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settled; complete victory for men. All strikers to be re-em-ployed, scabs discharged, rec-ognition of union. R. G. MOSER.

SITUATION OMINOUS.

Colorado Unionism at a High Tension —"Nothing to Arbitrate," Says Ban McNeil—"Me Too," Says Governor

The strike of the mill and smelter men at Colorado City, which threat-ened to involve the majority of the miners in the Cripple Creek district,

was occasioned by the point blank re-fusal of the Standard, Colorado Phil-adelphia, Portland and Telluride mines, employing all told about 625 men, to either grant an average in-

Mont.: Colorado and Southern strike

TREACHERY OF THE A. D. T.

Telegraph Company Violates Signed Contract With Messenger Boys. In the history of unionism there are many instances of the infamous and cowardly conduct of corporations in dealing with employes, but few of them equal the treachery of the A. D. T. Messenger company in its conduct towards the Butte Messenger Boys' Union

About a mouth ago the messengers of Butte organized a union. Practically every messenger boy in the city joined. Officers were elected and by-laws adopted. A scale of wages, amounting to a slight increase over prevailing scale, was adopted and eight-hour schedule agreed upon. The boys were exceedingly modest in their demands, and the American La-bor Union and Silver Bow Trades and Labor Assembly immediately endorsed

At no time was any trouble anticl-pated by the boys or their friends. The wages asked for were only \$25 a month, and everyone conceded that it was little enough. Manager Haupt, of the World Messenger company, signed an agreement with the union to pay the scale and comply with the union hours, commencing March 15. Man-ager Posey, for the A. D. T., also agreed to the union demands and signed the contract in the name of the company for which he is manager.

The surprise and indignation of

therefore, be imagined when it was made known by the A. D. T. company last Saturday that the agreement already made would be repudiated, and the old scale of wages and hours would be enforcer. The boys employed by the company immediately walked out, and say they will not return to work until the union is fully recognized and

and say they will not return to work until the union is fully recognized and the union wages and hours adopted by the company. With the Trades and Labor Assembly and the American Labor Union back of them the boys are confident of victory.

Union men and all friends of fair play are standing by the boys nobly. Patronage is being withdrawn from the Western Union Telegraph company daily because of its connection with the A. D. T. company; and the Postal company, which is fair, is reaping a rich harvest. It is reported that all of the union boys who walked out have been employed by the World Messenger company, so that all Butte people who want prompt and efficient Messenger company, so that all Butte people who want prompt and efficient messenger service can have it without patronizing the non union concern. Telegrams can be sent to all parts of the United States and the world by the Postal company, and business men are showing their partiality to union labor by refusing to do any business whatever with the Western Union. It is said the A. D. T. business is paralyzed. Where twenty-four boys were formerly employed there is now only business for one, and he is idle half the time. The boys are confident of winning, and will stand for their rights to the last.

DON'T FORGET MILLS' LECTURES.

Noted Speaker Will Expound the So-

Noted Speaker Will Expound the Socialist Message.

Walter Thomas Mills, "the eloquent little giant," of the Middle West, will speak in Butte during the muncipal campaign. Mills is known as one of, if not the very best, Socialist campaigner in America. He has made sacrifices to come to this city and comes only because, as he writes, "it's a hot fight, and I can't keep out of it."

WALTER THOMAS MILLS.



Teacher, Writer, Lecturer,

His dates are as follows: Grand Opera House, Friday evening, farch 20th.

Auditorium, Tuesday evening, March

Auditorium, Wednesday evening,

March 25th. Auditorius

Auditorium, Monday evening, March

30th.

Other dates will be arranged later, and will be announced by the Journal. It is likely Comrade Mills will remain until election day.

Don't fall to attend the monster meeting at the Grand Opera House,

A petition signed by Great Falls restaurant proprietors, has been presented to the Cooks' and Waiters' union asking that the Great Falls hotel dining room and the City lunch room be declared restaurants and not hotels, and that they be compelled to pay higher wages than they are now paying. Definite action will probably be taken at the next meeting of the union.

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ANOTHER BIG STRIKE WON

The Colorado & Southern Railway Company Comes to Time.—Complete Victory for the American Labor Union is Final Result.

After a strike of three weeks' duration the Colorado and Southern railway has finally acceded to all the demands of the men. The strike was caused by the blacksmiths employed in the shops demanding the discharge of a notorious scab who had fines standing against him in all parts of the west. The company refused the demand and a walk out followed. Other branches of shop labor appointed a committee to wait on the company officials with a view to settling the difficulty, but Manager Herbert denied them an interview and discharged the committee for "meddling." Under the terms of the settlement the strikers are to all be reemployed, the scabs are to be discharged and the union is to be recognized. The Associated Press sent out a statement that the strike was lost. This is in line with the lying

lost. This is in line with the lying statement given out some time ago by the C. P. railway with a view to injuring the B. of R. E.

This makes the third strike which the American Labor Union has to its credit. Its successes show how much good can be done by a body founded on correct lines. The response at headquarters to the demands of the involved unions for aid, was immediate. The organization which struck sympathetically with the blacksmiths, though not affiliated, is deserving of all praise and shows clearsmiths, though not affiliated, is deserving of all praise and shows clearly that the spirit of brotherhood among the wage workers is too strong to be controlled by the reactionary capitalistic tactics of the disrupting implements of the "physic" Federation. The American Labor Union does not content itself with organizing industrially. Bitter experience has taught its founders and managers that whosoever makes the laws of a country are most likely to win the strikes of a country. That under the present system of governwin the strikes of a country. That under the present system of government capital is as supreme as was the barons of feudal times. To awaken the workingmen of the country to the necessity for combining politically as well as industrially, to the end that a system of government may be established that will place the MAN above the dollar, is the aim of the American Labor Union and of its official organ.

The success which has attended this great effort for the emancipation of those who toil, has met with infinitely grander results than were

anticipated by the most sangula.
As a result of the straightforward stand of the "Young Grant of the Rockies" we have seen the new Rockies" we have seen the new trades unionism grow so strong that the presiding genius of the left wing of capitalism, at his convention in New Orleans, was forced to depart from his usual custom of permitting other tools to fire the balls which he had moulded. He was compelled to take the floor and resort to false-

said: "The masses are not unlike a jackass which sometimes becomes a lion, throws his rider and devours him, but alas! he again becomes a nim, but alas; he again becomes a donkey and docilely subbmits to be mounted by another rider." The signs of the times point to the con-clusion that as in the revolutionary days the ass is again becoming a lion AND HE WILL THROW HIS RIDER, NOT TO DEVOUR HIM BUT TO COMPEL HIM TO WALK IN

day are selling those who trust them for a price, will not be able to keep the Israelites of work in the wilderness in which they have already wandered forty times four hundred years, much longer.

Gathering the crumbs which fall from the masters table has had its day. It was the period of ignorance and disorganization. With the growth of intalligence among the

and disorganization. With growth of intelligence among

crease of 25 cents per day or to rec-ognize the Mill and Smeller Men's union.

Had the mills granted the increase in wages asked, it would have meant an increase in their combined pay folls of between \$4,500 and \$5,000 per month. It is now costing the state at the rate of \$60,000 a month to keep troops at Colorado City to overswe the strikers and further entrench the mill owners in the position they have mill owners in the position they have

At a mass meeting at Cripple Creek at which President Moyer of the W. F. M. was present, the miners were prevalled upon not to strike at the present time on promise that extraor-dinary efforts are to be made to induce the mill owners to submit the trouble between themselves and their employes to arbotration.

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In the senate and house today strike inquiry resolutions were introduced. The house suspended the rules and adopted the joint resolution. In the senate like action may be taken.

The situation at both Cripple Creek and at Colorado City is ominous. Indications point to a long and bitter struggle. The gravity of the situation is beginning to dawn on the public and every effort will be made to settle the strike, but it is doubtful if any arrangements to that end will be productive of any good since Gov. Peabody and "Baer" McNeil declare there is nothing to arbitrate.

It has just leaked out that a number of the members of the Victor Business Men's committee visited Manager McNeil of the mill trust at Colorado City a day or two ago, but accomplished nothing. The Baer of Colorado Coolly informed his callers that his employes were all satisfied with the wages and treatment they were receiving and there was nothing to arbitrate or discuss. When the committee became insistent, it was given that old stereotyped answer, "Our men have no grievances, there is nothing to discuss." When the Victor men left the mill autocrat they were unanimous in their condemnation of his attitude and believed that Victor men left the mill autocrat they were unanimous in their condemnation of his attitude and believed that any further efforts to induce him to change his views would prove futile. Supt. Thos. Cornish, of Stratton's Independence (Ltd.) has explained why his company would refuse to ship its ore to the United States Reduction and Refining comypany. He stated the mine had entered into a contract with the mill trust covering several years and that if one pound of Independence ore was treated by any other concern, a heavy penalty would be imposed. Well posted law-assert that such a contract as ornish describes would not stand in any court.

clare they will admit of no interference in their shipment of ore. Manager McNeil of the mill trust insists he is having no trouble with his he is having no trouble with his workmen. Manager Peck of the Portland mill declares he will run his taill

UNION MEN

(Continued on Page Four.)

Dont fall to register for the school

The Executive Board of the Fearless and Progressive Western Federation of Miners, a National Organization Affiliated With the American Labor Union.

hood and misrepresentation to check the rising tide which at its flood will wipe the drones of capitalism who feast in kileness and luxury at the expense of the tolling masses, from the face of the globe and sound for. ever the death knell to the present system of taking possession of the right to enjoy the fruits of their own labor except on terms laid down by those whose sold excuse for such exactions is that they, through the working of a monstrous social system, obtained title from lawmakers more corrupt than themselves or else that they are the inheritors of the fruits of corruption; the pusilaminous sons of unworthy stres; and the receiver of stolen goods is no better than the thief. Victor Hugo once

masses came the realization of how contemptible their position had been. With that realization came a determination to change a condition which permitted one man to eat in which permitted one man to eat in the sweat of another's brow and to despise him whom he plundered. The abolition of the wage system furnished the only remedy and tast remedy the American Labor Union accepted thoughtfully but fearlessiy, determined to do full justice and that only to those whose interests depend on the success of the body. They will preach this doctrine throughout the world and the time is not far distant when the various peoples of the civilized earth will with one voice proclaim that "Peace on earth good will among men" has at last become a bright reality.

Nine local charters were granted by the American Labor Union last week. Three were for Montana, three in Utah, two in Colorado a. d one in

Cement workers at White Cliffs, Ar-kansas, are organizing at nion.

Great Falls Butchers' Union is rapidly increasing in membership.

The brewers of Laramie, Wyo., are organizing as a branch of the Butte Brewers' Union.

Member of the Executive Board White succeeded in organizing a large federal union at Montrose, Colo., last week.

The new union at Caldwell, Idaho is getting into good working order. New members are being-received at every meeting.

Farmers of Frenchtown, Montana, have organized. Who says the "rural" working class is not becoming class-

Telluride Federal Union writes for official buttons. The secretary says the boys of San Miguel are glad to show their colors. Newport Lumbermen's Union, New-port, Wash., reports five new members last meeting, and more applications for next. The fellows in that part of the country like aggressive unionism.

Crescent City Union, recently organized at Crescent City, Calif., initiated 21 new members last week, and now has more than 200 in good standing. California has the fever, too. It's

Aggressive unionists in isolated le calities, or places where the American Labor Union has not as yet obtained a foothold, can become members of the union at large. Write headquarters if you are interested

Brother Leah, of Vancouver, B. C., says the workingmen of that part of the country are rapidly becoming convinced that the American Labor Union is the only organization that holds any hope for the working class.

Grand Forks Federal Labor Union No. 231 has just purchased a building lot, on which will be built a union union hall in the near future. More union halls are owned by Miners Unions and locals of the American Labor Union in the west than by all other unions in America.

Leadville Musicians' Protective Union, No. 189, states, in a recent com-munication, that the Woodmen band, which has been making trouble for the musicians in the past, has joined that body, and everything is going smooth-ly again.

President George Estes, of the United Brotherhood of Railway Em-gloyes, writes from Vancouver that the Brotherhood will win the C. P. R. R. Strike it it takes a year, out he satisfied it will be won in a few weeks at the most. The Western Federation of Miners promptly came to the assistance of the Brotherhood by ordering its members to refuse to handle ing its members to refuse to handle coal for the company, and it is almost certain that the American Labor Union will come to the rescue if the strike should involve our members.

Local unions could save themselves and others much annoyance and avoid unnecessary delays in correspondence if they would all secure postoffice boxes. A postoffice box is a permanent address and in case of change of officers, or changes of addresses of present officers, mail intended for the union would reach the local promptly. Every day letters addressed to secretaries of local unions are returned to the office of the American Labor Union, marked "unclaimed," "removed,"

"unknown," etc. An expenditure of 25 or 50 cents a month for a postoffice box will avoid all this, and will in-sure promptness in delivery of mail.

Local assembly 3662, Knights of Labor, Lynn, Mass., composed of boot and shoe workers has been in existence for eighteen years, at per would be imposed. Well posted law assert that such a contract as with employers and enjoying the respect and confidence of the public. Recently a new organization belonging to the A. F. of L. invaded their taken an unequivocal stand and deing to the A. F. of L. invaded their territory and began efforts to root the K. of L. out by means of secret agreements with the employers, binding themselves to furnish men in case of a strike. A strike has resulted and the B and S. W. U. are doing as they agreed furnishing strike breakers against the time-honored old K. of L.

The American Labor Union Jour-nal has made arrangements for special articles from A. M. Simons, May Wood Simon and the national committeemen of the Socialist party. agreed to favor us with an article at an early date. The contributions will be splendid material for propaganda purposes. See that your friends get this paper and that your friend's friend gets it also.

