

All the News All the Time

The Weather: Fair and cooler.

FRENCH STRIKERS WIN THEIR POINT

Clemenceau Government Meets Postal Employes' Representatives and Makes Concessions. LONDON, March 22.—That the great strike of the French postal employes will end in a victory for the strikers is practically assured by the reports telephoned from Paris this morning. At a meeting held yesterday between representatives of the strikers and M. Barthou, Minister of Public Works, ostensibly for the purpose of protesting against the charges that the strikers had cut the wires, the men communicated to the Minister the terms on which the allied associations collectively would resume work. These were, first, the resignation of M. Simyan, Under Secretary of Posts and Telegraphs; second, that no employe should be dismissed on account of the strike. They also desired the assurance that the delegates of the association hereafter should be permitted to lay their grievances before the Minister of Public Works.

FIGHT OVER UNIONISM

Brothers in Bitter Quarrel—One Stabbed, the Other Clubbed. James L. Kennedy, a farmer, stabbed Phillip J. Phillips during a dispute at their mother's home, 405 West 53d street, last night. Two serious wounds, one in the left shoulder and one directly over the heart, were inflicted with a potato masher. The injured man, Phillips, was rushed to the Flower Hospital, where it is thought his chances of recovery are very slight.

CIGAR DEALER COMMITS SUICIDE

Large Stores Take Away Trade and Owner Grows Despondent. Herman Baach, owner of a little cigar store at 52d street and Day street, committed suicide yesterday in the store from which he eked out a poor living.

OPERA STAR IN WANT

Former Royal Singer Awaits Eviction for Non-Payment of Rent. Dreaming of the days when she sang with Adelina Patti and was a favored member of the Royal Italian Opera Company of St. Petersburg, a little old lady sat in a dingy room yesterday, at 157 East 99th street, waiting to be evicted because she cannot take \$9 rent.

BLOW PRISONERS FROM GUNS

PESHAWUR, British India, March 22.—It is reported that 1,200 Afghan have been made at Jelulabad, Afghanistan, in connection with the plot recently discovered to murder the Ameer, the heir apparent, and the other members of the royal family. According to advices, batches of prisoners are being blown from guns daily.

STATE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY

A bill projected by the Association of Neighborhood Workers, providing for a commission to ascertain if it would not be possible for the state to conduct a central employment agency has been introduced by Senator Newcomb and Assemblyman Lindon Bates, Jr.

MANY HURT ON "L" GIRL SUCCEEDS IN ENDING LIFE

Third Avenue Shuttle Car Crashes Into City Hall Bumper. A shuttle car with forty passengers went wild on its trip between Chatham Square station and the City Hall terminal of the Third Avenue "L" yesterday morning, crashing full speed against the bumper at the end of the rails and injuring fourteen persons. Two of these, girls, were so badly hurt that they were taken to the Hudson Street Hospital. They were: Josephine Olsen, twenty-eight years old, of 107 5th street, Hoboken, suffering from severe cuts and hysteria.

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Young Librarian, After Lingering Many Hours, Dies From Effects of Gage. Miss Helen Norris, the librarian of the Kingsbridge branch of the New York Public Library, died at 4:40 o'clock this morning at St. Vincent's Hospital. She attempted suicide Saturday night at the Trowman Inn by inhaling gas, but it was thought for more than twenty-four hours that she had a chance of recovery.

MINERS STAND FIRM

Reports From all Parts of Anthracite Region Indicate Coming Conflict. SCRANTON, Pa., March 22.—The convention of anthracite mine workers, which meets here to-morrow, is expected to make a final decision so far as the men are concerned in the matter of a new agreement with the coal mine operators to take the place of the present working arrangement, which expires March 31. As it now stands, the situation is this: The miners have made certain demands, the principal one being the recognition of the union. The operators have flatly refused all the demands and in turn have offered to renew for another term of three years the present agreement, which is the same as that made by the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission. The miners' representatives at all offices in the United Mine Workers of America have declined to continue the agreement without recognition of the union, and have called the Scranton convention for the purpose of making a report on their action and to let the mine workers themselves decide what further action shall be taken.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., March 22

Sentiment in favor of a strike is steadily increasing among the anthracite mine workers and the peace party is losing ground. Reports received here from various sections of the region regarding the election of the last of the delegates to the Scranton convention are that a large number of them have been instructed to vote for a strike if the operators refuse to grant any concessions.

MAHANY CITY, Pa., March 22

In many of the churches throughout Mahany and Shenandoah valleys yesterday pastors referred to the pending trouble in the anthracite field and advised the men to proceed with caution and to avoid, if possible a repetition of the industrial conflict of seven years ago.

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS

The conservative press, represented by the Journal and Debater, the Evening Post and others, criticizes the government severely for having entered into negotiations with its striking employes and declares that this is the opening wedge to a reign of anarchy which will bring about the fall of the republic itself.

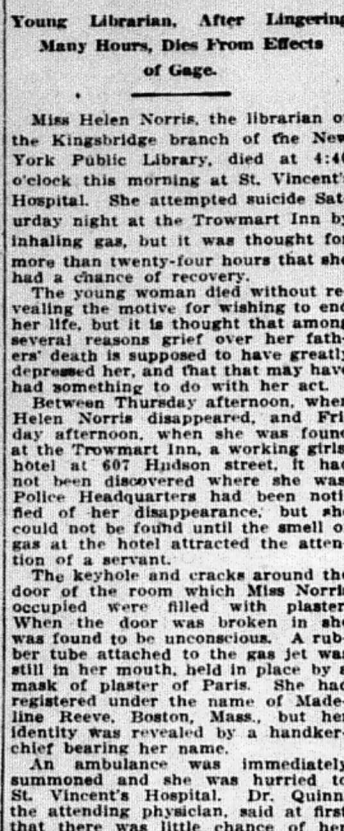
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HOLD THESE DATES: April 3 to 11, For the Grand Fair

AT THE GRAND CENTRAL PALACE, 43d St. and Lexington Ave. HELD BY THE EVENING CALL.

ORANGE MILITANTS GET BUSY

Street Campaign for Votes for Women Begins With Good Meeting. ORANGE, N. J., March 22.—An active campaign for women suffrage was begun here Saturday night when a big open-air meeting was held at the corner of the Broadway and Day streets of the city.

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Any Trade Union, Labor Organization, Social Club, Singing Society, Socialist Party Local, Fraternal Organization, Lodge, Athletic Club, etc., can enter this contest. The organizations receiving the largest number of votes will get the following prizes: First Prize - \$300 Library (or a handsome hand-made Emblem Banner.) Second Prize - 200 Library Third Prize - 100 Library

USE THIS COUPON TO HAND IN YOUR VOTE. Please tie up coupons in bundles of 10. Here is the way the record stands up to March 18.

Table listing various organizations and their vote counts for the Call Library Contest. Includes Bakers' Union No. 1, N.Y. Letter Carriers' Ass'n, etc.

CONTEST NOTES.

