











(Dalje.)
Marta je uzrla pred seboj bled obraz...
Bil je obraz Anje, njene sestre, polsestre.
Krik ji je zamrl na ustnicah.
— Mati, ali je to kazen za tvoj greh? Kazen, ker ste me preganjali, ker ste me tepli, se norčevali iz mene, me vrgli na cesto, zavrgli?

— In bil je nezakonski!
— Bil je plod ljubezni, kar ne moreš trditi vselej o zakonskih otrocih, ki so plod trgovskih zvez, umazanih spekulacij...
— Vse to sem tudi sama vedela, a da sem nasproti komurkoli tako govorila, ali ne bi bilo videti, kakor da sem prala lastno umazano perilo? Močala sem, čeprav so se pogostokrat vame zaletavali celo tovariši in tovarišice v tovarni.
— Ne govornica o tem, Marta.
Domenila sta se, da se poročita.
— Marta, službo ti bo odpovedal.
— Misliš?
— Prepričan sem.
— Potem bova težko živela.
— Še vedno laže, nego ogromne množice drugih. Pomisli samo na mezde v tovarni "Jugokons"!

ZAPISNIK KONFERENCE J. S. Z. ZA SEVERNI ILLINOIS IN WISCONSIN

Konferenca soc. klubov in društev Izobraznevalne akcije s delokrogom v Wisconsinu in severnem Illinoisu se je vršila v nedeljo 27. aprila 1930 v Tamijski dvorani, Milwaukee, Wis.
Referat: Ker sta Charles Pogo-relec in L. Beniger radi koncerta Save zadržana, bo tajnik pisal obznanje, da na prihodnji konferenci referatira o predmetih, ki sta jih prevzela.
Referat s. Mary Kovach glede ženskega stališča v socialistični stranki se glasi:
Kakšno stališče bi morala žena zavzeti v socialistični stranki in v koliko je upravičena sodelovati na političnem polju? Takšna vprašanja se pogosto ponavljajo. Mar je žena res omejena in valed tega nesposobna za odgovorne službe? Kot izgleda, se na to vprašanje namenoma ni še definitivno odgovorilo. Obratno pa se še vedno oglašajo razni idijote s trditvijo, da bi bila splošna emancipacija ženstva v oviro obtemu napredu. Čemu ti navidezni ne podpore svojih nazorov s dokazi? In čemu tisti "znanstveni" krogi, ki še vedno širijo nazor o inferiornosti, to je, manjvrednosti žene, ne dokažejo, da je njen um res omejen in da nima pogojev za razmah? Najbrž zato ne, ker dokazov nimajo.

