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ST. LOUIS LABOR.

-- Our City Edition.

are issuing this week the first | tive factors in that movement today of our special city edition to be as ST. LOUIS LABOR. It is are the economic and political organizations of the working class. The libention to make this edition deal erty of the warking class will come only with local news after the first as a result of their own struggles and year, when it will be made an the trades unions and the Socialist Party are in the van guard of this paper will deal largely with struggle; the Trades Unions in the mion matters; in fact we will we can to fill the long-felt want shop and the every day battles of the changing order, and the Socialist Parrough union paper, which will ty at the ballot box, where, at a not with all the live topics of the very far distant day, the workingand at the same time give a full at of all the doings in trades unmen of America will unite and com pletely overthrow the present system cles, and make it really indisof capitalism. ST. LOUIS LABOR will to every trades unionist who recite the progress and success keep abreast of the class strugthese two wings of the emancipating ad learn the latest moves of the army, and it will be necessary for st class. To this end we will every workingman who is looking foricate with every union in the ward to the coming of a better day, to and ask them to select, either subscribe for and read ST. LOUIS LAretary, or one of their mem-BOR, which is being issued not for the will keep us informed on the profit of those who are publishing it.

THE BLOODHOUNDS.

A wage slave to his master said: "I am a man like you. .

want more raiment, want more

And time for pleasure, too."

Base-born and knave!" the master

cried. "Never shall you have more!" Then I totl no more," the slave re-

And he passed from the factory

Up rises the master in wrath's excess He calls to his bloodhounds thre Ho, Hunger, and Cold and Naked-Bring the rebel back to me!"

Upon the track of the wage-slave bold Leap the bloodhounds, three straightway:

but for the bringing about of this bet- Grim Hunger and Nakedness and Cold

Their growls reply to his groans, They pull the shelter from over his head,

He hears their swift and stealthy

And the flesh from off his bones.

He flies, but ever on his track The bloodhounds fierce come faster They worry and wind him back and back

To the bands of his cruel master.

The slave sinks down in sore distress; The master cries in glee; "Good Cold and Hunger and Naked-

Well done, my bloodhounds three.

To your task, vile slave, or feel the lash!

Watch him my bloodhounds true! If ever rebellion makes him rash, His flesh shall be your due."

And the slave with anguish never fold Feels their breath as he tolk away For Hunger and Nakedness and Cold Are watching him each day!

THE BREWERS' UNION

Equally important with the label of | only after repeated struggles and the the cigar makers, the tobacco workers expenditure of much time and en and the garment workers is the red label of the brewers. This label, like all others, signifies that the product upon which it is stamped is the product of the best paid brewery workmen that is possible under capitalism. The Brewers Union, like all other unions, has been the means of elevating the men employed in that industry, from a position of absolute dependen cy to a plane where today they have very considerable to say concerning the conduct of their employment. The condition of the brewers, before their organization was almost equal to the conditions of the cigar makers and

garment workers. They were our the most insanitary conditions and at low wages. Today, thanks to their excellent organization, which has come

they are in a position where their wages will enable them to live in fairly good condition and they are no longer compelled to work for hours unless they are well paid for it.

'The Brewers' Union is one of the most scientifically organized unions which is today affiliated with the A. F. of L. They are not organized so much on craft or trade lines, as they are organized industrially.

Every man employed in and around

the brewery is under the jurisdiction of the United Brewery Workers' Union, and all contracts with the boss brewers are made with a committee repre enting this united organization. It is not possible for the bosses to single out a union and crush it on account of its weakness, but an attack on one depart ment means an attack upon all and it is resented by all. And in order to keep down the expenses of the union sort of fraternal organization which will pay sick and death benefits. This nethod puts but a very little extra exense upon the members and it leaves their union treasury in a position that will enable them to carry on a pro tracted struggle against their capitalist employers. Another excellent feature about the Brewers' Union is the fact that their members understand that they are not alone fighting a single boss, but as members of the work-ing class, they are fighting the entire capitalist class. They realize that capitalism is wrong, that while they may be getting better wages than for merly still no wage is a satisfaction for labor, nothing short of the full product of their energies will represent their rightful compensation.

Believeing as they do, their energies are directed not alone against capitalism on the economic field but also on the political field. They are trades unionists in their shops and they are Socialists at the ballot box. Their official journal, the Brauer Zeitung, published in Cincinnati, is one of the pest Socialist papers in the country.

It is constantly striving to spread the knowledge of Socialism and is urging upon their members the necessity for class conscious acion in a political party of the working class whose obect is the overthrow of capitalism While we are yet living under capitalis n, however, it is the duty of every union man to see that the Browers Union label is on all the products of the brewery which he uses.

It is only by this action that we can assure the position which they have attained. The boss brewers will readily understand that it is to their interest to employ union workmen, if those who use their products refuse to accept lel. Every union man should consider "y Workers' organization and of every other union organization which has a label.

From Kansas City.

Kansas City, Dec. 14.-It is now an-

nounced that the smelter at Argentine, Kansas, near here will be permanently closed February 1st. This institution formerly gave employment to about 2,000 men, but two months ago discharged all but 100, without so much as a week's notice; thus giving a fine illustration of the "brotherhood of capital and labor." Argentine had a population of some 4,000 and was mainly dependent on the smelter; there is much suffering there this winter. Your correspondent made a trip to the place, but could gather little information. The people all acted as if some crime had been committed, and that questioning might implicate them. 'You see," said a former employe, "the company may start up again, and no one likes to talk too much." But the company will not start. Having recently joined the smeiter trust, the Argentine works are not necessary, as the Omaha works can care for the business of the consolidated interests. Some of the skilled employees have been taken there, but the rest have been left without as much right on earth as a stray cur.

A public meeting of the Peoples Fund and Welfare Association will be held at Room 7, International Bank Building, Thursday evening, December 26. Those interested in the progress-of this work will attendand take part in the ratification of the new constitution.

A. J. LAWRENCE.

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terests of the country buys its way into power at Washington,

And it is this sort of parties for which nearly ten million workingmen

They vote, most of them, because their fathers did. They see no res for their action. They do not weigh the claims of the various parties, for their franchise, and then decide upon which side their vote shall be cast, but they first decide upon their vote and then try to bolster up their decision with arguments which they know are

not well founded.

for them are worse than thrown away. The sole object of all capitalist parties today is to "get elected"; they have no desire to benefit the condition

of the people. They are elected upon the theory that the present capitalist system of cisco and the Seth Low movement in production is proper and their every action is directed toward its upbuildtarties, not alone the Democratic but the Republican party is production is production is upbuildlly guilty. The Democrats buy action is directed toward its upbuildaction is directed toward its upbuilding and consequently against the intering against the inter-

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so far as the working class is conbe served by the representatives of to time, however, parties of a more such parties and their votes when cast local nature, which propose different their old political masters. platforms and sail under different names, but which are wholly similar in that they support the capitalist system. Such parties are the Public | capitalist system. Ownership party of St. Louis, the socalled Union Labor party of San Fran-

All of these parties employ practic-ally the same tactics in their cam-

cratic parties, both of which are alike ence between their aims and the aims of the old parties, their popularity wanes and the working clars return to

> working class elect to office the representative of the revolutionary Socialist party which will put an end to the

The Cardwell case will have served well its purpose if it be the means of | not present to be obligated. Fraternshowing in all of its corruption the ally yours, tactics of capitalist political parties.

This game will continue until the

It is only by object lessons that

Ceveland, O., Dec. 15 .- The central committee of the Socialist Party here has decided to set aside the third Sunday in January for a joint meeting of the branches to discuss and dispose of the plan to reorganize Local Cleveland. The vote for national committeeman ir Local Cleveland resulted as follows: Max S. Hayes, 51; N. P. Geiger, 8; Harry C. Thompson, 2; 36 votes were cast for the proposition that committeeman serve one year, and one vote for two years; 46 votes stood in favor of organizer plan and 2 against.

From Cleveland.

Petitions are being circulated place our candidates on official ballot. initiated new members at last meeting, and a number acted upon that were MISS M. H. GEIGER.

