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MAY DAY CALL

May Day is here again, the day decreed by the first Congress of the Second International, held in Paris in 1889, as a labor holiday.

May Day again reminds us of the great motto of the Communist Manifesto, "Workers of all countries, unite!" Never was this great call so imperative as at this moment, when the war had confused all tongues, when men who had only recently understood each other so well, had worked so harmoniously together and fought for a better and nobler common life, are at swords' end, torn asunder and deadly enemies.

Can there be more rousing than such a call to arms: "Workers, remember your common enemy!" Our opponents, taking advantage of the numerous splits within the working class, of its apparent impotence, regard us with derision. Little by little they are scheming to rob the workers of all that was gained by them after many years of strife, suffering and deprivation. All this is possible because of the lack of unity and solidarity among the workers.

Can this continue long? Can we go on celebrating the First of May through demonstrations, meetings and concerts and in the same breath decry the commandment of "Workers unite!"? No, this cannot be, this must not be.

Think of it, workers! Is it possible that you would destroy the best and most beautiful hopes of your lives? Remember, workers, that the very foundation of our present structure, of the structure that we are rearing for the future, is unanimity of action. "Worker, of all lands, unite!" must not remain a mere phrase; it must become a reality. Only when you will have aided in making it a reality, will you have celebrated May Day in its true spirit and significance.

BENJ. SCHLESINGER.
TOPICS OF THE WEEK

By MAX D. DANISH

DISARMAMENT MUST WAIT

The optimistic statements that disarmament talks will begin during the past few months, while the prospect of an agreement that will lead to a limitation of the arms race before the war, has been a subject of intense discussion in recent weeks. The United Nations, at their annual meeting, have taken a step towards international disarmament, but no agreement has been reached.

The committee urged a disarmament conference at the earliest possible moment and asked the President that the large congressional appropriations for the navy be delayed and that Congress do its utmost to bring cooperation with other governments for the reduction of armaments of the world over.

It must be kept in mind that the armaments for the navy, if they are kept, are greater than any in the country's history, and are not for the purpose of the war.

It has been estimated that out of every dollar of surplus or savings, about 25 cents will be spent on military preparations.

Nevertheless, disarmament must wait. Today the pretext is that we are not ready, in the opinion of the President, with the Central European powers. Tomorrow there will be another "pretext" and the military preparations will continue.

GARY'S FEDERAL CONTROL

The story of the czar, that eminent representative of autocracy in the world, is a story of the failure of his government. The people of Gary, in the wintertime, have come out with a new plan for the control of the steel industry. The announcement of the program of the Steel Corporation of America, that they have undertaken an educational drive in all the steel-mill towns, is a story of the failure of the program of the Steel Corporation. The government of Gary is rather significant.

The steel mills in Gary have not been in operation for a long time, and it has been said that the workers have not been able to reach an agreement with the company.

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First of May Meditations
By ABRAHAM BAROFF

It is some time already that I have begun to dislike both the written and printed word.

The printed word—the word that leads and misleads me with its tired and trite formulas of those dark powers that spread calamity and false hope. Even in the same wage it is not always possible to make one's voice heard. And a bitter feeling of charing permeates me.

Many years ago my soul became inspired with a religious zeal for the ideal of worker's unity. I was young, and strong was my will to see wrongs righted and explored. I was free and strong in my belief of our great ideal I have dreamed, like many others, of achieving this through their united power, would cast off chains of slavery and would build a heaven on earth. But would I take the place of hatred and enmity and where the creation of the world. Wealth would come into its

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THE APPELLATIONS IN LOCALS No. 22 AND 25

Elections for officers are approaching in both Locals No. 22 and No. 25. In Local No. 22, the method of nomination was decided upon by the General Executive Board, to put a stop to such a farcical procedure. Elections must be conducted in such a manner that would give the greatest possible number of the members a chance to participate in them, so that the elected would truly represent the entire membership and would not have to blush or apologize for the fact that they were chosen. In Local No. 25, that purpose a special election committee was appointed by the International to supervise the elections to the end that each waist and dress maker belonging to their respective locals be given the opportunity to vote without hindrance or difficulty.

