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ABOUT THE OPEN SHOP.

VICTOR L. BERGER WRITES OF THE GOVERNMENT'S NEW AID TO SCAB EMPLOYERS.

THE GOVERNMENT of the United States is full of enthusiasm for the "open door." But this must be the door to the house of some other government.

It is not this open door of which we wish to speak, but of the door which has recently been opened in Washington, the open door of the government departments.

Now however a joyful day is dawning for the employers of scabs. They have heard that no difference is to be made between unionists and non-unionists in the government departments.

Nothing is better than a clear situation. If we have a scab government, the workmen should be aware of this fact.

What then is to be done? Nothing is left but to push through a law directing the government to employ only union labor.

Let these commune governments be SOCIALISTIC. And not one Socialist in the Congress of the United States.

We therefore wish success to the scab employers in their campaign. They may create a situation which will checkmate the counsors of the labor movement.

The "open door" has been opened still wider for the scabs in the anthracite coal region. The "non-partisan" on the "substitution commission" decided that the coal barons could discharge non-union men.

Employers and laborers should act with justice and with the desire to preserve peace. Words, nothing but words! "Since the employer," says Wright, "is not bound to announce any other reason for the discharge, moralizing is only poor wit."

Mr. Roosevelt for the government service, just so Mr. Wright for the scab regions, proclaims an open door for scabs.

Victor L. Berger.

Socialism means so much to the average individual that he cannot give too much time to studying the subject.

"This is the first year in the history of the Socialist party in Ohio that the capitalist parties have actually made a great fight to keep our vote down," writes an Ohio correspondent.

That some people will be caught with these lies is only natural. But they are lies that will be soon exposed and react on the liars!

Hospitals are being started round the country for consumptives. There is money in it, therefore it becomes a virtuous and a philanthropic thing to do.

live in are both subject to the same laws. Both are the effects of wrong conditions. Fighting effects with "remedies" is futile, while the CAUSES are left untouched.

With a majority of the people failures under the present system it is no wonder suicides increase!

SNAP SHOTS BY DEBS!

EUGENE V. DEBS SPEAKS IN PRECEPT AND PARABLE ESPECIALLY FOR HERALD READERS.

Frances Willard. It is not generally known that Frances Willard, whose noble life was completely consecrated to those who suffer, was an avowed Socialist.

"I believe that competition is doomed. The trusts, whose simple object it is to abolish competition, have proved that we are better without than with it, and the moment corporations control the supply of any product they combine."

"Oh, that I were young again, and it would have my life! It is God's way out of the wilderness and into the promised land. It is the very marrow of Christ's Gospel."

These are clear, courageous and inspiring words that deserve to be inscribed upon the tomb of this good woman whose life was filled with service and whose character glowed with all virtues of her sex.

Miss Willard became a Socialist in her quest for a remedy for intemperance. At first she said, as many still say: "Poverty is largely due to intemperance."

Frances Willard analyzed intemperance in the light of economic determinism and left the race a heritage of glory.

Flea and Donkey. A flea nestled in the ear of a donkey. The flea bit off the tip of a pore and lunched at leisure. The donkey brayed and kicked.

Moral: The interests of fleas and donkeys are identical. (See revised code civic federation.)

Without fleas donkeys would have no incentive to kick and bray and would soon completely lose their donkeyalty.

Well Earned Cane. Some years ago while on an organizing trip I was called upon to present a gold-headed cane to a local labor leader. The thing had been arranged in secret and was to be sprung as a surprise.

Five Reasons. A Socialist was asked how he happened to become a Socialist and after giving the answer added: "Besides this, I had five special reasons for becoming a Socialist."

Eye to Eye. President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers is reported as saying if only the capitalist and workingman will look straight into each other's eyes and speak the truth there will be no more strikes.

Labor Power. Mr. Worker, you are not a man; you are simply portable labor power, raw material, bought the same as hide, hair, bones, or any other commodity, and convertible, at the pleasure of your purchaser and master, into capital which in turn also becomes your purchaser and master and so on until your labor power is exhausted and your worthless remains are carted to the pottersfield.