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Rallway. The testimony brought he fact that the De ttee had obtained nearly \$20,om the various corporations of state, for their campaign fund for T THERE WOULD BE NO LEG-ATION AGAINST THEIR INTER-Among those corporations had contributed was the St. Transit Co., the Missouri Pacific other railways, and several brew-interests. All these things were tht out at the trial and the faith-

Il Phelps partner, "called" upon Mr. rdwell, \$5,500 was handed him to ights still considerable mystery as to the

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With this week's issue we change our name to St. Louis Labor for the city edition and it will be mailed to all our subscribers in the city under that name, if, however, there are any who would rather have our country edition which will still be known as Missouri Socialist we will be glad to mall it instead, if they will notify us of their

Notice the progress of the movement in St. Louis by reading the notes on the back page. Every Socialist who is interested in the battle at the polls should read that part of the paper carefully and if he is not in the ranks the sooner he joins the sooner will the battle be won and the victory be ours.

At the recent laying of the corner stone of a public school at Santa Barbara, Cal., the workmen were asked to write their political affiliations on a slip of paper which was to be placed in the stone. Out of the 20 men whose declared themselves to be Socialists, eight Republicans and only one Democrat. Copies of Socialist papers were also placed in the box.

The Post-Dispatch of Tuesday details the account of a boy of 14 who Comrade August Schippert secretary keeps his grandmother from going to treasurer, D. H@Howell organizer and should be praised, but they say nothing bers and expect to increase our memof the capitalist who robs him of all bership rapidly. "ESPERANZA." his labor creates save this slave's pittance. They say nothing against a system which will condemn a boy of his age to such a miserable existence. A boy who should have an opportunity to attend school. Our greedy capitalism throws its babies into the mill of the capitalist class to be ground up into profits for their interests.

The mere recital of the story should result in the condemnation of such a system and bring out a determination on the part of the workers to put an

tions of the working class of Germany show that they are in a frightful plight. Thousands of men are out of employment as a result of the shutting down of numberless business concerns and a recent dispatch contains the fol-

There were 224 applicants for 100 vacancies in November, against 200 apcies in October."

Twice as many men as needed. Thus it is that capitalism deals with the working class. No matter how needy, no matter how willing and ready they are to work, unless the machine owners can reap a profit off their labor they must starve. The only remedy is Socialism-production for use instead of production for profit.

CIVIL SERVICE.

The United States Steel Corporation (the steel trust) has announced that they have adopted a plan whoreby they dispach from Chicago on Dec. 13 makes the following announcement:

The United States Steel Corpora tion has just adopted a civil service reform system for the 2,000-employes on its lake steamers, which is testined to have a far-reaching effect in pre venting labor troubles in the future

Every man employed on ships will red on the lists, and a careful record of his work will be kept. Promotions, it is stated, will be solely on merit as indicated in this record. Every boat is to have its place, and promotions will be from one to the other, with wages to correspond.

"The steel corporation, it is said, goes farther than this, and at the outst of the new system will at an early will go to CAPTAINS AND CHIEF However, the "single-liners" did not ENGINEERS, MAKING THEM TO THAT EXTENT STOCKHOLDERS IN THE COMPANY. Promotions will be from ship to ship as indicated in the

M SS CUri Socialist scheme is launched as a way of preventing "labor troubles," when sifted down it is only a scheme to get more labor out of the men by making their superintendents and foremen stockholders in the company. These sup-erintendents will naturally want to increase their dividends and will drive the men under them to the greatest extent. They will become willing tools of their masters and the man who is unfortunate enough to come under their direction will be compelled to exert every energy in order to satisfy

It is a capital scheme for the capitalists. What is more it is directed in line with every other effort to harmonize labor and capital.

WILL THE JOB LAST?

One of the greatest sources of worry to the working class is contained in the constant uncertainty of their employment. They have no guarantee whatever that they will find their 'job" ready for them when they go to work in the morning. And in all calculations for the future the workers are compelled to figure on whether or no the job will last. They have nothing whatever to say in the matter themselves. They are at the beck and call of the capitalist class. They can be thrown out of employment without a moment's notice, and when once out of employment, when one master tells him that he is no longer needed, he is then compelled to beg another master to employ him. It is of no concern to his employer, the conditions which will befall him upon his discharge. The employer consults only his own profit. Our system is founded upon profit and it is for the perpetuation of this eye tem that our laws are framed and our governments instituted. Everything gives way to the accumulation of profits, and human life goes for little in the balance. The slave master of today is far more irresponsible than he was before the war. Then it was necessary for him to feed his slave even though he had no work for him. Now he merely "discharges" him and he must obtain food the best way he can.

This will always exist under the capitalist system. It will only change when capitalism has been destroyed. All men will be employed only when we produce for use instead of for profit. It is for this that the Socialist movement is striving.

"Whenever a man gets a dollar without earning it, some other man earns man, but every thought and every ac- before they are compelled to take them a dellar without getting it." This is tion must be one of love. We reply, an axiom well worth remembering.— however, that under our resent connames were written on the paper, 11 an axiom well worth remembering.-New Castle Tribune.

Alton, Ills., Dec. 12 .- 'Local Alton" of the Socialist party effected permanent organization Dec. 11 by electing the poor house on a salary of \$3 a Chas. L. Vogelpohl literature agent, week. They praise the boy as he We have fourteen enthusiastic mem-

> Labor produces everything and yet it is compelled to "divide up" starve.-San Diego Chieftain.

> > NO THANKS:

Kansas City, Dec. 14,-The Retail Dealers started an organization here this week. This is interesting only because of the queer ideas expr at the organization meeting. Mr. Winters, the State President, said:

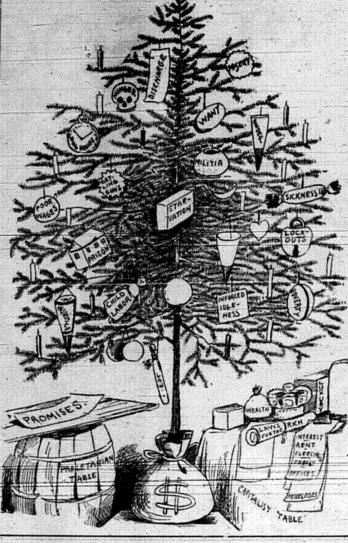
This is an age of collectivism

as opposed to individualism. Capital is organized and gets the legislation it wants. The danger to society today is from the top; from organized capital. Both merchants and laborers fear the trusts and for that reason organized labor and organized merchatdom must go hand in hand, The salvation of the country depends on the middle class."

ers as to his statement of the case. but when he suggests the remedy, we beg to decline. It is not at all sur- to enlarge their plant by the construct man the new one. prising that Mr. Winters and the class tion of another engine, in order to e represents do not understand their uselessness in society, nor are able to read the handwriting on the wall, even when put there by Bradstreet and Dun. He falls to see that "this age of collectiveism as opposed to individualism" is an age of concentration as op- firemen's union and were of course emposed by competition; and that no ployed under union conditions. The amount of legislation short of the com plete transfer of the property of the capitalist class the power it holds, and of which "merchantdom" stands in

George A. Bond was elected chairman of the temporary organization. Your correspondent remembers attending a meeting two years ago at which an attempt was made to organize a "single-line-merchants" associa tion and fight the department store. Mr. Bond said that evening that if the association attended properly to its work, there was no reason why there should not be twenty-five times as many retail stores in Kansas City as there were to give additional employment to labor!!! Same old story, always for the benefit of the poor laborer. Just as if there were not already too many non-producers living on those who support society. live long enough to arrange their own funeral. Mr. Bond is also a manufacturer and wholesaler of shoes, but we would not like to accuse him of any ulterior designs in assuming command

of the retailer's organization.



the world's calendar and we are called fallen before the musket fire of the upon, in the name of our capitalist society, to rejoice for the blessings which life affords. We are told that this is the era of "peace on earth, expect all these to take part in our good will to men." We are called Christmas cheer? Those who have upon to take part in the joys of the feasts of Santa Claus. It is at this bread, those whose life is gotten at eason of the year that we are expected to hold no harsh feetings toward any ditions we could not do these things derneath. and do them honestly, and a society like ours, with all its misery and all his hardship, existing side by side with have outgrown and for which they luxury and ease cannot preach love have no further use. Some with a save as a hypocrite would preach it. blare of trumpets announce on the a farce made more farcial by the the fact that THEY will give to the thought of the sores which it is ex- poor. pected to cover up. How can we expect the unemployed the homeless, poor? Why need we struggle and the destitute, the denizens of the slums, fight for bread when there is plenty

Christmas has once more come in watches af the bedside of him who has militia, a victim to the greed of capitalism, and every other robbed, degraded, vicious and immoral segment of our festering society, how can we been the fortunate in the struggle for the expense of all these others, stop in the struggles long enough to breath up again if they themselves would not go down and form a part of those un-

Some of them try to even up by distributing the things which And all our Christmas celebration is front pages of their hypocritical dailies

We would ask, why need there be and of the tenement houses, the cold for all? Why can we not work togethshivering forms on the street corners, er instead of working against each oth the fallen women, the old who have er? Why need it be necessary to have been cast aside in the struggle for life, such a tree as the one above? Why the children chained to the wheel of can we not have Socialism instead of toil, the workman with his starving capitalism? Why can we not have a wife and children and no hope of em- real peace instead of a shallow varn ployment, the anxious wife who ish?