It was also decided that now, when the waistmakers belong to Local No. 25, and the dressmakers to Local No. 25, that only waistmakers may nominate and vote for officers for Local No. 25, and only dressmakers may nominate and vote for officers for Local No. 22. The respective membership of each local has, therefore, been ordered.

The International is confident that these elections will open up a period of true order and of fruitful though quiet growth and activity in both locals.

The meeting of the General Executive Board also discussed the attempts at demoralization which some persons, under the cloak of extreme radicalism, are trying to bring into these two locals. It was decided to proceed with the elections without delay. These irresponsible, for instance, are accusing openly at meetings various officers of the International as corrupting and opposing the interests of the locals, and therefore, not to ignore these charges any longer. These detractors will either have to prove their charges or be expelled from the union.

CHICAGO CLOAKMAKERS FOLLOW A GOOD EXAMPLE

In a report of Vice-President H. Schoolman of Chicago, we read that the Local No. 22 and 25, after having decided some time ago to raise a fund of $1,000,000, of which the greater part has already been collected. In addition, its component locals are sending substantial contributions, and our New York employers know that in case of a conflict the members of the union will not be abandoned to their fate.

The Philadelphia cloakmakers similarly and have raised in a short time a fund of $50,000. The waistmakers of Philadelphia are now following suit, and there is no reason why the cloakmakers of Chicago will not be able to raise a large fund for this all-important purpose.

It is possible that no conflict will arise in the Chicago cloak industry. We hope for it, but masters cannot be left to luck and chance. The workers must always be on guard, particularly these days, when the employers are imbued with preposterous ideas and believe that they can get almost anything they demand from the workers. Therefore, we, of course, call upon the Chicago cloakmaker locals to do each their share and do it fully. There is no need for delay until the next day; no one knows what the next day will bring.

WHERE THE CLOAKMAKERS OF NEW YORK WILL CHICAGO CLOAKMAKERS CELEBRATE THE FIRST OF MAY

Locals No. 1 and No. 9 will have a concert on Sunday evening, May 1st, at the Manhattan Opera House, 34th Street.

Local No. 3 will have a concert at the Harlem Socialist Center, 62 E. 149th Street.

Local No. 11 will have a concert on Sunday evening, May 1st, at the Browneville Labor Lyceum.

Local No. 21 will have a concert and ball at Bayview Casino, 142 Second Avenue. The concert will begin at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Local No. 23 will have a concert and ball in the Socialist Center, 62 E. 149th Street. The concert will begin at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Local No. 35 will have a concert and ball at Paradise Park, 3 W. 116th Street, opposite Central Park.

Admission to all these concerts and balls is free to all members of the local unions, and to their respective locals as advance at the offices of the local unions.
May First, 1921
By MAX D. DANISH

In candidness is our strength.
Let us be honest with one another
And offer to our equals an open
Proposition.

In 1919—labor is on the defense.
In the United States the
Workingman is called, in certain
Sections, to take a stand on the
May 1st holiday.
We are told that the forces of
Monopoly, the military, and the
Clerical and Social Classes are
Assembling to break the workers.
We are being told that the
Workingman is being asked to
Take a stand.

In England the fight of the
Workers during the past year has also been
Principal to maintain what they
Have gained. An older labor
Movement that in former days had
A world struggling to develop a

The First of May — Once and Now
By MORRIS SIGMAN

In those days our desire to become one of the great
Elected people's family to fight for a new
Human society system.
The second May demonstration I participated in as it was arranged for an evening,
Several days after the Russian Revolution,
I did not participate in the international
National labor holiday, in addition to
My belief that a May Day demonstration
In the evening is void of any
Results and has no meaning as a protest
Workers against the class which
Exploits and oppresses them.

