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Hoopes and Wilson Gain at State Labor Meet

REFLECTIONS

By the Editor

I AM THINKING today about the mess of lies which were whispered, sung and shouted into the ears and blazoned before the eyes of the American people during the days of the World War. After the slaughter was over President Wilson did admit the truth by declaring that the war was fought as a result of political and commercial rivalries, but then there was no longer any need to fool people into becoming murderers and the victims of murderers.

But during the war—well, the publicity was shameless and awful. Germany was mutilating Belgian babies. A lie! German soldiers were wantonly shooting women and were killing nurses. Another lie! Lies, Lies, Lies! To befuddle the minds of the great mass of people so that they would become dupes for the capitalists whose interests the war was intended to serve.

And especially I recall the poster which was intended to shame men into the unholy conflict. There was the picture of a trusting little child looking into its father's shamed eyes and asking, "Daddy, what did YOU do in the great World War?" The implication was that the man who refused to be a killer in Capitalism's cause would be afraid to face the next generation.

WE SOCIALISTS REFUSED to be fooled by the war propaganda of our exploiters—and we're proud of our ability to keep our heads on straight. But those who did succumb to the vile propaganda of those days, and who have since recovered their sanity, ARE ASHAMED.

The Rev. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick sadly confessed, this week, to the part he played in the World War. He spoke, not to justify himself in the eyes of his children and grandchildren, but to offer himself as a horrible example of the guidance of the youth of this and future generations.

"I lied to the unknown soldier about a possible good consequence of the war," Dr. Fosdick confesses. "There are times," he continues, "when I don't want to believe in immortality—the times I want to think that the unknown soldier never can realize how fruitless was his efforts. The support I gave to war is a deep condemnation to my soul. I renounce it, and never again will I be in another war."

And what did Dr. Fosdick do in the war? He tells that. In a spirit of penitence he admits that he counseled and exhorted soldiers before they went "over the top on their murderous and suicidal tasks" in France.

In brief, Dr. Fosdick aided in the gigantic deception of workers. It is to his credit today, not that he did so, but that he has the decency to regret his actions and the courage to admit his error and apologize to humanity.

THE REASON I think it is worthwhile to dwell upon this deception of past days is because the same old bunk is continuously being handed to the great mass of people in one form or another. And the deception is now, as then, for the welfare of this robber Capitalist system, and NOT for the good of the millions who are exploited for the profit of parasites. Understanding how people were (Continued on Page Four)

SOCIALIST Radio Program

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PERFECT RECORD OF LOCAL SOCIALISTS WILL AID IN FIGHT AGAINST FUSIONISTS

Tendency to Shun Both Old Political Parties Seen Among Union Delegates—Praise of Reading Socialists Applauded—Direct Aid From State Labor Leaders Probable In Coming Political Fight Here—Fusion

Trick Won't Deceive Workers

An unexpected development in the Convention of the State Federation of Labor, in Philadelphia this week, was the strong endorsement of Hoopes and Wilson which was voiced by Delegate John Kane, Pittsburgh Democrat and state president of the Printing Pressmen's Union. While Kane's praise of the Socialist candidates was no more than a personal opinion, it was freely admitted by delegates from all parts of the state that the Reading Socialists had a "100 per cent right" legislative record from Labor's viewpoint and deserved the support of all workers regardless of past partisan affiliation.

Kane's boost for Hoopes and Wilson came unexpectedly. To the applause of the gathering, he described Hoopes as the "best parliamentarian in the Assembly" and lauded both Hoopes and Mrs. Wilson for their efforts on behalf of old age pensions, unemployment insurance, abolition of child labor and other social legislation.

Pinchot Action Significant

That the favorable opinion of the work of the two Socialists was more than a personal compliment was indicated when, in Wednesday's session, an attempt to railroad through an endorsement of Gov. Pinchot's candidacy for United States Senate met with violent opposition from the floor. The motion to endorse the Republican was tabled, leaving the delegates to speculate about what future action might be proposed by the convention's political committee. More than ever before it was evident that many unionists are giving serious consideration to the matter of independent political action. "Why endorse candidates of the old parties when we might as easily put a real Labor ticket in the field and vote for candidates of our own selection," is the sentiment expressed by many delegates.

If this sentiment prevails it is probable that no endorsements will be given to the candidates of any party. However, Hoopes and Wilson have already been given the endorsement of the railroad brotherhood unions (Continued on Page Four)

SOCIALIST MILWAUKEE CELEBRATES MAY DAY

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Fifteen thousand workers marched here in a May Day parade twenty-five blocks long, on Sunday, May 6. Following the parade they were joined by ten thousand more who listened to speeches delivered by Mayor Daniel W. Hoan, Anthony J. King and J. F. Friedrich. The parade and demonstration was organized by the Socialist party and had the endorsement of the Federated Trades Council and the Workers' Committee on Unemployment.

Two score floats, five bands, and hundreds of banners and flags made the parade exceedingly colorful.

The first section was composed of the forty-five branches of the Socialist party and about twenty-five friendly fraternal organizations. This section was led by the elected Socialist officials. One of the features of the section was the women's division. More than a thousand women marched, some pushing baby carriages the entire two and half miles covered by the marchers. A beautiful float depicting the heroism of the Austrian workers preceded this division. The youth division also had over a thousand in line.

The second section had representatives of more than forty unions in line. The officers of the Federated Trades Council led the section.

In the third section were grouped the members of the eighteen branches of the Workers' Committee on Unemployment. They were led by their officers and by a band made up of members of the organization. (Continued on Page Two)

DYE CO. STRIKE FOR PAY RAISE

Failure to Give Promised Increase Causes Walkout of Fifty—Pickets Frustrate Attempted Arrest

To enforce a demand for a general wage increase, employees of the Reading Dyeing Co., Front and Bern streets, declared a strike last week and the plant is being picketed by the strikers, assisted by members of the Taxpayers' Protective League. The strikers, who are organized in the Dyers and Mercerizers' Union, Local No. 1827, state that only two of a working force of 50 persons refused to respond to the strike call.

The Dyeing Co. strikers claim that their demands for higher pay are in line with a promise made by the firm last September that wages would be increased when business conditions improved. They are now asking for increases from the present rate, which ranges from 82½¢ to 50¢ per hour, to minimums of from 45¢ to 62½¢ per hour.

Arrest Frustrated by Pickets
Wednesday morning, when a city policeman attempted to arrest a picket who momentarily disobeyed the police order to pickets to "keep moving," other strikers and their friends gathered around the policeman and succeeded in spiritedly the prisoner away from the scene, pickets report.

Stewart Grow, business agent for the Taxpayers' Protective League, said last night that he had secured the promise of Police Commissioner J. Stanley Giles that no efforts would be made to stop picketing as long as the pickets were "orderly." "In view of that promise, I cannot understand why the policeman attempted to make an arrest, especially as there were at least six other persons standing in a group on the opposite corner," Grow commented. "Whether it was a case of discrimination or just that the policeman lost his head will be revealed by future actions of the police force."