LABOR EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

The strike situation is unchanged. It promises to be a bitter fight.

Moses Sweetzer, the founder of the Printers' Home in New Jersey, died last week, aged 80 years.

The Central Labor Council of Anacenda will put nominees in the field for election as school trustees.

The employers of scab teamsters in oledo, where a strike is on, are ap-aling to the governor for militia.

Chase, the tis soldier general is-sued an order to the striking mill men to withdraw their pickets at Colorado City. The men replied that they would insist on their rights amo Chase crawfished. If martial law is declared the mill men will have no rights. This is the next step.

The wage scale committee of the Lumber Carriers' association of lec-troit last week made a contract with the Lake Seamen's union for the season of 1903.

It is rumored that the Extension mines near Nanaimo, are to close April 1st. It will throw 1,000 mes out.

The strike of the union coat makers of Philadelphia is at an end. Termsprecognition of the union, better-pay and shorter hours.

The wage scale committee of the The wage scale committee of the the battle at Stanford City on February Lumber Carriers' association of the task exceeding the lake Seamen's union for the season of 1963.

The truck drivers of Kansas City struck on March 11th for an increase of wages and recognition of the Team ment is due to his appointment to the head of the channel squadron.

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Daniel Cunningham and Sheriff Cook.

The election of a successor te Lord Charles Beresford as member of parliament for the Woodwich division of London resulted in a majority of 3.25 for the labor candidate, William Crooks, over Geoffrey Drage, the unionist candidate. Crooks is a county councilor and is somewhat of

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I couldn't paint a picture of the Canyon of the Grand."

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Crown The Wabash Injunction And the Class Struggle By Chas. H. Kerr

The capitalists who rule the United States have lately made a gigantic blunder. The Wabash railroad has asked for an injunction to prevent its employes from striking in what has always been regarded as a perfectly lawful manner and a United States judge has granted the injunction.

But the schools, the churches and ters has ben the strongest of all forces the newspapers have taught that for keeping them in subjection to the capitalists, the common prudence on so the home of the brave; that Europe might have its social classes, but that in America the laws are enacted and administered by the people and for the people.



President of the Chas. H. Kerr Co. (Co-operative), Publishers of Socialist Literature.

Socialists have been arguing for many years that the government of the United States, like the govern-ment of any other "civilized country, is under the control of the capitalist class and is run for the benefit of that

Here and there a workingman of in-telligence enough to think for himself has accepted the Socialist position, but the vast majority thus far have believed what the hired men of capitalism taught them.

This belief on the part of the work-

the part of the latter should have induced them to do all in their power to keep this belief unshaken.

Indeed, the far-sighted capitalists controlling many of the most impor-tant railways had already forseen the possibility of a conflict with organized labor, and forestalled it by a small concession in the way of advanced wages

But the managers of the Wabash could see only that an advance in wages meant a diminished dividend; a United States judge could see only that an injunction was desired by some of the men to whom he owed his position, and the result is a tyrannical injunction which strikes at almost all the rights which the laborers thought belonged to them, and will convince hundreds of thousands of hitherto unthinking workers that the time has come for serious thinking. Here is the opportunity for Social-

ists—an opportunity such as we might have waited a decade for . We no longer need to prove slowly and painfully that there is a ruling class and a subject class, that the laborers in-terests are with the latter and that ne must act with his fellow laborers to get relief. All this has been proved

We no longer need to argue that the conflict is a hopeless one if waged by means of strikes; this has long been true but not always easy to demon-srate. The frank brutality of this re-cent federal injunction has made the whole situation plain to the duliest ob-

server.

Hereafter in a strike the capitalist not only controls the food, clothing and shelter without which the laborer cancet long survive; he also controls the crurts, backed by bayonets, rifles and Gatling guns, and can crush this ineffective revolt of unthinking laborers as quickly and as relentlessly as may seem good to him.

And the Socialist smiles, not in de-

rision but in sympathy and joy. For he knows that the laborer, cut off by forces beyond his control from his outworn and helpless fashion of strugg'ing will fight in the only way left o en to him, will assert his manhood a the ballot box will vote once and for all to abolish the last and perhaps worst form of slavery, and wil lay broad and deep foundations for a happier life for all.

Reply to Crosby Written for The Journal By I. R. Gildea

In the February Wilshire appears | ple are suffering for the want of I to survive, unless he can find the conan article from Crosby, who is happily described as a thinker without the H. and this description does him no injustice; the senseless drivel with which he prefaces his three questions is, to say the least, not creditable to a tinker, intellectual

or otherwise. But in his first question where he inquires: "What is meant by the end of the competitive systems?" and in which "I am sure he flattered himself by believing that he had raised a knotty problem for Mr. Wilt-shire to solve," is one that I think socialists would do well to give a

more definite explanation.

The co-operative commonwealth is not the end of competition by any

not the end of competition by any means, but is the beginning of a competition that will. I am confident, solve evry scientific and mechanical problem in the future.

There will be no "mute inglorious Miltons" to regret as having been lost to the world for lack of opportunity, for competition will be free and open to all worthy competitors, and the reward, if any incentive is needed outside of the actual accomplishment of such splendid service, plishment of such splendid service, as an Edison or Marconi, will be in the homage and everlasting grati-tude of humanity.

The inventor who produces a crea-

The inventor who produces a crea-ture of his brain that will do the work of ten men in the same time with only one man to tend it, will instead of getting a loyalty on his invention for a few years, embittered by the thought that thousands of his felolws have had cause to curse the day that his invention was installed and started, will receive all the beneday that his invention was installed and started, will receive all the bene-fits that any price, with royalties in-cluded, could give him full measure pressed down, and blessing instead of

cursing. I am reminded in this connection of a certain "medical gentleman" who could not possibly see how Social-ism would benefit his profession; he could not possibly see how Socialism would benefit his profession; he was deploring bitterly the fact of there being such a great number of the schools of medicine turning out hundreds of full-fledged medicos every year, until competition in the profession is becoming so fierce that the future bothered him not a little, and he further stated that some Socialist had told him that in all probability after the advent of the cooperative commonwealth the medical schools would be greatly increased. After this statement he proceeded to explain how very reasonable and modest he was in his ambitions; he would like to acquire some property and be able to secure his life for a few thousand dollars, live well, etc., etc. "On the whole, he forced me to conclude the same as the frishman did about the judge, his chance bedfellow. The doctor would be a long time under Socialism before he

Let no man imagine that the Ship

of Socialism will sail to its barbor

on a glassy see, or that he himself will be wafted on "flowery beils of

everything.

So many doctors carrying diplomas that the children are perishing; so much fruit raised in California that much fruit raised in California that they have a very comfortable feeling they have been known to dump its they have been known to dump its to relieve the market of an over production, while thousands never taste going to get a spanking and the fruit of any kind event on the second control of the second con fruit of any kind, except on rare oc-

The doctor in question was evidently laboring under the same mistake as Mr. Crosby, whose sole ambitions seems to be to please, if possible, our "capitalistic masters," and so shape our course as to obtain sufficient of the things of which there is such an over production. Socialism cannot be explained from any capitalistic standpoint. Competition and the desire to excel will be more prominently in evidence under Socialism, than it is under the present unspeakable grazy system; which inspeakably crazy system; which in-stend of encouraging the ambition of men and women, destroys and blights it until what may have originally been a lofty ambition becomes a sor-did race for the smile and bounty of our pluteratic masters. our plutoratie masters.

When the question of what we shall eat and what we snall drink and wherewithal shall we be clothed and wherewithal shall we be clothed is settled for all time by the co-operative commonwealth, then competition and ambition worthy of the name will have place; it will be diamond cut diamond, and all homage and grautude will be to him who does the most towards the upbuilding of humanity. It will be a competition that will engender no jealousy or malice in any breast, but rather or malice in any breast, but rath

or mairce in any breast, out rather rejoicing in the success of any achievement that will add to the comfort and well being of all.

The statements made here may seem to some as though the writer of this article were given to prophecy and others more learned may possibly and others more learned may possibly analyze the statements to determine what school of thought they origin-atted in, but I must confess that I

atted in, but I must confess that I cannot define the school of thought. My position on these questions is akin to that of Conrade Welshire. I have no pope. The principals of Socialism were true before Carl Marx or Comrade Wilchire, or any school of thought enunciated them, and the coming of Socialism is as inevitable as that the sun will rise in the morning and set in the evening

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The doctor was evidently convinced that there is ag reat over-production of doctors, notwithstanding the fact which was pointed out to him at that time that there are several thousands of little children in almost every large city growing up "if they should survive," exocked, deformed cripples, all for want of surgical attention.

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ease" into the Co-operative Common-

space, one of them the fattest, is going to get a spanking and will eventually come to his senses and then we will find that consumers after the fat one has found that it interferes with digestion to gorge and overfeed himself at the expense of his lean and hunery brother, and

sumer as such; maybe a new specie of locust or grasshopper; they are great consumers, I am told.

of his lean and hungry brother, and that he canot possibly consume his insane heardings. Then his poor lean brother will come into his own again and over production and lack of consumers will be a thing to laugh I can imagine a farce comedy of the future. What a field for the farce comedy writer the old past, "serio-comic idiocy" will be. Just imagine what a number of good make up characters could be made of the poor besieging the gates of the pentiten-tiary for the scraps from the con-victs' table.

And what possibilities there are for

victs' table.

And what possibilities there are for the funy comedian to depict the funny, showing contortions of a freezing man, with a good realistic stage setting, "painted, of course." showing a string of Jim Hill's coal cars. He could have him dodging around the cars with a chunk of coal around the could have him dodging around the cars, with a chunk of coal under his coat and the watchman chasing him with a model Winchester rille, a stage property, one made of paper mache, of course, and warranted not dangerous.

I have many times have

I have many times become impa-tient when some of my fellow work-men have fired questions at me, sometimes in mischief and for fun, such as for instance, who will do the scavengering under socialism and what will you do with bankers etc. what will you do with namers letc., but I can stand a lot more of that kind of thing lately, because I have read considerable of the writings of men rated very high as authorities on scientific economics, and I have concluded that I can take 25 per cent of working men selected at random and beat them at their own came.

25 per cent of working men selected at random and beat them at their own game.

The science of social economy does not thrive in our colleges and universities, possibly, because of the fact the average working man who has lived and probably raised a family by the unaided efforts of his two hands, in my opinion is already in possession of a liberal education on those lines if he can be prevalled upon to stop and think, but it is very hard in some cases to convince him that he feeds to think, after he has put man in office to think for him.

That accursed legacy, which must be in the blood and inherited from generations of slaves, is a hard thing to overcome, and I am sometimes tempted to wish for a long siege of panie, like a certain comrade of my acquaintance does, for he thinks the only way to get the majority of workingmen to think for themselves is to keep them hungry. I do not be lieve in that theory. Everything is coming our way; let us keep up our present liek, get the best possiole price for our labor and an eight-hour day through the labor organizations and keep socialism to the front and he will eventually wake up and when he does "wake up," Mr. Plutocrat, stand from under.

and it needs men of cool heads, strong wealth. He who hopes for that does not see the significance of the class price to sail the ship safely through the burnhers of capitalism. struggle. The stormy times are ahead,

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feres with the (proper) accomplishment of the purposes of organized labor? What is it (even when we ave recognized our identity of in-terest and have consequently joined hands with our fellow man) that pre-ents us from smoothly co-operating to the attainment of our object?

What is the cause of so much con-flict in the discussion and delibera-tion of affairs and in our various re-

lationships?
It is the ignorance of human na-

Nearly all the inharmonies and misunderstandings in life rest upon

Secondly, however, when knowledge along this line begins to grow there is a corresponding increase of sensitiveness arising therefrom.

To analyze character, to study the elements constituting our being, delving deeper into the beauty of their truth, is inclined to lift one's view to such exalted planes of idealty as to verily make it hard to endure the scaling as to verily make it hard to endure the conditions at present obtaining

the conditions at present obtaining upon the carta.

But such characters have always been and it seems they must needs be in order to keep the light of truth constantly illumining the path of progress, and consequently we have with us martyrdom in one form or another.

On the other hand, ordinarily, if one have a well balanced organization

On the other hand, ordinarily, if one have a well balanced organization this knowledge will but increase the harmony of his life, rather than create inharmony. However, the study of man must eventually be pursued by each individual ere the problem of life be solved.

What does this study of ourselves mean? It means the attainment of a knowledge of our faculties, or pow-

knowledge of our faculties, or pow-ers, or capacities of our physical, in-tellectual, moral and spiritual abili-ties; it opens to us the whole field of ties; it opens to us the whole field of thought, action, sensation, sentiment, reason; the universal whyness of things, and consequently we are brought face to face with motive. Motive is the determining factor in all conduct; it is that which makes it (morally) right or wrong. Misun-derstanding rests upon ignorance of motive.

motive.

Much injustice and uncharity arise out of ignorance concerning our respective abilities.

The knowledge of these infinitely The knowledge of these infinitely varying abilities and the logical sequence to it, viz: the question of adaptation brings us up against the economic question of the day, but also leads further back to the very genesis of life and character. Let us not too lightly esteem our fellow man!

Workingmen! of earnest labor organization inclination: if we really

Workingmen! of earnest labor organization inclination: if we really
had this knowledge of ourselves and
each other, as outlined above, would
there be the inharmony and jarring
that almost continuously marks our
course? Presupposing, of course,
that we are working upon an altruistic
basis as opposed to a purely selfish
one. But what do we find? Why,
that each individual has his standard
by which every other is measured.

by which every other is measured. How often we impose our ways and

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What great factor is it which interpreted habits upon others instead of ascer-

How often we impute motives to

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How often we impute motives to them entirely at variance with the truth! Indeed, we fall into such a habit in this respect sometimes that it is difficult to believe that anyone can genuinely have his heart in a movement (especially if he be a leader) and truly and sincerely be serving some high ideal.