In reply to inquiries why this post
Ponement was made, I was told that the labors
Wanted to work on the first of May and
Week to stop off the workers during the
Day. It would mean, I was told, in
Many cases, the loss of jobs for a number
Workers and uncles to the family to
Perish and have no one to
Satisfy and a number of other
Friends in the least. That was in
1919, and before the arrival of the
First of May, we had called
Together a conference of radical
Organizations for the purpose of
A May Day demonstration.
Forty organizations came
to that conference and all of them
Expressed their enthusiasm and effort to conduct the propaganda
Celebration. The First of May came on
A Friday in that year, and at midday
They took to the streets.
According to estimates, 10,000 workers were in line and
At least 50,000 stopped for the day.
The atmosphere of May 1st had been
Improved that the international
Labor holiday, the First of May, has a
to mean something.
Not only the soul and the heart of all
Organized workers, for creating an
Irresistible desire among them to
Fight and make sacrifices for a better
Life. It also proved that May Day
could be celebrated on a great scale
even where the labor movement is

The following year the May Day demonstration was even greater and
Conducted with even more effort
By entire organized radical movement
Stirred at that time by the
Trial of Meyer, Haywood and Pat
Bonos, the introducing leaders of the
Western Federation of Miners.
The movement at that time began
to grow stronger and the unions
Rapidly began to increase their
Mental capacity.

The labor movement was a
Great force.

The First of May has been
Observed as the Labor holiday
For over a century.

In 1921, for the first time in
My life,
I observed this Labor holiday.

I was so quiet here in Unity House.
The wind barely moved the grass; the
Lake tripped quietly. During the day;
Rowing, bathing, hiking, playing,
Reading. In the evening a concert in
The big dance hall and a cappella
Organist.

How surprised and pleased I had
been at the pageant in which the
Workers of the Golden Calf—
Then, finally—
Not for the workers but for
The American public.
It was so quiet here in Unity House.

PASSOVER AT UNITY
By ELSIE GLUCK
At their homes probably most of our workers were listening again to the story of the emancipation—
The long decades of slavery under the Pharaoh, the rise of a
Moses, the sudden flight from Egypt, the 40 years of wandering in the
Wilderness, the slavery days of the
Children of the Golden Calf—and, then
Finally—
Not for the workers but for
The American public.

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There has never been a time within
The past twenty-five years when there was so much radicalism in the
America.
Among the clothing workers
and shoe makers, among the miners, among the farmers—almost every
Group of working people striving for the
Control of their industries. They are
Using different tactics, but they are all on
The move.
Strange to say, we have in this
The one magazine printed in the English
Language, the Socialist Review, the
Workers will find it of great
Legislate Socialism. Appearing
Monthly for more than a year, it has been
A review. It has covered the whole
World in a careful, authoritative way.
Many have said that it is the only monthly in
English that the American labor
Movement.

Recently it has been thought that
What we need most is a radical
Magazine devoted directly to the radicals
And labor movement. A radical
Magazine must, of course, be run
By the working men and working
Women. To this end the
Publication, the Labor Publication
Society, has been formed to take the
Provisions of the workers, the federation of
Almost entirely of New York labor
Unionsists and socialists.
William Z. Foster is the editor.
The National Association of Machinists, is the only member of the Board of
Directors.

This Magazine, despite the
Journalistic venture at this time.
Business is low; there is wide unemployment;
Many unions have dissolved
treasures. And this Magazine, of course, it is really to succeed,
Must not only maintain itself, but
give support. Nevertheless, the supporters of the
Movement decided to proceed at the
May Day demonstration, the
Laborers, Socialists, and radicals. I was there.
Told me that the necessity exists today
Even more than in years gone by.

On May 1st, this year, the
Next Mayday, the working masses of America, particularly our
Unions, prepared for the National
May demonstration. In the
Hundreds of thousands, they marched
Through the streets of New York,
Under the banner of the National
May demonstration.

It was the first time that
Has been observed in New York.

Not a dollar will be wasted. If
All who can, it should be possible to
Publish the first number very soon.

But all that.

The first of May has been observed during the day.
May Day Thoughts

By FANNIA M. COHN

Besides its general importance as a demonstration for the idea of Internationalism, the First of May has often been commemorated in the United States as a holiday decreed by the will of the workers through their own representatives at the International Labor Congress in Paris, in 1889.

