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Comment on Passing Events

By Frederic Heath

Six Social-Democrats elected to parliament in Bulgaria is the latest little piece of cable news. Every little bit helps.

The dues-paying membership of the party in New York state has doubled in two years. You cannot keep the Socialists down!

Socialism is coming hot-foot. It's going to catch you among the rest. Are you willing to get on the right side of the question?

Are you getting a bundle of Herads each week to put where the other fellows will pick them up and absorb our ideas? If not, what is the excuse you make to your conscience?

In Minnesota the state federation of labor turned down a proposal to form a labor party. The idea was inspired by the bosses to try to head off the great growth of the Socialists.

From everywhere come words of enthusiasm for the Socialist advance. We are a great army with a great mission. Our comradeship is of the shoulder to shoulder sort, the like of which the world has never seen.

A constable the other day in an eastern city handled a woman he had been sent to evict so roughly that she died. The majesty of the law these days often clothes actual criminals.

The capitalist poison squad want the scalp of Government Chemist Wiley. Dr. Wiley has been calling a spade a spade and the food poisoners are tired of having him put the people on their guard.

Do not be afraid of mere words. Do not shy at the word Socialism like a fool horse at a blowing piece of paper in the street. The demand of the working people for justice by any other name would sound just as terrible, Father Barry once said.

Socialism presents some hard nuts to crack for the person who thoroughly investigates. You may dodge the subject, but that is no evidence of bravery; on the contrary, it is an evidence of either cowardice or dense sluggishness.

There are lots of people who would be willing to be monopolists if they got the chance, but is that any reason why monopoly is a good thing? There are lots of people who would be willing to be despots if they could, but it does not make despotism right or wise.

The poor are doubly scourged. If they try to get a home they must pay on long time and the prices are raised to meet the case. For their living expenses they buy in small lots, which is the most expensive way. Capitalism does NOT temper the wind to the shorn lamb!

Here's sad news for the common American citizen. The United States senate has voted to limit the amount of campaign money a man can spend in seeking the office of United States senator to \$5,000. Hereafter the common fellow with a dollar a day job will not be able to buy a seat in that parliament of sharpers.

Gains for Social-Democracy are now reported from South Africa. See! There's no escape, Mr. Old Party Working Man. It doesn't just happen that Socialism bobs up all over this globe. Social evolution is making it inevitable. It's your only salvation, and if you fight it, the more fool you.

It was a long fight in Milwaukee, but the Social-Democrats succeeded in forcing the street cars to put on air brakes. It was a long fight, but the Social-Democrats succeeded in forcing the street railway to sprinkle its tracks. It was a long fight, but the Social-Democrats finally forced the cars to put in lift-jacks to save human life under the murderous wheels.

Well, well, what do you think of this? Here's word from Portugal, the lung beighted and superstition-ridden country that lately threw off the galling yoke of church and state and rose to the dignity of a republic. Here's word that a Socialist has already been elected to parliament there. Manuel Jose de Silva will give a good account of himself, I am sure. Socialism in Portugal is already so strong that the party has four newspapers in the field, two of which are in Lisbon with a combined circulation of 52,000. The masses are shaking off their fetters, all right.

Another general election is imminent in France, according to the great Socialist leader, Jaures. If it comes it will show a still further advance of Social-Democracy. In Germany the kaiser is already dreading the new election, which is bound to increase the strength of the collectivists. In fact, he is getting so interested that the other day he invited Socialist MacDonald of the English parliament, who was in Berlin, to dine with him, and they had quite a time drawing each other out. He will have to bow to the superior strength of the working class yet!

"Shall the Canadian people allow a judge of Canada to kill a woman who fought to keep herself from

The Nonpartisan Workingman Is a Traitor to His Class

THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL and such so-called reformers as it can command or who hope to get into office with its help are instituting another campaign for "nonpartisan" municipal elections.

This is not the first effort in that direction. An attempt to abolish parties in Milwaukee by law has failed. And rightly so.

Every democracy presupposes parties. Whenever a dozen electors stand together for the same measure or issue they will form some sort of an organization to carry out that measure or issue, or they will fail. Every such little clique will be a party in embryo.

Only as long as it remains a little clique it will stand for small things and for the personal advantage of a few men. A clique will also be much more easily manipulated than a real party—and manipulated by smaller and crookeder men.

Thus in the final analysis "nonpartisanship" is simply a question whether it is more advantageous to rally around small issues and petty men or around great principles and big men.

Moreover, if parties are an evil in the municipal field, why are these parties not an evil also in state and national elections? Certain "reformers" are now trying to organize a party to abolish parties—and have the initiative and referendum instead. If the Journal reformers were consistent they would do the same thing. If parties are an evil in the city, then they are surely an evil in the state and in the nation.

Students of history know that a democracy must have parties or it will dribble into small cliques and groups. Without parties democracy will become inefficient. It will wind up either in anarchy or monarchy, usually it will result in first one, then the other.

Political parties are also necessary in a republic because they fix the responsibility.

A party may be good, or bad, or indifferent, but it is always held responsible by the voters.

The Rose democracy was surely bad enough, yet it was better than no organization at all, because the people could fix the guilt. The same is the case in New York, Chicago or Philadelphia. Tammany, the Republicans in Philadelphia, and the County Democracy in Chicago are undoubtedly rotten—they are a great deal better than anything the "reformers" have ever been able to put in their place.

But the Journal reformers do not mean to abolish parties

entirely. They only want to abolish them in Milwaukee, where the Journal is printed.

They say, the national parties corrupt local politics.

Well, the Journal ought to know. The Journal helped Mark Hanna in 1896, in the days of the utmost corruption of politics, and stood for the so-called "gold democracy." Yet the Journal no doubt was actuated by honest capitalistic motives in opposing the free coinage of silver.

However, national parties are not responsible for local graft or grafting city administrations.

The national Republican party is not responsible for the Republican grafters in Philadelphia. The national Democratic party cannot be blamed for the Tammany graft, or for the Rose grafters.

Both national parties are only responsible for the graft and the grafters inasmuch as they stand for capitalism, and capitalism is the basis of all graft.

The trouble is that even our honest reformers have always expected too much from mere changes in the election machinery. Even our honest reformers expect conditions to change by changing the way of expression.

Instead of attacking capitalism and the principle of getting something for nothing, which is pervading our entire system, and is also the mother of all graft and crime, these reformers have always hoped miracles from blanket ballots, Australian ballots, short ballots, nonpartisan ballots, Mary-Ann puzzle ballots and any old ballots.

Even the brainier ones among them expect wonders from the Initiative, the Referendum and the Recall which can never be accomplished by these methods.

Now, the Initiative, the Referendum and the Recall were Social-Democratic measures originally. We acknowledge them and use them for what they are worth.

But we do not think that they are a panacea for all evils. They are simply a method of expressing the will of the people in democracy. They are simply details of the democratic machinery.

Yet it all depends upon how this machinery is used. And under the capitalist system, capitalists, grafters, schemers and crooks who have money and talent at their disposal, can handle the Initiative, the Referendum and the Recall with just as much facility as they handled the old party caucus, the Australian ballot, the blanket ballot and as they handle the short ballot in Chicago and other cities.

We say so much for the honest reformers.

But the Journal reformers are not honest.

To the Journal "nonpartisanship" means all parties united against the Socialist party.

The Journal is looking for a way to unite Republicans and Democrats, common grafters and honest reformers, saloonkeepers and church people, red-light district heelers and Protestant preachers under one banner against the Social-Democrats.

The Journal is trying to find a catch-phrase by which it can unite capitalists who know what they are about and ignorant workingmen who don't know what they are about in one and the same "nonpartisan" anti-Socialist citizens' party.

And the entire aggregation and congregation is to have the blessings and the support of that dark power of reaction, oppression and superstition which has opposed all enlightenment and progress for eighteen hundred years.

Only the Journal, of course, will not admit this.

However, the Journal reformers will fail miserably, for the simple reason that they cannot possibly succeed.

Unless this earth of ours is struck by a comet or unless at least the white race and its civilization is wiped out entirely by some barbaric invasion which we cannot now foresee, this world is going to have Socialism as the next phase of civilization.

And every step against Socialism is futile.

And every step in the direction of Socialism is successful and can never be retraced.

Moreover, Social-Democracy is the political economy of the working class the world over. And the Socialist party is the political expression of the working class the world over.

Therefore, the workingman must be partisan and bitterly partisan—unless he is a contemptible traitor to his class, his family, to himself.

Labor can never be nonpartisan.

Labor will always be partisan to labor until the present system is abolished—grifters, capitalists, reformers and all.

Only the working class is immortal.

Victor L. Berger

Milwaukee Social-Democrats Hold Record Picnic

Congressman Berger Speaks—Handsome Flags Are Presented with Wife of Mayor as Spokeswoman

The Social-Democratic state picnic at Milwaukee last Sunday was different. It was different in several ways, principally because for the first time the speaking was by home people. And another new feature was a flag presentation, with Mrs. Seidel, wife of the mayor, as spokeswoman, and a flag and emblem drill by the little folks, who presented a feature that charmed all who beheld it and brought moisture to the eyes of more than one grizzled veteran in the cause. This, and the unannounced appearance on the scene of Congressman Berger, gave the great crowd thrill enough to put the enthusiasm and comradeship at a high point. Yes, and there was another thing—the attendance reached the record figure of 24,000 according to the best estimates of the men who had handled the picnic year after year. The proceeds will go toward the daily paper, the following table, printed in a daily paper, is regarded as substantially correct:

Comparative Figures
Year. Attendance. Proceeds.
1911 Pabst park...24,000 \$3,000
1910 Pabst park...22,000 3,000
1909 Pabst (rain)...4,000
1908 Pabst park...18,000 2,200
1907 Schlitz park...16,000 1,800
1906 Schlitz park...14,000 1,800

The weather man was a Socialist for the day, also, and the balmy air was happily lacking in the furnace heat that seemed to be the rule for weeks in Milwaukee.

The exercises in the arena at the west end of the park opened at 3 o'clock with a flag drill by seventy children, the boys carried the red flag of the party and the girls small American flags. A feature of the drill was the wild cheering of the audience each time that the two sets of flags were raised high in the air and crossed. The Slavonic band of thirty-five pieces played "The Marseillaise" during the drill.

At the conclusion of the parade Ald. Carl Minkley announced that Mrs. Seidel would present two flags to the judges whom they have set up above them. The whole judicial situation is dangerous.

Putting a judge upon a throne and requiring all who approach him to fawn and knuckle before him is dangerous for the people. You cannot make a god of a man without sooner or later making him feel that he is a god.

"If your honor please," "may it please your honor," etc., etc., ad nauseum, terms which all who face a judge in a trial must use in speaking to him, finally produce their psychological effect, and the judge who does not puff up into an autocrat is a rare specimen indeed. He soon gets the idea of infallibility, the idea that he can do no wrong, that he is above law and the relations of men.

And if he was a successful crook before being voted or appointed to the bench, so much the worse for the people. But it is bad enough, anyway, for the average judge, when he becomes inflated, naturally takes his place with the ruling class, the capitalist class, and dispenses justice accordingly. We must make our judges over again. We must convert them back into men, into servants instead of rulers. They must be deflated!

Recently he was apprehended and put in prison. But through Berger's efforts he is a free man today.

"People Not Fit to Rule"
The American people cannot be trusted and are unfit to manage their own affairs.

This is the gist of a long speech delivered by Senator Sutherland of Utah against the "recall" feature of the proposed Arizona constitution. Sutherland is an aristocrat. He frankly advocates the theory of "superior brains." He believes some men are fit to rule. The rest ought to be governed for their own good.

The Utah senator is a trained reactionary. Unlike Senator Heyburn of Idaho, Sutherland is a logician and an able speaker. When Sutherland takes the floor, the senate standpatters of the eastern states turn their broad faces beaming with admiration toward the direction of the Tory senator from the west. And Sutherland never disappoints them. He is "sane."

Sutherland's argument is that the people should pick out the "ablest" to run the government. But the "picking" should be done under the present rules. The initiative and referendum, he said, would make efficient government difficult, if not impossible.

Which means that the reactionary Sutherland inwardly fears that a new political system would deprive politicians like himself the opportunities they now have to rule and to exploit.

ceded a point, but you can read the story of Angelina Napolitano on another page and decide for yourself whether life imprisonment represents justice in this woman's case. The fact is that the incident has been salutary. It has waked many

children. She is soon to become the mother of a fifth. The ghoul of the law are waiting for it to be born before they hang the mother. Thousands of petitions have been sent to Ottawa.

Frightened, the government contemplated doing more for the cause and we trust to be able to send you a second and larger donation in a short time. Meanwhile, wishing you success and hoping that all class conscious workmen will respond liberally to your appeal and enable you to realize your cherished aspiration and devote it to the cause of the exploited proletarians not only of your city but for the oppressed of the whole country, I am with fraternal regard, yours,

Sec'y C. M. I. U. No. 99, N. Y.
From the farm:
Webster, Wis., July 16, 1911.

Dear Comrade:
You must know that farms in general are not overburdened with cash at this time of the year, and while our prospects for a good crop are good, we do not want to promise what we may not be able to fulfill. While every one of our comrades feel like boosting the daily it would be a drawback not to be able to pay for

articles is to credit Mr. Carney with having accomplished a big saving in the price to be paid for the park, when as a matter of fact the appraisal is merely a guess of what some people think this park land is worth.

However, the dyeing of news is only one method in working up public opinion against a subject. Another method is to suppress all favorable and publish all unfavorable news. For instance, you have heard very little or no praise to the effect that the Socialists are responsible for the union-label appearing upon more of the city's printing than ever, or that the increased number of public concerts are greatly enjoyed by the public, or that the tollers on the city's streets are enjoying an increase in pay, or that the city attorney is doing things for you and me that his predecessors never conceived of even in their dreams. There is no praise for the Social-Democrats in the capitalistic press,

but, on the contrary, plenty of fault finding.

Now, comrades, how do you like the tactics of Milwaukee's capitalistic press? What are you going to do to relieve us of this shameful trickery. Are you going to help us get a daily? That's the only solution of this problem. Here are a few samples of what others are doing:

Greeting:
Enclosed please find check for \$25 to your order, a donation of Cigar-makers' Int. Prog. Union No. 99, of New York, toward establishing a Socialist daily in Milwaukee. Knowing very well the enormity of your undertaking and the growing necessity for a daily newspaper in order to combat the mischievous, slanderous attacks of the capitalistic press heaped upon the Milwaukee administration in particular and the Socialist movement in general, we therefore send you this donation as a starter. We

enclosed find remittance of \$.....in payment for the above.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this.....day of.....

