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BURNETT DIVIDED UP BRIDGE SWAG

Member Conger Drags Assemblyman Doughty in as Having Been "Taken Care of."

MAKES DEFENSE TO BEGIN TODAY

Republican State Committee Mightily Glad to Get the \$5,000 When Funds Were Low.

ALBANY, Feb. 22.—Counsel for Senator Benn Conger, announced at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon that all the evidence they had in the Conger charge against Senator Johann P. Alden had been presented to the state senate.

At 10:30 tomorrow morning Martin W. Littleton, of counsel for the accused Senator, will open the defense. He is going to put on the stand every member of the state senate or assembly who ever had anything to do with the introduction of highway legislation covering the last ten years.

Senator Conger has explained to the senate that the contributions of the bridge companies made to protect their interests from legislative strikes totaled \$12,050, which indicated the bribery expenditure of \$6,000 out of the \$6,800 in 1901; the contribution of \$1,500 of Colonel George W. Dunn, as chairman of the Republican state committee in 1902, and a second contribution amounting to \$5,000 in 1903 to Colonel Dunn.

This last fund paid over by the bridge interests protected them for that and the following year. In 1905, the demand for \$10,000 was made, and the bridge companies made up part of the fund, and sent it to John Newell, their representative in Albany. Subsequently the bridge companies refused to give up any longer, and the amount raised in 1905 was returned to the bridge companies.

Swag Paid to Dunn at Fifth Avenue.

Senator Conger said today that Colonel Dunn got the \$5,000 from the bridge companies in the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, during the latter part of March, 1905. Colonel Dunn wanted the money for the committee, as Senator Conger said, because the committee's funds were low, and it needed the money. Senator Conger said Colonel Dunn was grateful, because the contribution was not demanded until fall.

Littleton has subpoenaed about fifteen members of the legislature who served in past sessions. They include former Senator S. Percy Hooker, the present chairman of the state highway commission; Assemblyman Yale of Putnam, who is still in the lower house; Assemblyman Stevens, of Franklin; Bridgman, of Orleans; Davis of Monroe, and Cadin, of Onondaga. Members of the assembly take and internal affairs committees of 1901 and about thirty other witnesses will be called by the defense.

Senator Alden will be the last witness for both sides, and tonight the jury felt confident the trial would be concluded about Thursday of next week.

The dramatic incident of today came with the outburst of indignation on the part of Senator Conger. Carr had been asking questions at him hour after hour, switching from one end of Conger's life story to the other and putting the witness through the most technical cross-examination. When Carr went back suddenly for the third time on the fourth time as to conversations between Conger and the late Jean Bennett, Senator Conger jumped to his feet and protested.

Conger Tired of Grilling.
"I want to appeal to you as a question of privilege," declared Conger, "if any part of this has not gone far enough. I have been on the witness stand constantly since a week ago and the repetition of this thing is going on. Evidently this man is going to tire me out physically, and I appeal to you as a matter of decency and respect whether I am to go on and answer this way another day.
"I think this is an unheard of proceeding. I am willing to tell, and I have come here and brought my counsel here, to testify and try, in behalf of the state, to testify the truth and to clear up this matter. I am in an unfortunate position, and I think the idea of decency of man in this senate chamber should be taken that view of it, that I am being grilled and tired out long hours. If the counsel was bringing anything new it would be different. I appeal to you, sir, and the men in this house. I am not a witness brought here by subpoena. I am a member of this house."
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POLICE AUTO RUSHING TO RELIEF OF STICK CANDY SOLDIERS.

AMNESTY GRANTED

King Alfonso Heeds the Voice of the People and Frees Spanish Political Prisoners.

SEVILLE, Spain, Feb. 22.—King Alfonso has signed a decree granting complete or partial amnesty to all political prisoners, chiefly Catalonian revolutionists.

It is generally believed that the King's decision to free the prisoners taken by the government during the events following the July revolution against the Moroccan war was materially hastened by the mighty demonstrations in favor of the prisoners which have been held recently by the Socialists and Republicans in every large city of Spain.

WILD GALE SWEEPS EUROPE.

Communications Interrupted—Numerous Accidents Reported.

PARIS, Feb. 22.—A great gale is prevailing all over the continent. Communication between Paris and Spain, Austria, Portugal, Berlin, Milan and Amsterdam is interrupted. Communication between Paris and London is precarious. Great havoc has been wrought by the storm at many places and numerous accidents are reported.

HONOR SLAIN PREMIER.

CAIRO, Feb. 22.—The funeral of Boutros Pasha, the late prime minister, who was shot on Sunday by a Nationalist, took place today. The Khedive and the members of his family, the ministers of state, as well as the entire government staff, followed the body in the cortege. The procession was headed by a detachment of British native troops.



OBSTRUCTIONS ON CAR TRACKS IN THE KENSINGTON MILL DISTRICT.

PRO-CLERICALS RIOT

March on Socialist Settlement Near Padua, Italy, Because of Bruno Celebration.

ROME, Feb. 22.—There was trouble at Montelice, near Padua, last night over the celebrations in connection with the anniversary of Giordano Bruno, who was burned at the stake as a heretic in the sixteenth century. Montelice is a Socialist municipality and it had been arranged that an anti-clerical deputy should address a meeting of the people. Thousands of pro-clericals marched toward the place with the avowed purpose of burning the town, shouting as they marched along, "Death to all heretics!"
A regiment of soldiers was called out and dispersed the excited peasants without any serious trouble. A renewal of the disturbances, however, is expected.

ATTACKS UNION MEN

Representative Kusterman, of Wisconsin, Bitterly Denounces Action of Organized Musicians.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The general subject of music and the relative merits of home grown and foreign born musicians demanded the attention of the house committee on immigration today. Arthur Holder, representing the American Federation of Labor and especially the Musicians' Union, had just read a set of resolutions presented by the musicians in which the imposition of foreign bands and orchestras was condemned. "That shows how narrow you fellows are," said Representative Kusterman, of Wisconsin. "That's the most unjust thing I ever heard of. The idea of trying to bar out the musicians who really can play some music. Its an outrage. Let the foreign musicians come. They will protect us from some of the discards of our American bands. Bring in the Italians and the Mexicans who play, even if they do no more than grind the organ."

Representatives Hayes, of California; Bennett, of New York, and O'Connell, of Massachusetts, tried to convince Kusterman that possibly there was something in the musicians' complaint. They couldn't budge the Wisconsin representative, however. "I am a musician myself," he exclaimed, "and I know just what sort of players these fellows are."

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POLICE DRIVING BACK CROWDS IN BUSINESS DISTRICT—ARREST OF A TROUBLE MAKER.

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The Leonard, one of the largest of Amalgamated mines, resumed work today with strikebreaking engineers furnished by the Western Federation of Miners, and four other large mines will be started by tomorrow.
It is understood that the strikers did not have the sanction of the national officers of the International Union or American Federation of Labor and walked out without authority to do so.

LABORITES DECLARE FOR HOME RULE

George N. Barnes Also Insists That Veto of Lords Must Be Abolished Immediately.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne was resumed in the house of commons this afternoon. George N. Barnes, the chairman of the Labor party, was the first speaker. His speech was devoted to an explanation of the attitude of the Laborites on the main issues of the day. His party, he declared at the outset, was in favor of home rule for Ireland.

As to the house of lords and its veto rights, he suggested that the government should introduce a bill without any preliminary resolutions, as proposed by Prime Minister Asquith, which would put the handwork of the lords beyond the danger zone. He wanted this done before another budget went through the house of commons.

Barnes also said that his party would like an assurance that a supply bill or a second budget would only follow a bill in regard to the veto power of the house of lords.

