

The emancipation of the Working Class must be accomplished by the workers themselves.

LIABILITY BILL IN RAILROADS' FAVOR TO GO TO CONGRESS

Commission, Including N. Y. Central President, to Report.

ENGLAND'S SYSTEM

Transportation Interests Will Lose Nothing by New Compensation Act.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The commission which has been studying the problem of employers' liability and workmen's compensation in case of accident or death will submit its report to Congress about February 1.

The report of the commission suggests an employers' liability law modeled after the English system.

The British system suits them much better. A railroad president is on the commission.

The draft of the employers' liability law proposed by the commission was made with an eye to the railroad interests.

The basis of the rate of compensation provided by the bill is 50 per cent of the current wage in the particular line of work.

The commission ascertained that the average number of employes of railroads engaged in interstate commerce killed each year is approximately 3,000.

The annual cost to the employers to pay damages resulting from this loss of life and injury to person is approximately \$12,000,000.

The commission made some other interesting discoveries in the course of its investigations. It learned that while the railroads engaged in interstate commerce pay on an average \$12,000,000 annually on account of the loss of life or for injuries inflicted upon employes.

It has also been established that not more than 30 per cent of the employes who suffer loss of life or personal injury in employment receive any compensation whatever.

A few of the provisions. It is estimated that the cost to the railroad of administering the law will be about \$400,000 annually.

On January 9 a delegation of workmen will appear before the commission from the Norfolk navy yard.

Senator George Sutherland, of Utah, chairman; Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon; Representative Brantley, of Georgia; Representative Moon, of Pennsylvania; W. C. Brown, president of the New York Central Railroad; and C. L. Cook, editor of the Railroad Trainman.

UNEMPLOYED GAUGED BY LATEST STATISTICS

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The Bureau of Statistics has just issued Labor Bulletin No. 88, and treats of unemployment in the organized industries and the labor supply and demand at the State free employment offices.

The condition of the labor market for the quarter showed a decided improvement over the same quarter last year.

STATE WATER WASTE GOES INTO MILLIONS

Conservation Commission Give Figures Showing Neglect of Resources.

ALBANY, Dec. 31.—It is the conservative estimate of Commissioner John D. Moore, of the Inland Waters Division, that water which would develop at least 1,000,000 horsepower annually is wasted in New York State.

With the great problem of how to conserve these waters, prevent their destructive effects and harness them to generate electricity that shall mean cheaper light, heat and power for all the people of the State, the Conservation Commission is now wrestling.

This year, 1912, it is expected will mark the time when the conservation program of the State of New York will take definite form.

The task of determining the method and working out the details of this proposition is the one which confronts the incoming Legislature.

There are others who believe that the State itself should create the improvements and so dispose of a source of revenue; and there are still others who believe that the State itself should make use of the additional power created and should itself generate and distribute electricity to the citizens within reach of the improvement.

TAYLOR SYSTEM PROBE GETS TIME EXTENSION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The Federal Commission investigating the Taylor system obtained an extension of time in which to make its report from January 1 to March 10, 1912.

A hearing will be granted on January 4 to employees of the Rock Island Arsenal, who will be present representing the machine shop, the small arms department, the equipment shop and the carpenter shop.

where the injury or death resulted from a willful act of the employe, or when the injury was the result of intoxication on duty. The injured employe and those representing him are required to give notice to the employer within thirty days.

MORE QUEER HYDE AFFIDAVITS FOUND

Reports Upon 108 Now Show Same Ground for Perjury Charge.

District Attorney Whitman received yesterday the reports on the work that his investigators had done late on Saturday night in looking up the affidavits that were secured in the interests of ex-Chamberlain Hyde.

The returns from the last batch are much like those that have gone before. Two instances were found where the man mentioned in the affidavits had sold out their businesses and moved away, and the only evidence of their presence at the addresses given were their names, which had not yet been removed from the doors.

In spite of the nature of the evidence which he has Whitman has just about decided that he will not go to the Grand Jury and ask for a perjury indictment until after the argument of motion for a change of venue has been heard on Friday.

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MAYOR OF HOBOKEN QUILTS IN DISGUST

Republican Executive Says He Wouldn't Take Job Again for All the Money in the World.

George Gonzales, the only Republican Mayor that Democratic Hoboken has had since E. V. S. Besson retired from office at the fall end of 1882.

"I am thoroughly disgusted with the job," the Mayor said yesterday, "and I wouldn't take it again for all the money in the world.

"In my campaign I had made it a point to invite the co-operation of the people and promised that the door of the Mayor's office always would be open to the people, and that I would welcome any suggestions they would make.

AUSTRALIA PENSIONS 16,465 IN ONE YEAR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The 16,465 old age pensioners admitted to the government rolls in the Australian Commonwealth during the fiscal year 1910-11 comprised 6,134 males and 10,331 females.

There were 82,853 pensioners on June 30, 1911. The expenditure on pensions in the year 1910-11 was \$8,693,778, not including administration.

WOULD BUY GOTTHARD TUNNEL

GENEVA, Dec. 31.—Steps have been taken by the National Council of Switzerland to purchase the St. Gotthard Tunnel Railroad.

WAGE SLAVES SPEEDED UP IN PRODUCTIVITY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The United States Census Bureau is following its usual custom of hurling stupendous totals at the public.

The productive value of the employes averaged \$1,985 per capita in 1904, and in 1909 this value had increased to \$2,313 as an average per capita, or an increase of 15 1/2 per cent.

STEEL MILLS TO USE 100,000 NEW MEN

Scores of Idle Mills to Resume Work Shortly Is Report.