A. D. 1911.

Number of Bonds.....Name.....(Seal)

Amount of Bonds.....Address.....

Bonds can be paid in installments of \$2.50 a month for each bond subscribed.

NEWS FAKERS—More Journalistic Dyeing and Pressing—The Answer of the Rank and File—Suggesting Names for the Daily—Advancing All Along the Line

In some of last Tuesday's daily papers appeared on the first page, articles on the Milwaukee river park matter, with headings something like the following:

REALTY BOARD

MAKES REPORT

ON APPRAISAL

ALD. CARNEY SUSTAINED

IN HIS CLAIM THAT

PRICES FOR PARK

LANDS ARE

HIGH

SAVING OF \$236,178.50 IS

MADE

Ald. Welch, in Charge of Park Matter, Says Property Owners Will Be Asked to Shave Prices Down to Real Estate Men's Estimate—Congressman Berger Says Social-Democrats Walked Into Political Trap.

Of course, not all of them had the same heading. Yet, generally, all sought to convey about the same message.

It is to be noted that anything appearing on the first page of a newspaper is considered as one of the important events of the day. Looking at the above specimen, the casual reader is impressed at the outset of his hunt for the day's history, with the imprinted idea of general Social-inability and failure. Ald. Carney, the inspired opponent of Socialism, is made to score, and Ald. Welch, Socialist battle ax, to tip the pretended genuineness of the editor's assertions, is put down in a way that may be construed as admitting that exorbitant prices had been asked. To give force and color, Congressman Berger is used to add ignominy to disaster. Of such as the foregoing is the daily summary of the city's news when the local administration is concerned.

The underlying intention of these

a bond after subscribing for it. As for myself I have set aside one-quarter acre of my best potatoes to be sold when matured and the proceeds to be used in the cause of Socialism and more if possible.

Fraternally yours,

Wm. Hotchkiss.

In New York city, Miss Caroline M. Dexter, 29 East Twenty-ninth street, who has charge of the bond sale for the eastern metropolis and vicinity, reports that at Comrade Seidel's recent meetings there and at Brooklyn the net collections amounted to \$464.64. At the banquet arranged for our mayor in New York a donation of \$3.25 with many more pledges were received, and \$1,460 in bonds were sold.

Such is the spirit of socialism that is bound to establish the best and most reliable metropolitan newspaper in Milwaukee. Let us keep behind the guns till the battle is won.

The following suggestions for a name of the daily have been received:

1. The Milwaukee Clarion.
2. Milwaukee Breeze.
3. Milwaukee Daily Socialist.
4. Daily Herald.
5. Daily Truth.

By Facts.
Socialist Enterprise.
Socialist Daily.
Socialist Leader.
Globe.

Raise the thermometer several notches again this coming week, one and all.

Purchasers. Bonds.

Workingmen's Circle Br., 183, New York.

Local Denver, Br. 4, Denver, Col.

Arbeiter Kranken- & Sterbekasse, No. 66.

Workmen's Circle, Br. 120.

East Wash. Br., Local District of Columbia.

Second Ward Socialist Club, Patterson.

100,000
90,000
80,000
70,000
60,000
50,000
40,000
30,000
20,000
10,000
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The Daily Bonds
This Week \$43,830
Last Week \$40,010
Gain \$3,820

The Power of the Press

By Robert Hunter

HAVE you ever thought of the power of the press? This thing you have in your hands has cost many a precious life. Battles have been fought that you might read it tonight peacefully by your fireside.

It is one of "the rights" won by blood and sacrifice. It and the ballot are the two most important rights that mankind has wrung from tyranny. Think of it! This thing you have in your hands—this newspaper.

And now ask yourself what use are you making of it? It is one of the greatest powers in the world.

It is the hammer of Thor, the sword of Siegfried. With it you can do anything; without it you can do nothing. Mark that! This is no poetry or fine writing. This is "a terrible God's fact."

And what use are you making of this mighty instrument? With this in the hands of just men injustice cannot live. With this in the hands of honest men, dishonesty cannot live. With this in the hands of brave men, tyranny and oppression can never get a foothold. With this in your hands, you have nothing to fear. Your battle against wrong is all but won.

But where are YOUR newspapers? Have you them to fight your battles, or is it the enemy that wields these mighty instruments? And if the enemy only has great newspapers, have not your forefathers, who died to win you this means of emancipation, have they not died in vain?

Why die to win rights for mankind if mankind will not make use of them when won?

"The interests" have great newspapers—some one or more in every city, town and hamlet in this great country, but have the people newspapers?

This thing you have in your hand is something of that kind. It is underfed. It is ragged and out at the toes. It shuffles along through its childhood, but, my stone-blind friend, it is the promise of everything. Given nourishment, it may yet split rails; it may yet become the great emancipator.

It was born in a dirty basement, mothered and fathered by hungry parents. It was at birth little more than a shriek, ungodly and hideous, yet Luther in his hovel or Lincoln in his cabin was no more.

If anything in this world is great, this thing in your hand is great! It is the beginning of a new world power that will one day shape the destiny of man.

Its eyes and ears are social eyes and ears. Its voice is a social voice. The eyes and ears search throughout the world for what you want to know, what you ought to know, and the voice carries to every part of the world the news.

Through this thing, and only through this thing, can you know the truth about country politics and business, about science, industry and art, about freedom, justice and democracy. Truth, my friend, the truth that shall make you free.

You are now fed on lies. You know only what the enemy want you to know, or what escapes from them when they quarrel among themselves. By controlling this great instrument, they control the sources of our information, as John D. Rockefeller controls the sources of oil, and we must buy the kind of product they want to sell and at their price.

Think of this thing, more precious, more powerful, more enlightening than all else, owned by the enemy—at least, all but owned by the enemy! You have this poor thing in your hands. It depends upon you whether it will live or die. It depends upon you whether it will become a great instrument for fighting our battles. Poor as it is, it is a symbol of that which is our sole security as a sovereign people.

It must be on guard. It must watch out for us. It must report the truth to us. It must warn us of danger, and when need be, call us to action.

Will it fail? That is inconceivable, for if this thing fails, then all else fails.

The Fourteenth of July

ON behalf of many readers this newspaper greets and congratulates on this day the great French nation—a people famous in the past, powerful today, and certain to be in the future, as in the past, leaders of humanity.

This day celebrates the tearing down of the prison of the Bastille, the beginning in earnest of the magnificent French revolution. This is the day that marks the determination of the Frenchmen to govern themselves, own their national property, and overthrow the preposterous kings with their preposterous divine rights.

This is a day that should remind Americans of the greatness of France. Think of the glorious names that stand out in every page of French history—statesmen, scientists, teachers, poets, philosophers, soldiers.

Charlemagne, the great king, son of that powerful "Berthe aux grands pieds"—would that we knew more about the mother of such a man!

In the shadow of that great name of Charlemagne stand the beautifully romantic name and story of Roland, and with Roland we think of Bayard, the type of French chivalry, courage and gentleness.

Then see Duguesclin, the ferocious fighter—no greater fighter ever lived. After the Spaniards held him prisoner for a while they were glad to let him go without ransom, sick of having him challenge and kill their best men in private combat, to keep himself occupied. And from the thought of Duguesclin pass to the gentle Rous-

seau. He could not fight anybody, except with his mind and pen. He was physically timid and afraid. Yet he stood high among those that threw down forever the fighting monstrosities whose orders such men as Duguesclin obeyed.

And Napoleon, son of Corsica, developed in France. It was he who, standing by the grave of Rousseau, said that without Rousseau there would have been no revolution and no Napoleon.

And Voltaire, the greatest fighting intellect ever born in this world—in his achievements there are honor and glory enough for a whole race of men.

Even among kings, usually very low in the scale of humanity, the French kings shine out.

Victor Hugo, who supplied the French with inspiration, deserved even his own high estimate of himself, and French history produces thousands upon thousands of other finished intellects, daring spirits, men that can look with courage into the future, foreseeing the destiny of the human race, like Charles Fourier, the greatest intellect that France or any other nation has ever produced, or men like La Salle, with the courage and daring to explore here in America unknown material lands.

Read the life of any one or all of these men or of any one of thousands here unnamed, and you find a story of French greatness. France is a brilliant people, a thorough, exact people. The other nations have learned from France the arts, material and esthetic. Other nations have been educated by

the French in political thought. Our men of 1776—our Jeffersons, Franklins and Patrick Henrys—were absorbing and repeating what the French had said and thought.

A very splendid nation is the French nation. This is the birthday of modern France. And on this fourteenth of July and on every fourteenth of July, it is a pleasure to recognize French greatness and the debt that every nation of the earth owes to the genius of France.—New York Journal.

A Course of Socialist Lectures

The national party has sent out the following relative to a Socialist lecture:

"We are launching the greatest organizing campaign that the Socialist movement has ever known.

"A national Socialist Lyceum Bureau has been established in connection with the national headquarters, 205 West Washington street, Chicago, Ill.

"The most efficient and best-known speakers that the national organization can secure will be in our charge. We are assured of the co-operation of nearly every state office. We have back of us the united support of the entire Socialist press.

"A course of five Socialist lectures is planned. These will not be mere agitation talks, but carefully prepared addresses. Each one will follow out of the other, so that together they will give a logical presentation of the Socialist position. They will lead the audience step by step through an understanding of our philosophy to the inevitable conclusion—membership in the Socialist party. These lectures will be delivered by the most impressive lecturers that the Socialist movement can produce.

Free to Locals

"This lecture course costs you no money, nothing but some work. Merely sell \$300 worth of subscriptions to the Socialist papers and books. We pay the lecturers and their expenses, furnish all the necessary advertising, and a special organizer to explain the details of the plan. The local only pays the hall rent. The local gets all collections and profits from the book sales at the meetings, and a commission of 40 per cent on all subscriptions sold above the \$300 requirement. Any live local in a town of 5,000 or more can make good with this undertaking and realize a good profit for its treasury.

"Subscription cards will be issued by the national office, good for any Socialist paper or book. Every worker can hustle for the paper that he likes best and every subscriber can take the paper or book of his choice and receive a lecture ticket free with it. A ticket to one lecture will be given with each 25 cent subscription, and with a dollar subscription comes a ticket to all the lectures.

Why You Should Take It

"Of course, this will mean work for your organization. That is the purpose of the whole project. No organization can build itself up except through active, systematic work. Through the very doing of this work you will develop the power to do more—you will build the efficient organization, the trained fighting machine that you must have before you can capture your community."

Book Notes

By Emanuel Julius

Mark Twain's Speeches

(Written for The Herald)

IT was under favorable circumstances that I read "Mark Twain's Speeches," published by Harper & Bro., New York, at \$2 net.

The first five were read while lying on the sands of the Atlantic City beach. The next three after dinner on the porch of my cottage and the rest of them here and there along the board-walk.

I shall make no attempt at telling what this 434-page book contains. The subjects are so varied as to make this impossible.

But I will devote a few paragraphs to the impression they have made on my mind.

First—I was delighted with Mark Twain's simplicity of style. He, like all great masters of English literature, has that happy faculty of uttering great thoughts in few words. Precious effort is never wasted.

Where the novice would clumsily flounder and sweat and puff, Twain gracefully and smilingly floats about.

Another thing that impressed me was: these speeches seem to have been delivered extemporaneously before an audience; taken down stenographically and published. But I have it from good authority that these speeches were not what is often mis-called inspirations, but the result of hard, patient labor.

Twain the artist and creationist, at first observation, allows the conclusion that they are made up on the spur of the moment.

I was fortunate in having read O. Henry's "Four Million" before taking up these speeches. This enabled a direct comparison.

Then I could plainly see why Twain is so popular throughout the entire world, while O. Henry, on the other hand, has only America for his audience.

Twain's humor is not spasmodic. O. Henry's. Nor is it local. In it is worldliness. The German and Italian laughs as heartily as the American or the Englishman, while the Briton perusing O. Henry looks blandly and wonders what it is all about.

Atlantic City, N. J.

An Army of Despair

Now, unemployment is not only a source of misery to those who are out of work, but it is a source of misery to everybody else—except those who profit by the degradation of labor.

Unemployment and the fear of unemployment keep wages at a very low

level, since in their eagerness to obtain bread the workers underbid each other for the jobs.

Unemployment prevents the labor unions from effectively "cornering the labor market," thereby making it difficult for them to better the conditions of all the workers in all the trades.

Unemployment turns efficient workers into tramps, thrifty people into beggars, high-spirited humans into criminals and poor girls into prostitutes.

Unemployment breeds squalor and disease and worthlessness all over this fair continent of ours.

The army of the unemployed is an army of despair. Yet it is to be pitied, not condemned.

It is the product of a vicious industrial system. If not today, then tomorrow, we ourselves may belong to it once more.—W. R. Shier.

Fraudulent Extradition

In the McNamara case at Los Angeles the court has decided that when a prisoner has been brought to the bar of a criminal court in another state, he is not to be extradited, whether he was lawfully or unlawfully. He pleads that he was brought there unlawfully—in violation of the laws of his own state from which he was kidnapped, and of those of the United States providing for extradition, the court will not only decide against him, it will refuse even to inquire into the truth of his plea.

That is the view Judge Benedict of the federal criminal court at New York took several years ago when the point was raised before him. But Judge Benedict wasn't able to "make good." An American of the name of Lawrence, indicted for making a false written statement to facilitate smuggling, sought asylum in Great Britain. The statutes called such false statements forgeries. They were not forgeries at common law, but the United States secured the extradition of Lawrence under a treaty covering forgery. When put upon trial for the nondescript forgery set out in his indictment, he pleaded no jurisdiction, as McNamara did at Los Angeles last week, and Judge Benedict overruled the plea as the Los Angeles judge does and for the same reason. Thereupon the British government demanded the return of the fugitive to their asylum on the ground that his extradition had been secured for an offense extraditable in name only and not in substance; and the federal government, acknowledging the lawfulness of this demand, ordered the prisoner's release.—The Public.

I Am the Printing Press

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I inspire the midnight toiler, weary at his loom, to lift his head again and gaze with fearlessness into the vast beyond, seeking the consolation of a hope eternal.

When I speak a myriad of people listen to my voice. The Anglo-Saxon, the Latin, the Celt, the Hun, the Slav, the Hindu, all comprehend me.