Barnes said the Labor party favored the abolition of the house of lords root and branch. The question of reform, he declared, was the only convenient rearing to divert attention from the real issue. The Labor party, he announced, would not be satisfied unless further assurances were forthcoming. They wanted the lords settled right now. They did not mind helping the budget through, as they claimed joint authorship in that measure. With the disaffection of the Nationalists and Laborites and seventy Liberals, Premier Asquith has not more than 205 votes assured for his program. On the budget matter it is assumed that enough Conservatives will support the Liberals to insure its passage.

TALKS ON TRUSTS

Attorney General Wickham Says Legislation Against Them Is in Favor of Individuals.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—On the text "History Repeats Itself," Attorney General Wickham, at the mid-winter convocation exercises of George Washington University today, pointed out the popular outcry in England in Queen Elizabeth's time against monopolies as being followed in a smaller way, in the present demand for action against trusts.

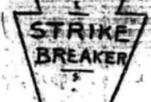
"The underlying principle in our legislation curbing trusts," he said, "is the preservation of the right of the individual to carry on trade and commerce free from undue control and restraint on the part of a great aggregation of individuals or capital. It is the acknowledged duty of all good citizens to obey the law, be that written or unwritten. The unwritten law, representing as it does, a generally prevailing conception of right action, must necessarily command the readiest obedience; statutory laws too frequently embody the ill-considered views of a moment, the expression of a temporary emotion."

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One of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company's "Loyal Legion" from the Bowery



I. W. W. ORGANIZER ARRESTED IN IDAHO

Charged With "Criminal Conspiracy" in Spokane Free Speech Fight. Extradition to Be Fought.

(Special to The Call.)
COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, Feb. 22.—Socialists and members of the Industrial Workers of the World were excited to fever heat today when the news reached them that Fred W. Heslewood, national

organizer of the I. W. W., had been arrested this morning in this city charged with "criminal conspiracy" in connection with the Spokane free speech fight.

Arrangements have already been made to fight his extradition, as it is held by all that this is but another effort of the capitalists of Spokane to choke the exercise of free speech.

Heslewood's "crime" consists of collecting funds to help the workers in their just struggle and advising all liberty-loving men and women to move on Spokane, help in the fight and even undergo arrest, if such a thing is deemed necessary.

The work Heslewood has been doing is admitted to be legal by all who have been questioned in the case and that the authorities should take such a step in their attempt to suppress the message of emancipation prove that the outrage committed on the I. W. W. and its members is not at an end, but is being continued with greater persistency.



BOYS ROLLING SEWER PIPES ON STREET CAR TRACKS.

AVIATOR INJURED

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 22.—Charles H. Hamilton made three short flights in his Curtiss eight-cylinder biplane this afternoon, but fell the third attempt and smashed the left wing of the machine. He was slightly injured, but will fly again tomorrow, adding five feet to each wing of the machine.

Hamilton declares that owing to the altitude, 2,700 feet, and the dryness of the air, it was not sufficient to support the machine. A gust of wind turned the machine over when it was at a height of about forty feet.

TO POSTPONE TAX LAW.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—A joint resolution introduced in the house today by Representative Moon, of Pennsylvania, proposes to extend the date of making returns under the corporation tax laws from March 1 to May 1, 1910. Members of Congress have received thousands of complaints from all parts of the country protesting that the income returns could not be made by March 1, the date fixed by law.

CITIZENS JUMP ON TIN SOLDIERS

Quaker City Strike Sympathizers Have Fun With Gallant State Fencibles in Street.

POLICE RESCUE THE MILITIARY

Car Lines Are Still Tied Up and General Walkout of 100,000 Men is Threatened.

(Special to The Call.)
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—Four companies of state troops, the Philadelphia Fencibles, lie close and deep in their armory tonight, donning patches on their olive drab pants, and applying witch hazel to their brows. Their introduction as a punitive force into the street car strike brought about the most trouble so far.

All Philadelphia is laughing tonight over the rout of the "Invincible" as they proudly termed themselves this morning. But the bloody fight at Germantown and Lehigh avenue, that resulted from the employment of the Fencibles, was no joke. A dozen men were shot, at least 100 clubbed, women were knocked down and trampled upon, children injured, and for two hours there was a fierce battle between the police and 10,000 strike sympathizers, that raged for five blocks along Germantown avenue.

Mayor Royburn and his director of public safety, Henry Clay, found themselves in such straits for men that evening that they called upon the Fencibles, a battalion of loyal troops, made up of four companies. They were commanded by Major Thudbert Braser, an officer who is impossible in appearance. The Fencibles had never heard a shot fired in anger, or felt a brick thrown in haste, but they were willing to serve the city. With Major Braser riding grandly at their head, they turned up at the city hall, one hundred enlisted men and twenty-four officers, and swore to serve the city. Many of them had been up all night getting their uniforms in trim and replacing brass buttons that the admiring girls of Philadelphia had snipped from their coats.

After the swearing in, Major Braser made an address. He said that they were about to embark on a serious undertaking. It would be their duty to protect or salvage the police. They were not to fire their muskets under any circumstances unless the order came from him. The Fencibles grounded arms, repeated a cheer for the gallant major and were marched to a Philadelphia Rapid Transit bus near Germantown and Lehigh avenues.

The announced intention of the R. T. to run cars along Germantown avenue and the news that the Fencibles were coming to safeguard the cars, attracted a crowd of 13,000 people, who strung themselves along Germantown avenue and massed heavily in Lehigh, a fine wide street.

Crowd Was Good Natured.

It was at the outset a good-natured, laughing crowd, a holiday turnout, dressed in its best clothes. There were young men with their staid, woman leading children, workmen off for the day, hundreds of strikers and thousands of sympathizers. Apparently no body went there looking for trouble. Up came the Fencibles with shouldered muskets, their rifles rattling and orders faster than very young volunteers could comprehend easily. After some confusion, caused by the immense crowd, the soldiers were stationed for the blocks along Germantown avenue, from Huntington to Indiana avenues. They were posted on each side of the street, on the sidewalks, about thirty paces apart, the isolation of each man from his neighbor was a sure invitation to the crowd for somebody to start something. However the ordered ranks and halting them and for blocks each way along Germantown and Lehigh avenues, the crowd was packed solidly. You know before you had been there five minutes that unless the soldiers could keep their temper and stand a lot of rough handling that they were in for a bad evening. It began rather amusing. Parties of young men and girls strolled by, and stiffly erect young Fencibles and mounted very audibly upon the barrels of their rifles, the way they held their muskets, the set of their broad-brimmed hats.

Girls Join Tin Soldiers.

All along the avenue for blocks and heard, "Oh, Mama, ain't he pretty? Do you suppose he knows which way that gun is shot with?"
And there would be a laugh that reddened the cheeks of a whole row of Fencibles. Bit by bit the crowd became bolder and more audacious.

BAIL RAISED FOR COOK

GUADALAJARA, Mexico, Feb. 22.—Bond in the sum of \$2,000 in gold has been furnished for James A. Cook, the American conductor, in the penitentiary here charged with criminal carelessness in connection with freight train robberies.

Certain legal formalities will have to be followed before Cook gets his liberty, but it is probable he will leave the prison by Wednesday.

REWARD FOR PEARY

Congress May Award Noted Explorer \$5,000 a Year.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Robert E. Peary, the Pole discoverer, will be entirely satisfied with an annuity of \$5,000 a year and the thanks of Congress, says Representative Loud, of Michigan, who had a talk with Peary a day or two ago. This reward probably will be recommended by the house committee on naval affairs.

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WARRIORS ARE OUT FOR FIGHT

Braves Seek Each Other's Scalps at Albany Council Fair Tomorrow.

Through the depths of the forest, on trail of old "Leather-stocking"...

Leather-stocking Murphy has declared him a band of warriors...