Library Editor, New York Evening Call, P. O. Box 1624, City. Dear Sir:—Inclosed please find coupon to be credited to the vote of the North Side Republican Club. This is only a starter. "Cheer up, Library Editor, the worst is yet to come." After a long sleep we are ready for business. Yours faithfully, A. CONSTANT READER.

The 234 Assembly District of Brooklyn comes in with 3,000 votes. The 15th Assembly District of Manhattan comes in with 2,500 votes.

The pot is just beginning to bubble, in about ten days it will be boiling, and will over and over many a time at the Fair.

All organizations should be there STRONG, to witness the hot fight which will be waged between the different contestants every night.

SOCIALISM IN GREECE

Workers Waking Up to a Realization of Their Class Interests.

(Correspondence to The Call.) ATHENS, Greece, March 7.—That the doctrine of Socialism is taking firm root in classic Greece was well illustrated by a big Socialist meeting held in the city of Piraeus under the auspices of the Athenian "Sociological Club" last week. Piraeus is the seat of this city and has a population of 50,000, practically all proletarians. For this reason the Socialists chose it as the ideal spot to begin their public propaganda.

DRIVERS WANT INCREASE

Milling Company Refuses to Pay Teamsters New Sale.

Thirty-five teamsters in the employ of the Hecker, Jones & Jewell Milling Company, at Water and Corlear streets, are out on strike to compel an acceptance of the new wage scale adopted by the International Brotherhood of Teamsters on January 1, 1909.

After repeated delays and failures on the part of the bosses to take any decisive action, the men went out on March 11. They are connected with Local 708, forty of whose members are also out on strike to compel W. H. Rankins, a wholesale dry goods truckman, at Bleecker and Mercer streets, to recognize the local and pay the union scale of thirty cents an hour for overtime.

DEBATE SOCIALISM VS. INDIVIDUALISM

Interested Audience Listens to Lively Discussion Between James F. Carey and William B. Guthrie.

An audience that made up by enthusiasm what it lacked in numbers gathered in Berkeley Theater yesterday to listen to a debate on the relative merits of Socialism and Individualism, between the Hon. James F. Carey, of Boston, former member of the Massachusetts Legislature, elected on the Socialist ticket, and Professor William B. Guthrie, of the City College.

He began by stating that although the opponents of Socialism were fond of telling how many kinds of Socialism there were, the essential thing upon which the Socialist movement was based was the fact that without human labor mankind could not exist. "In the early days of the race," said Mr. Carey, "the work of producing the necessary food, clothing and shelter was performed in a very crude manner, and as soon as the man had learned how to do things a little better, a system was organized to secure possession of the tools of production and stand between them and the workers, and then the class conflict began."

Capitalists No Longer Necessary. Mr. Carey then described the development of the tools of industry from the primitive implements owned and used by the same individuals up to the mammoth machines that were owned by a few capitalists who no longer did even the useful labor of superintendence performed by their predecessors.

Out of these conditions arose the class struggle, and out of that struggle would come the triumph of the workers who would establish a system of collective ownership of the tools of production, and abolish the system under which the man who owns nothing is the slave of the man who owns the things which must be used in order to maintain life.

Some Original Information. But now, after these things had been reformed, as the speaker seemed to imply, the Socialist movement had changed so much that it is different in every country. As a proof of this, Mr. Carey gave the following startling information that the great leader of the French Socialists, Jean Jaures, had been ruled out of the last two international Socialist congresses.

The speaker then took up the defense of the holders of paper, stating that there were 50,000 stockholders in the Pennsylvania Railroad, and that they could not all be parasites. He also took up the substantial theory of wages, and said that Lassalle's statement to the effect had been refuted by the fact that many German workers had money in the bank.

In rebuttal Mr. Carey said that, referring to the iron law of wages, the amount of pay received by the working class from the capitalists was that which it, by its powers of resistance through the labor movement, could set as the standard necessary to maintain itself and reproduce its kind. If there were no labor movement, the workers would be worse off than they are, as in China, for instance.

The "Incentive" Question. In regard to there being no incentive for inventors under Socialism, Mr. Carey showed that the average inventor is either beaten out of the reward of the ideas, or else he works in a factory where he invents almost anything the boss wants at a salary of a few dollars a week. Under Socialism invention would be rewarded better than now, and there would be more geniuses, because ev-

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Stuyvesant High School, 16th street, near First avenue: "The Awakening of the Far East," Elwood G. Tewksbury. Public School 5, 141st street and Edgecombe avenue: "Insects and Other Animals," Professor John E. Smith. Public School 46, 158th street and St. Nicholas avenue: "The Production of Steel," Dr. Byron C. Matthews. Public School 51, 123 West 46th street: "Irish Party and Folklore," Soumas McManus. Public School 52, Meester and Madison streets: "Benjamin Franklin," Edwin Fairley. Public School 53, 70th street and First avenue: "Cities by the Blue Danube," Dr. John B. Devine. Public School 11, 185d street and Eighth avenue: "Josa of Arc," Professor Georges Castaigner. Public School 158, Avenue A and 17th street: "Scotland," William T. Dorward. Public School 159, 341 East 119th street: "Alfred the Great," Dr. J. Vincent Crowne. Public School 159, Lewis and East Houston streets: "The West Indies," Dr. George Donaldson. Public School 17, 113 East 96th street: "Insect Life," Herbert A. Argell. Institute Hall, 318 East 160th street: "The Making of a Newspaper," Frank L. Blanchard. Public School 161, Hudson and Grove streets: "Washington, the National Capital," George E. Cooley. St. Peter's Hall, 30th street, near Eighth avenue: "The Life, Religion and Art of Western India," Walter Scott Perry. Morris High School, Boston road and 166th street: "The Planet Mars; Is It Inhabited?" Professor Robert W. Prentiss. Public School 5, 243d Webster avenue, Fordham: "The Great Stone Book," George A. Brown. Public School 7, Kingsbridge avenue, Kingsbridge: "Planting and Care of Shade Trees," Jacob J. Levison. Public School 57, 113 Ann's avenue and 147th street: "How Switzerland is Governed," Dr. William Fairley, Lafayette Hall, Alexander avenue and 137th street: "The Wonders of Color," Professor William C. Peckham. Realty Hall, Onden and Marriam avenues: "James Whitcomb Riley," Miss Anna M. Mason.

BUILDING NEWS.