I am the tireless clarion of the news. I carry your joys and sorrows every hour. I fill the dullard's mind with thoughts uplifting. I am light, knowledge and power. I epitomize the conquest of mind over matter.

I am the record of all things mankind has achieved. My offspring comes to you in the candle's glow, amid the dim lamps of poverty, the splendor of riches; at sunrise, at high noon and in the waning evening.

I am the laughter and tears of the world, and I shall never die until all things return to the immutable dust.

I am the printing press.—Ex.

Story About a Nice Cow

By Carl Sandburg

Once there was a man who had a cow. He fed the cow on sawdust. But in order to make the cow think she was getting real grass, he put green spectacles over her eyes. So the cow thought she was eating grass. Now, I am getting green grass; now I shall soon be fat and prosperous and happy. The boss knows what is good for me.

Then the ribs of the cow began to stick out and she was very lean. The grass-colored spectacles did no good. Her ribs stuck out farther and farther. Her eyeballs began to bulge. One day, after a big feeding of sawdust, she stiffened her tail and lay down and died.

Some union men and Socialists put a tombstone over her, with these words written on it: "Here lies Moo-Cow. She died eating sawdust thinking it was grass. Union men! be careful whose sawdust you eat and look out for the fat son-of-a-gun who tries to put green spectacles on you."

Selah!

More Socialism!—Italy has taken over all the life insurance business of the country, native and foreign. Present contracts will be fulfilled, but no further private insurance business will be legal. Italy probably heard of the big graft in the American life insurance game, and so the government decided to add to its income and at the same time give the people some advantages. Nobody is howling much about this "Socialistic" confiscation of the property (?) of the private insurance grafters.—Ex.

Berger's Speech—So great has become the demand for copies of his maiden speech in congress that Victor L. Berger has had 100,000 copies printed at an expense to himself of \$205. All who desire a copy should write to Washington and secure one free.

The Official Position of the City of Milwaukee on Union Labor

By Carl D. Thompson

(Written for The Herald.)

The attitude of the present administration in Milwaukee towards organized labor is well known. It is significant, however, that a city of considerable size should officially take the position which the city of Milwaukee does. It is probably the only city in America that officially supports organized labor and the working class.

The following resolution was introduced in the council when the Social Democrats were in the minority. But the Socialist sentiment had already grown so strong in the city that the majority members were even then compelled to adopt the resolution. It now stands as the official position of the city. The resolution reads as follows:

"Whereas, The trades unions of the city of Milwaukee are struggling incessantly and expending much effort and large sums of money to improve the conditions of the working people, and thereby are improving the conditions of this community; and

Whereas, The trades unions are thus bearing the brunt of the fight while the results of this struggle are benefiting union men and non-union men alike; and

"Whereas, The workingmen em-

ployed by the city with few exceptions are not affiliated with their respective trade organizations, although they enjoy the shorter work day and better wages which were obtained either directly or indirectly through the efforts of the trades unions; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense and intention of the common council of the city of Milwaukee that all work done directly by the city of Milwaukee, or let by contract through the board of public works or any other department of the city of Milwaukee, organized labor shall be given the preference."

Adopted by the common council of the city of Milwaukee, Jan. 31, 1910.

Bedeiling Our Stomachs

Albany.—Because dealers generally throughout the state have been selling inferior sausages, hamburger steak, vinegar, olive oil and coffee, the state department of agriculture today instituted 437 actions for violations of the pure food law. The coffee has been found to be a combination of real coffee and ground peas, the latter full of bugs; sausage is a combination of meat, cereals and sulphite; olive oil is made almost entirely from cotton seed oil, and vinegar is mostly acid and water.

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Brazen Rule of the U. S. Supreme Court

Allan L. Benson in Pearson's Magazine

PLEASE consider briefly nine men in Washington. Not one of them is the president. Not one of them is a member of congress. Not one of them is elected by the people. Not one of them can be dismissed by the people. Yet, a mere five of these nine men can, if they choose to do so (and they have frequently chosen to do so), undo the work of the president, the work of congress and set at naught the will of a nation of 90,000,000. They can tell the president, the congress and the people that, when they made a law, they meant either more or less than they said. They can take out or put in, add or subtract.

Nor, under the present practice, can any power stay their hands. No power can stay their hands because everything is below them and nothing is above them. We of New York, nine millions strong, are below them. You of the middle west, the far west and the south, many more millions strong are below them. Only the constitution of the United States seems to be above them—and it isn't. The constitution of the United States, if it were above them, would constitute a barrier beyond which they could not go. These nine gentlemen who compose the supreme court of the United States can go anywhere. They can go anywhere because they have arrogated to themselves the exclusive right to declare what the constitution means. If the constitution is in their way, they push it back. If it is too rigid, at one point, to suit them, they limber it. If it is too limber at another point to suit them, they stiffen it.

Here is government of the real sort. Government that governs! Government that resides in Washington and sends out a current of dominating energy to the farthest point over which the flag floats. Government that need bend to nothing but its fears, and yield to nothing but the storm that threatens to become a

devastating hurricane. Government by judges, for the people!

Yet, it will not be here contended that our highest federal judges have given us nothing but bad government. They have often given us good government. They have sometimes been not only just but generous. So was George III sometimes not only just but generous. He once returned to the American colonists approximately \$1,000,000 that they had contributed in excess of their just share of taxes. But the point is that, even if the best were to be said about our judge-made government, it could not truthfully be said that it is a democratic government. Yet, if we have not democratic government—that is government by the people—what has happened since we asserted in the declaration of independence that "governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed?" What has happened? Since Lincoln declared that "no man is good enough to govern another man without that other man's consent?" Judge-made government by judges, whom the people neither make nor control cannot truthfully be said to derive any of its powers from the consent of the governed. Therefore, unless Lincoln was wrong, no man is good enough to sit upon the bench of a supreme court, either federal or state, and, by judicial interpretation, make laws that the people do not want, or destroy laws that the people do want.

Let us not blink at the facts. If judges are making and unmaking laws in this country—and they are—they are exercising despotic power. And, precisely to the extent of such judicial activities, we are living under

a despotism. Moreover, if Lincoln was right when he said that the nation could not endure "half slave and half free," was not Thomas Jefferson right when he said that the nation could not endure under the present judicial despotism? In other words, if despotism and liberty exist in the same nation, is it not in the nature of things that the despotism should eventually crowd out the liberty or be crowded out by the liberty?

Simply Bold Usurpers

Here are some facts over which I shall ask you to ponder:

Nowhere in the constitution of the United States is the federal supreme court authorized to declare an act of congress unconstitutional.

When it was proposed, in the constitutional convention of 1787, to give the federal supreme court even a limited veto upon congress, the convention, not once, but four times, refused to do so. The federal supreme court in the beginning claimed no such power and, for years, made no attempt to exercise it.

The power to declare acts of congress unconstitutional was usurped on behalf of the supreme court by Chief Justice John Marshall, who, in order to read into the constitution his authority to do so, was compelled to repudiate his own words upon the same subject, as expressed before the Virginia convention that ratified the constitution, and at least one other of his earlier utterances.

Congress has the power, which it may exercise at any time that it chooses to do so, to compel the federal supreme court to keep its hands from federal laws—the best proof of which is that congress once exercised this power, and the supreme court, without hesitation yielded to it.

Also, it will be shown that, prior to the revolution no colonial supreme court ever dared to set aside the act of a legislature, and that, to this day, the United States is the only great nation on earth that permits a court to overrule a legislative body.

If these statements are true, every American citizen ought to know they are true. If they are true, we fought the revolutionary war for one thing and got another. If they are true, we should make up our minds whether we want the republic for which our forefathers fought, or the limited despotism—constantly growing greater—that the courts are imposing upon us. If we want the despotism, we need do nothing. Just let the courts go their way. But if we want a republic, we shall have to put out courts down to where they belong, and our congress and our state legislatures up where they belong. We shall have to say to our judges, both big and little, "You are not good enough to rule us without our consent, and we don't consent."

Let the assertions herein made about the courts be considered in the chronological order of the events to which they pertain. Going back to the period immediately preceding the revolutionary war, we find that, up to that time, no colonial supreme court had ever set aside the act of a legislature. Professor Cooley, in "Constitutional Limitations" (sixth edition, p. 193), declares that the first

law ever invalidated in America upon the ground of its unconstitutionality was the act involved in the case of *Trévett vs. Weeden*, which was decided in the superior court of judicature of Rhode Island in September, 1786. A few months later the judges, all of whom were elective, were kicked out of office by an indignant people.

By the time that the constitutional convention met in 1787 to frame the present national constitution, "five states were beginning to claim the power to declare acts of the legislature unconstitutional." This statement is made by Professor J. Allen Smith in his excellent work, "The Spirit of American Government." These states were Virginia, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

"In eight of the thirteen states," says Professor Smith (p. 90), "the doctrine that the judiciary could refuse to enforce laws regularly enacted by the legislative body had not even been asserted by the courts themselves, much less recognized and accepted by the people generally."

And the courts of the five states that claimed this power did not at first exercise it. The Virginia court of appeals, as early as 1782, expressed the opinion that "the court had power to declare any resolution or act of the legislature, or of either branch of it, to be unconstitutional and void." But the court took good care to keep this conviction in the form of mere opinion. Not until years later was a law invalidated.

Judges Were Denounced

Unconfirmed bits of history suggest that the supreme courts of Massachusetts and New Jersey may have declared laws unconstitutional in 1780 or 1787. But the first case mentioned in the reports of state decisions was that of *Bayard vs. Singleton*, which was decided by the superior court of North Carolina in 1787. The court cast out the law and the people did as follows to the court (Coxe, "Judicial Power and Unconstitutional Legislation," p. 252):

"The judges were fiercely denounced as usurpers of power, Spaight, afterward governor, voiced a common notion when he declared that 'the state was subject to three individuals who united in their own persons the legislative and judicial power, which no monarch in England enjoys, and which would be more despotic than the Roman triumvirate and equally insufferable!'"

North Carolina at that time had a population of 393,751. Mr. Spaight declared that three despots ruled it and was much wroth thereat. What would Mr. Spaight have said if he could have seen nine merry gentlemen put a word into the Sherman anti-trust law the other day, that the representatives of 90,000,000 people had for fifteen years resolutely refused to put in, though off a impounded by the trusts to do so? What would he have said if he had been here in 1894 and seen five justices of the United States supreme court kill an income tax law that 65,000,000 people, through their representatives, had enacted?

But no matter. The point is that prior to the revolutionary war, no colonial court ever claimed the right to overrule a legislature, and that after the war, the people denounced, in severest terms, the courts of the five states that claimed and exercised this right.

The two go together, I am industrious because I am poor and poor because I am industrious.—Ex.

Socialism is the New Patriotism

HUMAN life depends upon food, clothing and shelter. Only when these are assured are freedom, culture and higher human development possible. To produce food, clothing and shelter, land and machinery are needed. Land by itself does not satisfy human needs. Human labor gets raw materials and food out of the soil by creating machinery and using it upon the land. Whoever has control of land and machinery has control of human labor, and with it of human life and liberty.

Today the machinery and the land used for human purposes are owned by a minority decreasing minority. So long as machinery is simple and easily handled by one man, it does not matter whose hands it is in. But when machinery becomes more and more complex and expensive, and requires the effective operation of the organized efforts of many workers, its influence reaches over wider circles of life. The owners of such machinery become the ruling class.

THE MASSES IN SUBJECTION.

In proportion as the number of such machine owners compared to all other classes decreases, their power in the nation and in the world increases. They bring over larger masses of working people under their control, reducing them to the point where muscle and brain are either self-employed workers thus become the helpless slaves of the industrial masses.

The more the economic power of the ruling class grows, the less useful does it become in the life of the nation. The overwhelming weight of the useful work of the nation falls upon the shoulders of the classes that either have not other productive property but their manual and mental labor power, or possess property but have but little land and little machinery outside of their labor power—the small traders and small farmers. The ruling minority is steadily becoming useless and parasitic.

A bitter struggle over the division of the products of labor is waged between the exploiting propertied class on the one hand and the exploited, propertyless class on the other. In this struggle the wage working class cannot expect adequate relief from any reform of the present order from the dominant class of society.

The wage workers are therefore the most determined and irreconcilable antagonists of the ruling class. They are also the class which suffers most from the curse of class rule. The fact that a small number of capitalists is permitted to use all the country's resources and social tools for their individual profit, and to make the production of the necessities of our lives the object of their competitive private enterprises and speculations, is at the bottom of all the social evils of our time.

MODERN INDUSTRY PLANLESS.

In spite of the organization of trusts, pools and combinations, the capitalists are powerless to regulate production for social ends. Industries are largely conducted in a planless manner. Through periods of feverish activity the strength and health of the workers are mercilessly undermined, and during periods of enforced idleness the workers are frequently reduced to starvation.

The climaxes of this chaotic system of production are the regularly recurring industrial depressions and crises which paralyze the nation for fifteen or twenty years.

In its mad and reckless race for profits the capitalist class is bound to exploit the workers to the very limit of their endurance, and to sacrifice their physical, moral and mental welfare to its own insatiable greed. Capitalism keeps the masses of workingmen in poverty, destitution, physical exhaustion and ignorance.

It drags their wives from their homes to the mill and factory. It snatches their children from the playgrounds and schools and grinds their slender bodies and unformed minds into cold dollars. It wondrously disfigures, maims and kills hundreds of thousands of workingmen annually in mines, on railroads and in factories. It drives millions of workers into the ranks of the unemployed and beggars, and numbers of them into beggary, vagrancy and all forms of crime and vice.

PUBLIC INTELLIGENCE CORRUPTED.

To maintain their rule over their fellow men, the capitalists must keep in their pay all organs of the press, the public mind and public conscience. They control the dominating parties and through them the elected public officials. They select our executives, bribe our legislatures and corrupt our courts of justice. They own and censor the press. They sway our educational institutions. They own the nation politically and intellectually just as they own it industrially.

The struggle between wage workers and capitalists grows ever fiercer and has become the only vital issue before the American people. The wage working class, therefore, has the most vital and direct interest in abolishing the capitalist system. But in abolishing the present system, the workingmen will free not only their own class, but also all other classes of modern society: the small farmer, the trader, who is engaged in a desperate and losing struggle for economic independence in the face of the all-conquering power of concentrated capital; and even the capitalist himself, who is the slave of his wealth, rather than its master. The struggle of the working class against the capitalist class, which it is a class struggle, is thus at the same time a struggle for the abolition of all classes and class privileges.