Our May Day has soared high and with a firm conviction in its triumphs of its mission, the workers are leaving on the First of May their shops, factories and mines to celebrate the First of their class. It is not mere accident that the First of May and no other day was chosen as the workers' holiday. The coming of Spring awakens new hopes in the human heart and fresh yearnings for noble, exalted and great ideals. In Spring one's fantasies are rich with color, love and tenderness, and nature is awakening in the delicious promise of a strong desire for a versatile life in which every legitimate want may be satisfied unhampered and unreserved.

In the midst of the greatsolidarity of the First of May was decided upon as the International holiday of the workers.

Simultaneously, the working masses are beginning to understand more and more that sentiment alone, no how noble and well-intentioned that they be, cannot create changes in our social and industrial life. Each improvement in the life of the worker gained is the result of long and slow struggle. The workers have learned similarly that it takes just as much effort and energy to retain the gains as to achieve such gains. They have learned, too, that whether in times of conflict or "peace," a well organized and intelligent labor army, under capable, enfranchised and loyal leadership, must always be maintained.

The workers are gradually learning that "knowledge is power," and that the aims and aspirations of the labor movement can be realized only when they will accumulate knowledge through persistent and steady efforts of their own. The organized workers are beginning to see more and more that labor education will only then bring the results expected from it when it will harmonize and go hand in hand with the interests of their unions. They understand already that in order to derive the maximum fruit from all this organized effort, they must make use of the knowledge they have in the classroom, and upon a practical acquaintance with the labor movement and the experience derived from an active participation in the life of their organization.

The First of May, the day of May, is the most suitable for us, members of the International, to cast back a look filled with pride and hope upon our achievements and to strike a balance to all we have accomplished in the field of labor education. We see before us then thousands of our members, newly inspired by a merciless social system of the opportunity of an elementary education, to which Student Unions of the United States and some of the thousands of children of the working class streaming daily into the educational institutions of the International Union where intellectual and spiritual values are imparted. This training augments the practical experience gained through activity in the course of the year. The information obtained in the classroom under the supervision of an experienced instructor is always of value to their daily activities in the organization.

The hope of the labor movement is founded upon the increasing intelligence of the rank and file. Education of the laboring masses is the cornerstone of the society of the future. It was this conviction that prompted our International to commence its educational activities several years ago, in the faith that the workers could raise their mental and spiritual standards through their own efforts at education, as well as they could by their mutual cooperation through their own efforts on the economic front. The organization gives us strength. Self-education enables us to use our power with this end in view.

The First of May, the first of the month of nature's full bloom, will give us greater courage and greater hope in our own future comfort and in our great aim to return the world and all its wealth to those who created it.
CLEVELAND CLOAK REFEREES RENDR DECISION

After several weeks of deliberation, the Board of Referees in the Cleveland cloak industry has

banded down a decision governing wage rates and other terms of employment in the local industry, to

become effective on May 1, 1921.

Wages in the cloak industry will be reduced 9½ to 13½ per cent. To offset these reductions the Referees ruled that every regular worker shall be guaranteed forty weeks' em-

ployment each year, to be divided into two periods of twenty weeks each, and one week's vacation with pay. If the employer fails to pro-

vide work, the employee can draw

from a guarantee fund two-thirds of his minimum wage, for the time he is unemployed during a twenty week period. The fund will be maintained by the employers, who will deposit weekly with the Imperial chairman

a sum equal to ½ per cent of their direct labor payroll.

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ture. Algrenon Lee.

2. THE POETRY OF TODAY—Six lectures with readings. D. P. Beren-

berg.

3. INTRODUCTION TO SOCIALISM—Six lectures. D. P. Berenberg.

4. CLASS CHARACTER OF THE AMER-

ICAN CONSTITUTION.—Six lectures. Benjamin Glassberg.

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MAY 1st, 1921

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Local No. 9, of the I. L. G. W. U.