RECORD EXPORTS IN WAR'S RAW MATERIALS

WASHINGTON (FP)—March exports in scrap iron and steel, raw material for warmakers, "were the largest ever recorded in any month," the U. S. Dept. of Commerce reported May 2. Amounting to 173,165 tons, they accounted for 66% of the month's total tonnage of iron and steel products exported in the month.

"The Far East, as usual, was the chief foreign outlet for United States iron and steel exports, March shipments to that area accounting for 43.7% of the month's total," says the report. "Europe, because of purchases of scrap, constituted the second largest market with shipments amounting to 35.7% of the total."

WALL ST. BLUE AS RETAIL SALE VOLUME SLUMPS

Silk Code Authority Orders Two-Week Layoff For 30,000 Silk Workers to Halt Surpluses

CWA WAGES ARE MISSED Only by Pouring Doles Into Public Hands Can Capitalist Robbery Be Continued

NEW YORK (FP).—Wall Street has the blues.

The main reason is the collapse in retail sales since the slashing of CWA payrolls. New York stores report that sales are about on a par with April, 1933, or a bit lower in dollars—and that means nearly 30% lower in physical volume. In nine of the first 13 months of the Roosevelt regime retail sales were below the comparable months of the Hoover regime, and doubtless the score changed to 10 of 14 months by the April record.

As a result of the retail collapse, the Silk Code Authority has ordered 900 mills, hiring 30,000 workers, to "close down" completely during the week of May 14 to 21. To evade wholesale closing, the rayon industry is slashing prices.

General Shut Down Considered
One of the big companies recently announced a 10 cent a pound cut in quotations, others are debating the closing down of following suit. Cotton textiles are also in collapse. Cotton prices have broken one and one-half cents a pound in two weeks and again the reason is that buying has stopped. Manufacturers are meeting to discuss a general stoppage of all mills for one or two weeks.

The situation in textiles is typical. The nation as a whole is still buying less food than during the blackest days of 1932. Retail sales in most fields are well below pre-NRA days in physical volume although thoughtless readers are impressed by larger dollar volume. There is one exception. (Continued on Page Five)

369 EVICTION CASES IN PITTSBURGH IN A WEEK

PITTSBURGH (FP)—With federal and state relief funds not sufficient to pay rent, the Allegheny County Relief Board has been spending about \$5,000 a week to move evicted families from one place to another. The last week in April 369 families were moved. Following a recent eviction riot authorities tried to have all evictions stayed until June 1, but common pleas court judges refused.

"RWI," Relief Works Division, which has succeeded CWA, was suspended in Pittsburgh April 27 for lack of funds, throwing 18,000 out of work.

At least \$16,000,000 will be required for relief in Allegheny county for 1935, according to estimates of a committee of experts, in addition to \$1,500,000 spent by the private agencies.

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VOTE NEXT TUESDAY

Although there is no contest in the Socialist party, it will be necessary for Socialists to vote in order to offset the possibility of non-Socialists capturing a position in the Socialist party column at the general election.

Vote next Tuesday. Go to the polls, secure a Socialist ballot and mark an "X" back of each name.

STURGIS BROS. LOSE LABEL

Wyomissing Pretzel Concern Charged With Violation of Contract—Quinlan Decision Viewed as Union Victory

Announcement of the loss of the union label by the Sturgis Brothers Pretzel Bakery, 945 Hill avenue, Wyomissing, was made yesterday by Walter Riegel, president of the Pretzel Workers' Union. In making this situation public, Riegel emphasized that a distinction must be made between the above firm and Sturgis, Inc., as the latter is still operating under union conditions.

Sturgis Bros. surrendered their label upon the demand of the union in preference to living up to the terms of a contract signed by C. F. Sturgis on April 11. The immediate cause of the break in relation with the union was the refusal of the firm to require the payment of union dues by the three workers which constitute its force of employees. As a result, the Sturgis Bros. concern is now entirely non-union.

The union has entered a protest, charging intimidation and failure to abide by their agreement, with the Regional Labor Board in Philadelphia. In refusing to demand the payment of union dues by employees, C. F. Sturgis, who signed the contract last April, now declares that he was not a member of the firm and that the contract is null and void for that reason, Riegel reports.

Win Decision Over Quinlan
In the case of the dispute with the Quinlan Pretzel Bakery, the local union has been advised that the National Labor Board has decided that the Quinlan firm must discharge union employees who refuse to pay dues to their organization. The board also decided that the clause in the pretzel workers' contract with the Quinlan firm, which calls for such action, does not violate section 7-a of the National Industrial Recovery Act.

The above ruling by the N. L. B. is viewed as a significant victory and will be invoked as a precedent in the dispute with the Sturgis company.

Strike Spreads in Allentown
The number of striking pretzel firms in Allentown was increased to five on Wednesday when the workers of the B. G. Plant walked out. This is the largest pretzel bakery in that city and it is expected that every other plant will follow suit before the end of the week.

WINSTON BOOKS REJECTED BY EDUCATION BOARD

At a meeting of the board of education of the State of Arizona, held in Phoenix recently, the members of the board voted to purchase history books for the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grades.

It is particularly interesting to note that none of the contracts were awarded to the John Winston Company of Philadelphia, notorious non-union firm. The Winston Company, had it been fair, would probably have been considered for more than one of the grades.

The board's willingness to hear both sides of the question was shown by the fact that they heard first the Winston representatives and then allowed protests to be entered. (Continued on Page Two)

RADIO STARS TO ENTERTAIN IN SOCIALIST PARK

Susquehanna Mountaineers, Popular Artists, Will Be Attraction In Sinking Spring on May 19

NOMINAL CHARGE FIXED Full Day of High Grade Amusement Ending With Dance For 10-Cent Admission Fee

Socialist Park in Sinking Spring will be the scene of an unusual entertainment event on Saturday, May 19, at which the Susquehanna Mountaineers, famous radio stars, will be the chief attraction. Liberty Post, Rank and File Veterans' Association, which is co-operating with the Socialist United Drive Committee to bring these popular artists to this locality, have announced that a charge of 10 cents admission will be made with free parking for automobiles.

The program, which is described as a "Round-up," will begin at noon and last until late in the evening, closing with dancing in the park's big pavilion, for which no extra charge will be made.

Lunch will be served at reasonable prices, so that visitors who wish to make a full day of it will not be obliged to leave the park for supper.

Expect Record Crowd

With the Susquehanna Mountaineers as the main attraction, the committee in charge is preparing to receive one of the largest gatherings ever assembled in the park. The Mountaineers are known to millions of people in the eastern section of the country as a result of their many years of radio broadcasts. The "Round-up" is being advertised by wireless flashes from stations which extend into many counties and visitors will be attracted in large numbers from other sections of the state.

NRA COTTON PROGRAM HITS TENANTS, SHARECROPPERS

WASHINGTON (FP)—How the southern landlords are taking advantage of their tenant farmers and share croppers under the administration's acreage reduction program, is revealed in a report by Dr. Calvin B. Hoover, economic adviser in the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

Many landlords are taking the full benefit payment checks for themselves, tenants are being replaced with day laborers, and "squatter" families with appallingly low living standards are increasing in numbers, the report shows.

