was also interesting.

TYPOS ELECT OFFICERS.

Typographical union No. 76 held a record-breaking meeting Sunday afternoon, nearly the entire membership being in attendance.

The semi-annual election of local officers resulted in the following:

President—John S. Edmunds.

Vice President—George C. Fischer.

Secretary-Treasurer—A. G. Siemons.

Auditors—S. A. Bramble, H. M. Houseman and J. J. Truinett.

Delegates to C. L. U.—J. S. Edmunds, W. H. Terrill and George C. Fischer.

Chairman Evinger of the eight-hour

Fischer.

Chairman Evinger of the eight-hour committee submitted a full report of the proceedings of a conference held at Indianapolis on January 13, in which several unions in this territory were represented.

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The scale committee submitted a report, which calls for a slight increase in the wages in all branches, and provides for an eight-hour day for the book and job branches. Action on the report was postponed until next Sunday, when a special meeting will be held.

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Nominations for international officers resulted in the unanimous choice of all the present incumbents, except that Messrs. Thomas Crowley of Cincinati and Mr. Nichols of Baltimore were nominated for trustees of the union printers' home.

Relations of Capital and Labor.

employer and employee appointed by Governor Bates of Massachusetts last June at the direction of the legisla ture, consisting of Carroll D. Wright Henry Stirling, Royal Robbins, William N. Osgood and Davis R. Dewey has reported. It comments adversely on profit sharing under compulsion, or voluntary sharing under state supervision and on compulsory arbitration. I expresses the opinion that all legislation that has had any positive relation to the establishment either of rates of wages or of prices has worked to the injury of the public. It urges a law determining employers' liability and prescribing the compensation for death or injury while at work. The use of the boycott and of blanket injunctions is condemned, and the retention of the common law principle of conspiracy as applied to trade disputes is advised.

Auxiliaries In Indiana A dispatch from Indianapolis says Organized labor in Indiana is about to make a new departure by gathering all the wives and daughters of union men into unions, the object being to increase the influence of organized labor in this way. The leaders in the movement say that the wives of workingmen do near ly all the buying for the families and that if formed into unions they would insist that everything they purchased be union made, and thus the cause would be greatly strengthened.

It is also argued that the unions composed of wives and daughters would be a very material aid in all labor difficulties, as they would act in concert with the men and assist in molding public

sympathy in favor of the unions Edgar A. Perkins, president of the State Federation of Labor, is at the head of the movement.

Did the love of gain ever make a hero or a martyr?

Did it ever win a battle? Will a man do most for love or for money, for honor or for money, for luty or for money?

Having no money, does a genius beome a fool?

Having much money, does a fool beome a genius?

Did any nation loving money become great or gaining riches and luxury ever remain great?-Robert Blatchford, Editor of Clarion.

Traitors and Patriots.

The United Mine Workers' Journal says: "A member of the Colorado militia was also a member of a labor union. A union card was found on his person and he was immediately locked up on a charge of treason. What are we to understand from this? That by joining a labor union you become a traitor to your country? Yet members of trades unions who claim that it is wrong to join the militia are termed 'unpatri-

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ARBITRATION.

Bill Introduced In the Senate to Pro

Considerable attention is being given the bill introduced a few days ago in the United States senate to provide for national tribunal of arbitration to adjust labor disputes. The bill was prepared by Volney W. Foster of Chieago and was introduced by Senator Cullom.

The executive council of the Ameri can Federation of Labor is opposed to the bill and has instructed its legislative committee to fight against its en actment into law. At the present time most of the employers throughout the country seem to be opposed to arbitration in any Torm, so that between the two forces there is but little likelihood of the measure becoming a law.

The executive council of the Ameri can Federation of Labor thinks if the measure becomes a law that it would prove an entering wedge to bring about compulsory arbitration, which is oposed by practically all the labor un ions in the country. That, however, is only one of a number of objections to the bill as introduced.

