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## Card of the Homestake Mining $\mathrm{C}_{0}$.

Lead, S. D.,............................... . 19
I am not a member of any Labor Union and in consideration of my being employed by the HOMESTAKE MINING COMPANY agree that I will not become such while in its service.
Occupation

## Department

## FINED.

Lane, Nevada, March 15, 1910.
At the last regular meeting of Lane Miners' Union No. 251, Jack Strange was fined $\$ 25.00$ and his name ordered advertised in the Magazine for refusing to deposit his card in this local. (Seal)

FRANK J. COX,
Secretary No. 251.
SHALL BE FINED AND DECLARED UNFAIR.
Graniteville, California, March 9, 1910.
Editor Miners' Magazine:
At the last regular meeting of 'Graniteville Miners' Union No. 169, W. F. M.. I was ordered to send the following to the Miners' Magazine for publication: Any miner leaving the jurisdiction of Graniteville Miners' 'nion who is thirty days in arrears, or without a card in this union, shall be declared unfair to organized labor and published in the Miners' Magazine, and a fine of ten dollars ( $\$ 10.00$ ) be placed against him.
(Seal)

> A. C. TRAVIS,
> Secretary-Treasurer No. 169, W. F. M.

## FINED AND DECLARED UNFAIR.

Austin, Nevada, March 14, 1910.
At the last meeting of Aust in local No. 30, W. F. of M., James E. Cohen was fined $\$ 25.00$ for leaving the jurisdiction of this local and not reinstating, as he had promised the committee who waited on him he would. His name is ordered published in the Magazine, and that he be declared unfair until such fine was paid into the treasury of this local. He also, before leaving this camp, asked the brother secretary to give him a letter recommending him as a good union man, which we consider anything but the act of a loyal union man. The wheel and twenty-one games are evidently more attractive than the union to this man.

Cohen is about 5 feet 9 inches, sandy complexion, sandy moustache, weight about 175 pounds. Formerly worked in Tonopah and Berlin, Nevada.
(Seal)
JOHN ( (OSSEHRIE,
Secretary.

## DE(CARED) ['NFAIR.

Rhyolite. Nev., March 12, 1910.
Editor Miners' Magazine
At the last regular meeting of Bonanza Miners' Vnion No. 235 , John J. Kelly, our former secretary-treasurer, was declared unfair until such time as he makes good all shortages held against him by this union.
(Seal)
JOS. E. GARRETT,
Secretary No. 235.

THE DAILY JOI'RNALS still continue to elaborate on the high cost of living, while the politicians chuckle as the price of votes grow cheaper. Glorious civilization!


STRIKE has been declared at Radersburg. Montana. The local union was forced to strike against a reduction of wages and for recognition of the union. The strike involves fifty men.

${ }^{\mathrm{T}}$T IS VERY PROBABLE that all the charity organizations throughout the country will be merged into the Rockefeller Foundation. This is an age of concentration and even charity must be trustified.

THE RAWHIDE Miners' Union No. 244, of Rawhide. Nevada, has taken action towards the framing of a bill to be introduced in the next session of the legislature making it a felony to defraud working men of their wages.

THE REPLBLICAN PARTY is faithfully keeping its pledges with the working class of Philadelphia. The policeman's club descending on the head of a striker furnishes the necessary proof that the striker cast his ballot for his oppressor.

THE LOCAL union of the Western Federation of Miners at Radersburg, Montana, declared a strike last week against a reduction of wages and for the recognition of the union. The local union was successfu: in having its demands conceded by the company.

THE STREET RAILWAY strikers petitioned their masters for an increase of wages, in order that they might be able to purchase more bread for their families, but the police force and state constabulary, enntrolled by the railway magnates, gave them bullets.

THE DEFENDERS of the Civic Federation have frequently declared that such an organization was launched for the purpose of bringing about reconciliations between master and slave. If that be true, it is strange that the Civic Federation failed to write a prescription for the Philadelphia strike.

THE SECRETARY of Snowball Miners ' Vnion No. 124. W. F. M.. of Goldroads, Arizona, has sent in a communication requesting corrections made as to the names of L. W. Lizon and (. M. Liron, who were declared unfair in the Miners' Magatine of the insue of March 10th. The names are L. W. Ligon and ('. M. Ligon.

WHILE THE GOVERNDENT at Washington with its attorneys before the supreme Court of the I'nited states has been endeavoring to bring about the dissolution of the oil trust. Morgan and his associates have cornered the automobile factories and have organized another trust. The antics of the government and salaried lawyers to dissolve trusts, when trusts are but the natural products of the system, are beroming ludicrous.

JAMES A. PATTEN, who cornered the wheat and cotton markets in America was recently in England, and when his identity be came know! was mobbed, and it required the efforts of the guardians of the peace to save him from the wrath of the people. James A. Pat ten in America is a lauded and respected citizen, but in England Patten is treated as a criminal.

PHILANDER C. KNOX, JR., the son of Secretary of State Knox, appropriated to himself the right of marrying a young lady who was a wage slave, and as a result of such partnership has been visited by the parental boycott. Young Knox married outside of his class, and is now on the blacklist with his sire.

Of course, there are no classes in this country.

A
LADY in Milwaukee has entered the political campaign against her husband. Her husband is now first assistant attorney and is a candidate for a seat on the bench. His wife has written a history of his moral rottenness, and the same has been circulated by the woman who was once the humiliated slave of a moral pervert.

When libertines become candidates for the judiciary, it is about time that the blind goddess should be removed from the "temple of justice."