He has already given a war whoop and said some things that every man knew...

It is not surprising to the peace-loving Indians of New York to see that figure stalking along the warpath...

He is making speeches to himself, and he declares that Leather-stocking wants him out of the way...

And trailing along right behind Connor, who is trailing Murphy, is one Patrick J. McCabe...

He doesn't like the way Connor has been talking about him and his relations with William Barnes, Jr.

Roosevelt's Hunt Ended.

Theodore Roosevelt, the champion monkey-shooter and Socialist hunter, is hunting for civilization.

Roosevelt endeavored to kill Socialism by his invectives in "The Outlook," but failed miserably.

Some Socialists are also active hunters. We want more of them. They get out after both their friends and enemies...

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CAIRO JURY DODGES

Coroner's Verdict in Case of Shooting of Rector Carefully Avoids Blaming Anybody.

CAIRO, Ill., Feb. 22.—After a day of the utmost tension, the coroner's jury agreed to a verdict in which no censure was attached to the sheriff's deputies for firing upon the mob...

MANY MAKE MERRY AT VOLKSZEITUNG BALL

Grand Central Palace was the scene of a happy gathering of over 5,000 Socialists, where the New York Volkszeitung Conference arranged an elaborate workingmen's festival yesterday for the benefit of the Volkszeitung...

An excellent program was arranged and the pleasant expressions that shone on the faces of all present made it certain beyond a shadow of a doubt that all were greatly satisfied.

The "show" commenced at 4 o'clock with a spirited rendering of the "Marseillaise," which drew forth cheer after cheer from the enthusiastic audience.

Among the acts produced were the following: Henry Brothers, comedy horizontal bar, trapeze and acrobatic feats; Eviaton's illusions and mystifications; Sait Japanese Troupe, jugglers and acrobatic tricks; Ad Rhein & Co., athletes, and William's animal circus.

At 8 o'clock the grand march commenced. All the balconies of the immense hall were jammed to watch this grand spectacle. After the march the ball started, which continued until after midnight.

Every one was happy that they had attended this function and still happier were they in the thought that they were helping a daily paper of the working class out of its financial difficulties.

Added to the pleasure of the vaudeville show and the ball were bazaars, where \$10 pictures were given away for dimes; booths, where trinkets could be bought; counters with cigars and tobacco and pretty girls to sell them, and a comfortable restaurant, where the wants of the inner man could be satisfied.

CUTTERS' UNIONS AMALGAMATE

Garment Workers' Organizations Unite After Five Months' Dispute.

After a five months' dispute between Local 10, Amalgamated Ladies' Garment Cutters' Association and the International Union, with the result of the formation of a new union, Local 30, the amalgamated cutters have been reinstated in the international organization and both locals will hold an amalgamation meeting at Beethoven Hall, 210 East 5th street, tonight.

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PARIS, Feb. 22.—In his own paper, today, La Guerre Sociale, Gustave Herve, the noted anti-militarist and Socialist, attacks the brutality of French police, and advocates that the public retaliate upon the police the same as the Apaches do.

TRUST COMPANIES LOSE. ALBANY, Feb. 22.—Trust companies in this state must pay an annual state tax of 1 per cent upon their capital stock, surplus and undivided profits at a number of dates during the year, according to a decision by the Court of Appeals today.

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NEED ONLY MUSCLE TO ACT AS SCABS

All These That Are Unable to "Do a Man Up" Apply in Vain for Philadelphia Job.

Various agencies for the hiring of scabs to take the place of the carmen who are striking in Philadelphia have been started in all parts of the city.

Yesterday a reporter of The Call visited the agency, at 200 West 34th street. About 100 men, young and old, stood in front of the place shivering in the chill wind.

About 5:30 in the evening, after the men had been waiting in the cold without having had the chance to eat, a little runt of a man appeared at the door, which seemed to be a general signal for the crowd to form a line, a line which partly contained members of the bread line and partly strong-armed men from the tough portions of the city.

The man swept his glance along the eager, waiting line. "Are you a motorman?" he asked a tall, well built individual, who looked as if he just arrived from the country.

"All right," said the "boss." "You will do." And the man went upstairs to get his ticket.

"Say, boss," said a man, who looked as if he were a chip on his shoulder. "I ain't a motorman, but will I do?" and he cocked his hat over his eye and stuck out his chin.

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TRAIN HITS GIRL

Fatally Injured in Westchester While Returning From Westchester Early Yesterday.

Jennie Madison, nineteen years old, a waitress whose address the police have been unable to learn, was mortally injured yesterday morning by a local electric train on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad about 300 feet south of the Westchester station.

Michael Marley, the motorman in charge of the train, did not see the girl until he was a few feet from her. He was going from Mott Haven to Westchester.

As soon as the train was stopped Policeman Ivory, of the City Island station, who was aboard, jumped out the girl and called an ambulance from Fordham Hospital. Dr. Grossman found the girl to be suffering from concussion and internal injuries and both legs were broken.

The police are unable to say whether it was an accident or attempt at suicide. They believe the girl had been attending an entertainment given Monday night in a hall at Havermeier and Haveland avenues, Westchester.

20,000 CANE CUTTERS OUT IN GUADELOUPE

POINT-A-PITRE, Guadeloupe, Feb. 22.—Following the strike of 20,000 sugar cane cutters, several grinding plants have ceased operation. Attempts to continue the gathering of the crops are opposed by the strikers.

The distillery and grinding plant at Courcelles was sacked during the night, and a number of employees who had continued at work were wounded. Governor Gautret passed the night with the strikers, endeavoring to effect a settlement of the wage dispute with their employers.

A condition of panic prevails here as the result of the arrival of a large number of strikers. All places of business are closed and the governor is unable to restore quiet.

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Knowing there were no other men in the colliery and that they must get out alone to escape the deadly fire-damp following the explosion, the injured men started on the long journey to the foot of the shaft, moaning with the pain of their injuries, with their clothing burned from them and with the flesh on the most seriously burned parts peeling off when they fell or stumbled against the timbers.

John Davis, George Jones and Michael Lavelle were the most severely burned and their recovery is doubtful. They broke down several times on the journey out and wanted to be left, but their comrades gave what aid they could and insisted upon their going out knowing they would probably die if left alone.

14 CHINAMEN IN BOX CAR. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 22.—Fourteen Chinamen were found last night in a box car on the Southern Pacific tracks. The car was killed "Lumber," and had come from Memphis, Tenn., destined for San Francisco. It is believed by A. Immigration inspector, W. A. Hurshings, who made the discovery, that the Chinamen got into the car at El Paso. The Chinese were amply supplied with food and water. They are held here pending an investigation by immigration officers.

\$100,000 FIRE IN MILWAUKEE. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 22.—Fire, which started with two explosions early this morning, destroyed the structure on West Water street occupied by the Milwaukee Department Store. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

STUDENTS WIN HOLIDAY. EAST LANSING, Mich., Feb. 22.—Following a strike meeting, in which practically every student of the Michigan Agricultural College here participated, the faculty last night granted the petition of the students for observance of Washington's Birthday. Urged by 250 co-ed patriots, it was decided to "cut" all classes today until the plea of a football star for more conservative action induced the student body to send a committee to the faculty.

DRUGGIST NOT GUILTY. Herman Smithline, the Williamsburg druggist who was arrested on Monday night in connection with the death of Samuel Salsberg, who died on Monday morning after taking several headache powders, was discharged yesterday by Magistrate O'Reilly in the Bedford avenue police court. The magistrate declined to entertain any charges against the druggist.

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Senator Conger said Frank had told him the money was to be divided. "What did he say?" asked Senator Wainwright.

"My brother Frank said," replied Senator Conger, "that Mr. Burnet claimed he, Burnet, would have to take care of the chairman of the committee and some others on the floor. He did not tell me who."