Eugene V. Debs

PARKS WAS BROUGHT TO NEW YORK AND MADE WHAT HE WAS BY CAPITALISTS!!

A SHAMEFUL SUPPRESSION OF THE TRUTH!

The following are facts which the capitalist press has been keeping from the public: Sam Parks, a man of iron-will, was a leader, broken down by a venereal disease, convicted of murder in Sing Sing.

and he wouldn't tell. Every member of the union knew the exact character of Parks, that he was a "grafter"—and yet he could not be displaced. Even after being arrested for blackmail, he was released by his union; when he went to State's Prison his salary as walking delegate was continued, and when he was released under court orders he marched at the head of the Labor Day parade, cheered by his followers.

THE TRUTH BACK OF PARKS-ISM! "This corruption in the labor unions is simply a reflection of what we find in public life. Every one who has studied our public life is appalled by the corruption that confronts him on every side."

indignation to himself so long? and why did he pay the money, anyway? Why is it that for years the building department has been notably one of the most corrupt branches of the New York city department?

used. If inferior material is put in, if the plans are deviated from, if the plumbing is not placed properly, if there is the least deviation from the prescribed plan, or from the law, the inspector on the ground is the man to bring it to notice and to require the builder to comply with the law.

building really fireproof, they did want to hurry and scamp their work and increase their profits, or they were too cowardly to resist the demand of corrupt officials; so they used bribe money.

revolutionizing the building industry of the city—the hand of the Trust. During the whole time of the lockout the man on the street may have noticed that work on many new buildings, some of the most important in New York, went forward without interruption, quietly, persistently. Farther inquiry would have shown that all, or nearly all, of these buildings were under contract by a single concern—the George A. Fuller Construction Company.

new methods of economy—doing away in many instances with middlemen, tending to eliminate independent architects and contractors; they had new schemes for dealing with labor, learned in the Chicago strike of 1900, and they cunningly contrived new avenues of getting political influence—for the building business hangs on the will of a political appointee.

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Open meeting and smoker Truck Drivers' Union No. 749, 325 Chestnut st., Novembe: 17th. Prominent speakers will address the meeting.

#### PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

The City Central Committee of Milwaukee, S. D. P., has leased the EXPOSITION BUILDING for a MONSTER MASK CARNIVAL, JANUARY 30, 1904. A Committee consisting of one delegate from each ward is now making arrangements for the noteworthy event. It solicits every reader's co-operation in making this affair a splendid success. This can be done by talking it up with your acquaintances, by making your appointments accordingly, and by seeing to it that Branches and Unions take notice of the date.

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O. Koppin, Fall Creek	5.00
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Donations Addressing Machine.	
Previously acknowledged	\$29.15
Per Erickson	1.00
Total	\$30.15

PICNIC RECEIPTS.	
Previously reported	\$1,017.90
Paul Gerstenkorn	.50
Emil Fischer, Madison	1.00
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Chas. Luehring	1.00
Picnic tickets	1.00
John Deekert	1.00
John Goetz	1.00
Total	\$1,023.40

There are rumors that there is a city sand deal and that it will involve an eminently respectable member of the school board if the board of trade gamblers who are on the citizens' "anti-corruption" committee get round to it. Similarly it is being whispered that one of the very men appointed to pick out school directors is using his position to maintain a monopoly of the supplying of school furnaces, etc., made by his company, which company also includes one of the school directors. There is a law against an official having business dealings with the city. But what of that!

The frantic efforts of the Milwaukee Sentinel, owned by Pfister, to help the mayor, also owned by Pfister, get public attention away from corruption and centered on the smoke nuisance, stamps it for just what it and every other newspaper owned by big capitalists is, an enemy of the people and the people's interests. It is not a whit less demagogical than Rose himself.

On Sunday, Nov. 15, Comrade W. R. Gaylord will speak at National Hall, Grove street and National Avenue, on "Socialism and Individualism," beginning at 2:30 o'clock. Comrade W. H. Ferber of Ripon, addresses an interested audience there last Sunday and Comrade Dewey and others also took part. The attention and enthusiasm was at high pitch. On Sunday, Dec. 6, Comrade May Wood Simons, of Chicago, will lecture.