Greetings to the Rank and File and Leadership of Our International

MAY DAY, 1921

The Waist and Dressmakers' Union, Local No. 15, of Philadelphia

sends its greetings to "THE JUSTICE" on the First of May. May our organ serve as a torch of freedom for all Organized Labor, as it serves for the members of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. Let us hope that in the very near future we will all celebrate the full emancipation of the working class.

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in a spirit of solidarity with organized labor all over the world.

Though we could not obtain a permit to celebrate with a demonstration, we never-
theless believe that our members will cele-
brate the First of May in a manner becom-
ing our organization.

M. K. MACKOFF,

SECRETARY OF THE JOINT BOARD,
DRESS AND WAISTMAKERS' UNION,
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WAIST AND DRESSMAKERS' UNION, LOCAL NO. 15

H. KAPLAN, Secretary-Treasurer
The Joint Board of the Cloakmakers' Union
Locals No. 12, 24, 56 and 73
Boston, Mass.

Extend their fraternal greetings to the entire membership of our International Union from coast to coast on this Great Day of International Labor Solidarity

May 1, 1921

The Joint Board of the Cloakmakers' Union—America has lived through many May Days. With each succeeding year it has celebrated what was before known as "the growth of the Labor Movement," "extension of Labor's power," "increased class-consciousness," and other pet phrases which we have always been wont to mouth. Halls have been filled to capacity; streets over-crowded with workers, reluctant to sanction anything the vices and vices of the Labor Movement.

This May Day will undoubtedly be a repetition of the past. Again the brave words will be spoken. Again will the emotions of the masses soar to the heights as speakers wax enthusiastic over the power of organized labor.

Yet the day which follows will bring the bitter truth to the attention of the few who can see. If ever there were little ground for optimism over Labor's status it is now. Never has the Movement been less able to cope with prevailing conditions than now—never has it been so much on the defensive—never has it felt and acted so spiritually—to hopes—so utterly devoid of a plan of struggle—so helpless before the onslaught of the manufacturers.

Of course, there are exceptions—some manufacturers, recognizing the need of cooperation to shake the very foundations of its existence.

With the possible exception of the needle trades—concession after concession has been made in order to maintain the right of organization. Lower wages have been conceded—longer hours of toil accepted—in many industries the reintroduction of hateful piece work has been permitted—betraying the hope that the closed shop might be maintained.

Forgetful of the old adage—Labor has "given the dog a bone"—and is now called upon to give up its whole hand.

Somewhere has the "dog" married, so fervently as today—not only barking loud and threatening, but biting where it may, bited to the most fundamental gains made by the workers—by works of struggle and sacrifice.

The "open shop" is more than a threat. There is more determination to establish it than ever before. Its defenders are solidly organized—they have availed themselves of almost every weapon—press, church and legislature. They are spending millions of dollars in the effort to destroy the union shop—and all its advantages. Millions of dollars in literature are being distributed—mailed into the homes of workers—slinging the missiles of "true Americanism," extolling the virtues of individual freedom of contract, magnifying the mistakes of labor—spreading doctrines of division and distrust.

The open shop and all it implies is thoroughly organized. It has not set itself the purpose of achieving a cause. It is not permitting petty considerations to impede its purpose. It is not divided on class or color lines—it is not using up its energies in attacks on its own groups. It is a unit, with all the elements which point to success.

On the other hand, we have a divided working class—conscious of its class interests, hostile to the trawls of its fellow men, attempting by its piecemeal efforts to build up its sheltered fortunes. The only remedy its finds for harmful labor legislation is the "time worn threat to "select your friends and defeat your enemies," only too fast that your "friends," if you do elect them (which is double) fall flat upon the table of "your enemies.

The fault of the Labor Movement lies in its inability to stand upon its own feet, and, through its own power, create the conditions best suited to its comfort. As long as Labor looks to the capitalist class—or any of its myriad subdivisions in the legislature and congresses to "do the right thing," so long will Labor find itself on the wrong end of the rope.