(By Laffan News Bureau.)

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 31.—With the beginning of 1912, fully 100,000 additional workmen will find employment in the iron and steel industries of the country.

The Carnegie Steel Company will start its Edgar Thomson Rail Mill for a long run. The American Steel and Wire Company will put its Schoenberger plant in full operation.

The American Tinplate Company announces that 5,000 employes at New Castle, Pa., will be put to work with the beginning of the year.

Fourteen blast furnaces that have been idle will resume during the month as rapidly as they can be got ready.

HOLD MAN AND GIRL ON BURGLARY CHARGE

NYACK, Dec. 31.—Estelle McElroy, an 18-year-old girl, who was arrested at Hillburn, with a man named Frederick Monrow, after entering the Bronze Metal Works at Hillburn early yesterday morning.

Monrow and Miss McElroy are suspected of having been the leaders of a band of thieves, but neither would make any statement before Justice Easton last night.

FIND MUTILATED BODY OF MURDERED YOUTH

WATERBURY, Conn., Dec. 31.—Alvan Fredrick, 20, of Stony Creek, L. I., missing from Terryville since Christmas morning, when he went out cheerfully to work, was found dead yesterday by a hunting dog who stood sentinel at the body, having pitifully until he brought his youthful master, Stanley Gun, 12 years.

There was a terrible gash in one breast, the wound of a gunshot, and the body showed contusions and a bloody death struggle. The clothing was badly mangled.

DEMOCRACY'S NIGHT OFF FOR NEW YEAR

Wine Brings Happiness to Gay Throngs of Lobster Square.

Everybody blew horns, rattled rattlers and generally "railed Cain" throughout New York last night and well into this morning.

Concentrated in Longacre Square, for was not more money spent there than anywhere else in the Greater City?

That shows the prodigiousness, the lavishness, the regal grandeur of the scale of last night's festivities.

In costly limousine, in gliding brougham, and in bailey taxis, the crowd arrived well before the ringing out of the old year.

But New York is a city of wealth, and if one may not be happy, he must at least be contented.

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The mine workers' officials have been energetically increasing the membership of the union, placing more money in the local treasuries thereby, and doing what they could to increase and extend the union spirit.

SAY STITT WILSON TIPPED BURNS OFF ABOUT JOHANNSEN

Sleuth's Agent Gives "Much Credit" to Socialist Mayor of Berkeley for Information About Labor Leader.

MINERS TO PRESENT DEMANDS TUESDAY

Union Busy Organizing Forces in Anticipation of Bitter Fight.

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MUTILATED SELF TO ESCAPE GERMAN ARMY

BREMEN, Dec. 31.—In order that he would not be eligible for military service because he was the sole support of his paralyzed mother, and a 75-year-old grandfather, whom he kept on his daily wage of 28 cents, Muskatier Hoppe cut off the upper part of the muscles of his ears soon after he was ordered to join the Bremen Infantry Regiment as a recruit.

For this the high court-martial of the 17th Army Division has just sentenced him to one year imprisonment, the minimum penalty, because in the opinion of the court-martial it was "child love" which prompted the act.

TIMOTHY HEALY SAYS THAT HE WAS LIBELLED

Timothy Healy, president of the International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, was in Yorkville Police Court yesterday as complainant against William Goldman, a stationary fireman, who lives at 305 East 150th street, on a charge of criminal libel.

The accused is not a member of the brotherhood, of which the complainant is president. Healy obtained a warrant for him on the accusation that Goldman had distributed pamphlets reflecting upon Healy's character.

DETECTIVE TALKS

Declares Ten Indianapolis Indictments Will Be Returned by Jury.

TEN MORE INVOLVED

Outline of Movements of Arrested Men Is Given to Show Activity During Many Years.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 31.—Local agents of the Burns Detective Agency give much credit to J. Stitt Wilson, Socialist Mayor of Berkeley, Cal., for the valuable tip regarding Johannsen, E. H. Mills, in charge of the local Burns office, said:

"On the morning following the destruction of the Times Building, J. Stitt Wilson, the present Mayor of Berkeley, went to the police station and told Captain of Detectives Paul E. Flammner to watch Johannsen. This information was subsequently given to Mr. Burns.

"Coupled with his previous knowledge of the case, Mr. Burns was at that time almost able to give the names of the men implicated. Before and evidence are two different things, and we immediately started to build our case.

"For many months we have had Tveitmo, Clancy, Munsey, and Johannsen and others under shadow. They knew it, and during all that time they were claiming that the McNamara brothers were innocent.

"Tveitmo's connection with the dynamiting on this coast dates back for several years. He directed the movements of M. A. Schmidt and David Caplan. Johannsen figured in this, and J. E. Munsey and Clancy knew of their operations. Tveitmo was known as the 'Old Man.' He was the man J. E. McNamara reported to after the Times Building was destroyed, and McNamara says he went to San Francisco to see Tveitmo. It so happened that Tveitmo was not in San Francisco at that time.

"The indictments returned here do not mean that all of the men alleged to be implicated are under arrest. The more indictments will be returned in Indianapolis. Ten other labor leaders, including Herbert Hoch, known as the 'conspirator,' and we have the evidence to prove this charge. The greater part of it, of course, is contained in the documents we seized in J. J. McNamara's office when he was arrested by Detective Burns in Indianapolis.