The following plans have been filed with the Buildings Department for new structures in Manhattan and Bronx: 30th st. & 350 ft. w. of 5th av. for a ten-story brick building, 21x 18.4; estate of Walden Pell, 15 East 25th st. owner: Pell & Corbett, architects; cost, \$20,000. Claremont av. & w. 235 ft. a of 116th st. for a ten-story brick apartment house, 2 1/2 stories; Paterno Brothers, 210 West 114th st. owners: Paterno & Gross, architects; cost, \$25,000. Riverside Drive, a corner of 165th st. for a six-story brick apartment house, 155,524; Lansing Company of 1 Nassau st. owner: G. P. Fellman architect; cost, \$20,000. 93d st. 417 and 413 East, for a one-story brick storage building, 35x35; C. Steiner, architect; cost, \$500. Park av. w. 113 ft. a of 167th st. for five four-story brick apartments, 26x26; John Rendall of 85 East 164th st. owner: Koppe & Daube, architects; cost, \$75,000. 100th st. & 100 ft. a of 168th st. for a two-story frame dwelling, 14 x 46.3; Thomas P. Conannon of 165th st. and Stebbins av. owner: William Schanauer, architect; cost, \$2,500. Southern Boulevard, w. 175 ft. a of 170th st. East, for two five-story brick tenements, 25x14.4; Moorhead Construction Company, (Robert J. Moorhead of 462 East 142d st. president; owner: E. J. Byrnes, architect; cost, \$40,000. Bristol st. n. e. corner of 176th st. for four four-story brick tenements, Clara Weidhoff of 40 West 132d st. owner: Lorenz F. J. Weiler, architect; cost, \$100,000. Alterations. Items involving less than \$1,000 omitted. 38th st. 3 West, to a four-story brick store; L. Procter of 239 Riverside Drive, owner; Hill & Stout, architects; cost, \$25,000.

WAR ON PLAGUE

Tuberculosis Committee Tells of Work During Past Year. The tuberculosis committee of the State Charities Aid Association has just made its annual report. In the year, March 16, 1909, to March 16, 1909, the following cities were visited by a traveling tuberculosis exhibition during the co-operative campaign carried on between the State Department of Health and the State Charities Aid Association: Canandaigua, Geneva, Auburn, Cayuga, Elmira, Binghamton, Oswego, Cohoes and Poughkeepsie. Exhibitions on the nature, cure and prevention of tuberculosis were also sent to thirty-six county fairs. Ontario and Rensselaer counties and Elmira will have hospitals for the care of advanced cases of consumption. Albany, Schoharie and Dutchess counties will have open-air tubercularia, Rome, Troy, Albany, Schenectady, and visiting nurses have been provided in these places. The hospitals, dispensaries, etc., involved an expenditure of \$700,000 public money for the construction of the first year's maintenance. The committee announces no definite plans for the coming year, except that after the close of the campaign in Tonawanda this week, the exhibition and propaganda work will be the cities of Newburgh, Middletown and Kingston, where the campaign will close on May 22. It has not been decided whether the county fairs will be visited again this year or not. Governor Stewart strongly urged this at the meeting of the association in Albany, February 3, and it has generally been considered an admirable plan.

HORAN CHARGES DISMISSED

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Albany General Wickersham has directed the dismissal of the indictment against Horan, the former United States District Attorney for Idaho, by members of the Barber Lumber Company and others for conspiring to defraud the United States of customs duties. Senator Borah took an active part in the prosecution of Moyer, Haynes and Pettibone.

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DOINGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS

FRANKIE BURNS PUTS YOUNG STONEY AWAY

A varied assortment of pugilistic talent was served up at the Long Acre Athletic Club Saturday night.

In the semi-final Frankie Mango beat Jimmy Carter in two rounds. At the start it looked as though Jimmy was going to be an easy winner.

To-morrow night Manager Newman will put on Lew Sheppard and Dodo Maher and Mike Carroll for six.

JOHNSON CALLS OFF FIGHT WITH KETCHEL

CHICAGO, March 22.—Willus Britt arrived in Chicago last night and received a jolt when told that the bout between Stanley Ketchel, whom he represents, and Jack Johnson had been called off.

Johnson claimed that Britt and Ketchel were trying to advertise themselves and the fight with Jack O'Brien in New York on Friday night and as they had not posted their money the match was off.

Johnson is generally condemned here for side-stepping Ketchel. If Britt comes through with his money to-morrow, the only objection offered by Jack will have been swept away.

It remains to be seen whether Britt will be able to make Johnson fight. He has not given up trying—not for a moment. He hopes that another day will see the affair patched up.

CROSS-M' ARLAND MATCH OF CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS.

Packey McFarland and Leach Cross meet at the Fairmont to-morrow night and both boys are in perfect condition for the go.

POWERS TO MEET SIEGER.

The members of the Swedish-American Athletic Club, of Brooklyn, are more than usually excited over the ten-round contest between Harry Powers and Charley Sieger, which takes place at the weekly stag of the club to-morrow night.

SPECIAL OLYMPIC CARD.

The Olympic Athletic Club, of Harlem, will hold a special boxing entertainment for its members at the club house to-night.

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SUPERBASGO SIGHTSEEING LEE'S TIME BEST IN STAR A. C. RUN

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 22.—The Superbas enjoyed their day of rest. Personally conducted tours were mapped out by some of the men.

Although he conceded big time handicaps to his rivals, Charles Andrews, of the Xavier A. C., won the club's two-mile cross country run at North Bergen, N. J., yesterday.

For the third time since the inauguration of the Glencoe A. C. cross country runs J. Stack, of the McChesney A. C., yesterday took the club's first prize.

MATT MALONEY ADDED TO MARATHON ENTRIES.

Matt Maloney, the crack ex-athlete long-distance runner, and the holder of the outdoor world's record for the full Marathon distance, 26 miles 385 yards, of 2 hours 36 minutes 21-5 seconds, will be in the \$10,000 Marathon Derby which will be run at the Polo Grounds on Saturday afternoon, April 3.

YOUNG CORBETT VS. BERT KEYS.

Young Corbett, the former feather-weight champion, will have his work cut out for him on Thursday evening when he stacks up against Bert Keys in a ten-round bout before the members of the Whirlwind A. C. Bert is a wall-popper from away back, and if the scrapper from Denver runs into any of Keys' swings he is likely to hit the boards.

ATTIEMI TO BOX NEIL AT BEDFORD A. C.

To-morrow night, at the Bedford A. C., Wyckoff avenue and Halsey street, Brooklyn, Frankie Neil and Abe Attiemi will meet in a ten-round battle.

AMATEUR WRESTLING.

Amateur wrestling will be the attraction at the New Polo Athletic Association, 124th street and Park avenue, Wednesday night. A series of bouts between some of the best wrestlers in the amateur ranks has been arranged and the entries include many American Athletic Union and Metropolitan champions.

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IRVINE ANSWERS ROOSEVELT ATTACK

Scores Strenuous ex-President for His Unfairness—Cites Dr. Lyman Abbott Against Him.

The Church of the Ascension was packed to overflowing last night with people who came to hear Alexander Irvine answer Theodore Roosevelt's attack on Socialism in the current issue of the Outlook.

Mr. Irvine commenced his address by reading a signed editorial of Roosevelt in the same issue of the magazine which contained the anti-Socialistic article.

"I find this editorial," said he, "headed 'A Scientific Expedition.' Now, we should at least expect to find in it something about science or something about an expedition. What do we find? It begins, 'I am about to go to Africa as the head of the Smithsonian Institution expedition.' Now, for a good, fresh piece of news that's something of a good one. Then Mr. Roosevelt goes on to tell how firm is his determination not to have any reporters with him on his trip and not to talk to any representative of any newspaper or magazine; and he warns everybody that an interview purporting to be held in his name, and so it goes, all the way to the signature. There is nothing about an expedition.

Ought to Get Together.

