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FEDERATION OF LABOR DOINGS

Trade Agreements a Menace to Unions--Open Letter to Roosevelt--Henry D. Lloyd Speaks on Municipal Ownership--Has Shifted His Position

Last Sunday the Chicago Federation of Labor took a most important step from a trades union standpoint when it endorsed the following report of Organizer Fitzpatrick:

"I desire to call the attention of the Federation of Labor to what seems to be a great menace to organized labor. The employers have mapped out a plan of action and are putting it into operation at every opportunity.

"They are trying to disrupt the unions by suits for damages.

"They have resorted to starving the workers into submission by closing down their plants.

"They are striving to tie labor hand and foot by agreements.

"This last is the most serious, and we must take action immediately if we intend to overcome it. Close observation will prove that the employers will not sign an agreement that has a sympathetic strike clause in it.

"They also insist on having a 'no discrimination' clause in every agreement. Either one of these propositions, used to suit the employer, will disrupt any labor union. When labor organizations tie their hands with a 'no sympathetic strike' agreement they might as well give up the struggle.

"When we allow a 'no discrimination' clause to be inserted in an agreement it is simply an invitation to the employer to give preference to non-union workers and thereby disband the union.

"But there is one way to overcome all of this, and it lies in organized labor refusing to enter into ANY AGREEMENT. Let each organization prepare its wage scale and conditions of labor based upon justice and equity.

"Then go to the employer and state under what terms the members of the union will work. If the employer is willing to comply with all the requirements, continue to work for him. If he refuses let him procure his labor elsewhere. Then there will be no discrimination. It will be either union men and women or non-union, and we will not be bound down by a 'no sympathetic' clause so that we cannot help our fellow workers when they are in trouble.

"When organized labor learns to stand together as a unit then the day of strife is passed. We may lose at first, but some day it will result in victory for our side. JOHN FITZPATRICK."

man to the fact that until the working class captures the government through the ballot there can be no permanent gain.

OPEN LETTER TO ROOSEVELT.

Within the mass of verbiage contained in the open letter to Roosevelt on the open shop policy was concealed many a morsel of delicious sarcasm. The committee says:

"Perceiving that our real antagonist was not President Roosevelt, but a coterie of certain well known interests which are constantly on guard around him and which necessarily exert over him

seats the will of the dominant class and is ever-changing. At one time it was king-made law. This gave way to baron-made law and that in turn has given way to the present financier-made law. Let us hope that in future it will give way to the law of labor. A most searching exposition of the competitive system was given such as only a Single-Tax Anarchist can give.

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HENRY D. LLOYD ON MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP.

Henry D. Lloyd again spoke before the Federation on Municipal Ownership. It seemed very evident to those who heard him two weeks before that he had shifted his position to more advanced ground and as a result he got much more enthusiastic applause. He showed that not only were the traction interests in Chicago being united, but that a huge syndicate was engaged in unifying the whole traction business of the principal

jour to the street corner to hold a Socialist meeting. A large number of the delegates thought the objection was in earnest and heartily seconded the suggestion before they discovered the sarcasm in the remark. Comrade Berlyn thought that we would not be lost forever in case the franchises were granted. While all of this consolidating was going on the working class was getting together. The trouble was that though we had voted for municipal ownership 6 to 1 we had elected a mayor and city council which were responsible to the traction and allied interests. He also demanded before any settlement of the traction question was made that the employees of the street railway system be guaranteed, first, an 8-hour day; second, a minimum wage; and, third, the right to organize. Anything short of this would be a desertion of our brothers of the Amalgamated Street Railway Men's Union.

Comrade Rubinstein made an impassioned speech in favor of the amendment offered by Comrade Berlyn, but as is usual with such amendments by a parliamentary trick it was not voted upon. I.

LOVE'S PATRIOT.

I saw a lad, a beautiful lad,
With a far-off look in his eye,
Who smiled not at the battle-flag
When the cavalry troop marched by.