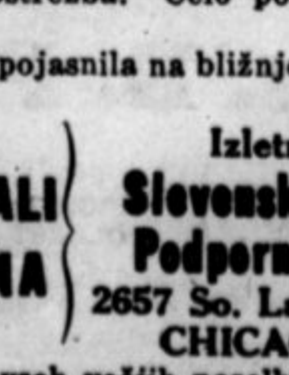
rencia zavzame za referat Mary Kovach na zboru JSZ. v Detroitu.
S. Godina je slišal zastopnike društva, ki bi radi imeli predavanja. Kočljivo vprašanje pri tem je, kje dobiti denar, da se bo pokrilo stroške. Lahko se zavzame konferenca, da bi dobili enega ali dva med seboj, ki bi predavala, posebno med našo mladino.
S. Radel se strinja z Godino. V Milwaukee imajo mnogo govornikov posebno v angleškem jeziku. Ampak težko je dobiti ljudstvo v dvorano za socialistični stvar.
S. Tamše vidi prihodnost samo v mladini. Tej je treba povesititi vsjo pozornost, če hočemo, da bomo rasli.
Petek je za to, da bi društva aranžirala predavanja in tudi trpele stroške. S knjigami, ki jih je izdala Izobr. akcija se ni doseglo dovoljne uspeha. Konferenca pa ni zato tukaj, da bi se bavila s denarnimi vprašanji, ker je to stvar vsake posamezne naselbine.
S. Zorman je mnenja, da bi na vsa društva, ki so včlanjena v Izobr. akciji pomagala k stroškom za predavanja.
S. Ermenc opozarja na mladinska društva, ki poslujejo v angleškem jeziku. Za te se v Milwaukee lahko dobi govornike in to brezplačno, ker ima stranka za take prilike vedno dobre agitatorje na razpolago. Vse kar je treba je, da naznanijo stranki datum in kraj. Najbolj prikladno je, da takoj po seji aranžirajo predavanje. Potrebno je tudi, da kadar se vrši konferenca v eni ali drugi naselbini, da se jo sklicje na tak dan, ko ne bo kake večje prireditve, kakor dancs, ko ima pevski zbor Sava v Chicagu svoj koncert. Veliko jih je zadržanih tam, da se ne morejo udeležiti konference. Nasprotno bi se pa tudi nekateri izmed nas udeležili koncerta.
Na predlog predsednik zaključki konferenco ob 12. uri popoldne in naznanja, da se bo točno ob 1 uri zopet nadaljevala.
Nadaljevanje konference ob 1 uri popoldne.
Nadzorni odbor poroča, da je pronašel knjige tajnika in blagajnika v redu. Poročilo se vzame na znanje.
S. Judnich govori k svojemu referatu glede povečanja Proletarca iz 8 na 12. strani in da bi se dalo vsaj 2 do 3 strani naši mladini v angleščini.
Radel se strinja s povečanjem, le da bi Proletarec izhajal po dvakrat na teden.
Godina je mnenja, da se da izvesti. Nujna potreba pa je več naročnikov in več oglasov. Če se bodo za to zavzeli vsi sodruzi in agitirali, pa bo šlo.
Hrast priporoča, da bi se prostor, ki ga vzame oglaševanje knjig, dal angleščini.
Olip pojasnjuje, da je oglaševanje knjig neobhodno potrebno, ker je Proletarčeva knjigarna ena izmed najboljših in so vse knjige, ki jih ima v zalogi, agitatoričnega in vzgojnega pomena. So vse literarne vrednosti, namenjene delavstvu v izobrazbo in zabavo.
Godina želi, da bi zastopniki apelirali na društva, da bi naročili po več izdaj Proletarca in jih zastoj razdelili med članstvo.
Sprjet je predlog, da naj se delegat konference na zboru JSZ. zavzame za povečanje Proletarca.
Godina je mnenja, da ljudje ne razumevajo dela Izobr. akcije. Potrebja je, da se pri društvih, ki podpirajo to akcijo, poljudno razloži na loge iste, ki je prepotrebna in vzvišena. Na bodočem kongresu naj se še bolj deluje na to, da se bo delo te akcije še bolj pojasnilo, da bo dobila še več zaslobe in simpatije.
Možek pravi, da člani popolnoma razumejo delovanje in namen izobr. akcije, toda pojasniti se jim pa mora večkrat, vsaj enkrat na leto, da ne pozabijo. V korist konference:
Ker konferenca potrebuje denar, ako hoče vršiti delo, kakor si ga je začrtala, predlaga tajnik Judnich, da se razpiše asessment po 50c na vsakega člana.
Hrast je prepričan, da bi bilo to preveč težko breme za člane klubov, ker so že tako preobloženi s neobhodno potrebnimi izdatki. Saj ravno klubi delajo čezmerno in bi assessment ne učinkovalo ugodno na člane.
K stvari govori več zastopnikov,

