# THE WORKERS CALL

"Workingmen of all countries unite! You have nothing to lose but your chains; you have a world to gain."

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# An Open Letter to the Chicago Teachers' Federation.

Two years ago an investigation of too of a number nine boot is applied to there under ten years of age? The little instructions. They will continue to fearn the means of subsistence for undisturbed material well-being. city the valuable field for exploitation which it is. But so far from returning one cent of their easy gains to the of the law, these corporations are doing ury makes economy imperative. Why is ing? with impunity. And worse then that not the tax collector and his departyou see the public servants entrusted ment affected? Why not the recorder's by the people with the care of the office? Why not the police department? public interests, eager to bestow an- But hold on, there was some talk of other franchise for twenty years on making reductions in the salaries of these same corporations whom they the police force and of the fire deshould be prosecuting for their delin- partment? And whose pocketbook was police ever clubbed a body of business quency.

lic service were most directly affected rank and file. If reductions must be by the dishonest practices of the cor- made, why not cut the salaries of the porations. Fither your salaries were mayor, the chief of police, the judges, to be reduced or the school term short. etc., in the same ratio as those of the ened, or both. You naturally resented little men? That would be a fair and this attempt on your pocket book. For thoroughly democratic way of dealing. did you not teach your pupils daily that Could not those "gentlemen" stand the laborer is worthy of his hire. With such a reduction much better than you righteous wrath you rose in a body and and the other humble servants of the succeeded in getting a decision from people? Tell us, now, why such a the Supreme Court of Illinois decreeing method was not adopted. Tell us also that the delinquent corporations should why you and your department are the be assessed for the outstanding years first to be actually affected, while the and the taxes collected from them.

#### A Premature Victory.

There was great rejoicing in your ranks over this decision. You proclaimed your victory to all the world and rested on your laurels in joyous anticipation of an uninterrupted flow whisper the correct answer into your of the golden stream of wages, or "sal. ears so that nobody will know what we gries," as you prefer to say for eu- have told you, and you may still go on phone's sake-und a few other reasons. pretending not to see your way clear. But you rejoiced too soon. Your vic- It is because the public schools are attory stood only on paper, and your laur- tended by the children of a class whom els were grown on the tree of imagina- the politicians and their marters take downfall of the corporations, they had a flock of sheep, only as a means to already prepared your defeat. They did continue a life of sioth, gluttony and not have to hold any mass meetings. Wantonness, It is because the police and They did not appeal to "public senti- fire departments are not destined for ment." True to the example of one of the protection of the people, but for the their mighty men whom you are accus. protection of the property owners tomed to hold up as a shining example against the people. Do you want of success for the emulation of work- proofs? Sweep the cobwebs of thousand ingmen's children, they smilingly re- year old prejudices out of your brains! marked: "The teachers be damned!" Wipe the mists of assumed superiority And they quickly beckoned to their from your spectacles! And you will see creatures in the Supreme Court of the the world around you as it is in reality, United States, who obediently "handed you will parceive what you are and down" from the seat of power, to which where you should stand. Consider only the dupes-you among them-have ele- the following instances: an injunction restraining the state authorities from collecting the outstanding taxes. And then THEY rested-on their money bags.

### Capitalists Feel Secure.

less of your indignant outcries. Your single dollar was given by that class frantic appeals to the voters do not dis- to public schools, except in the form turb their serenity any more than the of taxes, and they were withheld if posmaring of the wounded bull disturbs sible. And how is instruction carried the enjoyment of the spectators in the on in these public schools? In 1899 there galleries. The voters? Pahaw! Have were 612,271 children of school age in not they mad the corporations what Cook county, but only 205,502 attended they are today? Will they not continue school; 15,361 children were crowded into forge their own chains tomorrow as to rented rooms unfit for school purthey did yesterday? As long as you poses, and 17,255 were limited to half cannot tell the voters HOW TO VOTE day sessions. Every teacher had to RIGHT, there is no danger for the cor- take care of an average crowd of sixty So little heed do they take of your pro- the needed school materials out of her the education of workingmen's children of these parties do you appeal? a full dinner pall, and better treatment. test and threats that the traction com- own meager purse. And how many chil- were worth only as much as the propanies calmly apply for a renewal of dren of the working class can succeed tection of property, would not the potheir franchises. Or were their ser- in going through a full course of pri- lice force and the fire department be hence they must be satisfied with it, amounts to the same thing, though. vants in the city council the first to mary instruction? Out of every hun- curtailed as well as the public schools? To the Republicans? They are already And when everybody deserts you, the make propositions in regard to new dred children who enter the first grade But education for the poor is not even scenting a promising field for election only champion who will take up your that your ideas of superiority and exwill be granted and that the taxes will the fourth, fifty-one the fifth, forty the suffer from the consequence of rich

### Farcical Appeal for Aid.

Miss Haley wrathfully declares that homes, nervous debility from over- taxpayer serves first for the protection the city council is in control of the straining their frail constitutions by of the property fiched from the comgreat corporations in this city. Miss long walks, exposure to rough weather munity by the big tax shirkers, and Goggin declines the help of the ward and overstudy. They are torn rway only what is then left helps to educate rollbed, what course do you take for life without any adequate mental or There will be money enough, too, for redress? You submit a petition to the physical training. And what of the 'he maintenance of such special procording to your own declaration, are who did not go to the public schools? should have to be closed indefinitely. the tools of the corporations that not Did they, perhaps, go to private only levy a continual tax on you in the schools? You know they did not. The How the Juggle is Worked. Form of fare for riding in badly heated official statistics do not furnish any inf petitioning these political years of age and over in 1880. Out of cratic masters! There is not enough who turn you out on this number 152,634 could neither read money to go around among all the pub-

#### Why Not the Others?

reductions in the police force and in the fire department did not get beyond the stage of mere talk.

#### The Reason Why.

We will not wait for your reply. It might be too long in coming. Let us tion. While you were celebrating the into consideration only as the wolf does

#### Some Statistics. In one single year, 1898, alone, \$15,724,-150 were given by "business" people to

private institutions of learning. And

in 1899 the sum donated for this pur-

They are still resting there, regard- pose reached \$93,258,874. But not one porațions in your appeals to the public. children and many a teacher provided Does all this teach you nothing? Fes, others? They die of diseases due to erty that needs protection? The cor-"Honorable" body of boodiers who, ac- 406,769 children of school age in 1899 tection, although the public schools cars crowded to suffocation, but also formation on this point. We learn, strings are pulled by the political tools other bite out of your wages by however, from the U. S. census that so that as little public feeling as poslucing them. What a sublime farce! Hilnois had 2,587,571 inhabitants ten sible is aroused against their pluto-

Just pause a moment to consider how

#### Property Protectors.

class against business men? Can you recall one single instance where the fire department turned the hose on a

charming candor why this is considered children who have a vote to use as a willing to be exploited? sufficient; it will produce "CHEAP means of defense. And the Republipeople on whose industry they were it is that these taxes cannot be col- LABOR. THAT PATIENT, PLOD- can party is so describy quick to see waxing fat, these corporations did not lected. Analyze the situation calmly DING DRUDGERY" which "SET- the least little advantage. So it won't even comply with the legal conditions and reflectively. Solve the strange rid- TLES TO THE JOGTROT OF EXIST- do to cut the school terms. That might on which their franchises are based. dle that forces you and your depart- ENCE IN A CONTENTMENT THAT stir up too great a protest and cost the yourselves safe in the enjoyment of What no private citizen can dare with. ment of the public service to suffer SEEKS NOTHING BETTER." Is this chance to feed from the public manger. out immediately incurring the penalty when the condition of the public treas- the ideal toward which you are work- No, let us cut the brachers' wages, and selves with the Chinese wall of ab- state aid to kindergartens as now ac- This is the aim for which we Socialleave the school term as it is. That finitely more distinguished in your eyes such state aid shall inure to the district requires the fundamental transforms You may doubt that the police and and the teachers are mostly women but a part of the working class, and the basis of the actual enrollment." fire departments are designed chiefly to help themselves anyway. And if a brain power if the humble brawn workcan you tell us one instance where the drop them guietly overboard at a conclusion of business drop them guietly overboard at a conclusion of business drop them guietly overboard at a conclusion of business drop them guietly overboard at a conclusion of the producing and shelter. Your fight for the And so that glorious avenue of opportunity of the people. That petter few of them get hysterical, we'll just

#### No Help in These.

the tax rolls disclosed to you the fact their lazy and criminal anatomies; master class do not worry about that, and fire brigade will be reduced, if the exploit you. They will not pay you two that the great corporations within the They are your servants! You permit On the contrary this state of things taxes are not paid more promptly. That dollars when they can get you for one, four servants! You permit on the contrary this state of things taxes are not paid more promptly. That city limits of Chicago were refusing them to be your pasters. You help to suits them very well. A recent article sends a shiver of apprehension down as one of their number wisely remarks worthy of superior characters, opened this country at your COMMAND. Into contribute to the support of the elect them, and the corporations use in the Bankers' Magazine asserts that the spines of the World's liself to you! And you could have so stead of supplicating the parasites for community from which they extracted them. They violate your trust and you the children of workingmen should re- and brings them quickly into line, while Work." They know what you persist- elearly demonstrated your disinterest- a chance to teach what they prescribe their enormous revenues. Like gigan- plead for mercy! Worse still, you ap- ceive no more education than is neces-, the big robbers wink knowingly. Then ently ignore, that your appeals to "pub- edness. For Section 6 of House Bill No. you will have the boundless freedom the leeches they were sapping profits peal to the voters to join you in this sary to make them useful to their mas- it is settled that "When- to teach what your heart and brains even out of the poorest citizen whose degrading and ridiculous attitude. Is ters. The pamphlet, "Chicago as an must suffer. What is the agreet way to than a blank shot at the moon. For ever a city, or town, or school district, impel you to teach. Instead of flaring presence and co-operation made this that the only way out of your dilemma? Industrial Center," issued by the Chi- arrange that? There are about 300,000 what avails the appeal to a public that shall have established kindergartens in untruths, you can teach the whole cago Real Estate Board, discloses with fathers, brothers, etc., of these school is ignorant, content to be enslaved, and connection with its school system . . . truth as you see it. Instead of hypocrit-

#### Must Turn to Your Class.

You have always held aloof from the your positions, you surrounded yourhould be prosecuting for their delin-partment? And whose pocketbook was uency.