"Now I want you to understand that Mr. Roosevelt is vulnerable. He and the Outlook ought to get together over the business end of the magazine. On the first page of this same issue there is an advertisement of Charles Scribner's Sons, signed by Theodore Roosevelt and saying that he has given all rights and all his writings on his coming hunting trip to Africa to Charles Scribner's Sons.

Hurla Basketful of Adjectives.

"He charges us with being obscene, immoral, dangerous, of nebulous faith, incoherent in our statements, and he gathers a basketful of adjectives and hurled them at us. Boston Transcript said not long ago that he had written three articles on Socialism and had submitted them to three eminent economists, each of whom had advised him to stop writing about it. Instead of having combined them in his article in the Outlook."

Roosevelt Needs a Bath.

"After reading Mr. Roosevelt's article the chief sensation is that he needs a bath—he needs to be fumigated, to go through the whole process of cleansing. Mr. Roosevelt does not mention a single Socialist leader or writer as any part of the world."

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SOCIALIST NOTES

Notice of meetings must be in this office by noon of the day previous to publication. All meetings begin at 8 P. M., unless otherwise specified.

To-Night's Meetings.

MANHATTAN AND BRONX. Executive Committee.—239 East 84th street. 10th A. D. (Italian Branch).—229 East 12th street. 16th and 18th A. D.—1032 First Avenue. Workmen's Circle (Branch 80).—414 Grand street.

BROOKLYN. Business. 12th A. D.—Day's Hall, Sixth Avenue and 9th street. Debate on Socialism or Capitalism, after business meeting. 23d A. D. (Branch 2).—Washington Hall, 93 Throford avenue.

QUEENS. Dr. John D. Long, general secretary of the Christian Socialist Fellowship, will lecture on "Christian Socialism" in Gimpe's Hall, Onderdonk avenue and Bleeker street (Ridgewood), under the auspices of Branch Wyckoff Heights.

JERSEY CITY. 7th Ward.—129 Linden avenue. Business.

WEST NEW YORK. There will be a business meeting of the branch at Franklin avenue and 2d street.

NEW JERSEY. National Organizer Dan A. White, of Massachusetts, has been assigned to New Jersey for the month of April, and the state campaign committee has arranged the following schedule for him:

April 4, Passaic; 5, open date; 6, Sussex; 7, Paterson; 8, Dover; 9, Washington or Phillipsburg; 10, open date; 11, Trenton and Princeton; 12, Beverly; 13, Gloucester; 14, Burlington or Mount Holly; 15, Camden; 16, Oaklyn; 17, open date; 18, Atlantic City and Pleasantville, afternoon and evening; 19, Vineland; 20, Millville; 21, Bridgeton; 22, Glassboro; 23, Jullustown; 24, open date; 25, New Brunswick and Perth Amboy; 26, Somerville or Baritan; 27, Red Bank; 28, Asbury Park; 29, open date; 30, open date.

In order to impress upon the Socialists throughout the state the necessity of making a special effort to apply for the open dates left and to insure the complete success of Organizer White's tour, the campaign committee has issued the following call:

"This committee realizes that the comrades in the various localities have made many sacrifices and worked hard for this series of meetings. It is therefore the duty of every Socialist to appear at these meetings and to permit outdoor work, then things will go easier. Much depends on this trip. It will help our state convention, and we are sure that that body will plan wisely for a continuance of it.

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FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

Political Refugee Defense League Demands New Trial for Araujo. (Special to The Call.)

CHICAGO, March 22.—The Political Refugee Defense League has taken up the case of Antonio P. de Araujo, the Mexican editor, who was convicted and sentenced to two years and six months in the Leavenworth penitentiary January 21, of this year, because some of his articles, printed in an anti-Dias paper, published on American soil at Austin, Tex., did not please President Diaz.

John C. Chase, president of the Defense League, has just returned from Leavenworth, where he interviewed Araujo, and became convinced that he had been railroaded to prison without having had a fair chance to defend himself from the charge of fomenting rebellion against a friendly power. Mr. Chase has secured the services of Attorney Clarence Darrow, aged secretary John Murray, of the Defense League, will file papers of the appeal of the case in the Texas courts to-day.

The Defense League is convinced that the railroadings of Araujo through a federal court to a federal prison constitute a precedent which will be exceedingly dangerous if allowed to prevail in American courts, and has decided to fight this case to the last ditch before continuing with its other political refugee cases on its hands.

Workers Send Demands.

Industrial Council Sends Its Ultimatum to Mine Operators.

SCRANTON, Pa., March 22.—The Scranton-Wilkes-Barre Coal Miners' District Industrial Council of the Industrial Workers of the World have presented the following demands to the coal operators of the anthracite region:

A demand for a general eight-hour day to constitute a day's work for all employees of mines, breakers, collieries and washeries. The minimum wage for all underground workers to be \$3 for eight hours of labor, plus \$1.00 for sufficient supplies, such as timber, etc., and safety ventilation, and to put the above demand in operation, there shall be in every mine, etc., a committee composed and elected by the employees.

The wages of all employees of breakers, collieries, washeries, and all other outside workers of the industry, shall be \$3 for a day's work of eight hours. Prohibition of employment to boys below the age of sixteen (16) years. The Industrial Workers are opposed to any program designating the establishment of a system where the operators are asked to collect the revenue of the union, also to the signing of any contract with the operators governing the condition of employment and wages for any specific period of time.

Study Civilization.

East Side Children Learn Its History in Socialist School. A class in the "History of Civilization" for boys and girls of high school age has recently been opened by the East Side Socialist Sunday School, 183 Madison street. The sessions held on Sundays, 1-3 P. M., are entertaining as well as instructive. Step by step the class retraces the long march of man on the road to present civilization, beginning with the very first steps.

The students are organized in a club which meets after the regular class sessions for discussion and entertainment. There is also a singing chorus made up of the students of the class. So that the time is agreeably spent between study, discussion and song.

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LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. L. Emmett Holt, professor of the diseases of children at Columbia University, will give a lecture on "Infant Mortality and Its Reduction," at 5 P. M. to-day at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, 437 West 19th street.

"Shall Municipal Business Be Centralized or De-Centralized?" is the subject of a lecture to be delivered at 5 P. M. to-day by Henry Bruers, director of the Bureau of Municipal Research, in Schermerhorn Hall, Columbia University.

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HATTERS' SECRETARY ASKS CO-OPERATION

Wants All the Support C. F. U. Can Give in Fight to Maintain Label.

Martin F. Lawlor, national secretary of the United Hatters of America, pleaded earnestly in behalf of the 32,000 members of his organization who are out on strike to compel the use of the union label at the weekly meeting of the Central Federated Union yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Lawlor was insistent in his declaration that the injunction proceedings brought against the hatters by the manufacturers was a blow aimed not alone at his body but at organized labor.

"The complaint filed," said Mr. Lawlor, "contains that to compel the use of a union label is virtually an act in restraint of trade, and is prohibited by the Sherman anti-trust law."

Organized labor being so closely involved in the fight, the C. F. U. should rally to the support of the strikers to as great an extent as possible, was the argument of the hatters' secretary. He thanked the delegates for their liberal support, but expressed the hope that contributions would be forwarded as freely as possible.