Among "undesirable effects" of the program, Dr. Hoover notes "a considerable number of cases in which tenant farmers have not received the full amount specified by the 1933 cotton contracts." He says further that "the operation of the acreage reduction program creates a motive for reducing the number of tenants on farms."

The report describes the "squatter" families as follows: "These families formerly were able to obtain a crop to tend but are now unable to do so. Many of them are living in tumble-down tenant houses and tobacco barns and any sort of shack which they can find. Their standard of living is appalling and is even much below the customary low standard of living of tenant farmers who are engaged in production."

Dr. Hoover tells of present reports of "displacement of tenants having large families with tenants having small families and of substitution of (Continued on Page Four)

What Reading Folks Are Talking About

READING'S UNEMPLOYED DEMAND DECENT RELIEF

The Taxpayers' Protective League of Reading and Berks county is again stressing the need of decent relief for those workers who have been cast aside by private industry.

What the League demands is:

A 40 per cent increase in food vouchers.

Payment in full of all electric bills contracted by the unemployed.

Payments of all rents of the unemployed.

Distribution of all necessary clothing, all to be new.

Free milk, the amount to be determined by the number of children in a family.

Payment of water bills in full.

Payment of gas bills in full.

Minimum weekly voucher of \$3.00.

The attitude of the League is that, if people are to be kept on relief orders, those orders should be of such character as to permit them to enjoy more than a mere existence standard. That viewpoint, by the way, is the same viewpoint of all progressive welfare workers.

However, the demand for adequate relief is more than a cry for justice. In its implications it is the final remedy which must be applied to the depression. The only way to cure hard times is to make it possible for everybody to have enough of the necessities and pleasures of life.

Every unemployed worker were to be given an automobile and gas to run it, that would make work for the auto industry. If they were given an unlimited food and clothing order, that would make Capitalist prosperity for many farmers and clothing workers.

And since work is all the people appear to want, why not permit everybody to work by supplying the jobless with extremely high living standards?

Who, it may be asked, is going to pay the bill? Well, there are at least two answers. One is, make the wealthy of the nation pay it out of their incomes and by levying upon their capital. The other way—which Socialist prefer—is to shorten working hours for everybody, let each person do his or her share of the useful work of the world, and give to all workers the full produce of industry.

Of course, the Socialist plan would not leave anything at all for the parasites who now get wealth without producing anything—but who in thunder would care about that?

TEACHERS AND THE REST OF US

School Director A. O. Eschelman has raised an issue on the retirement of teachers who reach the age of 62 years. In the discussion it was brought out that the pensions of teachers at retirement age will average from \$80 to \$123 per month.

While it will cause some dislocation in the lives of teachers who are forced to cease activity in the only profession they know, it must nevertheless be borne in mind that the retired teacher is incomparably better (Continued on Page Two)

RIEVE AND HURWITZ WILL SPEAK AT LABOR BANQUET

Emil Rieve, president of the American Federation of Hosiery Workers, and Abe Hurwitz, editor of the Reading Times, will be the speakers at the annual banquet of the Reading Labor College on Saturday, May 12, at Maier's Hall, 640 Park avenue, at 7 p. m.

The banquet, which will mark the official closing of the school year, will also be the occasion for the awarding of the prizes to the winners of the annual prize essay contest.

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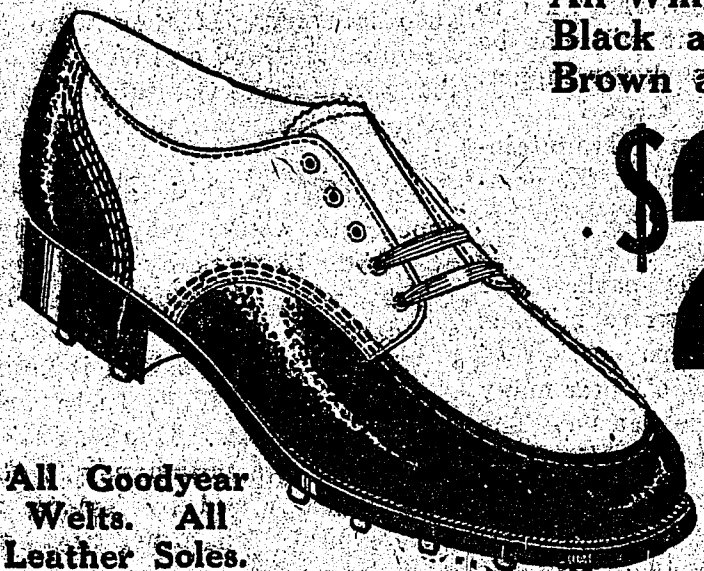


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One of the most spectacular musical productions ever to come from Hollywood makes its appearance on the screen of the Embassy theatre Friday. "Stand Up and Cheer!" Fox films' latest release, abounds and brims over with so great an abundance of song, music and visual wonder, that yesterday's audience was held spellbound to the very last turn of this musical masterpiece. Produced by Winfield Sheehan in association with Lew Brown, the film is a truly magnificent piece of work that Hollywood can well pride itself on having accomplished.

The film is produced on so stupendous a scale that it would be impossible to list all its multiple wonders here. Among the outstanding, however, are hundreds of dazzling girls, a vocal chorus of 500, a thousand players, 335 scenes, 1,200 wild animals and five bands of music. Five breath-taking rhythmic revues were created from the host of music, girls and stars. Each revue is lavishly and elaborately staged against large and beautiful scenes that fairly take your breath away. The song numbers that set the fast tempo of these scintillating revues, are all authentic hits that should have the world singing and dancing for the remainder of the year. Although musical in theme the film embodies a simple and charming story that holds your suspense throughout.

With Warner Baxter heading the cast of prominent players, "Stand Up and Cheer!" presents such outstanding performers of the screen, the stage and the radio, as Madge Evans, James Dunn, Sylvia Froos, John Boles, Nigel Bruce, Arthur Byron, Shirley Temple, Ralph Morgan, Jimmy Dallas, "Aunt Jeannette," Mitchell and Durant, Nick Foran and Stepin Fetchit.

SOCIALIST MILWAUKEE

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The speeches were delivered from the east steps of the court house, and were carried over a powerful loud-speaker system.

King, speaking as secretary of the Workers' Committee, declared his organization was working for the overthrow of the profit system. "We are," he said, "determined that the present capitalist system must go."

Friedrick, who is recording secretary of the Trades Council, spoke as an official representative of that body. "There are many who do not regard the organized labor movement as a revolutionary group," he said. "I want to correct that impression. The labor unions are revolutionary organizations. They demand the full product of their toil and they know that this aim can only be accomplished by the ending of the capitalist system. The robber profit system must go."

Mayor Hoan was given a terrific ovation when he rose to make the closing speech. He gave a fiery address expounding Socialist principles. "There is no solution to the workers' problems save the triumph of Socialism," Hoan declared. "We rededicate ourselves to the original Socialist slogan, 'Workers of the world unite, you have nothing to lose but your chains.'"