Milwaukee Socialists have great reason to be glad of the fact that the public schools are being opened to free lectures for the people by well known educators. It is in our direction, and one thing will lead to another in obedience to the demand of the public until the schools will be open to citizens who wish to meet to discuss public interests and questions. In fact it is in the interests of good government that the people should even be encouraged to meet together as frequently as possible, in order to stimulate their interest in public questions—which is a fact that we Socialists will have to keep pounding into people's ears for some time before we will be able to get them to realize the necessities of the case. A better lot of lecturers are provided this year, and shameless wretches like Prof. Monaghan and his capitalistic slanders of Socialism, have been dropped. We are glad that the lectures are proving such a big success. The people that are turned away for lack of room will tend to bring about an increase in the number of lectures.

"You are no doubt very proud of your new headquarters," writes Comrade Eugene V. Debs, "I felicitate you upon the change to higher ground and purer atmosphere. Such a chance marks a distinct era in the progress and development of the movement."

The Fifth ward branch, Milwaukee, will give a ball at South Side Kindergarten, Saturday, Dec. 19, the proceeds to go to the Socialist Home on the South Side.

### KERN'S SUCCESS FLOUR

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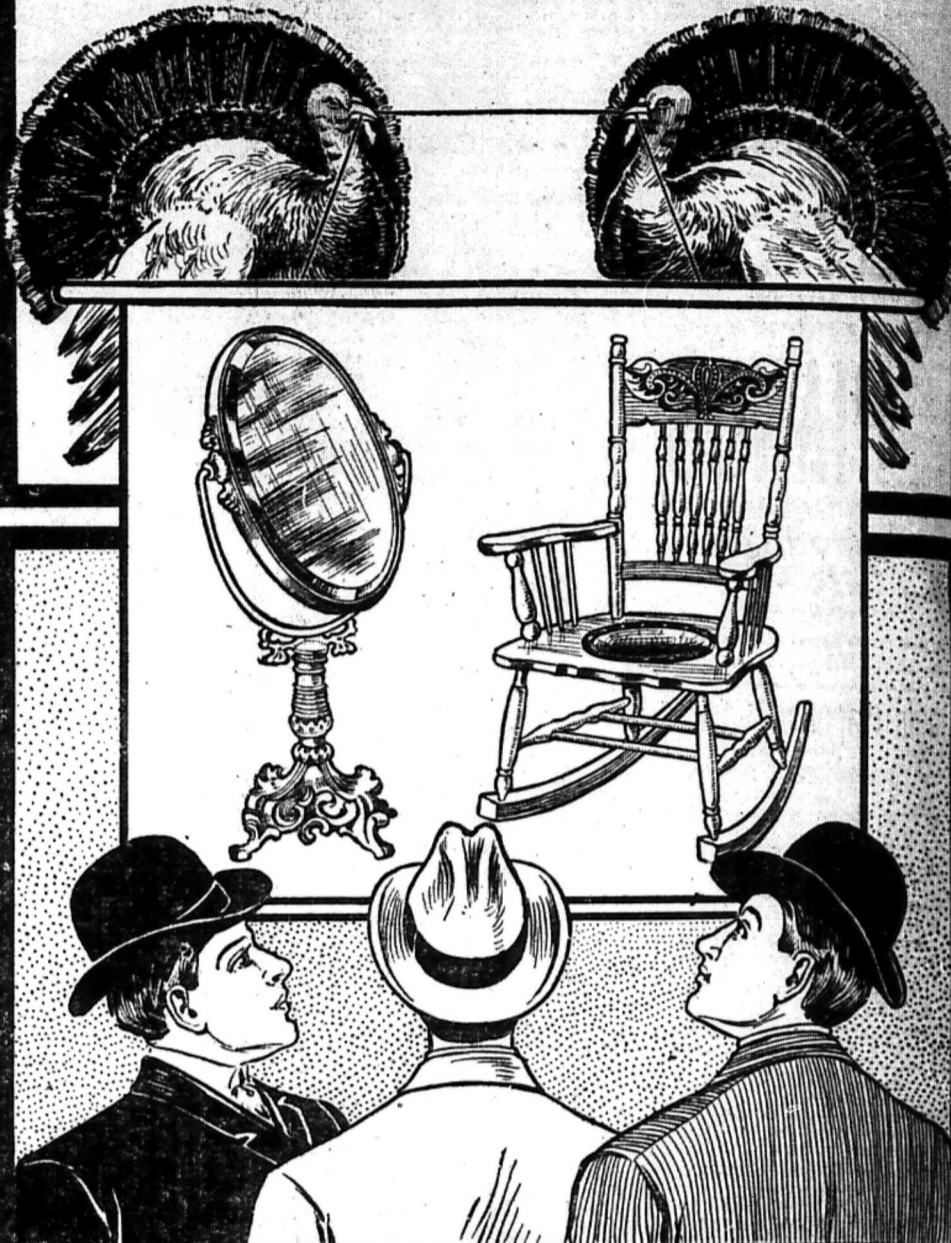
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### What \$10 will do here for you during this Sale