And sorely vexed, I asked the lad
Where might his country be
Who cared not for our country's flag
And the brave from over-sea.

"Oh, my country is the Land of Love,"
Thus did the lad reply;
"My country is the Land of Love
And a patriot there am I."

"And who is your king, my patriot boy,
Whom loyally you obey?"
"My king is Freedom," quoth the lad,
"And he never says me nay."

"Then you do as you like in your land
of Love,
Where every man is free?"
"Nay, we do as we love," replied the
lad,
And his smile fell full on me.
—Ernest Crosby.

FESTIVAL AT KUHN'S PARK

Father Hagerty's Oration Will Be the Event of the Day--Games of All Kinds for Old and Young --Tomorrow is the Day

Record breaking crowds promise to crowd Kuhn's Park tomorrow if the weather man continues his favors. Under the shade of one of Chicago's most charming groves hundreds of picnic parties will eat their last out-door dinner for the season. For an inside park the place has few equals in Chicago and a visit there is well worth while if there were no other attractions. The committee on amusement has been busy and immediately after the dinner hour and lasting up to the time of speaking there will be games and other contests

for valuable prizes, a list of which will be found on another page.

Father Hagerty as speaker is the attraction that will bring hundreds of Socialists from neighboring towns and in addition to his address a dozen of the best known speakers in the party will make brief talks. The best of music has been arranged for and there will be dancing in a big pavilion as long as anyone wants to dance.

That nothing may be lost, everyone should come early. There is no danger that they will not stay late, for the attractions will be so great that they will not be able to tear themselves away.

Bring all of your friends, for in addition to being a great picnic and festival for Socialists it will be the greatest propaganda meeting ever held in Chicago.

Don't forget the date. It is tomorrow at 9 a. m. Come early and avoid the rush. Kuhn's Park, Milwaukee and Armitage avenues. An north og west side car and the Logan Square branch of the Metropolitan Elevated Railway.

PROPAGANDA.

It is astonishing the number of different ways the comrades are devising to carry a propaganda work.

Comrade Pledger, away down in sunny Louisiana, sells a man a sub card to our paper only upon the condition that he invest a dollar in subs, and every time he sells one, to exact the same terms from the purchaser. This is practically an endless chain and if properly pushed would turn the whole Capitalistic shooting match upside down.

Get out and try this method until you have worked it out.

Comrade Rivers, over in Michigan, has a method all his own. He takes a paint pot and goes out into the country and paints all sorts of signs on the fences, among them are such as these: "What Poor House are you going to when you get too old to work? Send 10c for ten weeks' subscription to the Chicago Socialist, 181 Washington street, Chicago, Ill., and find out." Another is, "Socialism will give you the largest FARM the world has ever known, it is called the EARTH. Send 10c to the Chicago Socialist for ten weeks' subscription and find out how easy it will be for you to get a title to this Farm."

Away out in Montana some of the comrades got out in the hills and mountains and paint Socialist signs and mottoes in out of the way places on rocks and crags.

In Chicago some of the hustlers have stencils made that produce a good motto and they reproduce it on every old thing that has a smooth surface. Others get on the elevated stations and stamper all over the bill boards, "Strike at the Ballot Box." They have done this so thoroughly that the elevated officials have made complaint at our office that their advertisers were making a roar and that we would have to knock off, and they seemed surprised when we informed them that we had nothing to do with the matter, and that the comrades did the work on their own initiative. It is quite hard for them to get it into their pig heads, how a man will do work without getting pay for it. They don't know the bunch that is now laying the foundation to build them entirely out of business.

Other comrades here in the city will pick out a batch of say, 25 or 30 names and send them the paper for four weeks and at the end of that time they call on the prospective subscriber and secure his subscription.