MUST CONQUER THE POLITICAL POWER.

The private ownership of the land and means of production used for exploitation, is the rock upon which class rule is built; political government is its indispensable instrument. The wage workers cannot be freed from exploitation without conquering the political power and substituting collective and democratic administration for private ownership of the land and the means of production used for exploitation.

The basis for such transformation is rapidly developing within the very bosom of present capitalist society. The factory system, with its immense machinery and minute division of labor, is rapidly destroying all vestiges of individual production in manufacture. Modern production is already very largely a collective and social process, while the great trusts and monopolies which have sprung up in recent years have had the effect of organizing the industries on a national scale, and fitting them for national use and control.

THE WAY TO CLASS RULE.

To unite the workers of the nation and the workers of all nations are identical. The struggle is not only national, but international. It embraces the world and will be carried to ultimate victory by the united workers of the world.

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Milwaukee Social-Democratic Picnic

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to the county organization in behalf of the West Side Socialist Women's club, the East Side Socialist Women's club, the Bay View Socialist Women's club and the South Side Social-Democratic Women's branch.

Mrs. Seidel Speaks

Mrs. Seidel spoke as follows:

"Every great movement has had its emblem. All nations have their emblem. So have societies. Religious and secular organizations have them. Political parties have emblems also—Republican party, elephant; Democratic party, mule, donkey. The Social-Democratic party has a crimson colored banner for its emblem.

Socialism is an international movement. There are many international organizations and institutions. Christianity and Free Masonry are international. So are the arts and sciences. Even capitalism is international. It is not treason to belong to any of these. We may belong to one and yet have other ideals. One may be a Socialist and still a good citizen. He or she is broader minded and more just to others. A Socialist is honest toward his city and country. Our present city administration is sufficient proof to that effect.

"The Socialist women clubs of this city have united to give our party an emblem. All women have aided. Not one was opposed to the idea. It has cost time and money to carry the thought into effect. Through perseverance all obstacles were overcome. And now we feel that we have succeeded.

Proud to Be Comrades

"We women are proud to be comrades. We feel that your cause is our cause. We suffer twofold—once ourselves, then for our children. Your battles are our battles. Your defeats are our defeats. Your victories are cheered by us and our children. With-out us you are only one-half as strong; with us twice as strong.

"We give you two standards to lead us on in our contests—one the tri-colored flag of our country; the other the crimson-colored flag of the

toilers of the world. The red, white and blue should wave over a free people which owns its country. The crimson should unite the nations of the world in one international fraternity.

"But as long as the red, white and blue waves over dishonesty and graft we are not free. As long as a man must beg for an opportunity to work we are not free. As long as widows and children suffer for bread, shelter or education we are not free. As long as women can not cast a ballot we are not free. Under that banner there should be no master or subject.

"The crimson banner should wave over one people the world over. It stands for civilization. But as long as one hand is raised to strike a brother or sister we are not civilized. As long as bayonets are forged to pierce the throbbing heart of man we are not civilized. As long as navies are built to conquer nations we are not civilized. As long as men, women and children are subject to exploitation we are not civilized.

"And now we place these banners in your safekeeping. They are our banners; they are your flags. Do not desert them. On toward a free people and free country. On toward a civilized world for all."

Alderman Melms, as master of ceremonies, accepted the brilliant flags on behalf of the party.

"The ladies of the party have seen fit to present to us two large silk flags. I hope that my audience will appreciate what they have done for us. They have worked long and hard to be able to make this presentation this afternoon. It has meant more than time and trouble to them. There has also been the expenditure of a great amount of money.

"Let us go back into the history of our organization fourteen years. We see ten men seated around a table. These men were at work on the fundamental principles of our party. It was in July, 1897, that this great party in Milwaukee was organized. The crowd that is here this afternoon, larger than that of last year, or any other year, is the result of their work.



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Angelino Napolitano

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Two years ago they came to the Soo and were swallowed up in another Little Italy.

Until last October they were happy in their poverty-stricken way. Then Pietro gave her \$10 and went away. "You can make more," he told her. Pietro wanted her to sell herself.

Three weeks later he returned and demanded that she become a prostitute. She refused. He stabbed her nine times on the face, the arms, the breast. She fled to the river and tried to drown herself. She was sent to a hospital for three weeks. Then her husband and she made up, and again he tried to force her to sell herself. When she refused he threatened to kill her. Three days before Easter he brandished a dagger and told her to earn \$30 by Easter. "If you don't I'll stab you so much you'll go to the river," he told her.

Sunday night he came home from his night's work in the steel mills. She had been true to her children and so she had not the \$30. With fiendish cruelty Pietro told her she must leave the house. "Then, I will follow you and tell people I killed you because you left the children," he said. Then he went to sleep.

Crazed, the woman secured an ax. As he slept she hacked him to death. Three hours later she had been arrested and had confessed. Three weeks later she had been tried and condemned to death by Mr. Justice Britton, the paid murderer of the Dominion government.

At the trial the woman told her simple story. No one defended her. She was apparently morose and sullen. Her whole married life had been a living death, why care if they killed her? Then the thought of her children came to her, and she sailed in anger at those who would take her from them.—Ex.

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"Some critics are like chimney-sweepers; they put out the fire below, and frighten the swallows from their nests above; they scra... a long time in the chimney, cover themselves with soot, and bring nothing away but a bag of cinders, and then sing out from the top of the house, as if they had built it."—Longfellow.

NE cannot help but think of the above quoted simile when reading the "Daily (Croaker) Journal" these days. During the past week several editorials were written in which for stupidity it has out-classed itself.

In one issue, an editorial appeared under the captioned heading: "GREAT THINGS THE CITY COULD DO IF SENSIBLE, FEASIBLE (?) ECONOMY WERE PRACTICED."

An honest writer would have written the heading: "Great Things the City COULD DO IF ECONOMY HAD BEEN PRACTICED IN THE PAST."

For, let the Journal understand that for economy the present administration can give all past administrations a handicap and still beat them at the game.

In the article referred to, the Journal proceeds to show how wrong it is to issue bonds for anything but emergency purposes.

The issuance of bonds need not necessarily be poor financing.

Every good business man will borrow money and pay 6 per cent interest, if he can, in order to purchase a machine that will earn him 12 or more per cent profit. And why is that not good financing?

It is ridiculous to maintain that the issuance of bonds by the city of Milwaukee for the purpose of constructing our water works was poor economy. Every schoolboy knows better.

True, the principal invested and the money paid in interest could have been saved if a franchise had been granted to a private corporation.

But that would have been penny-wise and pound-foolish, as all cities know that have no municipally owned water works and therefore no such bonds to make payments upon.

The most profitable business enterprises of this city have issued bonds and did so very profitably.

In fact the greatest portion of all our railroads have been built that way. There are very few business enterprises that do not do business with other people's money and pay interest on such money.

Many of the enterprises that a municipality enters upon could not be undertaken if it could not do so through the issuance of bonds.

Milwaukee could buy the Milwaukee Gas Light Company and pay for it with bond money, pay the sinking fund and interest out of the earnings, pay reasonable wages and yet make a profit. It could do the same with the Street Railway Company, and in fact with all municipal monopolies.

The real trouble with our American municipalities has been that they have left all the profit-making enterprises to private or corporation control and reserved for themselves only those activities that are non-profit-making.

One effect of that policy has been graft and bribery in public office.

The other effect is that while municipal public service corporations have grown rich and powerful, our cities have become burdened with debt and weak. Our cities cannot perform even most necessary functions of a city properly.

It is a fact that the greater portion of bonded indebtedness is for work which produced no revenue. Here is where reform is necessary.

We now have an honest and capable administration in Milwaukee. Give it the power to do what ought to be done and the financial problem of our city will soon be solved.

Will Meet In Milwaukee

At a meeting of the National Executive Board, Socialist Party, which assembled at Boston, Mass., April 29-30, and May 1, a motion was adopted that the next meeting of the National Executive Committee be held in the city of Milwaukee, August 12, 13 and 14.

A motion was also carried that the national secretary be instructed to communicate with the locals having elected officials and urging them to send representatives and informing them of the purpose of this meeting.

It is hoped that quite a number of elected officials from different parts of the country will be present at this conference. The county central committee has appointed Comrades Carl D. Thompson, Edmund T. Melms and Frank J. Weber to outline the program for this conference and the following tentative program is herewith submitted. There may be, however, some slight changes in the program. The program is as follows:

Saturday, Aug. 12, at 9 a. m., at Brisbane hall, 530 Chestnut street. Address of welcome by the mayor, Hon. Emil Seidel. Thereupon state and national problems will be discussed.

12 m. recess.

2 p. m., at Brisbane hall, reading of paper by Comrade Maury, city attorney of Butte, Mont.; subject will be, "The Practicability of the Socializing of the Copper Trust." Discussion will follow.

4 p. m., reading of paper by Carl D. Thompson; subject will be published later. Discussion will follow.

Saturday evening, 8 p. m., Auditorium buildings, monster mass meeting. Music by the the South Slavonian string orchestra. Speakers: Robert Hunter of New York; Moritz Hillquit of New York; John M. Work, Des Moines, Ia.; James F. Gary, Haverhill, Mass.; John Spargo, New York; Victor L. Berger, Milwaukee, Wis.; Lena Morrow Lewis, California.

Sunday morning, Aug. 13, automobile ride for the delegates, auto to start from Brisbane hall at 10 a. m. to the various places of interest in the city of Milwaukee.

Sunday, Aug. 13, at 2 p. m., Frei Gemeinde hall, 264 Fourth street, discussion of "Municipal Problems."

Sunday evening, Aug. 13, at 7:30 p. m., excursion on Lake Michigan for the delegates and all Social Democrats and sympathizers who wish to participate.

Monday, Aug. 14, at 9 a. m., at Brisbane hall, discussion of "Municipal Problems."

12 m. recess.

2 p. m., good and welfare of the Socialist movement in this country.

8 p. m., banquet for the delegates at Blatz park, Pleasant Valley.

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JUDGE JOHN F. DONOVAN (Democrat)—Court open.

JUDGE RICHARD ELSNER (Socialist)—On duty.

JUDGE MICHAEL F. BLENISKI (Democrat)—Absent.

JUDGE HENRY F. CUMMINGS (Democrat)—On duty.

JUDGE JOSEPH E. CORDES (Socialist)—On duty.

Total number of judges absent, 12.

Cost to the public, per month, in salaries alone, \$4,083.

Aggregate of judicial salaries annually, \$75,000.

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TAXPAYER—Sweating and toiling every day to pay the unearned vacation and other day salaries.

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The Journal editors are afraid of the truth and become mad when an investigation of the administration is asked for.

The Journal then says: "Whether we are drifting is shown more strikingly still by the action of the finance committee of the Common Council in recommending the issuance of \$100,000 to meet interest and pay bonds falling due this year. THINK OF IT."

Is it not rather late to cry over spilt milk. The time to think of this was when the Journal's friends were in office and failed to provide for the payment of these debts. To bewail the condition now is hypocrisy.

Is it not to the credit of the present administration that there is such a thing as scientific budget making and publicity in this connection?

The credit of calling the attention of the citizen to the ruinous policy of issuing bonds for short lived improvements is surely not due to the Journal.

This policy has been criticised years ago by men who are now connected with the administration. Does the Journal know that in the past bond money has been used for dredging the river?

Does it know that the present administration is determined to stop this practice?

Why did not the Journal protest then and give credit to the administration that discontinued the practice now?

The law for the one-mill tax for street improvements, which has been suggested by Ald. Smith years ago, has been backed by the administration because it holds that twenty-year bonds for ten-year improvements is ruinous. Likewise the tax for docking and dredging.

When the Journal says that the finance committee has recommended the issuance of bonds to pay for interest, it makes a false statement.

The Journal prattles about efficiency. Does it know that when the present administration went into office it immediately cast about for a man in whose charge to place a Bureau of Efficiency and Economy that it intended to establish?

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Though a depleted treasury was left the administration, it found \$5,000 the first year to begin work with. In the first budget made up by this administration \$18,000 was set aside to continue the work.

And already the results have more than justified the expenditures. As fast as the means will permit, this work is progressing.

But about this we shall write more. If the Journal articles are an indication of its expert efficiency, may Heaven have mercy upon our poor city if it ever gets into the hands of that clique.

For accurate knowledge as to the best means to secure EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY IN CITY GOVERNMENT, the editor of the Journal might profitably peruse the five bulletins published by the Bureau of Efficiency and Economy.

Efficiency in city government cannot be obtained by the Journal's dishonest methods. To the contrary, these methods only hamper the work.

To complete the initial quotation of Longfellow:

"A spirit of criticism, if indulged in, leads to a censoriousness of disposition that is destructive of all nobler feeling. The man who lives to find fault has a miserable mission."

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State Federation of Labor Convention

The Wisconsin State Federation of Labor is in session this week at La Crosse, at Knights of Pythias hall, and a lively and profitable meeting is indicated.

There are fifty-two delegates in attendance from all over the state of Wisconsin.

It is not expected that the convention will last over the week.

Milwaukee delegates are:

Frederick Brockhausen, secretary-treasurer; Frank J. Weber, general organizer; George Krogstad, pattern makers' union; Richard Muck, M. Weissenfluh, brewery workers, No. 9; John Lewis, brewery engineers and firemen, No. 25; John Braun, brewery teamsters, No. 72; Henry Rumpel, Federated Trades Council; Fred M. Templin, cigar makers, No. 25; Henry Schaeffer, theatrical stage employees, No. 18; John Doyle, John Beneman, Walter S. Fisher, Charles J. Shurr, typographical, No. 23; Emil Brodke, carpenters, No. 1053; James Hendrickson, carpenters, No. 1447; C. J. Sandburg, newspaper writers, No. 9; George Mutter, machinists' lodge, No. 66; George Hirschinger and John Moe, glass bottle blowers, No. 15.

The convention opened Wednesday morning with addresses of welcome by Theodore E. Straus, president of the Trades and Labor Council of La Crosse; Mayor Dengler of La Crosse; Frank J. Weber, Milwaukee, made the reply to the speakers. The reports of the officers were made Wednesday night.