- It will buy a Men's All Wool Suit that costs \$12.00 elsewhere.
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Section 1. This organization shall be known as the Social Democratic Party of Wisconsin.
Section 2. The Social Democratic Party shall be organized as follows:
Locals consisting of not less than five members...

"I, the undersigned, subscribe to the principles and endorse the platform and constitution of the Social Democratic Party; and renouncing allegiance to and severing all connections with all other parties, do hereby apply for membership in the Social Democratic Party."
Section 15. Any member in good standing is entitled to a transfer to any other branch in the state by obtaining a transfer card from the Secretary of his branch.

Section 27. Any person subscribing to our platform and principles in a place where there is no local, may become a member at large on sending his application to the State Secretary and complying with the Constitution.
Section 28. Any member violating the laws and principles of the organization, or voting for or supporting any other party than the Social Democratic Party of Wisconsin, where he has a ticket in the field, or if elected or appointed to office failing to obey the instructions of the party organization in his respective district, or trying to organize a rival organization, or publicly slandering or denouncing a member of the party without being able to prove his charges, may be suspended or expelled by a two-thirds vote of the branch or central committee of the local of which he is a member; provided, that any charges against such member shall be preferred in writing, and the accused shall be entitled to a fair trial.

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The Social Democratic party is the American expression of the international movement of modern wage workers for better food, better houses, sufficient sleep, more leisure, more education and more culture. Those who work with hands and brain are the producers of all wealth, but as laws are now made in the interests of property and the men who own property, the rights of the workers are ignored, although they are in the great majority.
Electricity, steam and many modern inventions have struck the death blow at production on a small scale. Production on the largest scale makes monopoly a necessary condition. Monopoly is here, whether we wish it or not.

MILWAUKEE BRANCHES.
FIRST WARD BRANCH meets every second Tuesday in the month at 8 p. m. at 602 Market street. Richard L. Schmitt 830 North Water street, Secretary.
SECOND WARD BRANCH meets every third Friday of the month, corner Fourth and Chestnut streets. Fritz Koll, 1220 Cold Spring ave., Secy.
THIRD WARD BRANCH meets second and fourth Fridays at 293 Milwaukee street. Frank Herrberg, secy., 293 Milwaukee street.
THE FOURTH WARD BRANCH meets each first and third Thursday at 428 Fowler street. B. H. Helming, Jr., Secretary.

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Ingrains, All Wool 65c Wilton 1.50 to \$1.75
Ingrain Rugs from \$2.65 to \$7.80 Rugs from \$11.00 to \$35.00

LABOR UNIONS AT THE FAIR.

President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor is sending out the following to the national, international, local and federal labor unions affiliated with the American Federation, inviting participation on the part of such unions in a display at the St. Louis exposition next year.

"At its recent meeting, held at headquarters, the executive council, among other matters, had under consideration the invitation extended by the St. Louis exposition for the American Federation of Labor to have an exhibit at that exposition. The executive council directed the undersigned to prepare a suitable exhibit, and hence this letter to you.