That of the chiefs, the cap-quency.

That of the chiefs, the cap-to suffer? That of the chiefs, the cap-take their job. Just so. And there you are.

You and your department of the pub-And now ask yourselves who these is nothing but a simple trade union, ally their names to those of the Socialcrowd of business men? You have voters are to whom you appeal for as- with the same nims as all other trade lists. Yet here was the time to show following conditions which are indispenseen that the public schools are pre- sistance. The majority are either Dem- unions, and formed under the same your superior brain power. For the so- sable to make education after modern

dend, the pro-rata for each child actu- Instead of preparing weary brains for ally so enrolled in the kindergartens, the life-long slavery of work for ghoulworking class. While you thought out of the state school funds for the next year following . . . . It being the trammeled souls for a freedom worthy purpose of this section to give the same of true men and women. sumed superiority. Brain work was in- corded to other schools, except that ists are working. To make this possible than brawn work. And yef, you are maintaining the kindergarten, and on tion of our mode of ministering to bu-

#### A Lost Opportunity.

ing so unsuccessfully for many years only a few timid souls appeared at the party will do this, needs no explanain their trade unions. Your federation meeting, and even they hesitated to tion. Ask yourselves if any of the old eminently the schools of the poor. If ocrats or Republicans. To which one pressure. They fight for better wages, emilists represent that part of the standards possible for the mass of the working class which has become conscious of its own interests and means to defend them. You preferred to remain among the ignorant majority of that class, and thereby you proved that children of school age, provided with you are inferior in intelligence to many a despised manual worker.

### Responsibility for Ignorance.

thught them anything but what your slaves. Then, they seldom have time to entific investigation and disquesion. read anything but the daily papers which the exploiting class edit in such a manner as to keep them in ignorance. And when they have time to read, that for a moment that these improve training. They never come into touch exploiters, and the surest and qu cialists. And as soon as they do, you, that 95 per cent of you are not we the press and the hypocrites in the pul-

independent reasoning.

ice, no excuse for your sordid selfish- can you truly become what your ness. If any one has access to all the fersion should really make you sources of knowledge and freedom, it is class which does more than any you. If any one could and should have for the spreading of knowledge a the noble courage of conviction, it is lightenment. For no other c you. If any one class in society could such opportunities as you. Your to derive any sublime inspiration from for work is limited only by their vocation, it is you again, to whom powers. And as the Socialist Party millions of eager and igrowing souls mands universal suffrage also for look for light and guidance. But you, en, the growing Socialist influen blind leaders of the blind, stand frres- gradually bestow on you the against the most cruel and malignant capitalists to make you the prefe forces on the face of this earth. And agine that their liberty aims at your you. trap you in your own conceit and render you so much more defenceless hecause they isolate you from the great effective way left to you. It rests w alone can give you the freedom to wide movement for a better and highe

ingclass. Now you have once more been the easy prey of the useless drones wao rob siderations aside and warmly grasp. you and all other useful members of strong hand of the glant Sor

such city, town or school district shall leal morality you can teach the roblest receive from the state school fund divi- ethics which human mind can conceive. ish exploiters, you can prepare un-

> man life, and of our political institutions. It requires the transfer of natpeople under the capitalist system.

#### AM inimum Program.

Sufficient school buildings for all the modern improvements, technical appliances and scientific apparatus for the study of elementary subjects. Sufficient teachers to teach all the children of Why is the majority of the working school age inegroups of not more than class so ignorant! You are in a great fifteen. Free lextbooks, free libraries, measure to blame for that. You are manual training, nature study by the either ignorant yourselves, or those of help of natural specimens, and scienyou who see the light are too cowardly tific preparations showing the internal to speak out. The laboring men have organs of animals and plants. Free many good excuses for their ignorance. junch and free clothing for all. Kin-In the first place, you have never dergartens for children four to six years old. Free transportation to and and their masters wanted them to from school. Pree gymnasiums, bathe learn in order to make them willing and play grounds. Full liberty of act-

These are the minimum requir

for an adequate education of al in primary knowledge. Do you think is, when they are out of work, they will be introduced by the free and un have no money to buy any books of solicited initiative of the capitalist? science or to take any course of higher No. We must wrest them from our with the advanced thought of the times way of getting them is to join the So except through the efforts of the So- ciallet Party. Perhaps you may say and cannot help us at the polls. But its do your utmost to convince them you can help us and yourselves in foolish they are in attending to many other ways. Your husbar their own interests rather than to those fathers, brothers, and other male relaof their masters. In this way you har- lives are of will be voters aril you can ricade the only outlet that would permit urge them to cast their votes so that it them to reach the light and freedom of will tell for you. You can also join the Socialist Party and help in its agitation by speech, writing and distribution of ignorance, no expuse for your coward- literature. Only in the Socialist ranks olute and diffident in the presence of the strengthen your demands by the ballst most desperate struggle for freedom It will then no longer be safe for the objects of their attacks. But even w your self-deception goes so far that out the right to vote, five hundred of you do not perceive it is your freedom you holdly sllying yourselves with th which is at stake. Believing yourselves Socialists would put a sudden dampe

### The Two Alternatives.

It remains for you to decide wheth order of society, or to stand back to may bargain your souls for a miser pittance or you may hurl all petty co society will come in spite of ignorano greed and malevolence. You cannot choose between Capitalism and Collectlvism. You can only choose wheth you will belong to those who prepared emancipation to the last moment. You

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one the eighth, and four only go through, ments for the protection of property the high school. What becomes of the do not. And who has the most prop-

However that may be, you only seventy-five pass the second considered as necessary as the protect purposes in your fight and getting fight is the WORKING CLASS, YOUR clusiveness are so many snares that enmay rest assured that the franchises grade, sixty seven the third, fifty-five tien of property. For the public schools ready to side estensibly with you. And own CLASS. when you will have helped them into Yes, the working class. Do you know sixth twenty-nine the seventh, twenty- mens' tax dodging, and the depart- office, they will serve you the same at that 85 per cent of the voters to whom the Democrats did. Remember that the you appeal are workingmen? And you lody of the class whose emancipation you to take an active part in the It seems that you have learned a little, insufficient food, impure air, unsanitary porations. The money of the small jurity. If there is any difference at all trury you have done everything to heelers for securing signatures. You from the sources of knowledge by want, the children of the small people. You represent the little exploiters. So that dergartens were pending before the Asseconding, then, that the boodle polition of the United States Susceptibility, the class-conscious working. class are not your friends. You know profit in factories, sweatshops and will find adequate protection. And if preme Court against the Suprepa men of this city called a public meeting to feel that you are nothing without the behind us and with us is the tre that the city council acts in collusion street occupations. Ninety-six out of the police force cannot guarantee its Court of Ellinois simply shows that the purpose of counteracting the help of the working class. But the out force of social and industrial evoluwith the corporations that defraud you every hundred of the little wards in safety, there will be plenty of special Republicans are the real power in the political opposition they were certain to great majority of that class are still a tion. Capitalism and its defend and the people of Chicago. But al- your care are either crushed out of deputies, militia and even regulars, at land at present. To give the Republi- meet from the capitalist class. Where prey of those exploiters. There is only rushing headlong inrough the less few though you admit that you are being existence or enter on the highway of the beck and call of the corporations, cans also control of Illinois would not were you then? These were vital quescommand. The corporations will rest evotion to a noble cause. Free textyou enjoy the full fruits of your labor, obstructed the coming of univers
on their money bags, and you will draw books, free manual training, free libin safety. traders who turn you out on this number 152,634 could neither read money to go around among all the pubthe streets, you should see to it that the unr write. How many litterates are lie departments. So there is first a they will calmiy ignore you and your prospect for the people who can barryly

To the Democrats? They have You fight for higher salcries, daintier elected the present administration lunch and more refinement. It all outside of the working class, you fm- on the p-ticy of builtying and terrori

United States Supreme Court which de- have never done anything that would feated your aims has a Republican ma- entitle you to their help. On the con- which you aspire. between a democratic and Republican alienate them from you. Last year, Victory Only with the workadministration, it is that Republican when certain bills relating to the inofficials are the tools of the bjr exploit- troduction of free text-books, free libers while the Democratic politicians raries, free manual training, and kinthe decision of the United States Su- sembly, the class-conscious working- society Once more you have been made whatever you may do, remember that only be getting out of the Democratic tions that concerned your sphere of life must be taught what is good for themfrying pan into the Republican fire, but directly. Here was your opportunity to selves, not what is good for their masalso adding fresh fuel to this fire, show that you did not regard your pro- ters. And when a commanding number Truly, you are in sore distress, and fession merely as a milch cow, but as of the working class, you included, will just think of it, the course of economic the inspiring and elevating vocation of have acquired the full consciousness of evolution is making the Republican your choice. If you were indeed the their own interests and the earnest will their fellow beings for the new so party the cominant element for the superior, disinterested, aftruistic creat- to defend them, then, and only then, and lessened the dangers of trannext few years. You had better submit ares that you pretend to be, here was will an appeal to public sentiment be from slavery to freedom, or to those with all the deisartian grace at your the chance of your life to show your de- effective. Then, and they then, will who stood in the way of progress and

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Just waich the development of the steamship trust that is now in process of formation for the purpose of controlling the Atlantic trade. It has now reached the stage of the "freight pool" gantic trusts of today grew out of simthe beginnings a few years ago. It on the front page. trust which is being participated in by Beensed, or smashed, or whether the application of "publicity" will have any effect upon it. The International trust is coming, and it is now up to the tenst busters to explain.