Several delegates immediately arose and reported the offerings that had been made by their unions in behalf of the strikers.

The delegate from the pattern workers said that his organization had made a special donation of \$100, making \$175 in all contributed to the hatters. The capmakers will give \$50 a week as long as the strike lasts. The typographers gave \$10.

Mr. May O'Reilly, Sec. of the Women's Trades Union League, attended the meeting yesterday, and was given the floor. She appeared in behalf of the hat trimmers who went out in sympathy with the hatters.

She asked the support of the C. F. U. in a hall to be given in behalf of the strikers, on April 17, at the New Star Casino, 116 East 117th street.

Tells of Women's Strike. At the conclusion of her remarks, during which she explained that the hat trimmers had given the entire amount in their treasury, \$6,000, to the men on strike, the C. F. U. voted a donation of \$15 for the strikers.

The delegate from the Actors' Union volunteered to supply talent at any of the benefits being given to support the hatters' strike.

The committee on charter revision reported a resolution which was adopted after considerable discussion. After declaring that the proposed charter is revolutionary, that 4,000,000 people of the city would be affected, that the charter was prepared in secret, and that the time left to the public for its consideration was too brief, the resolution said:

"Resolved, That the Central Federated Union believes that an instrument of such great importance to the public should not be adopted without the sanction of the public, and demands of the Legislature of the state that it provide for a referendum to the people of the city of New York of the proposed charter of the city of New York."

The debate that preceded its adoption was long and heated. Several present wanted to adopt a more radical resolution. Delegate Kelly said that the proposed charter endangered the salaries of municipal employees, and would undo the work of the past twenty years, which resulted in fair wages being paid in the Street Cleaning Department.

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The charter, he said, prohibits any man in the employ of the city from belonging to an organization seeking legislation in behalf of that organization. This would prevent men working in the city departments from belonging to a union. Such prohibition would place the matter of salaries entirely in the hands of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Constitution Protects Unions. Delegate Loewy explained that the matter of the eight-hour day and the recognition of unions in the adjustment of wages were provided for in the state constitution, and that the charter could not possibly affect any such provisions of the constitution.

After the resolution of the charter revision committee was adopted, the committee was appointed to attend the charter hearing to be held before the Board of Aldermen on Tuesday.

The committee appointed to investigate the charges that mechanics, formerly rated as first-class men, were compelled to serve a probationary period in the Brooklyn Navy Yard, announced that the matter had been thrashed out with the executive committee.

The delegates explained that the wages of mechanics in the employ of the government are fixed by the amount that is paid to union men in general outside work, and that the scale now in effect expires in December, 1933, and that discharged men were being reinstated at reduced wages.

The entire matter was set forth in a letter and forwarded to Secretary Meyer of the navy.

Regarding the petition of 3,000 barbers to Governor Hughes that a law be passed closing all shops on Sunday, the delegate from the barbers' union said that the members of his organization heartily supported such a measure, but also advocated that the law be set forth that all shops close at 5 P. M. during the week.

The protest of the Waiters' Union against the dinner to be given to Public Printer Donnelly, at the Broadway Central Hotel, on the ground that this is an unfair establishment, has resulted in an investigation by Mr. Donnelly, and it is very likely that the dinner will not be held at the Broadway Central.

GRETEL (Claps her hands.) Brother, come and dance with me. Both my hands I offer thee; Right foot first, left foot second. Round about and back again. HANSEL (Tries to do it, but awkwardly.) I would dance, but don't know how. When to jump and when to bow; Show me what I ought to do. So that I may dance like you. SIG. KLEIN (with Assistants) Friends you come, and buy from us; We are plain and make no fuss. As the picture here does show. With underwear, to-day, we make our bow. 50 and 52 3d Ave., nr. 100 St. N. Y.

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THE SICILIAN PLAYERS.

From Broadway to the Bowery goes Mme. Mimì Angiola, Charles Frohman's imported tragedienne. This week the Italian actress, to her company of Sicilian players will give a series of matinee performances at Kessler's Thalia Theater. A varied repertoire is to be offered and popular prices will prevail.

Mme. Angiola will return to Sunny It shortly after her engagement, and when she is next seen in America, it will be as an English-speaking actress.

Eleanor Robson, provided with the best part she has ever had, is nightly attracting large houses to the Lyceum Theatre, where she is playing Mrs. Burnett's "The Dawn of a Tomorrow."

This is the final week of Miss Julia Marlowe's season in the title role of "The Goddess of Reason," at Daly's Theatre, under the management of the Messrs. Schubert. Owing to the great success of the production of this poetic drama of the French Revolution, Miss Marlowe's engagement has been twice extended. Following Miss Marlowe, on Monday, March 29, Mr. E. H. Gotroff will inaugurate an engagement in repertoire at Daly's.

On Wednesday evening at the Liberty Theatre playgoers will witness the first performance in this city of Porter Emerson Browne's play "A Fool There Was," with Robert Hilliard as the star.

"An Englishman's Home," by Guy du Maurier, son of the late George du Maurier, will be presented to-night at the Criterion Theatre. It is in three acts and it was given in London over a month ago.

The third week of Mr. Mantell's Shakespearean season in the New Amsterdam Theatre will be marked by his first appearance in New York in the role of "Louis XI."

AT THE HIPPODROME. The Hippodrome has what will, no doubt, prove the greatest thrill of the season. Inside a massive golden globe made of steel, 16 feet high and 54 1/2 feet in circumference, Clidora, a young woman, will ride a motor cycle, looping the loop and apparently smashing all the laws of gravity. In addition to this ten newly imported European acts will be shown in the circus. This is in addition to the big bill at the Hippodrome, which includes the spectacle of the "The Three Renards, serial and ground performers.

IN VAUDEVILLE. At Keith & Proctor's Fifth Avenue Theater the bill this week will be headed by Laury's musical production, "At the Waldorf," and others will be Fiske O'Brien, the Irish tenor, in his sketch, "The Black Face Monologist"; M. Hyndrick, "the charming comedian"; the Conley Sisters, Stafford and Stone, imitating birds and animals; the Arlington Four, singers, dancers, and comedians, and the Three Renards, serial and ground performers.

At the Colonial Theater the bill is headed by Anna Laughlin and Joseph E. Howard in the skit, "Entertaining My Big Sister's Boy." A novel headliner will be the musical elephants from the Hippodrome. Bowser Heinkle and company will present a one-act playlet called "Superection," and other features will be the spectacular military act entitled "The Boys in Blue"; Charlie Case, Holden's Mankins, Lillian Tice, in Irish songs; the Reiff Brothers, dancers, and Willis and Hassan, acrobats.

At the Alhambra Theater the bill is headed by May Irwin in "Mrs. Peckham's Carouse." Other features are Miss Marie Dainton in impersonations, Laury's "A Night on a Houseboat," George Mosier, the English comedian; the Willy Pantzer Troupe, Miss Mabel Bardine in the skit "Nell of the Falls," Mildred and Carlisle in the skit "After School," the Boot-black Quartet, and Mr. and Mrs. Hart Darrow in their sand picture specialty.