The speakers were introduced by State Senator Walter Polakowski.

The meeting was opened by mass singing of the Internationale. There was no mistaking the Socialist ardor of the crowd, who, time and again, applauded the speakers' demands for the establishment of a workers' world, a world free of exploiters.

Former Sheriff Al. Benson was the parade marshal.

WINSTON

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Dr. H. E. Hendrix, superintendent of public instruction, called members of the Phoenix Labor Council committee, inviting them to present their side of the question to the board.

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WHAT READING FOLKS ARE TALKING ABOUT

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off than the wage worker who is fired because he is "too old."

In the case of the teacher, there will be an income which will enable him or her to live with some degree of independence and self-respect; the sordid threat of degrading poverty is not present. But for the worker who is fired, the future offers nothing better than inadequate relief orders or perhaps the poor house.

Socialists have fought and will continue to fight for the protection of school teachers. However, it must be admitted that very few teachers have lifted their voices or expended their energies in behalf of the old age security for all workers for which Socialists have been fighting.

WOULD YOU WANT GOV'T TO OWN YOUR HOME?

The title of this article is the question which enemies of Socialism raised during the years gone by. What a terrible thing that would be—the non-Socialists appeared to believe.

However, quite recently a number of home owners (with mortgages on their homes) received notices from the federal authorities that their mortgages had been taken from the banks by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. After thinking the matter over the home owners came to the conclusion that Capitalism—not Socialism—is on a fair way to taking the homes of workers away from them by the foreclosure route.

The banks will get the money and the government will get the mortgage. If the mortgaged worker is unable to meet his payments the government will take title to the property.

Why is this terrible thing coming to pass? The answer is because Capitalism simply isn't functioning as it did. Real estate securities are no longer secure. Workers can not meet their obligations and the banks don't want to be caught with a lot of properties on their hands. So a beneficent government consents to hold the bag and relieve the banks.

Some people may believe that it is a step toward Socialism when the government takes mortgages on homes and farms and industries. But it's not—not unless the workers organize in a political party of their own and make this a workers' government.

LOCKED IN AND LOCKED OUT

Prison Inspector Mary Archer, aroused by the numerous prison breaks that have occurred since the new Berks County jail was built, declares that careless management

is the cause. We are willing to let Miss Archer have it her way; we're not so greatly interested in those who are locked in as in those who are locked out from all opportunities to enjoy normal lives.

When a man is in jail he is locked in. When he's unemployed against his will he's locked out; locked out from the chance to rear his family in decency; locked out from the right to live in a happy home; locked out of the stores, the movies, the restaurants; locked out of everything worth while.

We Socialists want to make people free. We don't want to lock them in or lock them out. We want to place the possibility of a happy life within the reach of every normal person. That is why we are so insistent that the industries, which are the basis of all life, shall be owned socially and dedicated to the welfare of mankind.

PEABODY, Mass. — Thirty tanneries in five Massachusetts cities have been closed by a strike of 10,000 workers, tying up the whole industry in the state. The strikers demand a 25% wage increase. Pickets are on duty at all plants in Peabody, Salem, Lynn, Woburn and Danvers.

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CLEVELAND — Carriers of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, morning daily, who attended an organization

meeting of newsboys were fired. They had been warned to stay away. Carriers getting the most subscriptions are offered a "free" trip to Chicago. The Plain Dealer is the only local paper which has not joined the Newspaper Guild. Reporters on the Press and News are fully organized.

Cops Don't Understand Their Literature

NEW YORK — Police orders for confiscation of any anarchist literature distributed during the May Day celebration in New York City failed because the police were unable to recognize such when it appeared. Scores of copies of Carlo Tresca's anarchist weekly, *Il Martello*, were sold under the noses of the cops in Union and Madison Squares and along the parade routes, with no interference.

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CARD PARTY SATURDAY AT NORTHEAST BRANCH

Another of those delightful card parties will be held Saturday night at 1311 North Ninth street, under the auspices of the Northeast Women. Prizes and refreshments will be of the best. Playing will start at 8:30 o'clock.

CARD PARTY SATURDAY AT HYDE PARK

Have a good time this Saturday night at 420 Pennsylvania avenue, Hyde Park, at the combined card party that will be held by the Hyde Park Branch and T. P. L. Prizes, lunch and refreshments will be served by the committee. Bring your friends and spend a pleasant evening with our comrades of Muhlenberg township. Admission free; enough said. Thanks.

MALE CHORUS WILL GIVE CHURCH RECITAL

Next Wednesday, May 16, the Socialist Male Chorus will render a recital in the Lutheran Church in Glenside. Members will please note this engagement and be at 1311 North Ninth street at 7:30 p. m., from whence they will be transported to Glenside. Bring chorus uniforms.

WOMEN'S CHORUS CARD PARTY IS CANCELED

Owing to many other activities which require the attention of members of the Socialist Women's Chorus, the card party which was planned by that organization has been cancelled.

SOCIALIST SPORTSMEN, ATTENTION!

All who wish to join in the gymnastic activities at the Socialist Park on Saturday and Sunday, May 12 and 13, are requested to be at the Ly-

ceum at 2 p. m. on both days or at the Socialist Park at 3 p. m.

There will be a meeting of all Gymnastic Club members and friends on Monday, May 14, at the Southern Branch headquarters, 429 South Tenth street, at 8 p. m.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Committee will be held Thursday, May 17th, at Labor Lyceum at 8 p. m.

YIPSEL NOTES

Circles 1 and 6 will hold a joint "doggie roast" on May 17th. All persons desiring to attend will report at the Labor Lyceum before 8 p. m. The cost of attendance will be 10 cents. A good time is assured to all.

The Yipsels are holding an informal swimming party on Sunday. The cost will not be more than 10 cents. We are going up the Maiden-creek to the "Big Bend." All persons are invited. The girls will be taken along free of charge. What do you think of that girls? Rather nice and generous of the boys, eh, what! So don't disappoint them; be there.

Remember the combined dance and doggie roast the Berkshire Heights comrades are holding in the red barn along the "Tully"! Everyone is invited and they would like to see as many Yipsels as possible there. This is to be in the form of a "get-acquainted" party. Let's co-operate with the Berkshire Heights comrades. What do you say?

The following street meetings will be held next week:

May 11 (Friday)—Gordon and Greenwich. Speaker, Mark Brown.
May 14 (Monday)—Eleventh and Muhlenberg. Speaker, Austin Adams.
May 16 (Wednesday)—Locust and Pike. Speaker, Stewart Grow.

SPEAKERS AT BRANCH MEETINGS

Monday, May 14th: Northeast: Larry Rogin. Central: Current events. Temple: James Roslin.
Tuesday, May 15th: 18th Ward: Wm. Schweren. Southern: Timely topics. Kenhorst: Howard Moser. Laureldale: Birch Wilson. Muhlenberg: Leon Minker. Cumru-Mohnton Women: Darlington Hoopes.
Thursday, May 17th: County Committ.
Friday, May 18th: Cumru: Raymond Hofses. Berkshire Heights: Larry Rogin. Northwest: Jacob Hiestand.