It provides for the appointment by the president of six men, one of whom shall be the secretary of the department of commerce and labor, at a salary of \$8,000 a year. No provision is made in the bill as to how this tribunal should be constituted. There is nothing in the bill to prevent the appointment, for instance, of five mine owners or five railroad presidents, al though they might be required to in vestigate a strike on a railroad or in

Organized labor is entirely ignored in the bill as originally drawn, and this of itself would arouse the antagonism of the labor unions even if they vere in sympathy with the spirit of the bill. The bill is not nearly as well drawn up as many of the laws in operation in the various states for dealing with the problem. Thirty-three states now have bureaus of investiga tion of labor conditions in one form or another, and should the proposed bill become a law it would practically nullify the work of the state boards. Some of these state boards have done good, effective work, while some have been practically useless.

The same reasons why state boards have not been very effective applies in an aggravated form to the proposed national tribunal. In many of the states men have been appointed on ar bitration boards as a reward for political activity rather than because they have any qualifications to fill the posi-tion. This has in many cases made state boards a farce, as both employers and employees look askance at them and say that they will have nothing to do with a lot of politicians.

The same objection would apply to the national tribunal, so that it is hard see how the proposed law would be of any benefit.—Luke Grant in Chicago Inter Ocean.

At the end of September, according to a bulletin just issued, the bareau of la bor statistics of New York registered 2,587 trades unions in the state, this being an increase of 225 over the number six months previous. The total membership was 395,736, an increase of 38,634, or 11 per cent, in six months. New York city gained 24,361, or 11.3 per cent, in membership; Buffalo, 4,395, or 15.5 per cent; Rochester, 828, or 6.7 per cent; Syracuse, 697, or 9.7 per cent; Albany, 201, or 2.4 per cent; Troy, 238. or 4.9 per cent; Schenectady, 187, or 1.9 per cent.

The principal increases were in the building and transport trades, while the clothing trades lost 4,065 members. The decline in the unions of garmen workers explains also the decreased number of women in trades unions, as a majority of the organized working women are garment makers.

Surprising if True.

"The wageworkers in the United States have in the last twenty years lost less time in strikes than they have in celebrating the Fourth of July or any other national holiday," says John Mitchell. "If the total loss by strike were divided among the wageworkers it would amount to about 3 cents a

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Old players went, new players came—the swift years ran their race

Each leaving to the old red barn fresh scars upon its face.

And, O, the fights we used to have! Each night when school was out The old bern well rendezvous where standards met—

ne scene of many a slugging match and well contested bout.
Enjoyed by every youngster save the tattling "teacher's pet."

Among the schoolboys of to-day there's little fighting stock—
They favor arbitration and are satisfied with talk.

with talk.

The old red barn has disappeared, and where it used to stand

A more pretentious structure meets a busy thoroughfare;

No urchins linger near it now—no noisy, romping band,

Where are the rough-and-tumble boys that congregated there?

Gone, like the dear old landmark in whose shade they loved to play—Gone, like the crimson sunset of departed yesterday.

—Milwaukee Sentinel.

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NEWS OF THE LABOR WORLD.

Items of Interest Gathered from Many Sources. A bill has been introduced in the Ohio legislature which, if it becomes a

law, authorizes any employer to sue a labor union, whether the union is incorporated or not. President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor will spend the month of March in Porto Rico investi-

gating the conditions of the wageworkers on that island. The striking Quincy mine trammers at Houghton, Mich., who demanded the restoration of wages to \$60 per month. have rejected a compromise of \$57

offered by the company. The Shamokin Coal Company has announced that its colliery, near Green Ridge, employing 700 men and boys, would resume operations, after

being idle three months. The executive council of the American Federation of Labor has decided to hold a meeting in Denver in April, after President Compers has returned

from his trip to Porto Rico. The report of Henry White, general secretary of the United Garment Workers of America, for the year 1903 shows that 34,000,000 garments were made which hore the union label.

It was decided at the Indianapolis session of the United Mineworkers of America to provide a defense fund for the strikers in the southern Colorado field. The sum will exceed \$500,000.

