

The emancipation of the Working Class must be accomplished by the workers themselves

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The Weather. Probable showers today. Thursday fair; moderate to brisk southwest; to west winds.

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ON THE TRAIL OF 'HIGHER UP' MEN

Pittsburg Councilman Confesses in Court That He Took \$20,000 As a Bribe Fund.

FRIEND ADMITS HE CORRUPTED

Einstein Says He Is Tired of Bluffing and Will Throw Himself on Mercy of Court.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 5.—Conviction of the "men higher up" in Pittsburg graft cases began today when Charles W. Friend, millionaire president of the Clinton Iron and Steel Company of Pittsburg and a banker of prominence, pled before the bar of justice and confessed that he was one of those who had bribed Pittsburg councilmen.

Friend, who is the eldest son of the late James W. Friend, millionaire steel car manufacturer, is a director in the Pressed Steel Car Company, also of the Workingmen's Savings and Trust Company, as well as the close business associate of Frank N. Hoffert, of New York, almost swooned twice while giving his testimony and was resuscitated by the use of water.

The testimony before the special grand jury today was so pointed that Friend was sent with instructions to appear at once before the court and before the grand jury and confess to the connection with bribing of Pittsburg councilmen, or he would be placed under arrest and the door to conviction closed against him.

Friend said after he had been supported to the front of the bar, that he had given councilman Charles Stewart \$500 in the office of his father, J. W. Friend, about two years ago. Councilman Stewart stood by Friend as he made his confession and protested bitterly against some statements.

PROBE POSTPONED

Insurance Inquiry Held Up Because Some Company in Difficulties Needs Hotchkiss' Attention.

BARN BOSS SHOT IN ROW WITH STRIKERS

PHILADELPHIA, April 5.—Following a quarrel in front of the car barn at 42d street and Lancaster avenue today, H. E. Lane, thirty years old, of 3222 Irving street, a union trolley man, shot and probably mortally wounded Hood Alexander, thirty-five years old, of 3340 Filbert street, division superintendent of the car barn. Lane fired only one shot, the bullet entering Alexander's neck and lodging in the brain. His death is but a question of a few hours. Lane was arrested and locked up in the City Hall. Subsequently he was held by Magistrate Scott without bail to await the result of Alexander's injuries. He was charged with aggravated assault and battery, with intent to kill.

VOTE FOR STRIKE

Columbus, Ohio, Trolley Men Will Force Company to Take Back Forty Discharged Employees.

DETROIT CAR MEN READY. Vote to Strike for Wage of 30 Cents Per Hour.

RAILROADERS GET RAISE

Employees of Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Lines Pleasantly Surprised.

GOMPERS TO TAKE A HAND

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The entire labor situation in Philadelphia will be gone over by President Samuel Gompers and Vice President Hayes of the American Federation of Labor, when the former reaches that city Friday.

STRIKE IN PERU, IND. OVER

PERU, Ind., April 5.—As the result of a compromise the strike of 500 machinists of the Otis Elevator Works and the Model Gas Engine Works, of this city, that began Monday of last week, when the companies refused to recognize organized labor and grant the men an increase from 33 to 35 cents an hour, an eight hour day and better working conditions, has been called off.

HIGH PRICES HIT CHARITIES

The Board of Aldermen voted \$342,000 to the Departments of Charities yesterday to meet an expected deficit in the departmental allowance, caused by the high prices of food stuffs.

TO SAVE MESSENGER BOYS FROM DIVES

Bill to Prohibit Their Employment at Night in Houses of Prostitution.

(Special to The Call.) ALBANY, April 5.—That messenger boys of tender years are corrupted in the Tenderloin of New York, and that the great telegraph and messenger services concerns are responsible for the ruin of these children by hundreds, is the charge laid at their doors by a bill which Assemblyman Andrew P. Murray, of New York city, has introduced, which prohibits the employment of all minors in this capacity after 10 o'clock at night.

HOUSES HAVE CALL BOXES

Practically every house of prostitution in New York, every gambling house, every vile den of whatever character, has a call box furnished by one of the telegraph companies or district messenger companies.

TWO RUNAWAY GIRLS ARE TAKEN IN HAND

Taken away from two men with whom they were walking along Seventh avenue yesterday, two fifteen-year-old runaway girls from Germantown, Pa., were first taken to the home of a relative by two Salvation Army workers and afterward arrested by the police.

HAD LOOT; SHOT SELF

When Vanderbilt Articles Are Found in Woman's Room She Kills Herself Rather Than Explain.

MINEOLA, L. I., April 5.—Rather than face the District Attorney and grand jury to tell what she knew about certain articles found in her house, and which came from the inn on the Vanderbilt place, at Lakeville, Bertha Beyer, fifty-eight years old, shot herself yesterday after having looked the doors and facing a mirror, but two bullets in her breast, from which she died in a few minutes.

MORSE FAILURE GETS BIG BANK

Panic of 1907 Has Echo in Collapse of Union Bank, of Brooklyn, Yesterday.

CAUGHT BY E. R. THOMAS LOAN

Crash That Sent Ice Man to Prison, Drove Sport to Europe and Broke Heinze, Still Working.