It is the inability of labor to recognize these fundamental principles which have caused the chaos in the Labor Movement today. The past three years have seen Labor, through its recognized and accepted leaders, fighting desperately with various groups of reactionaries. These leaders, high in the ranks of the trade union movement in America, have become known as the enemies of all things radical. They have shunted every sincere and earnest attempt to create a fundamental change in society. They have exerted their influence and their power in an effort to destroy all radical expression on the part of their followers. They have lined up with the reactionaries in their attacks on Russia and have become known as the greatest bulwarks against Socialism and all allied aims.

On the other hand, there has grown up in the American Labor Movement another destructive force which is just as harmful as that mentioned above. It consists of little groups here and there, aliens in a constructive sense, giving its precious time and energy in an attempt to destroy, not only the trade union movement, but the trade union movement, but the entire movement as a whole.

The Joint Board of the Cloakmakers' Union send their hearty greetings to the proletariat of America and the entire world on this First Day of May, the festive day of the working class.

We believe that the great Socialist slogan—Workers of All Countries Unite—You Have Nothing to Lose But Your Chains—You Have a World to Gain—will be realized very soon.

Long live peace among nations! Long live the solidarity of the proletariat the world over! Long live the First of May!

The Bonnaz & Hand-Embroidery Workers' Union, Local No. 66 of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union send their hearty greetings to the proletariat of America and the entire world on this First Day of May, the festive day of the working class.

Bonnaz, Singer and Hand-Embroidery Workers' Union, Local No. 66, of the I. L. G. W. U.

OPEN THE FACTORIES!
A new pamphlet by Mary E. Marx, giving the only solution to the problem of Union Peace, 15 copies for $1.00. Sells at sight to union men and women. Other 10-cent books by the same author are "Socialism for the Poor," "Industrial Anarchy," and "Why Catholic Workers Should Be Socialists." We have also just published a second edition of Marx's "FREE UNION," satirizing "free love." Price, 50 cents. The six books mailed for $1.00.

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The Socialist Review has been published for more than a year by the Intercollegiate Socialist Society. It has been taken over by the Labor Publication Society, Inc. Its name will be changed. Its purpose will be widened. It will cover the field of Socialism and Labor. Its articles will be vital, realistic, up-to-the-minute. They will be written by men and women in the fight, who are doing things and know what ought to be done.

By Labor People for Labor People


This magazine will not be published unless you want it. Do you want it? Do you want enough? Do you want it now? Do you want it to be big, strong, effective? That kind of a magazine costs money. The first number will not appear before money is in sight. Cut out the blank in the lower right hand corner, sign it and send it to the Labor Publication Society, Room 914, 70 Fifth Ave., New York City.
UNION HEALTH CENTER
131 East Seventeenth Street

CONSTRUCTED, OWNED AND MANAGED BY LOCALS 1, 6, 9, 10, 11, 23, AND 35

TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR LOCALS

Nearly a year ago you have authorized us to buy, reconstruct and equip a building to serve as a Center for all the health activities of the Unions and in which the Joint Board of Sanitary Control in the industry could also lease quarters.

We have bought the building, 131 East 17th Street, for the sum of $30,000—paying $15,000 cash, leaving $15,000 on mortgage, and getting a $15,000 mortgage from the Joint Board of Sanitary Control.

We have spent besides the sum of $55,000 for the reconstruction, alteration, fitting up and equipment of the building, which follows: $10,000 each by Locals 1, 9, 12, 23, and 35; $6,000 by Local 11; $4,000 by Local 10, and $500 by Local 6. The remainder was contributed by the surplus in the Medical Department. Other locals, notably Local 25, 3, 20, 66, have promised financial help, but as yet have not fulfilled their promises.

WHAT DOES THE UNION HEALTH CENTER OFFER?

1) HEALTH EDUCATION:
   Lectures on Health, on Hygiene, on Industrial Diseases, on Sanitation, etc., are held frequently in our auditorium.

2) HEALTH INFORMATION:
   We give information on all matters pertaining to health.
   You can find out here where to get eye glasses, or whom to have an operation performed for appendicitis, or how to get into a hospital or sanatorium if you need it.