končno je sprejet predlog Al. Hrata, da se apelira na klube za prostovoljne prispevke v konferenčno blagajno.
Možek priporoča, da bi se na dan zborovanja zainteresiralo vsa včlanjena društva za sodelovanje pri prireditvi, ki bi se vršila isti dan po konferenci. Udeležba bi bila boljša in tudi gnoten uspeh bi pripomogel konferenčni blagajni.
Godina se strinja s priporočilom br. Možka, vprašanje je pa, kaj bo prireditvi na prihodnji konferenci.
Hrast predlaga, da naj vsak posamezen klub, kjer se bo vršila konferenca, sam določi po svoji previdnosti in krajevnih okoliščinah, kaj bo prireditel na dan konference. Predlog sprejet.
Hrast predlaga, da se za prihodnje zborovanje sestavi referat: Kako izboljšati konference iz akcije. Predlog sprejet.
Volitve:
Tajnikom-blagajnikom je izvoljen Martin Judnich.
Ker nihče izmed zastopnikov noče prevzeti nemanicije organizatorja, zato ker ni mogoče delovati v drugih naselbinah, kakor v tisti, kjer organizator prebiva, Hrast predlaga, da se izvolji za vsako naselbino po enega organizatorja.
S. Judnich nasprotuje temu predlogu, ker bi konferenca imela s tem preveč stroškov. Olip pojasnjuje, da je organizator lahko izvoljen kot zastopnik kluba ali društva in bi konferenčna blagajna pri tem prav nič ne trpela. Organizator lahko pošlje konferenci tudi pisмено poročilo.
Sprjet predlog s. Hrata, da se za vsako naselbino izvolji po enega organizatorja in kot pomočnika po enega iz mlajše generacije, ki bo deloval med mladino.
Za Sheboygan je izvoljen John Spenal.
Za Milwaukee sta izvoljena Joe Vidmar in Kamnikar ml.
Za Wauegan: Anna Mahnich in Frances Arach.
Za Chicago: Mary Kovach in Oscar Godina.
Dnevnic delegata za zbor JSZ. v Detroitu.
S. Godina predlaga \$5 dnevnic za časa zborovanja. Protipredlog s. Hrata \$6 dnevno. Sprjet predlog, da bo znašala dnevnic za časa zborovanja \$5 na dan.
Nominacija delegata za zbor JSZ. v Detroitu.
Nominirani so: Radel, Puncer, Ermenc, Hrast, Skala, Judnich in Alper.
Radel sprejme vsi drugi odklonijo.
S. Radel je enoglasno izvoljen za delegata.
Volitve zastopnika, ki bo sestavil referat za prihodnjo konference: Kako izboljšati naše konference?
Nominirani so: Hrast, Godina in Zorman. Izvoljen je Zorman.
Prihodnja konferenca bo v Sheboyganu meseca septembra in to tak čas, da ne bo v nobeni naselbini tega okrožja isti dan kake večje prireditve.
Razno:
Tamsah bi rad poročilo o dohodkih in izdatkih Izobr. akcije.
S. Olip pojasnjuje, da je poročilo vsako leto tiskano in se pošilja vsem društvom, ki so včlanjena v njej.
Zast. Velkoverh sugerira, če bi mogli pevski zbori v Chicagu, Milwaukee in Waueganu priti ravno tako skupaj, kakor so knjižnice oziroma čitalnice po priporočilo konference in bi drug drugemu pomagali s izmenjavanjem not in pesmi.
S. Godina se strinja s tem priporočilom, ampak pevске zebre ne moremo siliti v to, ker so v takih zadevah samostojni. Konferenca lahko priporoča, da si

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A Pact Between Bulgaria and Jugoslavia

It is known that a pact has been signed some time ago between Bulgaria and Jugoslavia, liquidating the Serbo-Bulgarian questions, particularly those in connection with the frontier incidents on which the Bulgarian Social-Democratic party has instructed international Socialist opinion by its report of Feb. 15, 1929.

Does the conclusion of this pact mean that there is a beginning of peace between these two neighboring countries? Will the effort of Stambolinski, which aimed at the union of the Slavs of the south of Europe, be therefore realized by reactionary governments, by that of militarist Belgrade, and by that of the successors of the terrorist Tsangoff?

There are serious doubts of this in popular circles in Greece and throughout the Balkans. It would be in vain to seek at the bottom of the new diplomatic acts, called pact of friendship, a frank desire for peace or simply good faith.

But other diplomatic events which are in process of preparation—such as the probable conclusion of a Greco-Turkish pact, in spite of the difficulties which it encountered—show that the key of the present diplomatic agitation in the Near East must be sought in the Palazzo di Venezia in Rome.

The western powers have desired to thwart the imperialist aims of Mussolini, the imperialist "bluffs" of Mussolini, as our Italian comrades would say. And he has just been deprived for some time of the support of Sofia, thus preventing Fascist Italy from isolating Jugoslavia. An attempt was

TIMELY OBSERVATIONS

By JOHN F. KUTCH The lights are again focused upon Pennsylvania, the home of one of the greatest corrupt political machines that ever existed. It is a shame and a disgrace to the people of Pennsylvania, to have gang politics rule their state.

Secretary of Labor James J. Davis and Frances S. Brown were the choice of Vare and his followers of Philadelphia as candidates for senator and governor. Vare controls a corrupt gang of politicians who have already put Philadelphia into a big debt. If the people of this state desire to burden children, born 50 years from now with this debt, they may continue supporting politicians under the leadership of Vare and Mellon.