Two men were burned to death and three others severely injured at the South Chicago Steel Works last week through an explosion of molten metal "No access could be had to the contpany's plant and as the police were not notified it was difficult to get details," fair. But several hours later the superintendent volunteered the information that the accident could not be avoided. It is as well for the "public" not to pry too closely into the affairs of the company. As Senator Tillman ed with the burning of negroes in the South: "It is an easy thing for a man continuentalize as to what other people cught to do." And the South Chicago company may be relied on to see that no outsider "comes in contact" when the usual holocaust is pulled off on their premises.

Workingmen who demand an increase of wages will do well to remember that talist press will never admit that their demands are opportune. Just now the mments upon the demand of the United Mire Workers for an increase this contention. The miner is asked to remember that his wages depend less rate per hour than upon etendiness of employment. He is now attempt to disturb present conditions But probably the miner has sense tabor by keeping him supplied with strike for it. "Public opinion" of cap- tuality remains. ipally that the profits of the capitalfat may not be curtailed.

### COLUMNS ARE STILL OPEN.

So far but one correspondentt has

this subject are offered for publicathe use of party members who may determine to give their views on this

In case that no other contributions on

#### NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS

ter for publication is held over until next week owing to the decision of the eration which occupies the entire front page should appear in this issue. Most of the copy thus crowded out deals principally with party reports, which coramunications are not yet published will please accept this explanation, with the assurance that their copy refer to the question of the position of that are appropriate at any time may ing municipal campaign will demand increasing space until election day, They have their choice between two though we will no doubt manage to alternates; either to capture the powers

#### OUR FRONT PAGE ARTICLE.

shore hands this issue of the Worker's Call may come, are asked to give careful singy to the article which appears

That it contains many disagreeable the mere object of saying them. Truths, particularly unexpected or unfamiliar ones are generally disagreeable, but we venture to say there is nothing in the find themselves. Flattery, soft words, and hysterical sppeals to seatiment, are worse than useless in dealing with such a question. It requires to be handled without gloves, and exposed as it really is.

If there is any teacher who believes that he or she can demonstrate the error in the position taken, or refute of the party are open. And the subscription price of this paper is fifty cents per annum, twenty-five cents for

#### PREPARING FOR STATE CAPITAL- never failed to point out. ISM.

No event that has occurred within the last week will be so efficacious in clearing up the general haziness and looseness of definition in which "socialistic reformers" delight to indulge, than the recent order of President Rooseveit prohibiting persons in the employ of rectly or indirectly, individually or through associations to solicit an increase of pay." Nothing will be so effective in pricking the bubble of "gov- For while be grazes for and near by those who ignore the paipable fact merely the instrument of an economic They never dreamed of fleecing men class, viz the capitalist, than this mandate of the strenuous incumbent of the The scholar and the scientist

It demonstrates clearly that as be enough to know that if he is stead ly ernment owned by the capitalists, and ing to choose. The same struggle for work than by using him spasmodically, the product of labor still continues, He also knows from past experience the same resistance to the demands of that he need hardly expect the raise to the workers for better conditions of of ownership; the form of exploitation tave to strike or at least threaten to has alone been changed while the ac-

Thon this subject the capitalist press sting conditions disturbed," not be- has to some extent been caught napcause the miners may suffer but prin- ping. When the order first appeared in its columns it was accompanied by the at postal employes, particularly routeacents and general delivery letter carfavorable to their interests, in Through the eye of any needle come instances making threats that unless their representatives bestirred menaces and importunities of their complained to the President and the fint has gone forth.

> is now being represented that the indinent office holders who are ambitious to grow rich at the expense of the gov-

The conditions of labor for postal SHAP SHOTS BY THE WAYSIDE derks and other subordinate govern

Same as those of the wage carners who

are employed by individual capitalists.

Their hours are as long if not longer

and their wages as low if not lower.

For some time these men have been ex-

erting themselves to the best of their

ability and intelligence to secure better

conditions of life. They are now face

to face with this order. Its violation

you are not satisfied, quit; we can

easily get others to take your places."

cates, or submit to the ruling. They

will, under present circumstances be

There is little doubt, but that the ex-

ample set by President Roosevelt will

be held up as worthy of imitation by

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creded both in national and municipal

affairs. If we are to have a dose of

the capitalists should inform the work-

pect. The struggle for the product of

labor will still remain and it will be

the government, as the Socialists have

Though rocky be the road that leads

To passures rich with spoil,

He rearcely leaves the pickin's

And Ceasar with the sword,

And giving to the Lord,

Inventor, poot, dreamer, Have ever been a handy grist For Capital, the schemer.

Our fathers used them in the past, Back in the middle ages.

Now, as the centuries creep along

The service of the learned.

Our swell society, you know,

Has little use for scholars. Aside from posing at the show

To help take in the dollars.

And loady to our giant who

Avon's bard has lost his laurels

We may hope our way to wheedle

If you wish to test the intelligence of

your neighbor try him with a few copie

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both cases.

of this paper.

We use them to suppress the new, (That danger to all knowledge);

While Shakespeare conquered with the

THE MONOLOGUES

OF A MILLIONALRE.

Or Mr. Rockhanna's Soliloquies

Sollloquy No. 5

with injunctions and other evidences of capitalist friendship during the last few Hill ratiroad pool was the transaction years in this country might find some profitable hints in an incident related in recent cable dispatches as occurring in Italy. The employes of two great Civic Federation bebbed up again in raffronds in that country have made a the press last week to inform a curious peremptory demand (not a petition, re. and gullible "public" that it "has member) for increased wages and dim- great plan of arbitration." When the inished hours of labor, and threaten to plan gets into action it will attain nastrike unless their demand is grunted. The directors claim they are financially can be taken up and settled immediunable to satisfy the men, although ately." Most likely the sight of a ment as the private capitalist. "If they admit the latter are overworked large number of ciergymen rushing into and underpaid. So they have asked the government to compel the workmen by force to operate the roads

Did the government accede to the request? They would willingly have exvices, are now confronted with the un- erted all the force at their command in of capitalist class rule. behalf of the railroad companies butdeniable fact that under present condithey hesitated. Why? Pecause the workmen are Socialists to a man, and resorting to "extreme measures," as it as the actual workers are concerned, is called, would to a certainty upset the government.

publish all the surplus copy on hand of government and use them for the There is "extreme anxiety" in minisat present, long before that period ar- benefit of the class to which they be- erial circles. The strike will me in the long, as the Socialist platform advo-jentire suspension of railroad traffic throughout the country, so the resort to compelled to abandon their efforts by finding themselves between the devil the methods they are now using-but and the deep sea, are now attempting to stert disaster by opening regotiations with the Socialists, who are represented by sixty members in the Italian Parliament.

> capitalist local interests in municipali-What do you think of that, friend un ties. Already it is being applied in the ion man? Isn't it better than getting shot or clubbed or failed and then los capitalist press as a precedent (if such ing the fight into the bargain. How were indeed necessary) for the demand do you think the Italian workman got that 'the policemen's organization into such an advantageous position as shall disband, and that their wages this, where his masters dare not tuse force against him-dare not even think shall not be increased. But as in the of it? Why, he merely saw the folly case of the United States employes, the of giving his political power into the municipal wage workers can also vote hands of those who were sure to use it against him, and determined to keep it in the hands of his own class. And There is also good reason for believnow with it in his possession he is ing that this move is largely intended strong and secure and the follows who to forestall the workers, in case that would willingly shoot him or jail him the tendency for the indefinite demand are too weak to attempt it. He voted for "public ownership of public utilities" right on election day. Will you?

> Sam Gompers' speech at the recent banquet of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation, given at the state capitalism it is just as well that Waldorf-Astoria; contained a query which Sam has never dared to answer. though he prated eloquently enough on the "force of logic" with which the workers pressed their claims. "They argue," said Sam, "that as ALL wealth ultimately borne in upon the laborers is the result of labor, why should we that "government ownership" means who produce ALL this wealth, possess or enjoy so small & portion?" Well nothing to them unless their class owns why should they. Samuel? Did you ever tell them why? You recognize that they produce ALL wealth, but there is not a man in the United States today who has done more to dissuade them from taking possession of and enjoying all this wealth which they produce than yourself. Did you ever tell them that the feason they get "so small a portion" is because they vote to have it that way? What about the size of your own "portion," Samuel? Has it any connection with your silence on this matter?

> Although Dr. Parkhurst seems ut-He's a greater man than Shakespeare, perly dissatisfied with the brand of "reform" that Mayor Low is putting up, there is no feason to believe that he ticket in New York. Outside of Low he can see nothing but Tammany and plainly says he would now prefer the latter, a statement which goes to show that the "reformer" and the Socialist have no common ground to stand upon.

A proposal to prosecute a Belgian Socialist named Smeets for making a revolutionary speech, precipitated such When low-born people knew their caste As flunkies, clowns and pages. an uprear in the Belgian Chamber of Deputies that the attempt was abangoned. When this is compared with as liberally as possible The tables have not turned: the whining petition of Sam Compers to the own them with their dance and to the powers that be, in the matter of the whining petition of Sam Gompers Santiago Iglesias, who was sentenced to three years imprisonment for conspiring" to raise wages, it must be admitted that there are some things which they do better in Europe than on this side of the water. The Belgian ! workingmen had sufficient sense to to the nace representatives of their class where they could at once call a halt on the would-be suppressors of free speech. We can do the same here when Since we set Standa d's morals Over science, art, philosophy and song. We pour oil o'er troubled waters, the American workingmen become in telligent enough to do likewise.

