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fresh shot, round and perfect.

tion, was due to a dream," the fore- all day long. And late that afterman said. "Once upon a time shot noon he went up into the steeple of was made by hand. Lead was cut a church and melted a small chunk into tiny cubes, and rolled around in of lead and dropped it down. a barrel till, the corners wearing off, the cubes grew round. A tedious, perfect globules. It was shot-shot costly process.

Then came the dream of a man named Watts, a shotmaker.

"Watts dreamed one night that he went to a party, and that on the way home from the party a strange rain steeples over the land-only steeples began to fall. This rain hurt him. "'It stings like shot,' he said.

his hand, and found that it was shot. "And when Watts awoke the next

morning he couldn't get his odd dream "The shot tower, a grand inven- out of his head. He thought of it

"The lead fell in round pellets, in made with none of the difficulties of cutting and barrel-rolling. Watts, thanks to his dream, had happened on a wonderful invention.

"The shot towers that 'rise like are for the saving of life, while shot are for its destruction-would none of "And then he caught some of it in them exist if Watts had not had that strange dream of his."-Denver News.

MAYOR EUGENE V. SCHMITZ

The country will cheerfully and both his supporters and his opponents. promptly "take back" some of the In the crisis which has just struck things which it had been saying in re- his city he has done immeasurably cent times about Eugene V. Schmitz. better than many of his friends want-All the radical and revolutionary ele- ed him to do, and better than most ments in his town were on his side of his enemies supposed he would do. in his elections for mayor. Socialists, anarchists, lawbreakers of all sorts, and all of society's extreme left voted for him. Many conservative and respectable men also were on his side, but most of the men who gave his candidacy its peculiar distinctiveness were neither respectable nor conservative.

But Mayor Schmitz has surprised

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All these things will be remembered to Mayor Schmitz's credit. In theory the regulars have been acting under the mayor's orders from the beginning. That is, the soldiers cut out Reg. Club the work for themselves before the



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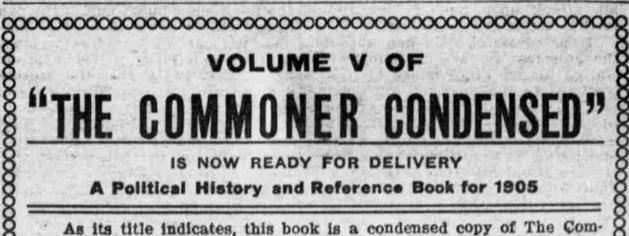
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municipal authority got a chance to O \$1.00 collect itself in the panic but the head of that authority had the sense 1.00 to see that the military program was 1.00 right, and he, as his position entitled him, assumed direction of it, and became responsible for it. In his successive campaigns for mayor he had practically the entire press of his city against him. Most of the newspapers of the country accepted the judgment of the papers which stood nearest to him, and which, therefore, had the best chance of knowing him. All were mistaken in their appraisement. Mayor Schmitz is better than most Club rice of the company he kept, and better \$1.35 than the reputation he had till a week ago. He deserves well of his com-1.00 1.25 munity .- St. Louis Globe-Democrat. 1.25

WHY HE GOT OFF

1.35 Pat, who had recently "come over," 1.00 met his old friend Dennis. Pat, who 1.25 was enthusiastic over all the wonderful things he had seen and heard, lost no time in telling Dennis some of his adventures, says San Francisco Chronicle:

"An' what foine smart men they have on them strate cars," he said. "I got on wan of them and purty soon the man said 'Kearney,' and Mr. Kearney he get up and got off. "At the next corner he said 'Pow-Reg. Club ell,' and Mr. Powell he gets off, and

he kept right on doing that.

"Says I to meself: 'He is purty smart, begorra, if he can find out me own name,' but, would yez believe Q me, at the next corner he said 'Mc-Allister,' so there was nothing for me to do but get off, too."

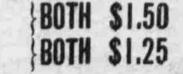
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