Thirty members of the Type Founders' union, who went on strike several months ago against the American Type Founders Company at Chicago returned to work on an open shop basis.

The Baltimore Federation of Labor has prepared a bill to be introduced in the Maryland legislature forbid ding women to sell intoxicating or spirituous liquors over any bar in Baltimore.

F. W. Modie, president of the Broth erhood of Railway Expressmen, has been appointed a general organizer by the American Federation of Labor, and will endeavor to reorganize the

The fourth annual convention of the Tug Fireman and Linemen's Protec association was held in Chicago recently, and plans were laid for reducing the hours which firemen on tugs are compelled to work

John F. McNamee of Cincinnati, O., has been elected editor of the Locomo tive Firemen's Magazine, vice George Goding, Chicago, resigned. Mr. Goding was appointed in October, but later withdrew his acceptance.

District officers of the United Mineworkers have put into effect the order to organize the miners in the Connellsville coke regions, as decided by the

four of the shops in Los Angeles, Cal. The men want an advance of wages from \$18 to \$19.50 a week and recognition of the union. The strikers have tied up all the shops from which the

The executive council of the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners has refused to sanction the depositing of \$25,000 as a guarantee that the temporary agreement with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Join-

The employes of the New Haven, Conn., Iron and Steel Company, who have been idle since Dec. 19, when a lockout was declared, held a meeting and voted to submit the wage question in dispute to the national organization of iron, steel and tin workers.

P. J. McGuire, former vice president of the American Federation of Labor, writes to say that there is a monument to William H. Sylvis, father of the Iron Molders' unlon-a fine granite shaft in Fernwood cemetery, near Philadelphia, erected by the Iron Molders' Union of North America in 1887.

At a recent meeting the Chicago ocal of the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers' union voted to demand a wage increase from 561/4 cents an hour to 62½ cents. The agreement with the iron league made last year expires April 1, and the union has deter-mined to ask for the highest wages paid in any building trade in the coun-

try.
The United States Steel Corporation has ordered all the sheet mills to re-sume. An additional \$2,000 000 is to be expended on the W. Dewes Woods plant at McKeesport. The plant will be enlarged to sixteen mills, making it one of the most important in the sountry. At this mill most of the planished sheets used in this country are

A London shipbuilder, who has 5.000 men on his pay roll, says: "I am in favor of urionism because it gives the men a feeling of security, without which no workman amounts to much Union men are generally the best me chanics; they are better disciplined, and it is easier to deal with organized lobor than with men who are not organized."

The building cantractors of Cleveland have formed a council on much the same lines as the Building Contractors' council of this city. Its principal aims will be to abolish the sympathetic strike. In the "declaration of principles" of the new council it is stated that it will favor "conciliation where such procedure is found to be feasible and possible.

Reports have reached the offices of the American Federation of Labor that Santiago Iglesias, the organizer for Porto Rico, has too strong Spanish tendencies in his makeup, and instead of organizing labor unions he is really trying to organize a federal party in opposition to American rule. President Gompers will investigate the rumors when in Porto Rico.

The Metal Trades' Council of Chicago has applied for a charter from the Metal Trades' Federation of America, and permanent officers will be elected at a meeting next Sunday. The trades already affiliated with the local council are as follows: Machin ists, 15 locals; metal workers, 10 locals; metal polishers, 4 locals; iron molders, 4 locals; blacksmiths and helpers, 10 locals and patternmakers, i local.

At the recent convention of the American Federation of Labor a resolution was adopted granting the Iron Molders' union jurisdiction over brass molders. The brass molders have hitherto been affiliated with the Metal Polishers, Platers, Buffers Brass Workers and Brass Molders' International union, and by a referendum vote have decided to remain where they are. Now it will be up to the A. F. of L. to see that the order is carried out.

There are about 50,000 grocery clerks in Greater New York. Nearly all of them are American citizens and graduates of our public schools. No class of workers could be more industrious, or more worthy of the consideration of the public yet they claim that they are being compelled to work 100 hours a week. They give two weeks' work for one week's pay. Few grocery clerks ever have a whole day to themselves. Every Sunday and every holiday they must work at least part of the day. They have decided to put a stop to this overwork. A bill is to be introduced in the legislature forbidding the sale of staple groceries on Sunday.

