

have gag rule; it matters not whether it comes from capitalists, job trusts or any other source of human evil.

May we not learn something from Mr. Cochran, the publisher of this wonderful paper? Freedom, tolerance, in sympathy with the whole human family; that's his policy, and let us make it a part of our short lives, fellow toilers.—P. M. Harris.

**SUNDAY CLOSING.**—I am beginning to realize the worth of The Day Book as a medium toward education, and I sincerely wish you great success. It is evident that you are a man of high ideals and, being that, I hold admiration for such as you.

In Aug. 17 issue of The Day Book you omit one thing in connection with your letter to our esteemed mayor. We have been told that the excessive use of coffee is harmful and one addicted to its continual use will suffer a shattered neurotic system. Why don't our reformers take steps to abolish the drinking of coffee? Because they would be laughed at, especially by those who enjoy their cigar or cigarette after partaking of a cup of good coffee.

I know that I like to have beer when my dear wife serves spare ribs, sauer kraut and potato dumplings, and there is nothing finer on a Sunday afternoon than a dish of pickled mushrooms, rye bread and two or three glasses of beer.

Now as to what you omitted telling Mayor Thompson:

"By your closing the saloons on Sunday you are guilty of contributing to the high cost of living."

To many minds any one who raises the cost of the necessities of life and sustenance is guilty of a heinous crime and should be hung as high as Haman. I knew before the change was made 10 or 15 cents was the average that a family would spend and now if we common people want to enjoy our Sunday it costs us from 50 cents to \$1.60 more

Charity covers a multitude of sins, and charity should be extended to the saloonkeepers who accommodate those unable to buy a case of export.

If a poll was taken among the people in certain localities as to which kind of beer agrees with them, it would be a unanimous vote for the pitcher, and these people are in the majority in this city, and it was these people that marked their disapproval of Mayor Thompson by defeating the Republican candidates June 5.—A. H. Jensk, 1545 S. Kildare Av.

**THE PROFIT OF FOOLS.**—The butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker, all are shooting prices sky high, and the little fellow who does the paying yelps like a puppy whose paw has been stepped on. I remember well that whenever I stepped on poor pup's paw I would caution him to wear shoes to save his paws, and as he wore no shoes it was nobody's fault but his own.

We now see the human puppies who, by the way, do not seem any brainier than the genuine article, sit down and yowl plaintively at the high cost of living. Why don't the darn fools wear shoes and save their paws? And if it be true that they haven't brains enough to wear shoes, why, then, it is nobody's fault but their own.

Why can't those yowling fools understand that as long as society supports a ruinous individualism, allows each individual or group of individuals to do as they please, that they cannot possibly make conditions any better.

If the speculator in collusion with the baker raises the price of bread, why, eat less bread. Being a wood-head, you don't deserve any better.

Abolish private ownership of the means of existence and you will not need to worry about the high prices and low wages.—S. Kaplan, 32d and Lake Sts., Melrose Park, Ill.