T HAS BEEN DISCOVERED in the city of New York that a combination exists that monopolizes the privilege of furnishing bell-boys to hotels. This combination pays the hotels a certain sum of money annually and the combination pockets all the "tips" that are given by patrons to bell-boys. Bell-boys receive from $\$ 5$ to $\$ 12$ per week. It is claimed that the "tips" $0^{s}$ bell-boys in the leading and fashionable hotels amount to ten dollars per day, which goes into the coffers of the combination.

THE SUPREME COURT of the state of Missouri has declared unconstitutional the law regulating the hours of bakery employes. Capitalism has another laugh at the wasted energies of organized labor securing legislation favorable to the working class.

While courts assume the authority to nullify law, it seems but a waste of time to clamor at the doors of a legislative body for the enactment of laws in the interests of the masses of the people. We are now living under a government by the judiciary.

AN EXCHANGE says: "It is not the cost of living that is to blame; it is the profit system that keeps us from having the price of the cost of living. Give the worker the full product of his toil and there will not be a working man in the world who will go hungry."

The editor who penned the above two sentences has a clear grasp of the great problem that is confronting the producers of the world. The power and truth of his logic should appeal to every man and woman whose vitals have been clutched by the merciless grip of poverty

I:T IS NOW REPORTED by some of our Congressmen that the big bankers of America want a war with the Orient. As the bankers will not engage in the conflict, but will reap profit from such a conflict, it is not surprising that money-mad Shylocks are in favor of a struggle that puts millions in the vaults of the iew. If such a war takes place, the working class will do the fighting and when the smoke of battle has died away in the distance the bloated bondholders will be more corpulent than ever from the spoils coined from the slaughter of human beings.

THE COAL OPERATORS of West Virginia, since the year 1902, have maintained what is known as the "guard system." The "guards" secured by the mine operators have been recruited from the slums of the big cities and preference has always been manifested for the cold-blooded thug who felt no seruples in visiting violence upon any man who carried credentials as a representative of organized labor.

The mine operators have displayed a fondness for paroled convicts, particularly if such a paroled convict had been sentenced to prison for murder.

There is no liberty in the coal ficlds of West Virginia. The will of the coal corporation is supreme, and the man who is suspected of being identified with a labor organization courts death when he enters the domain covered by the infamous "guard system."

IN SARATOGA COUNTY, New York, a plant of the International Paper Company has been furnished three companies of state militia and fifty deputy sheriffs to suppress the strikers, in order that scabs and strike breakers may be aided in reducing the standard of living in free America.

The proud and liberty-loving citizen of America will soon be forced to seek protection and shelter beneath the blood-stained banner of Czar Nicholas.

But this is not all, for the paper trust obtained injunctions against its former employes, restraining them from picketing or in any way interfering with seabs or strike breakers, and to cap the climax, has instituted suit for damages to the extont of $\$ 100,000$ against the strikers individually and as members of the union.

THE SAME JUSTICE WRIGHT who sentenced Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison for contempt in the boycott case has just decided that certain members of the Tnited States senate are also in contempt of one of his writs. He has anmounced the doctrine that the courts are superior to all othe branches of the government and that the senate is subordinate to his judicial action.

We are informed that this decision is, for the present, "purely academic" and that there is no intention of enforcing it. It has been noticed that nearly all court actions against trusts and senators are "purely academic." No senators will go to jail-at least, none of the members of the present senate need have any fear. Aldrich and his senate know that they are the real power in this country, or at least the trusts behind them are the real rulers. They are above the Supreme court. They own that court. They can afford to have a contempt for it and need fear no punishment.-Daily Forum.

WHILE MILLIONS are starving for the necessities of life, the government is granting subsidies to ship owners, appropriating millions for junketing trips of Senators and Congressmen, paying extortionate rates to ralroads for the carrying of the mail, indirectly contributing to the campaion expenses of Congressmen by permitting the government printing office to print speeches and allow the use of the franking privilege to send them throughout the country, authorizing expenditures of vast sums of meney for the erection of monuments to the memory of men now dead, increasing by millions at a bound the sum of money necessary to maintain the army on a war footing, and supporting a lot of retired generals who never suffered nausea from the smell of gunpowder, expending still greater sums for the buiding of Dreadnoughts, which are more designed for entertaining than fighting, permitting the grafters to graft and the looters to loot. And we. a supposedly intelligent people, look on the scene and interpose no objections, but vote as the recipients of government favors dictate. While the burden is piling up we are paying additional taxes to support the capitalist administration in regal splendor. The babes may cry with hunger, the wifc and mother may drop from exhaustion, but the fountain of human love is not cherished in the suffering of loved ones, else the male portion of society would banish all this misery by using the power of the ballot to establish the highest sum of human happiness on earth-Socialism.-Toilers' Defense.

THE SITUATION in the Black Hills still remains unchanged. The Homestake company and the other mine operators have shown no inclination towards receding from their attitude against organized labor. In the Terry district there are but few men working and the mine operators seem to find it a difficult matter to secure miners to take the places of the union men who have been locked out.

The Homestake company still have their agents in various mining districts of the country, who are using every species of misrepresentation to induce men to accept employment. Approximately, there are 3,000 men in the Black IIills who are denied employment becanse they refuse to place their signatures to a card which sounds the death knell of organized labor.

Three thousand locked out men means that fully 10,000 people must be cared for by the Western Federation of Miners. The men who have been locked out are still standing as firmly as ever. and have the utmost confidence that the lock-out can be defeated, if only the labor movement will furnish the necessary sinews of war to sup. port the union men and their families in thris struggle against the czarism of the Homestake company and the lesser mining companies that have boldly declared that unionism must be strangled to death in the mining districts of South Dakota. The IIomestake Mining Company has millions behind it to fight organized labor, and if it is suc. cessful in crushing unionism in the Black Hills, then peonare in Nexico will be about as humane as the treatment of the unfortunate slaves of the mines of South Dakota.