"The movements and connection of J. E. McNamara and McNamalgan with the men now under arrest are as follows: "Tveitmo and other labor leaders came to Los Angeles in early part of August. At that time the iron workers' strike was on and they surveyed the situation. Tveitmo returned to his home. He then wrote to J. J. McNamara, sending money and urging McNamara to send on the wires of his there was work to do on the Coast. J. E. McNamara was sent on and Tveitmo and Clancy in San Francisco. "Later J. E. McNamara was sent to Seattle and dynamited the Lewis Building there. When he returned to San Francisco he met Tveitmo and they talked of the work to be done in Los Angeles. J. E. McNamara asked for assistance and the labor leader, after several conferences, said he would send Anton Johannsen. Later, through Johannsen, Tveitmo secured Schmidt and Caplan and they secured the dynamite.

sent out to destroy the auxiliary newspaper plant and the several iron factories here.

McManigal Meets Clancy. "When McManigal reached San Francisco after the Llewellyn explosion he met Clancy. They talked the matter over, and Clancy told McManigal that Tveitmoe was out of town at the Springs and that he had better wait for several days until he returned. McManigal said he wanted to be home by New Year's and did not wait.

DIX WOULD REMOVE DIST. ATT. ALVERSON Charged With Failing to Prosecute Supervisor Atcheson of Philadelphia.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 31.—Governor Dix has caused to be served on District Attorney Claude B. Alverson charges laid before him on which his removal is asked. The charges came by special messenger last night.

A BAD NEW YEAR FOR CLAY WILSON

Confidence Man of 30 Years' Experience Convicted of Obtaining Money Under False Pretences. This is no happy new year for Clay Wilson, alias Spanish Joe, alias Monte Jack and George Andrews and H. Mason on down through a convenient string of thirty and more names, for on Saturday he was convicted in a Dayton, Ohio, court of obtaining money under false pretences. So he must miss having his New Year's dinner in the home he owns in New York and go to jail.

CONVICT LABOR BILL FAVORED.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The House Committee on Labor, at its regular meeting, December 19, decided to report favorably upon the convict labor bill, H. R. 5661. This bill is being strongly urged by labor. It is hoped this measure will be passed by the present Congress and thus relieve free labor from the existing competition with contract convict labor.

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RUSSIA WOULD POSE AS ANGEL OF PEACE

Ambassador at Constantinople Said to Have Free Hand.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 31.—Secretary of State Sazonov reached here in time to have a long conference with Prime Minister Kokovtsov before the latter went to the Lavadia to make his report on the internal and external situation to the Czar. It is evident that Russia is acting in the belief that the Tripoli war can be rounded off only by a European conference.

NAVY HELPS INCREASE GOVERNMENT'S DEFICIT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—The United States Government has a deficit of about \$22,000,000 at the close of the calendar year ending today, as compared with a deficit of about \$7,000,000 at the same date last year. The deficit was caused by a falling off of approximately \$10,000,000 in customs receipts and an increase of about \$8,000,000 in the expenses of the navy.

REYES CAPTURE DOES NOT SOOTHE MEXICO

EL PASO, TEX., Dec. 31.—The arrest of Gen. Bernardo Reyes has not stopped the activities of the men in the mountains of Northern Mexico, who are against the government.

PASSENGERS SEE MAN SUCKED DOWN BY MUD

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 31.—Passengers on a Southern Pacific train saw an unknown man drawn to death in the mud flats south of this city last night. As the train sped along Bay Shore, just outside the city, a man, thought to be a duck hunter, was seen struggling in the mud.

TREATY ABROGATION MAY HIT INTERESTS

Exports to Russia in 1911 Doubled Imports From Empire.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—That manufacturing and agricultural interests of the United States will be the chief sufferers by any reciprocal stand taken by Russia following the recent Presidential abrogation of the Russo-American treaty of 1832 is suggested by statistics made public here today, following a special and evidently "inspired" compilation.

RECOMMENDS PENSION FOR GOVT. EMPLOYEES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Strong recommendations that the civil service employees of the government be retired on annuities when they reach the age of retirement or become disabled are contained in the annual report of Public Printer Samuel B. Donnelly.

MAYOR FOR BELLEVILLE, N. J.

BELLEVILLE, N. J., Dec. 31.—A new form of government will become operative in this town tomorrow when the municipality will emerge from a township to a town, and will have a Mayor, members of the Council, and other officials which they have been unable to have under the old Township Law. A. C. Denison will be the first Mayor.

PUBLISHING TRADE MAKES FINE RECORD

Wages, Salaries, Circulation and Most Publications Show Increases.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—A preliminary statement of the general results of the thirteenth census relative to establishments engaged in printing and publishing was issued today by Director Durand, of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce and Labor. It includes the printing and publishing of books, music, newspapers, and periodicals; also job printing, bookbinding and blankbook making, steel engraving, and lithography.

WAGES RISE 11 PER CENT.

The salaries and wages amounting to \$268,086,000 in 1909 and \$194,944,000 in 1904, an increase of \$73,142,000, or 38 per cent.

FREEZING GALE FAST COMING EASTWARD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Weather Bureau issued the following weekly bulletin today: In the United States, wintry weather will be general during the greater part of the coming week.

MORE FRICTION OVER PANAMA ELECTIONS

PANAMA, Dec. 31.—Mayor Boyd of this city was removed from office yesterday afternoon and shortly afterwards Frederico Boyd, Secretary for Foreign Affairs in the Cabinet, resigned. The Mayor was removed because, as he states, he refused to compromise himself in the campaign for the re-election of President Arosemena.

GUILTY, BUT ACQUITTED.

VIENNA, Dec. 31.—All the male residents of the village of Ribnik, composed of twenty-four farmers, pleaded guilty to "lynching" a Czech laborer, but were declared "not guilty" by a jury, despite the fact that they had killed the young man. For some time the village had been the scene of incendiary fires.