A new feature of the "closed-shop" question comes from Joliet. In that city the employers are closing the shops against union men unless they join a citizens' alliance. The Bates Machine company, which has done little else but fight the union machinists for the past two years, is said to be the aggressor in the present movement. It discharged its employes and closed down its shops. Then the men were offered work again if they would join the Citizens' Alliance. The men do not seem to view the alliance with quite so much favor as the employers. and none of them have joined so far. They say they will not join, either.— Chicago Inter Ocean.

Any one who wants to know the facts about the labor unions of England can get the information by writing to the Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., and asking for Bulletin No. 50. This bulletin was issued recently and is written by A. Maurice Low. Mr. Low says that there are nearly 2 000,000 members of labor unions in Great Britain. Their yearly income is nearly \$10,000,000, and they have in their treasuries the large sum of \$18,330,000. The most important fact about British labor unions, says Mr. Low, is the effort they are making district convention. There are 18,000 to abolish the strike and to substi-unorganized men in the region. unorganized men in the region.

Union bookbinders struck in all but strike is to be no more than a last resort, never used except when everything else fails.

In a report to the membership of the Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, just issued by General Organizer Henry Eichelberger, from the New York office of the union, it is stated that the aggregate increase in wages from September 1, 1903, to September 1, 1904, will reach \$13,000,000, or an average of \$3.50 a week for each of the 75 000 members of this international organi-The Chicago membership of 23,000 has received wage advances of 33 per cent in the last two years, the Cattle Butchers of that city row enjoying \$1 a day more pay than they got two years ago. To accomplish these results the international union has spent \$700,000 in seven years for organizing locals, holding meetings and advertising the union shop card

A whole sermon is contained in the report of the injuries, fatalities and deaths of members of the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers' Union of Chicago in the past year, made public by Secretary O'Brien. It gives the names of the persons to whom bene-fits were paid, together with the amounts and the injuries sustained. No accident or life hasurance company will accept a member of this organiza-tion as a "risk" because of the hazardous nature of the calling. The report is startling in that it shows that 23.6 per cent members of the union were per cent members of the union were either injured or killed in the last year alone while at work. Of the 1,000 members of that organization no less than eighteen were killed or died as the result of injuries, fifteen were totally disabled for life and 103 were injured more or less seriously

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A FIGHT TO THE DEATH BETWEEN
LIBERTY AND DESPOTISM.

Civil and Military Powers Prostituted to Aid Onslaughts of Plutocracy
Upon the Constitution and Expressed Will of the People.

The daily newspapers of the country
for reasons of their own have had little
or nothing to say about the great labor
struggle that has been going on in Colorado for months. Can the silence of
the great purveyors of public matters
be because the situation in the Centennial State beggars description? Be that
as it may, it is a truth that the correspondent who values his reputation for veracity hesitates to tell in detail the horrible story of the despotism exercised by the authorities, especially the milita, of Colorado during the present contest between the miners and the mine owners.

Citizens of Colorado have been robbed

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and influence against any and every measure looking to the payment of a single dollar of the expenses referred to.

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Resolved, That we urge the membership of organized labor to establish co-operative steel with that band of brigands and pirates who have registered their names upon the roll of the Citizens alliance.

Resolved, That we urge the membership of organized labor in every city, town and hamiet and every liberty loving citizen of the State to march to the polis in November versible.