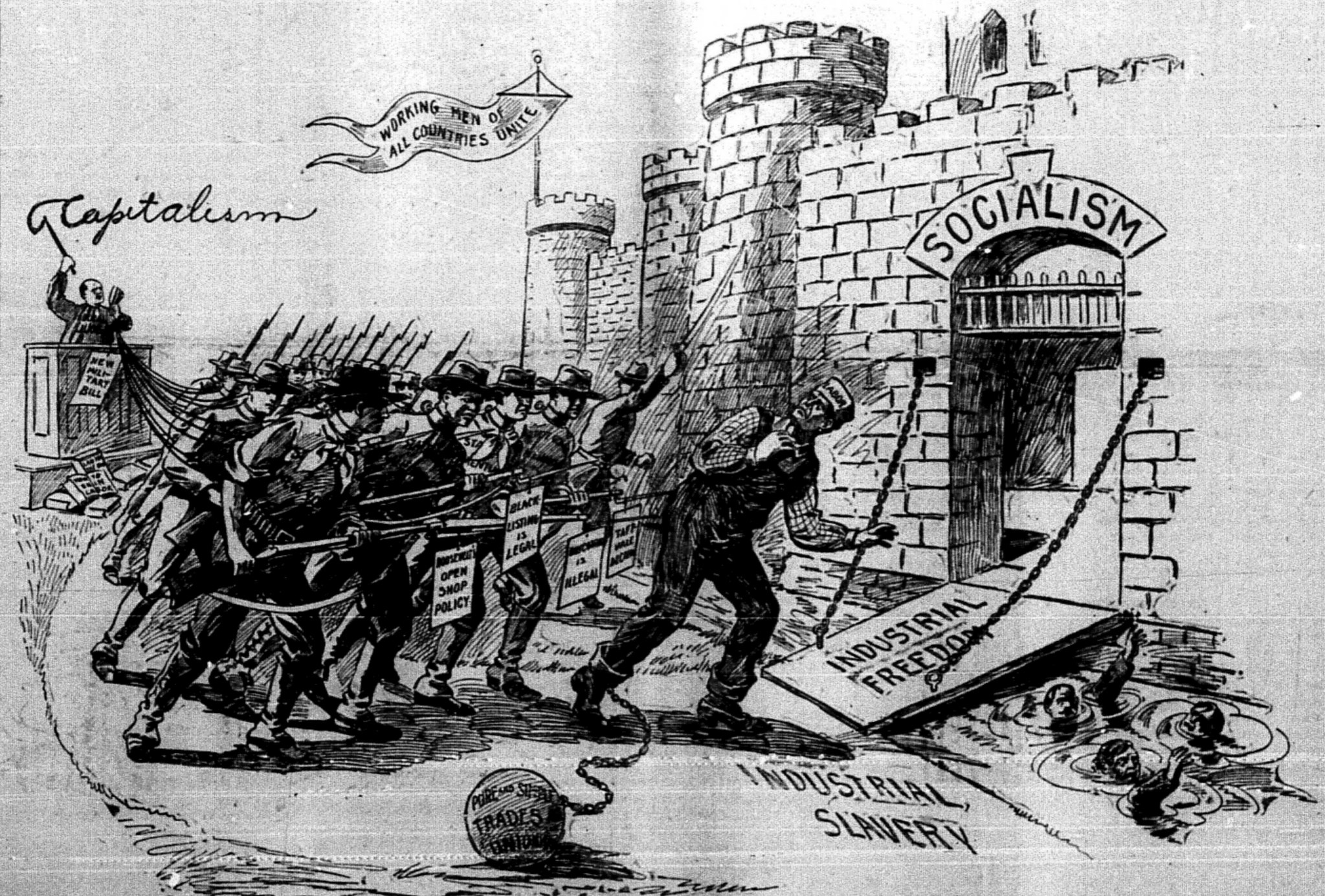
Others have a bundle of about ten of fifteen papers per week sent to their residences and then distribute them among their friends and neighbors Branch No. 1, of the Thirty-third Ward, takes 1,500 papers per month and has them sent to about thirty different addresses for distribution.