Secretary - Treasurer Frederick Brockhausen in his annual report announced his desire to retire from his office because of other pressing duties. The conclusion of his report was as follows:

The Outlook

During the ten years acting as your Secretary-Treasurer, I have experienced many pleasing moments—pleasing because of the advancements made in the acceptance of progressive trade union principles and the gradual concurrence in Socialistic political action. However, there has also been bitter disappointments—disappointment because of prejudice, ignorance and intolerance on the part of many union men. But as new principles for human rights will not down, our erring brothers have been forced to the rear to follow sooner or later in the onward march to emancipation from wage slavery.

As the struggle for existence takes on new forms, it naturally follows that the wage-earners must conduct their trade union tactics to conform to modern industrialism, backed by all the political strength at their command. In this, you as organized wage-workers, must take the lead, as you in the past have taken the lead in all advanced movements and I can give you no better advice at this time than to urge you to give all your moral support to the Social-Democratic Party of this state. This means far more than one or another palliative, it means an entire reconstruction of our present social and economic order, and while you have to struggle anyway, you may as well battle for the whole thing in preference to a bare existence.

State Organizer Frank J. Weber's unionism. It was rapidly listened to and frequently applauded. Following of meat for the student of trade unionism are some portions of the report.

Unorganized Labor

Employers are in business for what they can make out of it, for their own benefit, or the benefit of the corporations they serve, and they would be considered down-right idiots to advance wages

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News of Organized Labor

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CARPENTERS' MOVEMENTS

Local Unions of United Brotherhood Have Been Successful in Many Cities in Raising Wages and Reducing Hours.

Local unions of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters have been successful in securing many advances in wages, with a considerable reduction in hours.

At Montpelier, Vt., an advance has been raised from \$2.70 to \$3 per day of eight hours.

At Kingston, Ont., an advance has been secured from 31 1/2 cents to 35 cents per hour for an eight hour day.

At Sheboygan, Wis., the minimum wage has been advanced to \$3.20 per day of eight hours.

At Columbus, Ind., after a short strike, a raise was secured of from 1 to 5 cents per hour, the scale now being \$3.15 per day.

At Cheyenne, Wyo., after a two days' strike, a settlement was secured with a 5 cent per hour advance, 55 cents per hour for eight hour day now being the scale.

At Derby, Conn., a settlement has been secured and a raise of 25 cents per day gained, the minimum scale being \$3.25 for an eight hour day.

At St. Johns, N. B., after a short strike, an advance in wages was secured from \$2.50 to \$3 per day.

At Somersworth, N. H., an advance has been secured from \$1.55 to \$2 per day.

At Medicine Hat, Can., an increase was secured from \$4.05 to \$4.50 per day, with eight hours after Nov. 1, with Saturday half holiday.

At Westfield, N. J., an increase of 7 cents per day was secured.

At Astoria, Ore., an increase has been secured from \$3.50 to \$4 per day of eight hours.

At Fairbury, Neb., an increase was secured of 5 cents per hour and a reduction in hours from nine to eight. The scale is now \$3 per day.

At Boone, Ia., an increase of 5 cents per hour was secured, the scale now being \$3.42 per day.

At Auburn, N. Y., an increase in wages of 3 1/2 cents per hour was secured, \$3.28 per day now being the scale.

In Delaware County, Pa., an increase in wages was secured of from 10 to 45 cents per hour, and an eight hour day.

More Pay, Better Conditions

Vienna—The Transport Workers' union here has been successful in obtaining a maximum wage of 36 crowns week, with an eight-day holiday early after one to five years of service, and a two-weeks' holiday after five years of service.

Satisfactory Settlement

Joplin, Mo.—A controversy which has been on between the Building Trades' council of this city and the E. I. Dupon Powder company, has been satisfactorily settled. The adjustment provides for an agreement with the union shop.

DOINGS OF BLACKSMITHS

Increase in Membership, Securing of Contracts and Increases of Wages Are Everyday Story With Prominent Iron Trade.

Washington.—The International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and Helpers report that the organization is moving along in splendid shape and is making exceptional progress this year.

The carriage and wagon workers affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and Helpers of Pittsburgh, went on strike to enforce the Saturday half holiday during the months of June, July, August and September, with full pay. They were out only a week when settlements were reached with practically all of the employers and new agreements signed.

Mining tool manufacturers of Alton, Ill., Ottumwa, Ia., What Cheer, Ia., Chicago Heights, Ill., and Salem, O., are about to sign up their annual agreements with the International Brotherhood.

The chain makers in Columbus, O., Braddock, Pa., Pittsburgh, Pa., and Brewster, O., have just been organized and charter issued by the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths.

GOLDEN GATE PUSH

San Francisco, Under a Union Labor Administration, to Operate a Traction Company Owned by the City.

Washington.—The Labor party administration of San Francisco has commenced the operation of the Geary street railway, which has been turned over to the city as the result of the expiration of a franchise. Every legal obstacle known was put in the way of the city administration to take over and operate this line. It is necessary, owing to the extremely bad physical condition of the roadbed and the cars, that it be almost wholly reconstructed, and on June 14 active work commenced. Mayor McCarthy has announced that all of the work to be done in rehabilitating the road will be done by union labor, and that when completed the motormen, conductors and all employees of the operating department will be put upon an eight-hour day, and a wage rate that will enable the employees to maintain a high standard of living. It is stated that the employers' organizations and other associations of a like character are very much perturbed over the action taken by the union labor administration.

Coopers in Fine Shape

Washington.—Information has been received from the secretary-treasurer of the Coopers' International union that business in the cooperage trade throughout the country is exceedingly good, and that there are no idle men, in fact there is a dearth of men. This organization has signed up numerous contracts this spring, every one of which gives a substantial increase in wages and also the shortening of the workday to eight hours. These agreements have all been secured without strike, except in one instance, that in Chicago, lasting only five days.

WAITERS STRIKE

Frenchmen Object to Regulations Which Deprive Them of Their Personal Adornment.

Washington.—Three thousand waiters in Marsell's have gone on strike for 90 francs per month and the right to wear mustaches. The proprietors have formed an association and increased the price of drinks, and this action has had the effect of lessening the tips usually received by French waiters, hence the demand for higher wages, together with a demand that waiters be permitted to grow hair on the faces if they so desire. The cooks also are demanding a "copyright" for their invention of novel food concoctions.

A "Rabbit" Union

Washington.—While the labor unions in this country are largely confined to trades and special callings, those of Australia cover nearly every imaginable character of work. There is now being organized a "rabbit" union. This organization is being formed under the auspices of what is known as the "Trappers' League." The men eligible to the "rabbit" union, as the name signifies, are those engaged in the hunting of rabbits for the market. Already, through the efforts of the young organization, the minister of agriculture has made arrangements for the freezing and packing of rabbits to meet the requirements of the rabbit hunters for the coming season. This action on the part of the minister is to guard

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There being no further business the meeting stands adjourned.
J. W. Brophy,
Recording Sec'y.

Faking Seidel's Speech

Detailed analysis of crooked editorial work.

How words of speech were changed.

It happened on June 29 that Milwaukee's leading newspaper trickster connected Mayor Seidel with a statement, "Of course, we are afraid we will lose next spring."

The headlines of the article on a speech made in New York were as follows:

**SEIDEL'S FEAR
SOCIALISTS MAY
LOSE CONTROL**

"Afraid We Will Be Beaten Next Spring," Says Mayor in New York Speech.

When the Social-Democratic Herald branded these tactics as cunning perversion of truth for political ends, the Fakel asked:

"If this is not what Mayor Seidel said, then what did he say?"

Words Inserted

Later the Fakel published a stenographic report of the passage in dispute. And this report did not contain the word "afraid," nor the word "beaten," nor the statement, "We will lose."

These words are of some importance. If Mayor Seidel had used these words they would probably have appeared in the Associated Press or United Press reports which appear in other evening papers. But the fact that no other evening paper except the Fakel used the words in dispute, Mayor Seidel himself declares he did not make use of the words attributed to him in the headlines and in the opening paragraph of the Fakel on July 29.

What Is a Prediction?

Notice another trick. Later through this article run the phrases,

"Seidel's Prophecy."

"Mayor's Prediction."

"Predicted Defeat."

Mr. J. La Fleur's Yellow Streak

(TO THE EDITOR.)

I have become interested in Mayor Seidel's speech in New York and particularly in the controversy which has developed over what he said on that occasion. I noticed a general charge that the mayor's speech had been misquoted by the Milwaukee press. Right after this charge had been made the Journal published an editorial asking that it be notified of specific objections to its report of the mayor's speech and pledging itself either to prove that its report was accurate or to correct it. This was a fair offer. Because of the general attitude of the Journal, I have no doubt that it meant just what it said—that it would prove its published statements or correct them. Apparently, however, neither Mayor Seidel nor any of his friends took up the Journal's offer, but I found in the Social-Democratic Herald of last week two articles denying the statement contained in the Journal's report to the effect that Mayor Seidel in his New York speech had expressed a fear that his party would not carry Milwaukee next spring and severely attacking the Journal and its editor for publishing any such statement. One of these articles quoted the mayor as saying that he had not expressed any such fear and had not said anything which could be construed as an expression of any such fear.

The denial was strong and tended to carry conviction. But as soon as this specific charge was made, to wit, last Saturday, the Journal published an editorial entitled "Here is the Proof," in which it stated that it

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Let us reason together concerning this picturesque and devious falsehood.

What Words Mean

Suppose a baseball fan says, "Milwaukee WILL lose today." That is a prediction, a prophecy. The word "WILL" so used can not be mistaken. On the other hand, suppose a baseball fan says, Milwaukee MAY lose today." That is not a "prophecy." It is not a "prediction."

To say, "Milwaukee MAY lose today," can mean that the Milwaukee team has a strong chance to crash through and slash the bowels out of the opposition. The word "MAY" can indicate either victory or defeat.

Substituted "Will" for "May"

And when Emil Seidel uses the word "MAY" in a speech and the Milwaukee Journal inserts the word "WILL" in the place of the word "MAY," the management of the Milwaukee Journal is then carrying on a foul, cowardly policy of misrepresentation.

The deliberate, underhanded cunning of the trick caused the Herald to challenge the statement.

Injured Innocence

And what was the reply of the Fakel? The brazen culprit, like a wooden-legged burglar tramping on a tin roof or a sneak thief wedged in a transom, tries to crawl away from its guilt, by asking in a "fair play" voice of injured innocence: "If this is not what Mayor Seidel said, then what did he say?"

One of Many Tricks

The Journal knows what Mayor Seidel said. And the Journal craftily substituted one word not uttered for one actually spoken.

This is trickery and fakery amounting to falsehood. As such, it condemns each and all of the hypocritical pretensions of "fair play."

It is only one of the many tricks regularly used by the American capitalist press to discredit the labor movement.

had a stenographic report of Mayor Seidel's speech and quoted what purported to be the mayor's exact words on this particular point. This quotation was as follows:

"It may be that we shall lose the city of Milwaukee next spring. It may be, but what of it? Supposing we do; we are not in it for office; we are not in it for the salaries to be gotten; we are in for another, purpose, and after the spurt that we have made these first two years, it might be well to give the city of Milwaukee a rest. Let them see what the Democrats and Republicans are able to do and undo." (Applause.)

In the same editorial the Journal stated that its stenographic report of the mayor's speech was open to the inspection of anybody who might be interested in ascertaining the truth of the matter in the controversy and it invited such inspection. I took advantage of this invitation yesterday. I read the stenographic report and the letter from the firm of New York stenographers which furnished it. The editorial quotation from the stenographic report, which fully corresponds with the report, which fully corroborates the statement made in the Journal's news account of the speech, is correct, word for word.

There is no doubt now in my mind that the Journal is entirely innocent of the charge of misquoting Mayor Seidel or of misrepresenting what he said. The accusation which you have made against the Journal is entirely contrary to the facts and your attack in this connection upon it and upon its editor is unfair and without any cause.

I have no interest in the matter (sic) except a desire to see fair play. The Journal every day gives a great deal of space to representatives of your party to explain their version of any party or public question. I take it for granted that in this case, at least, you will be just as fair, and that you will publish this communication in this week's issue of your paper.

Joseph La Fleur.

[This letter was written by a man who is constantly expressing fear of "politics in the unions." He was an "independent" candidate for alderman-at-large in the spring primaries of 1910. He was defeated for office though accorded liberal space at that time by the newspaper which in this letter, he defends. His opinions against "politics in the unions" are appearing frequently in the newspaper which he has here bespoken. It has been said, "When he reads the Journal, he listens to His Master's Voice." He assists to the best of his ability an attempted political attack through cunning misrepresentation of the first union man in the mayor's office in Milwaukee and the only administration that has placed the union label on all city printing. The facts in this case are discussed in another article in the Herald.]

AT THE THEATERS

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State Labor Convention

(Continued from 6th page.)

and offer better conditions when the employees signify by their failure to organize, that they do not want them.

The only way that the individual wage-earner can succeed today without organization, is to assume the attitude of a slave driver and ride rough shod over his fellow-workers, surrendering every spark of manhood to some sullen corporation for the almighty dollar, virtually selling his soul for gold.

How any sane individual worker expects to hold his own against such a force is beyond comprehension.

Moral—Individually you walk the ties, organized you ride in Pullmans. Which do you, Mr. Worker?

What Unions Have Done The movement of the trade unions is responsible for our free school system. It started the free land system. It destroyed the system for imprisonment for debt. It inaugurated the eight-hour movement. It is responsible for the agitation against child labor and the compulsory education of the child. It is responsible for the agitation for the initiative, referendum and recall, municipal ownership, workmen's compensation, old age pension and scores of other principles that are now conceded to be right by every fair-minded and well balanced person. The betterment of the individual worker through years of agitation has resulted in higher wages, better sanitary and shop conditions, labor legislation, and above all, has established a united movement of the toilers that has confounded economist, doubter and foe. Entwined in the cause of the trade unions is the ringing challenge of the oppressed from every land and clime.

Law Makers

Being one of those who were elected by the working class to the law-making power of the state, it becomes my duty to give you my views from the standpoint of a trade unionist. There was a time, when I was of the opinion that beneath the flag of a republic, human rights, though garbed in rags or poverty, had some protection, but that delusion, since I have been a member of the Wisconsin state legislature, has been dispelled by the realization that even in the progressive state of Wisconsin, that functions of government are owned and controlled by a class that is clothed with economic power.

The platforms of the two old political parties proclaimed fidelity to the demands of the working class of the state, but when the successful candidates of the two old political parties met in legislative session, platforms and pledges were forgotten by a majority of these legislators, and by failing to carry out their promises to the working class of the state, assisted to make more formidable the oligarchy, that respects no law that impairs the power of corporated might.