In the constitution of Miners and the unite

Citizens of Colorado bave been robbed of their citizenship, have been thrown into the "bull pen," driven from the counties in which their homes were lo cated, have been bayoneted and shot by the militia of the state with the consent and approval of a governor who has shown himself to be the supine tool of lawbreaking plutocrats, mine owners who, aided by a quiescent and sub servient legislature, refuse to submit to the will of the people. Citizens have been arrested without warrant or other process of law and incarcerated in filthy military prisons. The militia has defied the officers of civil courts, refus ing to accept service of processes issued by courts of competent jurisdiction Writs of habeas corpus have been de when properly served. Courts have been invaded when in session by armed militiamen for the purpose of terrifying judges and officers of the courts. Free press has been suppressed in the strike district by a military censorship. The militia has shot down citizens who attempted to defend their property from invasion by lawless searchers after arms, and a reign of military terrorism has been established in one of our United States which would be in harmony with the most autocratic and brutal regime in darkest

Let us pause for a moment and take a retrospective view of the Colorado What has brought down uptrouble. on the honest and industrious miners of Colorado this terrible wrath of the powers that be?

At the general election in 1902 the people of Colorado, by a majority of 40,000 votes, adopted a constitutional amendment empowering the legislature to enact a law making eight hours a legal day's work in mines, mills and smelters. The legislature which convened in January, 1903, absolutely dis regarded pledges made in platforms, turned its back upon the instructions given by the voters to the extent of 40. 000 majority and refused to pass the eight hour law. The Western Federa tion of Miners then tried to get their employers to voluntarily recognize the eight hour law and, failing in this, de clared a strike, first at Colorado City and later in the Telluride and Cripple Creek districts. The strike was peace able and orderly, according to the tes timony of the sheriffs and other peace officers of the districts affected. All at tempts to break the strike by import ing scabs failing, the bosses appealed to the governor for the state militia, alleging acts of interference and lawless ness upon the part of the strikers Against the protests of the peace officers of the counties concerned the governor sent the militia to the scene of the strike, and the outrages outlined above followed

In answer to a call issued by the Colorado Federation of Labor a convention composed of 300 delegates as sembled in Denver, Jan. 11, to consider the labor conditions of the state. The following resolutions adopted by the convention will show the present feeling of organized labor in Colorado:

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Whereas, Organized labor in the state of Colorado is fighting a deathless battle for the right to organize and live, and.

Whereas, The chief executive and the state administration have conspired and entered into collusion with the Mine Owners' association, the smelting trust, the Colorado Fuel and Iron company and the commercial ailles known as the Citizens' alliance in defeating the political mandate of the people as expressed at the polls in November, 1902, and,

Whereas, The state militia have become corporate hirelings and resolved themselves into a military mob, to annihilate organized labor, to train Gatling guns upon the temples of justice, to defy the courts, to invade the sanctity of homes, to arrest without warrant or process of law and incarcerate in a prison, known as a military "bull pen," men who have committed no crime save to clasp hands under the banner of unionism, and,

Whereas, The governor of this state has declared martial law in Teller and San Miguel counties and with the power of armed might deported law abiding citizens and branded them as vagrants and outlaws, and.

Whereas, Free speech has been strangled, the press muzzled and the writ of habeas corpus suspended by military imperialism, backed by bristling bayonets, and,

Whereas, The presence of an armed soldiery in Teller and San Miguel counties was for the sole use and benefit of the Mine Owners' associations in their warfare against organized labor and not to preserve law and order, as neither were being violated; now, therefore, he if Resolved, That the delegates and representatives of organized labor in convention assembled counties.

Resolved, That we demand the immediate withdrawal of the troops, so that taw and order may again prevail in Teller and San Miguel counties of citizenship by the state militia while quartered in the strike regions during the years of 180 and 1804.

Resolved, That we are unalterably opposed

Stop "Treating" National Officers Editor Wilson in the January issue of the Machinists' Journal starts the year with a delicate temperance lecture to local committees in the habit of "treat ing" the international union's officers when they visit subordinate lodges. Since this is a custom common to all trades, the words of caution to machinists may be read without offense by other local unionists.

"How often it happens," writes the Machinists' official editor, "that when two or three trade unionists get together and discuss the merits or demerits of some grand lodge officer about to visit their locality one of them will bint in tones of disapproval that 'he drinks.' When this remark is made in your hearing inquire of yourself, 'Who is to blame?