Over 1,000,000 Volumes.

The total number of titles, editions or separate works published was 46,739, comprising 54,620 volumes, of which 161,261,844 copies were printed.

UNGUARDED CONVICTS TO CONSTRUCT ROADS

Texas Prisoners to Be Placed on Honor Roll While Doing Work.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 31.—Governor Colquitt will try the experiment of working 500 penitentiary convicts upon the public roads of the State without placing them under armed guards or other surveillance. He says he believes the convicts will make no attempt to escape if placed on their honor not to do so.

BRITISH MINERS WILL BALLOT ON STRIKE

LONDON, Dec. 31.—The question of a general strike of the coal miners of Great Britain will be voted on January 16. If two-thirds of the men vote in the affirmative, an industrial war, which will involve practically all of the English and Welsh collieries and embrace more than 200,000 men, will be declared on or about March 1 next.

LONDON DOCKERS GAIN.

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LIABILITY BILL IS KILLED BY RAILROAD

Tennessee Legislature Turns Down Bill at Behest of Louisville R. R.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—By a vote of 60 yeas to 37 nays the Tennessee Legislature turned down an employers' liability bill patterned after the Federal Act, in spite of the fact that before election the regular Democrats, the Independent Democrats and the Republicans all solemnly pledged their parties to pass an employers' liability law, as good, if not better than the Federal Act.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—A tentative bill drafted by the States Employers' Liability and Compensation Commission and apparently a joker is incorporated.

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ALL ABOARD, BOYS, FOR THAT C. F. DINNER

First Comes "Peace 'Tween Capital and Labor," Then Big Feed.

Yes, the National Civic Federation is still living. It has suffered heavy losses in 1911. John Mitchell, the former head of the miners...

Samuel Gompers, another of the "labor" pillars of the Civic Federation, is in bad shape just now with the employing class...

The "labor" phalanx in the Civic Federation is, therefore, decidedly on the blink. But Ralph Easley, the brains of the Civic Federation...

This year the Civic Federation will hold its convention in Washington on March 5, 6 and 7. One of the three days will be a special day devoted to the establishment of "Industrial Peace and Progress," capitalized.

Another of the three short days (the days are always short at N. C. F. conventions; time flies fast at luncheons and dinners of \$5 per) will be devoted to settling forever that vexing problem of the "Rights and Duties of Public Employees."

The "Industrial Peace" dinner, it is said, will be held at the Waldorf Hotel, right around the corner. Among those invited to the Civic Federation convention are, of course, the Governors of all the States.

Recent events have so stirred the minds and hearts of our people that the National Civic Federation believes the hour is timely for a meeting to consider industrial peace as related to industrial progress.

Now, expand your chest, take a deep breath and read the next paragraph. Comment is unnecessary.

The "Industrial Peace" dinner will be presided over by His Eminence, Cardinal Gibbons, and it will be held in the Peace Hall of the Bureau of American Republics on Tuesday, March 5, at 10 o'clock.

Now, don't forget the date of the convention March 5, 6 and 7. Place in Washington, D. C., a gay old town. Your Senator next door will testify to this.

F. S.—Bring wife and kiddies along. Supper is only \$5 a plate and the food will be a la Pure Food Wiley. Oh, yes, don't forget to have your suit pressed for the occasion.

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ITALIAN SOCIALISTS IN THIS COUNTRY ORGANIZING RAPIDLY

National Convention Will Hear Good Reports Concerning Work of Enrolling Foreign Speaking Workers in the Ranks of Their Political Party.

By J. L. ENGBAHL (Correspondence to The Call.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Delegates to the National Convention of the Socialist party, which will open in Oklahoma City on May 12, representing the foreign speaking organizations, will have a definite program to present to the convention dealing with the work of the foreign language organizations within the party.

This program will be drawn at a meeting of these delegates just previous to the opening of the National Socialist Convention.

The foreign delegates held a meeting similar to the one contemplated just previous to the National Socialist Congress in May, 1910, and laid the foundation for the successful work that was done at that meeting.

Such a meeting is imperative in order that the foreign speaking organizations may be able to decide upon and agree among themselves to support a definite policy before the convention," says Joseph Corti, national translator-secretary of the Italian section of the Socialist party.

Corti disagrees with Polish Translator-Secretary Hipolit Gluski on the question of whether the dues stamps are to be bought direct from the English speaking local organizations or from the translator-secretaries.

Corti wants the foreign locals to get their dues stamps from the translator-secretaries, while Gluski is in favor of the foreign locals getting them from the English county or State organizations.

The matter, it seems, will finally center about the struggle for State autonomy, which is now recognized by the National Socialist party organization.

Corti claims that it is a simple matter for the translator-secretary to make a report to the State or county organizations on the dues stamps that have been bought from him by the foreign language locals, while Gluski, for the Poles, says he is satisfied with the foreign language locals reporting on the number of stamps they have bought from the English speaking locals, and that the National Socialist party organization could keep in touch with the situation equally well under this plan.

In Illinois a referendum has just been passed providing that the foreign locals be compelled to pay 2 1/2 cents to the county and the same amount to the English speaking State organizations, thus putting them on an equal footing with the English speaking locals, while saving 5 cents with the situation equally well under this plan.

"This reduction in dues to the foreign local amounts to very little," declares J. O. Bentall, State secretary for Illinois, but it is admitted that as the foreign organizations grow there will be quite a little amount turned over to each of the foreign national organizations to carry on an agitation among their own people.