3) X-RAY AND LABORATORIES:
   We have bought an X-ray apparatus for the sum of $3,000, and are ready to take all kinds of X-ray plates, from a tooth film to complete gastro-intestinal X-ray.
   The fee for the X-rays is based upon cost and ranges from 75 cents for a dental X-ray to $10.00 or $15.00 for the most complicated X-ray.
   We also make examinations of the urine, the blood, Wasserman tests, examination of sputum, etc., etc.

4) FIRST AID AND SURGICAL:
   Injuries occurring in the shops, infections of fingers, etc., and all kinds of minor surgical operations are performed at our Medical Department where there is in attendance a physician who will attend all workers and major compensation cases for injuries received in the shops or otherwise.

5) LIFE EXTENSION SERVICE:
   Undergo a physical examination, not when you are sick, but when you are well.
   Our Life extension Service gives a thorough examination, general as well as by various specialists; likewise an X-ray examination, all for the small sum of $5.00.
   Advice is also given how to live and how to improve your health.

6) GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICE:
   Competent physicians are daily in attendance from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M., and from 4 P.M. to 7 P.M., except Fridays and Sundays, to consult, give advice, etc., on all general diseases to all members of the Locals.
   Certain medicines are given to patients at cost rates.

7) SPECIALISTS:
   The worker cannot pay $5.00 or $10.00 to specialists. We have gathered a staff of competent medical specialists on Nose, Throat and Ear, Eye, Foot, Nerves, Stomach, Chest and Women’s Diseases, who hold clinics on various days from 5 P.M. to 7 P.M., and for $1.00 give you service for which you would have to pay $5.00 or more at other places.

OUR DENTAL DEPARTMENT IS WELL KNOWN

Four years ago we began with three chairs and one dentist.
At present we have eight chairs and seven dentists, besides two mechanics.
Our receipts amount to $1,000 a week.
We have treated nearly 6,000 patients already and during the month of March we have had 269 new patients for examination and treatment.
We have efficient dentists who are in charge of this Division. We try to give the best work that is possible to be given, and our charges are absolutely based on cost, as no profits are made by the Dental Department.
A May-Day In London

(REMINISCENCES)

By JEROME I. ROMAN

With a red carnation in my lapel, and a gay song in my heart, I set out on a glorious morning to celebrate the May-Day. It was a bright and sunny day, and the air was filled with the sweet fragrance of the blooming flowers. The workers of London were out in force, singing and dancing, as they paraded through the streets, waving wreaths and flags. I followed their lead, and joined in the general excitement.

The march began at the End of the Great Assembly Hall, near the Great Assembly Hall, which was scheduled as the starting point of our contingent, and was soon joined by a large number of groups who had been gathering, although it still lacked several hours to the appointed time. Somehow it did not seem to me the same. The End of the Great Assembly Hall was brightly lit, with the sun shining through the windows, a radiant sight, and at the{1}arsity of the cheering voices on both sides, I was a thousand miles away in the midst of the benches, the banners and market stands for which this section was so well known. I mingled with the groups. Conversations and discussions were being carried on in animated voices. In one group the subject under discussion was the general strike in the baking industry which had been declared for that morning; in another the subject was the growth of syndicalism in Great Britain; in another—the theme of a revolution in Czarist Russia. In one spot a fierce verbal combat was being raged between a tall, pheasant-texted and an emaciated, seedy-looking Jewish youth, whose stumbline and wortistaien German had provoked one to smile, not to his tone charged with compellin censor. The other was a Social-Democrat, a pious worshipper at the feet of Bebel, and a staunch believer in the economic mission of the Social-Democratic Party of his Fatherland; while the emaciated youth, whose rebellious hair, fiery eyes, flowing black tie, and frequent mention of the "ruthless" had proclaimed him an anarchist, gastrulated, feverishly in accompaniment the "petty reformers," the "pale to torrent of wrath let loose against blooded Marxists," and the "hut of the hatted box." As they contended, their audience grew. The sympathy of the listeners was about equally divided between the two oppositions, as could be determined by the murmurs of applause of either faction which was the phrase of the respective champion struck home. Who knew how long they might have continued argument, argued, had not they been silenced by a rowdy cheer. It was sent to greet the striking bakers who were marching up the road, led by a band and a red banner. Cheer after cheer was sent to greet them. Their band struck up a revolutionary air, upon which the crowd disband and were gone the way for the marchers.