Some two hundred American mothers have reached the goal of their voyage from U. S. to gaze upon the graves in France of the Yankee boys that lost their lives in the World War. These Mothers can now ask themselves, was it necessary to have that war? They could help to prevent such slaughters in the future if they would unite with those who wish to abolish war and the White Terror that is sweeping the world.

Unemployment conditions are as bad as ever and very little is being done to remedy them. Such is the prosperity in this age of machinery. When one reaches the 45 or 50 milestone he is useless to the capitalist and our present system. Employers today buy labor power of young workers. Old men and women are being neglected. After many years of happy life their old days are ruined. To safeguard ourselves in the future we must act, elect men to legislature who favor passage, and will work hard to bring enactment of the Old Age Pension law. Serving humanity should be taken more seriously.

What is Obscene?

There should not be any doubt in the mind of a reasonable person about letting a clerk in the custom office decide whether books are to be barred from this country. It is a travesty to permit one person to have such power.

There is much difference of opinion as to what is obscene and what is not. One judge and one jury were very sure that Mr. Dennett's pamphlet was obscene and that it ought to be barred from the mails and the defendant fined for sending it through the mail. Three other judges, on appeal, were just as sure that the pamphlet was a wholesome document written by a high-minded woman to help young people to obtain clean information about sex.

Our Doings Here and There

Extensive arrangements are being made by the comrades of branches No. 114 and 115, for the eighth regular convention of the Yugoslav Socialist Federation to be held in Detroit, May 30th to June 1st inclusive. On May 30th a banquet will be given, and Saturday, May 31st a concert with a short musical comedy and a one act play in English.

At this convention the question of youth, their activity and prospects of organizing English speaking branches will be brought up for discussion. Comrade Rugel, Grum and Rak have been delegated to make reports to this effect.

On Sunday, June 8th, the Cook County Socialist Party will hold its annual picnic at Riverview Park. All branches of Chicago have received tickets for distribution. The national secretary Clarence Senior and Jacob Panken of New York, a noted Socialist leader, will amongst others address the gathering. Admission 30c. Tickets can be purchased from any member of the party.

Have you read All Quiet on the Western Front by Erich Maria Remarque, or Mountain City by Upton Sinclair? If not, you should. Both of these books, — also others — can be purchased at Proletarec, 3639 W. 26th St., Chicago, Ill. Write for price list.

The ladies lodge No. 600 SNPJ in Johnston, Pa., will present "Mrak", a war drama in three acts, Saturday, May 31st, at the Slovene Home in Moxham. Dancing will follow the play with music furnished by Koreltz and Korbar orchestra. Admission 50c.

The Widow Roslinka, a comedy in three acts, will be given under the auspices of dramatic club "Soča" in La Salle, Ill., Sunday, June 1st at the Slovene Home of that city.

Latest reports of branches No. 1 of Chicago and 114 of Detroit indicates a contest of who will lead the JSF in membership. Branch No. 1 has for over 10 years held first place without any serious competition. At present branch 114 increased its membership equal to that of branch No. 1.

Svetozar Banovec from Jugoslavia, a well known opera singer, will render his second concert in Calumet, Mich., Monday, June 2nd at the Opera House.

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## OUR CONVENTION

About sixty delegates from various sections of the United States will assemble in Detroit, Michigan for the Eighth Convention of the Yugoslav Socialist Federation on Friday, May 30. The meeting is due to last thru May 31 and June 1. Each club of the Federation has the privilege of a representative. Those having a membership above the century mark have the added privilege of a second delegate.

Numbered amongst the delegates will be many who will represent Fraternal and Educational clubs. It is particularly gratifying to know that the women in our ranks will be well represented. The young generation too, will not lack in representation. In fact this Convention will have a larger representation of the younger element than any of our seven Conventions heretofore.

This assemblage is a credit to the Yugoslav people of this country. They meet for the purpose of deliberating and accepting definite policies for the good of all the workers. It is for each credential holder to put greater life and spirit into this meeting, because we want this Convention, the largest since the war, to be the turning point in the career of the Federation. It is for each of the young men and women of this gathering to instill the new era with a brighter fire, so that upon your return home your comrades and sympathizers will point with pride upon your work.