HOWEVER VOTE-CATCHING POLITICIANS may laud us at election times with touching though trite references to the "Dignity of Labor" and to "horny-handed sons of toil"; to whatever dizzy pinnacle of fame the catch-penny song writers of capitalism may raise us by enshrining us in the dubions immortality of their illustrated songs; nevertheless, even ordinary observation cannot but notice the open contempt in which all the henchmen of capital, sleek or shably. hold the overall brigade.

And why not? What is there about us that would entitle us to their respect? Servitude is our porfion and generations of servitude have bred in us even servility of manner. In outward semblance men, but let the master frown and our cringing humility straightway gives the lie to our semblance of manhood.

We are neither men nor merchandise, having thus sunk a degree lower in the scale of objects than our forbear. the chattel slave, who was at least merchandise. We were but vehicles for merchandise. Push-earts for the peddling of labor power. Going sheepishly from door to door and shamefacedly soliciting a purchaser: holding ourselves fortunate to find one and delivering to him our best for a pittance.

The harlot, wherein is she smok lower than we? Not in price, at any rate. Nor in servility. Nor in fact in anything except in the common estimate of a society learned in a topsy-turvy moral code. What if she sells her womamhod? We sell our manhood. Is that any less contemptible".

Yet in this very overall brigado lies the hope of the future. Theirs
is the heritage of the ates. Only the divine yrark of knowledge is Heqde. to rekimble the Intent manheme in our clase amd that knowledge in spradinge and with it yreal draws ewer noarer the day when the overall brizade shall step forth free men. Xo lonew pedding their physical enerey from dowe to dowe no longer cringing and fawning upon the masters of their beade no lomerer behnden to the owners of the mesus of life for the poor privilege of living. But themselves posersuing the earth athl emjoying the fallows thereof.- Wintern (larion.

THE IdOCXI, IXIONS of the Western Fowdation of Miners of the state of Nevada are mow disellosing the alvisability of taking an active part in the coming prelitical campaign of that state, and in order to be effective, are taking stops that will bad to the formation of a state organization. The failure of the present state administration to give any favorable consideration to the pleas of Preston and Smith, who were railroaded to the penitentiary through the prejudice created by a Mine Owners' Association and its ally, the 'itizens' Alliance, has foreed the membership of the Western Federation of Miners of the state of Nevarla to come to the conclusion that only through united politieal action can the present administration be dothroned and long delayed justice granted to men who have been imprisoned to glut the venerance of the corporate interests. The local mions of Nevada shomd laume a state mowement at once and demonstrate to state of ficials who yield obdedenee to the dietom of mine operators and the ir allies, that organized labor in Nievada stands for justiee to homanity.

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 of the W. F M, of Muhican relative to the Homestake lackent: Ion't be dareival by the atonts of the Hommake Mming Company. The union. men of Lead, Jeresed out at the Ineginning of winter have not surrendered her union card and their manhend as the company demands. They wall not do so.
"If yon are a man with brains to underatand what mions have done for lator and your deaperate need of them here, if you have a heart that can feel the hardships of wemen and chidern in a long lockout. you will not help, a corporation detroy a umion.

- If the later situation had anything to do with the cloming of the Oseoba mince, it means that the Hemestake wompany in its long wareh for seake from Mishigan to North Carolina was unsuremenfui, so the companies hore came to their aid and senk to compel men to seab... take away your job and drive you to take another's job.
"Give them a man's answer. As they work for their interests, so protect yours: as they sock to destroy labor mions, build thom up, Instead of helping drag down the men of Lead to the copper comery standard, join the Wiestern Federation of Miners and lift yourblf to theirs.
- Every attack on a lator union is a demand for chap lator.
"Ion t become a Judas to the working clase for the thirty piemess of silver of the Homestake. Mining Company. Show the same loyalty to your clase that the mine owner shows to his stand for manhosed as he stands for dollars.
"ION"T BE A SCAB."


## No Peace Under the New System

THERE IS DLCOONTENT from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In wey state of the Finion there is a feyling of unrest and thoughtful men and women are wondering if the industrial revolution is close at hand.

In almost every induatry there is rebellion, for the men and women who are the producers of wealth are almost up in arms against the unbearable conditions imposed upon them ly a mastor class. fireed has risen in despotie arroganee and rules with the iron seeptre of a heartless monster.

The uprisings of the working class against the industrial tyrant presages a national conttiot hetween master and slave that can only end in the emancipation of humanity. The strike of the street ear men in the eity of Philadelphia, which strike has involved the men of other industries, is prophetie of the coming day when labor shall rise in its united strength and burst asumder the shackles of wage slavery. Since the Philadelphia strike the organs of a capitalist elase have wailed long and lond against what they call the sympathefic slrike, but these organs in their declarations of condemnation asainst the so-called symputhe tic strikt, are attempting to mask the war of the classes that must contirue until exploiter and exploited shall beeme men under the sumlight of a new eivilization where profit shall be no more.

The so-called sympathetie strok is a strike of the slave class against a mastor class, and the sympothetic strike is heralding the dawn of a day when labor, through its solidarity and recognizing its class interests. shall plant the flag of victory on the shattered ramparts of capitalism.

It is but natural that a press that is subsidized shonld protest against the upriving of labor and hold up the injured public as a reason against the sperad of a strike that involves many imdustrus.