Following close upon the marching bakers came trade unions, socialist organizations, anarchist groups, radical societies of every description—partisan—each section led by its banner or symbol. Here were the handy dockers, of Poplar and Limehouse and Wapping; here were the carpenters, the masons, the moldermen; here were the black-eyed tailors from every cranny of the Ghetto—bearded men of patriarchal aspect side by side with modern, up-to-date youths and laughing, cheerful girls. It was the face of the city by one of these countenance's unless it was the profound impression upon me. Its countenance were the figures of the tall woman bent over her sawing, while beneath came the opening lines of the patriotic lyric, "The Song of a Shirt".
The Week's News in Cutters Union Local 10

By ISRAEL LEWIN

On the occasion of the International Labor Holiday, the first of May, 1921, the Executive Board of the Amalgamated Ladies' Garment Cutters' Union extends its fraternal greetings to the members of Local 10 and all adherent bodies.

The labor press, as usual, will give a review of the doings in the Labor Movement for the year. We want, however, to point out the one outstanding feature of the year in the history of the United States, and that—the unsuppressed position of the organization and labor status in the industrial field.

It is hard enough to obtain better conditions for labor during prosperous years, but it is ten times more difficult to maintain them in times of industrial depression. The after-war condition, which is now rampant throughout the land, has, in a great measure, affected all labor organizations. Garment makers, in the main, have been on strike, the head of the steel trust, down to the white collar slaveries organized in the American Railway Brotherhoods; from Palmer down to the underpaid policeman on strike. There is every indication that all existing and ready to devour organized labor. To a certain extent they have succumbed, due to the subtle influence of some of the heads of the American labor movement who politically cannot see any further than their nose.

While these leaders of the American Labor Movement are ready to sacrifice their all on the economic battlefield in order to better conditions for the workers, they still fail to see the advantages of the union, to be organized politically as well as industrially. Their slogan before election, "Help your friends and defeat your enemies," simply means that the only alternative that exists for the workers is the jumping from the frying pan into the fire, for no matter who is put into office by the two major parties, their interests are equally unprotected, and in an economic struggle the officials elected by the workers are generally men found on the side of the employers.

We feel proud of being a part of the great needs industries of America, who, in the most parlous, amidst the sternest spasm of reaction.

We extend our special greetings to the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, who have so valiantly borne the brunt of the attacks by the manufacturers' association in its attempts to defeat this militant organization of clothing workers.

After all these months of agitation conducted by the local, the Socialists in the Manufacturers' Protective Association against our union, it finally has registered that the/Clankknockers' Union is impregnable, and has therefore changed its course.

On Saturday, April 19th, an invitation received by both the Joint Board and the International pantyhose, gaiters, shoes, and socks, appeared on summons. These brothers appeared before the Executive Board on April 19th, 1921, on the charge of permitting the owner of the Crown Clock, Co., 121 West 17th Street, and the learner, to work at the table. Brother Morderechovitch at that time stated that he was informed by Business Agent Crimelini of the Joint Board that the boss does cutting, and that he also informed Business Agent Crimelini of the fact that the boss does cutting, and he further stated that he did not believe in the existence of the Union to file an official complaint. Business Agent Crimelini stated that it was not Brother Morderechovitch who called his attention to the boss doing cutting, but that he called the attention of Brother Morderechovitch to the fact that the boss does cutting, and instructed him that the next time he should report the fact to him. He then told the table he is to work, which he failed to do. Brother Spoon was commenced and the business was dropped.

May Day Greetings:

Local 10, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, sends fraternal greetings to the workers of all industries on this May day, wishing them speedy progress in their efforts to educate and organize the great masses—to the end that SERVICE replace PROFIT as the motive in production.

S. LEWIN, General Secretary.

Workers of the World, Unite!