HUMAN LIFE SACRIFICED

-For Proft.

nection with the recent explosion at ing, and the superintendent took mer the Imperial Electric Light Company's from other parts of the building and plant which tells a tale of capitalist ordered them into the coal bins. exploitation culminating in human. This act forced several men to quit sacrifice which is almost too horrible

ual tightening of the Iron rules of the ment of their plant. capitalist, is spread over a period of We will not quarrel with Mr. Win- and power and previous to the explosion their capacity had been taxed to such an extent that it was necessary keep pace with their demand.

Quite a number of firemen were em ployed who were divided into equads, each squad with a "coal passer," who kept coal within their reach

These men were members of the capitalists at the head of the concern letermined upon a cut in expenses. Their first step in this direction was the employment, as superintendent, of man who was noted for his ability as an "expense reducer." His first act was doing away with the coal passers. The firemen struck, but after some parley returned to work. The superintendent had hoped that this would be sufficient to compel them to quit in orhe began a systematic course of op-

Finally it became more than the men ould stand and they served notice on him of their intention to strike.

This was the time he had long been ooking for and he at once sent out for a sufficient number of negroes to take their places, when they should walk

ous closets and other places around the building and they were put to work immediately after the strike had een instituted.

The negroes, however, were unable to keep a sufficient quantity of steam

Facts have just come to light in con- | up during the busy hour in the even-

whose places were filled at once with cheaper men. It was about this time The work of oppression, of the grad- that the company began the enlarge-

The engine was fully completed but nearly two years. The Imperial Elec- it was not put in operation. As a conof the down-town district with light far beyond its capacity. As an attache of the company bluntly declared, "It was cheaper to strain the old engine than it was to employ a new force to

The fearful strain to which the engine was put was shown at the rush hour in the evening when a strange clicking sound notified those working around it that there was something

Upon the night of the explosion, the man who lost his life as a result of the criminal greed for profits, had been summoned from another part of th building to help out during the rush hour. The steam was run up to the abnormal height which they had been using for sometime and at once this licking noise began. The young man climbed on top of the engine in an effort to locate the trouble when the steam pipes, which could no longer bear the awful strain, burst with a terrible noise, threw the unfortunate der that their places might be filled man against the wall, killing him inwith cheaper men, and from then on stantly. Several other men, who were standing near the pipe, were frightfully burned and scalded.

> The truth was never allowed to get into the daily press and the matter was hushed up. This horrible occurrence is simply

age in the annals of capitalism which abounds with thousands of other such crimes. The owners of this plant were ent only on amassing profits out of the labor of the unfortunate workmen who were compelled, through the fear of want, to work there.

It shows what contempt for the lives of the working class is held by the cap italist class. It shows a state of an

(Continued on Fourth Page.)

WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP

The daily papers of Dec. 12 contained | working class, we the following dispatch from San Juan,

Porto Rico: Santiago Iglesias, president of the Federation of Workmen of Porto Rico, together with nine companions, were tried in the district court of San Juan yesterday on a charge of conspiracy. Today Iglesias was sentenced to three years, four months and eight days imprisonment. Seven of his companions were sentenced to four months imprisonment, while two were acquitted of the charge of being founders of an illegal association and conspiracy in August 1900 to RAISE THE PRICE OF LABOR IN PORTO RICO. The local Federation of Workmen, of Porto Rico. which is now part of the American Federation of Labor under the presidency of Gompers, HAS BEEN OR-DERED DISSOLVED, as it has been adjudged illegal because of this con-

other words to increase wages; this is openly declared to be the charge upon through the elected represe which Comrade Iglesias and his companions were sentenced to imprison- tion of labor, that such this ment.

Workingmen, Porto Rico is American soil and is under American control. can soil and is that is the convict members of resolutions, if they expect the the working class of that island for ist class government, which is a CONSPIRACY TO RAISE WAGES it of these atrocities, to reverse to possible here. The capitalist class cisions at their mere "petition"? of Porto Rico are of the same stripe dó not themselves rid our as the capitalist class of this country, ment of this capitalist rule. not one white better and not one whit election of their own effects,

They would both stoop to anything breaking up of the Porto Rice to keep the working class in subjection eration of Workmen will be for it is only by their subjection that stepping stone to similar action for it is only by their subjection that they will be able to continue their profit system. This imprisonment of a working man, struggling with his fellows for a betterment of his conditions is equalled only by the power of the injunction in this country. The working class may power with power, and the some acpitalist and the working class may power with power, and the some pitted against each other in the injunction in this country. The main difference between them lies in pation be achieved. the cause given for the imprisonment. In America the injunction is issued ostensibly against "riotous strikers," while in Porto Rico they boldly show their hand and give the true reason, a conspiracy to raise wages."

It is this raise in wages which is the greatest fear of the capitalist class for they understand that a raise in wages means a cut in profits, a thing which the capitalist class at once contrues as a violation of law and order.

If such things as this can be done in America with impunity if there is no opposition on the part of the working lass what has become of their boasted reedom? Of what value is their Declaration of Independence?

The czar of Russia with all his unimited power could not exercise any nore tyranical rule than does the capitalist class of America. What more murderous weapons could be used than he standing army, the militia, the injunction, the policemen's clubs, and this outrageous action in Porto Rico?

We boast of a liberty which does not xist, we pride ourselves on a freedom which has become only a freedom to serve our masters and suffer insult and hunger if we refuse. If we can point to any country and single out their most atroclous crimes against the

own land and find its or The capitalist class has not confined itself to onment of men in this

raise the price of labor." their courts, they have to the Federation of Works Island shall be disbanded. ation of Workmen of Porto branch of the American Pe Labor. We would ask the n the A. F. of L. how long wa before your organization is on banded? If it can be done a Rico it can be done here. is part of America and is govern American institution

It will depend, union me yourselves; if your actions are if the A. F. of L. will at once that Iglesias be set at liberty. defy the courts of Porto Rico a attempts to break up the trade dracy."
"To raise the price of labor." In of that Island, if they carry is test to the ballot box and the placed representations of the placed representations of the placed representations. a class conscious political on tion of labor, that such thing stop, we may rest assured by protest will be effective

But if they content them imprisonment of Iglesias

workingmen, we have notice gain by delay. Our condition not be much worse off than it methoday and it needs simply the mination to end the entire and system, which is kept up by sain ures as this one practiced in Rico, to usher in a system re-worker will receive the full rea his labor, and his liberty will be attained. It rests with us, if we to act, we stand the consumer the capitalist class are perfectly tent that this system shall continue. it is through this system that prosper, and we cannot expect they will hand down to us the liwe are either too cowadrly of indifferent to demand.

THE FACTORY WHISTLE

Across the flats, at dawn, the mi screams;

ts bulk blots the low sun. A of truth!

wake from night's swift and of dreams And hear that hourse throat dans

for my youth. -John McIntyre, in McClured

LABOR IN JAPAN.

The Japanese consul general, in working them like gailer same writing on the conditions of labor in ternational capitalism is as n Japan, in the Consular Reports for De- and criminal in one country at cember, says: "Children under 10 Other. The capitalists of China, of America, and of every years, even of scarcely six or five try of Europe are alike in the years of age, are largely employed in tions of labor. Their existence factories, and men are generally made pendent entirely upon what to work for injuriously excessive long able to wring from the labor hours, while women have to work for working class and every the same periods to which the men are which is made by them, must be subjected, and, like them, they have at the still further expense d to work in the night time to exaggeration to say that 14, 16 and in 18 hours' a day are often worked in fastories."

He declares further that the "Tokyo Tramway Co., which pays a dividend of from 30 to 40 per cent, pays its laborers \$5 to \$6 a month and works them from 14 to 17 hours a day." "No provision is made," he says, "for suitable ventilation and lung disease are very common among the employee while the arrangements are such that in case of fire, escape would be almost impossible."