"I would be obliged, therefore, if you would send me as promptly as possible the following or such part thereof as you can:

- "Copies of the official proceedings of all your conventions.
"Copy of your constitution.
"Copy of your official journal.

"All of these should be bound, if possible.

"The best print you can possibly get of the union label of your organization. Have it framed, setting forth the title and description of the label, with the name of the organization and the article it is supposed to cover.

"Group photograph of your executive board, framed.

"If there are any other matters that would be of interest and value in preparing a comprehensive exhibit of the trade union movement of the country so far as your organization is concerned I would appreciate it if you would include the same in the matters you send to this office.

"Of course there are several months before the exposition will be opened, but if a comprehensive exhibit of trade union history, growth, achievements and aspirations is to be made it will require considerable thought, time and labor in its preparation."

ANOTHER LABORITE IN PARLIAMENT.

There were several rather striking things about the recent election of Arthur Henderson as member of parliament for the Barnard Castle district. To begin with, Mr. Henderson during his entire candidacy declared himself opposed to Mr. Chamberlain's preferential tariff scheme, and thus his victory was regarded as a black eye for the right honorable gentleman. Moreover, the newly made M. P. was a dark horse in the race, opposing both the Conservative and Liberal candidates, and was supposed to have not a ghost of a show, and so the overwhelming victory had all the greater effect. But by far the most significant point about Mr. Henderson's election was the fact that he ran as the representative of the Labor party, which only a few weeks before had succeeded in sending Will Crooks, the former factory boy, to parliament by an overwhelming majority, there to support John Burns and the other direct representatives of the British workingman now at Westminster.

Encouraged by its recent successes, the Labor party is preparing to put forward fifty-eight candidates in the next general election, and it is now believed in this country that the time is not distant when the parliamentary representatives of the laboring classes will outnumber those of Ireland in the house of commons and hold, as the Irish party has done of late, the balance of power between the Conservative and Liberal parties, thus having it in their power to compel legislation as important to their supporters as the great Irish land bill is to the landlords and peasantry of the Emerald Isle.

It is no exaggeration to say that the latest representative of labor to join the "finest club in the world" was an almost ideal candidate. In his personality Mr. Henderson combined three great forces—energy, temperance and religious fervor—and all three worked solidly for him. Such another candidate at such a moment could not be found in England.

RAILWAY SLAVES LOSS OF MASTERS!

As a step toward retrenchment and in a measure to recoup losses from the flood, Erie railroad officials have decided to cut down the force of employees. Many men are to be discharged from the repair shops and from the maintenance of way corps. The orders have not yet been issued, but one official said the other day:

"Every man that is not absolutely essential will have to seek work elsewhere. Our road is in very good shape, and we can afford to lay off a great many men."

In reducing their force of machinists it was explained by a railroad traffic official that the New York Central, the Erie, the Pennsylvania and the Southern Pacific were merely returning to the normal demand for skilled labor. Owing to the unprecedented improvements made by the great railroads throughout the country this class of labor had been increased during the last three years from 10 to 20 per cent.

and reductions could now be made without injury to the railroads.

Asked if the coincident reduction of shop forces by the great railroads indicated concerted action against organized labor, this reply was made:

"It will simplify the labor situation and make it more easily handled."

A director of the Southern Pacific said the other day: "Now that there are signs of a slackening in business, I see no reason why we should not take advantage of the situation we have created. And this means that we can get along with fewer men."

It was the general opinion that reductions so far made indicated no actual falling off in business, but rather a step on the part of the railroads to prepare for a possible dull day in the future. If the proportion of men discharged by the Erie is similar to that of the Vanderbilt lines about 500 men will be thrown out of employment.

New York Times.

How the shareholders in the Co-operative Store are being protected.



THE WISCONSIN NATIONAL BANK OF MILWAUKEE. CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$2,250,000.

This is to certify that the Co-operative department Store of Milwaukee has this day deposited with this bank a bond furnished by Harry Leyser, Alfred C. Clas, W. H. Surles and W. D. Carrick, through the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Co. of Baltimore, Md., guaranteeing that in the event the amount of Three Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.) is not subscribed to the capital stock of the said Co-operative Department Store by March 1, 1904, to return to each and every stock-holder the full amount of his paid subscription.