The activity of the capitalist class of the state in the 1911 session of the Wisconsin legislature verifies the fact that it firmly believes that the day is far distant, when the people will awake from their sleep, and, feeling secured, they have become bolder in their dastardly and infamous conspiracies and schemes, that are aimed to destroy human rights and enthrone tyranny.

The capitalist class may feel that the people may remain indifferent to the rule of piracy that is endeavoring to banish a government of the people; but large bodies move slowly, and the people are a large body, but when the people once become aroused and realize the brutality of the capitalist class and their system that enslaves every man, woman and child, and defies the almighty dollars, there will be an earthquake that will shatter in fragments the present capitalist civilization, that is wet with tears and red with human blood.

Jurisdictional Disputes

Jurisdictional disputes amongst the building trade unions seem to be increasing in place of decreasing. It was the general impression when the Building Department of the American Federation of Labor was organized and given jurisdiction over the Building Trade Councils, that jurisdictional disputes would be reduced to a minimum.

The conditions that exist in some cities is most deplorable and can only result in utter annihilation of the solidarity of the workers, when harmony ought to exist. It seems that it is a fight for existence, a sort of a "spider and fly" method to exterminate one another.

It is about time for those who are responsible for this

internecine warfare in the Building Trade Union movement to stop and consider what their actions will result in, if they continue to carry out their selfish motives.

Remember that the rank and file of the movement will only tolerate such methods for a certain length of time, and if necessary smash it to atoms. Brothers, it is time to lay aside selfish motives.

Political Questioning

The American Federation of Labor recommends in sending out circular letters, in which organized labor is requested to pledge all candidates before election, who seek legislative honors.

In my sixteenth annual report to the State Federation I was explicit as to the reasons, why I was opposed to the political policy of the American Federation of Labor. I am as strongly opposed to the principle of sending out circulars, which request that organized labor shall question the candidates of the Democratic, Republican, or independent political parties, as to their attitude on labor legislation.

I am opposed to this begging policy of questioning the legislative candidates before election, for I believe in true, recognized friends; friends who, when elected, realize the class struggle—not forced or sham friends, who solicit the friendship of the working class before election, and after election become their avowed enemies. This questioning policy of political candidates for public office has been carried out for years by the would-be friends of labor and resulted in placing in power men, who had no interest in the welfare of the working class.

As the representatives of the organized workers of the state, we should not let ourselves be, guided by political hypocrisy and assist in deceiving the working class. There is not a delegate here but realizes that organized labor can only succeed in the election of its friends when it becomes intelligent enough to understand that there is a working class struggle, and that only those friends who stand for the rights of the working class and demand the full value of their labor, are the ones that deserve the votes of the organized workers. Any other political policy will prove inadequate and prolong the suffering of the working class. The questioning and pledging of political candidates, irrespective of their political policy will but prolong the life of the capitalist political vampires, whose sole object is to live and prosper on the life-blood of the working class.

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Milwaukee County Organization Notes

July 17, 1911.
To the members of the picnic committee and Women's organizations of the Social-Democratic party:
As secretary of the Social-Democratic picnic committee, I wish to herewith offer a vote of thanks to the members of the picnic committee, also to the members of the various women's organizations for their splendid work in making the flag dedication a grand success. Also for their services in the dining-room. And last, but not least, to Miss Bochart, who had charge of the flag drill, and to the boys and girls for their hard and ardent work in taking part in the rehearsals of the flag drill. Likewise to the committee of arrangements and park management. Also to Mrs. Seidel for her splendid address in presenting the flags to the members of the Social-Democratic party of Milwaukee county. Let us hope that we will be able to offer still greater things at our annual picnic for 1912. The picnic just held was a grand success in every way, shape and manner, being largely due to the splendid co-operation of the members and sympathizers of our party.
(Signed) Edmund T. Melms,
Sec'y 1911 Picnic Committee.

The Bohemian branch, S.-D. P., has made all final arrangements for their annual picnic to be held Sunday, July 23, at Castalia park. In order to reach this park, take a Wells street car, get off at Hawley road, then walk two blocks north to the park. There will be games and dancing during the afternoon and evening. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

The Eighteenth Ward German branch, S.-D. P., will hold their meetings every second Saturday evening of the month at the Pleasant House, 970 North Water street. Every member is urgently requested to attend the branch meetings, as very important business will be transacted.

The East Side Socialist Women's club has arranged for a prize card party every Tuesday of the month, at their meeting place, Jung's hall, 603 Third street, and the ladies are cordially invited to attend. Play starts at 2:30 p. m.

The Town of Greenfield branch No. 2 has arranged for a picnic to be held at Jones' grove, Sunday, Aug. 6, 1911. Comrade Mayor Seidel has been asked to deliver a lecture in the afternoon. There will be games for the children in the afternoon and dancing for the adults in the evening. Everybody attending this picnic is assured a good time.

The Twelfth ward branch, S.-D. P., has arranged for their annual picnic to be held at Huelbeck's park, end of Tippecanoe car line, for Sunday, Aug. 16. Dancing during the afternoon and evening, also a program of games, speeches, etc. Everybody cordially invited to attend. Speaker will be announced later.

The Twenty-third Ward branch, S.-D. P., will hold their annual picnic Sunday, July 23, at Scheftner's grove. Thirtieth and Lincoln avenues. Admission \$1 per family, refreshments included. Take a Greenfield avenue and Burnham street car, get off at Thirty-second avenue and walk four blocks south. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

The Frei Saengerbund meets every last Monday evening of the month at Catel's hall, 300 Fourth street, at 8 p. m.

Comrade Charles Mueller has a beautiful grove located at the south end of the city limits, which he is willing to rent free of charge to the branches of the Social-Democratic party or other progressive societies. In order to reach this grove, take the Milwaukee-Chicago street car line and get off at Grange street. All branches which have not as yet arranged for a picnic will do well to immediately communicate with Mr. Mueller by addressing him as follows: Mr. Charles Mueller, St. D., Box 160 R. 2, City.

The Nineteenth ward branch, S.-D. P., has arranged for their annual picnic to be held Sunday, Aug. 13, at Castalia park. In order to reach this park, take Wells street car and get off at Hawley road, then walk two blocks north to the park. Admission \$1 per family, including refreshments. Games for the children in the afternoon and dancing for the adults. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

The Twenty-first ward branch, S.-D. P., has made all final arrangements for their annual picnic to be held tomorrow, Sunday, July 23, at Waldschlotten, near cement mills, end of Richard street. A fine program of games has been arranged for during the afternoon. Dancing in the evening. Admission, 10 cents. Everybody is assured a good time.

The South Slavonian branches, Nos. 9, 35 and 37, S.-D. P., have arranged for their picnic to be held at Jonson's grove, Sunday, July 23. In order to reach this grove, take Wells street car west to Fifty-first avenue, to the grove. These three societies will leave at 8:30 a. m., from their meeting place, 320 Florida street, on the day of the picnic. Two orchestras, likewise two singing societies have been secured for this picnic, and everybody attending is assured a good time. Admission to grove free.

Where are you going? I am going to the fourth annual trolley party given by the Socialist Maennerchor Aurora, at Muskego Center, July 30, 1911. Everybody cordially invited to attend as a good time is assured to all. The first car will leave at 7 o'clock from the Public Service building or stations on the Greenfield avenue line. Round trip, 50 cents. Children under 12 years free. Be sure and don't forget the time and place.

The East Side Women's Socialist club has arranged another one of their popular prize cinch parties.

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Children's Rompers or Play Suits **39c**

Boys' regular 50c Blouses **19c**

Odds and ends of our regular Children's \$1.00 Wash Suits **39c**

Of the genuineness of this great sale of odds and ends, and our capacity to mirror a dazzling variety of REMARKABLE things for men and boys at REMARKABLE prices, YOU Our Stores Are Closed on Sunday.

Same will be held next Tuesday afternoon, July 25, at 2:30 p. m., at Jung's hall, 601 Third street. All the ladies are cordially invited to attend.

Milwaukee County Campaign Fund
The following have contributed since last report:
Amount previously acknowledged \$750.42
Gust Richter 2.00
A. Daehn 1.00
Polish Ladies' Branch, membership book 50
Total \$753.92

Branch Meetings Held Next Week SUNDAY

Seventeenth Ward Polish Branch—Miller's hall, Hayes and First avenues, 9 a. m.
Day Branch No. 1—318 State street.
Slavonian Branch No. 37—425 Virginia street.
Slovak Branch—300 Fifth street.
Russian Branch—Brisbane hall, Sixth and Chestnut streets, room 213.
Finnish Branch—382 Washington street.

Third Ward Italian Branch—230 Jackson street.

MONDAY

West Milwaukee German Branch—Haerk's hall, Fortieth street and Belmont road, West Milwaukee.

TUESDAY

First Ward Branch—Ethical hall, 558 Jefferson street.
Fifteenth Ward Branch—Odd Fellows' hall, Nineteenth and Villet streets.

Twenty-first Ward Branch—Klo-man's hall, 1432 Green Bay avenue.

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Town of Milwaukee Branch No. 2—1640 Green Bay avenue.

WEDNESDAY

Seventeenth Ward Branch—Odd Fellows' hall, Potter and Kinnickinnic avenues.
Bay View Women's Club—Loft's hall, 961 Kinnickinnic avenue.
County Central Committee—Brisbane hall, 528 Chestnut street.

THURSDAY

Twelfth Ward Branch—Hof's hall, 961 Kinnickinnic avenue.
Nineteenth Ward Branch—Eckelmann's hall, 3109 Lisbon avenue.
West Allis Branch—Radtjen's hall, Sixty-fourth and Greenfield avenues.
East Side Women's Club, at Jung's hall, 603 Third street.
South Side Young People's Socialist League—382 Washington street.
West Side Women's Club—Waedek's hall, 2714 North avenue.

FRIDAY

Second Ward Branch—Brisbane hall, Sixth and Chestnut streets.
Third and Seventh Wards—Ethical hall, 558 Jefferson street.

Fourth Ward Branch—Alhambra building, Fourth street and Grand avenue, room 162.

Eighth Ward Branch—Ball's hall, Third and National avenues, (third floor).

Thirteenth Ward Branch—A. Schmidt's hall, corner Third and Wright streets.

Fourteenth Ward Branch—J. Heim's hall, 794 Forest Home avenue.

Twentieth Ward Branch—Harris-

mann's hall, Teutonia avenue and Clarke street.

Town of Milwaukee Branch, No. 1, at E. Koepke's hall, Kent and Teutonia avenue.

Jewish Branch—Brisbane hall, Sixth and Chestnut streets.

Socialist Damenchor "Aurora"—At Schult's hall, Eleventh avenue and Rogers street from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m.

West Side Young People's Socialist League—Odd Fellows' hall, Nineteenth and Villet streets.

SATURDAY

Hungarian Branch—Heumann's hall, 526 Chestnut street, third floor.

Important

We respectfully request you to remit for picnic tickets sent you at the earliest possible moment.

To insure the issuance of the daily paper at the earliest possible date, this is one of the agencies through which this is made possible.

Hoping you will remit "at once," we remain, for the cause,

THE PICNIC COMMITTEE.

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Listen to this, Mr. Union Man. The paper you are reading now is your friend. Tell your wife to look over The Herald before she goes out shopping.

Walk it over at your next branch

Wisconsin State Organization

E. H. Thomas, Brisbane Hall, 528 Chestnut St., Milwaukee, Wis., state secretary, to whom news and other matters of this department should be sent.

Socialist Newspaper Syndicate.—The

Social-Democrats of Wisconsin probably do not realize one advantage which will result to them from the Milwaukee Socialist daily. Not only will they thus secure a Socialist daily paper from the metropolis of Wisconsin, but they will soon be in a position to start Socialist weekly papers all over the state. It will no doubt be possible for the new daily equipment to print local papers for all the organized towns of Wisconsin, if the comrades can furnish the local matter. Say that two pages of general propaganda matter are furnished by the Social-Democratic Publishing company, the other two pages of local matter could be written by some comrade in the local who has a talent for writing and, if possible, a little experience with newspapers. In this way every town could have a Social-Democratic weekly of its own at a comparatively small expense. Although this plan is still in its infancy, it is worth while for the comrades to take it into serious consideration. By taking up the subject now, they will be ready for action when the Social-Democratic Publishing company is in a condition to carry out the plan. Besides they can begin looking up their man, and securing the proper talent for this work. Talk it over at your next branch

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Ameringer's Tour.—The state executive board is endeavoring to secure the services of Comrade Ameringer of Oklahoma for a tour of Wisconsin next fall. Everybody who has heard Comrade Ameringer once, wants to hear him again. Those who have never heard him have a treat coming. By all means secure a date for Comrade Ameringer if we succeed in bringing him into Wisconsin.

State Executive Board.—The state executive board met July 15 with Comrades Melms, Thompson, Rummel and Thomas present. The board

voted to endeavor to secure the services of Comrade Oscar Ameringer in October and November, if possible, for a tour of Wisconsin. The services of Comrade McCaleb for the summer months were discontinued, and Comrade Gaylord's services as state organizer were also discontinued. The board decided to issue a circular letter to the locals in regard to the regular distribution of a quarterly propaganda bulletin, the price of which shall not exceed \$2 per thousand. Comrade Carl Minkley was engaged as state organizer at a salary of \$12 a week, with the understanding that he shall devote one-half of his time to the work of state organizer. The board also decided to start an agitation for a syndicate publication of local Socialist papers in Wisconsin.

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To explain once and for all: No city franchise is needed. Arrangements have been made for the transportation of the Milwaukee Western Electric Railway line into the city of Milwaukee by connecting with the local railway company's cars on regular schedule time at the city limits. Such arrangements have been made, and are satisfactory for the operation of interurban cars in Indianapolis, Cleveland and other places.

Strangers and friends are always welcome in our office. Investigate first. You are not expected to invest in stocks and bonds unless you think they are safe and feel that they will bring in excellent returns.

Read Jay Gould's proverb: "When you invest in the stocks of a company, don't look for the best, for you will never find it."

"Look for a good one, then invest, and do it quickly."

"Don't wait to see if it pans out all right, for there is where you lose your opportunity."

"When you have waited to see if it pans out you will have to pay a premium on the stock, and you will have lost the biggest advantage in its value."

You must make money on your judgment and foresight, and not on demagogic flattery.