Which one of these methods have you adopted?

Write the Manager of the circulating department if you have a new method of doing propaganda and we will give it publicity at once.

We think the very best method is to make the enemy buy subscription cards and you are then making him pay for his education, a thing he should be glad to do.

We can recommend all of the above methods as being good. Pick out all and do it.



that subtle influence which every man unconsciously receives from his social surroundings, we have treated those interests as the common enemies of President Roosevelt's reputation and of labor's rights."

The letter among other things says:

"It was characteristic of a clean scolded and big hearted man like yourself, unacquainted with and inexperienced in the moral deformity which underlies the actions of the strike breaking working man and deliciously unaware of the hypocrisy of the world of finance in applauding the strike breakers' efforts, to rush to the rescue with an appeal to decency."

The problems of child labor in the South are described, as are conditions in the Pennsylvania collieries, under the sway of "Baer and his god," and even the "bull pens" of Idaho and Colorado. Then this follows:

"No wonder that this present day generation of vipers ceased their devouring of widows' houses long enough to rush forth with their congratulations when they found an honest man like yourself so uninformed as to be willing to raise the cry of decency in their stead.

"Had they come in their own name they would have been received with Homerian laughter by the American people."

The report admits that the statute law as it now stands legalizes the open shop, but that the law as it will be in the future is another matter. It says by re-

ports the will of the dominant class and is ever-changing. At one time it was king-made law. This gave way to baron-made law and that in turn has given way to the present financier-made law. Let us hope that in future it will give way to the law of labor. A most searching exposition of the competitive system was given such as only a Single-Tax Anarchist can give.

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Workingmen, Fight Shy of W. R. Hearst!

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American cities under one management and that the consolidation did not stop there, but that not only so-called public utilities but all the industries of the nation were being consolidated. It was a larger question than just the traction question. He closed with the despairing cry that unless the franchise grabs were stopped now we were irrevocably lost for twenty or even forty years.

BARNET BERLYN then made the speech of the day and it was getting so effective that an objection proposed that we ad-

LIFE'S GIFTS.

By Olive Schreiner.

I saw a woman sleeping. In her sleep she dreamed Life stood before her and held in each hand a gift—in the one Love, in the other Freedom. And she said to the woman, "Choose!"

And the woman waited long: and she said, "Freedom."

And Life said, "Thou hast well chosen. If thou hadst said 'Love,' I would have given thee that thou didst ask for; and I would have gone from thee, and returned to thee no more. Now, the day will come when I shall return. In that day I shall bear both gifts in one hand."

I heard the woman laugh in her sleep.
—From Dreams.

Man is not man as yet,
Nor shall I deem his object served, his end
Attained, his genuine strength put fairly
forth,
While only here and there a star dis-
pels
The darkness, here and there a towering
mind
O'erlooks its prostrate fellows; when the
hour
Is out at once to the despair of night,
When all mankind alike is perfected,
Equal in full-blood powers—then, not
till then,
I say, begin man's general infancy.
—Shawcross.

One might as well have told a slave to save his rations and become a master as to tell a workman to save his wages and himself become a capitalist.—Ben Hanford.

What is a slave? One who works at the bidding of another and only by permission of another, and for the profit of that other. Does not that fit your case exactly? Do you work when you like and rest when you like.—The Voice.

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incentive.

Questioning the incentive to work under Socialism is only a confession that Capitalism has made work so degrading and disagreeable that its own apologists cannot conceive how any human beings perform it without being compelled to.—Eric People.

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The capitalist press is unanimous in its opinion that the German Socialist made a great mistake by not adopting the Bernstein program.

THE WASTED VOTE.

Working men who voted the Democratic and Republican ticket at the last election because they did not want to "waste their vote" by voting the Socialist ticket should be interested in the news dispatches from Colorado these days.

The capitalist officeholders at the request of the Colorado Mill and Mine owners have called out the State Militia and the officers and prominent members of the miners' union are being arrested and held without bail.