Educate our sons and daughters .
Let the devil take the hindmost-in the No. Mr. Melican, the proposition to shoot workingmen over forty-five years of age , will never meet with the an As our millions pile up teller: To prove you that we set the standard proval of the employers large or small. Such a reckless expenditure of powder and lead is not likely to commend itself to the consideration of the hard-headed And be parted from the goats when we practical business man. The mere fact that a man has passed the age limit at which he can be profitably exploited, by Last week a workingman who claimed no means qualifies him as a candidate that his employer had defrauded him for a capitalist fusilade. Such a disout of wages amounting to \$7, shot the tinction is wisely reserved for those latter dead during the altercation who do something else than merely which ensued. He new puts forward the grow old. Let the aspirant go out on plea of selfdefence in justification of strike or make himself obnoxious by dohis action. It will be remembered ing ricket duty, and he is fully qualithat the mar who shot Ferdinand ned to enter for such honors, without Trapp, the union picket, several months the age limit cutting any figure whatago, put forward the same plea, and ever. Now there was the case of Fernow it will be interesting to watch dinand Trapp for Instance-but you whether it will work out similarly in will readily see that the capitalist knows where to place his lead most profitably without any suggestions

One million dollars represents the

"earnings" of John W. Gates for the last week, according to an item in the daily papers. The sale of a group of railroads with the rolling stock and live stock that operates it, to the Morganwhich enabled him to "earn" this sum.

The industrial commission of the tional scope and then "labor differences print to urge the possibility of miracles of any against the attacks of Professor Pearson, has decided this industrial commission that now is an opportune time to push its clain to be considered as a modern miracle worker in the interests

A letter signed by "A Switchtender," appears in the Chicago Tribune of January 29th, offering a suggestion as to the best method of preventing railroad wrecks. The writer thinks that if the railroad officials would only "wake up So the situation stands this way, and realize the fact" that the switchtender is overworked and underpaid, and fix up things so as to give him shorter hours and higher wages, his watchfulness and efficiency would be forcible suppression is not to be so much increased that the number of thought of, and the Italian capitalists ratiroad wrecks would be diminished considerably. The idea of a switchtender supposing that the profit grinders who exploit him, keep him working long hours on low wages because they are sleepy, is about as ludicrous a conception as ever emerged from the dul brain of a wage slave hypnotized by the "identical interests of capital and labor." But the Tribune will never wake "Switchtender" up by informing him that no "best method" of decreasing wrecks will ever be considered that carries with it a decrease of dividends.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

Protests Against Cartoon. Chicago, February 1st, 1901. Editor Workers' Call:

Dear Comrade—I desire to register a protest against the cartoon of Comrade Untermann in this week's Call. In it the women who are doing their best to raise the age limit for child labor, so that the children may receive a better education, are held up to ridicule. It occurs to me that one of the main topes for a larger number of Socialists lies in the education of the people and in the raising of the standard of living for the working class. Can this result terests are above the reach of the law be accomplished in any better way than It is entitled "Congress is Helpiess," by keeping the children out of the factories and stores and forcing them to go to school? It is my opinion that there is no better way. It is very true that most of the women who are taking part in the work are not Socialists and are not striving for a co-operative com-monwealth, but we who are Socialists must femember that there are a few honest people outside of our ranks and that they are doing a great deal to in-sure a more intelligent understanding

of present day problems.

If we would take a more active part in such matters instead of decryle them, we would do much more for the ing our time pointing out the star of Socialism while overlooking the ob-stacles which lie in the path toward it. Very fraternally, PHILIP S. BROWN.

Unions Demand Socialist Speakers. Editor Workers' Call:

Trade unions are now calling for So-cialist speakers so frequently that the demand far outruns the supply. One comrade has spoken at four locals within two weeks-the Woodworkers, Linemen and twice at Machinists' locals. On Saturday, February 1st, a little sense of criminality as are the mass meeting of machinists on strike was held at headquarters, and one of property for taxation. In that case the property for taxation. In that case the serts, it proves nothing more than the ddress. He showed them the causes of the strike and why other working-men take their places, and demonstrat-ed that even if this fight were won, the struggle must still go on, so long as the capitalists own the tools of produc-tion, the land and tools from which the workmen must get their living. There is no doubt that the So-cialist vote will be increased this spring Grough the machinists' organization So it is to the interest of the Socialist Party to keep up the good work of aglitation in this respect, and use the Workers' Call (which will be the "Chicago Socialist" within a few weeks),

A UNION COMRADE.

Information Asked and Recieved. Editor Workers' Call:

The Socialist women requested me to write to Mrs. Imogene C. Fales for inormation regarding the Women's Naz tional Socialist League about which we to confused reports. The following tree giving full information as printed the "Worker" is her reply to us.

GERTRUDE BRESLAU HUNT.

To the Members of the Women's Na tional Socialist League and to the Women Socialists of the Country: Comrades—It is my unpleasant duty to herewith tender my resignation as Provisional Chairman of the W. N. S. The causes that have led m edopt this action are of such a nature that my continuance in the League as its provisional chairman might ne lon-ger be productive of good to the cause of Socialism.

f Socialism.
It is the same old story of selfishness of conflicting ideas and methods that under other circumstances nearly wrecked the Socialist Party.

wrecked the Socialist Party.

For the last two months a worker in
the League and a resident of California
has sought in every way to embarrass
my movements and to render my actic as subordinate to her wishes.

The "Call to Women." the preamble
to the constitution have been denounced by this person as "aggressive."

ed by this person as "aggressive." shocking to the moral series of refined women, and filled with the tone of the Socialist Labor Party. I crave the pardon of our veteran comrades in re-peating this aspersive charge.

peating this aspersive charge.

Threats were made that unless I changed my attitude and methods of work and withdrew or modified the preamble, that another organization would be started. This has been done and the Women's National Socialist Union has been formed in Los Augeles with Mrs. W. S. Abbott as provisional

Chairman.

No good can possibly result to Socialism from an educational movement that is split in twain by discordant elements; one side advocating a limited

conservative policy that shrinks from handling the actual facts that underlie the Socialist inevenient, and wishes to couch all its utterances in terms of love; the other which sees that love has many masks under which it hides it-self, and that it is most active when it uses the whip and scourge of outraged feelings to drive the "money changers" out of the temple of liberty, which they

are defiling. Two competing Socialist organizations are out of the question; they are an outrage upon the name and spirit of Socialism, which seeks for unity in all

things. Let those who will divide and cast lots for the garments; I am not one of them. I will not spend time and strength in competitive strife. I leave the field open and clear to the new or-

ganization under Mrs. Abbott. For the present I will work outside of any organization, faithful to what consider the truth, and with only one end in view—the destruction of that prolific mother of iniquities, the com-petitive system, and the establishment

IMOGENE C. FALES. Brooklyn, N. Y. We may add that the members of the Provisional Committee of the League have endorsed the action of Mrs. Fales.—Ed.]

of a co-operative civilization,

#### Press Bulletin

Porto Rico has applied for territorial Michigan will hold state convention

at Flint on February 8th. Socialists in Idaho are forming state

organizations. Indiana has 21 legals in 17 counties, with total membership of 521. Trade when the capitalist class can grind no unions are being formed among farm more profits out of him. laborers, one organization having 300 members. Strickland was sent on a three months' tour in the northern and central portions of the state. The state New Jersey was never heard of becommittee considers the Indiana pro- fore as a statesman but as he is worth letariat ripe for the Socialist Party. Iowa has 17 locals and is about to

send out a salaried organizer.

Maine has seven locals. Also 17 members at large representing 14 towns in route will furnish the greatest amount 10 ccuntles

Oregon has 21 locals and 352 members. Farmers compose large proportion of that token which route will be chosen. membership.
Ohio has 24 locals and a membership

of 782. The Ohio State Committee during the fall campaign issued 100,000 no alternative between finding new small cards, 27,000 leaflets, 1,000 sample markets and restricting production. If ballots, and sent over 1,000 letters to the the Socialists do their duty perhaps Socialists of the State. They also sent out Hayes, Strickland, Bigelow and Geiger on tours through the state. Vote possibility by 1904.

increased 50 per cent. Washington has 46 locals paying dues for 500 members. A state organizer has been kept in the field for three months at \$50 per month.

#### Congress is Helpless.

It happens now and then that an editorial slips into the capitalist press which proves to the hilt in unmistakable language some contention which Socialists put forward. Here is a recent one from the Tribune which definitely states that the great capitalist interests are above the reach of the law and runs thus:

The Interstate Commerce Commission has laid before Congress some facts which it believes "no thoughtful persor can contemplate with indifference These facts are that railroad men oc-cupying high positions "deliberately violate the statute law of the land and in some cases agree with each other to do so;" that "hundreds of thousands of dollars are paid in unlawful rebates to of the great packing houses'; and that their owners are "seemingly eager to augment their gains with the enormous amounts of their rebates which they re-ceive in plain defiance of the statutes."

The commission admits that the low-er rates granted these packers do to a As a general thing small extent benefit the general public, bets of that kind. but it says that most of the money inbut it says that most of the money in-volved goes to swell the profits of the packers. The commissions says also that the special rates allowed them give them an enormous advantage over maller competitors at other points. Most of the competitors, it is said, have

been killed off.

If the Interstate Commerce Commissioners are to be trusted, the law under which they work is one which is vio- Even if County Clerk Knopf did lated with as much nonchalance and as assist the corporations in their suit law in question is worse than useless. | fact that the County Clerk was onto It does not stop the evils it is desired to his job. ers of railroad men, packers, and other rates.

The commission appeals to Congress, not for the first time, to amend existing laws to make them efficacious. Certainly matters ought not to be left as they are. This seems, however, to be a subject where Congress really is helpless. It does not know what to do and is not making an effort to find out what

What does this mean? It is merely an admission that laws are not and cannot be expected to become operative against dominant economic interests It means that laws are the servants of those interests, not their masters. It means that laws are but the will of a dominant class made into a rule for all; that political is but the reflex of economic power; in short that governments The February "Comrade". are merely committees that manage affairs in the interests of a ruling class, who can break with impunity whatever laws their servants make which do not

#### What the Census Bulletins Show.

they so widely advertise, it may be well to refer to the bulletins issued by the United States Census Bureau regarding six states, comparing wages in 1909 with those of 1890: Oregon-Average wages per capita in

1890 was \$570. In 1900, \$483. Decrease of 187 in ten years (average product per individual was \$66 more in 1900 than in 1890.3

Colorado-average wages 1900, \$651. In 1890, \$689. Decrease, \$38. Kansas-1900, \$455. In 1890, \$470. De

crease, \$16. Connecticut-1900, \$468. In 1890 \$487 Docrease, \$19.