He also comments upon the fact that apanese papers are, editorially, taking action against the Socialist movement of that country by attempting to argue that Socialism is not needed.

In this article we see the internaonal scope of capitalism and we see the international agitation of its dead-

ly enemy, Socialism. The capitalist class of Japan are as

nscious of their interests as the capitalist class of Europe or America They understand the source of their profits, they understand that dividends come out of the toil of the working class, and they understand that a increased dividends come, only with the driving of the workers. They understand that in order for them to reap increased profits the workmen whom they have employed must work longer hours and at lower wages. They know also that the labor of babies and chil-dren is cheaper than the labor of grown men. Thus we see them employing bables in the factories, grinding their little lives throughout 18 hours of the day, in order that they may have profits. Thus we see them employing laborers on the Tokyo street railways at \$5 and \$6 a month and ing less will satisfy.

Every power of gove every country of the world is further their interests and it is through the powers of govern that they are able to cont existence

From this article we see that the ialist movement is as in its scope as tional ternational capitalism. is the force in our capitals ciety which is organizing the of the world into a class const litical army, for the purpose of ing upon the citadel of capitaling powers of government, and care them in the interest of the class. Socialism has made its ance in Japan where it has always reached the stage that brings of tacks from the capitalist press owners readily understand the mass of a complete working class risk who realize that with the inaugust ance in Japan where it has a of Socialism their power to exact its from the labor to the others will at an end. We may rest assured the Socialists of Japan will deal the capitalist class of their cou as firm and effective a manner s Socialists the world over are des countries. The working class of its will grow to learn the object of Socialist movement and when learned, capitalism in that count be at an end. The Socialists d world are not striving for " they realize that capitalism is insible of reformation, they aim at a ing short of revolution. P possible, forceful if neces

They would have every works ceive the full product of his nothing more is demanded and

ARNEGIE'S NEW SOCIALISM.

-Born of Oppression.

in article in which they de-Andrew Carnegie as being the of a NEW SORT OF SOCIALd the sort is of such new order is worth commenting upon. The is the greater portion of the The capitalized words are the

ew Carnegie, the great iron BENEFICENCE has d the world within the past de the founder of a NEW SORT OCIALISM which will leave its in which he lived ST. He is a plain, matter-of-ENTLEMAN who ROSE in the by SHEER ABILITY, and millions while he RAISED N CLASS OF OLD-TIME IRON KERS TO POSITIONS OF ARIS-ATS IN THE WORLD OF

GAVE MORE THAN HE TOOK gave liberally TO THE MEN MADE THEIR MILLIONS AS AS HIS OWN. -

recent years Mr. Carnegie has used of being a socialist. His ent distribution of the wealth mulated has marked him as the nt of a new era. Economists labored in valu to classify him e has cluded the microscopic exn of the politician and econo-

hen Mr. Carnegie was DEST MILLIONAIRE he aned his opinion that no man ought with immense wealth bound up deeds and trust bonds. He explained WHY he held such a POSSIBLY it was because he the PRODUCTS OF THE TH BELONG TO THE HAND PRODUCES, and that the great which are being accumulated RUST FUNDS FOR THE PEO-WHO CONTRIBUTED THEIR in forming the glant heritages,

Carnegie's actions have been equent than his expressed opin-Retiring from the Carnegie Steel th a PRINCELY FORTUNE, he flately set himself to the more st task of distributing the wealth ACCUMULATED, as best befitted whom he marked as his benees. In this work he has acknowlno kith, no kin. The world has to him a vast BROTHERHOOD, lly deserving his friendly help. Scottish lad on the banks of Loch ond was as dear to him as the S WHO SPLASHED ABOUT ON BANKS OF THE MONONGA-A. Each are today SHARING the of the GENEROUS RT, which helped, more than any to make Pittsburg famed as a

this work Mr. Carnegie is UN-SCIOUSLY the exponent of a It is socialism SOCIALISM. BED by the bit of COMMON Books and scholarships-EDERS OF OPPORTUNITY—are ments more priceless to the of today than millions will be

world a score of years hence.

d Carnegie, through his "benefi has founded a "new sort of so which is destined to make its rk" in the present age. Truly, a man is Carnegie. "Beneficence" an well aftord to be beneficent, it cheapest way he could have de d of obtaining the plaudits of cap-He has more than he can use and the world calls him

at which to him is useless o entirely new tent 'tis the socialism is nothing but justice working class from the real

ent for getting rid of a portion

it is to make its "mark" it will be as one of the stumbling blocks a across the path of the advancarmy of the world's liberators. of the organizer the is not a "technical socialist" only the next term.

e can never attend.

Geman." Translated, he is not talist who alone are known as ntlemen" under the existing order.
ad he "rose" by "sheer ability." then have been complete.

and in the exercise of this "ability" a class of old-time iron workers tions of aristocrats in the world Possibly Homestead, with are requested to join. Pinkertons, its standing army, its ved and hungry women and chilits murdered workmen and its rnage, was one of the stepping s in this noble work. Possibly it through his efforts that these "oldon workers" were induced to against his efforts to wring more from their labor. Possibly it at his instance that they organized s unions and forced him to

Pittsburg Press recently con- sel on their tongue. A laboring aristocrat, as if it were not labor alone which entitled anyone to be an aristo-

And he "gave more than he took" to the "men who made their millions as well as his own." By what right should he have taken any if he did not make any, and why should those who made their millions as well as his own" be compelled to receive any of it at his hands as a gift? By what power did he become possessed of that which was made, and which rightfully belonged to others? As a "modest mil-Honaire" he declared that no man should die rich. He did not say "why." thiy because his efforts to "raise perio is not a TECHNICAL SO- the old-time iron workers" were haunting him. "Possibly" because he thought the "products of the earth belong to the hand that produces," Pos isbly, and possibly not. Suffice it to say that the "producers" themselves STEEL WORKER FROM THE will think in this fashion some day and when that day comes Carnegie will certainly be relieved of the arduous duties of "raising the iron workers," Nor will he be allowed to administer in "trust" that which has been pro duced, but the producers will see to the proper administration of their own products. Neither will he have any more "princely fortune" which he has accumulated"-not earned.

In the disposal of his fund he has re garded the world as a "brotherhood" and well he might. He can afford to regard those as "brothers" who, while they have produced the wealth of the rid, have allowed him to "accumu late" a "princely fortune."

And his love for the "boys who splashed about on the banks of the Monongahela" was an endearing love indeed, a love born of the knowledge that he was using their young lives as the means of accumulating his fortune His "generous heart" which spoke so loudly at Homestead has indeed "done more than any other to make Pitts burg famed as a city of workers

Of workers whose lives are spent before the hellish fires of his furnace and whose toll and misery is expressed in his ease and luxury.

"Unconsciously"he is working out his "new socialism," "curbed by the bit of commen sense."

Carnegie's only "unconsciousness" exists when he draws his profits from the toll of his wage slaves. He is "unconscious" because it pays.

His socialism is "curbed with comnon sense," because its exercise does not hinder the taking of profit and anything that interferes with profits at once receives the condemnation of capitaism and a man is endowed with "common sense" in the eyes of capitalism only when he leaves profits alone.

Carnegie's "new sort of socialism" is also praised because its exercise results in "breeders of opportunity." We will say that if such an "opportun ity" is the one which Carnegie grasped, important question today from the we will point to the half-naked men slaving before his furnaces and declare that if such is the result of Carnegie's socialism," if such will be the result of Carnegie's schools and his libraries, it would be better if they were consigned to the flames as fast as they are built for they can bring nothing but misery to the workers, whose lives are the price of luxury of those who have grasped such "opportunities."