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Barrel Makers Strike

DETROIT—The Detroit Coopers' Local Union has struck against the Michigan Cooperage Co., over the question of pay for overtime. It has asked the Coopers' International to remove the label from the company's products. Union brewery workers are cooperating by refusing to use its malt barrels.



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LOCAL JEWS OPEN DRIVE TO AID HEBREW REFUGEES

The Executive Committee for the Reading United Jewish Appeal met at the Community Centre Monday night to make final preparation for the opening campaign dinner. Emanuel Weiss, chairman of the campaign, announced that reservations for the dinner should be made at headquarters in the Berks County Trust Building, telephone 6269, or with Mrs. Morris D. Gilbert, chair-lady of the Women's Committee, telephone 2-3460.

The dinner will open at 6:15 p. m. at the Berkshire Hotel in informal dress. George Crocker, manager of the hotel, has arranged the menu and will have the assistance of the Women's Committee in catering the dinner. Hon. Harry S. McDewitt, presiding Judge of Common Pleas Court No. 1, Philadelphia, will address the gathering.

The purpose of the Appeal Campaign is to assist Jews in Germany and to aid in the rehabilitation of Jewish refugees in Palestine, and to assist the following organizations: Hebrew Foreign Grant Act Society, National Labor Party of Palestine and the American Jewish Committee.

M. Bernard Hoffman, chairman of divisions, outlined the method of the campaign. The card system will be used for each individual subscription. Teams in each division, led by their respective captains, under the direction of division leaders, will canvass the city and suburbs during the drive. Mr. Hoffman has appointed the following division leaders: Sig. S. Schweriner and David Sulkis, assistant division leader, for the Flying Squadron; David Grotto, for the Temple Group; A. Shulman, for the Keshet Zion Congregation; Bernard Rosenthal, for the Zionist District; Morris Knoblauch, for the Shomra Habrit Congregation; Mrs. Morris D. Gilbert, for the Women's Division, and Benjamin Taub for the Pioneers and Folk Schule Section.

The complete roster of the Women's Committee for the United Jewish Appeal, Mrs. Morris D. Gilbert, chairman, includes: Mrs. Sol K. Cohn, Mrs. Herman Folkman, Mrs. Samuel D. Gilbert, Mrs. William Gilbert, Mrs. Louis Greenwald, Mrs. Harry A. Jaskulek, Mrs. Murray Lappen, Mrs. Ralph Levenson, Mrs. Ted Levy, Mrs. Earl Liever, Mrs. Israel Liever, Mrs. Joseph M. Liever, Mrs. Sigmund C. Lurio, Mrs. Samuel Pear, Mrs. M.

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Strike Wins For Dairy Workers

DETROIT—On strike six days, the Milk Drivers and Dairy Workers Union in Detroit forced wage increases from the Liberty Creamery Co. Tank wagon drivers, who formerly got \$27 a week, now get \$36.

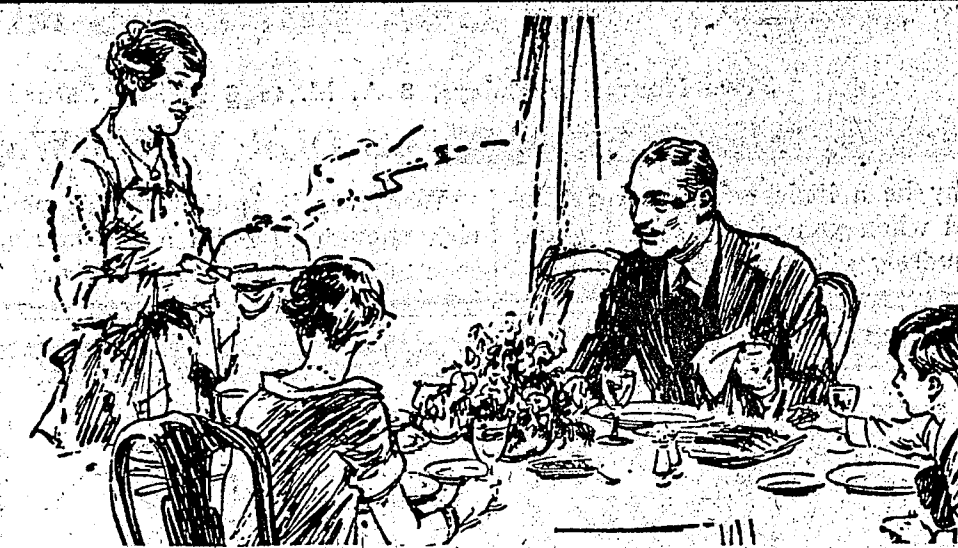
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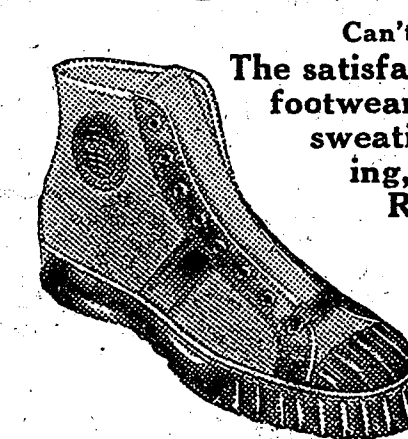
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NRA COTTON

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relatives of the landlord as tenants in place of former tenants." He says that "the number of idle tenant farmers is apparently increasing just as it has done during the past four or five years."

No Recovery For Butte Jobless

BUTTE, Mont.—In place of recovery there is more unemployment in Butte than ever before, according to the Trades and Labor Council of the American Federation of Labor.

BUSINESS TOLD IT WILL RULE NRA INDUSTRY

Johnson's Aid Gives Pledge That "New Deal" Will Not Take Power From Labor Exploiters

TO SAVE PROFIT SYSTEM

Freedom From Anti-Trust Laws And Regulation of Workers Seen as "New Deal" Benefits

WASHINGTON (FP).—Two Harrimans, one president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, and the other assistant to Gen. Johnson, have expressed assurance that business is getting and will get what it wants from the NRA.

Henry L. Harriman, power magnate and national business leader, told the annual convention of the Chamber of Commerce May 2 that the NRA was "the answer of Congress" to the Chamber's request for "self-regulation of business."

Profit Taker Satisfied
"If I rightly sense the judgement of business men on the workings of the Industrial Recovery Act," he said, "it is that the law has done much good; that many undesirable business practices have been eliminated; and that the foundations have been laid for the orderly conduct of business."

At the same time he said he sensed "a very widespread fear" that the act "may become an automatic act, for the regimentation of business by the government."

As if in reassuring answer to this fear, W. Averil Harriman, special assistant administrator of the NRA, speaking the day before to the American Trade Association executives, described "industrial self-government" as the goal of the NRA.

Won't Dictate to Exploiters
"I wish most emphatically to point out," said Gen. Johnson's assistant, "that those of us who have been in the NRA, have the sole wish to bring about this true industrial self-government in the shortest possible time."