Whether the organization shall improve is dependent upon the delegates of this Convention. If we are to assemble and tell of one another's ills and troubles, we will get nowhere. The delegates must come together with the knowledge and understanding that times are hard and conditions terrible. They must assemble with the foremost thought of feeling and knowing the responsibilities placed upon their shoulders. Crying will do us no good. We must be willing to sacrifice. We must be willing to go into the battle, roll up our shirt sleeves and pitch in for all we are worth. Ours is a just cause, and eventually we must be the victors. To the delegates we say greetings, and good luck.

## GIVE THEM TIT FOR TAT

An American citizen of Italian descent went to Italy on a visit, with a United States passport in his pocket. Despite the clear evidence of his American citizenship he was pressed into the Italian army, where he lugged a gun for about three months before his wife succeeded in getting him released by a civil court. The affair cost them their vacation and several hundred dollars. The story is told by The New York World, as they live in New York City.

We imagine that if such an outrage should happen to an American citizen visiting in Russia, Uncle Sam would make a vigorous protest. The least our country could do would be to seize the next ardent Fascist who comes to this country from Italy and compel him to serve three months in the American army. That might cause the Mussolini government to quit trampling upon the rights of American citizens and claiming the right to treat them as if they were still Italian citizens.

Milwaukee Leader.

## THE SHAME OF AMERICA

BY NORMAN THOMAS

"Sherman, Texas has a population of slightly more than 16,000, 95% of whom are whites. The town has two denominational colleges, 27 churches and a Y. W. C. A. with a large membership." Thus a newspaper despatch describes the "Athens" of Texas which for 14 hours was under the dominion of a mob which resorted to every form of bestial cruelty in its effort to lynch a Negro who was already in charge of officers of the law. It succeeded in burning the Negro to death and the courthouse with him. It destroyed a considerable part of the Negro quarter of the town. In no part of the civilized world but America would such a thing have been possible. It is somewhat to the credit of Texas that the Governor has put the town under martial law and that there have been actual arrests of the alleged leaders of the mob. Whether they will be convicted remains to be seen. A mob such as this, while it is raging, can only be met with force and sternness. Future mobs are likely to be discouraged by severe punishment. But the question of mobs, the crowd psychology which lies behind them, and the special cultural and economic circumstances which make them possible in America, demand investigation. What have Sherman's good citizens to say? Will they carry out the proposal of a clergyman that the Negroes be recompensed for the damage done to their property? The United States has no rightful place in any civilized community of nations unless it can stop this sort of thing.

## Naturalized Italian Visiting Native Land Is Forced Into Army



PIZZUCO WAS FORCED INTO THE ITALIAN ARMY DESPITE HIS AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP



JOSEPHINE PIZZUCO ANTONY PIZZUCO

Vacation is risky! Either go to the army or else go to jail in Italy. Besides, those who go must obey in silence. The ones who open their mouths are arrested. "It's safer at home," they say.

At least the dream vacation for which Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Pizzuco of New York had planned for two years was disappointing.

They had planned to pass their honeymoon in Italy. But for two years something always popped up. Finally the hour came. Last December they sailed for Italy and when they reached there everything was just as they had read in story books.

**Happiness Is Brief**

But their happiness did not last long. It ended suddenly. The Italian army got Pizzuco just one month after they went to the old home of his father in Sicily, near Mount Vesuvius.

While Pizzuco wore regular Italian uniforms and was treated as if he were an Italian recruit, despite the fact that he was an American citizen, his wife spent hundreds of dollars endeavoring to get him out. He could not protest, for army rules require obedience in silence. But Mrs. Pizzuco made up her mind to snatch him from the army. She spent many hours arguing with Italian officials.

**Police Change Minds**

"When we landed in Italy, I reported to the police and they told me that I could stay six months in the country without having to go to the army," Pizzuco states. "When I reached the home town of my father, the police told me to report to the army recruiting station. When I went there, the army captain told me that I must spend six months in service. Both my wife and I showed him our American passport. He commanded two men to take me to the station and bought me a ticket."

"I went and spent three and one-half months in the Italian army. I could not say anything. If I had, they would have arrested me. The army is very strict. I am glad to be back at home."

"It's safer at home," the Pizzucos unite in saying.