"What chairman?" asked Osborne. "The chairman of the internal affairs committee," calmly replied Senator Conger.

George W. Doughty Taken Care of. Wainwright said that was all he had to ask the witness.

At this stage of the proceedings Senator Brackett objected to bringing the name of chairman of the Assembly committee on internal affairs into such an unenviable plight in the record. George W. Doughty, of Queens, was the chairman in question and Senator Brackett went immediately to his defense, in moving to strike reference to Chairman Doughty out of the record. Senator Brackett said he was prompted only by a motive of fairness.

"I recall," said Senator Brackett, "that there was a chairman by the name of Doughty. Aside from that I do not know him, and I have not the slightest interest in him, and if he is guilty of anything wrong I hope he will be punished in a proper way and that at a proper time he will be exposed. But it is as cruel and as wicked a thing as ever was tolerated in a court, to permit it to go out through practically hearsay, that the chairman of the committee on internal affairs is connected with that fraud."

Chairman Davis denied Senator Brackett's motion to strike the reference to Doughty from the record. Senator Wagner then asked Senator Conger if the demand for \$10,000 which was made on the bridge companies in 1905 had been participated in by a member of the legislature. Senator Conger said no.

It was Osborne, who at this point brought out the fact that Senator Conger at first opposed a fund in 1905 and then acquiesced after he had been overruled, that the fund in 1905 which was subscribed to by some of the bridge companies was sent to John Howell, the representative of the Canton Bridge Company in Albany, who later returned it.

Anti-Bridge Laws in 1905.

Just why this fund was not dispensed that year did not appear, except that 1905 is the year the anti-bridge legislation was passed.

Osborne got Conger to reiterate previous statements made about the contribution on the part of the bridge companies to the Republican campaign funds of 1902 and 1903. Osborne refreshed the witness' memory of both of these transactions, especially the 1903 contribution, which had been forgotten at first by Conger.

Conger said it was not unusual for the officials of the bridge companies to contribute to the campaign funds. They were all Republicans and felt it their duty to do so. They felt the necessity very keenly in 1903, when the \$6,000 fund was paid over to Colonel Dunn at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Conger said Colonel Dunn had promised that he would see what he could do toward calling off the blackmailers in the legislature who were embarrassing the bridge companies by "strike" legislation.

Osborne asked Conger if he gave the \$6,000 to Colonel Dunn with an understanding that the strikers at the capital were to be forever stilled. Objection by Carr prevented an answer.

"What did Colonel Dunn say?" continued Osborne.

"He said he would do what he could to stop that sort of 'strike' legislation," replied the witness.

Not True, Says Doughty.

"There is not a word of truth in Senator Conger's statement that I would have to be taken care of in preventing the reporting the so-called strike bridge bill and that I received my part of the money which Assemblyman Burnet is said to have paid over to others."

This was the statement made yesterday by former Assemblyman George W. Doughty, of Queens county, when seen at his home at Inwood, L. I., regarding the Albany dispatch.

At the conclusion of Senator Conger's testimony Deacon Hiram Gardner Moe was recalled. The witness was again questioned by Mr. Osborne about the check Moe drew on Frank Conger's account in 1901. Moe was questioned as to what he wrote on the stub of his check book. Deacon Moe said he made the first reference to the \$6,000 check in his book when he got the drafts and after he returned from Albany, on April 24, gave the stub better identification by referring to it as "Albany matter: large company."

CHARGES UNFOUNDED

So Declares Secretary Nagel of Accusations Brought by Dawley Against Neill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The charges brought against Commissioner of Labor Neill by Thomas M. Dawley, Jr., were stamped as "absolutely unfounded" by Secretary Nagel today. Dawley, a former employe of the bureau, had charged Neill with incompetency and with willful misrepresentation of facts in the woman and child labor investigation now being made by the labor bureau.

"Any charges to the effect that an attempt had been made by the bureau of labor to suppress, color or distort any facts in the woman and child labor investigation are absolutely false," said Commissioner Neill today. "In fact unusual care has been taken to conduct so scrupulously fair an investigation that attack from any source could be successfully challenged. The charges were investigated in substance to the department last summer and were at that time investigated personally and dismissed by Acting Secretary McLaugh as utterly unfounded. They were then referred to Secretary Nagel by the same employe and on my insistence were re-investigated in detail."

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Notorious Chicago Labor Faber Building Trouble in the Building Trades. CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Was busy Martin B. (Shiny) Madden and associated building trades and American Federation of Labor met again yesterday, with the object of building operations were stopped on a number of skyscrapers.

The new Northwestern department of the building trades council plan strike every building where the elevator company has the contract, and where the mechanics are, acting as strikebreakers, taking the place of elevator structures.

Yesterday the faction of party which is connected with the council refused to work with members of the rival factions and a number of strikes were called as a result.

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BATTLING NELSON MEETS WATERLOO

Down to Defeat in Fortieth Round to Ad Wolgast, the "Flying Dutchman."

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 22.—An Wolgast, of Milwaukee, made pugilistic history here this afternoon by defeating the redoubtable "Batling" Nelson in one of the hardest fought contests seen in this part of the country in over two decades.

Nelson was not knocked out, but he was so near it that the intervention on the part of the referee in the fortieth round was as wise as it was humane.

The one-time peerless Battler presented a pathetic sight. His face was one mass of cuts, bruises and scars. His right eye was completely closed and the blood streamed down his cheeks and covered his body.

Nelson fought with the same game spirit that has characterized all his fights. He was the same old Battler when it came to rushing and assailing his opponent.

Wolgast was the first to make his appearance. He had in his corner Tom Jones, Charles Anslinger, Jeff Perry, Hobo Dougherty, Tommy Deaton and Jockey Marzullo.

Nelson was equally enthusiastic of his chances. "I want it to go on record that during my entire thirteen years in the business I have not felt better than at the present time."

Wolgast looked to be in the best of condition and seemed confident of the outcome. He said: "Before the mill is halfway through Mr. Nelson will realize that he is up against a stiff proposition, and he will fall to win it will not be because I have not tried."

Nelson was tardy in entering the ring. When he did show up he was the recipient of loud applause. Wolgast was introduced as the "Flying Dutchman," and he received a warm greeting.

The referee was Eddie Smith. The men agreed to fight with one arm free. The gates of the arena were opened at noon, and long before that hour fully 4,000 people from all over the country were on hand to witness the contest.

When the men faced each other it was found that at least 11,000 persons were present. The receipts will easily figure close to \$60,000. Nelson received a good bonus for consenting to meet Wolgast, and including his revenue from the moving picture he will make more money than he has ever made before.

LEGAL NOTICES. LIBERTY MANSION BUILDING COMPANY. Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Liberty Mansion Building Company will be held at the office of the company, 115 West 12th Street, New York, N. Y., on Wednesday, March 2, 1916, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

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BLOWN TO ATOMS

One Man Killed and Another Seriously Injured as Garage Gas Tank Explodes.

Arthur Carmet, twenty-six years old, was blown to pieces, and his brother Henry, thirty-five years old, was badly hurt and is in a critical condition in the Presbyterian Hospital as the result of an explosion of an acetylene gas tank in the garage at First Avenue and 74th Street yesterday afternoon.

The police say that the two victims were at work on the tank. The concussion and report of the explosion shook the one-story structure, wrecking the place and starting a lively fire.

An alarm was turned in and the police reserves and Chief Croker hurried to the scene from East 67th Street.

Fragments of the dead man's body were picked up in the street and in several sections of the garage.

MONTCLAIR DISTRICT MUST BE ALL UNION

Montclair, N. J., Building Trades Council has announced itself on the open shop question. After May 1 no union man affiliated with any trade represented in this district will work on any job in the jurisdiction where a non-union man is employed and who is doing work that properly belongs to a union represented in the trades council.