Again, the sympathtic striks is a prowf that the memberhhip of the labor movement are becoming awakened to the fact that the strike of the craft or trade organization can wrest no concessions from the decpot in the industrial world. and that the time is hore when crafts and trades must be swallowed up in industrial departments, and thone departmentes cemented together into an industrial union that shall cover a continent. The midde class is likewise hurling its protest against the symmotheflic strik, for the man of limited eapital sees in the great conflict that must come, his elimination from the business world. The middle clase is being slowly orushed to death in the strugeres betwern laker and the trusts and corporations, and as the man with limited means beholds himself being pushed eloser :fnd closer to the precipies of ruin through the evolution that is going on, he teeomes dosperate in his agony and eenerally vents his wrath asainst the real producers of wealth who are strugeling against corporate tyramy and for the liberty of man. The ery that capital and labor should wet tower and adjust their difierences and save the innoeent public from loss and injury. is but the drivel of imberility, for capital and labor can newer get together mutil labor !nts all the capital which lubor creatis

The strike is the prow f that the interests of exploiter and expleited are opposed to eacte other, and the strike is the indisputable evidenee that there can be no peace until the hellish system that breeds strikes has been banished from the earth.

## Theodore May Shrink

SNCE THEODORE the First has emerged from the jungles and came back to civilization, the press of the country has been hailing him as the political Napoleon for the year 1912.

It has hecome apparment that President Taft is a failure, and though having served but littlo more than a year as Chief Magistrate of the nation, yet his administration has been unsatiofietory exeept to a few of the miohty potentates in the world of finance. The oftionial conduct of Talt's cabinet has brought dis administration into disereputs and charges of frand are be me openly made against every member of the official family save sometary Nagle of the departmont of Commerce and Labor.

Ballinger, the Soretary of the Intorior, has been branded as a falsifier and the scandal that has arisen throush the expulsion of Pinchot of the forestry service has cansed a stomeh that cam seareely be nentralized by the disinfectants of the most wily politician of the Republican party. Secretary of War Dickinson has been under the fire of a senate committee invistigation and evidenee has heen advaneed to the effect that the Secretary of Wiar has eiven a momopoly to the Pacific Mail Steamship in the carrying trace botween Panama and the Pacific coast.

Postmaster General Hitcheock has bromht himsilf mow the fire of wealthy publications and marazimes that have dared to domomer the piracy of powerful trists and corporations, be ureme an inmerase on serond elass mail matter, which if cetahlished would haw relewated to the scrap heap hundreds of periodicals that were lowked upon as inimical to the interests of the Goliathe in the realms of commeroes

Mac Yeadh, the Secetary of the Treasury, has then acomsed of being an ally of the beof trust and standing behind the proposition
of the packers to have the ten-cents-per-pound tax on colored olcomar garine reduced to the fraction of a cent.

Meyer, the Secretary of the Navy, is an official plutocrat who is charged with ignoring the claims of officers in the navy who are outside the social set in which the seeretary moves.

Secretary of State Knox is charged with showing a preference for the capitalisis of Wall strent, partioularly Morgan and his associates. in building railroads in the Orient, and prostituting his official position to serve the few moneyed men who have covetous eyes on the resourees of the "Flowery Kingdom."

Wilson the Secertary of Agriculture is beine attacked for his advecary of benzoate of soda as a preservative of food, and Wickursham, the Attorney General, has bewn aseailed for his failure to bring criminal proceedinge amainst the giants in the sugar trust

It is no wonder that the press of Repmblican fath is hailing with joy the return of the man who made Taft his polition suectewor. But the man who erowned Taft as his politieal heir will he mablu to put


Capitalism is matl in its greed for speits, while the maswe of the poople looking into the future are eradually comine to the conclusion that the syatem unter which we live mast to averthrown are justion ran reion in our much vamed republie.

Todly, with all his bustering bravado, will shrink from assumine the reiges of eoverment in the sear 1912. Weanse he will reatioe that the eontliet between these who have and thase who have mot will be a battle in which all the battles of the ages will pale into insignifieance. The battle of the future is between the dolar and the man, and manhowed must win the vietory.

# A Wail From a Subsidized Sheet 

THE SECRETARY of Silver City Miners’ Union No. 92, W. F. M., of Silver City, Nevada, has sent for publication in the Miners' Magazine the following editorial which recently appeared in the Carson City News, under the caption "The Union's Folly."

One of the most foolish things that union men ever did in this state and one that will turn the better class of people against them in their struggles hereafter, is the action of the union men of Austin, who boycotted the business houses of two men who were former officers of the state police.
"We have heard of leaders of political parties reading the names off from off the roster of their party for actions that would tend to wreck their cause, and we wonder if the union men as a body are as quick to read the so-called union men of Austin from out of the lists of unionized labor
"This boycotting of the men who wore the color of their state; who obeyed the mandates of the law : who fought for peace and harmony, equal rights to all and special privileges to none. marks the union of Austin as being an organization of anarchists and not union men in the true principle of unionism. It shows that the Austin union does not believe in government, the prosecution of crime, the protection of home, life and property, and marks them as an organization to be feared and detested.
"A body of men that will make outcasts of their fellow man be cause he stood for law and order is an organization to be feared and to be crushed as would be the head of the snake hissing in the roadway.
"We cannot believe that the miners of the state will stand for the action of the Austin union and will be prompt to come forward with resolutions of condemnation of their action and accept the members of the State Police as their friends and their protectors."

The editor of the Miners' Magazine has never countenanced the violation of law. If a law is infamous, then such a law should be repealed, but at the same time, the Carson City News should not ex pect organized labor to show a reverence for a law that furnishes corporate power an armed guard to suppress labor.

The State Police law of Nevada was placed on the statute books of the Sage Brush state through the influence of the mine operators and the Southern Pacific Railway Company.