"When in the course of duty the grand lodge officer visits town he is usually met and welcomed by a committee from the local lodge, and after the preliminaries of introduction and handshaking have been observed the next thing is. 'Come and have some thing.' If the visitor cheerfully assents he is a good fellow for the time being: if he refuses, he is apt to be set down as churlish or stuck up. At any rate. whichever he chooses, he is bound to meet with condemnation either at the time or later. Of course there is no in-tention whatever of doing the visiting officer an injury. On the contrary, the intent is to show courtesy, appreciation and good fellowship. It does not matter what the intentions were—the way to hell is paved with good intentionswhat are the effects, for it is effects that count? Think this over and do a little temperance work when next you have an opportunity."

Year of Greatest Growth.

The annual report of the American Federation of Labor, issued by Secre tary Morrison, shows that the year 1903 was the greatest in the history of the American labor movement. Two million men and women are affiliated with the great body, which means that one of every five persons who work for a given salary or wage in the United States and Canada is affiliated with this body, and 500,000 of these joined in the year just ended.

The United Mine Workers show gain in membership for the year of 110,000, which was greater than the increase in any other organization. Another noticeably large gain was made by the United Garment Workers, 25,000 rembers being added last year. The Boot and Shoe Workers added 15,000; the Car Workers record 14,095 new members; Brotherhood of Carpenters 38,000 members; Hotel and Restaurant Employees increased by over 25,000; Railway Employees added 10,000; teamsters, 18,000; painters, 16,000.

The Honesty of Labor Leaders. Ex-Sheriff W. J. O'Brien, who was formerly the business agent of the New York Granite Cutters' union, has had a chance to know the honesty of trades union officials compared with the members of other trades and professions.

"In my official capacity as sheriff of New York," be says, "I have been required to take no more than two or three labor men to prison for 'grafting,' whereas something like thirty-five lawyers have been taken to prison for the same crime during my two years of office.

"Some people are demanding that trades unions shall dishand because of the corruption of one or two labor leaders, but I notice that they are not de manding the abolition of the legal pro-fession. This is a mystery that re quires an explanation."

Child Labor In Mines.

At the recent annual meeting in In-dianapolis of the United Mine Work-ers of America a resolution was adopt-ed asking for legislation prohibiting the employment of boys under sixteen years of age in mines.

An amendment was offered extending the prohibition to the employment of boys "in and around mines."

President Mitchell vigorously con

tested this amendment because of his belief that the resolution might be deemed too stringent by the legislators and be declared unconstitutional. The amendment was defeated by a rising vote, and the committee report was

Didn't Have the Drivers.

The livery owners finally decided that they could get along without the "open shop" and a few other things and arshop" and a few other things and arbitrate the question of wages after they at first stubbornly refused to do so. Had they taken that stand at first the strike would not in all probability have been called; certainly it would not have been renewed after the truce following the Iroquois fire. The employers had everything in their favor, including the press and the public, but they did not have the drivers.—Chicago Infer Ocean.

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In the February number of the National Magazine, Socialism and the Labor Unions, by Senator Marcus A. Hanna, is a contribution of great significance to the nation. It is American, wholesome, comprehensive, readable. It contains the following statement of the senator's plans for his future: 'I took some time to consider the work of the Civic Federation, and am firmly convinced that it is the object to which I desire to consecrate the remaining years of my life.' The senator says socialism is a menace, but fails to state that it is a menace to the capital class. Of course he pleads for "harmony" between exploiting and exploited classes.

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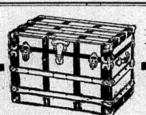
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OUTLOOK

Joint Conference of Miners and Operators Adjourns Without Agreement.

The prospect for a general strike in the coal mines is increased almost to a certainty by the adjournment of the Joint Conference of operators and miners Wednesday without an agreement. It is expected that another conference will be held before the 1st of April when the present contracts expire; but it is hardly likely that it will prove more successful than the one just closed. The operators seem to be hunting trouble. With the price of coal unusually high. giving them a wide margin, and the cost of living unusually high, giving the miners a narrow margin, they seem anxious to provoke a strike by insisting upon a reduction in wages.