The council has sent notice to all contractors in the district and it has created a stir. The capital press of the district have been working overtime in an effort to stir up the populace against the workers in favor of the employers. The result has been that much has been misrepresented.

The Montclair council has taken exception to statements made in the Morning and Evening Star, of Newark, that more than one-half of the contractors in the jurisdiction employ both union and non-union men and they have been working together in perfect amity.

The Building Trades Council denies this emphatically. More than 90 per cent of the contractors employ union men and the others are listed as unfair, as no union man would work alongside of a non-union man in the same craft. The only occasions upon which union and non-union men work together is when an unfair contractor has the contract for a part of the work on which the other contractors employ only union men.

After May 1 it is proposed to stop even this, and a job must be either all union or all unfair. The declaration by the trades council has naturally caused much comment as it is the announcement of war upon the few contractors who have all along percolated in employing non-union men and thus creating trouble and dissatisfaction in the trades at all times.

COOK CUTS UP DIDOES.

Orders Her Employer Out and Haris Soup on Policeman.

Did Mary Dunn, cook for Mrs. William Conner, at 517 Myrtle Avenue, Brooklyn, get intoxicated and order her mistress from the house? Did Mary Dunn, after Mrs. Conner's departure hurl satirons, tin pans, plates and kettles about the kitchen, winding up her bombardment by hurling a chunk of hot roasting corned beef into the region of Officer Gresham's right ear?

Magistrate Naumer yesterday sought answers to the questions in the Myrtle Avenue Court. Mary said she didn't throw anything, but might have been slightly exhilarated because of Washington's Birthday. Policeman Gresham displayed stains of roast beef soup on his coat and said Mary caused them. Mary was held for examination.

OVERSTUDY KILLS TEACHER.

Succumbs to Heart Disease, Brought On by Hard Work.

Overstudy and hard work, which brought on heart disease, resulted in the death yesterday of Miss Hattie Levy, a graduate of Cornell and a teacher in the branch of the Manual Training School at Evergreen Avenue and Grove Street, Brooklyn.

Miss Levy boarded at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Dunbar, 780 Quincy Street, Brooklyn. Monday night the young woman sat up until quite late reading. Yesterday morning, about 5 o'clock, Mrs. Dunbar heard the girl moaning and went to her room and found her very ill. A physician was summoned who treated her. Later in the day she was again taken ill and died.

BOY ADMITS THEFT.

Sold Lace He Stole to East Side Peddlers, He Says.

A sixteen-year-old boy named Louis Fleiss, who said he lived at 148 Suffolk Street, was arraigned in the Tombs Police Court yesterday charged with having stolen neckwear and lace valued at \$4.50 from Trebas & Co., of 507 Broadway, who employed him as an errand boy.

Detective Reed told Magistrate Krotel that he saw the boy take the stuff. The lad admitted the theft, saying that he disposed of the neckwear and lace to East Side peddlers for much less than its worth. The boy is under \$500 bail for examination today.

MAN BURNED TO DEATH.

ASHTABULA, Ohio, Feb. 22.—Douglas Hudson, was burned to death today when a gas stove in his sleeping apartment exploded, enveloping him in flames. He jumped from a second-story window into the snow and members of his family extinguished the flames.

STRIKE MENACES B. & O. RAILROAD

Company's Action in Refusing Trainmen's Demands for Wage Increase May Precipitate Fight.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 22.—Negotiations are off between officials of the various organizations of railway employees and the Baltimore and Ohio railroad on the counter proposition submitted by the railroad officials after first turning down the original demands of the trainmen.

A. B. Garretson, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, and President Daniel Willard, of the Baltimore and Ohio, both confirmed this after a conference behind closed doors that lasted for more than two hours today.

All over the system the men as individuals are now to vote upon the acceptance of the counter proposition, which disregards the demand for the "western rate" of wage for freight trainmen, and gives to them no increase, and at the same time gives but a slight increase to the passenger trainmen. The demands of the men are said to have ranged from 10 to 40 per cent.

Garretson declared late this afternoon that the result of the vote would determine whether the trainmen and conductors, numbering, he said, in excess of 14,000, would be called out all over the system, and he said ten days would suffice for registering and counting the sealed ballots.

"We have asked our last word," declared President Willard, of the Baltimore and Ohio, when asked for a statement this afternoon. Further than this the head of the system refused to discuss the situation.

Employee Asked "Western Rate." President Garretson this afternoon discussed the terms of the demand upon the railroad by the trainmen, and in general the terms of the railroad in the counter proposition to the men.

He declared that the trainmen had asked that what is known as the "western rate" be applied to the freight men all over the system, which means a daily wage to freight conductors of \$3.80 and to freight brakemen of \$2.53. In addition to this a general increase in the pay of passenger trainmen amounting to 9 to 16 per cent was asked.

In the counter proposition President Garretson said the company ignored entirely the request relative to the freight trainmen, but offered an increase, though a slight one and not at all commensurate with what the union officials had been led to expect, in the pay of the passenger trainmen.

He said that it had been the endeavor of the trainmen's organization in every way to reach an amicable agreement with the railroad people and that the negotiations had been conducted in a friendly spirit, but that when the counter proposition from the railroad was received it was disappointing in the extreme, and was not to be seriously considered as the redress of a grievance.

SPORTS

CORBETT NOT NEEDED

Jeffries Will Do Without the Services of Gentleman Jim in His Coming Fight.

When Jeffries arrived in Los Angeles Monday night he intimated that Jim Corbett would not help him prepare for the big fight in July. Jeff gave no reason for this decision, but it is believed that Berger has advised him to cut out Gentleman Jim.

Corbett's record as a trainer and second may have had something to do with the sudden shift in the boiler-maker's plans. It will be recalled that Corbett handled Gus Ruhlin for his memorable fight with Fitzsimmons in the Garden ten years ago, and because of his excitable temperament he drove Ruhlin into a knockout, when he should have ordered the burly German to stall and wait.

Corbett is not regarded strongly enough physically to subject Jeffries to rough and ready treatment and for that reason it was thought that Jeff has no faith in light boxing exercise, even though it might increase his speed. The boiler-maker said recently that if he could get back into his old form he would easily recover speed enough to make it hot for Johnson without depending upon assistance from Corbett.

PLAYERS BEGIN WORK

Many Big League Men Are Getting in Condition in Harvard Cage.

BOSTON, Feb. 22.—After taking his first workout of the season in the Harvard cage today, Dan Stork, the star utility player now with the Cincinnati Reds, flatly denied the report that he was still a hold-out.

"I have always liked Cincinnati," said Stork, "and will work my head off to land Clark Griffith a winner."

ILLINOIS MINERS TO CONFER WITH BOSSES

PEORIA, Ill., Feb. 22.—The operators of Illinois will meet delegates of the United Mine Workers of Illinois in joint state conference next Thursday.

Officials of the association have notified the miners' leaders that they will be ready to enter the conference by that time and the miners are endeavoring to finish the work of their convention in time to be ready to meet the operators Thursday morning.

At this joint conference twenty internal differences will be discussed according to the action of the convention, the matter of wage scale being left to the proposed internal joint conference, which it is hoped to induce operators to attend.

John Mitchell, former president of the Mine Workers and now an official of the National Civic Federation, is expected here Wednesday and will address the convention.

At today's session a plea for aid was heard from representatives of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers who are on strike in the mills at Sharon. It is expected the convention will render them assistance.