Governor Sparks, who was hurried to a premature grave through the manipulations of a combination of brazen and conscienceless conspirators, was utilized as a tool to call a special session of the legislature during the troubles in the Goldfield district to enact into law a bill that was framed by the attornevs of corporations. During the special session of the Nevada legislature, the editor of the Miners' Magazine was called to Carson City in the hope that he would be given an opportunity to address the members of the legislature on the infamous provisions of the State Police bill, but the puppets of the corporations absolutely refused to concede any courtesy to anyone whose sentiments were in opposition to a measure that placed organized labor under the ahsolute domination of uniformed thugs, wearing the badge of official authority. With the exception of seven members of the legislature, the law-makers of Nevada seemed to be anxious to obey the dictum of mine operators and a railway company, and every member of that body was conscious of the fact that the State Police bill was a blow at human liberty and in the interests of a privileged class that reveled in the spoils of modern brigandage.

The News declares that the boycott levied against those two bus ness men, on the grounds that they were officers of the State Police "will turn the better class of neople against them in their struggles hereafter." Who is the "better class of people"? The News when referring to the "better class" must have in mind that element of society who can drug a governor and control a legislative body.

That "better class" mentioned by the News is an admission that there are classes, and it affords even some satisfaction to realize that a journal devoted to the interests of a "better class" has acknowledged on its editorial page that classes prevail on the soil of boasted Young Columbia, where citizenship is deluded into the belief that here in America "we are all equal before the law."

The News bewails the "boycotting of the men who wore the color of their state; who obeyed the mandates of the law; who fought for peace and harmony, equal rights to all and special privileges to none."

The above sounds well, but will not stand an analysis. Who was the law in the state of Nevada when the police measure was passed by a truckling legislature? The mandate of the exploiter was supreme and his word was lau.

The men who wore "the color of the state" were the body guards of the mine operators, and the Cossacks of Nevada wore a uniform to legalize their assaults upon labor, directed by the very combination that used a legislature to create an army at the expense of the state to execute the commands of an aggregation that had sworn vengeance against unionism.

The boycott of a union is not relished by the News, when such a boyeott is directed against business men who were once the armed emissaries of corporations, but the News, while denouncing such a boycott, will have no words of condemnation for the blacklist of an expoiter who ignores the right of the working class to come together in a labor organization. The boycott was a weapon in the hands of the Revolutionary Fathers of 1776 , and from the press and rostrum have come eloquent laudations of the sentiments that prompted the pioneers of Thirteen Colonies to place a boycott on the wares and products of England.

The tariff is but a boycott on the wares of foreign countries, but as long as such a boycott fills the coffers of America's millionaires. there will be no protests from the editorial columns of subsidized organs that are pledged and mortgaged to defend the interests of a master class.

The News in its closing paragraph expresses a covert wish that the miners of the state of Nevada will "come forward with resolutions of condemnation and accept the members of the State Police as their friends and their protectors." What a generous suggestion from a journal consecrated to exploitation! Organized labor of Nevada will no more look upon the members of the State Police of Nevada as "friends and protectors" than will organized labor of Philadelphia look upon the police force of the "City of Brotherly Love" and the state constabulary of Pennsylvania as "friends and protectors" that made war upon the street car men while struggling to wrest some semblance of justice from a corporate despot. Labor, to a great extent, is blind to its interests, but a time is coming at no distant day when advice from a corporation-owned journal will be looked upon by laboring men as an insult to the intelligence of the working class.

## Strikes

THE LOS ANGELES CITIZEN says the nightingale will sing in a cage until its eyes are put out. It used to be said in vindication of slavery that the slave was content with his condition. That was the strongest argument against slavery. Contentment in slavery is the sign of blindness.
"Discontent among the working people is not a sign of inferior but of superior sensibilities. It is not a reflection on our citizenship, but a reflection of it.
'There is no use in condemning strikes. They are inevitable They are the revolt of the ascending soul of man against the cage life.
"Blaming the agitator does not put the responsibility where it belongs. The fact is, working people are being circumseribed in their living-they are being confined in the cage of industrial and social conditions-and they cannot be content.
"Agitator or no agitator, they must strike. Hope or no hope of success, they must revolt.
"Impelled by the spirit that has evoked the emancipations of the ages, the worker cannot evade the struggle."-Exchange.

The above sentiments are founded on logic, and experience has
taught that wherever the people have ceased to revolt they are sub. merged in the lowest depths of degradation. The man or woman who is bereft of the courage to strike has lost the last remnant of independence and the spirit of revolt in such a person is as dead as the dust of a corpse in a graveyard. The "agitator,"' as he or she is called. who espouses the cause of labor, is not responsible for the "strike." The greed of capitalism for dividends and the oppression of those who toil breeds rebellion, and those whose shoulders bear the burdens of industrial despotism must give expression to their discontent or become mute chattels beneath the yoke of a master class.

The "strike" is the indismatable evidence of classes-the exploiter and exploited-and the strike will never become a memory of the past until exploitation shall be no more.

The condemnation or denunciation of strikes will have no effect towards their diminution, and strikes will continue as long as the great mass of the people yearn for economic freedom. The strike is the last resort of the labor movement and the reason of their lack of efficiency is due to the fact that labor has not yet become solidified. Labor is still striking by regiments and the strike will never become a powerful weapon until labor strikes as an army.

## Capitalism Disturbed

JOSEPII FELS , the millionaire soap manufacturer of Philadelphia, who a few weeks ayo delivered an address in the city of Chicago, wherein he hranded Rockefeller, Moryan and the men of their i!k as "robbers," has started a discussion among the apologists for men of
wealth. Even the professors of aristocratic universities have become shocked by the confession of the millionaire soap man and even railroad magnates, hankers, mine operators and merchant princes are taking exception to the bold admission of a man who even acknowledges that he himse'f is a robber, but is willing to spend some of the proceeds of
 come millionates. Arohbahop Ireland of st. Panl. Vimmesta, when barning of the statement made ly Fols. Mprosed himelf as fothows:

Aoseph Filk in a well moaninge but dolnded reank. If in elearest nonsense to say that men who moder the laws of the land have amased weath are to be elawitied as mobers. The tarifi laws. whaterem may be thoneht of the need of revisine them now and then are not wrone in themselves and cannot be said to antherize plander and robbery. The tariff is intended to serve the poor as wall as the rich: if it allows hisher profit to the capitalist it secolese a higher wage to the baborer.