Pizzuco is 24. His release from the Italian army was urged by the state department at Washington. (Central Press.)

## SEARCHLIGHT

By Donald J. Lotrich

Should our federation develop the young generation through separate English Conducted clubs? This will be a question of much thought and discussion at the Convention this week end. Many feel that to be the right step to take. Those of us who have been in the movement for the past decade, however feel that not to be so important. It is far more important to bring the young folks within the fold of our movement under care of the trained and experienced comrades, into the already functioning clubs. A way must be devised which will be the most beneficial. Should our clubs hold two meetings per month? One in English, which would give the younger folks an opportunity to develop under the tutelage of our elderly gentlemen and the other in Slovene. That is really our best bet. Where two meetings per month prove impractical every other meeting should be held for the English speaking enthusiasts.

This is only one of the vital questions which the Detroit Convention will be obliged to initiate. At last Friday's meeting of Club No. 1, Chicago, a hurried review of what changes should be made have been talked over. Interesting viewpoints were brought to light. The Convention at Detroit must plan to make our clubs and our federation a lively, active agency of educating the workers. Toward that aim no time will be spared.

**Cook County Socialist Picnic** will be earlier this year than ever. We hope Sunday June 8th will bring the sun out to warm the atmosphere so as to enable a big turnout at Riverview Park. We have often said that the movement is speeding on the upgrade, which in fact is revealed by the ever increasing demand for literature and organizers through the National Office. To make this picnic effective we must draw a big attendance. Judge Jacob Panken of New York City is to speak. Clarence Senior, the youthful and energetic Executive Secretary of the Party, is also due to address the picnicers.

The Cook County Delegate committee has stepped into the fight against the acceptance of the newly proposed traction franchise of Chicago. Learned men denounce it as one of the "greatest thefts" in the history of America. It is supposedly a purchase by the municipality, in reality it is a grant of a perpetual franchise to the privately owned traction com-

pany which is to operate the lines. The ordinance is further denounced because it allows a guaranteed income of 7 1/2 to 8% on even the watered stock. Some statisticians estimate the watered stock at \$100,000,000. There are other objectionable clauses from the standpoint of the workers who will hold the straps daily and supply the coins with which to pay these enormous sacrifices. The new franchise has little merit for the mass of people, that will use the lines.

When we mention Judge Panken we must not fail to tell you of the banquet in his honor at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago on the Saturday preceding the picnic. Reservations should be made at once at \$2.00 per plate. Various progressive organizations are cooperating in the promotion of this banquet.

Our Ham Bone Chewers had a dandy attendance at their first May Dance last Saturday. The decorations were splendid. The music great and the general disposition very good. Now the boys are going to join the Pioneer hustlers to prepare their monstrosity prize picnic of Sunday July 20th at Bergmann's Grove, North Riverside, Ill.

As you read this we will be en-route to Detroit, Michigan. Next week we may be able to tell you of some of the things of the great auto city.

The governments of Europe may not be ready for a consolidation but it will not do any harm if the way is prepared by accepting Briand's call for this work. We can see beforehand, however, that a majority of the nations affiliated with the League of Nations, are ready to turn down any such proposals. This would be a stepping stone for the ultimate socialist reform.

## The People

Republican Elephant: "I stand for the people."  
Democratic Donkey: "I stand for the people."  
Socialist Workingman: "I am the people."

Two Irishmen, one accompanied by his wife, met on the street.  
Said Pat to Mike: "Let me present my wife to ye."  
"No, thank yer," replied Mike, "got one of me ows."

## The Government by Millionaires

BY MAYOR HOAN.

This is the first time in history that the United States has been governed actually by millionaires.

"Hoover is a millionaire, the first millionaire president of the United States. Six members of his cabinet are millionaires. He has a business council of millionaires. His chief ambassadors are millionaires."

We are on the eve of the breakdown, the bankruptcy of the present social system the world over. Unemployment is no longer temporary, but chronic.

Any one who actually earns his own living, be he workman, office clerk, small merchant or shop clerk, belongs within the Socialist movement. The interests of all those who live by working are identical.

If public ownership won't work, how is it that the price of stamps didn't go up and everything else did?

Intimidation is the secret of the Republican party's success in elections. Workmen are told that there will be no work unless the employers' candidate is elected. Workmen were told that unless Hoover was elected there would be no work.