"There is no intention, expressed or implied, to force industry to act according to NRA insistence. To the contrary, the wish is to help industry properly to govern itself. There is no desire to employ coercive methods."

The Chamber of Commerce Harriman pointed out that the NRA was really the answer to a businessman's prayer, for the following reasons:
"In December, 1931, long before the depression had reached its depth," he said, "the Chamber of Commerce went on record by an overwhelming vote of its membership in favor of the self-regulation of business, through trade groups or trade associations, such regulations including the adoption, with government approval, of fair rules for the conduct of business, the prevention of cut-throat and unfair competition, and the abolition of unmanageable surpluses."

Henry Harriman, in fact, was influential in the formative days of the NRA in shaping it according to business desires.

Privateers Benefited
Freedom from anti-trust laws, government money and assistance for restoring profits, with a minimum of interference when profits improve; government responsibility for keeping labor in check, with the fewest possible concessions—these were some of the things that American business wanted from the NRA.

Today, speaking in a spirit of "conservative optimism," the president of the Chamber of Commerce indicates to the nation's businessmen that they have gotten pretty much what they wanted.

Brewery Workers Gain
ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Rochester brewery workers will work 40 hours a week hereafter for the same pay they have been getting for 46 hours under a new contract concluded between the Brewery and Soft Drink Workers Union and the Brewers Exchange.

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duped back in 1917 may assist the present generation to detect the lies in present-day publicity.

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These lies, I tell you, are today merely devices for keeping the victims of Capitalist robbery so befuddled so that they will not be able to do the one sane sensible thing which they must do to save themselves from poverty and from the never-ending robbery from which workers have always suffered and will continue to suffer under Capitalism.

COMING BACK TO Dr. Fosdick, I would like to remind him that it is just as true today as it was when Wilson said it that the cause of war is commercial and industrial rivalry. And I would like to impress upon him—and upon YOU—that the only way to end war is to end those rivalries.

Capitalism will not be able to end war, but Socialism will. For, under the Capitalist system, profits—private profits—is the only urge to human activity—and private profits cannot be achieved in any other way than by competing for and winning the all-too-few markets which exist in this world of privately-owned surpluses.

If Dr. Fosdick—or YOU—are against war, he and you should be for Socialism. For, under Socialism wealth would be produced for the welfare of those who produced it and not for the profit of owners; that would automatically end the international and commercial rivalries.

which are today threatening to plunge the world into another and more terrible war.

"Who is not with me is against me," declared the Nazarene. Likewise, who is not for Socialism is for Capitalism—and for war—regardless of how ardently he may wish to avoid future international slaughter.

PERFECT RECORD

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of the state, and it is certain that they will have the active support of many State Federation leaders.

Aim to Defeat Fusion
In the coming election the Socialist legislative candidates will face a Fusion ticket for the first time in the history of Reading. However, the voters of this locality realize better than ever before that the alliance of

the two old political groups is based upon the desire of the labor exploiters who control both parties to keep workers from gaining political power. With a record which stands without challenge as one for the social advancement of the masses and with the assistance of organized workers throughout the state, the Socialist chances of defeating Fusion are gaining rapidly.

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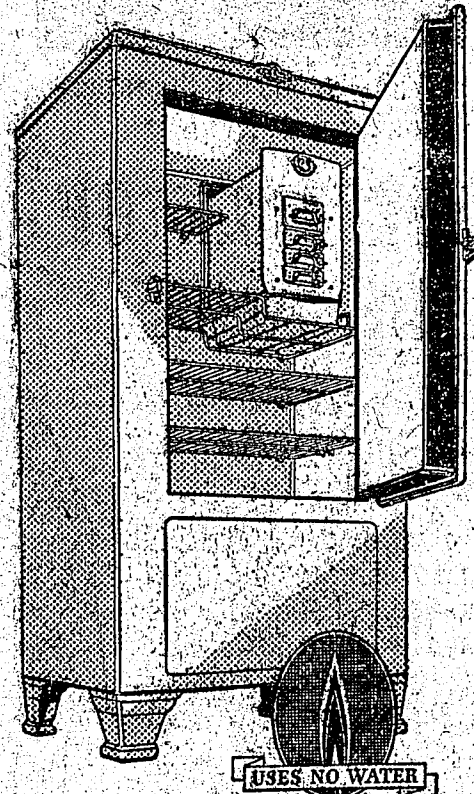
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Insane. He killed his wife in a suicide pact but was stopped before he could kill himself. He was to have stood trial for murder, but a commission of doctors found him insane.

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Activities On The Local Union Front

By EARL WHITE
Federated Trades Organizer

WILL LABOR'S CASE BEFORE CIVIC GROUPS

At the regular meeting of the Federated Trades Council, held in Labor Lyceum Wednesday evening, the Executive Committee was authorized to seek audiences before civic groups, and business and professional men's organizations to discuss with them the seriousness of the impending strike situation as a result of the hosiery manufacturers' refusal to renew an improved agreement desired by the Hosiery Workers' Union.

On prior occasions merchants and professional persons about town, not entirely understanding the situation, criticized and condemned their potential customers, clients and patients for seeking the same thing the professions are privileged to enjoy without interference or restraint—Organization.

Frequently they are prejudice by misleading rumors manufactured by large employers themselves and more often by the private detective labor provocateurs.

Labor has nothing to conceal on this issue and feels that when the whole story is told to an unbiased, open-minded audience, an entirely different picture will present itself.

Business institutions are the benefactors of any advantages the laboring people of the community may secure. Any agreements entered into by employers and unionized employees make for a clarified atmosphere, in the community, and when non-belligerent employers can bring themselves to understand and realize it, all concerned can look forward to industrial peace.

If persons in the business life of the community will cast their lot on the side of their own bread and butter instead of being kidded and impressed by the big employers' good fellowship, they will be economically independent. With the course of events in the past, I question seriously, can it be done?

UNIONS AND SOCIALISM DISCUSSED AT FORUM

George M. Rhodes, president of the Federated Trades Council, and the writer were the discussion leaders in the Educational Forum in Labor Lyceum Sunday evening.

Rhodes discussed the relationship and tactics of the Socialist in the organized trade union movement, and the writer discussed the philosophy of the trade union movement. Much information was secured by questions from all angles.

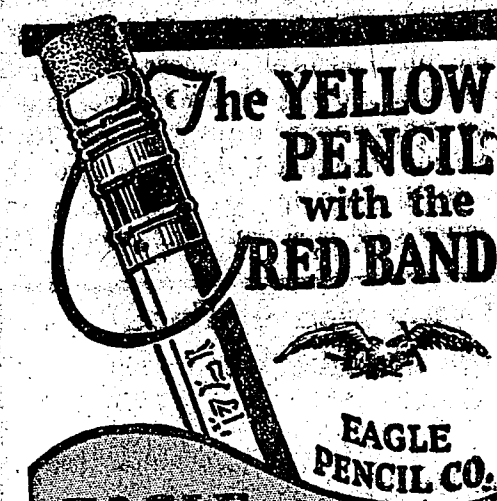
RHODES ON COMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION

Because of the huge and glaringly outstanding successful Workers' Educational undertaking here during this last Labor College school year, Geo. M. Rhodes was placed on the Educational Committee at the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor convention this week held in the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia. Larry Rogin is also in attendance and gave a review of the work accomplished here.