At the present writing it looks very much as if all the powers and resources of government which the workers so foolishly voted into the control of their masters will be used to crush the unions.

THE CLASS STRUGGLE.

Capitalism produced the class struggle. We, the workers, were born into it. We found ourselves dispossessed of the means of life and pitted against the owners of our chance to exist.

Socialism is the movement and method of the toilers to end the class struggle. The interests of the capitalist class and the interests of the working class are diametrically opposed one to the other.

We must not blink the class struggle. It must be set plainly before the workers, else they will not understand their supreme mission in this critical hour of human history.

The price of this paper is 25 cents per year in clubs of four or more.

Capitalist politics is the soothing to the working man, lulling him to sleep, preaching to him contentment. Well may it do so, for it has no remedy for his ills except this opiate.

Socialism must arouse him to his pain that he may remove the cause and arise to health, strength and manhood.

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To be sure it is an unwilling partnership (at least on the part of Rockefeller), but none the less it is proving very effective for the propaganda of Socialism.

Rockefeller has been working so industriously preparing the soil for the Co-operative Commonwealth that he has lost all of his hair and seriously impaired his digestion.

Now Comrades, your duty in this unwilling partnership is to see that there is plenty of seed and plenty of workers to plant this seed of Socialism in the minds of the workers.

So, Comrades, it is up to us to furnish the money to buy seed with and our Trades Union Fund offers you the opportunity. You would be surprised to know how much has already been accomplished by the systematic distribution of literature through this fund.

HEART AND SOUL OF THE SYSTEM.

This proposition is the Socialist reply to the natural questions: "Upon what then does this system, which you hold to be the cause of so much evil, depend? What is the basis of it? Can we get at the heart and soul of it? Can we find any fundamental principle that runs through it?"

What then is the meaning of these two words—the solution of the riddle—"unpaid labor"? The fact that every working man, woman or child the world over gives every week a certain amount of labor which is not paid for.

But the wage system is only another name for the capitalist system, and is based upon unpaid labor. That is to say, the amount of the wages paid each week to any given worker is really equal only to a certain fraction of the value that the worker has imparted to the materials he has handled during his week's work.

WHAT MAKES "RAW MATERIAL"?

"Ah! but," cries the Capitalist Mind, "the master class have provided all the raw material, all the machinery the factory buildings." In the first place, they have done nothing of the sort. The raw material is raw material by virtue of the labor of the working class.

THE TACTICS OF THE GERMAN SOCIALIST MOVEMENT

By ERNEST UNTERMAN.

During the last two or three months the American capitalist press has been turning one somersault after another in its reports on recent events in the German Socialist movement. When the German working class had registered its three million protest against capitalism at the ballot box, the plutocratic press of the United States hastened to reassure the startled worshippers of Mammon with the declaration that the German Socialists were only harmless Populists.

So much is admitted, then, even by the capitalist papers: The German Socialists have a revolutionary program. We shall remind them of this fact in the near future. And we can now declare once more in the most emphatic terms, that this revolutionary program is being carried to its consummation by revolutionary tactics.

The question of the vice-presidency, of which Bernstein, and with him the capitalist press, made so much, was really a very minor matter. There has never been any difference of opinion in the party about its claim to that position.

The tactics of the German Socialist Party has always been to combine their revolutionary opposition against the capitalist parties with as much constructive work for the benefit of the working class as their power in Parliament would permit.

Had it been that this question of the vice-presidency renewed old tactical differences that had threatened to become acute more than once, and which really stood behind this question without directly coming to the front, there would have been no need of discussing it so widely.

Whatever problem will arise in the future, so much is certain, that the revolutionary tactics of the Socialist Party, in Germany as in other countries, will not be rashly modified without very pressing reasons.