LEWIS IS CONFIDENT

Head of United Mine Workers Leaves Smoky City Sure of Wage Raise for Men.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 22.—President T. L. Lewis, of the United Mine Workers of America, spent today in Pittsburgh conferring with miners and with operators and left tonight for Cincinnati, firm in the belief there will be no strike of 300,000 men April 1, that the miners will be granted a partial advance at least by the operators at a new joint conference to be held possibly in Columbus, Ohio, the first week in March.

Time and place for holding this new joint conference will be determined at tomorrow's meeting of Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana operators to be held in Cincinnati.

President Lewis came to the Pittsburgh district to ascertain for himself the exact condition, the news having emanated from here that enough operators to prevent a strike April 1 had already signified willingness to grant the miners a reasonable advance. Lewis found this reported condition to be a fact and found evidence in addition that the great Pittsburgh Coal Company, or soft coal trust, which has already sent out a published def, to the miners, is one of the concerns which has already quietly agreed on the amount of advance that will be offered the miners at the joint convention to be called.

WESTERN MINERS IN LINE

48,000 Union Men in That District to Demand Wage Increase.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 22.—That the 48,000 coal miners of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas will demand that the operators accept the wage scale agreed upon by the national convention of the United Mine Workers of America at Indianapolis two

KEELER RELEASED

Veteran Ball Player, of the Highlanders, May Now Sign Up With Giants.

Willie Keeler received his unconditional release from the New York American League Club yesterday, and is a free agent.

Keeler began his major league career in 1892 with the New York club, coming here from Binghamton as a third baseman. He was released to Baltimore with Dan Brouthers for Shindle and Treadway. Hanlon put Keeler in right field, and he quickly became a star. When Baltimore consolidated with Brooklyn Keeler went to the latter club, but he joined the American League movement in time to begin with the Highlanders in 1903. He has been with the Hillmen ever since. It was reported last night that Keeler might sign with the Giants or the Brooklyn, as McGraw and Dahlen are among his best friends.

The Highlanders also released Duke Farrell, the veteran coach, yesterday. As Catcher Criger will look after the team's pitchers it was decided that Farrell could be spared.

HICKS WANTS TO FIGHT.

Welterweight Champion of Canada Arrives in New York.

Freddie Hicks, of Detroit, who holds the welterweight championship of Michigan and Canada, arrived in New York yesterday, and is ready to meet any of the local boys at his weight.

Hicks has quite a string of victories to his credit, and it is expected that he will appear at one of the local clubs in the near future.

PAL MOORE MATCHED.

Pal Moore has been matched to box two rounds with Al Delmont at the Armory A. C., in Boston, on March 1. Delmont was not satisfied with the result of his recent ten-round affair with Moore at the Olympic A. C. in Harlem, and when he demanded another chance the little Quaker readily consented. Moore's proposed bout with Jimmy Walsh, at the Olympic A. C., on March 4, has not been clinched.

MAY TIE UP SYSTEM

Grand Trunk Trainmen Voting on Question of Enforcing Wage Demand by a Strike.

ST. THOMAS, Ont., Feb. 22.—A strike that will tie up the entire Grand Trunk Railway system is being voted upon today by the trainmen, the recent refusal of officials to the road to advance wages having prompted by a proposal to enforce the demands by a strike. Few of the 200 men affected here but are ready to go out.

Between Buffalo and Detroit the Grand Trunk trainmen may be joined by the Watash, as the Canadian employees get long than the American. The Grand Trunk trainment get \$1.50 per hundred miles, as compared with \$2 paid by the Pere Marquette, \$2.10 by the Canadian Pacific, \$2.34 by the Michigan Central and \$2.53, the rate being set on western roads.

SIX-DAY STRIKE WON

Forty Girls, Muslin Underwear Workers, Gain Fight for Higher Wages and Better Conditions.

After a six days' fight with his forty striking employees, M. Lewis, a muslin underwear manufacturer, of 40 West Houston Street, yesterday yielded to all their demands and signed an agreement with the union.

The strike was the result of a cut in wages of eight girls made by Lewis, as he claimed that his girls were making too much money, and that a white goods worker has no business to make more than \$6 or \$7 a week.

Besides the restoration in wages the girls also secured the abolition of payment for electricity, a condition that for many years has prevailed in the white goods trade.

For the purpose of organizing the white goods workers the union issued a call yesterday for a mass meeting to be held next Friday night at 98 Forsyth Street. Representatives of the Women's Trade Union League and other prominent trade unionists will address the meeting.

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MEXICAN LIBERALS TO BE REIMPRISONED

Magon, Villarreal and Rivera Expect Further Persecution by Diaz's American Hirelings.

FLORENCE, Ariz., Feb. 22.—Librado Rivera, R. Flores Magon and Antonio Villarreal, Mexican refugees, whose only crime is opposing the tyranny of President Diaz, look forward, without waver- ing to rearrest and further imprisonment when they emerge from the United States prison here at the end of their present term, July 31. By that time they will have served three years in prison.

While quietly publishing a Liberal paper in Los Angeles, Cal., in 1907, private detectives, bearing arms instead of a legal warrant, arrested them and threw them into jail. After lying in jail eighteen months, a trumped-up charge of "violating the neutrality laws" of a friendly nation" was preferred. They were sentenced to eighteen months in the United States prison.

"Porfirio Diaz has been able to learn that threats do not terrify us," said one of the refugees.

Magon and Villarreal are under indictment at Del Rio, Tex., on an old charge. Their friends fear that a new indictment will be made, broken up into several counts, so that they may be unable to furnish. Their friends are trying to raise a defense fund of \$15,000. If the Del Rio indictment is beaten, Magon could be taken to St. Louis to answer an old criminal libel charge made in connection with their efforts against the tyrant. Other neutrality indictments could be framed up in San Antonio and other border towns in Texas.

And the clavs that are torturing these men will not be relaxed to give them a single moment to breathe freely, as long as the administration of President Taft continues to approve or wink at these prosecutions. It is an attempt to stifle criticism for the system which is grinding out profits for American capital from the oppressed Mexican people.

The defenders of the Mexican Lib-

MANY ROUTED BY FIRES

Eight families were driven from their homes yesterday by a fire that destroyed the top floor of a four-story apartment house on Brookfield near the New York post road, White Plains. Large apartment houses in the vicinity were threatened by flying embers. Loss is estimated at about \$5,900.

MAN KILLED BY TRAIN

While trying to board a Lackawanna freight train at 1st Ave. Newark, yesterday, Julius, twenty-five years old, of 361 Canal Street, lost his hold and fell under the wheels. He died soon afterward at the City Hospital.

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WOMEN TALKS IN THE QUAKER CITY

Students People of This Country Are Essentially Conservative. Is Given Degree.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—An has custom for nearly 100 years, anniversary of the birth of George Washington was observed today by the University of Pennsylvania as "Washington Day," the feature of which was the announcement of a number of gifts to the institution, the conferring of degrees, and the address of Governor Hughes, of New Jersey, the orator of the occasion.

The exercises were held in the University of Music, and began after the procession of the faculty and students, garbed in academic gowns, had entered the auditorium.

The conferring of degrees was among the first things on the program. Governor Hughes was honored with the degree of doctor of laws.

After declaring that "we are not here simply to pay tribute to a hero of a past epoch, but rather to be inspired by the ideals of Washington," the governor said:

"The people are naturally restive under known abuses and may be impatient in demanding a remedy, albeit limited as to the nature of the remedy which will prove effective. But the expression of a strong public sentiment with respect to disclosed wrong is not to be confused with hysterical excitement, nor should demand for needed correctives be thought an evidence of revolutionary sentiment."

"The people of this free land are competent to govern themselves by reason of their essential conservatism and because their sober judgment in critical emergencies may be trusted. They know that prosperity depends on stability and they are unwilling to follow the prophets of disorder. But this does not imply a willingness to surrender public rights or to acquiesce in their non-enforcement."