Overburdened by loans made by its former management to E. R. Thomas, owner of the Morning Telegraph, sporting man and automobile fiend, when he was in cohorts with Charles W. Morse and F. A. Heinze in the peculiar financial deals which sent Morse to the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, drove Thomas into exile and has Heinze guessing as to where he is going to land, the Union Bank of Brooklyn closed its doors yesterday.

The Union Bank has not been on easy street for many months. Previous to the panic of 1907 the Merchants and Traders Trust Company, of this city and Brooklyn, was under the control of Thomas and his fellow workers in the field of finance.

PAID OFF M. & T. PEOPLE

To protect itself the Union Bank took over the business of the Merchants and Traders, the depositors in that concern signing an agreement to take their money in installments.

HUGHES SIGNS BILLS

Governor Affixes Name to Canal Bond Law and Several Other Lesser Measures.

ALBANY, April 5.—Governor Hughes has signed these bills: Senator Hill's, providing for the issue of fifty-year 4 per cent canal bonds not to exceed \$78,000,000, in lieu of 3 per cent bonds previously authorized but not issued. They are to be sold in lots not exceeding in amount \$10,000,000.

LOVERS FALL OVER CLIFF

Land on B. & O. Tracks; Express Train Grinds Them to Pieces.

DEBS AT COOPER UNION TOMORROW

Great Crowd Expected to Greet Him. Will Talk at Columbia University Friday Afternoon.

A tremendous crowd is expected to turn out to hear Eugene V. Debs at Cooper Union tomorrow night on "The Warren Case Before the Courts." Debs has never before been in finer voice and form, and a magnificent speech is expected.

SIMPLIFIED SPELLERS OPEN ANNUAL MEETING

The first session of the annual meeting of the board of the Springfield Spelling Society was held yesterday afternoon at the Waldorf-Astoria. The meeting was open to the board and the council only. What took place the board was unwilling to state except that Professor Lounsbury, president of the board, made an address and that reports were made by the secretary-treasurer and the executive committee.

GARVEN STILL HOPES

Hudson County Prosecutor Wants Governor Fort to Have Beef Barons Brought to Jersey.

TRENTON, N. J., April 5.—Prosecutor Garven, of Hudson county, came to the capital today in connection with the meat packers' cases.

PHOTO-BUYING JAPS DEPORTED

MANILA, April 5.—The two Japanese arrested for purchasing photographs of fortifications and who were deported Sunday by order of Secretary Taft, were deported today on the Maru for Japan.

SEIDEL ELECTED BY 8,000 PLURALITY

Social-Democrats Beat Old Parties in Hot Contest for Mayor of Cream City.

WORKERS NOW CONTROL MILWAUKEE

City Council in Hands of Labor's Representatives After Epoch Making Campaign—Red Flag Waves Triumphant.

(Special to The Call.) MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 5.—Emil Seidel, a socialist pattern maker, who works at his trade regularly, at present alderman at large, was elected head of the city administration by a plurality over the strong Republican and Democratic candidates of nearly 8,000, today.

This is the biggest plurality ever given a candidate for mayor of this city. In other years a majority candidate has been glad to have 3,000, but this year the Socialists have absorbed thousands of votes from both of the old parties.

EMIL SEIDEL

Seidel mayor. The Socialists have practically swept the city, and the entire government of Milwaukee for the next two years, at least, will be under the administration of the working class.

THE OPPOSITION TICKETS THAT HAD THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET GIVEN HIM 10,000 VOTES HE WOULD STILL HAVE BEEN DEFEATED.

Together with the Socialist victory in the city administration, comes a Social Democratic council. The Socialists, it seems sure, have elected all six aldermen at large, with many of their ticket in the various wards. Even the judicial contest was all but a Socialist victory.

The victory follows the hard-fought campaign in the history of the city, and is a clean-cut Socialist one. All the forces of the old parties were brought into play to defeat the working class ticket, and no effort was spared to bring victory to the Republican banner, the adherents of that party being the principal opponents of the Socialists.

But the citizens of Milwaukee have been learning fast during the past few years. Twelve years of Democratic misrule was enough to send a bunch of Milwaukee politicians to the penitentiary. The disclosures of graft in Milwaukee were equally disgraceful with those which are now shaking up Pittsburg. Those disclosures put the Democrats out of business in Milwaukee.

Two years ago the Republicans were successful in electing their candidates, but the Socialist party had already grown to such numbers that the Democrats had fallen to third place and it was admitted on all sides that the next fight would be between the Socialists and the Republicans.

SEVERAL SOCIALIST COUNCILMEN ELECTED AT THE LAST ELECTION WERE CLOSELY WATCHED BY THE CITIZENS OF MILWAUKEE DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS. THEIR CONDUCT IN OFFICE WAS SUCH THAT THEY WON THE UNIVERSAL RESPECT OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WHOLE CITY. EVEN THE CAPITALIST PRESS, WHICH HAD WORKED HARD TO HELP THE REPUBLICANS CARRY THIS ELECTION, WERE FORCED TO ADMIT THEIR SUPERIOR WORTH, AND SAID SO.

It was undoubtedly the work of these councilmen in the past two years which has spelled success for the Socialists in this election. The ground was cut from under the feet of the opponents of the party. When the campaign opened they had no ground to stand on. The citizens of Milwaukee had already witnessed Socialists in action.