Tailors' Union Elects Officers

The Journeymen Tailors' Union, Local No. 11, held its half-yearly meeting and election of officers at Druid's Hall last Monday night. The organizer, Comrade Leonhard Stoll, who through sickness was compelled to abandon his agitation and organizaabandon his aglation and a special series and a special series and a special series and a special series and series are series and series and series and series and series and series and series are series and series and series and series are series and series and series are series and series and series are series and series are series and series and series are series and series are series and series and series are series and s opposite of Socialism. It is alms ors throughout Missouri were in a well and to the capitalist class at organized shape, and more members it is charity pure and simple, coming in every meeting. Those who do not as yet belong to the organizacalled socialism by the capitalist tion were beginning to see more every in order to detract the attention day that it was to their benefit to join their trades union. The progress of m, which means more than li- the union in St. Louis was never so ies which we never see and schools good as at the present. They are stronger now than ever before and are getting things ready for the future. The union was well pleased with the progress made and put it to the credit of the organizer who was re-elected for

After considerable routine busine orking man and his interests are the election of officers took place with of workingmen, he is merely the following result: President, M. A. Anderson; vice president, Joe Abel; financial secretary, Hy Werdes; treasurer, J. Kolar; corresponding secrenately they do not say by what tary and business agent, Leonhard of ability. They might as well Stoll; steward, A. Nyka; delegates to added "to grind profits out of Central Trades and Labor Union, M. labor of others." Their eulogy" J. Wuest, Joe. Abel. Hy Werdes and lid then be the control of the control L. Stoll; delegates to St. Louis Label League, Math. Petrich and L. Stoll; "raised the steel worker from the delegate to Protectice Union, Hy Werdes. Union meets every first and third Monday at Druid's Hall. All tailors

LEONARD STOLL. Secretary and Business Agent.

CRIME

Lacassagne, the noted French criminologist, says: "The social environment is the cultivation medium of criminality; the criminal is the microbe, an element which only becomes important when it finds the medium which causes it to ferment: EVERY SOCIETY HAS THE CRIMINALS lists love to roll this dainty morWorker.

Bakers' Union. An Appeal. ber 1, 1901.

Greeting: The McKinney Bread Company of St. Louis is still on the unfair list.

More than twelve months have past, since the manager of the above named concern called all the members of our Local Union No. 15, of St. Louis, at the time working for the firm, into his office and demanded that each one must withdraw immediately from the Union, and in his presence tear up his membership book and to further agree not to belong to a tabor organization as long as they may work for

the McKinney Bread Company. When every wan answered in the negative the manager discharged them.

The members of the Union left the office of the McKinney Bread Company and all reported at the office of Bakers' Union No. 15.

Committees were appointed by the Local and the Central Trades and Labor Union of St. Louis, Mo., to interview the manager of the McKinney Bread Company on the matter with a view to unionize the plant.

Every committee met with a flat refusal, and finding that this company refused to make a satisfactory tlement with our Local or with the Central Trades and Labor Union, the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor was appealed to

The latter body investigated our grievance, used every honorable means to get the McKinney Bread Company employ members of our Interna not listen and again refused. The Executive Council then decided to put this firm on the unfair list.

The McKinney Bread Company is shipping its bread and cakes all over the state of Missouri, over Illinois and partly over adjoining states, and to-

day is boasting that in spite of the eyeott, and being on the unfair list of the A. F. of L., they do just as much if not more business than before; if this be true, then union men and en are not doing their duty.

The average condition of the journeyman baker today is such that a bring labor and capital into closer rechange for the better becomes an ur- lations of confidence and reliance than rangement which he hopes to bring gent necessity. Our St. Louis brethren are doing their utmost to win this fight: their membership has been tripled since this fight is on, but we recognize that we need your help; the bring about a speedy settlement in our favor. We shall not rest; we must

We do not ask you financial support but your moral help, to which we are plished in this country. I would want entitled. Do not patronize stores ho- no greater monument than to have tels, restaurants, boarding houses or any branch stores in which the goods thing to end wars between American of the McKinney Bread Company are labor and American capital." for sale.

Whenever you buy bread see that this label is attached to the loaf, and when purchasing cakes or crackers, demand that this label is on the box, package or barrel. By doing this we will soon have our label, which stands for short hours of labor, reasonable pay and fair treatment, on the mar-

Women and children especially are requested to kindly favor us by demanding the union label on all bakery disputes," so long as the two interests goods. Refuse to buy or handle goods made by the McKinney Bread Co. of til one or the other is destroyed. St. Louis, Mo. Fraternally yours, Journeymen Bakers' and Confectioners' International Union of America.

The above appeal made by the Jourymen Bakers' and Confectioners' tional Union, but this concern would International Union has been approved by the officers of the A.F. of L., and is favorably commended to our fellow unionists throughout the country. Fraternally yours

SAMUEL GOMPERS, Pres. American Federation of Labor. FRANK MORRISON Secretary.

THE A. F. OF L. CONVENTION.

_lts Accomplishments.

met and adjourned.

A great many points with reference to the welfare of the economically orcanized workers were discussed and final action taken on them.

It is regretful to state, however, that upon the two most important questions which came before the convention, their decision was not as emphatic as it should have been. But it is not in the nature of things that they could be expected to see the full consequences of these questions which will surely be worked out as they should be when the proper time arrives. The question of 'trade autonomy," the most standpoint of the trades unionist was very unsatisfactorily settled. The convention did not declare emphatically either one way or the other, but its actions resulted in a victory for both sides which is no victory at all. The question of "trade autonomy" brought up the question of organization along industrial lines as distinguished from trade organizations.

The recent development of trusts has made it necessary, for an effectual organization, that every man at work in a given industry should be organized, and come under the jurisdiction of a united organization comprising all the striking example of this sort of organization is the United Brewery Workers Union, which takes in every man employed around the breweries. The fight was brought up in a contest between the Steam Engineers Union and the Brewers' Union. The former ob-

where there is an engineers' union organized. It practically robs the indus-some capitalist will give them a job.

The largest convention of the Amer-trial organization of the force which lean Federation of Labor ever held has it would otherwise have and places the M. Arthur. brewery engineers in a position where they must fight their battles practically alone.

The other question was the all over

shadewing one of Socialism. Their resolution upon this subject acknowledged the justness of the aims of the Socialist movement, and declared them to be the same as the aims of the trades union movement, but it further declared that it was not possible to advise their members to vote the Socialist ticket. They are not yet thoroughly imbued with the class conscious nature of the movement for the liberthe working class in the achievement who owned the coal railroads and the terms, will be reinforced by the lesson of this emancipation. The powers of government, within the reach of the working class, are a necessity to the complete emancipation of the workers. If, as the A. F. of L. convention declared, the aim of the organization of the working class was procuring to the workers the full product of their labor, how, we would ask, can this aim be realized so long as capitalism lasts, how can we destroy capitalism unless we capture the fublic powers, and how can we capture the public powers for that purpose unless we unite for concerted action In the party pledged to the like determination—the Socialist workers in that industry. The most Party? While the action of the convention is not as complete as it might have been it is a long step forward and will result in good to trades unions

and to the Socialist movement alike. The final work of solidifying these two great movements is left for another convention.

A woman who runs a hospital in St. Louis "on faith" has lately come in The decision of the convention takes for a great deal of abuse at the hands away this jurisdiction from the Brew- of the capitalist press. Come to think ery Workers' Union in all places of it, it is "on faith" that the entire working class exists—on the faith that

TO THE CHILDREN

A LESSON.

written by J. Eads How, It will form People learned the power of steam, an instructive set of lessons and we they manufactured their clothing, and trust that they will be effective in interesting those for whose interest they So it was, that what we call civilizaare written:

You all remember Rip Van Winkle. You recollect what a long time he was apposed to have slept-and then wakchanged. Well! All of us sleep, too; but not so long as Rip Van Winkle did. So we do not always notice how people and things change. We do not sleep long enough for that.

If some of our ancestors who lived many, many years ago could only awake today, how much they would have to tell us. For they have slept a But if they may not awake and

speak with us they have left This preface is merely a hint as to many things behind, that speak how our civilization began. Next week to our heart, old relies and ni and stories. These tell us a great deal about their early lives and times. They tell us how they dwelt in caves and

learned to get food from the ground. They show us how these rude an- Commonwealth means, cestors started to build towns and elt-

The following is the first of a series ies, which gradually grew into nations articles of the children which will be and armies and inventions appeared. tion, in this way had its beginning.

Thus we learn from these old teach ers how our ancestors, as a wild peoas we look about us we can see how far ahead of these rough early men we ing have discovered everything now are. But we are pained to notice, we have as yet learned to work together in even our every day affairs; ones among ourselves.

for these things which will be the subject of what we write, and I trust that of every labor union to assist in mak-I will be able to make myself as plain as possible.

we shall see more plainly how defective it is yet; and will want to conmore beautiful, and so understand what brotherhood and the Co-operative

J. EADS HOW.

MARK HANNA AND LABOR.