"We shall not avoid mistakes, but we do mean neither inflammatory and sensational appeal, nor the dishonest arguments of special privilege will be the final outcome. Of first importance is it that we should respect the institutions of our country and live the ways of calm reason. This, despite the occasional effervescence which Washington foresaw is, after all, the American habit."

HOLDUP IN A CAFE.
ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 22.—Shortly after 1 o'clock this morning two men entered a cafe where several theater parties were still seated. Firing several shots to intimidate those in the place they forced the cashier to hand to them the contents of the cash drawer, amounting to \$390. During an impatient panic the men escaped.

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Woman's Sphere

Edited by ANITA C. BLOCK

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FAME.

By James Herbert Morse.

All over the world we sing of fame. Bright as a bubble, and hollow; With a breath men make it and give it a name; All over the world they sing the same. And the beautiful bubble follow.

Its rounded, splendid, gossamer walls Hide more than our fairy fancies; For here, in the vaulted, antique halls, 'Mid oriel splendors, a light foot falls. And a fairy figure dances.

And men will do for a glancing eye And foot that tarry never; More, far more than look and sigh; For men will fight, and men will die. But follow it on forever.

SEXUAL INSTRUCTION.

Our children are taught that they are conceived in sin and born in iniquity—theological cant. How, then, present sexual topics to the child mind from a simple biological standpoint? Is there not the gravest danger of encouraging an unwholesome precocity in sexual matters, the child still being dominated by the abominable theological idea?

We believe that children should be given very full instruction regarding sexual matters, provided they have not become obsessed by the filthy teaching above alluded to.

The trouble is, the great mass of our children have had this concept pounded into them good and hard. There is little use and great danger in relinquishing the old policy of prudery (what a shameful position to be forced into) unless such a concept can be annihilated.

It strikes us asavoring of criminality of the sort which the very law considers criminal conversation to discuss with a child matters which his religious instructors characterize as sin and iniquity of the grossest kind.

Why should strong men ever have accepted a dogma that declares their mothers to have been essentially vile, impure and unchaste, and which now invests with the greatest moral danger the teaching of simple biological facts to our children?

We are not yet ready for frank, honest, wholesome sexual teaching, for we are not yet civilized.

SOUTH CAROLINA REDEEMS ITSELF.

The Supreme Court of South Carolina, realizing, doubtless, the disgrace which the Tillman case was casting on the entire country, decided that the grandchildren of our revered senator be restored to their mother. Of course, the court had to base its decision on various far-fetched technicalities to reach the simple conclusion that it is barbarism to deprive a good and decent woman of her children. But at any rate the court understood that the atrocious law had to be killed.

400 IN STAMPEDE

Immigrants on Ellis Island in Wild Alarm as Cry of "Fire" Is Falsely Raised.

A cry of "Fire" was raised in the men's dormitory of one of the new buildings on Ellis Island yesterday morning, and before an effort could be made to reassure 400 frightened immigrants they were involved in a frenzied stampede, smashing their way through glass paneled doors, trampling upon one another and suffering injuries that sent four to the hospital.

The dormitory is on the second floor of the building known as Annex A. An attendant named Dobbler began fumigating rooms 204 and 205, opposite the dormitory where the hundreds of immigrants were sleeping, at about 3 o'clock. An hour later the fumes from one of the rooms in which Dobbler had lighted sulphur candles found their way into the dormitory.

Several of the immigrants saw a bluish smoke curling in over the transom. Instantly the cry of "Fire!" was raised in half a dozen languages and dialects. The half-clad men stampeded for the doors, which were locked. As no one responded to the frantic appeals of the men to unlock the doors they smashed the glass panels and got out in that way. Scores were cut by the jagged ends of glass, four so badly that they fainted from loss of blood.

The panic-stricken immigrants poured out of the building and overflowed the island. It took a force of guards until daylight to round them up and get them back into their dormitory.

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Remember, some Comrades or sympathizer, or friend, may just need you to remind him of Woman's Day and take him along to Carnegie Hall.

SUFFRAGETTES AND WOMAN'S WRONGS.

In an article in the Outlook on present-day problems in England appears the following, which is of special interest to Socialist women:

"At the headquarters of the suffrage movement in Clements Inn I received what struck me as a very illuminating insight on the movement. My request for information of a young woman, fifteen becoming a young man, who had esthetically in a linen gown embroidered in purple and green, brought upon me a deluge of pamphlets, which I was assured contained all that I needed. Conversation then proceeded as follows:

Inquiring Mind—Do you want the suffrage because it is an eternal and inalienable right of which woman is wrongfully deprived, or because if you had it you could improve the present conditions under which women live and work in England?

Suffragette—Why, for both reasons. Inquiring Mind—But which do you emphasize in talking to women whom you wish to convert to your cause?

Suffragette—We use whichever one seems most applicable in a given case. Inquiring Mind—And which of them do you find to be the most efficacious and to meet with a more ready and favorable response from the women you talk to?

Suffragette—Why, I don't think that we find any difference between them. Inquiring Mind—Can you give me some information, either in the form of printed matter or otherwise, as to the unsatisfactory and unfavorable conditions under which women work and live which you would expect the suffrage to correct?

Suffragette (hesitating a little)—Well, I am afraid that we have nothing on that subject here, but I think I can find out where you can get some such information." (The Suffragette goes to the telephone and, on inquiry, finds that the Inquiring Mind can get what he wants from the Woman's Industrial Council.)

The point which struck me with great force in this interview was that this champion of woman in her very headquarters of the militant suffrage movement apparently cared nothing at all for the real wrongs under which women were at that moment suffering, but cared a great deal for what she felt to be the stigma of inequality imposed by her exclusion from the suffrage."

SAVES 700 FROM HARM.

Engineer Thought and Acted Quickly When Coupling Broke on Speeding Train.

But for the presence of mind of Engineer John Cody the lives of several hundred passengers on the New York express from Stamford to this city on the New York, New Haven and Hartford road would have been endangered yesterday.

While running at fifty miles an hour just west of Mount Vernon, a coupling parted between the electric locomotive and the first and the freed engine leaped 100 feet ahead of the cars, which were following at terrific speed, the automatic brakes failing to act.

Diminishing his speed little by little, he let the rushing train overtake him until, with an impact barely perceptible, the platform of the first car touched the end of the last electric engine. Then Cody stopped the train. Traffic was tied up for half an hour.

WANT BOWERY SUBWAY

Change of Route From Broadway to East Side Asked By 22d St. Association.

Request for a change in the route of the Broadway-Lexington avenue subway was received yesterday by the Public Service Commission from the 22d street Improvement Association, Isaac Stern, of Stern Brothers, president.

This route extends from the Battery through Church street, to Vesey, and up Broadway to about 10th street, thence, largely under private property, to Irving place, under Irving place and Gramercy park to 21st street and along the full length of Lexington avenue under Harlem river.

The petitioners want the route changed south of 14th street, so as to substitute the Bowery or some other East Side street for Broadway.

PUBLIC LECTURES

The following free lectures are arranged under the auspices of the Board of Education for tonight:

Public School 186, 145th street, west of Amsterdam avenue: "Kimbberly and the Diamond Fields of South Africa," Leon Demachy.

East Side House Settlement, 76th street and East river: "Egypt and the Nile," Arthur S. Riggs.

Cooper Union, Third avenue and 5th street: "Songs of Shakespeare," Mrs. Henrietta Speke-Seeley.

Public Library, 66 Leroy street: "Unfamiliar Things About George Washington," Dr. Edward H. Hall.

Public Library, 311 East 10th street: "Nathaniel Hawthorne," Dr. Henry Neuman.

Sunshine Chapel, 550 West 46th street: "The Teeth, Their Uses and Abuses," Dr. Herbert L. Wheeler.

