

Dec. 23.—Joyce Milton, a Christmas tree and put a snake in it, at 2132 Street. His wife went into to get some sauerkraut for the burning tree attracted and it took a bucket br-l house. Finally put the snake to rest.

Sentence of Forger
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board of trade has subscribed \$100 and called a meeting with ministers of all denominations to organize a permanent relief committee. New Haven took similar action. Manchester has also started a relief movement, while in Pittsburgh funds are being raised to be distributed among the sufferers from the three recent disasters.

Mine Owners in Threat
Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 21.—Immediately upon hearing that the troops were to withdraw from the mines, the association, and are intimating that they may do something desperate. After a conference with the Roosevelt commission they issued the following statement: "If the government unlawfully interfered with it is the duty of the state of Nevada to give its protection, and if the state is unable to do so, then it is the duty of the owners to employ private guards and discharge as well as possible the duties that really belong to the state and the nation."

Is Denied Conference
Attorney O. N. Hilton is here, having been sent by President Hoover. He asked for a conference with the Mine Owners' association, to which the association replied that it would meet him as an individual but would not recognize him as a representative of the Western Federation of Miners. Attorney Hilton telegraphed President Roosevelt as follows: "Every effort yesterday by us for conference and settlement refused by mine owners. Commissioners hearing only enemies of organized labor are witnesses. Not square deal. No disorder here and will be none. Willing to concede everything for honorable adjustment and return to work. Can you and will you help us?"

Manitowish, Wis., Dec. 23.—The Socialists of this place have petitioned the mayor to half-mast all flags out of respect for the miners who recently lost their lives in Pennsylvania. Following is the resolution in full: Whereas, The mayor of Manitowish, in his capacity as a public official, requested flags to be raised in honor of the heroes of war who left Hampton Roads on Monday, December 16, on a \$175,000,000 fleet; and Whereas, A mine explosion occurred near Pittsburg, Pa., today, December 19, as a result of which 440 men lost their lives while engaged in the work of obtaining coal in order that the world may be warm; and Whereas, This is but one of a recent series of similar disasters; and Whereas, The world is losing its lives while engaged in doing the useful and absolutely necessary work of the world are heroes no less than those who go forth pompously to war; therefore be it Resolved, That Local Manitowish Social Democratic party, hereby petition the mayor of Manitowish that Monday, December 23, be observed a day sacred to the association of peace and that the mayor request that the flag be raised at half-mast on that day in honor and memory of the men who in the past have given their lives that the work of the world might be done; be it further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded at once to the mayor of Manitowish. Dated Manitowish, Wis., Dec. 21, 1907.

Examiner Job Proves Bungo
A list of jobs offered by the Chicago Examiner's "free" employment bureau is bringing out large crowds, but few seem to be successful. Among the attractions this morning was a situation offered for a printer. Of course, could only be secured through the Examiner. This "free" exchange is advertised to be open at 7 o'clock every morning, but it seldom opens till 8:30. By this hour a small army is waiting.
Long Application Blank
Several printers as well as other workmen were on hand to get a "situation free of charge." They were given application blanks to fill out. The story of the applicant's life and information that an employer would be least concerned in is asked for.
After filling out the blank the applicant is asked for his ticket showing that he has advertised in the Examiner. If he has not advertised or has lost his "check" he gets no information from the Examiner on who wants help.
W. C. Belfield, 124 Wolfram street, a printer, had paid for an advertisement in the "situation wanted" column of this "free" exchange, but unfortunately did not have his ticket when morning. He was refused any information on who wanted the printer.
FATHER OF SEVENTEEN
CHILDREN DEAD IN IOWA
Spencer, Ia., Dec. 23.—J. W. Carver, a prominent farmer and old settler of Clay county, is dead, aged 77 years. Deceased was one of Iowa's best and most settlers. Having been here about twenty years. He is survived by seventeen children. He took first prize at the mid-winter fair here two years ago for the largest family.

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"AROUND CHRISTMAS TIME"



"SCAB" MINES FEEL BRUNT OF DISASTERS
FEAR NEW EXPLOSION AT JACOB

That all of the big mine horrors of the past in the United States, in which large numbers of lives have been lost, have taken place in non-union mines, with the exception of the one at Jacobs Creek, Pa., which has been organized only a month or so, is the assertion of Duncan McDonald, member of the Illinois executive board of the United Mine Workers.

New Explosion Feared
Jacobs Creek, Pa., Dec. 23.—In the short distance rescuers were able to penetrate the Da v mine, the scene of yesterday's awful explosion, but only a dozen bodies were found and brought to the surface, making the total number that have reached the morgue up to this time twelve. A number of other bodies, it is said, have been located. While a vast amount of work was done during the night not much progress was made toward the entries in which the great mass of bodies are entombed. The danger of another explosion is imminent, and the rescuing forces dare not venture far ahead of the forces erecting the temporary brattices. Vast quantities of gas have been encountered and the volume seems to be steadily increasing, due possibly to the opening of new fissures in the earth, resultant from the terrific explosion.