The miners cannot accept the reduction, in the circumstances, with selfrespect or safety. They feel that there is no just reason for it, and, aside from the loss out of their living, it would be an exceedingly bad precedent; and the moral effect of such a thing upon the union cause would be very injurious and far-reaching.

The operators seem eager to test the strength of the union and of public sentiment; and the miners feel that, if it must come, now, with a full treasury and on the eve of a presidential election, s as good a time as any.

VERY SIGNIFICANT.

It is very significant that the demand for a reduction in the wages of miners comes indirectly from Parry's Manufacturers' Association. The plea of the operators that the manufacturers are demanding cheaper coal, has in it a world of suggestion. The Manufac turers' Association, the Contractors' Association, the Citizens' Alliance and the close union of all the coal operators of the country did not "happen" for nothing. They mean business. And their business is to put the labor unions out of business. They think they can do it now before the "socialistic tenden-cies of the unions," which they rail at so bitterly, makes such an attempt useless. They do not seem to be able to see, through their prejudice-blinded eyes, that the crippling or destruction of the union would have the inevitable effect of forcing the workers to become more "socialistic." If the operators and other large employers were really wise in their efforts to check the growth of socialism they would be very, very slow in reducing wages or by any means forcing a strike. But the old Greek saying yet appears to find "Whom the gods destroy they

SKILLFULLY DONE.

ble skill in their preparations for demanding a reduction of wages in this field. The reduction of wages in the coke region of western Pennsylvania, in West Virginia and other lesser fields makes their plea seem very reasonable when they say they cannot now compete in the market with this cheaper coal. To this there are three things to

1. The cut in wages in these fields could probably have been prevented by the close affiliation of operators had it not been merely a part of the game.

2. The coal from these lesser fields is not sufficient to seriously affect the the market.

3. The margin of profit on coal not so great that the operators could easily hold wages up and meet all competition without injury to themselves, if hey wanted to.

A DIRE CALAMITY.

A general coal strike would be a dire salamity. It would sooner or later close the steel mil's and factories, and finally the railroads would be crippled for the time. Thus it would cause untold want and misery among the poor in general as well as the strikers. This would probably cause thefts, riots, etc. And the U.S. troops returning from the Philippines just now by the thousands, where they have been hardened to cruelty in the name of patriotism, might come in very handy to spread the "good" work of the traiter Governor Peabody, of Colorado, through the whole nation. And no man can forsee what the end of a general strike will be.

We devoutly hope it can be avoided. But the miners are practically compelled

THE TOILER HANNA ON "SOCIALISM AND LABOR UNIONS"

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this, but the poor, euslaved, blighted, outraged people do not; and so he tries, AS LINCOLN SAID, to "work upon the prejudice of the people" by ingenius falsehoods. In the face of the well known fact that the 90 per cent. of toilers who produce all wealth own less than 10 per cent of the wealth produced, it is MONUMENTAL IMPUDENCE and an INSULT TO THE INTELLIGENCE of every working man for Hanna to pretend that CAPITALISM stands for "fair dealing, man to man," and that socialism means "confiscation." SOCIALISM DE-MANDS that "the workman shall have all the product of his labor" as Lincoln says. CAPITALISM DENIES IT, AND CONFISCATES THE MOST OF THE WORKER'S SHARE to "the idle and worthless."

Only under socialism will "confiscation" cease, the Golden Rule have right of way and GENERAL LIBERTY, PLENTY, LEISURE AND CULTURE be possible.

Elarr.

Danville, Ill.

by force of circumstances to resist a re duction to the last extreme. They are reduced low enough now; God knows Somehow the operators, who have ac cumulated millions of dollars off of the labor of the miners, must be made to feel that the reduction will have to come from their profits and not from the wages of the miner. IF THE OPERA TORS CAN NOT RUN THE MINES TO ADVANTAGE AND PAY FIRST CLASS WAGES THE NATION CAN The nation should own the mines, any way, and will some fine day. (E. E. C.)