Let us be careful about this, for our suspicions are a good index of our own character.

We revel in the secrecy of our operations because we feel that we can conceal our motives, but if motives were generally and easily discernible (as they will be from the study outlined), it would cause the doers of evil to "pull in their horns pursue "paths of righteousness. Most of the evil of the day is because we imagine ourselves safe from detection. Publicity in this respect would work wonders.

Let us therefore seek for this knowledge; strive to be honest with ourselves and with each other. And

Let us therefore seek for this knowledge; strive to be honest with ourselves and with each other, and have more faith therewith; let our reason, rather than our suspicions and passions, lead us; look as far ahead as we possibly can and feel that our interests are absolutely identical and that in order to serve them we must be judicious in our deliberations; equitable in our adjustments.

ments.

How easy it is fo (thoughtlessly) call another a fool, a chump, etc.; how much better to straighten up and face the truth and see a person as he really is. If he be unfortunate it calls for our pity and our help; not our contempt and hindrance. If he be fortunate we have cause to rejoice, for we may then share his good

he be fortunate we have cause to rejoice, for we may then share his good
fortune, like basking in the beneficient rays of the sun.

Sad to say, we too often withhold
our blessing and only too quickly
share our woes with another; so
often we refuse to render a service
because the other fellow "isn't in
our class," or that we don't want to
take the trouble, or some other unhumanly reason.

humanly reason.

And yet, if we do not each of us measure ourselves by the standard of brotherhood; try to feel that every man is our brother and every woman is our sister and then deal with them accordingly, how shall we really solve the labor problem?

the labor problem?
We must eliminate personal conflict and (strive to) meet on terms of perfect equality, respect, dignity, sincerity, etc., that we can possibly

muster.

Let us strive to continually bear in mind that each one's organization, constitution, character, is perfectly constitution, character, is perfectly adapted to some particular sphere of use and that it isn't the fault of any one individual if there be any misplacement and then turn our attention to the cause; and this will be found to be in our industrial structure and organization of society.

Truly, man is "fearfully and wonderfully made," but how little do use ever attempt to appreciate this statement! Even at his worst, is this true, and even as we would be over

true, and even as we would be over-come with a sublime pity at some

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mar or defect in a grand painting or beautiful statue, so let us turn on the currents of the heart toward the one who may have strayed from the

nature's rectitude. How often, however, do we find the ery one's from whom we may very one's from whom we may rightfully expect such an attitude, as they preach against class and casto, draw themselves together, pick up their skirts (as it were) and refuse to minister unto the "lost sheep."

The more difficult our fellowman may be in any respect, the more is he in poed of sur-

may be in any respect, the more is he in need of our service, our sympathy, our good will, is that the time, think ye, to put the foot upon him? to pour out our contempt, venom? to do all we can to increase his burdens instead of decrease them?

Let us therefore ascertain our weaknesses and learn to curb them; at least refrain from imposing them upon others; then know our strong

at least retrain from imposing them upon others; then know our strong points and give others the benefit of them whenever opportunity offers; radiate the blessings of our special endowments or superior develop-ments as generously and disinter-estedly as the sun, pouring its flood of light and life unceasingly upon

he earth.
Self-control is the key to freedom: to being free ourselves and allowing

others to be.

We are aiming to strike down the shackles of industrial slavery; our faces are now set toward the ideal of ultimate freedom; but the attainment will see the strainment will be strainment. nent will not be realized until we

live out the requirements of freedom amongst ourselves individually. Self-control protects us from each otther, enables us to be free and to function undisturbedly according to our respective organizations, unfolding naturally in accordance with the ing naturally in accordance with the divine decree, and gradually justice will manifest itself in our lives, making possible the permanent solution of our problem.

So we must realize this psycholog-

ical phase of the labor question and as being of great, if not prime im-portance, and then proceed to act upon this realization.

Lay down pessimism; take up op-timism; turn away from the dark side and face the brighter; cease straining at the evil and turn atten-tion to the good; strive to help and not to hinder; closely study what brotherhood means and then strive to act it out.

If it be objected that efforts in this direction are not appreciated, we have merely to bear in mind that our interest ceases with ourselves; we have only to see that we do the right thing and if we cannot return "good for evil" we can refrain from re-turning evil for evil and especially,

at least, from initiating evil.
We cannot expect justice unless we
do justice, and that pertains to every infinitesimal activity in every department of life.

ment of life.

It is earnestly hoped that this writing will not be in vain and that the end sought will be fully attained, viz: casting a ray of light upon the ecopomic life, thereby assuring a more harmonious and effective procedure in working out its problems.

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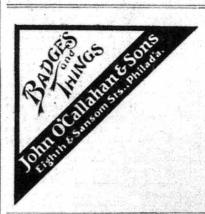
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If socialism is not in the interest of labor, why does the Miner oppose

Socialism must triumph, because it means light and freedom for the working class.

If workingmen would vote for their own interests as unitedly as they strike for them, the necessity for strikes would be past.

own interests, and then inspire the workingmen with the "majesty' and the "sanctity" of the law. The Labor Compendium, an alleged

Capitalists make the laws in their

labor paper at St. Louis, is booming Millionaire Hearst for president. Make him a member of the union to offset Teddy.

A strike at the ballot box is worth ten strikes at the workship in spite of advice to the contrary from Gompers, the "physic" federation or the Nation al Economic League,

Editor O'Farrell, of Heinze's "Reveille," chuckles when Keith is challeaged to debate Socialism, and Editor Keith, of Clark's "Butte Miner," grins as he suggests a debate between O'Farrell and Mills. "After you, my dear Alphonse."

The laws make capitalists the possessors of the world, and workingmen virtually slaves. Capitalists have made the laws, and it is natural they should operate in this way. Workingmen, will you always work like horses and vote like asses?

Christ and the capitalist factory owner are alike in at least one respect. Both say "suffer the little children to come unto me." But, in spite of the fact that the likeness ends right there, some preachers and priests are just as loud in their defense of capitalism as in their professions of Christianity.

Comrade Gustave Frankel of the Socialist City Central Committee has tried to arrange a debate between Professor Walter Thomas Mills and ome fellow named Keith. Aside from the fact that Keith has something to do with the patent insides of the Miner we do not know him at all.

Be careful of your unions. Keep else, free from any suspicion of capitalist influence. We would rather see a union completely wrecked in making a determined fight for justice than to see it flourish numerically and financially as a catspaw for corporations and capitalist politicians.

An average of three hours work each day by every able-bodled man in America would produce enough to give all the necessities and many of the luxuries of life to every human being in the land. Every hour a working. man labors in excess of this is for the benefit of some useless parasite who wastes more than would support ten workers. Socialism stands for the three hour day, and capitalism stands for drudgery and the parasites.

If the governor of Colorado would do his clear duty to the workingmen who elected him he would declare to the smelter owners that he would use the militia of the state to protect the union men in the security of their jobs at fair wages. Instead of that, he is ing the state soldiers to terrorize ish terms proposed by the companies. Let the workingmen of Colorado vote rking class party into power at next election, and then they will be treated as men and not as crimi-

Anderson, Hoffman, Cullen, Maddox ad Meyer are the senators who voted against the eight-bour constitutional ndment in the Montana legislature. They also fought the amendment to the union label on goods pur-chased by the state, and the bill pro-

hibiting child labor underground, not to mention the law in the interests of street railway employes. Maddox is from Great Falls, which is a strongly union city, but no doubt they are of the type who believe in organizing into unions to better their condition, and then voting in such a way as to make betterment impos-

The Almighty deposited minerals in the earth for the use of all His children. Clark, Heinze and Rockefeller claim the exclusive right to the minerals of Silver Bow county, Montana. I challenge either of them to produce title deeds signed by the Creator, and, failing this, I challenge them to prove a better right to these minerals than any other, or all other, people of Silver Bow county.

With President Eliot of Harvard and Prof. Newell Dwight Hillis posing as representatives of "modern education," there is little reason for a workingman to be proud of the American school system. Still, education, like religion and politics, are certain to be tinged with capitalism under the capitalist system. The abolition of capitalism and the substitution therefor of the Co-operative Commonwealth will establish our schools upon a sane sensible basis.

A priest, writing against Socialism in the Butte Miner, says Socialism would destroy the home by taking children from the care of their moth ers and placing them in kindergartens and schools. My, how terrible! But how about capitalism? Does it not tear husbands from home, and even mothers and children apart, and place them in factories and sweatshops? People who oppose Socialism with such flimsy reasons are enemies, both to the teachings of Christ and the welfare of the human family.

It is a waste of time and energy to organize labor unions without a deft. ite plan for the emancipation of labor from the bonds of wage slavery. More than that, it is a clear case of receiving money under false pretenses for Sam Gompers and the American Federation of labor to take per capita tax from workingmen with no expectation of giving a return for value received. If Gompers, Mitchell, or any other representative of the American Federation of Labor and affiliated bodies have a plan to offer that will bring about the permanent freedom of the working class, we would like to know some thing about it. There are nearly three quarters of a million aggressive unionists in this country who are just as anxious as we to have the plan set forth. We will not only over the columns of the Journal to Compers and Mitchell, but we will pay in cash considerably more than it is worth to any representative of the "pure and simple" trades unionism, for a writen defense, or attempted defense, of their principles or tactics. Come, gentle men, here's a chance to defend your style of "unionism," to deal a death blow to the hated American Labor Union, and to be well paid for the work. A special request is made that photograph and autograph signature be sent with article, for we want to make it as conspicuous as possible.

THE GIANT AWAKENING.

Trouble in Store for the Insincere Labor Leader.

Dayton, Ohio, March 11, 1903. American Labor Union Journal:

The sleeping glant is awakening. The great labor organizations of the east that have been organized on the "pure and simple" lines are preparing for a break-the ran kand file are beginning to read and think, and, as the class struggle unfolds to their gaze, a mighty murmur arises that portends pers stripe. Everywhere one goes widespread dissatisfaction and distrust is found. Samuel Gompers is looked upon as a fakir and corruptionist by the honest rank and file, and his only defenders are the "leaders," who are in politics for themselves while they the unions to keep out, and the capitalists who realize that "pure and simpleism" is harmless and are playing Gomperism for all it is worth. Civic Federations, Economic Leagues Golden Rule Leagues, capitalistic la-bor papers of the "Boyce's Weekly" stripe, etc., etc., is to be the program, and Gompers, Sargent, Clark Mitchell are the agents through which the power of labor is to be wrecked. It is a wonderful scheme, but its promoters are over-anxious; the plans are being prematurely rushed and the workers are becoming suspicious. They are crying for light, while the "leadare endeavoring to keep them in

They see by these processes they have been delivered into the camp of the enemy, who now possess every vestige of political power and are rapidly wresting from the workers every power of resistance. When Judge Adams is ued the injunction a few days since in the Wabash case, in which the men were enjoined from striking, a mighty bomb-shell was thrown into the ranks of "pure and simpleism." Like events of importance are transpiring every day. The crash is coming, and when it does come it will be with a fury, the like of which hell hath never known. It is well. For labor will theu emerge from all this choss and treachery with a clear, clean-cut, intelligent move. a clear, clean-cut, intelligent move-ment that wil have the power to ac-complish the true mission of the work-ing class—the Co-operative Common-wealth and complete conomic free-dom.

H. L. HUGHES. The International Socialist Review A. M. Siwons, Editor



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MR. CLARENCE SMITH, BUTTE, MONT.

Dear Comrade: I send you herewith, under separate cover, the photos of Mrs. Simons and myself for which you ask, together with an article for publication. Mrs. Simons will probably send on her article in the course of a couple of weeks. I hope that this may be

Permit me to congratulate you on the excellent paper you are turning out. I believe it is the best labor paper in the United States Fraternally yours, and I see almost all of them.

A. M. SIMONS.

EVEN ST PETER KNEW HIM

St. Peter stood guard at the golden gate, With a solemn mien and air sedate, When up to the top of the golden stair A.B. S. U. chief ascending there, Applied for admission; he came and

stood Before St .Peter, so great and good, In hope the City of Peace to win, To ask St. Peter to let him in.

"Oh, thou who guardest the gate," said he, "I come hither beseeching thee

To let me enter the heavenly land To play a harp with the angel band. Of me, St. Peter, there is no doubt, There is nothing from heaven to bar

I've met with the bosses three times a wek . I've had my say, whenever I speak. I've told the cutters about the day When they'd lose their jobs the usual

way.
I dug down under them one and all—
The K. of L. has got to fall.

The proprietors finally yielded to me, We played it fine, as you'll readily Twas the dirty shake and a Judas We promised everything to make it

stick. good St. Peter, you'll clearly see at the gates of heaven are open

Here's the company letters of recom-Which I hope you'll read before you For the angel guide to the throne of

It might gain for me a higher place. You'll find I was always content to On whatever the company cared to

When a lockout is wanted, I am the I put in the scab stamp and the boss

pays me.
I have done all work, both high and low,
To make the Knights of Labor "go".
"Strike breakers" are heroes in bustness strife,

A union man? Not on your am entitled to a large reward,

For never owning a union card, I've never grumbled, I've never struck; And I've had old eggs from union

truck. But I must be going this way to win, So open, St. Peter, and pass me in,

You're what is known as a union

And then he arose in his stature tall, And he pressed a button upon the And said to the imps who answered

the bell, "Escort this fellow around to hell; Tell Satan to give him a seat alone On a redhot griddle up near the throne.