Remember to add to friends of mine who expect me to call on them that my time does not permit me to do so. I will gladly advise one of my agents to you upon request.

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Newspaper Tactics Explained

Reasons why one afternoon paper uses cunning methods.

Campaign of fake misrepresentation and suppression began about the time when three events took place:

1. Sale of bonds for Social-Democratic daily was started.
2. Supreme court judge bought newspaper stock.
3. Advertisement of pattern-makers' union lockout refused space.

This is a matter to which you are requested to give your personal attention.

You read daily newspapers. Your ideas, the thoughts that you think in your head, are connected closely with what appears in the daily papers.

If the statements appearing in a daily paper are regularly colored, twisted and shaded and shifted, you are personally the victim. You are deprived of the truth.

Who Thinks for You?

If something important happens and tricks are worked with the real facts, so that you get a wrong idea, you are the goat. Your thinking, then, is done for you by other persons. In exchange for the money you pay for the paper and the money you spend with advertisers who support the paper, you get adulterated news, tainted news, and tainted news, adulterated news, is even more vicious than adulterated food or poisoned meat.

It is a personal matter with you. Your attention is called, therefore, to a man in Milwaukee who is the chief editor and editor of an evening paper. For the policy of his paper, he is personally responsible.

A Personal Matter

For the continual coloring, twisting and tainting of news in his paper, who is personally responsible? For the repeated misstatements, insinuations and outright falsehoods in his paper, who is personally responsible?

He owns the paper. So, we will not deal with the newspaper. We will go back of the newspaper and deal with The Power Behind.

We are going to deal here with the Owner, Dictator, Chief Stockholder, Commander-in-Chief.

Concerns the Public

We are going to see how and why one of Milwaukee's streams of public information is corrupted and poisoned.

The man is Lute Nieman. He is the Power Behind.

And his tactics and methods this year are of such a nature that they properly and decently merit public discussion.

The purpose of this article is to show that Lute Nieman is one of the most cunning jugglers in Milwaukee, whose actions and orders result in the perverting of public opinion.

And with this, it should be understood that a proprietor and editor whose personal business is to deal with public information can not expect to be free from criticism any more than a public official.

How One Trick Worked

There is a thing that is worse than "personal abuse." And that thing consists in deliberately placing a whole body of men in a false light before the public.

Please notice these headlines:

THREATS ARE SIGNED BY "SOCIALIST"

All the people who read this were influenced by it. Some believed it. Others did not.

But what all of us know is this: It is easy to write a "threatening letter" and then sign another person's name and mail the letter where you hope it will do harm.

The following is a complete reprint of this news item as it appeared in a front-page of the Milwaukee Journal:

THREATS ARE SIGNED BY "SOCIALIST"

The federal authorities as well as the Milwaukee police, are searching for north siders who have been sending threatening letters to R. J. Miller, president of the North Side Citizens' league, and W. J. C. Flieth, secretary of that league. The letters were signed "Socialist," and informed the two that unless they "shut their mouths" with regard to the Socialists their property would be destroyed by fire and their lives placed in danger.

"I have been receiving letters and postal cards to this effect right along," said Mr. Miller. "but I have not wanted anything said about it, as an investigation is quietly in progress. I am sorry that it has become public."

This is far worse than Personal Abuse. The tendency of it is to poison the minds of the public against "Socialists," to make the public feel that the "Socialists" are dangerous and violent.

It's An Old Game

This same kind of a tricky anonymous letter game has been worked during labor strikes. Numerous instances can be cited during strikes when anonymous letters were produced by the employers threatening violence from strikers. And the letters were always signed "Unionist"

"Union Man," or with some other signature that would help to discredit labor.

It is a trick that has a far worse effect than the worst kind of "personal abuse." It would be easy for the Social-Democrats to manufacture letters signed by Lute Nieman and addressed to some chorus girl he knew in his bachelor days when he was city editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel. But we are going to fight fair with direct "personal abuse," connected with accurate facts that are of importance to the public.

As this matter finally works out and the real facts come before the intelligent people of Milwaukee, it will be seen that there is a certain kind of "personal abuse" that is also personal defence, aiding and abetting public welfare.

There is a justified "personal abuse" in the same way that there are nasty, unjustifiable anonymous letters.

Why Methods Changed

Before proceeding farther with this "Personal Attack," let us inquire at what time and under what circumstances Lute Nieman commenced to put the poison of spite and the spit of hate into his news columns and editorials. Let us observe the period and the conditions under which began the campaign of insinuation and fakery intended to "destroy the Social-Democrats."

Of course, the Nieman sheet has always vented a certain kind of criticism at the Social-Democrats. But in January and February of 1911, this criticism began to have a new kind of juice in it.

There were savage thrusts, there were twists and tricks of misrepresentation which revealed to the wise ones a policy of "Destroy the Socialists!"

It was at this same time reported that a former supreme court judge was negotiating for shares of stock in the Nieman sheet. It was known later that Judge Dodge had bought a small bunch of stock. And he has now taken up quarters in the Nieman building, where he serves as an authority on what is libel and what is not.

Union Men Locked Out

On Feb. 22 the union pattern makers were locked out from the International Harvester works for celebrating Washington's birthday. Now, the Social-Democratic Publishing company, in sending out a letter announcing that a daily newspaper was to be started, added a postscript to the letter. This postscript said:

"On Feb. 25th, the Milwaukee Journal refused to insert a paid ad. of the Pattern Makers' union, asking workmen to stay away from the International Harvester works on account of a lockout."

That was all. But it was enough.

When It Started

It appears to have set Lute Nieman, Milwaukee's slickest Newspaper Owner, on edge and in a rage.

It was then that the Nieman sheet began to weep slithers of tears for The Unemployed.

"For God's sake, men are out of work and the city administration won't do anything for them," howled and bellowed the Nieman paper from day to day.

It was "clever" newspaper work. It tickled all the grabbers and grafters because it was an attack on the Social-Democratic administration. And the tragic "For God's sake" business about the unemployed was something the newspaper readers of Milwaukee had never before seen dramatized with full effect.

Dollars and Cents

At the same time, consider for a moment the hypocrisy involved in making an attack on the only political party which in its platform and program has a word to say on the subject of unemployment, which is in fact the only movement which has a definite plan for the relief of the man out of a job! Probably hypocrisy is not the correct term.

It was not so much a matter of hypocrisy as it was a matter of dollars and cents.

The Social Democrats have been no worse and no better this year than last year.

The main reason Lute Nieman has begun an attack and steady campaign of abuse and defamation of Socialists is because the Socialists are going to start a daily newspaper that may cut in heavily on the Nieman circulation.

There were more unemployed men in the city of Milwaukee in January than there were in the last part of February when Nieman began his attacks on the city administration for not giving employment to the jobless. Why didn't Nieman attack the city administration in January or in December on the unemployment proposition? Mainly because the Social-Democrats had not yet started the agitation for a daily paper.

Pretender and Hypocrite

As a pretender, as a hypocrite that can wear one mask one day and another mask another day, the Milwaukee Journal gets away with it about as well as anything seen since the days of Judas Iscariot.

Pretender. Hypocrite. Those are the epithets we use to designate the Milwaukee Journal in the handling of the labor question.

Please run your eye carefully along these facts to follow.

Men Lose Jobs

On Washington's birthday of this year, you may remember, the patternmakers at the International Harvester company celebrated that legal holiday by staying away from work

at the shops. The larger part of them went to the Auditorium and listened to patriotic speeches and the national anthems rendered by the Harvester band.

When the patternmakers appeared the next day at the International Harvester works, they were told that their services were no longer required. They were further informed that their tools had been hauled to their union headquarters and it was up to them to count twenty-three and get off the premises.

They're Still Out

These men have not been taken back. It is now six months since they were locked out. They are still out—locked out by a trust that has sold farming machinery at a lower price in Russia than in America.

What did the union do about it? Well, one of the first things they did was to go to the newspapers of the city and put in advertisements telling patternmakers to stay away from the International Harvester works.

Rejected Advertising

The Milwaukee Sentinel accepted the advertisement. It has run now every day for six months. The Milwaukee Daily News also accepted the advertisement. The following is a photographic reproduction of it as it appeared in the Milwaukee Sentinel, July 17, 1911.

PATTERN MAKERS
We stay away from International Harvester Co. works on account of a lockout.

Lute Nieman's Milwaukee Journal, however, refused to run this advertisement. Lute Nieman's Milwaukee Journal—misleader, hypocritical pretender and labor faker—refused to accept money for a paid advertisement to go among the classified ads where employers are free at all times to advertise for scabs and strike-breakers.

Helping Scabs

The "local Socialistic sheet," which is the Social-Democratic Herald, gave the full facts about the patternmakers' lockout. It was printed as a matter of news and of interest to the whole labor world of Milwaukee, and without charge.

Only a "friend of labor" like Lute Nieman would shut out a full statement of it from a pretended column of "Labor News and Views."

And only cunning, commercialized hypocrisy would shut out such a statement from the classified advertisements where employers have been known to advertise for men wanted to take the place of union men on strike.

"PATTERN MAKERS."
stay away from International Harvester Co. lockout.

What a little matter of simple justice and a square deal it would have been to accept this as an advertisement!

But the dollar control, the dollar policy, the dollar principles of Lute Nieman's Milwaukee Journal dictate otherwise.

This, of course, is only one of a number of incidents which show clearly enough where Lute Nieman stands as a "friend of labor." Others may be presented later.

Fears Socialist Daily

It is the dollar policy and the dollar principles of Lute Nieman that make him carry on these day-by-day attacks on the city administration. He has now joined hands with the Rose Democrats in an attempt to get so-called "nonpartisan rule" in the city government. Interviews are appearing almost daily scoring the condition of the city streets, worded so as to create the impression that the city administration is not properly coping with the situation.

Hardly a word has appeared, however, for the work of the Social-Democrats in breaking the graft of "closed specifications" and bringing the cost of paving to a lower price than ever before known in the city of Milwaukee. Very little crediting the record breaking achievements of Leslie Everts, the deputy comptroller appointed by the Social-Democrats.

Truth Held Back

In all of Nieman's discussions of experts needed to make the proper economies and cut out the wastes of city government, only reluctantly and occasionally a word of commendation for the employment of three experts, Leslie E. Everts, Charles A. Mullen and John R. Commons, has appeared in the Journal. Not a word to the effect that this is the first time that the policy of putting experts in the city service has been seriously attempted. Not a word that the laws of today are such that the city would have to battle injunctions and manifold state laws and city ordinances before it could employ experts.

These are some of the reasons which justify the statement that Lute Nieman is guided by the dollar policy and dollar principles.

Hushing Things

And besides this careful, constant hushing up and damping with faint praise the real achievements of the Social-Democrats, Nieman has employed an anonymous dummy who signs himself "Unionist." He shoots a column of unadulterated "bunk" regularly each day. Cowards who are afraid to acknowledge what they have written are generally "bunk-shooters." The prize for "bunk-shooting" must

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The attack on the News Writers' union by "Unionist" recently was about the choicest kind of work that an unknown, anonymous scab has put over for a long time in Milwaukee.

Nieman Has Class

Nieman himself kisses his millionaire wife good-bye in the morning and rides down to the office in an automobile. He presses buttons and people come on tiptoe to his room when he wants them during the day. In the afternoon, he takes a spin out to the country club and swings a golf stick.

All these things are pleasant and fine. They show him to be a man of brain ability and power. He has genius, capacity and knowledge. These things—the automobile, the millionaire wife and the golf—are not a disgrace. They are merely tokens of the class to which Lute Nieman belongs.

Turn It Around

For Lute Nieman to come out and tell the men in the labor movement in this city what they should do and what they should not do is quite ridiculous. It is as though some of the Journal reporters should go into Nieman's office and tell him to change the style of type and cut out the quick doctor advertisements which have been appearing. Should such a thing happen, Lute would choke and gurgie, turn blue in the face and tell the reporters to hike and be damned quick about it.

Nieman himself knows that it is silly for him to try his strength with the Social-Democrats in the unions. But the dollar policy and the dollar principles that have so far guided him in his always changing methods, still have a hold on him. And he is willing to have thousands of the most enlightened workmen of Milwaukee look on him as a real fool, if he can only do a little to stop the advance of the Social-Democratic daily. He knows that when a Social-Democratic daily comes he may be shown up to a far larger number of people as a masked Progressive, a Civic Federation wolf wearing the woolen fleece of a lamb-like "friend of labor."

Woman in the Case

And each time that a little of the straight, stern truth about Nieman is told, we may expect to hear that he has been the victim of "personal abuse." Of course, in the columns of Nieman's paper there has been no "personal abuse" for "the Socialist politicians."

The "Socialist politicians" traded votes in the legislature. They gerrymandered Milwaukee county. They are making political tools out of the trade unions. So says the Nieman sheet.

The Nieman tactics may properly be called Wholesale Personal Abuse. And the whole purpose and aim of it is to hold back the Social-Democratic daily.

So far as Nieman is concerned, there is only one woman in the case. Her head is engraved on the American Dollar.

Is But a Type

But after all, Nieman is but a type, and we have no desire to honor him above others by giving him space in the Herald. He is simply a type of the modern capitalist newspaper owner. When any of these capitalist daily papers pretend to be extra friendly to the labor unions, while they attack and abuse the Social-Democratic movement, look out. There's always an ax to grind. And as to newspaper advice to the unions, that's never genuine, and is always in the service of the exploiting interests which the newspaper serves.

Child Welfare

With the approval of the archbishop and with the permission and co-operation of the pastor of St. Cyril's church, the Child Welfare Commission of Milwaukee, recently appointed by Mayor Seidel, will open its first welfare station next Monday at 900 Eighth avenue, just south of Lincoln avenue. Owing to the limited funds at the disposal of the commission, the work for the first year will be confined to a given area. The district selected is the parish of St. Cyril church, consisting of about thirty-three blocks, bounded on the east by Fifth avenue, on the north by Grant street, on the west by Thirtieth avenue, and on the south by Kinnickinnic creek. Doctors will be employed by the commission who have their practices in this district and speak the Polish language. The commission will also endeavor to secure Polish speaking nurses. Where this is impossible, a Polish interpreter will be employed. The work of these physicians is aimed not to cure sickness on the part of babies, but to prevent babies from getting sick by aiding their mothers in feeding and caring for them properly.