Iowa-1900, \$408. In 1890 \$400. crease, \$8. Average product per worker in 1890 was \$510; in 1906 \$575.

Illinois-1906, \$485. In 1890, \$516. Decrease, \$25.

Figure on these figures and see if you

### Socialist **Pointers**

Mr. Schwab's sin did not consist in rambling but in letting the lower classes find it out.

No union man ever gets on the grand jury but the union men who are satisfied with that state of affairs can keep on voting for it.

It took a business administration to cut down the schools. There is no sentiment in business.

Postal clerks and policemen must not ask for an increase of pay. Wage slaves should know their place.

There may be no classes in this country, but just try to get a banker to sign a Socialist aldermanic petition and Sec.

We have no royal princes to meet and welcome Prince Henry, but our captains of industry are fairly good intitations and will do. It is most ungrateful in a working-

man net to go off somewhere and die Senator Dryden just elected from

\$1,000,000 he cannot go wrong. Anyone who can tell which canal

of jobbery and patronage knows by

Senator Hanna insists that there is Hanna may get a glimpse of another

to tackle the comic valentine and have already completed the preliminary denunciation according to established custom.

Chicago club women have determined

How many times do you suppose Carter Harrison would have to be elected on a municipal ownership platform before he would attempt to bring municipal ownership about?

expansion of the intellect of the workingman, so that he can see that he is only getting a fraction of what he produces.

One form of expansion we need is

The authorities need not worry. Prince Henry is not afraid of the anarchists but the Socialists in his own country often give him cause to lay awake nights.

It is strange that the advocates of the ship-subsidy bill do not claim that it will give the seamen more wages, As a general thing they don't overlook

The sportsman's show managers do not care how much they are boycotted by the unions. Workingmen do not figure at the box office of a 50-cent show. It is for another class.

President Roosevelt's order forbidding postal employes to ask for more wages will tend to increase his popularity with the workingmen who like nothing better than to have their rulers rub it in on them.

The capitalists are not in business for their health and if they cannot get as much work out of a man after he is 45 years of age as when he is younger they will not employ him. This of course is a rude shock to those persons who think capitalism is a great benevolent institution for the benefit of the working class.

### The Comrade for February, out a little

earlier than usual, is an exceptionally good number. The place of honor is given to a poem by George D. Herron entitled, "From Gods to Men." It is a noble poem, perhaps the best thing Professor Herron has yet done. The first two chapters of a new serial by Tolstoy entitled 'Forty Years," are given, and in addition to further instalments of Morris' News from Nowhere," with the excellent illustrations of H. G. Jentzsch, there is a story by Maxim Gorky the young lion of Russian literature. Other items of interest are "An Interview with H. M. Hyndman," by H. Queich, editor of "Justice," London, England; "The Socialist Agitator," by "Niemand"; a satire on the Industrial Peace Conference, illustrated by a fine cartoon, by a contributor who signs himself "Clericus"; and the opening portion of a study of the life and work of Ferdinand Freiligrath, the great German Socialist poet, by John Spargo. As usual there are some excellent illustrations among which we may mention a full page portrait of Tolstoy, a new title page design by Walter Crane, and a cartoon, "Suffer the Children." which is full of pathos and satire. Altogether it is an exceltent number. The Comrade Publishing can figure increased wages from them. Company, 28 La yette Pl. New York.

In view of the fact that the capitalist organs throughout the country invariably assume that wages have increased as a concomitant to the "prosperity"

### In the State Legislature.

Work of the Socialist Representatives Carey and MacCartney in the Massachusetts Legislature. Teamsters' Strike in Boston Meets With Usual Injunction from Capitalist Judge. Watched Closely by Trades Unionists. May Involve 30,000 Workers. Socialists Introduces Bill to Raise Age Limit for Compulsory School Attendance. Various Bills on the Iniatiative, Right of Petition, Purchase of Public Utilities Game Laws Etc. Presented by Socialist Representatives.

of the acts of the strikers and their strong and numerous they had to stop. sympathizers, and set the people of their business duties, or in any other the strike. way that might be construed as detrimental to the interests of the company. Along with this comes a new departure in such matters: One firm of master teamsters has also been served with a

pany in dispute. years. It practically prevents the unever, either by peaceable or torcible the agreement just signed. means, to prevent non-union men taking their places. More than this, it seeks to enforce individual liability for damcompany during the strike, whether newprecedent in English law and which many labor disputes in that locality. threw the unions of England pratically members or any sympathizers. The counsel for the company asserts that property will have to reimburse for any to the capitalist class. less the company may have sustained

The action against the master teamquestion whether the competitor may ference of the business of the firm which originally had the business in dispute. Here is where old "free com-

through the strike.

There is practically only one firm fighting the teamsters; this is the R. S. Brine Transportation Company, which refuses to recognize the union, notwithstanding the fact that the Master Teamster's Association has signed the agreement with the Teamster's Union. This agreement was reached beabout other changes in the conditions broke away from the Master Teamsters' Association, and has stubbornly refused to sign the agreement. A number of smaller firms tried to do the and the strike is mostly against the Brine Company.

There have been turbulent scenes in ing provision: the district where the strike is in force For the first time in years mounted po-Brine Transportation Company's doing from rights in public streets, nor anybusiness with non-union men. Thous- thing for or on account of the patronands of people have congregated along age or business given to the corpora the route where the Brine teams have tion owning the plant by the municito pass while moving freight. These pality making the purchase." union men, and in other ways embarwork, while at no time have actual deeds of violence been committed. In monopoly of hunting and fishing to the fact, credit is given the union men for wealthy classes by prohibiting hunting protecting the Brine teamsters, and in and fishing on Sunday, which is the

other teams who, skilled in the art view, MacCartney's bills seek to repeal of driving, have blockaded the streets all laws against fishing and hunting. caused by the reckless behavior of the Party under the gilded dome. police, who have in many instances letely lost their heads and clubbed p beaten innoceat bystanders or passers

A strike of less than 200 teamsters | several cases thier behavior nearly has kept the police working overtime, caused a riot. They have also acted as the party had to go on the ballot under filled the columns of the daily papers freight handlers at different times, with reports, truthful and otherwise, but the protests against this were so

On Thursday the Police Board took Boston by the ears during the past a hand and issued a special order to the week. The crisis came yesterday when police to arrest all those who made of any representative of the Socialist Judge Braicy of the Superior Court "loud outcries" against the employes of Labor Party to appear and oppose the granted a temporary injunction re- the Brine company. This resulted in passage of the bill, for thece straining the labor unions and others thirteen men and boys, mostly the latfrom interfering with the business of ter, being arrested on Friday for yellthe firm in controversy, by interference ing 'scab' at the non-union men; nut with the employes of the company one of those arrested were union men while they are in the performance of or in any way directly identified twith

While the number of employes involved in the struggle is not large, yet it is remarkable what a sensation it has the injunction which has been proceedcaused in Boston. Not only are the unions aroused, but the general public notice to answer charges in the prayer have taken a great interest in the affair for an injunction for having taken the and so far all the blame for the disturbusiness from the transportation com- bance is laid at the door of the Brine company. The men believe that by The injunction is a sweeping one, and allowing this company the privilege of its terms have aroused the trades un- being the only transportation firm in lenists of Boston as nothing has done in Boston to have non-union men lays the way open for a general break-up of the ion men from doing anything whatso- union, and the complete destruction of

It is not definitely known yet what immediate action the union men of Boston will take on the conduct of the ages on every member of the union for Police and the injunction. They will any damage done to the property of the probably wait until the court renders a decision on the hearing for permanent committed by union men or not. The injunction; and it is believed that hearing for the permanent injunction should the courts decide against the coming more remote as time passes. comes off on Monday and the court will men as is altogether probable, it will be called upon to either affirm or repu. cause more of the trades unionists to diate the decision of the House of Lords change their minds as to the infallibil- able to do anything until a decision is in England last year, holding unions ify of the judges on the bench. Judge financially responsible for damages ro- Braley, who granted the temporary insulting through a strike. This is, the junction, is a Republican from Fall famous decision which established a River, and his name is associated with ency under the present condition, and

As the police of Boston are within the into a panic. This was somewhat sim- Metropolitan District under the control ilar to the injunction granted in the of the State, it is probable that the strike at Ansonia, Conn., Muring the Socialist representatives will demand machinist's strike last year 'In the pre- an inquiry into the conduct of the police sent case, it is claimed that it does not during the strike. It is also likely that matter whether the member who has the Socialists of Boston will try to property takes any part in the acts hold a mass meeting to protest against forming the basis of damages done, he the injunction and the police and cois responsible for the acts of his fellow operate with the trades unions, denouncing the outrageous proceedings that have again emphasized the subservthe members of the unions who have lency of the political powers that be

The introduction of bills in the legislature goes merrily on. Among the multitude of measures those of the Socialster who has been served with notice ist representatives stand out as the to aimwer the injunction, involves a only ones that really propose doing something practicable to improve the accept and perform work which has conditions of the working class, to probeen taken from another, and whether vide wider scope for the exercise of pothis act can be construed to the inter. lifleat liberty, and to increase the means of social enjoyment.