It is expected that under this plan all the foreign locals in Illinois will get their dues stamps direct from the regular county and State organizations, which seems to be the best workable proposition.

The Illinois referendum goes into effect with the new year, creating a condition for the foreign language locals that already exists in Massachusetts, Vermont and Connecticut.

Italian Movement Growing Fast. In spite of the handicaps that confront it, the Italian Section of the National Socialist party, like the Polish Section, is another revelation of the progress that can be brought about once an organized attempt is made to bring the foreign speaking people into the Socialist movement.

The Italian Socialist movement started in this country in 1900, with the publication in New York, of an Italian publication, in New York, with Joseph Bertelli as its editor.

In 1903 there was organized a Federation of Italian Socialist Branches, affiliated with the S. L. P. In the following year this federation withdrew from the S. L. P. and held a neutral position in its relation toward the Socialist party and S. L. P.

This condition continued up to the Boston convention in December of 1906, when the organization contained about eighty-four branches with about 2,000 members.

The Socialist party sent a delegate to the Boston convention to take up the matter of affiliation with it, but the federation still seemed to be split in its ideas and nothing resulted.

In 1907 Bertelli resigned the editorship of Il Proletario, in New York, and came to Chicago, where he later started the La Parola Dei Lavoratori, the Italian Socialist weekly of this city. During 1908 Bertelli made a tour of the United States, many branches springing up as a result, these being like those of the Finnish and Polish federations.

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PLAN LECTURES ON "AID TO INJURED"

Tuberculosis Also One of Many Subjects to Be Treated.

Public lectures under the direction of the Board of Education will be resumed tonight.

There will be 35 lecture centers in New York, 44 in Brooklyn, 26 in the Borough of Queens, 25 in the Borough of the Bronx and 13 in the Borough of Richmond.

Lectures to be given include the following topics: Music, Art, Literature, History, The People's Courts, Industries, Natural Science, Health Topics, Shakespeare and Charles Dickens. Course of five lectures on First Aid to the Injured will be given in the following places:

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN. Public School 62, Hester, Essex and Norfolk streets; William H. Happe, M. D., Mondays, beginning January 8.

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BOROUGH OF QUEENS. Flushing High School (P. S. 20), Sanford avenue and Union street; Flushing; William A. Rodgers, M. D., Fridays, beginning January 26.

PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS. BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN. Public School 17, 47th street, west of Eighth avenue; Thomas Darlington, M. D., Friday, January 12.

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN. Public School 162, St. Nicholas avenue and Suydam street; James Jenkins, Jr., Friday, February 9.

BOROUGH OF RICHMOND. Public School 18, Broadway, West New Brighton; John H. Huber, M. D., Wednesday, January 31, 8 p.m.

These courses will follow these courses in common with other courses and proficiency certificates will be given to those entitled to them at the finish of all courses.

Many of the lectures as arranged by Dr. Henry M. Leipsiger, Supervisor of Lectures, will be found informing even to the specialist, who knows much but not all of his subject.

The courses on "Electrical Engineering," beginning January 5, for example, as arranged for delivery at the De Witt Clinton High School, Tenth avenue and 58th street, deal with the telephone, wireless telegraphy, electroplating and electrotyping, electric heating and cooling, the production and supply of electricity by central stations, the electric storage battery, alternating currents of electricity and its use at Niagara Falls.

These lectures are eminently practical and are calculated to benefit the electrical worker and the artisan.

Prof. John S. McKay, of Packer Collegiate Institute, will deliver a course of eight lectures on "The Relation of Magnetism to Electric Currents" on Saturday evenings at St. Bartholomew's Hall, 205 East 42d street, beginning on January 6.

A course of eight lectures at Public School 27, 42d street, east of Third avenue, is concerned with physical geography and nature study. Prof. William Libbey, of Princeton University, will speak on "Erosion" January 8.

Later he will have as subjects "Rivers," "Geysers," "Volcanoes," "Earthquakes" and "Glaciers." At the same school in the same course Herbert E. Job will speak on "Knowledge of Our Wild Birds" and Miss Nina H. Marshall will consider "Nature Walks in Our City Parks."

Four lectures on Zoology will be given by various speakers at Public School 33, Dominick, Clarke and Broome streets. Herbert S. Ardell, of the Brooklyn Eagle, begins the course January 12.

On January 17 Miss Ellen Velvin (Fellow Royal Zoological Society) will give a talk at the New York Juvenile Asylum, at Dobbs Ferry, on "Wild Animals in Captivity." There is a very wide difference between wild animals in the open and the same animals in captivity, a fact which makes for interesting possibilities as to Miss Velvin's lecture.

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SOCIALIST NEWS OF THE DAY

WAR OF SOCIETY AGAINST CONVICT LABOR

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Shaw has given to the world a prospectus of this company, which he has intended to be considered as a combination of humor and thrift...

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These excerpts from the gifted Mr. Shaw's prospectus should be enough to make labor so thoroughly indignant by the imposition of convict labor...

SHIP OWNERS BITTERLY OPPOSE LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—There has been one hearing before the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries on the Seaman's bill H. R. 11372.

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Hand School Notes. This evening being New Year's, the class was postponed to Thursday, January 4.

Notice to Branch 1 Members. Nominations for officers of Branch 1 and delegates to the Central Committee have been left open till the next meeting.

Address Wanted. Comrade Johanna Dahme is requested to send her address to William Glanz, organizer of Local Passaic County, 184 River street, Paterson, N. J.

Minutes Executive Committee. A regular meeting of the Executive Committee of Local New York was held on December 27 at the office of Local New York, 239 East 84th street.