BETTER UNDERSTANDING IN SHOE INDUSTRY

According to report at the Boot and Shoe Workers' meeting on Tuesday night at 413 North Ninth street by Fay L. Carlin, national representative of the Shoe Workers' Union, a new and friendly relationship has been established between the union and management of shoe factories here by his interview with them last week.

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A full house is looked for next Tuesday night, the regular meeting date, at the same place.

PREPARE TO GREET HOSIERY MEET IN JUNE

The committee named by the Federated Trades Council as a reception and entertainment committee to the Hosiery Workers' national convention, opening here in the Berkshire Hotel June 4th, held their first meeting on Thursday afternoon at the council office and made preliminary plans. Assurance has already been given the writer that the musicians will co-operate in making the delegates' stay a pleasant and lasting one. Any suggestions or offers of cooperation will be appreciated by the committee.

HARDWARE UNION MEETS TONIGHT

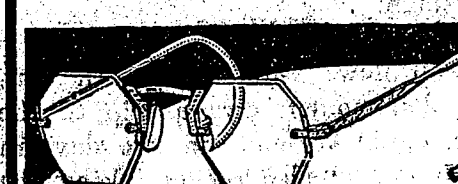
The regular meeting of the Hardware and Allied Trades Workers' Union will be held in St. Casimir's hall tonight.

A report of importance will be made by Charles Fair on his conference with the employers on the Lock and Builders' Hardware Code, and all workers are urged to attend.

WALL STREET

(Continued from First Page)

ception—mail order sales are up. So Wall Street points out that sales improved generally when the government was pouring hundreds of millions into CWA wages and that sales have improved in the farm districts because the government is pouring hundreds of millions into AAA benefit payments. This all adds to the



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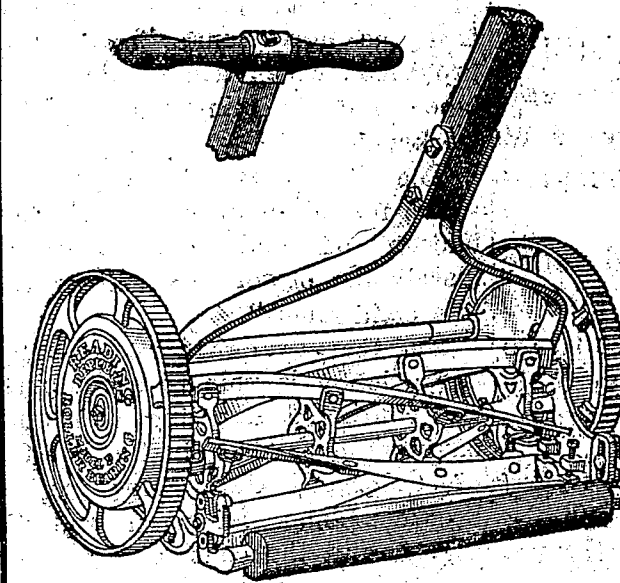
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EDITORIALS

By Norman Thomas

THE TAILOR GOES TO JAIL

It was that good supporter of the Administration, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, which gave the most effective comments on the way NRA is working that I have seen. In a little box at the head of a column is carried a paragraph headed: "Tailor Who Pressed Suit for 5 Cents Less Than Code Price Gets Thirty Days." Underneath a bigger heading under a longer article read: "NRA Has No Case on Big Companies That Will Stick." General Johnson says so—an explanation of why no conspicuous example has been made.

It is no use for a thick-and-thin supporter of NRA to get up and say that after a while the tailor was let out and that really he oughtn't to have acted the way he did. The fact is that he was put in jail, while big companies guilty of price-fixing and continual chiseling of the labor provisions of the codes go utterly unwhipped of justice. I repeat on the basis of what I hear everywhere: Chiseling is more universal under the codes than bootlegging in prohibition days.

WARBURG TELLS SOME TRUTHS

We owe to banker James Warburg the statement of one truth at least. In a speech he said something to this effect: The Administration is trying to protect all the savings of the American people at a hundred cents on the dollar and at the same time to reduce the burden of debt, and it can't be done. On this matter, at least, Mr. Warburg is right.

It is possible to reduce the burden of debt to some extent even under capitalism without wiping out savings, as might be done by a wholesale inflation. The capital levy would help. But it is not possible at all to validate all certificates of debt at a hundred cents on the dollar and still reduce the burden of debt.

Now it happens that savings of banks, insurance companies, and the like, are very generally invested in indebtedness certificates, that is, bonds and mortgages. There's the problem. It is time the American people got it into their heads that we cannot protect capitalist property rights—let alone the right of labor to the product of its labor—and give everybody what they want.

You can't support the present structure, the burden of interest, and yet find any sensible way to relieve its intolerable pressure upon farmers and others. It cannot raise prices and fix prices, as is being done under the codes, and at the same time give adequate protection to consumers. The Administration's present intent to prevent cut-throat competition and yet not encourage monopolistic price fixing; to fix a reasonable cost in an industry but not to fix prices; to raise the entire price level but not to gouge consumers, is as impossible as the squaring of the circle.

The economy of abundance will never be reached by that road. We have got to start out on the principle of social ownership, planned production and a sharing of the abundance that can thus be produced. In a transition period we can take steps somewhat to mitigate the shock of panic change upon the system and masses of men under it, and that's all. We cannot fool ourselves that we can keep on granting profits to small owners of property and take it all out of the big men, either by taxation or otherwise.

THE MINISTERS FOR PEACE

One can make all the allowances one wants and still it must be admitted that the response which Kirby Page has collected from more than 20,000 answers to questionnaires sent to Protestant ministers and Jewish rabbis is somewhat surprising and very encouraging.

The opposition of the ministers is far greater and more thoroughgoing to war than to capitalism; 13,997 out of 20,870 ministers who answered believe it is time for the churches to go on record as refusing to sanction or support any future war. The opposition of the ministers to old-fashioned individualistic capitalism is even more overwhelming. Nevertheless, it is encouraging that 5,879 of these ministers definitely favor Socialism, a little more than half as many as favor a drastically reformed capitalism, which presumably in the minds of most of these ministers may mean the New Deal.

Without overemphasizing the real power represented in

the opinion of these ministers, here is a factor in our social life of which neither labor nor the Socialist Party should fail to take account.

WHO WILL BENEFIT?

It is to the ultimate interest of every human being that the present capitalist system of industry, otherwise called the profit system, should be abolished and that it should be replaced by a Socialist system.

Even the wealthy beneficiaries of capitalism would be better off in every desirable way. They would no longer be able to gouge millions out of the useful citizens, but they would live happier lives and be better men and women in every respect.

However, most of them do not know this and are not likely to discover it until after the change is made. They are too shortsighted to understand. They are governed by what they deem to be their immediate financial interests; and they think their immediate financial interests lie in maintaining the capitalist system. A few of them may be exceptions, but most of them are "out" so far as espousing the cause of Socialism is concerned. It has to look elsewhere for its adherents.