It may be said that the amount of this unpaid labor in each individual case is but little. Without disputing that very disputable statement, which reminds us of the wet nurse's explanation in "Midshipman Easy" that her baby "was only a little one," we may point out in the first place that the amount of unpaid labor is not the principle of the question. The principle is that there is

"PAST THIRTY-FIVE."

(The following verses are respectfully dedicated to Comrade Berlyz, on whose suggestion they were written, and refer to the recent alleged action of certain railroad companies, in discharging their employers who are past thirty-five years of age.)

With sad and dejected mien, With foot-steps heavy and slow, A lonely and weary man Went wandering to and fro.

"I'm past thirty-five," said he, "Yes, I'm thirty-six today, But I'm well and strong, To work right along; I haven't a hair that's gray!

"Turned me away to starve, Era long in the streets to lie, For when all is spent, And we can't pay rent, We are turned adrift, to die.

"I have hunted and begged for work, In the dust bowed my manly pride; But ever again 'We want younger men' Were the words which my plea denied.

"For if I am old today When my years are not two-score, Oh! How will it be, I say, If I should live forty more!

He drank of the Lethean cup, And fled from the light of day, But the verdict lied That said "suicide;" 'Twas the "boss" that turned him away

On whom rests the guilt Of the blood thus spilt, For which all his class shall pay! They found him ere many days, Serene in his last repose;

Say, shall it ever be thus? O, brothers, who toil, how long Shall we cringe and cower 'Neath the tyrant's pow'r, We, who are many and strong?

The earth unto us belongs,— Be this unto all men known, Yet we grant to gold Such power to hold Ourselves no longer own,

And Labor, earth's uncrowned king, Is Capital's wretched slave, And, with hat in hand, Must before him stand

But soon shall earth's toilers see A better and brighter day, For the ballot's might Shall dispel the night,—

A business manager has recently been appointed for the poor-house at Dunning, with a salary of \$2,500. Another case of insult added to injury.

The resolution introduced by Alderman Johnson in the City Council July 20 in regard to the behavior of the police during strikes, and which was referred to the committee on judiciary, was considered by that committee last Thursday and filed, Chairman Werno holding that the police at present simply maintained the peace and were not employed as strike breakers.

THE FIRST FALL FESTIVAL

Given by the Socialist Party of Cook County at KUHN'S PARK, Milwaukee and Armitage Aves.

Sunday, September 27th, 1903, 9 a. m. to 11 p. m.

General Admission 25 Cents for Adults, Children with Parents, FREE.

PROGRAMME

1:00 p.m. Overture by Kellogg's brass band of fourteen pieces. 1:15 p.m. The Dancing will begin and will continue until 11 p. m.

- LIST OF GAMES, SPORTS, PRIZES AND NAMES OF DONORS. 1. A. E. Conklin, 81 S. Clark street, Ladies' Gold Watch—To the lady receiving the most votes at 1c each.

RENEWED WAR ON THE KAISER DECLARED.

"While the Social-Democratic Congress has been sitting at Dresden a new order has been issued to the German army forbidding non-commissioned officers and privates to have in their possession or to distribute any Socialistic writings, or to sing songs, utter cries or otherwise give expression of sympathy with the revolutionary cause.

"The Dresden Congress has had the courage to make this perfectly plain. Not a few of the younger writers of the party have been seeking to conciliate the opposition and win recruits by representing that the Social-Democrats are really not formidable people at all, but tame and harmless reformers.

"The Bebel resolutions call on the Congress to separate itself from 'endeavors to replace the well-tried tactics and class-conscious warfare of the proletariat against the capitalists by a policy of reconciliation with the existing order of things.' They declare the Social-Democracy to be 'revolutionary in the best sense of the term, since it aims at the transformation of society from a capitalist to a Socialist state.'

The foregoing article was the leading editorial in the Chicago Examiner of last Tuesday. It illustrates one thing, that the capitalist press can no longer ignore the class war, and that it is useless for them to longer attempt to deceive the reading public as to the real character of the Socialist movement in Europe.

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