Letter from Comrade Arthur Dieckman was referred to the Central Committee. Communication from Branch 10, sending a statement of the vote cast for the State Committee and stating that inadvertently the motion it was decided not to accept the statement of the votes cast.

Financial secretary reported the following: Cash on hand, \$1,082.72; bills payable, \$32.55; net balance, \$1,049.72. Two hundred applications were received during the month.

It was decided to hold the picnic on June 16 at the Harlem River Casino. The organizer reported having made a contract with the New Star Casino for the ball to be held by Local New York on November 23, 1912.

Comrade Sackin reported for the Naturalization Committee, Report was received. On motion it was decided to appropriate \$10 for the Naturalization Committee for advertising purposes.

It was decided that at the discussion meeting to be held on Thursday, January 11, at Cooper Union, the whole evening should be given to Comrades Haywood and Hillquit to discuss the question "What shall be the attitude of the Socialist party toward the economic organizations of the working class?"

The organizer was empowered to purchase the necessary filing devices for the office, and that new applications be printed on cards. Also reported the arrangements for the Maurer meetings and that Branches 1, 8 and 10 have so far arranged no meetings for Comrade Maurer.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Socialist Educational Club was held on Friday evening, December 29, with Comrade Haas chairman. Bills amounting to \$44.60 were ordered paid. A communication was read from the Plans Committee.

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NEW JERSEY. Irvington. This afternoon and evening Branch Irvington will celebrate New Year's Day by holding open-house at its headquarters, corner of Union and Springfield avenues.

PHILADELPHIA. Local Philadelphia is now working hard to raise a fund for getting new headquarters. The present quarters, at 1305 Arch street, are totally inadequate in every respect for the work of the party.

IN ORDER to raise funds for the purpose a Socialist Headquarters' Association has been organized, governed by the following rules: 1. Every one in sympathy with Socialism may buy bonds at \$1 each.

EUROPEAN NOTES. TURKEY. The six Socialist members of the Ottoman Legislature—one Bulgarian and five Armenians—have decided to form a new group, with a view to taking a more active part in parliamentary work.

GREECE. The news has recently been received of the resignation of the Deputy, Mr. Condomicchalis—an insignificant politician. It is caused by his having accepted a post in the Bureau of International Finance Control.

YOUNG SOCIALISTS' MOVEMENT. Belgium.—The Belgium juvenile movement is the oldest in the International, and last year celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary. In the year 1886 were founded at Brussels the three first syndicates, to which followed others.

BOSTON. The National Lyceum Lecture Course opens today in Boston at Lorimer Hall, Tremont Temple, with Charles Edward Russell as the speaker. His subject is "How We Are Gouged."

FLORIDA. The actions of the police of Tampa in obeying the orders of the capitalists in slugging Socialists and union men are some of the most disgraceful in the country.

MINNESOTA. How to defeat the Socialists at the next municipal election is a problem that is worrying the old party politicians of Minneapolis at present.

IMPRISONED DUMA DEPUTIES. The International Socialist Bureau has issued the following circular: "On November 5, 1907, the trial of the action between the Parliamentary group and the Social Democratic Party took place.

ANNOUNCEMENTS. "Industrial Work for Girls" is the title of a lecture to be delivered tomorrow evening, January 2, at the Hebrew Educational Society, Pitkin avenue and Watkins street, Brooklyn.

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OUR FRIENDS—THE ENEMY Political Action in Arizona

By JOHN J. METTRICK.

As the old year has passed on to be numbered with those countless other ones that were, and that are remembered in degree as they appear to us as reminders of the good or evil, tears of laughter, with which we were accompanied in our little journey from somewhere to who knows, let us of the Socialist movement, here at the threshold of the New Year, offer a toast, and let it be: "To our friends—the enemy! May their efforts of the future be as fruitful as those of the past."

And in doing so, which proves the unselfishness of the man, not only in this but in every field of endeavor to which he gave his talents, and the Socialists have much to remember him for, his battle ax work in their behalf being sufficient always to make the name of Hill a thing of beauty and a joy for all time.

Theodore! Never, never, should we forget the mighty hunter. Many and many a blow has he dealt us. Many, full many a fiery breath has he breathed of defiance and scorn at our professions of victories to come, until we have quaked in fear of the great warrior's vengeance, and many a busy, busy hour have we spent in dodging the anathemas hurled at us by this mighty Atlas whose vengeance even thorns like us today, even to the last man jack of us who is doomed. Even so, still are we grateful to our gladiator, who has dealt with us so generously if harshly at times, therefore, greetings, Theodore, bully, bully!

And our editors! Our editors, indeed, there's the collection of bizarre talent that is boasting for us every day in the year in their own peculiar way, and delivering the goods, too. Listen! Have you seen the Pilot? Sure, it's a paper! Shelf or wall? No, no, a newspaper. All papers published in Boston and elsewhere are newspapers, frequently.

There's a saying to the effect, "See Naples and die!" Well, see Naples if you can, but for heaven's sake read the Pilot before making the final exit. It's the one paper in Boston that has its news from the fountain head of things, and if you are looking for information at first hand and without taint or coloration, here is the field to browse in.

Did you see that or anything like it in any of the other papers? No, sir, not even in that esteemed contemporary, the American Citizen. That is second only to the Pilot for straight copy, and after a perusal of the above said there was no doubt in the reader's mind as to what Dr. Cronin says, who was responsible for the Triangle fire, Austin dam disaster, and now it comes back to us. E. H. the Civil War. Our dream is out.