"But stay even the devil can't stand the smell Of a cooking scab on a griddle in

It would cause a revolt, a strike, I

know,
If I sent you to the imps below,
Go back to your masters in Lyan and That they don't even want a scab in hell." THE WILSON MEETINGS.

A Large Audience Listens to Interesting Lecture.

Benj. F. Wilson, who has been some-what extensively advertised to speak in Porterville Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, was unavoidably detained and did not reach here until Tuesday. His many friends who had the pleasure of meeting him on the occasion of his visit here last spring, were glad to welcome him, and renew the pleas-ant acquaintance. Mr. Wilson spoke Tuesday and Wednesday evenings in Davis Hall to enthusiastic and appre-ciative audiences. His vigorous ar raignment of the present system and the methods of the old parties is ex-tremely telling, and his forceful arguments on the insanity of the competi-

tive system awakened a deep interest.

Mr. Wilson's arguments, while
strong and forceful, do not stoop to cheap abuse of individuals, but pour their broadsides of hot shot into the very heart of the system, which he declares is legalized robbery.

Tuesday night was devoted to an impeachment of the present competi-tive system, while Wednesday night was devoted to the class struggle, in which the lecturer showed in a most convincing manner the folly of the idea of labor and capital having identical interests, and strongly empha-sized the necessity of labor standing together at the ballot box, registering their protest against the present system, and presenting a clear-cut program of political action.

Socialism, he declared, was the only hope of labor; and it was evident, from

the frequent applause which greeted his words, that many in the audience

were grasping the idea presented. Mr. Wilson gave an opportunity to any in the audionce who so desired to ask him questions, many were presented, Mr. Wilson answering them in a most satisfactory manu

At the conclusion of his Wednesday night's address he was unanimously invited to speak again tonight upon his return from Poplar, where he last night. He has consented and a large audience is assured him Come with the crowd. Hear and think for yourself. Meeting will com-mence at 8 o'clock sharp in Acker-man Hall.—Porterville Enterprise.

Appeal to the Courts.

The controversy between the American Federation of Labor and the Knights of Labor was brought into the courts again today when the Southern Expanded Metal company brought injunction proceedings against August F. Getz, Henry F. Getz and Robert Porter to prevent the defendants from furtther interfering with the complainant and his But St. Peter sat and stroked his staff.

But in spite of his high office he had to laugh.

He said, with a fiery wink in his eye.

"Who's tending this gate, you or 1? I've heard of you and your gift of gab. by the contractors on the ground that though the work was being performed by local union workmen the workmen were objectionable because they were not affiliated with the Federation of Labor.

The complainants say that if the federation wishes its claim to prevent other local union labor from works.

federation wishes its claim to prevent other local union labor from working on buildings whereon Knights of Labor members are employed, the company will be stopped from further execution of many large contracts under way and will be barred from obtaining or competing, for further

under way and will be barred from obtaining or competing for further contracts with consequences ruinous to the complainant and to good and hawful workmen.

Justice Hagner, of the district equity court, declined to sign a temporary restraining order owing to a technicality in the form of the bill, but gave counsel permission to amend it.

Ancient Fables Modernized No. 5

Written for The Journal by Marcus W. Robbins

The Flies and the Honey Pot.

A jar of honey having been upset in a housekeeper's room, a number

of flies were attracted by its sweetness, and placing their feet in it, ate it greedily. Their feet, however, became so smeared with the honey that they could not use their wings, nor release themselves and were suffo cated. Just as they were expiring they exclaimed: "O, foolish creatures that we are, for the sake of a little pleasure we have destroyed our-selven." Pleasure bought with pains, hurts.

A number of small business men in a certain community who were employers of labor were earnestly in favor of the competitive wage system since it enabled them to get cheap labor. Thus it was impossible to talk to them about the folly of competition. Soon a trust was organized to manufacture the same kind of goods as the small business men did. Being able to produce more cheaply it soon undersold them in the market and they were thus driven into bankruptcy. When they began to look for jobs, they were able to see that conspectition was a double-edged sword.

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THE SITUATION OMINOUS.

(Continued from Page One.)

to suit himself, and Manager Fullerton of the Tulleride mill is in open sympathy with Menars. Peck and Mc-Neill.

Opposed to Unionism.

The mill triumverate is opposed to unionism first, last and all the time, and as for better wages for the mill men, why the thing is absurd to mention. Good wages, the mill auto-crats say, would cut down the abnormal dividends on watered stock they have been paying and such a thing will not be countenanced for a

The mine owners have aligned themselves with the mill owners and have agreed to stip every pound of their ore to the plants declared unfair by the mill workers, no matter what happens. Thus the mine operators have thrown down the gauntlet to miners. Individually they would have done this, but collectively would not feel their organization has grown suf-ficently strong to ous: any opposition, no matter from what source it arises. In this, however, they have figured without their host, the miners.

It is generally admitted that the miners of the district, while in hearty sympathy with the mili workers, were opposed to striking at this time. But Governor Peabody's inexplicable haste in rushing soldiers to Colorado City, the despotic position assumed by the trinity of mill managers and cold blooded announcement mine operators that they would brook no interference in the matter of ore shipment, has convinced the miners that a fight is about to be inaugurated against the Western Federation of Miners

Wanted to Throttle It.

This powerful labor organization has long been a nightmare to the mine owners of Cripple Creek, and various schemes have been advanced by them to throttle it. The mine opeators believe the time is ripe to strike. They believe the governor is with them: they know that the new adjutant general is, and because of this they are confident of victory. And victory for the mine operator is equivalent to a lower wage scale in Cripple Creek.

Now that the miners realize the true condition of affairs they are beginning to act. They are ready to hold out if a contest is forced upon them and if a struggle comes it will be long and bitter. The result will mean either the complete disruption of the Mine Owners' association and the mill combine or the total annihila-tion of the Western Federation of Miners in this section of Colorado.

The mine operators declare they will show no quarter; also that they will expect none. It will be a fight to the finish; on one side will be arrayed two of the most powerful business interests of the state, backed by avantable or the systemathetic everyors will on the a sympathetic governor, while on the other side will be the great miners' organization, supported by the pub-

Gov. Peabody denies that he ow stock in Cripple Creek mines. In answer to a query from a Post repor-ter he said he would be willing to use his influence to end the strike, but "there was nothing to arbitrate." The State Federation will assist the smeltermen in every way possible. The entire power of the labor unions of the state will be used in behalf of the mill workers.

Durango Trades Council has passed

resolutions denouncing in the strong-est terms the action of Colorado's

Men Are Standing Firmly.

President Moyer was emphatic in his declaration that there was no dis-sension in the rank and file in the sension in the rank and file in the Western Federation. He said: "This fight is of the Western Federation of Miners. Will we strike in Cripple Creek? If necessity demands it we will. You wish me to say that we have decided to strike. We have taken a perfectly tenable position in this matter, precedent has established our right and I helieve the position ed our right and I believe the position taken by our men to maintain a picket line is not only morally but legally correct. We have used our best judgment since this strike began to keep within the laws in the manner of posting pickets and with respect to their conduct. We will establish our line this afternoon."

When asked what they might do if holesale arrests should follow, and being told of Colonel Brown's state ment that some arrests of dangerous characters would follow in the afternon, Mr. Moyer said: "I do not see how anyone can be arrested without due process of law and a warrant which specifies some infraction of the law. Our men are law-abiding and peaceful, and in the emergency of wholesale arrests I can say nothing. wholesale arrests I can say nothing, as it is ridiculous. No one has been arrested but A. H. McCoy, and I can-not see even a possibility in such a thing as wholesale arrests.'

Fortifying the Camp.

It would seem that there is little truth in the report that the greater portion of the troops will be withportion of the troops will be with-drawn from Camp Peabody. It was learned today that Captain White, of learned today that Captain white, or the signal corps, has plans under con-sideration for the construction of a telegraph line for the use of his men. The wires, it is understood, will ex-tend along the ground from the Standard to the Telluride and Port-Standard to the Telluride and Port-land mills. This contemplated move has caused the soldiers to arrive at the conclusion that they are booked to remain here for some time. The strength of the guard about the Standard mill for the past two nights would make an opposing force hesi-tate some time-before arriving at a determination to run the line. A sen-tinel was stationed every thirty feet along the Colorado Midland railroad and bordering on the creek at the foot of the mill. In fact, the district about the works is strongly guarded at every point where it is thought

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any persons or parties would en-deavor to reach the plant. A num-ber of officers examined the great wall of rock that looms up behind the mill this afternoon. They were asked as to the nature of their inves-tigations but declined to say any tigations, but declined to say anysimply looking over the topography of the ground. It was rumored that the Gatling gun now at the camp would be placed at the highest elevation on this rock. If this is done this deadly piece of mechanism will com-mand every approach to headquar-

The Socialist Spirit discontinues publication with the February number. It has been edited for a year and a half at Chicago by Franklin H. Wentworth and general regret is expressed at its suspension.

The final issue announces that although funds have ben gratuitously offered for its continuance, Mr. Wentworth does not feel justified in accepting them. He urges the comrades to support the weakly Socialist papers and says that whatever he may have to say in print in future will appear in the party press.

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News Notes from the Field of Labor CORRESPONDENTS

A BREEZY BUDGET.

Newsy Gossip From Over the Line By Weston Wrigley.

Organizer A. L. U., Victoria, B. C. This neck of the woods is seldom leard from, but the Journal's readers will probably be interested in the progress being made in this district. The work of organization in the cities has been fairly well done by the A. F. of L. bodies, but Victoria is "blessed" with about 300 or 400 unemployed, while more men are arriving again. unemployed, while more men are arriving every month from New Zea-land and Australia, where conditions are even worse than they are here. Fully one-quarter of Victoria's 20,000 population is Chinese and nearly every branch of industry is invaded by them. The idea of "Chinese exclusion is almost exploded, although politicians work it to the full limit at election time. But the half here politicians work it to the full limit at election time. But the balt has been used too often and the intelligent workingmen are beginning to se that so long as it is profitable for capitalists to bring Chinese cheap labor here the capitalist government will allow their importation; therefore the only remedy is the establishment of a working class government, and in plain words that means ment, and in plain words that means socialism.

The work of organizing the rail-road workers into the U. B. of R. E. is progressing favorably in all parts of British Columbia and the writer is aiding in establishing a new division of that body in Victoria. President Estes has promised to spend a week or more here later on. Divisions already exist at Vancouver Recommender ions already exist at Vancouver, Rev-elstroke and Nelson,

The Victoria division of the U. B. of R. E. was forced to strike late in February owing to the efforts of the Canadian Pacific railway to disrupt Canadian Pacific railway to disrupt the growing young organization by dismissing its executive officers from their jobs. The strike is being handled by President Estes and the freight department is already tied up. If a settlement is not soon reached the whole road between Vancouver and Winnipeg will be mixed up in the tangle. Dozens of nonunionists are being imported from Seattle, despite the alien labor law. In Canada, as in the United

nonunionists are being imported from Seattle, despite the alien labor law. In Canada, as in the United States, "labor laws" are intended to be more ornamental than useful. But the workingmen bave no kick coming—they get what they voted for.

An effort was made last fall to organize the smelter workers at Crofton, B. C., but it failed, as the works closed down. They are now being reopened on a small scale. Another smelter is running at Ladysmith with nearly 100 employes. The men work seven days each week might shift thirteen hours and day shift eleven hours. Wages are \$3 to \$3.50 per day. There are some A. L. U. men there, but no union is in existence and the men seem afraid to form one or the bosses will hire Chinese. There are nearly 1,000 coal miners at Ladysmith ,but no union, some, however, belonging to the Namamo union of the W. F. of M.

Strong locals of the Socialist party exist in Victoria, Ladysmith and

Strong locals of the Socialist party exist in Victoria, Ladysmith and Nanaimo. Recently an election took place at North Nanaimo and though the first time a socialist ran, Parker Williams, a W. F. of M. coal miner, polled 35 per cent of the vote against a member of the government. Hawthornwathe, socialist, already represents Nanfimo in the legislature and the will have others to back him after the next election. The Nanaimo socialists own a weally recent the cialists own a weekly paper,

A strike of the Nanaimo coal min-ers-in February lasted about ten days and was worn by the men, owing largely to the able generalship of James Baker, the W. F. of M.'s execu-tive officer in British Columbbia. The tive officer in British Columbbia. The mines were recently bought by California capitalists and they tried to cut wages, but had to agree to a raise from 68 cents to 80 cents per ton. This is a distinct victory for the W. F. of M., which has only had the Nanaimo union affiliated for two or three months. Previous to that the union was opposed to international unionism and had been used for all it was worth by Ralph Smith, a

HOT TIME IN KANSAS CITY.

Teamsters' Strike Results in Violence.

Teamsters' Strike Results in Violence.
Violence has entered into the strike
of all drivers employed in the fourteen
transfer companies of this city, who
went out for an increase in wages
and recognition of their union.
Perhaps half a hundred men were
employed to take the places of the
strikers, though little work was accomplished by them.
During the afternooon strikers and
their sympathizers ga'hered in large
numbers at several points in the west
bottoms and held up wagons driven by
non-union men. At the Burlington
freight depot the police were forced to
draw revolvers to disperse a crowd
that had cut traces of teams hitch-

that had cut traces of teams hitch-ed to two loaded wagons. At another point George B. Evans, an employe of the American Express company, in attempting to disperse a crowd that

was throwing stones at drivers, fired a shot into the ground. N. N. Latin, a striker, interferred and made a move

striker, interferred and made a move to draw a knife, when both men nere arrested. Later Mrs. Evans, wife of the man arrested, struck with a whip the leaders in a crowd that interfered with the course of a wagon belonging to the Wofford Dry Goods company and unaided drove the team through the crowd unmolested.