Carey has introduced bills during the week raising the age of compulsory petition" will have to make another school attendance from 14 to 16, and to raise the age in which minors may be employed in mills and factories from 14 to 16. These are the bills which involve the child labor question, upon which Carey has made a fight since first he entered the House. He and MacCartv are prepared to make this issue leading one during the session and their opponents will hear some "hot talk" when the bills come up. Two other bills cil of the Team Drivers International introduced by Carey are one providing pany claims to pay as high wages under Union and the Master Teamsters Asso- that 50,000 citizens may initiate a conciation, and resulted in improving the stitutional amendment, and have it recondition of the teamsters by lowering ferred to them; the other provides that hours, raising wages, and bringing 25,000 citizens may petition that any law be referred to them for action. Unemployment. The Brine Company der the Massachusetts law any citizen can initiate a law by right of petition, but this bill would provide for the re-Lerendum.

On Tuesday MacCartney introduced three bills. One seeks to amend the re-Monday most of them have capitulated vised laws relating to the purchase of posing the Industrial Peace Commisgas and electric lighting plants by cit- sion would therefore would be called ies and towns by inserting the follow-

"In the price to be paid for the plant nothing shall be included on account lice have been called out estensibly to of the future earning capacity or good preserve the peace, really to insure the will, or of exclusive privileges derived

people have jeered and hooted the non. The other two bills renew the fight that MacCartney has made since enterassed them in the performance of their ing the House for more liberal Sunday game laws. The present laws give a ny instances they have taken in only time when workingmen have an teams to the stables which had been opportunity to go into the woods and deserted by their drivers, and would elong the river banks and enjoy themotherwise have been left in the streets, selves. MacCartney maintains that so Those who have done more than any. long as citizens do not disturb the pulthing else to obstruct the progress of lie welfare, their method of recreation the Brine teams have been the drivers should not be proscribed. With this in

never a Brine team appeared and Representative Carey has been away prevented its passage. All this has since Wednesday at St. Louis, attendkept the police very busy, and they are ing the National Committee meeting: working harder than they have in but MacCartney is vigilantly looking Much indignation has been after the interests of the Socialist

WILLIAM MAILLY. Boston, Mass., January 25, 1902.

by Instead of preserving the peace the The most interesting event of the calling his attention is the fact that a police have done more to excite the peace week in legislative matters, so far as petition had already been filed with cards in your yard ple and bring about disorder, and in the Socialists are concerned, was the the State Board of Consiliation and cialist vote prow. The most interesting event of the

passage of the bill introduced by Representative Carey, authorizing the thange of the name of the Deniscratic on Priday, will go through the same since. process in the Senate-on Monday and should be signed by the Governor on Wednesday at the latest.

There will be much rejoicing among the Socialists of Massachusetts at securing the legal change of name There has been a great deal of con fusion in the past from the fact that the name Democratic Social; and there is no doubt that the Socialist Labo Party through this confusion received votes intended for our party. There has been much surprise at the faiture plenty of or portunity offered for them to present opposition. The Socialist rep-

The chief interest attaching to the Teamsters' strike, which I reported last week, is centered on the hearing on ing in the Superior Court all week. The hearing has lasted much longer than was expected, and it is supposed that it has been dragged along mainly for the purpose of allowing the Brine Transportation company to gain advantage under the temporary injunction and retain police protection, which has been unnecessary, if not from the beginning. then from the past nine days. police have been escorting the Brine teams on every trip each day, although perfect quiet obtains and not even a crowd has gathered anywhere to jeer freedom or justice. the non-unionists at work.

Meanwhile the number of teams used by Brine is daily increasing and the chances for the strikers reaching a settlement with the firm is therefore be-The temporary injunction has rendered the strikers helpless, and they are ungiven in the court, a decision which is altogether likely to be against them. The strike leaders realize their impotone way or the other. They have already requested the State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration to investigate the strike and place the blame where it properly belongs. For some reason or other the Board has so far failed to act upon the request made to them, and this has complicated matters

more than ever. In the meantime the union men affiliated with the Allied Freight Transportation Council are growing restless. The freight handle.'s. longshoremen, and clerks are protesting against baving to handle the goods hauled by Brine non-union men, and a strike which would subsequently involve 30,000 men is threatened. This feeling of sympathy is growing so strong that the Transportation Council fear their inability to prevent a crisis; and as a last resort have called upon Mark Hanna, chairman of the Industrial Peace Commission to interpose and seek to bring about a settlement. Mr. Hanna has responded by saying that he would send Mr. Ralph Easley, Secretary of the Civic Federation, to the scene to investigate: Mr. Hanna's factotum is expected to arrive in a day or two.

Considering the circumstances sur rounding this strike, it might not be a bad thing if the Industrial Peace Commission were tested and its merits proved at this juncture. The question at issue is really the one of the right to organize, for while the Brine Comas good conditions as the Teamsters' Union demands, yet it makes this fight solely on the matter of the recognition of the union. On the other hard, the teamsters have on their side at present the other firms who signed the agreement with the Transportation Council, but who would no doubt welcome a decision which would provide them with an excuse for refu ang to recognize the unions. The ntlemen comupon to decide whether the Brine Company had the right "to run its own business to suit itself," or whether the unions have the right to insist that em-

The injunction proceedings have been reported pretty fully and have aroused great interest, chiefly because of the attempt to hold members of unions fin andally and morally responsible for y damages to life or property resulting from a strike. The decision will be a far reaching one, and will establish

a precedent for the whole country. The Socialists have been watching developments arising from the teamsters' strike, with a view to action if necessary. It was intended that our representatives in the legislature should take some action, especially regarding the conduct of the police, but for vari ous reasons they did not principally for fear of embarrassing the teamsters' union. Representative Donahue, a Democrat, of Pall River, and a supposed labor representative, was not so careful and presented a resolution callng for an investigation of the teamters' strike by a committee of the egislature. Mr. Donahue is now sorry did it. He acted without the knowldge or consent of the strike committee of the Allied Transportation Council; and the members of the committee are not pleased at Mr. Donahue's precipitation. Through its attorney the comnittee sent a letter to Mr. Donahu

calling his attention to the fact that a

Arbitration requesting an investigation, and suggesting that Mr. Donahue withdraw his bill. Mr. Donahue according-Social Party to Socialist Party. The ly requested that his bill be laid on the bill passed to be enacted by the House table, and has not been heard from

> Yesterday was the last day for introducing bills. During the week Mac-Curtney introduced two bills, one providing for state ownership and operation of street railways, with the referendum attached. Another bid requires that the voters of a city or town shall decide location of street railways to be

built within their respective localities. On Thursday Carey introduced a bill which has almost direct bearing on the teamsters' strike. It requires that picketting and patrolling during strikes be made legal, and the first section reads as follows:

"In case of a strike or lockout or other dispute between the employer and his employes, it shall be lawful for the employees, or for other persons, to picket or patrol the neighborhood of the place of employment or any other place to which they have lewful access, and personally, or by means of of banners, posters, circulars or other

wise to persuade or urge persons not to

enter or not to continue in the employment of the employer." Two other bills introduced by Carey n Friday are also of much interest to workingmen. One is a repetition of a bill introduced by him in former legislatures, and provides for the right of trial by jury to workingmen answering the charge of contempt of court in proceedings under injunction. This will probably be defeated as its predeces-

democratic members are loath to overwhidm workingmen with too much

The other bill is one anxiously de manded by the railroad men of the state and the agitation for the enactment of a law such as the bill provides for has been going on for some time among the railroad employes, The bill requires that railroads shall have at least one brakeman to every ten cars on freight trains, and that the last car shall be one with at least eight wheels. At present the railroad men are in constant peril of their lives through the danger arising from there being too few men to handle freight trains. For instance, on the Boston & Albany railroad, freight trains of sixty cars are run with only two brakemen; and the length of the train prevents them from either controlling t or acting together in case of emer cency. If a train breaks, the small ca boose on the end of the train is found f slight service to prevent a catastrophe. Under the Massachusetts law brakemen cannot recover for injuries received in accidents arising from small crews being compelled to handle long

Comrade MacCartney's third article on Socialism appeared in the Traveler during the week, and the series will extend for some time. The articles are attracting a great deal of attention and are presenting the question in a form that will undoubtedly do some good.

These who claim that the ordinary egislator lacks imagination will find refutation in Representative Dana of Newton, who leaped into notoriety a few days ago by introducing a petition in the House for a World Legislature The petition is signed by several wise and eminent men who seem to consider their scheme the one that will establish unity among the races of the earth. I kangested ward clubs and the com- meetings, The petition asks that resolutions be adopted, asking Congress to empower the President of the United States to ach a representative to a meeting for the purpose of establishing and setting n motion as far as practicable a World Legislature. It is not stated just what the Legislature will do when it meets but we suppose Mr. Dana and his friends will arise to the occasion and provide, if not instruction, then amusement to the peoples of the earth .-WILLIAM MAILLY.

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### AN OPEN LETTER TO THE TEACHERS' FEDERATION

(Continued from page 1.)

can be an element for light or for darkof light over darkness.

Must Make Your Choice.

clearest thinkers of Capitalism and Soon you and us. Will you give a worthy of the country, or will you become an only a short time to decide. Between side, and falsehood, slavery and misery ations and the meanest reflections, the fear of the result.

ERNEST UNTERMANN.

### NOTICE.

A general meeting of all party members in good standing will be held Sunday, Feb. 16th, at 2.36 p. m. for the purpose of considering the Party's attitude on questions connected with the coming local campaign. Notice of place of meeting will appear next week.

Drop a few hundred Workers' Cal ards in your yard and watch the Se

# Klenke's Illinois Tour

A Record of Three Months Successful Agitation Through the State. Speaker Holds 85 Meetings, and Organizes Ten Branches With 140 Members. Description of the Results in Places Visited. Illinois Proves a Most Fertile Field for Agitation Work. Notes on the Various Branches, Their Membership and Activity Constantly Increasing. Comrade Klenke Leaves to Take Part in the Local Campaign in Erie, Pa., After Three Months Strenuous Work in this State.