Speaking of "former Socialists," there was a volume issued by two of the species some few years ago. It was the book of the century, and bore the title, "Fatherless Children," or separated from our meal ticket. It was a success from the start, run through twenty-three editions of twenty-three copies each, and was translated into every foreign language, including the one in which it was supposed to be written.

Of course, this is not the only book published to combat the Socialist movement, but it is, perhaps, the most successful one, and willingly will we subscribe to the aphorism, "Oh, that mine enemy would write a book!"

The Common Cause? The latest addition to the anvil chorus, the official organ to be of our friends—the enemy, think of it, a magazine to discuss our discussions! Could we ask more?

Liberty and Property! New York's gilt edged group, organized and chartered for the express purpose of supervising the work of the "reds," welcome, merry gentlemen, thrice welcome to the ranks of the toddlers go as far as you like. "Lay on, Mædull, and damned be he who first cries, Hold! Enough!"

Now that Arizona is on the point of receiving her certificate of statehood, a short resume of the events that have transpired there in the past year or two may be of interest to Call readers as pertaining to the immediate future of the Socialist movement in the new State.

In June, 1910, the Socialist party in the Territory had 190 dues paying members and polled 1,900 votes, which was no increase on the vote of three or four years previous. At the same time the labor unions in the Territory had about 7,000 members.

In July, 1910, the labor unions called a conference—in which the Western Federation of Miners took the initiative—at Phoenix, the object of which was to discuss ways and means of getting labor measures into the new State Constitution, which was to be drafted by a Constitutional Committee that was elected afterwards, in September, 1910.

Under the Territorial election law at this time there was a fee system existing, which was designed to shut out small opposition tickets, and which practically excluded the Socialist party, the fee exacted from each candidate ranging from \$5 to \$25, payable in advance, and other expenses also provided by law practically doubled this amount.

So at the Labor Conference before mentioned the nineteen Socialists attended, not as Socialists, but as union members.

The conference framed "twenty-seven demands of labor" to be made a part of the new State Constitution, and then the discussion turned on how to get them into it.

Here the nineteen Socialists got to work and endeavored to secure an endorsement of the Socialist party. Some ten non-party members, sympathizers, stood with them on the first ballot, the combined group representing some 3,000 union members.

Opposing the Socialists were the delegates representing the printing trades and the railroad brotherhood. These men disliked the domination of the labor situation by the Western Federation of Miners, thirteen of the Socialist being members of that body.

Since then there have been the results. The Labor party, though it did not elect a single candidate, polled 3,170 votes, not counting the fusion votes in several counties. This was 1,000 more than the Socialist party had ever polled.

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As old custom and convention has it, the opening of a new year is the period for registering new resolutions, but for us Socialists who are not so fast bound by custom and convention the old resolution still stands good—the resolve that we shall as before do what in us lies to sweep the capitalist system from this earth of ours.

Some telling blows have been delivered to this end, in the year just past. We shall strike harder and heavier blows in the year just before us.

For the old world is groaning in travail, pregnant with social revolution. The present year, like the one just past, will see the approaching birth of the new order brought still nearer.

To our German Comrades falls the honor of opening the international campaign in the initial month of 1912. They have been for five years preparing for it, and how well those preparations have been carried out the terror of their opponents amply testifies.

We shall have our chance in November, and nearly a year for preparation lies before us. We must make the most of it.

Steady, tireless, persistent work, with press, pamphlet, leaflet and book, on the street corner, in the lecture hall, the union meeting, the school, the church, the factory, the work-bench, the mill, the mine, the farm and the home. Everywhere and at all times and places where a word in season can be used. In times of industrial peace and in times of industrial war, in the strike and the lockout, among the employed and among the unemployed, day and night, steadily and ceaselessly must we work to this end as we have in the past year, but with ever greater effort.

Those who oppose us will provide the opportunity. Those who exploit our class prepare the exploited ones for the reception of our propaganda. They cannot help themselves, cannot do otherwise, nor can they prevent us from enlightening our fellows, those upon whose poverty and wretchedness they thrive.

We can mock at their efforts to stem the tide of social revolution that they themselves are helping prepare the elements of. Ever the class struggle becomes more bitter and intense, ever the exploitation increases, and the efforts of their reformers more futile and farcical. They cannot answer us. They have no answer. The hideous conditions which are the result of their class rule they cannot possibly change, and they could only answer us by changing them.

But that is our task, not theirs. Our work is part of the social evolutionary process also, and is as inevitable and inexorable as the existence of the conditions, which are the result of their class rule and which our work must sweep away by abolishing class rule.

Our work is the accumulation of power—power that is brought by knowledge—power that must not and will not be dissipated uselessly in premature and ill-judged attacks on still greater power, but that must be conserved and accumulated until sufficient for its purpose. Both patience and wisdom in its use are needed. But patience does not mean inactivity. Our energies can be best used in accumulating power for the final struggle. We shall find sufficient exercise in that task, and opposition, too. We are now in the training camp, and it is no loafing place.

Our object is not to fight capitalism for the sake of fighting but to deliver the knockout blow. And accumulating power for that purpose is by no means synonymous with doing nothing.

We have invaded Congress and State Legislatures; we have captured cities, and sent our representatives into scores of municipal bodies. But these things have not alarmed our adversaries so much in themselves as to what they promise for the future. They have been mostly able to frustrate all our efforts to make even minor changes, but that fact does not allay their apprehension. They know we are in training and that every apparent defeat adds to our power. It is not what we are now, nor the things we try to do now, that alarm them but what we shall be in the future and the things we then shall do.

And the signs of this alarm are on every hand now and are by no means the least convincing evidence of our growing power and its recognition by our opponents.