"I would rather have the credit of as a saylor in order to make a stro making successful the movement to the steel strike, if his action in that be President of the United States. If, around, we can rest assured that the by resigning my seat in the United States Senate, I could bring to frustion the plans that we are now fosterassistance from you at this time will ing to make strikes, lockouts and great labor disputes impossible, I the result of his desire to continue the would gladly do so. I think it is the grandest thing that could be accomthe world remember that I did some

The above quotation from an interview with Mark Hanna appeared in the St. Louis Republic Monday.

And it is with pleasure that we note his noble offer of self-sacrifice. The work he has set out to accomplish is worthy the best efforts but even if Hanna were honest in his declarations we must repeat that he has started on an impossible task. Capital and labor can never be harmonized. There will always be "strikes, lockouts and labor exist. They will never disappear un-

But as to Hanna's honesty, does he really wish to accomplish what he claims for the interest of the working lass, or are his efforts not rather disected toward the benefit of the capi- labor can no more be harmonized than talist class which he can only accomplish by deceiving the workers.

From the article in the Republic it other, as water sinks below oil. would seem that Hanna is now in New York attending a conference of capitalists and "labor leaders" where he hopes to make known his wonderful remedy.

This conference it is announced will be composed of such men as Charles M. Schwab of the United States Steel Corporation S. R. Callaway of the New York Central Railroad, Abram S. Hewtit, Archbishop Ireland, Bishop Potter, Samuel Gompers John Mitchell and P.

As to the personnel of the committee and the good which can come from such a conference we will leave its consideration to the lively and take up Hanna in detail.

In the first place Hanna declares with much pride that he settled the great coal and steel strikes. May be he did, but how much did the miners fish desire of a capitalist and a poliand the steel workers gain by the "settlement"?

The coal miners' strike, as is well ignominious. known, occurred during the heat of the last presidential campaign, and realizing that such a controversy could learn the lesson which such attempts ation of the working class. They have not but injure the chances of his can-not yet grasped the necessity for the didate Hanna as he declared, ended the strike by "making the capitalists coal companies see that it was to their

on strike; his sole desire was to pass and at the BALLOT BOX.

case is a sample of the amicable aris but little to be expected on the part part of the working class.

Hanna's anxiety in the present case his desire to bring about a "friendly relation between labor and capital," is power of the capitalist class, which he knows cannot be done unless somothing is done in the "friendly relation" direction; that is unless they hoodwink the working class into the continued belief that their interests are identical with the interests of cap ital. Unfortunately for the immediate well being of the workers they listen too readily to such deception, and their old conditions of dependence and slavery are constantly growing worse notwithstanding the fact that the capitalist class has sung this old "friendly relation" song until it is toreadbare

Fortunately for their ultimate interests, however, the formation of trusts and combinations of capital, and the invention of labor saving machinery, which is constantly taking the place of the workers, is fast removing this falsehood and the class struggle is standing forth ever more clearly as the only basis upon which the working class can hope to achieve their liberty. The interests of capital and oil and water, and in a contest be tween them one must sink below the

So long as these conflicting interests continue the struggle between capital and labor will continue.

The very working of capitalism, however, is constantly building up the force which will one day destroy it. Industrial development, while it is constantly reducing the number of the capitalist class, is correspondingly increasing the working class. Every small business man becomes a wage earner as fast as industrial development prevents him from longer continuing as a capitalist and with that accomplished his interests are no longer those of an employer of labor, but of the laborer himself. Mark Hanna's efforts in this direction cannot but end in dismal failure, as they would were he imbued with the highest moral purpose, instead of the seltician. But as this is his desire, his failure will not only be complete but

It will not have been in vain, however, if the working class will but teach.

The first lesson, that labor and capi tal CANNOT be brought to "friendly" that the working class CANNOT look interest to meet the men and talk it for ald from any member of the cap-over." italist class, but must depend upon He had no consideration for the men their own power exerted in the SHOP

FOR A BIG DEMONSTRATION

St. Louis on the occasion of the meeting of the National Committee of the Socialist Party. Music Hall has been secured and nothing will be left undone which well insure the success of the demonstration. The joint committee of the Central Trades and Labor Union and the Socialist Party met at the office of Missouri Socialist Monday evening and drew up a communication which wil be sent to every union in made what it should be. It is expectthe city asking for the appointment of ed that arrangements can be made so a committee to make the final arrange-

Mr. Charles Roloff of the C. T. and mittee and M. Ballard Dunn of the Socialist Party, chairman. The following s the communication:

Dear Sir and Brother: The undersigned joint committee, representing the Central Trades and Labor Union and the Socialist Party, desires to secure the co-operation of your union in arranging for a big mass meeting which is to be held on January 25, 1902, in Music Hall. The occasion is ple, gradually became intelligent. And the meeting of the National Committee of the Socialist Party. Representatives of almost every state in the Union will be present, and the meeting as we come to look closer-how little will be addressed by many of the most prominent labor agitators in the country. As this is a rare opportunity for and how untruthful, as a people we the workingmen of St. Louis to hear are, to be less bright, and less active the interests of labor discussed by men who have given their lives to the study It is a consideration of the reason and advancement of the interests of ing the meeting a complete success. We ask each union to appoint a committee This preface is merely a hint as to of three to act in conjunction with this committee in its work. The first meet ing of the committee will be held at Aschenbroedel Hall, 604 Market street. sider how we may make it finer and Monday evening, December 30, 8 p. m. The secretary of this committee should

he notified of the names and addresses

of committeemen elected by your un-

ion. Trusting that you will grant this

Work has begun in earnest on the request, thus helping to make the ogdemonstration which will be held in casion a memorable one in the St Louis labor movement, we are Yours fraternally

J. HOPPENJON. J. J. MASEK, CHAS. ROLOFF Committee of C. T. and L. U. M. BALLARD DUNN, A. BLAETTLER

R. VAL. PUTNAM,

Committee of the Socialist Party. It is hoped that the unions will take prompt action, for there is no time to be lost if the demonstration is to be as to have Comrade Ben Tillett of England reach St. Louis at that time and take part in the demonstration.

Comrade Tillett, who is a member L. U. was elected secretary of the com- of the I. L. P. of England, was a fraternal delegate from that country to the recent A. F. of L convention, and every union man in the city should attend the meeting, he will regret his failure to do so.



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vote on the amendments to the state constitution immediately. St. Joseph Club reports two new members this week, and Cape Girar-deau Club reports five. Webb City

Comrade Walter Thomas Mills will ak at Kansas City on January 4th, and possibly on the 5th also.

adds three to the roll.

The Socialist Club of Springfield, Mo., meets at 938 Boonville street every Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. All our springfield readers are invited to

A directory of all the Socialist Clubs of Missouri will be run in these columps soon. Secretaries are requested to notify us of time and place of meet.

Take up the state organization fund and push it. St. Louis Socialist Club has started its campaign fund and will donate one-fourth of all money received to the state fund. With a little money the state committee can do

IN ST. LOUIS.

The following nominations been made for the various offices now to be filled. For editor Missouri Soctalist, M. Ballard Dunn; for bu manager Missouri Socialist, T. M. Putnam, A. J. Lawrence; for secretary of the party, J. F. Hinchliffe, E. Val Putnam; for treasurer of the party, L. E. Hildebrand. Comrades Dunn and Putnam were nominated for secretary and treasurer respectively, both of whom have declined to accept the nomination.

The general outlook for the movement in St. Louis is very bright just at this time and the next few months will see the movement in St. Louis go forward with giant strides. The comrades are all very enthusiastic and are getting down to genulnely hard work. Before the next election the entire city will be in such a position that we can take a complete poll of all voters in it and determine the number of votes that will be cast for socialism. The comrades are already at work on the campaign fund and we hope in a little while to begin publishing the contributions. Nearly every comrade has determined to bring in \$5 and there is iderable rivalry for the honor of has brought out. bringing in the first list.

The First Ward Club held a very ful meeting at 4828 North Broadway Thursday evening and admitted several new members. This club is on the high road to success and its members have determined that no stone shall be left unturned until it is

The date has not yet been set for the Second Ward meeting but it is understood that arrangements have almost been completed. The Second Ward when once organized, will soon become one of the best clubs in the city. The comrades there have the determination to work and there is a good field to exercise their faculties.