Think Fire Is Raging
There is also a strong suspicion, prompted by the waves of hot air that have been blowing from the mine, that a fierce fire is already raging far back in the workings, and if the flames should reach the deposits of coal dust known to lie in the rooms nothing could prevent a new catastrophe. Company officials have ordered and all others to obey that exploring parties shall advance only as fast as the passage-way can be cleared of gas, ventilated and otherwise made safe.

Lawson Will Boom Teddy
New York, Dec. 23.—Without claiming the consent of President Roosevelt, Thomas W. Lawson of Boston has announced that he will form a new national party which will seek to elect Roosevelt as president and Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota as vice president, and then proceed to rescue the country from the "thieves in Wall Street."

John Mitchell Is Improving
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 23.—President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers, who has been critically ill since he was taken to Sprigg, Va., Ill., next Tuesday, according to an announcement by Dr. Hodges, his physician, Mitchell's condition had so far improved that he was able to sit up much of the time and partake of nourishment.

What's the Use of Socialism? Listen to This
New York, Dec. 23.—All that is needed to set going a \$100,000,000 enterprise which will grow until it has absorbed all the trusts, to say nothing of all the land in the United States, and will give every man over 50 years of age a life pension of \$50 a month and every child under 18 \$25 a month is a paltry \$300.

Wife's Letter Proves to Be Her Death Warrant
New York, Dec. 23.—An epitome of his life and an epitaph on his death was found on the body of a drowned man in South Brooklyn in a letter which ran thus: "Dear Tom: Yours received yesterday. Try to pull yourself together and make a man of yourself. Hortense will be married the first of the year to a young man of good prospects, Frank, Howard and Emily know nothing of you or what kind of a man you are. When they ask me how their papa is I tell them you are dead. Of those 4,495 numbers have been greatly augmented this year in consequence of the industrial inactivity."

English Publisher is Cornering Wood Pulp
London, Dec. 23.—Unless Lord Northcliffe of the London Daily Mail encounters some entirely unforeseen obstacle in his plan for cornering the world's wood pulp supply, British and American newspapermen seem to be in a position where they will have to reckon with the great English publisher for practically their entire supply of print paper. His lordship—once plain Alfred Harmsworth—conceived the idea a number of years ago of making Newfoundland the world's wood pulp center, and on his advice the amalgamated Press, which controls the Mail, is investing \$4,000,000 of its reserve in the enterprise.

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BEN HANFORD IS MUCH IMPROVED

Ben Hanford is reported to be rapidly recovering from the illness that kept him at St. Luke's hospital since his arrival in the city over a week ago to attend the meeting of the Socialist national executive committee. He was taken sick immediately upon reaching the city and had to be conveyed from the train to the hospital. His complete recovery is expected in a short time.

NO BUYERS FOR COSTLY FURS

An interview with one of the young women acting as cloak models in a certain big department store on State street develops the fact that rich women and middle class women are showing total distaste for the fur. How the panic has affected the fur trade is not clear. "In a large number of cases," said the young woman, "orders for furs and cloaks which had been made in the fall are being rescinded now each day. Further than this, the purchase of expensive winter wearing apparel has fallen 50 to 75 per cent. Women who have been accustomed to the finest quality in clothing are now giving attention to cloaks and furs they never before considered as proper."

HAS DISEASE THAT HAS EARNED HIM \$10,000

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 23.—John Smith, late of Kansas City, now in the City hospital, is possessed of a valuable ailment. Scientifically, it is described as arterio stenosis aneurism, otherwise a localized dilation of the blood vessel wall, and has netted its owner \$10,000 from hospitals and physicians during the past eight years. Smith is a printer, 34 years old. He was born at Princeton, Ill., and when 11 years old cut his right leg with a pocket knife. A swelling followed. A vein and an artery had become tangled and an 8-inch inflation of the external iliac artery in the right thigh is the result. Among the clinics that have employed Smith are the Johns Hopkins, Baltimore; Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia; and the Cook County hospital, Chicago.