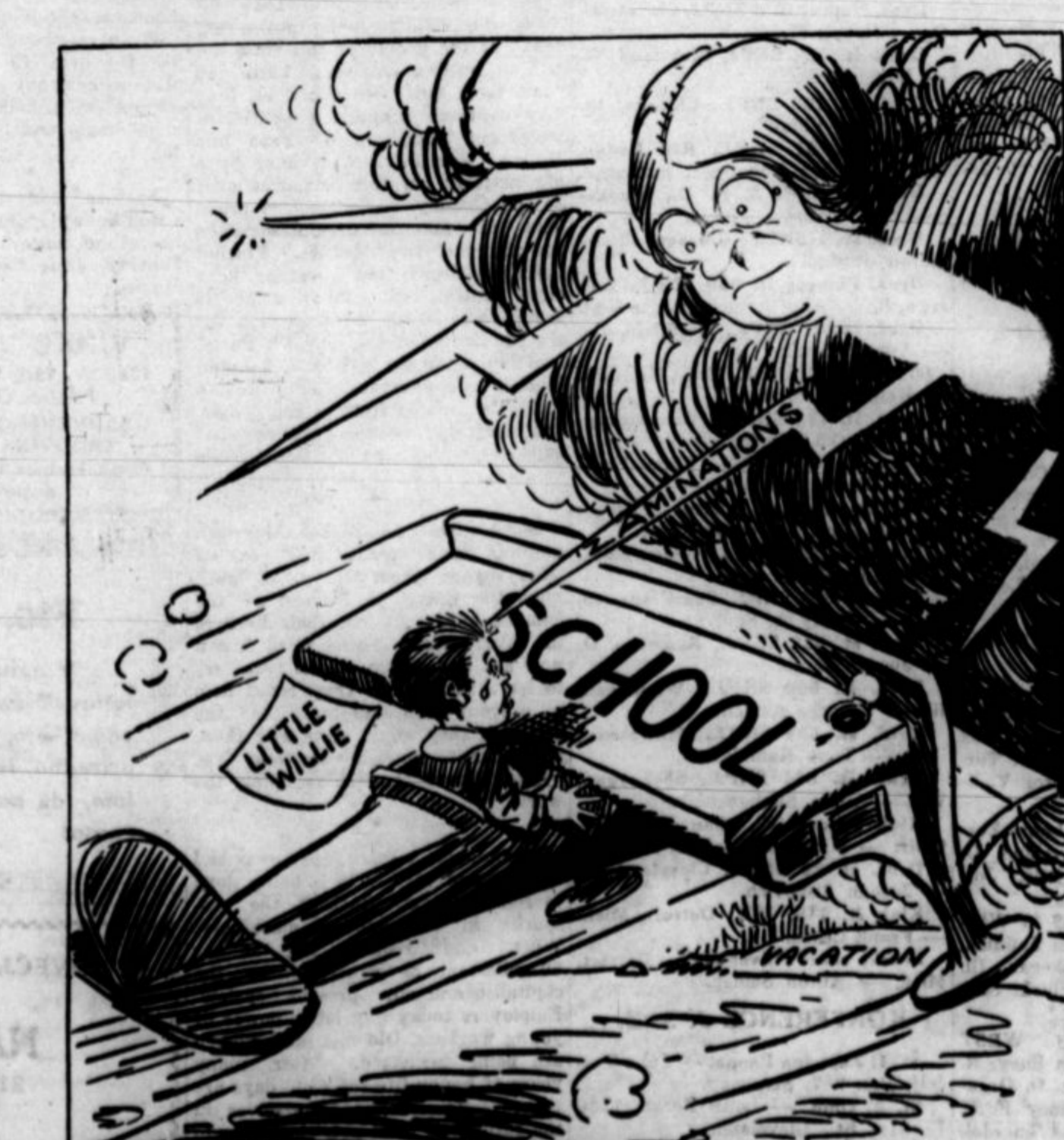
The road to Socialism? Join a union. Vote Socialist. Support the co-operatives.

**Stay and Live**

Landlady: "And how do you feel now?"  
Lodger: "Just terrible. I feel as if I were going to die."  
Landlady: "Well, you can't die here; this is the living room."