Y. M. C. A. Hall, 5 West 125th street: "King Lear," Louis U. Wilkinson.

Y. M. H. A. Hall, 92d street and Lexington avenue: "Program Music," Miss Margaret M. Zerbe.

Y. M. I. Hall, 222 Bowery: "Wireless Systems," Theodore I. Jones.

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Tonight's Meetings.

MANHATTAN AND BRONX, Business.

New York Call Conference—Labor Temple, 243 East 34th street, 5th and 7th A. D.—585 Eighth avenue.

21st A. D.—260 West 125th street, 22d A. D.—1461 Third avenue, near 3rd street.

Bronx Agitation Committee—3309 Third avenue.

Harlem Forum, 360 West 125th street, Timothy Walsh will speak on "Ten Years in Wall Street." Those who wish to learn some interesting facts about "how we are governed" would do well to be on hand.

BROOKLYN, Business.

6th A. D. (Branch 1)—222 Stockton street.

6th A. D. (Branch 2)—185 Tompkins avenue.

15th A. D.—187 Montrose street, 15th A. D.—535 Graham avenue, 22d A. D. (Branch 7)—Halsey street and Central avenue.

2d ASSEMBLY DISTRICT. All members of the 2d A. D. are requested to attend the last meeting before the ball, as much business is yet to be attended to.

MOUNT VERNON, Business.

33 South Fourth avenue—All members should attend.

WEST HOBOKEN, Business.

Third Ward, Second Precinct—542 Angelique street.

NEWARK, Business.

Branch 1—Springfield avenue and 10th street. Important business.

Branch 5—Springfield avenue and 10th street.

Killingbeck to Lecture. At Union Hall, South Orange avenue, near Bayard street, W. B. Killingbeck will lecture on "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Everybody welcome. Discussion after speaking."

PHILADELPHIA, PA. Business.

25th and 45th Ward Branches—Donohue's Hall, 3055 Frankford avenue.

Central Committee—Headquarters, 1305 Arch street.

Tomorrow evening at Gracey's Hall, 52d street and Haverford avenue, the Rev. Frank will lecture on "The High Cost of Living: Cause and Remedy." All welcome.

TO AID THE CALL.

At last Sunday's Call Conference, Mrs. Malkiel was authorized to form a committee of fifty to work for the Call among unions and radical organizations.

Those who wish to join should be at the Rand School, 112 East 19th street, tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock.

JERSEY STATE COMMITTEE.

The report of the last New Jersey state committee reads in part as follows:

The executive committee and organizer rendered reports showing a great amount of activity during the past month. An interesting report of delegate Patrick Quinlan, was received.

Relative to the controversy of the "counting of votes" credited to Branch Dover, which its delegate claims were never cast; the state committee reserves Branch Dover to sign a statement to that effect and present it at the next meeting, when due action will be taken.

Relative to the request of Ridgely Park Branch, that state committee endorse their action in endeavoring to raise a fund to pay off a debt on property which they purchased; the state committee desires to state that they have no jurisdiction in the matter, and its endorsement might, by establishing a precedent, become dangerous.

Since last report, branches in Phillipsburg, Somerville, Red Bank, Vineland, Perth Amboy and New Brunswick have been revived and very successful meetings held in various smaller towns. If the organized counties will co-operate with the state committee in their efforts to reach out to the unorganized or poorly organized territory, we shall be in splendid shape to enter the gubernatorial and congressional campaign of this year. The people are waiting for our message. Let us carry it.

MILWAUKEE.

J. Mahlon Barnes sends the following: I transmit herewith a motion and comment by Comrade Spargo. Kindly vote yes or no on the proposition and let me have your vote at your earliest convenience.

Motion: "I move that we at once issue a special appeal to the party membership calling for funds to assist the Milwaukee Comrades in the approaching municipal election."

Comment: "Recently I spent a week in Milwaukee and was surprised at the prevailing unanimity of opinion that our Comrades have a good chance to carry the city in April. Owing to the nature of my business engagements in Milwaukee, most of my time was spent among non-Socialists

and I saw very little indeed of our Comrades. I confess I was astounded to find such a strong belief among these non-Socialists that Comrade Seidel would be the next mayor of Milwaukee, provided only that the party could raise funds enough to make a good campaign. On every hand I heard it expressed that if the party had \$10,000 to spend on an effective campaign its victory would be certain.

"Now, this is not at all an ordinary local campaign. It is a matter of great national importance. I can conceive of no single achievement within range of present possibilities which would do so much to inspire and strengthen the whole national movement. It is my belief that we ought to do something more than issue the proposed appeal. I should like to see \$500 or \$1,000 voted from our party treasury. I believe it could and should be done. For the present, however, I propose simply the issuance of a strong appeal, to be sent to all the locals of the party and published in our press. Such an appeal should, in my judgment, be based upon the following considerations, which are, I believe, of national importance:

"1. It is important that we should marshal our forces in Milwaukee at this time. The very imminence of our victory will naturally bring forth the strongest fire of the enemy. The movement in Milwaukee has good speakers and organizers, and a splendid body of volunteer workers. It has four newspapers. Funds, are, however, lacking. The heavy expense of former campaigns, especially that of the last election, and of establishing the local Socialist press, have left the Comrades with a burden of debt, which cannot be other than a handicap to them. With a boost from the national membership they could win a triumph which would inspire the whole Socialist movement.

"2. Such an evidence of our solidarity as a nation-wide response to this appeal would be a notable demonstration to the enemy of our sincerity and strength.

"3. The Milwaukee Comrades have reached the point where the capture of the city is almost within their grasp. They have reached that position, not as a result of mushroom enthusiasm, but, solid, persistent work and growth. Their victory would not only witness and inspire Comrades in other cities all over the land, but, through the work of meeting the responsibilities of power, which would follow, it would necessarily contribute to the solution of various great municipal problems along Socialist lines.

"4. Our Milwaukee Comrades are notably well prepared to assume the responsibilities which victory would bring. The movement is well organized; for ten years past the party membership and vote have steadily increased; there have been no reactions. The union of the party and the trades unions is closer than in any other city in America. More important still is the fact that the Milwaukee Comrades are fortunate enough to have among them men and women of capacity and experience in the administration of municipal affairs. Some twenty-five Comrades have had actual, practical experience in the city council, the county board, the school board and similar bodies. Further, the presence of representatives in the state legislature would be an enormous support to a Socialist municipal administration.

"5. Milwaukee is overwhelmingly an industrial city. Its people are progressive, its working class intelligent and class conscious. The result of the progressive spirit which characterizes the state university at Madison, Altogether the conditions are admirably suited to the making of the first attempt to administer the affairs of a great American city on Socialist lines."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The final arrangements for the Sheet Metal Workers' Educational Club annual dinner were completed at a special meeting held last Saturday at 1461 Third avenue.

The dinner will take place at the Brooklyn Labor Lyceum on Sunday evening, March 20, and the following speakers have been invited to attend: Mrs. C. W. Allen, Miss Lenora O'Reilly, Mrs. A. Webster-Powell, H. G. Stobodin, S. Charles F. Furman and H. Frayne.

Tickets costing \$1 each can be secured from F. Paulloch, 342 Jennings street.

Collegiate Equal Suffrage League of New York state will hold a parlor meeting at the home of Mrs. James Wells Finch, 61 East 77th street, today at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt will speak on "The Suffrage Party."

The league's new headquarters at 20 East 23d street will be open daily (except Sunday) from 9:30 to 5:30.

BOY OVERCOME BY GAS.

Sixteen-year-old Albert Tenezal, a bellboy who lives in a furnished room house at 210 West 26th street, was accidentally overcome by gas yesterday. He was taken to New York Hospital where he will recover.

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