THE WEATHER

Office of Chief of Weather Bureau, Washington, D. C.—Official weather forecast for Monday and Tuesday: Illinois—Rain in south, snow or rain in north-portion Monday; Tuesday fair. Lower Michigan—Snow or rain and sleet Monday; Tuesday snow and sleet. Ohio—Rain and warmer Monday; Tuesday rain or snow and colder; brisk southeast, shifting to northwest, winds. Upper Michigan—Snow and sleet Monday; Tuesday fair, except snow along Lake Superior. Indiana—Rain Monday; Tuesday fair. Wisconsin—Snow Monday; brisk north winds; Tuesday fair in west, snow in east portion. Iowa—Snow in east, fair in west or on Monday; Tuesday fair. Minnesota—Fair Monday and Tuesday. North Dakota—Snow and colder Monday; Tuesday fair. South Dakota, Kansas and Nebraska—Clear or snow and colder Monday; Tuesday fair. If you see a job of printing carrying the union label, with the number 65 you will know it was done by the Workers' Publishing Society. See to it that the number is on the next job done for your union. Ten cents will get a dozen of the greatest propaganda papers ever published. Full-page poster on the mining disaster with next Friday's edition.

DARROW IS AGAIN AT HELM; EVIDENCE AIDS THE DEFENSE

BY JESSIE M. MYER
(Special to the Daily Socialist.)
Boise, Idaho, Dec. 23.—Attorney Clarence Darrow was again on duty as chief counsel for Pettibone. He reserved his powers, however, for a time when they will be more needed, and Attorney Wilson did most of the work. The day's testimony, all in all, distinctly favored the defendant, and most of the witnesses were for the state. Wilson continued the cross-examination of Charlie Neville, the youth, who four years ago, when he was only 12 years old, is said to have been with his father and Orchard at the time the latter is alleged to have blown up the Independence depot.

ROY PAID BY PINKERTONS

The most important thing brought out in the cross-examination was that Detective Cole of the Pinkerton agency had charge of the land and gave him a bonus of \$15 besides railroad fare for the services he might render the prosecution. Charlie remembered faithfully what happened at their camp the night of the independence depot explosion. What he remembered best was that he was awake most of the night. That Orchard slept with him and his father and that Orchard got up after midnight and rode the "red" horse away, coming back at daybreak. Independence depot was about 23 miles away. Charlie didn't notice the horse being fagged. He forgot, in fact, most of the particulars of his trip only where Orchard was concerned. The class struggle was plainly emphasized in a few paragraphs read by Borah to show the enmity of the federation for Bruley.

MRS. ORCHARD TESTIFIES

Mrs. Orchard, richly gowned, pale and weak, took the stand in the afternoon. She related how Orchard was out nights, that he knew Pettibone, Haywood, Moyer, Eastly and most of the miners, and was often with them; that the federation supplied her with relief funds during the strike, the same as others. She testified that she saw a telephone full of bottles in Orchard's bedroom; that she saw some men dig up a box behind the barn since Orchard's arrest; that Orchard went away shortly after the Independence mine explosion and that she hadn't seen him since. Darrow drew from Mrs. Orchard in

CHINA PERPETRATES A GOOD JOKE ON AMERICA

According to advices received in Washington, China is about to perpetrate the best international joke on record. She has decided to establish Chinese schools in America, so that the children of Chinamen in this country will not be deprived of the advantages of a good Chinese education. A plausible excuse is given to the effect that Chinese children are not wanted in the American schools. The real aim is undoubtedly to express contempt for American education and everything American. Have not the Americans sent their missionaries and school teachers to China? Why, then, should not China, feeling as she does her superiority in learning and culture, send her school teachers to America? It is not a hardship for the young Americans to be deprived of the advantages of proper training.

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SOCIALISTS DEMAND THAT BERLIN FEED CHILDREN

Berlin, Dec. 23.—The municipality is facing a serious problem in connection with the supply of food to thousands of virtually starving children attending day nurseries in Berlin. The numbers have been greatly augmented this year in consequence of the industrial inactivity. In the first week of December, according to official statistics, from 245 out of the 285 primary schools, no fewer than 11,947 children attended school, in most cases without breakfast and in all cases without the prospect of obtaining a midday meal at home. Of those 4,495 numbers have been greatly augmented this year in consequence of the industrial inactivity.

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HOW BOTH NATURE FAKE IMPROVE EACH SHINING HOUR

Wilton, N. H., Dec. 23.—A monstrous bird, standing seven feet high with twenty foot spread of wings, and heavy enough to break off a large limb from a tree on which it alighted, was seen by John L. Kerr of the Holy Family in Nashua, according to the tale he told here.

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CONNECTICUT FAMILY IS ALL 'BROKEN UP'

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Los Angeles, Dec. 21.—It is seldom that periods of financial stress drive men and women to seek bonds of wedlock in an effort of one or the other to economize. This, however, is what caused Mrs. Lillian Harriet Page, writer and business woman, and Arthur Gardner Godfrey, pioneer painting contractor, 46 and 50 years old respectively, secretly to tie themselves away to Santa Barbara Saturday, where they were married in Justice Price's court.

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