They are coming out in the open, where we can see them. They have not done so willingly. They have been forced to it. During the past year they have formed many leagues, religious and secular, for the defense of capitalism against the approaching doom.

The cunning and unscrupulous Jesuit begins the new year with the issue of the first "religious" publication devoted to the opposition of Socialism that has appeared in this country. And it is mildly interesting to observe the black army of the night open hostilities by breaking its teeth on Marx and denouncing with scholastic sneer that "materialistic conception of history," that "economic determinism," that has dragged them forth to do battle against social evolution, and of which their presence in the field is in itself the most convincing proof. Interesting is it to see these clerical reactionists trying to kindle into flame the embers and ashes of the religious enthusiasm of past ages, now on the point of flickering out, and marshaling the remnants of fear and ignorance against the inexorable march of humanity and social progress.

We have no verbal answer to expend upon them. They are not worth it. Well do we know that their show of attack is but a defensive movement. The only answer they need expect from us will be given in the steady continuance of our work. For we can put a thousand workers into the field for their one, and despite all they may do, we will take from them thousands and hundreds of thousands of those who now follow them and in whose ignorance alone lies their defensive strength. Economic conditions fight on our side. Their capitalist Christ cannot feed the multitude. We can teach the multitude how to feed themselves.

And in the meantime, our apparent enemies, but unconscious allies, the great capitalists, will assist in the general evolutionary process with their ever growing trusts and combinations, and their puppet politicians will gradually destroy the political faith of the masses by constant staging of the wearisome and futile farce of trying to control the trusts by statute law.

And the other half of the human race—that half to which the continuance of the race itself is committed—the women—reduced to nonentities heretofore both by church and state—are awakening and demanding place and power in the changing social order. They, too, will be with us and against those powers which have for centuries enslaved them, and even now strive with might and main to hold them still in the ancient fetters.

These are some of the social conditions which exist at the opening of the new year. They are conditions that mark the disintegration and passing of the old order of things and the coming of a newer and better era for humanity.

This is the Socialist century. Capitalism has had its century in the one just past. The future is with democracy—political and industrial. The old order changeth, giving place to new, and ever the work of preparation for the coming change must go on. Upon

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS CO-OPERATION

By NICHOLAS ALENKOFF.

The "vote catching" period being over, it is about time that all the mutual shameful abuses, heaped mainly by the candidates themselves with the aid of their lieutenants, upon each other, be put a stop to. It may have been intended to serve a good purpose for us in the "rank and file" to find out the character of the "timid Socialist," but we fear the best intentions of our stanch standard bearer, "Gene" Debs, have missed their mark. There is indeed great danger that the most self-sacrificing efforts of the rank and file in the Socialist party for spreading the gospel of Socialism, have to a great extent been injured by the scurrilous abuse of the "leadership" or would-be leadership in the party councils through the continuous waste of the columns of our papers. Our press, for the sustenance of which there has been so much self-sacrifice on the part of the rank and file, is intended to create faith in our cause, confidence in the wise leadership of the party and hope in the final realization of the idea of Socialism; this object has hardly been advanced by the efforts of the "warring candidates for office" to humiliate each other, for, indeed, there was not merely a discussion of "principles" as to what "weapons" are permissible in the class war, but mostly and mainly an attack on the "personalities" and their motives: "one—a would-be aspirant to office—to advance the sale of a particular Socialist publication house, the other fighting behind the barricades of law books."

Let us practice what we preach and bring peace to mankind by a good, real war against the enemies of mankind, the capitalist system.

Let us make up our mind, once for all, that "rights are attained only by struggle, long, unceasing, indefatigable, unflinching struggle. Let us build barricades of thought and knowledge, and form behind this strong fortress we will shoot and his upholding same. Let us be real social revolutionists instead of vacillating opportunists, vote catchers and job hunters.

Let us make our "press" our "Call," the able champion of the cause of labor, which means that of humanity, the indispensable paper of the home of every laboring man and woman, and of every liberty loving man and woman. (And, by the way, let me put in parenthesis, that the cause of "woman franchise" should henceforth be not only the cause of the "woman," and of the "woman's sphere," as some of our Comrades think and even say, but out cause, the cause of Socialism; this, too, is a timely resolution.)

Let us intend to practice what I preach, I intend my humble contribution to the sustaining fund of The Call.

The above is the expression of the rank and file, the writer, who is one of them, sincerely believes.

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those of us who mark and understand the nature of the changes, the task of conscious co-operation with the evolution now at hand and whatever hastening of that process may be possible. It is a task that calls for judgment, knowledge and patience in the highest degree, a demand increasing as the years pass and the crisis of the social revolution draws ever nearer.

Judgment that will serve as a safe guide on the path, and prevent us from dissipating our gathering power by expending it in the attainment of supposed advantages that lessen rather than increase our strength. Judgment and wisdom that prohibit attempting of tasks for which our power is yet insufficient that will serve to warn us against following the many illusive and alluring phantasms of an impossible "something new."

Increasing knowledge of our Socialist philosophy as that we can impart it more clearly to others, and patience, knowing that evolution is with us, and that our ultimate and complete victory is certain.

The straight road to power has by this time been fairly mapped out. It lies where it steadily, moving neither to the right nor left, we can, when the present year has passed, look upon our work and compare it with the work of our fellow workers in other parts of the world.

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While being pined on the bed of a condemned man was asked if anything to say before his exit from the world. "Well," he replied, "you might say the words that I sha'n't say today!"

"Do you know Garryolous?" "Not to speak to."

"But I thought you had called him."

"I did—but he did all the talking."