At the Orpheum Theater, Brooklyn, the bill is headed by Minnie Seligman and Will Bradley, Brumwell, in a lively comedy skit. Miss Claire Romaine will offer her repertoire of popular songs. Wilfred Clarke and his company will be seen in "What Will Happen Next," while the Six Musical Cutties will offer an elaborate musical act. Bobby North, the Trappells, Sadie Jansell and Bert and Lotte Watson are the other features on the bill.

MINE EXPLOSION KILLS SIX. EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 22.—Six men were killed, seven badly injured and sixteen others nearly suffocated in a coal mine explosion at the Summit mine Saturday afternoon. The explosion occurred in the west shaft, where twenty-nine men were at work.

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All organizations and individuals who hold tickets for The Call Fair are requested to send moneys to the treasurer, Miss Florence Margolies, 442 Pearl street.

Presents are pouring in in large quantities, and we learn from all over that more are coming. We don't say this in order to make you discontinue the good work. On the contrary! The Grand Central Palace has a capacious, an enormous, stomach, and its greed and hunger is unlimited. Like the stomach of an ostrich, it will swallow anything from a tack up. We have mailed a letter to all those who have Donation Books to ask them to return the same on March 22, so that we may be able to start out and collect all the presents promised to us so far. Those in New York who wish to keep books for future work may get a new supply.

Last night's meeting of the Brooklyn Call Conference was fairly well attended. The delegates representing the different trade unions were there in force. They show by their action that they well comprehend Carl Marx when he said the working class must emancipate themselves. They all reported of the good work done by the members of their organizations. The Socialist party, as represented by the delegates of the different locals, was represented very poorly. It is to be hoped that the above locals ask an accounting of their duly elected delegates. The delegates accepted a trust that involves most serious, most necessary, most important work. There was no compulsion to force them to accept, for we are a democratic as well as a Socialist organization. If those delinquent delegates are anarchists, we will excuse them for their logical action of doing what they, individually (d—), pleased. But if they, and the locals that sent them, endorse the principles of social democracy, we, The Call Conference, demand an accounting. Now, comrades, put that in your pipes and smoke it. And we request locals who do not wish to be represented to kindly so inform us. Comrade J. A. Weil was the chairman, while Comrade Louis Schmid, of Bakers' Union No. 3, a very young but promising, hard working young man, was the secretary. A lengthy report was given by Comrade Joseph H. Sauter, showing the work done by the Fair Committee so far. The following depots were designated as places to horde up the presents of the Fair, and all comrades of Brooklyn are requested to unload presents at those places within a day or two. Dr. Rohnick, 18 Varet street; Mrs. George Marr, 842 Madison street; Mrs. Emma Schien, 769 Hart street; Mrs. Margaret Grombach, 1116 Hancock street; Mrs. G. Nauman, 204 Harmon street; Comrade B. C. Hammond, 1109 Flatbush avenue; Comrade Henry Weiss, 133 Starr street; Comrade J. Muhler, 79 15th street; Comrade Louis Schmid, 112 George street, Evergreen; Comrade A. Urban, room 12, Labor Lyceum. Bring with you a statement of the goods and where they are from, and you may keep the Donation Book for future use.

There is nothing like making a good mistake. The Fair Committee received a number of beautiful oil paintings. We decided that pictures look better with frames than without. In possession of the address of a picture frame manufacturer, and girdled with the necessary mammon to pay the bill, we proceeded to see the man, Mr. Blackman, of 28 Waverly place. Arriving there we learned to our disappointment that the gentleman was not in the frame business at all, but discovered, on the other hand, a warm friend to our cause. For he promptly accepted the job, took the pictures to a framer, paid for and delivered them to the office in person.

That little incident reminds the Press Agent of another incident of a happy mistake. Charley Bauer, an old chum of his, used to run a Parisian tailor's store in a little town in Southern Ohio. Twice a year he used to journey to Cincinnati to complete his stock of purely woolen goods, with not a thread of cotton in it. On his way to the last Ohio River boat he met innumerable friends, said good-bye to all of them, for he was a jolly good fellow, and had an occasional smile with some of them. He missed the boat, which, however, promptly exploded and sank one hour after it left Charley's place of habitation. Now, Charley is happy ever since and never gets tired blowing about the benefits of a happy mistake and of having a good smile in the right time and the right place.

Mr. Leighton Baker, the theatrical manager, reports for Monday, April 7, the following entertainment: New York Letter Carriers' Band, Lowy and Kelly, singing and dancing act; Edward Schatter, fencing; Jack Britt and Young Glover, sparring match. More talent will be added.

The mystery of it all is, Mr. Gardthausen has not returned from Long Beach as yet. It is feared that he did not lasso the mermaid, but that an enticing landmaid of the beach captured him. If you run across him kindly inform the committee. He is about 7 feet tall, has red whiskers, is bald headed, with a Nell Brinkley curl over his left ear, has one eye, a turned up nose, and carries his teeth in his vest pocket, wears a flowing red necktie, checked vest, Happy Hooligan trousers, fur coat and a Napoleon style slouch hat. Isidor Phillips, his manager, offers a reward of \$5,000 in stage money for any valuable or other information. Same must be sent in by wireless to the Freak Museum. So get on the job, and if you don't find him come up to the Fair; he will be on exhibition.

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THE NEW CITY CHARTER.

Two features of the proposed new city charter, as reported to the Legislature last week, are worthy of especial notice.

On the one hand, the revisers propose to increase the Mayor's salary from \$15,000 to \$25,000 a year.

On the other hand, they propose to reduce the number of Aldermen from seventy-three to thirty-nine and to abolish their salaries altogether. At present the Aldermen get \$2,000 a year.

At first glance, these two proposals seem inconsistent. If \$15,000 a year is not enough to reward a man for doing the work of the mayoralty, why should \$2,000 a year be too much for an Alderman? Or, if good Aldermen can be got to serve for glory alone, why should it be necessary to pay \$25,000 a year to induce a good citizen to undertake the much more glorious mayoralty duties? If economy is a good rule in dealing with the legislative branch, why this lavish expenditure on the executive? If liberality is a good rule in dealing with the executive branch, why this parsimony toward the legislative? Is not sauce for the goose also sauce for the gander?

But, in fact, there is method in the charter revisers' apparent madness.

The charter revisers represent that element in our community that designates itself as the "respectable citizens," alias "the taxpayers." They are the people who own most of the property and control most of the business, and they are the people who stand very pompously, if not always very courageously, for what they call "good government"—by which they mean the sort of government that is good for property owners and business men.

These people are very ill content with the ordinary Tammany administration.

The Professional Politician—in New York the really expert ones are Democrats, as in Philadelphia they are Republicans; the breed is the same, under different togs—do not believe in popular government any more than the Respectable Citizens. They both believe in government of the people for the capitalist. They differ as to how and by whom the people should be governed for the capitalists.