Wealth is homest and honorabile when it results from forethought, knowheder of opportomities. encroys. applieation. Opportumitios are opert to ath: if some ntile them more than others they are entithed to the reward. 'There mast be the richer and the poorer, since men are unergal, in power, knowledqe and industry. There mant be the richer enterpises by which the porer may carn a licelihord. They must be pushed forward.
"Fols' diatribes against charity are the matterines of mareason. It is not panperiation of fellowmen to meliew thome who are in actuat want, to put them by timely helt on the road to solf smpport. Indis-
criminate injultoions s.attering of money is not to be called eharity Fels is an enthosiant whose vaporines do harm mid the unthinking crond. bit no thonghtfal man will give to them the slaghest attenton."

For Fils to tell the truth has aromed "ven the ire of Arehbiahop Ireland and fods for his honesty has merely merited the epither of "prank" from a reoogmized digmotary of the ehoreh. It is somewhat strame and smenlar that a millmanire womld eomfess to a falsehoed to conviet himbelf of robbery When the Arehbishop dedares "oppor. funtites are opened to all. ${ }^{\circ}$ he is giving expmenton to a statement that has not a partiele of evidenee to support it. The door of opportumity is closed, exeept to the "lass of privilege, and wot even the "opportum it $\mathrm{y}^{\prime \prime}$ to work is apen to the disinherited. exeept throteh the eonsent of the elass that own "the right to work." (harity is but the result of powerty, and poyerty is but the prodenct of capitalism

The very fact that eombless tholsank are fored to amept the crumbs of charity is indisputable poof that "oportumitios are not op"+n to all.

The admission of Fels is an honest eonfexsion, and not even the statements of a potentate of the ehoreh ean sanctify the wealth that has been expleited from the masses of the people

## Ignorance Is the Real Enemy

FRINK MORRIS in the Octopus declares himself as follows "They own us, these task masters of ours: they own our homes ; they own one legidators. We catnot eseape from then. There is no redress. Weare told we can defeat them at the ballot bex. They own the haliot box. We are told that we must look to the conets for redress: they own the courts.

We know them for what they are runtians in polition rumians in tinance: ruflians in law: ruftians in trade beibers, swindlers and trieksters. So ontrage tow ereat to damet them, no petty lareeny too small to shame them: despobling a govermment treasury of a millon dollars, yet pieking the pockets of a farm hand of the price of a loaf of bread.

They swindle a nation of a humdred million and rall it finame : they levy a blackmail and eatl it eommeree; they eorrupt a legishature and eall it polities: they bribe a judge and call it law : they hire blacklecs to carry out their phans and call it organization; they prostitute the honor of a state and call it compertition.

The above is an awfol arraignment, and if absolntely true, there is no hope for the masses of the peophe except to crush eorporate infamy theongh the physieal power of the momititude

The sentiments expersud by Norris are the dedarations of a hope less man who has lost fath in the hallot and has beoome an anaredist But Morris does not seem to diserern the fact that the great miles of
the people are vet hind io the eansem that visit ureteberdense and mis ery to the many and make the few the tyrant- of the earth. Ignorane is the greatest enemy of the oppresod, and until the latering people
 ballot Thre ballot in the hands of an igmorant man is but a dangerons weapons, but in the hamds of an intelligent man beeomes the bloodess but motent weapon to redress wrong.

The laboring people of this comitry as a clas have never yet rast a ballot for their elacs interests. The hallots of the working class have been east for the supremace of capitalism and the perpertation of wage slavery. As lone as the working wople vote for the reion of industrial despotisn and ent what they vote for there should be no eomplaints filed against the impoteney of the hallot or the chares made that a master class owns the ballot. A fow humderd thousand ballots cast in Ameriea by the laboring people for monomic mankeipation will exerefe but little influence npon the few, who through their eeonomic power, dehan legishatures, eorrant courts and postitute the funetions.of evowerment to aceomplish their monoly ands

But when the laboring people of this country roll up several millions of halots to overthrow the system that enslaves humanity, the class of privilege will hesitate in its career of villamy

The fact that justice is trampled under foot is not due to a mastor clase "owning the ballot box" but due tor the faet that the slaves of the world have not yot learned to wiold an intelligent ballot.

## Was Socialism Responsible?

TWO WEEK心 Jtio the press of the eomutry temed with the moral filth of a few peeple connected with fashionable socecty at Kansas City. The moral stonch was namsating, but the press continued to furnish chapters of the indiseretions of a millionaire's wife whe had forgoten her marriage vows and becane enamored with a banker
"Jack" Cudahy, the son of a multi-millionaire, suspected the chas tity of his wife and laid a trap to catch the libertine, who as his friend visited his home. Jorre F. Lillis stood high as a sterling type of man hood. He was a momber of all the fashonable elubs of Kansas ('its Ilis reputation as a financier was above reproach, and he was looked upon as one of the most upright and honorable citizens of the state of Missotiri

But wrile on the mest intimate terms of friendhip with "Jack" Cudahys he did not hesitate to smireh the honor of a home, and his carnal appetite led him on until his infamy has bern portrayed in every daily journal of dmerica. "Jack" ('udahy cameht the bankerlibertime in his home and when he beheld the pertidy of his wife and the treachery of his frimel, he assanded the moral leper with a butcher knife and lift scars that the hamker will carry with him to the erase

But the peint that is to be emphasiaed in this semadal in high life

the displeasure of the man who had made a murderons assant upon the man who had dishonored the home of Cudahy, nor did the officers weize the culprit who had crawled like a serpent into the home of another to bring dixgrace upon a weak woman and her chiddren.