SHIPPING FEDERATION

Fourteen Chicago unions whose members are engaged in the handling and transportation of freight have formed a central body to be called the Shipping Trades federation. The new organization is for mutual aid and protection and will control over 20,000 mea, most of whom are preparing to demand shorter hours and increased wages.

The Principal Object.

The federation includes every union man who handles freight, from the time it leaves the factories or wholesale houses until it goes out of the switch yards or is loaded on the

'labor" politician in the Dominion

Vancouver is the largest city on the mainland and is the headquarters of the Socialist party of British Colum-bia. The Western Socialist is published there and it is building up a strong movement. In the past Van-couver has been the home of a hive of labor Judas' who have repeatedly of labor Judas' who have repeatedly sold their brothers for a price. Last month an election took place and Chris Foley, a former executive officer of the W. F. of M., was beaten for parliament. He is a strong anti-socialist and ran on the worn-out "anti-Chinese" issue. All candidates have to deposit \$200 in order to run and they lose this if one-third of the vote is not secured by them. This and they lose this if one-third of the vote is not secured by them. This has prevented the socialists from nominating in the past, but will not do so much longer, as the movement is becoming very strong.

Father Hagerty will visit this district about March 20 and the workers

are looking forward to a great treat from the able representative of the A. L. U.

About 300 delegates met in Victoria

last week and organized a Mining As sociation for B. C. It was fathered by well known labor-haters, and was patterened after a similar institution patterened after a similar institution in California, which killed unionism in the mining districts of that state. Notwithstanding this, several miners' unions and A. L. U locals sent delegates to aid in attempting the impossible task of "harmonizing the interests of capital and labor"—of master and slave. They succeeded—at least they agreed to ask the government to appoint a commission to "harmonize" appoint a commission to "harmonize" all future mining strikes. This only means more jobs for labor fakirs—though I hate to use that term. They also passed innumerable resolutions asking the capitalist government to remove the taxes at present imposed upon the mine-owners-opening the way for the raising of the poll tax \$3 to \$5.

When will the workingmen realize that their class interests are directly opposed to those of the capitalist class? When they do they will refuse class? When they do they will refuse to be used as cats' paws by their cap-italistic bosses. One labor delegate introduced a resolution stating that, whereas, the interests of capital and labor cannot be harmonized until the means and tools of production and distribution are collectively owned, and, whereas, the strikes of Fernie and elsewhere are disastrous to both and elsewhere are disastrous to both the workingmen and general public, be it resolved, that we declare in fa-vor of the collective ownership and operation of coal mines, etc. Not one of the two dozen "labor delegates" present would second the resolution. It is evidentt hat the Miners' Maga-

It is evidentt hat the Miners' Magazine has a lot of educational work to do in B. C. yet; but Editor O'Neil is quite capable of doing it.

Before the Miners' Association convention gathered, Secretary Belyes said that the influence of the "alien labor organization with headquarters at Denver' must be overthrown, and during the convention Vice-President Hobson, formerly of California, spoke as follows: "In California the mine-workers and mine-workers live toowners and mine-workers live to-gether as one family, and their inter-ests are identical. I'll tell you how we did it there and how we will do it here: Let the miners' unions pass their resolutions at their meetings and send them on to the Miners' As-sociation. We will look after them sociation. We will look after them when we see the government about the legislation we want. We did it in California and we will do it here. Let's join hands outside of politics. If the association discusses labor problems it will die within a year." What he really meant was this: "For God's sake, trades unionists, don't elect Socialists or men of your own God's sake, trades unionists, don't elect Socialists or men of your own class to the legislature to look after your interests. Trust us and we'll do it for you. Our interests are identical." And not a word was said by any labor delegate about the advisability of labor going into politics and looking after its own interests.

Sitting side by side with the labor delegates in the convention were Mine Managers Kirby, or Rossland, and Tonkin, of Fernie, two men who

lake steamers. Its members are em-

ployed by the wholesale houses, rafi-roads or boat lines. The primary ob-ject of the federation is to have a central body that can take up all matters of dispute between unions and the companies and adjust them more satisfactorily than if it were done by outside persons.

done by outside persons.

The Unions Enrolled.
Teamsters' National, Longshoremen, Seaman, Railway Express
Drivers, Merchandise Packers, Wholesale Drug Employes, Commission
Merchants, Helpers, Freight Handlers, Railway Clerks, Wholesale
Grocery Employes, Box Makers and
Sawyers.

A Union Banquet.

Helena Trades and Labor Assem-

A Union Banquet.

Helena Trades and Labor Assembly entertain guests

The Lewis and Clarke County Trades and Labor Assembly held a social session and banquet at the Auditorium which was a grand success and will be long remembered by those who participated.

Dan McDonald, of Butte, president of the American Labor union, former Lieutenant Governor David C. Coates, of Colorado, J. A. Ferguson, commissioner of agriculture, labor and industry and W. G. Eggleston, the well known editorial writer, were the guests of honor, while the members of twenty-one unions welded together in general assembly with a total membership of a thousand wage workers were hosts.

Speeches were made during the social session by Mr. McDonald and Governor Coates, after which a mamny moth banquet was served.

During the course of the banquet many loasts were responded to, among which was "Our Guesta," by Mr. Perguson; "Our Montana Brethren," by Mr. McDonald; "Colorado to Montana," by Governor Coates, and "John Mitchell;" by Dector Eggleston. In addition to these the leading members of the various unions represented were called on by Tosarmaster H. G. Pickett for remarks.

as strike-breakers. The latter is almost directly responsible for the slaughter of 130 men and boys (I forget how many mules were lost) at Fernie last May. And on the executive committee of the Mining Association these two "gentlemen" work hand in hand with Chris Foley (formerly W. F. of M. executive officer) and several F. of M. executive officer) and several other Miners' Union members. Truly the interests of the capitalist and the working classes are identical—in the minds of these misleaders of labor.

Ar. Forey recently had a _ears political job at \$10 or \$15 per day as a Chinese commissioner. The Ottawa government promised to make him a labor completions. labor commissioner, but broke its promise, and he ran as an anti-govern-ment candidate in Vancouver. Now he has his weather-eye on the ap-pointment of a labor strike arbitration commissioner. He says Socialism is about 200 years off, but would work for it if he thought it would come in 20 years or less. There are doubtless others who would also be Socialists if there were any jobs in sight.

The Socialists here are having a hard struggle to keep our two Social-ist weeklies afloat, but they are all well pleased with the Journal. It is certainly the bigest four bits' worth available for trades unionists in the West. Let the Miners' Magazine and the A. L. U. Journal continue their splendid educational work and the days of such betrayers of the working class as Sovereign of Idaho and Foley of British Columbia will soon be end ed. Then labor can "harmonize" cap-ital by electing a working class govto secure collective owner ship and democratic management of all the mines, factories, farms, rail roads, etc., used in the producing and distribution of wealth.

AN UNFAIR LABLE:

Summary of the Lynn Srtike by One of the Strikers.

Robert Cass of Local Assembly No 263, of Lynn, Mass., American Labor Union, furnishes us with the following interesting statement of the con-ditions which led up to the Lynn shoe strike which has been going on for many weeks. The communication is the work of the local itself and is therefore official. It was prepared for the purpose of acquainting the execu-tive board with the true state of affairs and for publication in this paper so the public might know. The letter in ull is a follows:
Editor American Labor Union Jour-

nal-At our last meeting a motion was carried that the following letter be sent to the executive board and also to have it published in the Journal:

Gentlemen—We desire to call your attention to the action of the Boot & attention to the action of the Boot & Shoe Workers Union, which organization is now engaged in an attempt to compel the Knights of Labor cutters and stitchers to join that union and also the Shoe Workers' Protective Union of Haverhill. The K. of L. cutters of this city have been organized for the past eighteen years and are unanimous in their desire to remain in that assembly, but, notwithstanding this the Boot and Shoe Workers compelled them to go on strike in all the stamp factories in Lynn to resist being compelled to join that union, Since then the Boot and Shoe Workers Union have been making efforts ers Union have been making efforts to fill the places of the cutters and to fill the places of the cutters and stitchers who came out on strike to maintain the American rights to have some voice in deciding what organization they shall join. They have resorted to every contemptible method that could be conceived to induce people to take the places of those who came out to measure their rights as came out to preserve their rights as fre men and women. They have scoured the whole country to get peoscoured the whole country to get peo-ple to come here; have offered every inducement in shape of bonus to get people to come here; they have broken the alien labor contract law by im-porting cutters from Canada, who have been deported; they have joined with the manufacturers in seeking to get out an injunction against the strikers and, in short, have resorted to every method ever employed by the most un-scrupulous employer to fill the strik-

should forever down that organization in the eyes of all honest workingmen and women we desire to call your at-tention to the methods of this union in granting the stamp to employers regardless of price conditions. Some of the lowest paid factories in the country are using the B. & S. W. U. country are using the B. & S. W. U. Stamp, and the employee are compelled to join that union without securing any benefit in increased wages and have to pay 25 cents per week dues for the privilege of holding a job 16 2-3 cents of which goes to the general office to give good jobs to a lot of paid officials. The method of granting a officials. The method of granting a stamp to manufacturers regardless of prices paid and compelling the em ployes to join the organization or lose their jobs, whether they are members of another organization or not, is un just, and is also an imposition on the working people of this country to ask them to patronize a stamp under the impression that they are assisting the cause of fair wage conditions. It is also unfair to the employer who may be paying a fair rate of wages to grant a stamp to an employer who is paying a lower rate of wages. In view of these facts and the fact

ers' places. In view of the acts which

In view of these facts and the fact that the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union is unworthy of recognition by any honorable organization of labor, we would therefore ask the A. L. U. and affiliated bodies to place the Boot and Shoe Workers' stamp on the unfair list, as it represents "scabism," tyranny and oppression, and is a manufacturers' organization, and if the Boot and Shoe Workers win in this fight it and Shoe Workers win in this fight it will mean the disruption of our union as it looks as though every manufacturer will adopt the stamp of that or-

Brother H. L. Hughes was given a rising vote of thanks for the good work he has done here. We have initiated thirty-seven new members since our mass-meeting, when Brother Hughes spoke on the methods of the . U., and we expect more to fol-He also did quite a business in selling buttons, as most every man in our union wears an A. L. U. button on his coat. Yours fraternally, ROBERT CASS,

Local 263 A. L. U., 27 Mason Street Beverly.

Officers of Victor Miners' Union. Owing to the usual heavy vote cast at the election of officers of Victor Miners' Union No. 32 last Saturday

night, the count was not finished in time for publication.

rime for publication.

For president for the ensuing term of six months, John Harper was relected without opposition.

The remaining officers and committeemen were selected as follows: For vice president, Samuel Moore; recording secretary, Dan Griffs; treasurer, J. F. Brady; conductor, J. Phelan; warden, A. Bernier; finance committee, Abe Fry, John Shea and S. H. Finn; trustees, Henry King, Sr., Arthur Evans and P. M. Symes; delegates to the W. F. of M., John Harper and Henry King.

The Henry King selected as delegate was the late Henry King of Gonueld, whose tregic death in the Portland mine is fresh in the minds of all.

A Threatened Strike.

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Pending in Spokane there is now a gas makers' strike which has the sympathy of all union men and local members as well. According to the report at the Butte office of the American Labor union, the strike has not yet been declared, but already the business men of Spokane have so far shown their sympathy with the gas makers that they have taken out gas and installed fixtures for electricity. It is said that there are not more than twelve gas makers at the present time employed in Spokane, but that they have been refused the union scale of wages and hours presented to the company, and that, as their demands seem reasonable, they are receiving the sympathy of the working public. The unions of Spokane have declared their willingness to boycott the gas company if the demands of the gas makers are not conceded.

Steps to End Strike.

At a meeting of 1,700 business men and miners at the opera house in Crippie Creek, Col., a telegram from T. P. Airheart, who had been in con-petition signed by sixty-five promi-ing the day was read.

It stated that the governor had said

to the use that the governor had said he was ready to use his best offices towards settling the strike, should he be asked by the parties to the controversy. This was in reply to the agitation started by the business men in the camp and the miners op-

men in the cam; posed to striking.

Resolutions were passed asking that the governor treat with a commission, consisting of one person from each side of the controversy and a third party, to be agreed upon

mutually.

These resolutions will be forwarded These resolutions will be forwarded to the governor. In response to a petition signed by sixty five prominent nent business men of Victor the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners of the Cripple Creek district has agreed not to take any steps in the strike matter for a week.

Liverpool expects a profit of \$350,000 on last year's working of its municipal tramway system.

Thomas Hickey is delivering a series of lectures in Idaho.

The American Smelting and Refining company has made important concessions to its 350 employes at the Chicago plant. Engineers are to receive the same wages for an eighthour day they had been paid for twelve hours: firemen will receive 10 cents more for the shorter day and other employes are similarly affected.

Two thousand members of the Sheet Metal Workers union employed throughout Chicago will go on strike tomorrow morning by the Contractors' association signing an agreement recognizing an independent union of metal workers. The

strike will affect the work on nearly igs under construction in the city.

Three hundred shipwrights, carpenters, joiners and caulkers went on strike at the Townsend & Downey shipbuilding yards, New York, on Shooters island the 11th. The members of the union employed in other yards are most affected. There are now 575 men former, employed at the Townsend & Downey yard on strike. The 200 men at the Burlee dry dock and shipbuilding yards at Port Richmond who went on strike yesterday are still out. yesterday are still out.