**MORE ENGLISH**  
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## Another Student Pilot Runs Into Heavy Weather



## THE SOCIALIST PARTY AT WORK

The senior class at the city college of New York, recently voted that their political affiliation were as follows:  
Socialist 164, Democrat 122, Republican 74.

**Max Winter's Visit**

Max Winter, of Austria, and other members of the Education Central Committee of Vienna, will arrive in New York City on July 28th. The itinerary as now outlined includes visits to Philadelphia, Washington, Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit, Cleveland, Niagara Falls and a return visit to New York City. At the latter place he will speak before the International Ladies Garment Workers Union and numerous other organizations.

**Two New Leaflets of Importance**

The national office of the Socialist Party has just printed two new leaflets—one entitled "How To End War", which states the party's position on imperialism; the other, "Labor's Politics", which clearly outlines the need of independent political action by the workers. The leaflets may be secured at the rate of 30c per 100, or \$2.50 per 1,000 from the Socialist Party of America, 2653 Washington Blvd., Chicago. Price list and samples sent upon request.

**Debs: A Man Unafraid**

The eagerly looked for biography of Eugene V. Debs by McAlister Coleman is now off the press and is receiving much publicity in both friendly and unfriendly papers. Orders may be sent to the Socialist Party of America 2653 Washington Blvd., Chicago. Price \$3.50.

**Illinois**

The members of Local Cook County have completed arrangements for their annual press picnic. It will be held in Riverview Park on Sunday, June 8th. The largest attendance in years is indicated for this picnic, many groups coming from surrounding towns.

M. V. Halushka, 2653 Washington Blvd., Chicago is acting as State Secretary of Illinois until a regular election can be held.

**Kansas**

State Secretary Ross Magill reports that he has been rushed with work in preparing and sending out petitions to secure the necessary signatures to place the nominees of the Socialist Party on the state ticket.

**Ohio**

The State Executive Committee of Ohio has issued a scathing indictment of the graft and incompetence during both the Democratic and Republican administrations which has led to the intolerable shame of sending over three hundred persons to their death in the Ohio State Penitentiary. The party calls for a special session of the state Legislature "not for the purpose of finding someone to be the scapegoat, but with the sincere determination to improve the economic conditions existing in the State, which, in itself, would stop the inflow into the State prisons."

## FRENCH POPULATION

Once more the French birth rate has declined; once more the Paris newspapers are pointing with dismay to the growing populations of Germany and Italy, while demanding that their own government "do something" to encourage larger families. Once more disinterested observers are pointing out that this crusade is misdirected.

Even granting that the population of France should be larger—a matter which is open to dispute—it is a grave question whether the government could do anything to increase the birth rate. Low as it now seems by comparison with what it was in 1863, it is higher than the present rates in England and Sweden—countries which do not complain of a diminishing population. But the death rate in France is exceeded by that of no other country in northwestern Europe; and it resulted last year, in an excess of 12,564 deaths over the number of births.

Here, in the field of preventive hygiene, is a more fitting object for governmental activity. The mortality rate of all French children is alarmingly high; it could be reduced by educational measures. The mortality among illegitimate children is even greater; and it is probable that, by the encouragement of a more humane attitude toward them, enough lives could be saved to end the present excess of death.—The New Republic.

## BOUGHT NOMINATION

That \$252,000 which Mrs. McCormick says she personally spent in Illinois plus several thousand more spent in her behalf makes it clear enough that she owed her nomination not to any issue such as the world court but to money plus organization. It is fairly possible that she spent the money legitimately but that primaries cost so much in our great industrial states means that the dice are loaded against any real democracy. It is easier to fight the old parties on the outside on the basis of a principle and a program than to try to capture them against such battalions of dollars.

## ARE YOU SATISFIED?

The easiest way for the people to acquire security against unemployment and poverty would be to flock in massive numbers to Socialist meetings, overrun Socialist papers with subscriptions, and vote all Socialist candidates into public office.

Old party officials would then help the Socialists to enact the proper measures, for they would at last be convinced that the people meant business. Voting old party tickets is another way of saying, "Please don't bother about us; we are perfectly satisfied with things as they are."

Is it any wonder, in these circumstances, that old party officials look wise and do nothing? At any rate, they do nothing, whether they look wise or not. They have a valid warrant from the voters, signed and sealed at the ballot box, to do nothing.