As I have been working for three fixed him from their employ, but the menths throughout the State of Illinois, union miners compelled them to take and am now about to leave the state, him back, which shows that the union it may interest the comrades at large has some power to protect its members to review the work I have done during At Herrin three meetings were ar-

that period. Starting out on October 4th, shortly after the assassination of William Mc-

organization had disbanded, only Com- thele small meeting in the park brought a breakers ahead for the local capitalist number of the comrades together and politicians, after talking over matters they decided I returned after two months the local in a healthy condition. sors have been, for the republican and

also notorious for the number of an- swering the numerous communications. archists he reside there. A meeting was arranged by the local Socialist secretary, Charles Demmrich, informed affording an opportunity to explain the look them up, rented a hall for next difference between anarchism and So- day (Sunday), wrote out a few bills and cialism, and to dispose of a large posted them around the town. On Sunamount of party literature.

McDowell had arranged a meeting, but for thirty minutes, which was granted. at 8 o'clock only one man had shown This is the union which was going to up. Not discouraged I asked the com- throw Cox of of the S. L. P. through rades to get a box and put it in the the window. The members listened to square for an open air meeting. We me for forty-five minutes, and turned quickly gathered a large audience, and out in the afteroon to a man, despite it so encouraged the comrades that the falling snow, and Local Glen Carthey had me repeat the speech the bon had the record meeting of its hisnext two evenings.

At the latter place the vote increased or three days there,

mics making a good impression as a speaker. He Call about the garbage wagon. is willing to go to other towns for At Alton we had two good meetings,

troducing Socialism into Colorado at my old S. L. P. friend, Renner. the muzzle of a Winchester, and ob-This is the situation, as seen by the served that the S. L. P. in the Rocky hall and an audience of about 125. I Mountains stood like the rocks themcialism alike. You must accept it and selves. I inquired how about the 16th ing in the Trades Assembly hall and act. Chicago is one of the industrial Assembly District of New York, but centers in the United States in which got no answer. A few days later we the struggle between the old and new held a good meeting there, and showed Union. Quincy is now in good shape. which on my second visit had increased the number had increased and this year have him at work in Illinois again early example to your colleagues in all parts to fifteen, and which was further in- it is not at all hard to find Socialists in the spring. creased to "nineteen on the night I object of scorn and disdain? You have spoke there for the second time. The due to Comrade Heumann, the present town has not over 250 of a population, organizer, who has never stopped adtruth, freedom and happiness on one Comrades Jones and Davis are hard workers, but unfortunately the former on the other between the noblest aspir- is sick with what the Socialists call "Proletarian sickness," and he will outcome is not doubtful. We have no probably never be able to enter the and Comrade Brink has ambitions to be mine again.

Comrade Baumgarten, who was unable there is no falling off. to procure protection from the authori- Overstepping the boundaries of Illinois wrek or so. Then the Coal Company od a school house which was to ked card.

ranged for me by Comrades Boswell and Myers; a persistent boycott was kept up against it, but in spite of all Kinley, when plenty of good comrades we pre mized a branch with six memthought it wise to lay low, and most of bers. The local capitalist paper atthe locals in the State had disbanded tacked Comrade Boswell who edits the owing to factional divisions in our Herrin Journal, calling him anarchist, ranks previous to the Indianapolis con- etc., etc. It is funny to see two counvention. I had to depend upon the as- try editors get into each other's wool, sistance of the Socialists in the various but the Journal won out, and Local Hertowns, and the sale of literature, for rin took in ten new members at one my fiving expenses and railroad fare. | meeting, the branch now numbering no My first stop was at Streator; the less than twenty-five. They maintain on headquarters, carry on a vigrade Nelson sticking to his colors. A ous propaganda, and there are surely

Next I went to Marion and addressed to call a meeting and organize. When an audience of more than 300 which packed the courthouse, it being the first had twenty-two members in good Socialist speech ever heard in the town. standing, three more being added on I could only get four men who were my last visit, so that the Local is now willing to organize, so postponed it until a later date. After looking over the I then proceeded to Spring Valley, ground at Freeburg and the S. L. P. made famous by Mark Hanna who sold stronghold at Belleville, I paid a visit to the miners "homes" on "ency" pay- National Headquarters, and attended meats, and when they had been nearly a meeting of the Local Quorum, I paid for, cut the wage scale and precip- was agreeably surprised to see the itated a strike which ended in the min- office of the National Secretary, where ers losing the "homes." The place is three stenographers are kept busy an-

Thence to Glen Carbon, where the comrades in the opera house, and a me that he could not get the comrades arge meeting resulted, a number of together and no arrangements had been questions asked by the local anarchists made. We at once set to work to day morning the Miners' Union met At Ottawa Comrades' Dawson and and I sent a note requesting the floor

tory. branch with fifteen members, mostly the coal mining strike at Virden in 1893. Erie were put off the bullot. Last Fri

is somewhat handicapped for Socialist Pana has a strong Local, which might ones. propaganda by its size, as the local be still stronger if a few of the comcomrades are not able to work the city rades had sufficient sense to keep petty paign is booming. Unless there is an by a centrally located organization, so personal affairs out of the business explosion Eric will be under a Socialist

entered on the state list of speakers. Abingdon, The meetings were arranged Socialism in Eric in proportion to the propaganda, and his name should be ably assisted by Comrade Wallace of Our old comrade, Dr. Knupfnagel, is by Carl Elion an enthusiastic Socialist. also there, willing and ready always to We did not organize as the local comdo his part, also Comrade Sol Siegel, rades did not think there was yet suffione of the old Chicago boys, and Com- cient material. Middle Grove next-a rade Nusbaum, who was fired because town of about 250 population. The first he attempted to organize the street evening a good business man (Repubrailway employes, also Comrade Ord- | Hean) bought two kegs of beer to keep way, the secretary, are all up and do- the miners from the meeting. But in spite of this we organized with eight During my stay I was attracted to members. Comrade Moore, the secre-East Peoria by the announcement that tary, is an old and well versed Socialist. Veal, national organizer of the S. L. P., Went thence to Peoria and spent Christwas to speak. I listened to his re- mas week there; paid a visit to Local Pass the word on to the Chicago commarks on labor fakirs and after he East Peoria, and took the train for closed I got up and had my say with Jacksonville, where I stirred up the ness. But you cannot stop the victory the result that the union men left the boys again and organized with eight the doors of the Co-operative Commonmeeting. Veal spoke about Griest in- members, and had a round or two with

At Quincy the boys had the town stayed a week and held another meetorganized with twenty-seven members. Spoke also before the Brickmakers' in Quincy. A great deal of credit is mann is always on the lookout wherehe can get a sub, or sell a book, Comrade Simons is one of the new enthusiasts, a speaker, but lacks opportunity. Com-After visiting Centralia and holding rude Kiemont, the secretary, has enterone street and one hall meeting, we ed the fight with great determination livened up the comrades there some, and Comrade Kraft's shop on Hampwhat. It may be interesting to know shire street has become a regular disthat during the excitement following tributing center for Socialist literature. the assassination of McKinley, a mob So Quincy is all right and the local of furious idiots attempted to lynch comrades can be relied on to see that

ties. The local Socialists, however, got I went into the state where you have their guns in order and stood guard at in "show" the inhabitants. I had a the comrade's house every night for a surprise at Orgola, Mo., where we lent- the Socialist party instead of the rad

with nothing but farmers, some of whom had come seven miles to hear a Socialist speech. At Ewing, on only one day's notice, we had a meeting of 250 people with thirty women in the crowd. The Local is composed of farmers, mostly owning 10) acres of land but who can hardly make a bare living working sixteen hours per day. Talk about the "independent farmer!"

At Kewance we broke the record. A well attended meeting at Library Hall on Friday, working among the boyson Saturday, and following up with a meeting at Federation Hall on Sunday evening; we organized with thirtyfour members, the local organizer, Comrade George Litchfield, being also organizer for the A. F. of L. at Kevance. Recording secretary is Comrade Fred Underhill, a young and enthusfastic Socialist, the literary agentbeing Comrade Olaf Engman. We can rest assured that everything will be well attended to, and the Local will grow and prosper,

Leaving Kewanee I paid a visit to Clinton, lows, where I had the good fortune to meet Comrade Grant of Chicago, and have a little talk over home matters. After organizing Rock Island with ten members, and speaking here in Streator, I will go and organize Varna, and thence to St. Louis, to attend the meeting of the National Committee, and pay another visit to Herrin. I will leave Illinois for Erie, Pa., to help the comrades there in their municipal cam-

A review of my work can be summarized as follows: Held eighty-five public meetings, attended six union meetings, organized and re-organized ten locals, with a membership of 140; took a large number of subscriptions to the party press, and sold several hundred books and pamphlets.

As I am now going to seek other fields. I take this opportunity to thank all those comrades who have co-operated with me in this work, and hope that they will continue in the future to extend their co-operation to all speakers who may come their way.

Fraternally, AUGUST KLENKE.

### GOOD OUTLOOK IN ERIE. PA.

Campaign Vigorously Pushed by the Socialist Party.-Delsonite Opposition Futile.