There will be held at the baby welfare station each week several classes for mothers to which mothers may bring their babies. These classes will be in charge of physicians. Any mother who wishes to avail herself of the free instructions which will be given by the doctors who have charge, can do so by registering at the station. These physicians under whom she registers will thereafter give her, once each week, a free consultation at which time her baby will be weighed and examined by him and its proper feeding prescribed for the week following. A trained nurse will also be placed at the disposal of the mothers. This nurse will be on duty every day and if any mother has need of her she will gladly render such assistance as may be necessary.

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Have you noticed what is happening to our sewerage experts?

You remember the three sewerage experts were picked out very carefully.

The whole country was scanned and scrutinized. Out of the many names proposed, at last three were sifted out as the fellows who could do the work.

They went at the work calmly. They were supposed to have in their heads the sewerage knowledge and the sewerage experience of America, Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, and the lesser inhabited portions of the globe.

Their report was promised. "Doc" Bading, an other citizens, set on a hair trigger, declared that Mayor Seidel had got their report and was holding it back.

This was shown to be a fake report. At last, however, the report of the sewerage commission arrived. It was a big, bulky thing and the bill to the city was \$24,000. The report explains that a number of things will be necessary for proper sewerage in the city of Milwaukee and that these things will cost about thirteen million dollars.

Since the report was made, about a dozen different citizens of Milwaukee have risen to explain that the sewerage commission is wrong. These critics, among whom is the illustrious and irrepressible physician and politician, Gerhardt Bading, say the job can be done for three million, five million, six million, seven million dollars.

The Nieman sheet is getting its customers into the habit of juggling million dollar figures glibly on the end of the tongue.

We have a bill of \$24,000 from three experts for work done.

And before we have even decided whether we will pay the whole bill for the expert service, we hear from a dozen different politicians that the experts, who spent months of study and who went thoroughly into all the details of how and why, are wrong and very wrong, away off.

Only a prophet can foretell what is going to come forth from this situation.

The one point that sticks out clear is that some of the glib mumbler about "experts" will have to realize that there are difficulties connected with getting satisfactory "experts" for public service.

As Mayor Seidel has pointed out several times for the benefit of some large, deaf ears in Milwaukee, most of the real technical experts are in the service of the large industrial enterprises of the country.

And several fool laws will have to be changed before Milwaukee can hire and pay experts on the right basis.

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THE TAX SCANDAL!

Lo and behold! Getting the taxes uniform in Milwaukee means to assess the homes and property of the rich lower than before and to assess the homes of the plain people 100 up to 300 per cent. higher than before.

That is the idea of the tax commissioner, Schutz, a holdover Rose appointee, and a member of the old Rose gang, if the evidences are to be believed.

And Schutz had the effrontery to tell the state tax commission that the people agreed to the assessment figures this year as never before. Certainly there are some people who ought to be abundantly satisfied.

A garrulous boulevardier, Mr. Tom Neacy, who owns a lot of taxable city property, has publicly served notice on the mayor that if he will reapportion Schutz tax commissioner or someone

Trying to Tax Working People Out of Their Homes—What Full Value Means

the tax commissioners, who said that formal charges had not been made to them, but that they were properly present to make a preliminary inquiry based on the allegations made, in order that if there was any violation of law there might be a chance for the assessors to correct their figures and thus obviate the ordering of expensive reassessment of the property of the city.

Hcan's Discoveries

Mr. Hoan then brought to the attention of the meeting some of the facts discovered, facts discovered in spite of all the wily efforts of the tax

commissioners, who said that formal charges had not been made to them, but that they were properly present to make a preliminary inquiry based on the allegations made, in order that if there was any violation of law there might be a chance for the assessors to correct their figures and thus obviate the ordering of expensive reassessment of the property of the city.

Now listen! This year, on a full value estimate, the appraiser has set it down at \$67,600! A steal, according to these figures, against the general city appraisal, which the small holders must make up, of a cool \$40,000 and over.

And there's no chance to say that Prospect avenue property is decreasing in value. It is becoming a more beautiful and valuable part of the city every day. Every year adds to its picturesqueness because of the maturing landscape work about its stately homes.

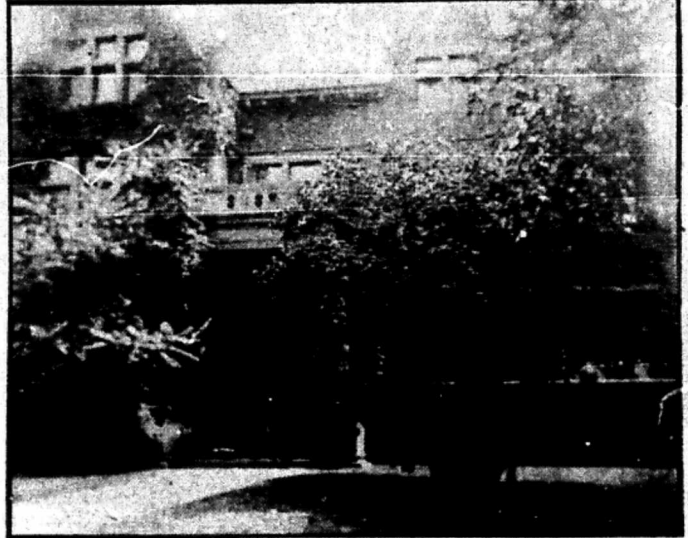
Thus it appears that the tax commissioner and his sleek brood have indeed established the full value appraisal in Milwaukee—for the poor man! The influential man, who, sur-

played his cards accordingly. He evidently figured that if he could keep the books away from them until almost the last minute they would not have time to detect anything before the time was up when the books would have to be closed by law Aug. 1.

City Attorney Hoan's efforts to get at the books were tragic and pathetic. He did the best he could, however. There was not time to run down the evidences of glaring misconduct in assessing, but he presented enough before the commissioners to pave the way for further specifications.

There'll be Results

Still the hearing was not entirely barren of results. One thing that was brought out was that the assessors were generally neglecting the requirement of the law that owners of large establishments be made to state over their own signatures the value of their property. The assessors, in answer to the city attorney's questions, admitted that no such affidavits were secured. The men refused to sign such statements, they said, and they let it go at that. There is another thing. The law says that where property is found that has been escaping taxation it shall be assessed not only for the current year but for three years back, this as a penalty. But it was found that in the past three years only one



The Bigelow Palace Escapes

Last year, on a 60 per cent basis, this great Prospect avenue home was assessed at \$44,000. This year, on a full value basis, the assessment was REDUCED to \$38,600! Thus is the burden of taxation shifted on the little fellows!

else equally as good, that he, the mayor, will have easier sailing in Milwaukee. Draw your own conclusions from this implied threat. Neacy, we believe, is a member of the so-called Tax Dodge League.

Last Wednesday morning the members of the state tax commission came to Milwaukee in response to a verbal complaint made to them by City Attorney Hoan that the law was being flagrantly violated in the assessing of property in Milwaukee.

Schutz tried to embarrass and

commissioner and his trustees to block all inquiry.

"I have been able to examine but a very few of the records," said the city attorney, "but from an examination of the returns of the Eighteenth, Twenty-first, Twenty-second and Twenty-third wards, I discovered that the real estate on Prospect avenue, Eighteenth ward, had been increased about 40 per cent and no increase upon the improvements, while in the other wards above mentioned the increase was upon both real estate and improvements; and the increase was from 80 per cent to 300 per cent. I felt that if this condition existed in these few wards that an examination of the remaining eighteen might be the same. And in order to facilitate matters before the board of review, and to avoid the reassessment of the property in a whole, I deemed it my duty to call upon the state board of review and advise with them and see if we could not devise a way by which these inequalities could be corrected without delay and great expense."

Some Queer Figuring

Some surprising facts are now coming out. Take the case, for instance, of the property of the Roundy estate at Bidle and Marshall streets, Seventh ward. It consists of lots 1 and 2 and five feet of lot 3, block 95, Seventh ward. The old homestead has been torn down and it lies vacant. Last year the appraisal on the property amounted to \$14,000. This year, when the old 60 per cent basis has been discarded and full value is taken, it is assessed at \$17,675. If \$14,000 was 60 per cent of its value in 1910, then the full value would be \$23,333, showing that this year the assessor favors the influential owners to the tune of five and a half thousand, which the workmen home owners will have to make good in high taxes.

Little Home Over Taxed

Take the case of a little frame bungalow and residence at 1773 Sixth street, between Locust and Chambers. Last year under the 60 per cent rule this property was assessed \$1,190. This year it is practically doubled to assess it on the full value basis, so that the figures appear on the books at \$2,370.

Now, if all property in the city were treated the same, if it were an even shake between all citizens, the owner of the Sixth street property just mentioned would have no kick coming. But there's the rub. All property is not treated alike, and the result will be that when taxes are levied this Sixth street property will have to pay more than its share to make up for the glaring tax-dodging which the tax department will permit the rich fellows to indulge in. Let us, therefore, turn to Prospect avenue, where stand the stately palaces of our richest citizens.

Bigelow Gets off Easy

Let us take the palace, for instance, of William Bigelow, the banker. His home at 139 Prospect avenue (lot 8, block 199, First ward), a mansion whose grounds overlook Lake Michigan and represent all that is luxurious and valuable in outlying bon ton property, was assessed last year on the 60 per cent basis, at \$44,000. This would mean that its full value was \$73,333. But this year, on a full value assessment, it appears on the assessment rolls at \$38,600—that's enough to make anyone catch his breath!

A few steps farther along, at 152



How the Palaces of the Rich Escape

The residence of F. T. Goll, Prospect avenue. Last year, on a 60 per cent basis, it was assessed at \$65,680. This year, on a full value basis, at only \$67,600! It is worth \$100,000. Poor men will have to make up the difference.

rounded by his riches, is best able to pay, is still permitted to dodge—there appears to be no full valuation in HIS case. In other words he looks mighty good to some of the assessors. From this you can see how the game works.

The taxes are based on the assessment of all the property in the city. The city budget is made up, which determines how much money will be needed to be raised by taxation. Then the taxes are levied on

piece of property had been so found and charged up with three years' taxes, and that that event happened three years ago.

Since we have been referring to this tax question, information has kept coming to this office of alleged petty grafting by tax assessors. Stories came to us of assessors who have carted away from shoe factories, stores and other establishments large boxes and bundles of stuff for home use, the suspicion being that it is payment to the proprietors for being let down easy in the assessments on their property. It is said of one assessor that he gets the best there is in stock at one certain place and no bill follows—simply a memorandum is sent to the office. Such stories can only be quietly looked up, and should not be a reflection on all assessors, for some are honorable men.

Mayor Seidel at the hearing on Wednesday protested against the practice of some assessors acting as insurance agents and coal agents. The reason was obvious, yet yet jumped Assessor Bannan of the Sixteenth ward, with the retort, "Well, what of it?" If that is Bannan's view of life, he is not a fit man for his office. His remark reminds us of the famous query of Flannigan of Texas, "What are we here for?"



What They Have Done in Working Class Wards

This property at 2418 Lloyd street, Twenty-second ward, is assessed at \$400 more than it cost.

each taxpayer, according to the ratio of the assessment. If he is assessed full value he will have to pay higher taxes than the fellow who is not assessed full value. Catch the point?

Gets Worse and Worse

But it is even worse. In some cases homes in the workingmen wards have been over-assessed. At 2418 Lloyd street stands the frame residence of Fred Tasse. It is in the Twenty-second ward. In 1903 he bought the lot for \$700 and his house cost \$2,200. Yet Mr. Assessor this year chalks the place down at \$1,360—full value and a quarter! Such wild work is not found in the silk stocking districts!

Take another case. Herman Knappe owns a lot in the Twentieth ward which he has for sale at \$750. It is assessed this year at \$860!

Mr. Schutz is an adroit citizen. Like the fox he never sleeps. It was very apparent that he and his force was afraid of something this year. Mayor Seidel and City Clerk Thompson are also members of the board of review. Schutz seemed afraid these two officials would discover something and he

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what Ald. Grass said about the men. "I spoke a few minutes one day with a fireman at Third and State streets, and when he got to his fire house he was called on the carpet for speaking to the chairman of the committee on fire department. It simmers down to this, that the two chiefs have been czars for years and are today, and the sooner the citizens get them off their necks the better it will be for the city of Milwaukee."

"I'll give you some information along the line of hose," he continued. "Under the past Democratic administration a certain city official, drawing a fat salary from the city, was at the same time the agent for seven hose manufacturers; doing business with the city, and he was drawing a salary of \$25 per week from each one, while in addition he was holding a newspaper job at the same time. Also, I can give you some facts in regard to coal. A certain city official under the last administration was a stockholder in a certain fuel company, and that one firm practically was the only one that got a chance to bid on coal for the city."

"It simply shows this," continued Ald. Coleman, "that the old parties are sore because they are now in a position where they cannot play favorites and their campaign funds are slipping away from them. They are losing their machine."

Ald. Ries stated that Chief Clancy

Town Topics by the Town Crier

What's a tax commissioner for? Ask Tom Neacy.

True to the element in our city life that he represents, Ald. Fitzpatrick is trying to head the people off from securing the river park.

The poor man's burden—Tax Commissioner Schutz, Rose appointee, evidently thinks the poor man should make up for the under-taxation of the rich.

A crooked assessment may hide behind a plea for harmony, but "harmony" of that kind is not what the small home owners are after. They want justice, with harmony if possible, without it if necessary.

No good citizen will complain at the Sunday closing of the bakeries, because it will hereafter allow the bakery workers to enjoy one day of rest a week. The conditions of labor in this trade in the past have been simply shameful.

The gas company doesn't want its taxes raised. It would rather dodge and throw the burden on the little fellow. The gas company made a bargain with Dave Rose one time for a consideration on a building permit. But the people are watching now.

To keep the flies from breeding in the garbage can drain the garbage in the kitchen sink and do it up in bundles, using newspapers for wrappers. This always keeps old newspapers from accumulating and littering up the house.

The Journal editor again makes a poisonous reference to Berger's "palatial flat" in Washington. The truth, as the Journal well knows, is that Congressman Berger's quarters at

Free Bathing in River

Here's good news for the working people of the north side. A municipal bathing place has been established at Gordon park, just below the Folsom place—Locust street bridge, and beginning next week free bathing will be afforded all who may wish to avail themselves of it.

Six election booths, three for men and three for women, divided into proper dressing compartments, have been put on the bank of Gordon park. A custodian for the men's section and a matron for the women's section are engaged to take care of same and to keep order. The bathing establishment will be open from 8 o'clock in the morning until sundown, free to persons who bring the necessary bathing outfits.