Why was such lenieney shown to "Jack" ('odahy and the banker who had betrayed his frimdship? They were both moneyed men and belonged to that element of socicty that is dubbed aristocratie. (cudahy and Lillis are woalthy men and powerfal in pelitios. and the officers of the law did not dare to treat them as ordinary criminals.

Had cudahy and Lillis boloned to the working class, the patrol wagon wond have been called for and both would have been furnished accommodations in a common jail

Avain, this seandal in high life did not beeme the theme of the pulpit. The elerical-rohed gentlomen did not manifost any dowire to elatherate upen the moral depravity that was meovered in the mansion of arintoreres. The ministers of the gosper) with but few exeeptions. lack the moral couram to hurl the lightuing of condemation against moral leprocy in the palace. No. The men of the pulpit would pre for to tell their congrevations how "Sowialinm wond herak up, the home" than to paint vertal pietures of the dewencacy of men and women whe revel in the splendor of luxury and walth

## Admitted His Guilt

TIIE FOLLOWIN: in a press dispateh from (hicawn is cortainly interesting reading
"Chiemon, March 10. - ('armovic, Morean and Rowkeflor are roh bers, and he himself has got his wealth he robbine the publice acood ing to the statements by Joseph Fels, a Philadophia multi-millionaim soap manufacturer, in an address befoer the (himan social antlement here.
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 out the system by which I hase made it.

John D. Rockefollor is a mili, harmlese man, with a mistaken ideal, but perimally homst. Nome the less he is a rebluer.

Rowkefollor and other millionaires hawe acommulated their walth throunh minst law enpectally under the tariff's protection The tarifif in further pamperization of the fomer for the bernotit of the monopelist. Perhaps I would hewe made a fortume deapite these lans. but I want to bring into operation condition's of cqual manomed.

I do not beliewe in charitios. The ware atents of pauperavation Xidther am I a philanthropist.



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highwaymen. But when the soap manufacturer of Philadelphia refers to Rockefeller as "a mild, harmless man with a mistaken ideal, but personally honest," he must never have read a single chapter of the history written by Ida Tarbell relative to the infamous crimes perpetrated by the Standard Oil Company.

Rockefeller has been the guiding genius of the octopus and in his prolific brain has been born the infamous schemes through which he has trampled under foot every barrier that stood in the way of the hairless magnate reaching the goal of his ambition. He has been as brutal as a savage and as merciless as a hyena, and his heart has never felt a pang as he gazed upon his victims being hurled over the precipice to irretrievable ruin.

Joseph Fels is at least honest in his brutal frankness when he declares: "I admit that I, too, have robbed the public and am still doing it." But the soap manufacturer eases his conscience by saying: "But I propose to spend the accursed money in wiping out the system by which I have made it."

But the soap manufacturer as an advocate of single tax can never remove the systom by which a ciass of privilege accumulates millions through the exploitation of the many. Placing the single tax on land will never bequeath economic liberty to the masses of the people.

The man who owns the land can place the additional burden of taxation on the man who must use the land in order to live.

The system cannot be wiped out until the land and the machines of production and distribution become the common property of all mankind. In other words, there must be ushered in an industrial democracy--a democracy where the gates of equal opportunity shall be opened wide to every man, woman and child that live upon the face of this planet. There can be no "equal manhood" while there remains a vestige of the hellish profit system, and there can be no real liberty while there remains an this earth a slave to beg for work from a master.

# The Battle Against Labor Unions 

THE GREAT STRUGGLE in Philadelphia may appear on its face to be a question of wages and hours; but behind the capitalists, corporations and employers stalks the headsman, with his ax sharp and ready for the decapitation and destruction of every labor union. This is the real battle on the part of the wealthy and powerful monopolists to destroy an organization which they fear and hate. Against them are the workers of the world, all who earn their living by honest toil and have the sense and manhood to stand together in labor unions for their rights and interests.

Strangely enough, the enemies of labor constantly taunt the working classes with their ignorance and inability to govern themselves and manage their own affairs. And yet, in this gigantic upward movement for the benefit of all mankind, through the instrumentality of the union, instructing, educating, making of the humblest and most illiterate brighter and better and more useful men and women in every walk and relation of life, labor is doing its greatest and noblest work.

Aside from the morsel of good that organized labor performs in the cause of humanity, feeding the hungry, ministering to the sick, giving decent burial to the dead, caring for the widow and the orphan - covering an expenditure of millions of dollars every year-every union is a school of instruction and experience. The business coming before it, night after night, for consideration, discussion and settlement, embraces a large tange of questions, most of them of an interesting and important character. These questions are such as affect the community generally, for it is impossible to confine and restrict them within narrow limits.

Labor organizations and labor interests are far-reaching in their influence and operation. Representing as they do a large majority of the people generally, whatever affects and concerns them has a direct and appreciable bearing upon the great body of citizens in all the walks of life. This appeals to every intelligent member of a union. It makes a thinking man of him. And thinking, considering, reading, studying, participating in discussions, have made many an ignorant worker a fairly well read man, capable of creditably performing his duties in private life or as a public officer.

This is one of the many important advantages of organized labor. There is another well worth thinking of. The union develops the best qualities of manhood. Association with his fellows in the great work of human progress, in the mighty struggles between the producer and the non-producer, the poor and the rich, the classes and the masses, educates the heart as well as the mind, sets it throbbing with the great
thoughts of humanity which ennoble the individiual and bring out and build up all that is good in his nature.