The poor old buzz-saw lost all the teeth it ever had left in Eric this week and has its bearings so loose that it is liable to fly completely off the shaft soon. Danny laughed too soon la his At Bloomington we held two ball and From Gien Carbon I went to Mount "People" when he told how the poor one open air meeting, and organized a Olive, the burial place of the victims of ignorant Socialist Party comrades of union men who, though pessimistic, we I spoke in German, there being a strong day the consideration of their protest succeeded in rousing to action. From German Local in the Locality, but an against the Socialist Party came up, thence I proceeded to Iowa, spoke for six English speaking local can be formed and it was found that the brilliant fole days in Davenport and four in Dubuque, as soon as an organizer can spend two lowers of the "Perfesser" did not even know how to protest in legal forms from 96 to 313, and Comrade Holtz I arrived in Pana on "Miners' Pay and they were thrown out of court writes me as follows: "We have now Day;" no arrangements had been made without consideration. Now they are a headquarters of our own on the main but a business meeting of the Local shivering in their boots for fear they street, where we hold such hot debates was called for by Comrade Fagan, and will not be permitted to appear on the that it saves us buying coal and wood." a hall rented. The next evening I was ticket themselves, as it has been dis-After delivering speeches at Rock granted the floor at a miners' mass covered that falling to find the neces-Island and Bishop Hill I proceeded to meeting, and I advertised our meeting, sary signatures to their petition they Peoria and stayed two weeks. The town which turned out a complete success. have added a few genuine home made

Meanwhile the Socialist Party camgovernment after February 18th. The rades are now putting the plan in op- I next visited Comrade Behrens of trade unions have decided to declare a eration. The movement is in good hands. Springfield and looked over the grounds. Strike at the ballot box and it looks as Comrade Block, a young attorney who si at the State Legislature; which put me though the scabs on election day will in mind of the article in the Workers' be few and far between. Practically the ticket and it is safe to say that there are more workingmen endorsing population than in any other city in America. Nothing now can prevent a landslide to Socialism in this city, and with the solid foundation of agitation and education that is now being laid once the city is captured for Socialism the victory will be permanent.

But while victory seems sure fhere is no let up on the agitation. Comrade Klenke will be here this week and with the local talent that is already in the field the close of the campaign should be one glorious hurran for Socialism. rades that if they are not lively the smaller cities will be standing within wealth urging the great centers of industry to come in out of the cold.

A. M. SIMONS.

### Illinois State Notes.

Comrade Klenke recently spoke at Varna, Marshall County, and organized a local of which A. B. Conklin is Secreorder of society is rapidly drawing to a the difference between the S. P. and the When I visited the place two years ago tary. Comrade Kienke has now left crisis. The eyes of the whole country S. L. P., the result being that we or- I could only find Comrades Buttery, for an eastern trip speaking at Evie, will soon be fixed in anxious suspense ganized a local with eight members, Heumann and Hempelmann; last year Pa., and other points, but we hope to

> Comrade George E. Bigelow made a trip across the State last week speaking for the Locals at Westville, Pana. vocating the cause; Comrade Hempei- Nashville and Glen Carbon He spent two days in Nashville and reports large meetings and great enthusiasm

Comrade Saunders spent two days in Joliet last week and brought back an application for a charter signed by twelve members This makes thirtyfive Illinois Locals now organized. We expect to have 50 by the 1st of April.

The Workers' Call readers in Illinois owns where there is no Socialist Local as yet are requested to comm at once with the state secretary, Charles H. Kerr, 56 Fifth Avenue, Chicago.

pong ball the test of membersh

### LOCAL PARTY NOTES

NORTH SIDE.

to address those who will attend these fund of \$3.88 was raised.

Hereafter the business meetings of the 21st and 22nd Ward Branches and possibly the 23rd will be held at this half on dates to be announced.

The 25th Ward Branch will give an entertainment at their hall 1716 Diversey Bld. Saturday, February 15th., 8 p. m. Short talks on Socialism and a musical programme will be a part of lyn. Socialist Sunday School every the evening's entertainment. Tickets 15cts. North Side Comrades should attend this affair.

As a city convention to put up a plat-form discussing municipal ownership will be held it would be well to discuss these matters and understand matters before going into this convention. Bring this matter before your club.

Tickets for the Commune Festival must be hustled. To close. Signatures for Aldermanic and Town tickets MUST BE HUSTLED. GET TO WORK lively. Time is passing.

All the comrades who can should at once secure the names and addresses of and Lake also. Send in at once a list of schools.

Act promptly. We must get to work. The Division Committee meets on Friday evenings.

#### 28th Ward Branch.

The new headquarters of the 28th ward branch at Moznet Hall, corner Armitage Avenue and Mozart Street, was opened Saturday, February 1st., with an entertainment and ball. The heavy snowfall caused many to stay at their own fireside, but a sufficient number braved the angered elements to make the affair a social and financial success. Although the affair was gotten up for enjoyment and recreation the sole object of the branch-the propagation of Socialism; was never lost sight of. The conversation that took "class struggle," Worker's Call, materialist conception of history and kindred phrases, showing that reason sat enthroned above pleasure. .

Gertrude Breslau Hunt was the speaker at the first propaganda meeting at the new hall Sunday evening. The clear manner in which she explained the Socialist philosophy left no room for discussion and Socialist songs were sung instead, and all went out in the cold night filled with enthusiasm.

### 27th Ward Branch.

Owing to the severe cold the meeting at Mittach's Hall was not very well er to attract the working class. attended, though some interesting discussion took place after the speaker had defined his position as a Socialist on the question of Municipal Owner-

The Campaign Committee decided to hold one hall meeting each week during the campaign.

A mass meeting will be held in the Swedish settlement February 9th at 8 p. m., at the hesdquarters of Branch 5 of the 27th ward, 2123 N. Francisco Avenue, corner of Waveland Avenue. Speakers Phil Brown and Sam Robbins, the latter beting the candidate for alderman on the party ticket. Subject: "The Socialist Position on Mu-Rule.

Campaign committee 27th ward meets Crofford's Hall, California and raston SAM ROBBINS, ORG.

#### TEMPLE NOTES. Sautrday, February 8th, Grand

Masque Ball. Tickets 25c.

Sunday, February 5th., 8 p. m., Thos.

On Tuesday evening, February 11, 1902, there will be given at the Temple No. 120 South Western Avenue, a at Lincoln Turner Hall, 1351 Diver-Stereopticon Lecture of new colored views about Niagara, the Gorge, the Whirl-pool Rapids, etc.; the most select scenes of the Buffalo Exposition. "The Holy City" will be sung by exquisite talent and illustrated with a full set of finely colored views, Concluding with a Quarter-of-a-Mile of SOCIALIST Motion Pictures executed with latest TEMPLE mechanical process, and illustrating a great variety of subjects.

The School of Social Economics, which meets every Monday night at the Temple, has adjourned until Pri- aturday Night, Feb. 8th day evening, February 21st., as Mrs. Simons is in Eric., Pa, helping the cemrades during their campaign. Mrs. Simons cordially invites the wives or any lady friends of the members of the class to attend the remaining lectures free.

This is an opportunity which none should miss.

Wednesday February 12th, Agitation Meeting. Good speakers. Thursday, February 13th., Regular

Woman's Lecture night. Good speakers Saturday February 15th. The Dramatic Club will give that great socialist drama, entitled "Two Leaves Taken from the Book of Life." Good Vandeville, Prices, adults, 10c., children under 15 years,

"The strike in San Francis-co and the Pacific Coast is still on, and 2,250 iron workers are yet fighting for a Nine hour day and better condi-

HUGGINS.

#### Agree on Candidate.

The 17th ward (English) and the 17th ward (Polish) branch, met by the request of the West Town convention. The North Side clubs have secured lish Socialist Headquarters, 484-6 N. pertunent headquarters at 161 Seds- Noble Street, Wednesday, January 29, wick, a large store in the inidst of 1902, and nominated E. L. Wechosky neighborhood where there is a very as the candidate for the alderman of large number of wageworkers living, the 17th ward. A campaign committee Arrangements for meetings on Sundays composed of six (three from the Engeither evenings or afternoons will be lish and three from the Polish organimade, and speakers will be engaged zation) were elected, and a campaign

> A. SIEGEL, Secretary.

#### Hall Meetings.

Mozart Hall, Corner Armitage Ave nue and Mozart Street, Sunday, Feb. ruary 9th., R. T. Sims, J. F. Brennan Wednesday, February 12th., B. Ber-Sunday at 11 a. m.

At 555 N. Rockwell Street, Fifteenth Ward Branch meeting Sunday, Febru- Call. ary 9th, at 3 p. m. Speaker R. T. Sims. Subject: 'The Negro Problem.'

Sunday, February 9th, at Scandia Hall, Onio street and Milwaukee avenue, at 3 o'clock. Speaker, B. Berlyn. Sunday, at 8 p. m., 363 Sedgwick street. Speakers, John Collins, R. Morris, Charles Sand.

#### New Branch Organized.

At a meeting of the workingmen a 120th and Halsted Streets, held February 1st., 4 new Branch was organized all school teachers in the North Town with twenty members. Dues were paid and a number of call cards were ordered. Com. Berlyn acted as Or-

#### Organizer Visits Joliet.

On last Saturday Comrade John W. Saunders paid a visit to Jollet and succeeded in organizing a local branch of the Socialist party with twelve paid up members. The Joliet News gives an interesting account of Comrade Saunder's speech on the occasion in its current issue and refers to it as "red hot." which perhaps all those who knew the speaker will admit is not far from the truth.

#### Klenke at Indianapolis.

The Indianapolis News of last Monday contains a lengthy and interesting account of a Socialist meeting at the place between dances was spiced with Machinists' Hall in that city in which Comrade August Klenke of Chicago, was the principal speaker. A few of De Leon's decrepit bigots thought they saw an opportunity and started their ridiculous "burzsaw" to work. This drew a vigorous and effective retort from the speaker, which was followed up by most of the audience, who were union men turning flercely upon the would be disruptionists and overwhelming them with accusations regarding their union smashing tactics. The meeting broke up in some confusion, but proved clearly that the methods of De Leon possess very little pow-

We are after you again! What for? Why to come to the

#### Dramatic Entertainment At The TEMPLE

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## ENTERTAINMENT

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#### BRANCHES.

The following directory announces only the business meetings of the various braches. All agitation meetings will be announced in the "Isst of Meetings," which will be found on the first page of every issue of The Workers'

FIRST AND SECOND WARDS-Meet every Friday, 8th p. m., at 2114 Wa-bash ave. (store). Secretary, Rice Wasbrough, 175 East 22nd street. Or-ganizer, Peter Raat, 1705 Wabash av.

THIRD WARD-Headquarters, 3355 S.
State street; meets every Monday at
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