The Tammany men say: We will govern the people for the capitalists; we have had experience, and we know how. And so they do. But the Tammany men believe in being well paid for the job. They see to it that they are well paid. They are not content with salaries fixed by law, however big. They charge "all the traffic will bear." They levy tribute on the saloonkeeper, the prostitute, the gambler, the sneak thief, the burglar, the hold-up man. They levy tribute on city laborers, clerks, street sweepers, even "breadliners" who get a day's work shoveling snow. No graft is too small for them.

The Respectable Citizen would not mind that, if that were all. They are neither gamblers nor hold-up men, in the ordinary sense; and they never think of sweeping streets or shoveling snow. What annoys them is, not that no graft is too small for the Professional Politicians, but that no graft is too large for them.

Tammany, when in power, makes the Respectable Citizens give up, as well as the disreputable ones, and at a higher rate. If a burglar must pay an occasional ten-spot for immunity, the rich householders must pay much more for protection. If the poor devil out of work must pay a quarter for permission to earn a couple of dollars cleaning the streets, the capitalists must pay tens of thousands for permission to steal streets and sidewalks and water-front. That bothers the Respectable Citizens.

The Respectable Citizens have a theory about municipal government. Their theory is that the administration should vigilantly prevent all petty infractions of law by disreputable persons operating on a small scale; and that it should judiciously connive at all such large infractions of law as are conducive to the making of bigger net profits for property owners and business men.

But Tammany is not troubled with theories. It is intensely practical. Tammany plays no favorites outside its own ranks. It will enforce any law or permit the violation of any law, according as it is paid for it. And its scale of prices is based on the ability of the interested party to pay.

All of which is very wicked. And the Respectable Citizens abhor wickedness—of that sort.

So the Respectable Citizens wish to get rid of government of the people for the capitalists by Tammany. The only worse thing, in their judgment, would be government of the people by the people for the people.

What they want is government of the people for the property owners by property owners. They think it will be more efficient—for their purposes. Also less expensive—to them.

The new charter has been drawn with that object in view. It proposes to give the Mayor a big salary, so as to induce large business men—men whom the Respectable Citizens can trust not to steal their spoons or blackmail them—to take the job. To such a gentlemanly and businesslike Mayor it wishes to intrust great power—to make him a sort of municipal dictator.

But, then there is that pesky Board of Aldermen. How to make sure that it will be filled with men who won't steal spoons? That is the question. It would be sinful extravagance to pay \$25,000 a year to each member—and you can't expect a Respectable Citizen to refrain from stealing spoons for less than that. Leave the salary at \$2,000, and one of two things will happen. Either the Board will continue to be filled with Professional Politicians—i. e., thieves and blackmailers who have no more sense of decency than to practice their arts on the rich as well as on the poor—and then our costly Mayor will be sadly hampered in his work. Or—worse yet—the workingmen, among whom "that evil thing called class consciousness" is growing apace—will begin to elect Aldermen of their own



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class—men who will insist on enforcing all the laws, even against the Respectable Citizen, and will vote for adequate schoolhouses and playgrounds and food for hungry children and adequate hospitals, and demolition of disease-breeding tenements and construction of publicly owned subways by union labor and heaven knows what other things for the benefit of the workers at the expense of people who are too respectable to work.

The charter revisers have steered between Scylla and Charybdis very ingeniously in this matter.

They will pay Aldermen no salary at all. That will shut out workingmen, who have nothing but their wages to live on. It will also deter Professional Politicians, to whom a sure \$2,000 is a needful basis for speculative operations in loot and graft. Only Eminent Respectable Citizens—citizens whose respectability is measured by six or seven figures after the dollar mark—will consent to take an office that pays no salary. And, then, to make their position easy and dignified, the Board of Aldermen will have very few powers or duties—will be just a committee of Respectable Citizens to counsel and support the respectable Mayor, who will be the whole thing and will govern the people firmly and cheaply for the property-owning class.

Congressman Goldfogle of New York, who recently underwent a slight surgical operation, assured his colleagues that he was going to vote against Cannon, even if he had to be carried into the House on a stretcher. His friends took great pains to see that he was comfortably in his place when the time came—and he enjoyed the joke of voting consistently for the Republican Czar throughout the day. Now his colleagues are furious, it is said. No doubt Goldfogle foresaw certain defeat at the hands of the Socialists, who gave him such a hard run for re-election in the Ninth last fall. The next thing to be expected is that President Taft will give him a snug place on the judicial bench to reward his treachery, and he can follow up his record of capitalistic voting with a long series of anti-labor decisions.

The latest report from the steel industry is that eleven of the principal independent iron, steel, and coal companies are to be merged into a combine capitalized at \$800,000,000. The rumor is denied, of course, but there is every reason to believe that it is well founded. This is the regular course of trustification in every industry. First a large combine is formed, which practically dominates the market. Then the leading companies outside the combine carry on for a time a sharp competition with the trust. Then, in order to save themselves, they form a secondary trust. And then at last the same interests get control of both the primary and the secondary trust, and the concentration of the industry is complete.

The Call repeatedly said, during the period before the fall of Castro, that whatever the faults of the Venezuelan President might be, the real question at issue was not his faults or virtues, but the desire of the American Asphalt Trust to get possession of the asphalt beds and exploit them for its own profit without let or hindrance from the Venezuelan government. The dispatches now confirm this view. Castro having been driven out, the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company is to take full possession of the disrupted region and to have a free hand in operating the works there.

AN ENEMY'S APPRECIATION.

The Socialists constitute the most positive and the most rapidly increasing force in the world politics of today. They form the only political party in existence which takes up practically all of the grave problems of civilization and proposes definite concrete remedies for them. Theirs is the only party which promises, to the poor and often sadly exploited peasant and workingman that reign of justice on earth foretold by the prophets of every religion, sung by the poets of every age and of which the vision haunts and will continue to haunt the soul of man as long as he remains a creature that is higher than the brute.—Carl Vrooman, in La Follette's Weekly.

EMULATING THE OSTRICH.

The war of the classes is a fact. Those who seek to deny it simply emulate the stupid ostrich, which ignorantly hides its head in the sand to avoid the sight of the danger that threatens its life. The fact that it does not see the hunter when its head is buried in the sand does not save the poor ostrich from its fate, and the fact that some men vociferously deny the existence of the class struggle does not alter the fact that it exists, nor save the workers from the suffering it involves. Nelson's action in plunging the telescope to his blind eye and saying, "I can see no danger," was an admirable piece of desperate bravado, but the danger was none the less real because he refused to see it.—John Spargo.

MEXICAN PATRIOTS IN CHAINS

Handcuffed together and with four of the best gun men in the West acting as their guards, Ricardo Flores Magon, Antonio I. Villarreal and Librado Rivera, Mexican revolutionists, are now in Tucson, Ariz. there to stand trial on a charge of breaking the neutrality laws existing between the United States and Mexico. As federal prisoners, they are held, yet the accusation against Magon is that he stole a half cord of wood a few years ago, while Villarreal and Rivera are also charged with minor offenses. These are the technical charges, but in the eyes of the United States and Mexican authorities the men are looked upon as dangerous characters, who were willing to wage war against the Mexican government and to march at the head of an armed force against the armies of Diaz.