The joint grievance committee of the Railway Conductors and Broth-erhood of Railway Trainmen, which has ocen in session in San Francisco since Monday, has formally submitted to Manager Agler, of the Southern Pacific, the demands of the two or-ders for a twenty ner contral agreement Pacific, the demands of the two or-ders for a twenty per cent advance in wages. Pursuant to telegraphic instructions from Manager Agler, all the superintendents of the various branches of the Southern Pacific west of El Paso and Ogden and of the branch to Ogden have arrived in Frisco. Wilson's Bee Hive HARDWARE, CROCKERY, PICTURE FRAMING

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The Organized Movement in Butte

The question of scating(or rather ousting) one of the delegates from the Clerk's Union came up again Sunday and precipitated the usual amount of warm talk. The charge was made that there was "something back of h." This caused the charges made in 1901 to be read by the secretary. There were six counts:

Willful lying about the assem-

The record book of the assembly

3. Went back on political pledges.
4. Attempting to bribe a judge to injure a union man.
5. Cheating.

Peculating funds.

6. Peculating funds.

The party charged arose and made a bitter attack on the complainant, who, he said, had been expelled in Denver twelve years ago. He further claimed credit for settling the big strike of two years ago, but was contradicted by a carpenter, who said the national and state organizations had done the work. After some invase. done the work. After some impas-sioned talk the matter was referred to a committee, to report next meeting.

Mike Dempsey was made califman of this committee. The elevator boys' committee re-

ported everything as settled.

The Simons Dry Goods company difficulty is still in the hands of the com-

The committee appointed by the

COULDN'T SMOKE HIM OUT.

Keith Refuses the Challenge to De-bate With Mills. Early last week Comrade Gustave

Frankel, chairman of the city central committee, forwarded the following challenge to the editor of the Butte Miuer, whose method of debating socialism is to state not what socialism is but to create a "straw" man which he labels socialism and then furness on then jumps on.

Butte, March 10, 1903.

Mr .A. B. Keith,

Editor Butte Miner.

Dear Sir—For some time the news-paper you edit has taken the position that socialism is fundamentally wrong and subversive of the best in-terests of society and of good govern-ment. Your contention is also that socialism would lead to any schi-

terests of society and of good government. Your contention is also that socialism would lead to anarchy.

If socialism is wrong the citizens of Butte ought to know it: if it is right they should know that. We desire the widest possible publicity of socialism and its philosophy.

The city central committee of the socialist party of Butte therefore invite you to a public discussion of socialism, so the whole people may have an opportunity to judge for themselves whether you or the socialists are right.

This challenge is issued solely for the purpose of an educational discussion of this now world-wide subject and you may feel assured you will be accorded a most respectful hearing.

Mr. Walter Thomas Mills will be

will be accorded a most respective hearing.

Mr. Walter Thomas Mills will be ready to debate socialism with you or anyone whom you may designate before a public meeting of Butte citizens on any evening between the 20th and 30th of this month, expenses for hall and other necessary arrangements leading to this joint debate to be provided for by the socialists.

An early answer and acceptance of

be provided for by the socialists.

An early answer and acceptance of this invitation is respectfully so licited.

We remain yours truly,

G. FRANKEL.

Chairman City Central Committee Socialist Party.

The Miner Mahatma after a hasty consultation over the wire with certain occult forces in the senate chamber in Washington, (his astral body not being in good working order) made the following reply:

Mr. G. Frankel, Chairman City Central Committee Socialist Party:

Dear Sir—Replying to your communication of the 10th Instant I beg to assure you that your desire to

munication of the 10th instant I beg to assure you that your desire to have the principles of socialism more widely understood is no greater than my own, and to that end I am debat-ing the proposition in the columns of the newspaper which I have the honor to edit.

That my discussion may be a fair one I quote copiously from the recog-

nized official organs of your political party, thereby giving the readers of the Miner a comprehensive view of both sides of the subject referred to.

In no case have I drawn a conclusion as to the nims and purposes, of your movement that was not based on statements that appeared in the columns of your own press.

Workers were unable to arrive at any agreement. The question of seating the Amalgamated Wood Workers' delegate then came up and was discussed by a very large number and feeling ran very high. The character of the A. F. of L. was dilated upon, Gompers being denounced in strong language by usually conservative mem-

until after the report of the national committees of these warring bodies (the A. W. W. and U. B. of C. and J.) which is now settling the jurisdiction question in Indianapolis.

The Workingmen's Union reported

the receipt of a communication from the plumbers regarding Walker's walk out. They had replied to plumbers that they would be governed by the action of the assembly in the matter. The plumbers, having disregarded the assembly in its request concerning Walker, it was ordered that any man who worked for Walker at union wages and hours would be regarded as fair. A committee was also ap-pointed to devise ways and means to protect the dignity of the assembly in this matter. It is probable that action will be taken to repeal the present city ordinance relative to the power of the plumbing inspector.

The assembly is aroused by threats of withdrawal of certain crafts in the building trades, and indications are

Inasmuch as your movement in this city is represented by three or four newspaper organs, that are recog-nized as the accredited exponents of your political faith and the work of these papers is supplemented by a series of lectures by imported socialists, it appears to me that you have no reason to question the "publicity" that your movement has already acquired.

To suggest a public delate under

To suggest a public debate under such circumstness, in order to give "publicity" to your movement, is to question the efforts put forth by your press and speakers in that direction, and to imply that an address by the undersigned is necessary to attract public sitention to your mission.

undersigned is necessary to attract public attention to your cause.

I cannot accept this as a compliment without mentalty disparaging your previous efforts to get socialism before the public, and it would be discourteous for me to cast any reflections upon the ardor and zeal of four terms and except these

flections upon the ardor and zeal of your press and speakers and those who are supplying the funds for your political propaganda work.

So far as the interests of those who oppose socialism are concerned, the Miner is meeting every requirement of the situation, insofar as "public-ity" is concerned, and each day ad-dresses an audience much larger than its editor could reach in a public its editor could reach in a public hall.

Assuming that the same is true of the several socialist organs in this city, the necessity for a public debate, in order to reach the public, is not apparent from any intellectual or moral standards. standpoint.

In the way of enlightening the peo-ple a public debate could not accom-plish anything that is not more fully and fairly brought about in the news-paper discussion now going on whether you are pleased to denominate socialism as an educational or a

political movement.

Although you have candidates in the field and a political fund o. ample proportions—furnished from sources other than your own—you state that the debate should be an "educational"

the debate should be an "educational" one, thereby eliminating the most essential feature of socialism—its political effects if entrusted with power.

Though recognizing your timely assurances of "a most respectful hearing" assurances open to doubt to a constant reader of your literature and your press—I do not feel called upon by any sense of duty to the public or to myself to meet in joint debate men who are seeking to undermine and destroy the spiendid civilization we enjoy today and who would effect radical and destructive changes in the best government the sun ever shone upon.

Men who indorse the declarations of the s ocialist press that property

Men who indorse the declarations of the s ocialist press that property owners are "thieves" and "robbers" and that their holdings should be seized and distributed as a "restitution" to the people, are not entitled to the personal recognition as good citizens and upright men which meeting them in personal debate would imply. Yours truly,

A. B. KEITH,

Managing Editor Butte Miner.

Managing Editor Butte Miner.
This put it "up" to Comrade Frankel, who comes up smiling with

on the part of a few men who, while undoubtedly well-meaning, are doing the very things our enemies would have us do-that is, disrupting central body.

Named by Labor Unions.
D. J. Hanafin of the Miners, R. T. King, of the Clerks' union, and John McMullan, of the Engineers' union, are the three high men named by the labor unions of Butte as candidates

for trustees of school district No. 1, at the election to be neld next month. The selections were made at a mass

The selections were made at a mass meeting of unions.

A committee of ten men and ten women was appointed by the clair to act as an executive board during the campaign. The committee is composed of the following:

Men-Prank Doyle, F. H. Young, Larry Duggan, J. W. Whiteley, R. C. Scott, Max Hendricks, M. J. Mooney, W. N. Holden, John Wettengell, William Cunningham.

W. N. Holden, John Wettengell, William Cunningham.

Women-Miss Francis Calvin, Miss Bridget McMahon, Mrs. Green Majors, Miss M. E. O'Neill, Mrs. Clarence Smith, Mrs. W. H. Pierce, Mrs. William Canningham, Mrs. J. Calder, Mrs. Chope, Mrs. Dunckel.

Chairman McNally, of the meeting, was made ex-officio chairman of the campaign committee.

campaign committee.

UNION MEN Don't fail to register for the school

another head scratcher for the Miner man which will necessitate another conference and another wiggle. Of one point one can rest assured. The Miner man won't debate real sociation nor will be appoint a substitute.

Butte, Mont., March 12, 1963.

Mr. A. B. Keath.

Managing Editor Butte Miner. Replying to your "repoinder" of the 10th instant, the City Central Committee of the Socialist party regret that you have evaded the acceptance of our challenge to meet Mr. Walter Thomas Mills, the Socialist lecturer who is to speak in Butte from the 20th to the 30th instant, in public debate. Managing Editor Butte Miner. debate.

debate.

If you consider yourself, as your letter would imply, so far, above the common people that you will not accept our challenge, you may, perhaps, be able to name some champion of the democratic or republican party who would accept the opportunity for such debate as we courteously tendered you.

The desire of the committee in inviting you to public debate was and is to discuss the principles of socialism as laid down in the national platform, the only official expression platform, the only official expression

is to discuss the principles of socialism as laid down in the national platform, the only official expression of the Socialist party.

Surely if Mr. Mills is so insignificant as your editorial of the 10th instant depicts him, so polished an orator as the committee knows you to be can present the arguments against that platform in such a way as to easily overcome that gentles man.

we are convinced that socialism is founded on the eternal principles of political and economic equality, the freedom of all from the enslavement freedom of all from the enslavement of the few and the uplifting of the race. Verbose discourtesy and calling hard names are not arguments and certainly do not conceal the fact that you fear to meet the truths of socialism in an open debate before the public. Yours truly,

G. FRANKEL.
Chairman City Central Committee Socialist Party.

The Labor Mayor.

The Labor party of Butte met in convention in the Auditorium lifet week and nominated Larry Duggan, a member of the Workingmen's union, for mayor, but left the rest of the ticket blank. It is rumored that this action was in accordance with an agreement made some time ago in Helena between the Heinze men, Duggan and some few republicans, under the terms of which a general combination was to be arranged. Duggan, it is said, agreed to give the Heinze men and the republicans anything they wanted, even going so far thing they wanted, even going so far as to promise that Dan Yancey should be city attorney and that Jim Lynch should have the "graft." The question arises: What kind of a labor party is it which agrees to rake corporation chestnuts out of the fire in order that one or two or the of corporation chestnuts out of the fire in order that one or two or ten of their number shall have a political job? Larry Duggan, personally, is an agreeable gentleman and no doubt in sympathy with the spirit of un-ionism of thirty years ago, but he is reflecting no credit on himself if he has gone into a job of this kind. The Socialist party stands for every de-mand of the working masses. Their candidates are men who are tried and true workers in the labor unions. They do not fuse nor do they com-promise. promise.
"If it is in the interest of the work.

"If it is in the interest of the workingman we are for it; if it is not in the interest of the working man we are opposed to it," says the Socialist platform. Every candidate has pledged himself to abide by the platform or resign. What kind of a union man is it then who will join hands with a corporation to defeat the true party of the working people of the world? Duggan has made a mistake. He is a young man and will live to regret it.

Larry Duggan is reported as saying that he'll ge the votes of the minera the workingmen, the Austrians, the Irish to a man, and two-thirds of the Socialists. In spite of the wildness of this statement, our old friend is not at all crazy; he is just a d—n fool.

The Socialist party stands for the class interests of labor; the republican and democratic parties stand for "graft" pure and simple, and the "labor" party stands for Duggan, and that's a whole lot to stand for.

H. L. Hughes' Dates.
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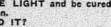
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Bro. M. E. White, member of the executive board of this district arrived here Wednesday, March 4, and we proceeded to get around and stir workers up and called an open meet-ing for the next evening which resulted in nine initiations and several reinstatements. First of all a good move was made by Bro. White, asking for the resignation of the officers, which was complied with. Then we proceeded to elect and install an entire new set of officers as follows: President, Henry Shearer; vice president, Creed Morgan; secretary treas-urer, A. Massard; recording secretary, Thomas Canavan; guide, J. E. Lowry.

Bro. White also appointed J. E. Sou-ter to act as business agent to rustle around and collect dues, and get new members. He has received several applications since the meeting.

We can have, and will have, here in Ouray one of the best and strongest unions in Colorado, with the proper work and support of the Miners' union of Ouray. Bro. White and a committee from the federal attended the Miners' Union meeting last night and they endorsed the propositions we laid before them, and will-give us their support. We will have a regular committee from the Miners' Union at ev. Federal as a trades council for Ouray. The plan of action laid out by Bro. White is approved by all.

Was Against the Rights of Labor, Yet the Masses Supported Him.

The accounts published in the daily and weekly papers of Colorado regard-ing the difficulties between the Colo-rado Southern R. W. Co., the smelter and refining companies and their un-ion employes of Colorado Springs, Colorado City, and other places, and the promptness of the governor in calling the militia out for the purpose of creating disturbance as a pretext to shoot down the laboring people of the state, should bring forcibly to the the state, should bring forcibly to the voters of that or any other state the necessity of placing the hands of the working people on the throttle of the government engine, and filling her with such legislation as will carry her along the track of Socialistic education to the depot of co-operative commonwealth

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Some of the citizens of Colorado seem to feel surprised and offended by the actions of Governor Peabody, but they should not feel surprised, for they knew when they voted for him that the platform on which he stood was for the corporations and trusts and against the masses of the people, and they should not feel offended for they are getting just what they voted for and, I suppose, what they wanted. If they do not like it they should unite their votes and influence with those who are trying to take from the corporations and trusts the power to take from the workers the largest part of their product, and use it to subject them \supseteq the humiliation of being ordered from their own inheritance by paid hirelings of the corporation in blue coats and striped passs. At the next election they should roll up such a vote for the Socialist party ticket

as will forever stop this wholesale robbery of the working class. FRED A. WATTON.