The Sixth Ward meetings are still being regularly held at 1022 Chouteau avenue and every Socialist in that ward should turn out at their meetings which are held every Tuesday ev-

The Eighth Ward Club held a rousting at Dewey Hall on Tu evening. December 10, and eight new members were added to the rolls. Comrade Greenbaum spoke. This ward has set out to accomplish somthing and there is no doubt of their success. The new comrades are all young men fired with the enthusiasm of new converts, and we may expect to hear from the Eigth Ward Club before long. The Seventh, Eighth and Ninth wards are now meeting together, but we are as sured that separate organizations will be launched in short while.

The Tenth Ward Club wants every one in that ward to attend their next in those wards will write Comrade agitation meeting, which will be held at South West Turn Hall, Olive and Potomac streets Sunday afternoon, De-cember 29. Comrade Hoehn will speak and every Socialist in the ward should be on hand if he has any interest in the movement whatever.

The future of the Socialist movement in St. Louis will be either dark or bright, as our comrades make it, and Greenbaum to speak, and possibly we we should all determine to do our ut-

The Eleventh ward comrades are preparing for their organization meeting, which will be held in a few weeks, and which promises to be a good one: Comrade Brandt has returned from the A. F. of L. convention and is in fine shape to put his shoulder to the wheel and help on the work of organization. which at this time is the most important work before the Socialists of St. Louis. Our campaign will take place in only eleven months and we cannot

Clubs are requested to send in their the first of these and every Socialist in the on the amendments to the state the ward should watch for the announcement of the meeting and be on hand to swell the number.

> The Twelfth ward must also fall in line, and the comrades of that ward can expect to be called on in a scort time to "hustle up." Every one must get to work, and we must get out into the highways and byways in order to bring in the "heathen." This is the age of "hustlers" and we must have them in the Socialist movement as well as everywhere else. We, therefore, have a standing "Want," all hustlers can be

The Sixteenth ward has set to work in earnest to build up their club as it should be. For some time this club has had a weight hanging over it in the shape of a few Socialists who imagined it to be a sin to bring anyone into the ward club unless he was already a "clear-cut, class-conscious, sci-ontific, well-defined Socialist." There was no allowance made for the fact that but very few people are born with a copy of Marx's Capital in their hands. Happily this weight is lifted and we may rest easy in the knowledge that our comrades in that ward will soon have a flourishing club. In our criticism of these "well-defined" Socialists we do not cast reflections upon either Socialism, but we do believe that it is kind of lubricant used in oiling it. We a very superficial knowledge of the must appeal to the working class masubject which will lead anyone to imagine that human beings can be perfect, even though they may have read also lead them to insist that every new convert shall be a thorough Marxian before he shall be admitted as a member. Such tactics as those may be fit for a sect or a lodge, but a political party which has set out to capture the block and a precinct organizer for each public powers in the interest of the working class, can hardly hope for success if organized upon such lines. We extend our Sixteenth ward-comrades our hearty congratulations, believing that their action will always be thoroughly clas-conscious, and also be lieving that they will have the good eense to know that the class-conscious conception of society is a difficult idea to grasp by the wage worker who. throughout generations, has known nothing but oppression, whose mind has received no education save that which our vicious capitalist society

The Seventeenth ward member have shown no let up in their work and new hustlers are getting to work every day. Plans for their representative committee are already well advanced, and a good campaign will be made for the election of a State representative at the next fall's election. The district is a small one and our best ward clubs are situated there. They have a system of canvassing their precincts which puts them in touch every voter in the district, and the capitalist parties will have no mean foe to deal with in the coming election. If every Socialist in the district will join the clubs of the Seventeenth. Eighteenth and Second wards the present working force will be glad to make use of their energies.

The Eighteenth Ward Club held a rousing meeting at their hall. Fourteenth and Benton streets, Tuesday evening, and took in quite a number of new members. Comrades Dunn and Hoehn spoke and their remarks were listened to with attention. The ward sday club has some of the most energetic members in the city and we may expect a good vote for Socialism from that ward next fall. The meeting Tuesday night was the second agitation meeting held by them since they were organized, a little over two months ago.

> We have received no report, as yet, of the organization of the Nineteenth. Twentieth or Twenty-first wards, but Comrade A. J. Lawrence and his brother are keeping the matter in tow and we are constantly expecting to hear of their launching. If every Socialist A. J. Lawrence at Twentieth and North Market streets, Winkleman's Hall, it will greatly aid in the work.

> The Twenty-fourth ward is preparing for their agitation meeting on January 7, and expect to have out a good crowd. They have gotten out dodgers and are hard at work. An effort will be made to get Comrade will be able to spare Comrade Brandt. The meeting will be held in Gross' Hall, Morganford Road and Juniata street, TUESDAY EVENING, JAN-UARY 7.

The Twenty-sixth ward hasn't been heard from, with anything startling, for some time. It is to be hoped that they will soon be able to a range for monthly agitation meetings under the plan now followed by the various clubs throughout the city.

Comrade Kaemmerrer of the Twen rest until every ward in the city is or-ty-seventh Ward Club reported, at the ganized. The Eleventh ward is one of last meeting of the City Central Com-

mittee, that the comrades of that ward were getting down to real work. Their plans for organizing another club in their ward are being perfected and we may expect soon to have another organiser from the Twenty-coventh ward attending the City Central Committee meetings, representing the wishes of the comrades in the new club.

We have received a complementary ticket to the coming concert of Typo-graphia No. 3, which is to take place at Concordia Turn Hall, Thirteenth and Arsenal streets, Sunday evening, January 26. The entertainment promises to be a good one and every man should try to be on hand and swell their crowd.

Organization Notes.

A. J. Lawrence.

Organization along systematic lines peing absolutely necessary for the ac complishment of the purpose for which the Socialist Party is organized, it would be well to consider the lines upon which this huge implement may be constructed in order to offset the organizations now existing among the various capitalist political parties. By studying their methods of organization we find them intrenched with a central body for the city congressional committees, state representa tive and state senatorial district com mittees, word committeemen, precinct committeemen and in many instances blockmen, each body and person having a separate and distinct duty to perform. The lubricating fluid used to oil these implements are of a nature which Marx or his exposition of scientific So- needs no comment. "It now rests with cialism, which is regarded as the very the Socialists to build an implement of best and most complete of all works on a like nature with the exception of the terial interests as a class and rely upon their faithfulness to the cause as the lubricant to be used. We must build Marx in the original, and which will from the bottom instead of from the top as in the case of the capitalist parties. The word club being the unit of organization it should formulate and execute plans which will provide before next election a blockman for each precinct. The various ward clubs in the congressional, state, senatorial and state representative districts should unite in forming committees for each district. As soon as practical the committees should get down to work and be prepared at the next election to withstand the waves of "patriotism" (?) stirred up by the capitalist politicians for the purpose of confusing the Indianapolis convention. minds of the workers as to their true interests.

> The clubs located in the 4th state representative districts should select a district committee and get down to work with the view of victory at the election next November. Send some one to the city secretary for the wards lying in the district. Prospects are very good in this district.

> Now let us see all Socialists at their next club meeting. Your presence is needed. A unit is not much but add enough together and results will ap-Remember that new recruits like to be greeted by a good attendance. Comrades, do your duty.

> The 17th Ward Branch has appointed a committee of two to organize the 20th and 21st Wards. Comrades Chas. Krell, 1813A Loffin street, and J. E. Fitzpatrick, 2511 Benton, are to do the work. Socialist comrades in these wards would do well to communicate with comrades Krell and Fitzpatrick.

> Let us hear from the unorganized ards. Comrades send your name and address to the secretary, stating your desire to see your ward organized; when five names are secured in this manner you will be called together.

there be no let up. Let there be no lagging. The emancipation of the working class cannot be accomplished by slug-

National Committee.

The National Committee has Issued state charters to Utah and Maine

Local charters have been issued to Coyoto, Utah; Fallis, Okla.; Enid, Okla.; Pawnee, Okla.; Glenco, Okla.; New Ulm, Minn.; Wyoming, Minn.; Two Harbors, Minn.; Chico, Mont.; Norwood, Colo.; Goldfield, Colo.; Victor, Colo.; Globe, Ariz.; Winslow, Ariz.; Hot Springs, Ark.

Chas. H. Vall will speak at the following cities in Connecticut: Broad Brook, Dec. 18; Danbury, Dec. 19; New Haven, Dec. 20; Meriden, Dec. 31; New London, Dec. 22, and Derby, Dec. 23.