How much longer breath will remain in the bodies of these three brave Mexican patriots cannot be told—sufficient to say, they do not expect that they have long to live.

Surrounded by the guards that accompanied them from Los Angeles, there is no hope for escape, and once within the walls of the prison at Tucson they are as safe from escape as if they were surrounded by a hundred picked men.

How, then, will they die? This question is one that naturally arises. Easy. According to the revolutionists, it will be but a few weeks before they will be turned over to the Mexican authorities. Once across the border an effort to escape will be met with a storm of bullets and three spirits will leave the bodies that have striven against tyranny.

Liberty loving people in all parts of the United States, in fact, everybody who believes in a square deal, are greatly incensed about the manner in which these three patriots have been treated. They have done much in the fight for these men; have come forward with money, advice and aid, yet they have not been able to succeed against the combined power of the United States and Mexico.

So in future years when the school children of the land read in their daily classes of the noble men who fought and died that the United States might be freed, let the educators take care that no word of the fate meted out to Magon, Villarreal and Rivera creep into the readers, or otherwise the children may ask why George Washington was a patriot in the United States and the most honored man of his or any time, while Ricardo Magon, the George Washington of Mexico, was a traitor and was handed over by the United States to die before the guns of a squad of Mexican soldiers.—Los Angeles News.



Willie Bug—Hurrah! The North Pole at last.

THOSE LOWER ANIMALS.

By Grace Potter.

Dr. Max G. Schlapp, of the Cornell University Medical School, talked, early this week, at the Colony Club headquarters, the most pretentious woman's club house in the United States. The National League for the Civic Education of Women asked him to address them there.

He told them, in the course of a lecture against woman suffrage, that the women who voted would soon develop into masculine creatures who couldn't have children. "It's babies or ballots, ladies," the lecturer warned. "You are fitted by Nature to have babies. If you dare to take the ballot, Nature, in revenge, won't let you have babies." This was supposed to thoroughly frighten any Civic Federation woman who had a lurking interest in the suffrage movement. It was expected she would tie herself to the anti-group, and, thrusting aside all hope of the ballot, raise a cry in Fifth Avenue language that should be analogous to the Third Avenue Theater's star's wail, "Me choild, me choild! I want me choild!"

One woman was overheard to remark thoughtfully when the lecture was over, "Most of us have neither babies nor ballots." No one noticed that, though. The general sentiment, when Dr. Schlapp was through, was summed up in one woman's remark, which she gave with a shudder: "Oh, I wouldn't be katabolic for anything! Why, it really sounds like cat. Who wants to be a cat?"

"I'd rather be a cat than a mouse!" said one young matron, thrusting her lace handkerchief in her silk bag. And she made a determined little meow as she adjusted her veil over her chin and caught it smooth. And she put on her gloves without remembering that she had given no powder dab to her nose. The others were looking at her hasty preparations in surprise. "I'm going straight over to the Martha Washington," she said, when she had ordered her cab of a maid she had called while she pinned her hat in place.

Mrs. J. B. Harriman gasped. Mrs. Burke Roche Batonyi was too shocked to speak. Mrs. Frederick Roosevelt, gathering strength from the family traditions in regard to strenuousness, it is alleged, said "My dear!" three times and then took to smelling salts. The Martha Washington, you know, is the stronghold of the suffragettes. One elderly woman found courage to say in trembling accents, as she tapped the offender on the arm with her lorgnette, "The Martha Washington! What does this mean?"

"It means I've got my eyes opened wider than they ever were before, and I'm going to go and get some suffrage literature. I'm tired of being told woman is nothing but a female. I want to be a human being. And didn't he say himself—the lecturer—that those who didn't vote were lower animals?"

"Of course not," said Mrs. Gilbert Jones, who presided at the meeting and introduced Dr. Schlapp. Mrs. Richard Irvin and Miss Jeanette Gilder were inclined to agree that nothing of the kind was said. But the lady who had remarked that they had neither babies nor ballots said she remembered something about lower animals, but she couldn't remember to whom it referred. A stenographer's notes were found to read like this:

"People don't want more than one or two children, and men don't want them any more than women. But this very thing is a process of nature. Every thought has a cause, and this thought is prompted by the increased activity of women. They are becoming too katabolic and losing their love of offspring, otherwise this love would

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be stronger than the fear of men, able to provide for their children. The lower animals do not hesitate. "There," said the young woman triumphantly. "Didn't I tell you? It's only the lower animals who do not stop to think how children are to be provided for. Now," she said to the stenographer, "read about metabolism." "The worker ant," read the stenographer from her notes, "uses all its activity and therefore loses the power of reproduction. The bat uses a great deal of energy in flying the wings little. So we find the mouse producing eight to ten offspring where the bat has one. Fertility diminishes as we rise in the animal kingdom."

"Does Dr. Schlapp think women would rather be mice than bats or ants? It seems to me what he is really making is a speech for instead of against woman suffrage when he says we'll have less children if we're more active, and that diminished fertility is a sign of a higher place in the animal kingdom." And she went out to her waiting cab and over to the Martha Washington despite all efforts to detain her.

The scientific part of Dr. Schlapp's lecture which impressed the women most was this: Metabolism signifies change in cell make-up. Every living thing is composed of minute cells. There is anabolism, or constructive metabolism, a building up of the cells as when food is taken. There is katabolism, or destructive metabolism, which is a breaking down of the cell, as when energy is expended in work done. The one is significant female and the other male in character. Dr. Schlapp reasoned if a woman votes, she is using energy, getting katabolic or male-like, and therefore won't be able to be a mother. B-r-r-r-r!

A little knowledge is a dangerous thing, and no matter how much Dr. Schlapp had up his sleeve, he dropped down into his hand only a little in his sleight-of-hand trick and the women were left thinking that to "katabolic" was awful. What Dr. Schlapp forgot to say or didn't think necessary to say was this:

Every living thing exists because of metabolism and the two kinds of cell change take place in every living thing that has life. With either one of these life ceases. The highest type of life are not those in which one is mostly anabolic and the other mostly katabolic. The highest type is one in which the male approaches the female in constructive character, and the female the male in the matter of energy. The human being with sex not the one dominant sex in life, is what we are evolving toward. The brute of a male who struck down the woman that wanted and carried her off to be afterward become his subservient and obedient wife, we are happy to think we are evolving away from. So if it's all about having to be katabolic, we won't follow the example of the mouse. And if it's all about being anabolic, we won't be the unfortunate lower animals who have to get down without thought of how to provide for them. The subject just let us point out to you that you are encroaching upon what you yourself termed woman's anabolic characteristics. In summing up to advise anyone for the good. That is constructive metabolism, therefore, anabolic. You are quite human being in some ways, purely male creature wouldn't be with teaching. Next time you are winning in women, let them be katabolic. Just remember the saying about mice for the gander. And ask yourself what kind of a mouse you'd be if there wasn't a good deal of the constructive in your make-up. Would you know, what you are doing this age? As it is, we have to be this for a good woman suffrage lecture. They say over at the suffrage headquarters they are waiting to enroll you and pin a yellow button on your coat.

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