

misfortune and by that or any other way add sorrow to her tortured heart. I think that a girl, who, on account of youth and ignorance, fell for the bright lights and the gay life, deserves our respect because there is always some good left, no matter how bad she is.—J. C.

**A YOUNG WRITER.**—Chance gave you my opinion of the Workers' institute. I am going to tell you and the people what we are taught. First, at our Socialist Sunday school, we read in books which tell us about the world. After that A. S. Tobinson, our principal and teacher, explains to all of us what we read. The Workers' institute will have a parade on April 15, which I hope is a success.—Sadie Abrahamson, 11 Years Old, 1104 S. Robey St.

**DOUBLE PLATOON SYSTEM.**—Fire Marshal O'Connor is kicking about the double platoon system. He said in the Daily News that only the men who had worked 12 years wanted the 24-hour shift.

The kind of people we want in Chicago are those who will better conditions of the working class, not like O'Connor, head of the fire dept. He never has come out in favor of the firemen at any time. He ought to be ashamed of himself for trying to work the firemen 48 hours at a stretch. Give the firemen the 24-hour law. If the city would not do so much grafting they would not have any trouble in paying enough firemen to do the work necessary.

In regard to the 12-hour measure that came up a few years ago, it was said that the firemen did not want it. They did want it, but some crooked politicians got some of the firemen to go about shouting, "We don't want the 12-hour issue passed."

But the people will get wise some day. The firemen should have the 24-hour system, which they are entitled to. I am not a fireman, but I know a lot of them, and they all want

the 24-hour system. Let Mr. O'Connor keep quiet about the double platoon system.—A Taxpayer.

**DISPUTES REV. STELZLE.**—I have been reading Rev. Chas. Stelzle's articles about how he thinks Jesus would act as an American citizen.

He falls into the common error of clericals of clothing Jesus with divine power, something the American citizen has to get along without, as far as my experience goes.

He says: "It will farely hardly with those who are guilty—whether they occupy high or low places in society."

Now what American citizen would get anywhere trying to mete out justice to our millionaire crooks?

Jesus would no doubt protest against all the evils of the present day, but chances are he would get locked up if he said to much, or perhaps get crucified by the ignorant rabble, incited by an uneasy master class.

Stelzle has not succeeded in bringing Jesus close enough to us for the average man to associate with. The humble carpenter-fisherman appears more like a powerful judge than a common citizen under his treatment. Success to The Day Book, the best paper in Chicago. — Charles L. McDonald, 1538 E. 65th St.

**YOUNG MOTHER WRITES.**—To T. L. V.: You say you would like to hear from me through The Day Book. I cannot say much. But if you and the other men that answered my letter-allow, I will admit there are some splendid men with beautiful minds. I thank you all.—A Young Mother.

#### KILLED BY AUTO TRUCK

Bernard Zepfel, 8, 2053 Montrose av., was killed by a "fenderless auto truck" owned and driven by Maurice Sachs, 1435 School, who rushed the boy to the hospital, where he died of a fractured skull.