

practices. We say maybe! But if he did not he is mentally incompetent, therefore unfit to be a senator of the United States.

The proposition to make the Orthopedic hospital an adjunct to an Omaha medical college, so that students of orthopedic surgery may have a chance to experiment upon the helpless little wards of the state, is too revolting to be patiently considered. These helpless, and often friendless, little cripples, deserve the very best care and attention that this rich, prosperous and Christian state can give them. The legislator who votes to make the Orthopedic hospital an experimental station adjunct to any medical college ought to, and will be, damned by every Nebraska man and woman with a heart to feel sympathy for helpless little children.

Mr. Charles Skalla of McCook, an ardent advocate of the election of Representative George W. Norris to the United States senate in 1912, has written an open letter to Senator Norris Brown, demanding that Senator Brown fish or cut bait. We opine that Senator Brown is going to be an insurgent of insurgents from now on. Why? Well, Brown is a wise gentleman and what happened to Mr. Burkett a few weeks ago will not be lost upon him. Just be patient, Mr. Skalla, and you'll see Senator Brown insuring in such a way as to threaten with relegation to the rear such insurgents as LaFollette, Bristow, Cummins, Murdock and Norris. O, Brown is going to be the real goods in the insurging line.

A couple of bankers at Greenwood, Neb., have been arrested on the charge of embezzling a bushel or two of money belonging to the depositors. The bankers are out on bond. Of course the people will not believe that all bankers are thieves because thieving bankers have been occasionally exposed, but isn't that about the way the general public judges the trades unionists?

The death of Michael Cudahy, the millionaire packer, gave the capitalistic press a fine opportunity to get off the usual cargo of "bushwa" about every poor boy having a chance to become a millionaire. Of course every poor boy has a chance—one in 'steen million, and the chances growing fewer every day. Michael Cudahy had his chance at the packing business and seized it. What chance has a poor boy of today to become a millionaire packer? A few years ago railroad presidents were selected from men who had learned the art of railroad building and managing from the bottom up—beginning as section men or brakemen. Fine chance now to get to the top that way! Railroad presidents of today are selected for their ability to manipulate stocks and bonds, not for their ability to construct and operate great railroad systems. A lot of boys are being ruined these days by filling their minds with the "bushwa" about having as many opportunities as the boys of former generation. It's a plain lie—for they haven't. And they will not have until social conditions are revolutionized.

Fred Warren, editor of the Appeal to Reason, has been sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000 and serve six months in the federal prison at Leavenworth. Do you happen to know what Warren's crime was? He was found guilty of offering reward to any man who would do something that the supreme court of the United States had declared to be perfectly legal. The men who kidnapped Moyer and Hayward and forcibly took them from Colorado to Montana were declared to have been within their legal rights. Warren offered a reward to anybody who would do to ex-Governor Taylor of Kentucky what had been done to Moyer and Hayward. That was his crime. Think that over, Mr. Wage Earner—that is if you have any brains to think with. It ought to interest you—and open your eyes.

Governor-elect Aldrich's appointment of W. R. Jackson to be food commissioner may have been intended as a recognition to the thousands of democrats who bolted Dahlman and voted for Aldrich. If it was so intended Mr. Aldrich missed his guess—and missed it badly. Viewed in any light whatever the appointment of Jackson to that position is a joke—and on Nebraska!

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of the western roads have voted overwhelmingly in favor of a strike in case their demands for an increased wage and better working conditions are not complied with. This does not mean that there will be a strike. Far from it. One does not have to risk his reputation as a prophet to prophesy that there will be no strike. The railroad managers will simply spring the joker in the Erdman act. Then there will be arbitration, because the engineers dare not get in bad with the public by striking while arbitration is going on. Besides, neither the engineers nor the railroad managers want any strike, and both sides will make concessions to avoid it. The engineers will get a part, not all, of what they ask for, and peace will soon reign. The experience of the 1888 strike has not yet been forgotten.

For years the pastors of Milwaukee complained of the dance halls of that city. They wanted them abolished, but they offered nothing in the way of amusements to replace them. A Myor Seidel, socialist, put the low dance halls on the bum with one move. He

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