Receipt of Dues.

National Headquarters, Socialist Party, Wm, Mailly, Natl. Secy. Omaha, Neb., March 12, 1903.

The following communication from Comrade John C. Chase is self-explanatory, and is hereby transmitted to the Socialist press for publication. It is an excellent reply to Hearst and his methods, and deserves the widest pub-

"Dear Comrade: The New York Journal and American of January 24th contained a dispatch from Nerfalk, Va., purporting to be a report of an ad-dress delivered there by myself on January 23 to the Building Trades Council. This dispatch quotes me as saying that 'The best friend of labor saying that The best friend of lanor in this country to day is the New York American; that paper, through its pro-prietor, W. R. Hearst, has fought the cause of the laboring man with un-tiring energy, and the title of the people's champion' has been well earned by that unselfish American. His for-tune has not been made by greed, and he pays his men according to This entire matter is a bare-faced

lie from start to finish. I not only did not say what the Journal and American claims, but did not even mention Mr. Hearst or his paper. If I had, it would have been for the purpose of branding him as the most unscrupulous liar and fakir in America. Certainly it is true that he is the most unmittgated liar in politics today, if he will thus deliberately report a man as booming him and his papers. as booming him and his papers, who is unalterably opposed to him and his

"At the meeting mentioned I talked Socialism from start to finish, and at the close of the meeting we organized a local of the Socialist party. There was not even the shadow of an excuse for quoting me as Mr. Hearst did. It for quoting me as Mr. Hearst did. It is but a part of the game that Mr. Hearst is playing to capture the working class and corral them that the democratic party, in support of himself.

'I hope you will give this statement the fullest publicity. I have written a denial of the article mentioned to the Journal, but it will undoubtedly never be beard from

be heard from.

"Fraternaly yours,
"JOHN C. CHASE."

"Birmingham, Ala., March 9, 1903."

It's a wise labor party that knows is own step-father.

The messenger companies were given to the 15th, under the terms of the contract, which they signed with the boys.

Alphonse Pelletier to Gaston Dug-gan: "I will take the nomination, my dear Gaston." "Pardon me, my dear Alphonse, I will take the nomination," and he did.

County Commissioner M. P. Hag-gerty tells the labor party at every convention that they ought to be in the Socialist party, but like a careful doctor he declines to take his own pre-

It is not every manipulator who can make the opposition play for his candidate, but Heinze is equal to the occasion. The Amalgamated and Clark papers love Duggan for the enemies they think he has made. Meanwhile Faug is laughing in his sleeve.

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The smeltermen, at their last meeting, declined to reconsider their action in voting \$200 to the campaign fund of the Socialist party. The smeltermen are among the most progressive of the labor unions of this or any other community; 5 per cent of their receipts go into an educational fund for the purpose of spreading the light of the new trades unionism. All praise to this fearless body of energetic

The Socialist local held one of its most interesting meetings on Thursday night at the Trades Assembly rooms, 121 North Main. A share of stock was purchased in the Chas. Kerr Printing Co., so that the local might avail itself of the low rate on purchases. Comrades Fox and Holden spoke on the lines of the class struggle. Comrades Frankel aroused some discussion by reading a few ex-cerpts from Dr. Thompson's new work. While debate under the rules is limited to five minutes Comrade Maury did not enforce it rigidly, allowing each speaker an opportunity to state his position, yet not permit-ting any long, elaborate talks. Meeting again Thursday.

ist Union, a departure which might be copied with profit by other locals. Organize, bring the women and children to your meetings. Get them interested. It means more to them than to ourselves that the just order of things be established. The Socialist who is not trying to boom the membership of his organization and spread the light of truth is a sentinel asleep at his post. Agitate and organize! Our cause is just and MUST prevail. Speed

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The workers of Buttte at all times should remember Paddy McMahon. This enthusiastic and energetic friend of the toiler, kicked as he has been from post to pillar, on account of his from post to piliar, on account of his opinions, opened a restaurant and lodging house at the corner of Silver and Main streets. When any of you want a nice, clean room or tasty meal remember Paddy's place, corner Silver and Main streets.—Labor World.

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state c. most unstable equilibrium.

The tremendous struggle between or-ganized laborers and organized capi-talists is approaching a climax. There is no previous age with which there is any possibility of comparison and the mere use of superlatives conveys little idea. Suffice it to say that mil-

lions of organized workers are stand-ing in opposition to a compact organi-zation of a few individuals controlling

billions of capita, The existence of the millions of workers depends upon securing access to this capital. The

existence of the group of capitalists depends upon the ability to purchase the labor power of the worker for less

than the amount which these workers These conditions lead to a continu-

ance of acute conflicts, to strikes, lock-outs, boycotts, injunctions, scabbing, riots and the whole train of dis-

order and confusion which is charac

teristic of our industrial life for the

last few years.
Of late this conflict has presented

On late this connect has presented several extremely irritating features. The capitalists have at their disposal the machinery of the government—have used it most ruthlessly to further their interests. The recent Wabash injunction is but the climax of a long series of similar outrages. The

massacre of miners by the deputies in West Virginia last week was but an-

other incident in the struggle.

The use of the militia at Waterbury,
Conn., in the street car strike indicated another point of acute disturbance.

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There was a time when the capitalists were able to throw crumbs of comfort in the form of labor legislation which helped to perpetuate the idea that government was in some degree impartial in the struggle. The lines are now drawn so close that no favors are granted on either side. The recent rejection by congress of the eight-hour bill on which the American Federation of Labor had concentrated

Federation of Labor had concentrated its efforts, and the defeat or disfigure-ment of all legislation asked for by

the workers in the last congress testi-fies to the truth of this position. At the same time the capitalist has thrown off the veil of friendliness which he has hitherto worn and is or-

ganizing to meet all moves of the la-borers. The Mannfacturers Associa-tion, whose avowed purpose is the dis-ruption of trades unions, announces

that its membership has grown from 300 to 1,000 firms during the last year and that it is prepared to wage a mer-

ciless warfare on all organizations of labor. At the same time the National Economic League, with such men as Lyman J. Gage, Grover Cleveland and

other persons well known for their staunch support of capitalist interests, has declared its intention to make war

has declared its intention to make war upon the political movements of the workers as expressed in Socialism. For this purpose it has called to its aid the powerful machinery of the Catholic church, and word now comes that Bishop Quigley is backed by special instructions from the Pope in the crusade he is leading against the Socialists in Chlean.

ists in Chicago.

In the face of these conditions the pure and simple union is helpless. As soon as the power of government is

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really needed by the capitalists the begging policy before legislatures and congress breaks down and the trades union finds it is confronted by forces against which it is unarmed. It is then forced to accept at least a por-tion of the Socialist philosophy and add to its struggles on the economic field an organized effort in politics. But so long as labor parties are local and have no definite principles behind them, neither the trades unionist nor the working class in general can re-ceive any benefit from them. Capitalism is national or international today, and only by political parties on equally broad lines can the political strength of the workers be made ef-

These facts have not as yet been comprehended by the great body of

deputies, the formation of the National Economic League, and Manufacturers' Association, and the massing of the strength of the Catholic church of the strength of the Catholic church all indicate the entrenchment of the capitalists for a last desperate battle. A the same time the causes of irritation are multiplied a hundred fold. Under these circumstances it is certain that those who are predicting a Titanic battle between capital and labor in the near future are no false prophets.

There is another reason why we may expect this struggle to come: We are now on the unward sween of a pros-

There is another reason why we may expect this struggle to come: We are now on the upward sweep of a prosperity wave. That the crest of this wave is not many years distant is absolutely certain, and that the trough of depression will follow the crest is equally certain. But each industrial depression or crisis has been immedi-

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laborer. They see that their efforts to better their conditions are baffled on every hand. They realize that while the unions were never making so many small gains as today, that when the struggle really turns on something substantial they will be confronted by forces hitherto undreamed of. Furthermore, it does not require prophetic insight to see that even the granting of little favors must sooner of later reach an end, and that really all that has been accomplished in the almost interminable strikes of the last few years has been the driving of the capitalists from a few untenable outposts—into the fortress which is impregnable to the pure and simple trade union weapons—private ownership in the means essential to the workers' existence.

This use of the injunction, military,

Brother Skirving, of Billings, Mont, says the Journal is the best ever, and he will hustle at least a dozen sub-

Comrade Nelson, of Tonopah, Nev., sends 50 cents for a subscription, with the remark that ours is the most

If, as is certainly threatened, there should be a great strike on the trans-portation systems of this country, especially if it included the street rall. way system of Chicago, or the Union Stock Yards, so as to give an extreme-ly acute local center of disturbance, it requires no alarmist to foresee the certainty of large quantities of blood-

Such an occurrence is more than within the bounds of possibilities,; it is extremely probable, and indeed if is extremely probable, and indeed if causes continue to produce effects as they have done in the past, it seems almost inevitable. It is inevitable if workingmen in general, especially those organized in unions, continue blind to the great social forces with which they are dealing. Pure and simple unionism, when baffled by the exercise of governmental power, finds an outlet only in violence. And this an outlet only in violence. And this notwithstanding the fact that every thinking unionist recognizes that such violence really redounds to the injury of the icause of labor.

""". we are to avoid a bloody internal conflict which might even verge on revolution, it must be through the efforts of these who are robusting up to

forts of those who are pointing out to the workers the possibility of intelli-gent use of the forces at their dispo-sal for the purpose of altering political and industrial institutions.

Were there any reason to believe that a revolution brought by violence would be of any benefit to the labor-ers there would be some excuse for remaining silent on this point. But a bloody revolution brought about blind-ly by those who have no idea of the iy by those who have no idea of the direction of social evolution would be the most terrible catastrophe that could occur for the worker. But there is little prospect of any violent uprising of the laborer being even nominally or temporarily successful. The powers of government at the disposal of the capitalist are still too streng to be overthrown by violence and any extensive disorder would be simply the prejude to a series of bloody masthe prelude to a series of bloody mas-sacres of labor, reproducing Home-stead and the Coeur d'Alene on a national scale.

tional scale.

The laborer has nothing to gain and everything to lose by violence at this stage of social evolution. If he will simply use the forces at his disposal on the political field in accordance with the direction of social evolution he can acomplish all, and many times more than his union is demanding at the present time. The Socialist has pointed out for half a century the coming of the time which is now upon us, when the owners of concentrated capital and the forces of organized labor would meet in a tremendous strugcapital and the forces of organized la-bor would meet in a tremendous strug-gle. He has pointed out that if this struggle is to be intelligently conduct-ed for the benefit of the workers it must be extended from the economic to the political field for the purpose of to the political field for the purpose of securing the collective ownership by the workers of the capital they have produced and which they are now us-ing in the production of wealth. If this is done the victory of the labor-ers is assured. Evolution can then proceed peaceably and intelligently. If, on the other hand, the pure and simple trades union policy continues if, on the other hand, the pure and simple trades union policy continues and the workers are kept blinded to the only possible avenue of successful conflict, while the causes of irritation are constantly increased, then there is no escape from the conclusion that a terrible conflict is inevitable.

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scribing again for two years.

good in the company store, where they were charged four prices for every-thing they bought—demanded a change of living conditions; imagine "Thinker" Without the "h."

The "journalist" on the Butte Miner has irrupted again. As usual, "his talk is in bunches." He declares that "Socialism is on the wane," and in another column he appeals with his heart in throat for a "citizen's ticket" to offset the naughty Socialists. This paper has always contended that conditions today are those of a class struggle; it is a contest between the workers and those who work the workers; that the present system was one which placed properly rights above human life, the republican and democratic parties being the two wings of the capitalistic bird of prey. The Miner, by its advocacy of a combination of these two parties, shows clearly that—in its opinion, at least—there is nothing in the principles of either incompatible with a fusion of this kind.

Again, our "journalist" declares that the organ of a man of that type advocating anything in the interests of la-bor. As the French say: "It is to laugh."

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The statement will bear repetition that there are but two classes in this country: the exploiter and the exploited; the employer and the employed; the wealth-takers and the wealth-makers. These two divisions have existed since the earliest dawn of civilization. These two classes have been variously known as freedman and slave, lord and serf, master and bondsman, gulid master and journey-man, capitalist and laborer. Accepting these divisions as being the true ones, and one who has made a study of economics must accept these as being correct, it follows that every political movement must be in the interest of one or the other of these divisions. Now, if Socialism is in the interest of the capitalist class what is the Miner crying about? If, on the other hand, it is in the interest of the laboring man, is not the Miner, as a capitalist newspaper, in the very nature of things compelled to oppose it? The Miner man is, therefore, not to be blamed for making a fight against a set of principles which would, if inaugurated, wipe out prostitution, for instance, thereby depriving the editor-of his occupation, and be, an doubt, likes his job. Since he has sold his talents to the highest hidder he is, of course, anxious to show his purchaser that he has not been gold-bricked. A few more such rambling contradictory editorials as those of the last few days, however, and in all likelihood, there will be a vacancy on the Miner editorial staff. Capitaleither incompatible with a fusion of this kind.