Handwritten signature of the Cashier.

All shareholders in this Co-operative Department Store have the above guarantee.

TRADE UNION MOSAICS.

A Rag-Pickers' Union.

There are about 3,000 ragpickers in New York city. Last May 400 of them formed a union. A young man named Henry Schryer is president.

"We call ourselves the 'clip sorters,'" he says. "We do not pick rags that are old or picked up by ragmen. The rags we pick come from the big cloth cutting houses, and when we have sorted them they are made into different kinds of shoddy."

"Half of our workers are women or girls. We work mostly in cellars by gaslight. We have no fresh air. We have no sunlight. We begin at 7 in the morning, and we work till 6 at night."

"Our job is hard enough, yet there are plenty who fight with knives to take our places if we strike. Beginners make \$2.75 a week. After they get quick or smart they can make from \$6 to \$10 a week."

"Quite a few of us have lung diseases, the cellars are so dusty, but at present we do not ask for higher wages. We want the public to know how we work and how we are treated, so that we can get some legislation to protect us."

The Mission of Unionism.

The timid masses and particularly the organized wage earners cannot, must not and will not surrender one jot of that which they have secured, must organize the yet unorganized, unite and federate those already organized to present a solid phalanx of the grand army of labor in earnest and emphatic protest against judicial usurpation or capitalistic invasion of our rights, attempted no matter by whom or from whatsoever source.

The hope for right and justice hereafter as well as the perpetuation of liberty and our republican institutions lies in organized labor. Therefore, with the consciousness of the justice and soundness of our position, we appeal to the judgment of all men and particularly to the toilers of America that they organize, unite and federate without regard to trade, calling, nationality, locality, sex, politics, color or religion. Executive Council American Federation of Labor.

Hiding the Baby Toters.

"The factory inspectors make the mistake of giving notice of intended official visits, and just before they get to the factories the foremen hide the working children where they are not seen by the inspector," said the smoking pipe makers' delegate to the New York Central Federated union. "I know of one establishment on the east side where a special room is kept in which to secrete the 'kids' while the factory inspector is making his rounds of the workrooms," added the delegate.

A letter was ordered sent from the Central Federated union to the state labor department requesting a special inspect. of the smoking pipe manufacturers in New York city for the purpose of detecting unlawful child labor.

Collective Bargaining.

Mr. Hans Rullinger, writing to the American Federationist from Vienna, says, among other things: "Collective bargaining is favored in Austria by those trades having relatively strong organizations of workmen as well as of employers. In the twelve years of the joint agreement in the printing trade there has not been a strike or lockout except occasionally in a single office. Such minor difficulties have soon been settled by the officers of the unions. The first of this sort of trade-agreements was entered upon only after a prolonged strike, but there are indications that the experience in the printing trade is observed with profit by other industries."

Trade Unions in Germany.

Statistics in the trade union journal of Germany show a continued increase in membership in the unions of that country, and this despite the economic depression which has prevailed there during the past few years. In 1902 the total membership of all organizations in Germany that may be classed as trade unions was 1,092,642. The total income for the year was 12,500,449 marks (a mark is 25 cents). The balance in cash on hand was 14,075,942 marks.

The parent body of the labor organizations of Germany, the German Federation of Labor (General Commission der Gewerkschaften), with headquarters in Berlin, has sixty national unions affiliated with it, having a total membership of 733,206, and its local affiliated unions have 10,000 members, according to the most recent reports.

Above Supply and Demand.

There is a higher law than the law of supply and demand. Human labor cannot justly be bought as capital buys wheat and pork. Soul and heart should be considered and the need for general progress. It must have been this view, I think, which led Lincoln to say, 'Labor is prior to and above capital and deserves a much higher consideration.' For myself, I fully agree with Lane Lane Allen's finely expressed thought: 'When the top decays, as it always does in the lapse of time, whence shall come regeneration if not from below? It is the plain people who are the eternal breeding grounds of higher destinies.'—Congressman Livernash.

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THE THEATER.

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