A. B. Edler, of Salt Lake City, has been elected National Committeeman from Utah.

Montana Socialists will hold state convention at Helena on New Years

Upon request of the District Council United States Garment Workers, St. Minn.; Nashna, N. H.; Acton, Burn-Louis, the National Secretary has conthe Schmitz & Schroeder Clothing Co.

The following report of the National Secretary for the month of November

Ward Club Directory.

IF YOU ARE A SOCIALIST YOU have no excuse for not joining the party. You deserve censure if you do not. Attend the next meeting of the branch in your ward and put in your application. dembers will take notice of the fact

that under the new city constitution they must attend at least once in every four meetings or be suspended.

STATE COMMITTEE meets every Sat-urday night at 2 N. 4th street. E. Val Putnam, Secretary-Treasurer.

CITY CENTRAL COMMITTEE meets every Monday evening at 2 N. 4th street, room 9. M. Ballard Dunn, Secretary.

SIXTH WARD CLUB (including 5th ward) meets every Tuesday evening at 1622 Chouteau avenue.

b. GHTH WARD CLUB (including wards 7 and 9) meets every Tuesday evening at Dewey Hall, 200 S. Broadway.

PENTH WARD CLUB meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of ev-ery month at Southwest Turn Hall Obio and Potomac streets. Wm. Leophardt, Secretary.

16TH WARD CLUB (including wards 14, 15 and 22) meets every Thursday even-ing at Smith's Hall, 21st and Franklin avenue.

17TH WARD CLUB (including 29th ward) meets every Wednesday, evening at Winkelman's Hall, 23d and North Mar-ket streets. ISTH WARD CLUB (including 2d ward) meets every Tuesday evening at Benton Hall, lath and Benton streets. J. H. Butterell, organizer.

24TH WARD CLUB meets every Tuesday evening at Gross' Hall, Morganford road and Juniata street.

26TH WARD CLUB (neluding 28th ward) meets every Thursday evening at 4014 Evans avenue.

TTH WARD CLUB meets e cry Thurs-day evening, 8 o'clock, at 2316 Gilmore avenue.

SOCIALIST WOMEN'S CLUB meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month. 2:30 p. m., at room 7, 22 N. 4th street.

HUMAN LIFE SACRIFICED.

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archy, and reveals anarchist assassins far worse than the miserable creature who took the life of President McKinley, who was in fact but the product of such conditions as these. This is not the only case of this sort but they are happening every day, and they will continue so long as the work ing class allow an irresponsible class in society to own and use the ownership of the tools of production for the accumulation of profits regardless of the loss of human life which make their profits possible.

shows the remarkable progress the Socialist movement has made since the

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 13.—Rec Nov. 1st, Balance on hand	SELECTION OF THE PARTY.
Received for dues, donations	P= 23
and supplies:	
Alabama	2.90
Arizona	.22
California	48.02
Colorado	8.97
Florida	1.95
Georgia	.40
Idaho	.60
Illinois	26.35
Indiana	12.95
Indian Territory	.90
Kansas	16.19
Louisiana	.35
Maine	2.80
Maryland	1.00
Massachusetts	.50
Michigan	
Minnesota	
Missouri	
Montana	
Nebraska	11.00
New Hampshire	2.60

New York 141.60

7.30

Okahoma

Oregon

South Dakota

Tennessee	1.
Texas	6.
Utah	- 3.
Virginia	2.1
Washington	10.
West Virginia	
Wisconsin	
Total	8644.
Rent National Headquarters	
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Incidental expenses	16.
Express charges	6.
Freight	2.
Office equipment	44.
Organization account Kansas	1.
Postage	
Printing	126.
Geo. J. Speyer account Spring-	
field N. E. C	10.
Stenographers' salaries	75.
Telegrams	6.
Chas. H. Vail account salary	. 97.
National Secretary	83.
Dues forwarded to State Com	12.
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Total\$644.10 State charters were issued to Connecticut, Michigan, North Dakota and Pennsylvania. Local charters were issued to Blockton, Alabama; Amo, Independence, Colo.; Lakeland, Orlando, Fla.; Columbus, Cherokee, Concordia, Cherryvale, De Soto, Fort Scott, Galena, Garnett, Garfield, Mineral, Mc-Oswego, Parsons, Pittsburg, Whitelaw, Kan.; Lake Charles, New Orleans, La.; Biddeford, Me.; Baltimore, Md.; Clancey, Bozeman, Living-ston, Mont.; Granite Falls, St. Paul, ham Township, Etowah, Guthrie, Kingfisher, Okiahoma City, Stillwater, sented to act as arbitrator in a dis-puts between that organization and Okla; Sloux Falls, S. D.; Mount Pleasant, Logan, Murray, Sandy, Utah; New. bern, Va. LEON GREENBAUM. National Secretary.

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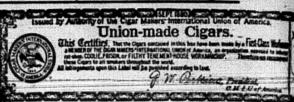
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THE SOCIAL EVIL

The Police Board of the City of St. Louis has called a public meeting of ["prominent citizens," "ministers" and "representatives of social and business organizations," to consult about the "Social Evil." The papers announce that the meeting will consider the following questions: First, "Is it advisable to remove the 'scarlet district' from the neighborhood of the Union Station?" Second, "In case it is, where should the unfortunate class making up this district be located?" So far the 'questions have been answered principally by Chief Kiely of the Police Department and by Rev. Father Coffey of St. John's Catholic church. As representatives of

the official and religious phazes of our society their answers are worth comment. Chief Kiely, in answer to the questions has declared: "I am certainly in favor of the removal of disreputable persons from the clare that if it is necessary district they now occupy, and shall advise the board if called upon. I am not prepared now to make public my for no one. opinion as to the best locality to which they should be removed and confined. IF I SHOUID INDICATE MY

MEETS, IT MIGHT BE CONSTRUED AS THE OFFICIAL OPINION OF THE BOARD, BY DESIGNING PER-SONS, WHO WOULD ENDEAVOR cial evil, because it is the TO REALIZE ON IT BY MANIPULA-TING REAL ESTATE DEALS IN THE LOCALITY MENTIONED.

And who, we would ask, are the "designing persons?" If investigation were made we would doubtless find some of the very "respectable clizen" who attended the meeting. It is just the spirit, voiced in this sentence, which condemns these unfortunates to their miserable existence. No woman ever accepted such a life from choice, it has been the hard struggle for life which has forced her into it. What can we expect from a society whose 'respectable citizen" capitalists employ women and girls at wages which will not allow them to live. It is these very men, the heads of our large department stores and factories who are loudest in their outery against the social evil. Chief Kiely looks upon the matter, not as a reasoning man who would not condemn any culprit until he had examined the cause of his wrong doing, but merely as an officer of the "law" whose "duty" it is to punish, in the name of society, those who were made by society itself.

Father Coffey's declarations on the subject are, however, the most blood urdling, the most brutal, the most immoral, and the effect only of a mind which considers morality as the special right of a class. He says:

"The only way to get tild! condition of affairs is to 'burnt district.' I believe to Board has tried to remedy the in and around the station; can you get rid of the stead you take the carcass out of the

borhood or destroy it? ''You cannor destroy it, it has been and always will be ''

A man who calls himself a 0 minister, and who will mits a declaration as that deserves to garded, as he really is, a real duct of our capitalist society is denizens of the "burnt distric" If the social evil cannot be then it serves a purpose in s is necessary. We will sat I Coffey to name its necessity. the Reverend Father himself "necessary." If he denies it is not necessary for him it is

But, the social evil is not a and the society of the future stroy it by destroying that FREFERENCE BEFORETHE BOARD makes it possible.

Every society has the crisical criminals which it deserves more. Society, today, deserves our society, it is but a refer horrible festering conditions wh horrible festering conditions that ist around us at all times. Or clety is based upon the idea of at the expense of the other dis-women of the "scarlet districtions to this subject class. The denied an opportunity to live man beings should live and are to live off the crime and the

It is one of the running sees a civilization, and we would call the tention of Father Coffey to the that changing the "district" has part of the city to another dos move it, and is still there, as I present location offends the the "Reverend" (?) Father, is those to whose neighborhood is removed. So long as our or society continues we may expect such meetings, discussing such tions, and so long as capit men like Father Coffey will social evil a "necessary evil only with the inauguration of ism that such conditions and s will disappear. When every woman is entirely inde ery other man and woman the be possible to live decent, and moral lives