Fortunately, if the rest of the people, if all those who would be both immediately and ultimately benefited by the change from capitalism to the new social order, would espouse Socialism, it would be overwhelmingly supported.

While no absolutely accurate figure can be quoted, it certainly is to the financial interest of somewhere from 90 per cent to 99 per cent of the people to have the change made. This includes the wage workers, the farmers and most of the small business and so-called middle classes.

Members of these groups are unqualifiedly fooled when they permit themselves to be propagandized into thinking that Socialism is against their interests. They will be far better off in the new system, and they should advocate it with all their might.—Milwaukee Leader.

OH RATS!

"Good grief, what makes you all skin and bones?" exclaimed the sewer rat when he saw his cousin of the wheat bin. "Over-production," sobbed the bin rat. "There is so much wheat I couldn't eat it all if I tried."

"Well, why don't you at least eat your fill?" piped the sewer rat.

"I can't," squealed the bin rat. "They told me I've got to buy it with corn and there is too much of that darned stuff too."—American Guardian.

IT'S A GREAT SYSTEM

By JOHN PAINE,
Federated Press

One hundred thousand inspections by the N. Y. Telephone Co. showed accurate operation in 998 out of each 1,000. "The inaccuracy was an error in the subscribers' favor," said Vice-Pres. Victor Cooley.

So-o-o-o, the Central Municipal Court of Manhattan awarded to Dr. Alton A. Smahl, who kept records of his calls for eight years and declared the company had gyped him, a verdict of \$5.40 against the company.

You can either believe the court or the 15 company witnesses, operators, engineers, accountants and inspectors, and, of course, the vice-president.

May Day Notes

Three New Yorkers in overalls and caps, carrying red flags and picks and crowbars, were stopped five times by cops in getting across Union Sq. before the parade. They weren't Communists, they told the cops, they were "doing a job" for the N. Y. Edison Co.

Fifty members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, attracted by a bunch of red flags in the street, surprised a group of undercover men (really repairmen working in manholes) near Union Sq.

If there were more May Days, it is just possible that prosperity would turn the corner. Thousands of red kerchiefs, sweaters, armbands and caps first saw the light of day in this year's demonstration.

For the first time, Vice-Pres. Garner did something for his country.

He voted Yes on Sen. Borah's bill to make it legal for a congressman to accept a fee for representing any client while in office, thereby bringing the bill to the Senate floor.

Our Great Lawmakers

The House bill for the restriction of sugar beet production provided that the agreements "may contain provisions which will eliminate child labor and fix minimum wages for workers."

The Senate struck out the provision for minimum wages and "elimination" of child labor, substituting merely the power to "limit or regulate child labor."

And that, dear readers, is what the sugar lobby is able to accomplish—the continued sweating and underpaying the children in the beetfields of Colorado, Utah, Montana, Nebraska, Idaho, Michigan and California, and the continued paying of dividends to stockholders thereby.

Signs of the Times

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March export total of 173,165 tons of scrap iron and steel (war material to you) went to the Far East; 35.7% went to Europe, reports the U. S. Dept. of Commerce.

Could it be that the Philippine delegation, on viewing "freedom" in this country, went back to Manila and reported that it was the bunk, thereby causing that country to veto the "independence" bill?

Unemployment Relief

Supt. Arthur Grenade, of Arkansas State Prison, harnessed six convicts to a cotton planter in place of one mule.

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Anyway, the convicts didn't mind. The super said so himself.

It just happened that four were killed within two weeks, trying to escape.

Answer to a Maiden's (?) Prayer

The NRA was the "answer of Congress" to the U. S. Chamber of Commerce's request for self-regulation of business," says Pres. Henry L. Harriman.

Swell news from Paris: An eminent astronomer says a trip to the moon could be made in two days in a radium-propelled rocket. When he starts we'll donate some passengers.—Dr. Wirt, "Shoot-a-few" Weir E. G. Budd, et al.

Postmaster-Gen. Farley could receive no bids from airmail companies which had been involved in the recent scandal.

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THE WORLD IN REVIEW

By J. I. S.

Roosevelt and Reaction

With the passing of the emergency last Spring, Roosevelt stands clearly revealed as a man without any, well-thought out philosophy, whose impulses are to favor the ruling business class into which he was born quite as often or even more often than he favors the working man. We hear nothing more of even the mild experiments in the direction of increased social control that have characterized his administration. Instead, the heads of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce were told by him that during the next year there will be a minimum of governmental restraint, and business will be allowed largely to conduct its affairs as it pleases.

Those persons who argued that Roosevelt was carrying us rapidly towards socialization lost sight of the fact that he himself wanted nothing more than a return to the so-called prosperous days that preceded the crash. In those days, it will be recalled, about 3,000,000 were unemployed—a number that will be vastly increased even if recovery comes, for tremendous technological advances have been made in the last five years.

Now that the condition of the country is not quite as desperate as it was last year, Roosevelt is showing how slight is his feeling for the common man. He failed to support the bill reducing weekly working hours to 30, and the bill for unemployment insurance, and he has objected to the measure banning company dominated unions. He has signed almost every bill passed by Congress, but he vetoed one giving the long-suffering substitute postal employees a minimum wage. This simple act of justice, by some curious mental process, he found "discriminatory." Meanwhile he permits Farley to extend until June 1, the postal wage cut in the guise of a payless furlough, after a public promise had been made to end it on May 1. The liberal Roosevelt, by the way, has given us the worst postmaster general from the point of view of the postal employees since the notorious Burleson of war-time fame.

The Civil Works, the only feature of the Roosevelt program that directly helped the unemployed, has been abandoned, and in its place we have returned to the degrading work-relief program of Hoover. The wages of the American working man have increased to just about the same extent that prices have risen, so that the common man, for whose benefit the NRA was supposed largely to have been passed, is in precisely the same uncomfortable position he occupied a year ago. But business is getting along beautifully, and the coupon clippers are enjoying prosperity for the first time in several years. Unemployment no longer worries the President, though the number of jobless is now 10,900,000, an increase of more than three-quarters of a million since last October.

All Roosevelt has ever stood for is regulation of the worst practices of private business. He had an excellent chance to socialize the banking system when he assumed office, but he preferred to save the banks for the benefit of the bankers. He has made only two steps in the direction of socialization, and one of these, the carrying of the air mail, he turned up so badly and promptly returned to the private interests that had been found guilty of collusion bidding. The Tennessee Valley Authority is the only socialistic device to the credit of the administration.

Meanwhile the very gentle bonds placed on private enterprise are being relaxed. The NRA from the first under the domination of big business, is being handed over to them even more completely. The Tugwell pure food bill has been successively modified until now it is almost worthless. The permanent insurance of bank deposits has been delayed, and the protection of investors through the Securities Act is being modified. The

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The workers and farmers of this

country will get a "new deal" only when they build their own political party to socialize the industries and run them for the benefit of the people.

Food Prices 19 Per Cent

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