Again, our "journalist" declares that the Socialist party is the party of anarchy and follows this up with the statement that it was inunched for the purpose of weakening the democratic aggregation. This would imply that the Miner regards the rank and file of that party as a band of anarchists, who are only waiting for a chance to desert the party of the lack-asa. Continuing its curious argument, it declares that Socialism would undermine the true interests of organized labor; hence its opposition. Now wouldn't that rasp you? Imagine the personal organ of a man who telegraphed from New York during the teamsters' strike, "Make no concessions; shut down the plant," and who builcheaded his Arisona mines because the poor devils who had been gotting paid in T. B. Miller scrip—which was only

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at a minimum of salary, and even a managing editor must furnish some-thing more to his employer than belly-erawling supineness if he expects to retain his official head. In this country all men are free-free to do anything without fear or favor of any one unless they seek to injure some one or try to earn a liv-ing.

Are not the Socialists stirring up class hatred? That is impossible, because the late President McKinley said over and over again: "I rejoice that there are no classes in this country." Was Mr. McKinley right or wrong? You may ride on which ever horn of the dilema you find the most comfortable.

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Benj. F. Wilson, the eloquent and stirring speaker who is so well known in Socialist circles in Montana, will dopen the municipal campaign at Ana-conda, Sunday, March 22. He will

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It recognizes the individual's rights o that which he produces and for-ids the exploiter from appropriating that to which he has no right. In fact, under its wise and munificent regime the exploiter has no place; he becomes a thing of the past. Its field of vision is broad. It comprehends the fact that no industry is exempt from the blighting grasp of the exploiter and knows that its exempt from the blighting grasp of the exploiter and knows that its tentacle claws reaches into the mines, the shops and the farm and every avenue of industry is constantly pay-ing tribute to its merciless greed. Socialism declares, and truthfully, that between capitalism and labor

there is no common ground that their interests are not identical, but on the contrary are inimical to each other. The interests of the subservient classes are not and can never be the same as that of the ruiling class, but same as that of the ruling class, but are diametrically opposed one to the otther and the efforts of so-called reformers are entirely devoid of practical results. As well attempt to mix oil and water. They are socially antiagonistic and can never be anything else. The sooner we recognize these great truths the sooner we will be able to bring about a social variety. able to bring about a social revolu-

To be a Socialist demands a clear To be a Socialist demands a clear conception of the class strugle. The proletariat—the wage worker and the small farmer—those who produce the wealth, must be our first con-

Chases's Southern Lecture Tour.
Comrade John C. Chase has met with exceptional success during his trip through the Southern states under the direction of the labor lecture bureau. And this despite a widely circulated report sent to the Trade Unions and Southern newspapers from the enemies of Socialism in the east, to the effect that Chase had been repudiated by the eastern unbeen repudiated by the eastern un-ions and simply agitating to have the Socialists capture the next con-vention of the American Federation of Labor.
This report, false upon its face.

only seemed to advertise Chase and get out larger meetings than he would have gotten otherwise. In every place where he spoke enthusiasm was aroused and renewed activity for Sociaism stirred up The press notices were good and uniformly fair. formly fair .

Reginning at Cumberland, W. Va., for the Operative Potters' union, Chase has spoken at the following

ducer must cease. These two ele-ments, the laborer and the farmer, ments, the incorer and the farmer, must come to a realization of their mutual interests. The one without the other cannot hope to effect political freedom and emancipation from exploitation. There must necessity sarily be unity of action. The far-mer must be brought to realize that he is under the obligation to recog-nize the demands of the wage worker and be thoroughly concerned in their struggle against their capitalist em-ployers. On the other hand the wage workers must realize the fact That the farmer is being exploited in his productions by the same system under which the wage worker is at pres-ent forced to exist. To accomplish this result it is necessary that the farmer and the farm laborer organize under the banner of Socialism and none the less is this true of the laborers in the various industries. Let us mutually understand one another, and realize once for all that these elements today go to make up the subservient classes and that they must necessarily assume the prerogatives of the government in the interest of all. To accomplish this let the work of organization go forward, not interrupted by either outside attacks or inside differences.

Wealth belongs to those who produce it. Capital is not wealth, but a leech sucking the life blood and vitality of the nations. It is a child of the competitive system. It can only exist on the exploitation of labor and to abolish it seeming the only exist on the exploitation of labor, and to abolish it requires the co-operation of all the different elements that are compelled to pay tribute to this colossal octopus. I am firmly convinced that this co-operation is being rapidly developed. Under the influence of the socialistic propaganda, the results of which are daily becoming more apparent, it is

places for the organization named:
Washington, D. C., Bellamy club;
Richmond, Va., Labor Union and Socialists; Norfolk, Va., Building
Trades Council; Newport News Central Labor Union and Socialists;
Lynchburg, Va., Central Labor Union; Columbus, Ga., Central Federation of Labor; Columbia, S. C., Central Federation of Labor; Macon,
Ga., Central Labor Union; Atlanta,
Ga., Webb Pressmen's Union Jack-Ga., Cestral Labor Union; Atlanta, Ga., Webb Pressmen's Union Jacksonville, Fla., Ministerial Educational League, and for the Socialists at Green Cove Springs, Orlando, Rissime, Lakeland, Plant City, St. Petersburg, Tampa, Key West, West Palm Beach, Dayton, Sanford, Jacksonville and St. Augustine, Fla. The Florida dates were arranged through the energetic assistance of State Secretary Healey, and several new

Secretary Healey, and several new locals have resulted. Chase spoke at Valdosta, Ga., on March 3 for the Federal Labor Un-ion and the remainder of his dates for March are as follows: Alabama,

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

through Mark Hanna, chairman, has outlined plans for a mighty campaign

should arouse every Socialist to the

necessity of organization. We must

be prepared to meet our enemies, fully equipped for the great battle. They

are organized and we must organize We have been working for years for this fight, and now we must work harder than ever. Organize, or-

Local charters have been granted during the past week to Norfolk, Va., and Fairhope, Fla. The South is wak-

ganize! organize!

"education" against Socialism,

Omaha, Neb., March 7, 1903. The Washington dispatches in a Massachusetts paper announcing that the republican national committee, quite evident that the day is not far distant when the wage earner and the farmer will touch elbows, each vieing with the other as to who will lead in the struggle for the emanci-pation of the race. Evidence of this can be seen on every hand. Thought-ful men in the labor world and on farms are becoming more and more convinced in the futility of reform measures; they are becoming more thoroughly disgusted with the pre-tenses of would-be reform movements and are becoming satisfied that it is worse than useless to "put new wine in old bottles," or in other words to attempt to repair the old garment that was of a very inferior quality in the first place, while it is

possible to secure a new one.

Socialists, it is up to you to push forward the work of education; have some interest in the building of the social structure that is going to revolutionize the world. Do not be a drone in the hive. If you cannot oe a queen bee you can be a worker. Ine dawn of a new era is breaking over the horizon and the future is bright for the cause of humanity, even if the way may seem tedious. The army of humanity is on the march. Do not be a straggler; get out into the thick of the fight. Vic-

out into the thick of the fight. Victory is perched on our banners and
the bugle sounds the advance all
along the line.

To the trade unions the Socialists
extend the right hand of fraternal
fellowship and encouragement in
their special sphere of usefulness.
In their struggle for existence under
present conditions they receive our
hearty sympathy and material support, at the same time recognizing port, at the same time recognizing the fact that it only through inde-pendent action we can hope for full and complete emancipation, and this

guaranteed under Socialism.
Yours Fraternally,
SAMUEL LOVETT.

4th, Montgomery, Federation of Labor; 5, Birmingham, Carpenters' and Tailors' unions; 7, Decatur, So-cialists; 8, Birmingham, Jewish Lit-erary Society; 10, Bessemer, Social-ists; 11, Patton Junction, Socialists; 14, Cordova, Socialists, and Meridian, Miss, on the 16th; Covington, La., on Miss, on the 16th; Covington, I.a., on the 26th; Clinton, I.a., on the 21st and Lake Charles, I.a., on the 23d. He will also probably speak at Blue Creek and Cardiff, Ala., to the miners. The Columbus, Ga., Enquirer-Sun gave an excellent column and a half

report of Chase's speech and the Tampa Daily Herald devoted half a page to its account.

The Mahoney City Record gives the following forecast of the findings of the commission in the Pennsylvania coal strike:

WORLD

A three months' lecture tour of the Carpenters' unions in the Middle

Western states is being arranged for Comrade John W. Slayton, of New Castle, Pa., Socialist councilfnan and business agent of the Trades and Labor Assembly of that city. Slayton is a good talker and will do lots of good.

John C. Chase addressed fifteen meetings in Florida, had large crowds and organized two new party locals. He reports that state as the most promising for Socialism he has vis-

The new edition of the National Platform, containing the "Anti-Fucommittee meeting is now ready. This makes an effective four page propaganda leaflet that should be wisely distributed. They cost \$1.00 pre thousand prepaid. Furnished in any quantity by the National Secretary, 10-11 Arlington bolck, Omaha, Neb.

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Again, the curse of drunkenness is

a direct outcome of the industrial inequalities of capitalism. A high medical authority, Dr. James C. Wilson avers that "rum is at once the refuge and the snare of want, destitution and sorrow. . . Exhausting toil under unfavorable circumstances as regards heat and confinement predisposes to drink, as in the case of foundrymen. workers in rolling mills, stokers and the like. . . Monotony of occupation, as in the case of cobblers, tailors, bakers, printers, etc., espe cially when associated with close, ill-ventilated work rooms and long hours of toll, exerts a strong predispoi influence. . . Bodily weakness inability to cope with the daily tasks imuosed by necessity impel great numbers of persons of feeble constitution, especially among the laboring classes, to the abuse of alcohol. (Pepper's System of Medicine, vol. v., pp. 575, 576, 577.) Under Socialism, with the rapid improvements in labor-saving chinery, two hours a day of m or physical work would be enough to supply all the needs of the collective people. The exhausting toil and the vitiated conditions would be done away with, and, in consequence, the craving for stimulation of overworked muscles would cease. Moreover, in those particular cases where the de-sire for strong drink is a heritage

gence because the people themselves | tations unsettle the minds of men; [would own and control the sale of li-

Furthermore, the effect of the copetitive system of industry is sadly apparent in the insanity which is most noticeable in highly congested centers of labor. Dr. Charles F. Folsom, in his treatise on Mental Diseases in Pepper's System of Medicine (vol. v., p. /16) tells us that insanity is greatest where the concentration of population brings with it extremes of poverty and wealth. "In the struggle for existence, however, physical strength no longer wholly wins the day, but also those faculties which involve great mental and bodily strain in mines, factories, crowded tenements, counting rooms, offices, in the eager, excited over-study for prizes or rank in over-heated, badly ventilated schools, and, indeed, in every walk of life. . . Degenera-tion due to the reproduction of poor stock is intensified by intermarriage. Luxury, idleness, excesses, syphilis, debility, drunkenness, poverty, discase and over-work produce vitlated constitutions in which varying types of insanity appear in various nation and climates

Socialism would gradually eraci-cate insanity because it would af-ford the most suitable environment for physiologic growth; it would wipe out the alims; it would give ample breathing space in the schools, shope and factories; it would cast out the demon of profit whose temp-

The Massachusetts legislature on March 3 refused to pass a bill giving the Socialist party representation on the ballot law commission and the boards of election throughout the state. The debate upon the measure was most hitter. Carey, Socialist, contended that the 34,000 men who voted the Socialist ticket last election were entitled to see the votes counted; that at least 6,000 votes had been stolen from the Socialist party last election day. Luce, a leading Republican, attacked the Socialist party, saying it was but a side issue and Socialism could not be realized in 500 years unless human nature was changed. He predicted a revolution as in France if the Socialists continued agitating. MacCarthy, Socialist, scored Luce, showing that the Republican was filogical, in first claiming Socialism was too idealistic to be realized and in the nxet breath denominating it as a monster incit.

ing bloody revolution; that the Socialist party was a legal party and should have representation. "What are the anti-Socialists afraid of?" asked MacCartney. "Luce said the Socialists would have to whip the Republicans in order to receive recognition. Well, gentlemen, we will whip him. He does not stand for a fair count and of what good to us is a ballot, the purity of which has been handed to us from our fathers, if in the last moment they are counted by our enemies."

Comrade S. J. Hampton, of Bonham, Texas, and State Secretary Morgan, of Nebraske, are preparing to make organizing tours of their states.

In ten towns in Massachusetts, where the Socialists had a ticket in the election of March 2, the total Socialist vote increased from 1,622 in the last state election to 4,425.
National Headquarters, Socialist Party.

Headquarters, Socialist

Economic Discontent

By Father Thos. J. Hagerty PART TEN

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Socialism would gradually era

and it would, in a word, furnish every means for the maintenance of that "sound mind in a sound body" which is essential to normal life and thought.

To achieve these results, to abolish the incentives to crime, to remove the causes of drunkenness and insanity, to lift fallen woman from the mire, to establish economic freedom and happiness for the toiler, Socialism need not commit a single injustice toward any member of society. It simply requires that supreme justice be done unto all men. Socia mands from every man his share of labor toward the social product on the ground that every man is debtor to his fellowman not only for the physical things of life, but also for sustenance of the mind and heart. As Emerson phrases it, "we have our social strengths. Our affection toward others creates a sort of vantage or purchase which nothing can supply. I can do that by another w I cannot do alone. I can say to you what I cannot first say to myself. Other men are lenses through whom we read our own minds." (Representative men; on the Uses of Great Men.)

If all the wealth of the United States were distributed among the people, there would be only about \$40 for each man, woman and child. Now Socialism does not want that each man, woman and child to have the

opportunity and the means of procing enough wealth to supply all the needs of body and soul. The dividing up which Socialism postulates is the division of the social product among those who work for society. (To Be Continued.)

SAMUEL LOVET



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