Occupation, "Gentleman."

Robert Winthrop Chapler, a member of the rich New York family, is in the state egislature as an assemblyman. Other members describe themselves as lawyers, merchants, farmers, capitalists, etc., but Mr. Chanler puts himself down this way: "Politics, Democrat; occupation, gentleman."

If the American people have any "American spirit" left the government outrages against the miners of Colorado will wake them up.

A Question of Wants

"They wanted a cheap asbestos cur tain, and they got ft," inadvertently said a clerk at the establishment with which the Iroquois theatre management did busines

Yes. And the American people want a profit grabbing death dealing system industrially, and they got it.

People usually get whatever they want. When workingmen want Socialism they will get it .- Nuggets.

Professor Commons claims that labor unions are teaching the immigrants self-respect and self-government. Before the unions were organized in the coal regions there was a constant state of warfare between the dozen or more nationalities. Unionism stopped these feuds and "taught the immigrants their primary lesson in democracy, whose basis is liberty and law."

What Do You Think?

Topeka, Kas., Jan. 27-Gov. Cummins of Iowa, addressed the Kansas bar association here tonight on "The Rights of Man."

He said in part:

"The present situation between labor and capital is tending toward war. Out of that war will come the settlement of the question of man and master. The the question government must restrict this trees, government must restrict this trees, organization. Organization is all right, organization. Organization is all right, organization. government must restrict this trend of makers and lawyers of the country.

Why Fear a Vagary.

George Francis Train, who died recently, was declared by the press to have been a great man except for his "socialistic vagaries." Everything that is fool ish, freakish or faddish is branded "so cialistic" by the capitalist papers in order to discourage the working class movement.

But if Socialism is really such a crack brained affair, why do they fear it so much?-Nuggets.

To Gompers and Mitcheil.

The Civic Federation is a doping institution, organized to administer conservatism (chloroform) to the working class. Don't be dojed,-The Plate

The Honesty of Labor Leaders.

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Ex-Sheriff W. J. O'Brien, who was formerly the husiness agent of the New York Granite Cutters' union, has had a chance to know the honesty of trades union officials compared with the members of other trades and professions.

"In my official capacity as sheriff of New York," he says, "I have been required to take no more than two or three labor men to prison for grafting, whereas something like thirty-five law-yers have been taken to prison for the same crime during my two years of office.

"General records are demanding that

Wm. Mailly has been re-elected na tional Secretary by a vote of 21 to 1.

W. R. Healey, of Longwood, Fls. and R. C. Massey, of Fargo S. Da., have been elected members of the National Committee.

Comrade F. W. Knoche of Chicago vas the first one to return to the national office one of the new coin cards, con taining \$1.50 contributed by several com rades. The card came back within twenty four hours, showing that every comrade can do the same if an effort is

Charles Bradley, one of the veteran Socialists of New England died Jan. 29 at Haverhill and was buried two days later. Comrade Bradley was 69 years old, and had been active for Socialism for many years. He was elected alderman on the Socialist ticket in 1898, the same year that John C. Chase was elected Mayor, and re-elected with Chase the following year. He was the Social Democratic candidate for Governor of Massachusetts in 1900, being unanimously nominated at the state convention at which unity was consumated. Comrade Bradley came of old New England stock, and was an ardent Abolitionist in his youth, having personal acquaintance with Wendell Phillips, William Lloyd Garrison and other famous anti slavery advocates of that peroid. To the last hour of life the fire of liberty burned in his loyal breast, and he looked forward, with an eye bright with faith, to the final victory of labor. His influence in and out of the Socialist movement was inestimable. He was loved by his comrades for his purity of character, which reflected

a clean and fearless soul, and which left him strong, hopeful and enthusiastic through all adversity. His qualities were so rich and sweet and wholesome that it is impossible to do greater justice to him to say he was an honor to the cause, in whose service he never faltered to the end.

Every comrade who possibly can should send a contribution to the Nat-ional Organization fund. Send to Wm. Mailly, National Socialist headquarters, Omaha, Neb.

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