Environment has much to do with all of us, no matter what our fortune or station in life. A union man may be bad, unprincipled, selfish and vicious. All his surroundings may fail to make him a useful and honorable member of the community. This sad fact we recognize. But at the same time let us never lose sight of the vital truth that man is largely an imitative animal; and one working in a good cause, with good examples and good surroundings, year in and year out, will naturally become a wiser and a better man.

Ordinarily, in joining a union. the worker is looking for the improvement of his social position. He wants to keep up wages. He desires a larger share in the products of his labor. The union bring him in closer contact with intelligent, earnest men, who have read much and thought deeply of the unequal and unjust distribution of the rewards of honest industry. At first he may care but little for the general advancement of toilers like himself. But soon he becomes interested, and looks beyond himself; grows familiar with the work of organized labor, and wants to become "a man among men" in the true and broad sense.

To do this he must "keep up with the procession," do his part in the battle for the common good, and the first step necessary is to win the confidence and respect of his fellows, who are keen and observant, and whom he cannot fool. He must be true to himself in all the relations of life. for keen eyes and cool heads watch and judge him day by day. Being true to himself, he is true to his fellow men, and so wins his way. All do not succeed, but the influence for good seldom fails to work out self-improvement.

He must be bad indeed whom active work in a great cause does not improve. And with his improvement, with his advance in thought and knowledge and love of truth and right, comes a benefit and a blessing not only to himself and family, friends and neighbors, but to the community, the state and the nation.

In this way organized labor uplifts and blesses all mankind. It makes for good in all the relations of life. It educates, teaches and benefits the world-for even those who misunderstand and deny it, share in the goodness and bounties which flow from its principles and its work.

Therefore, we say, the mercenary privileged classes or monopolists who in their hate battle against organized labor and its unions, are fighting against reason, justice and humanity. "In union there is strength," and the only strength that can elevate labor and make its wants and interests respected.-San Francisco Star.

## There Is No Public

ONCE MORE the wail about the sufferings of the "public" is rising. We are told that the "public" is the real sufferer in the Philadelphia strike. Patterers of petty homilies in print are babbling about the injury to the "public" and urging "both sides" to be considerate.

Some of these sentimental spreaders of salve are doubtless sincerely silly. They do not know any better. Having played with social questions, dined with the powerful and patronized the poor. they think they can see "both sides", and sympathize with each. They have become so mentally cross-eyed that they are incapable of seeing facts. Their brains, reflecting the distorted image of their visual apparatus, they honestly think they can reconcile the robber and the robbed and somewhere find a body of people that belong to neither.

While some of this pose is honest, with others it is the hired posture of the paid tool. The employing class is vastly interested in maintaining this idea of an "impartial third party" that shall act as a buffer and help to support the present society.

Some of us are beginning to realize that there is no public that is imparlial.

Every man, woman or child in Philadelphia receives a living either from labor or cxploitation. If from the first, then they are members of the working class, and their welfare is bound up in the success of
the strikers. Those who receive their income from exploitation, from ownership, if they wish that income to continue and to increase, are against the strikers.

The clerk who walks to his labor because no cars are running will be more of a man if the strikers win out. He will have a better chance to hold up his head among men if his class is triumphant. The banker who snarls at the strikers as he whirls by in his automobile will have more funds to handle if the strikers are defeated and labor is crushed until resistance to exploitation ceases.

The school teacher, the doctor, the writer, as well as the laborer on the strcet, are brothers with those who are fighting for a better manhood and womanhood and childhood for the producers of the race.

We are all interested in the Philadelphia strike. All who are not cowards or fools or fakers will stand upon the side of their class and fight until they win or are whipped.

Because there are millions whose interests are bound up with the cause of labor against a few thousand who owe allegiance to the powers of plunder, the latter fear above all else a clear-cut fight. A clear line-up, an open struggle, a definite drawing of class lines, means victory for labor.-New York Call.

That is why those who talk of "third parties" and an "impartial public" are so beloved of the master class just now.-Chicago Daily Socialist.

T TERRY, South Dakota, the Golden Reward Consolidated Min-
ing and Milling Company has gone into the courts and asked for that usual weapon that comes from the judiciary whenever a conflict arises between the mater and the slave. The injunction is about as sweeping as generally comes from a court and under the restraining order asked by the (iolden Reward company, if made permanent, the locked out miners of Terry are only permitted to breathe.

The injunction is as follows:
IN THE CIRCDIT COHRT OF THE EHGHTH JYDICIAL CIRC'ITT OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, WITHIN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LAWRENCE.
Golden Reward Consolidated Gold Mining \& Milling Company, a corporation, Plaintiff, vs. Terry's Peak Miners' Cnion, a corporation; Royal Scutt, Jacob Boiler, Homer Fults. Wm. Trelevan, Ole Skatland, Robert Basker, Joe Richards, (has. Basker, Joe (iilovich. Richard J Kemp, (iene Meyers, Wm. May, Jacob (. May, Wm. Smith, George Fults. John R. Pearson, Roy Markham, Louis Reano, James Bardoli, Joe Grandis, Bert Coulter, Peter Talerico, John Harris, and Dick Waugh, Defendants.

## SUMMONS.

The State of South Dakota Sends Greeting: To the above named De. fendants:
You, and each of you, are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the above named plaintiff. which was filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court, at Deadwood, South Dakota, on the 16th day of March, 1910, and to serve a copy of your answer on the subscriber at his office at Deadwood, South Dakota, within thirty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer said complaint within that time, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated at Deadwood, South Dakota, this 16 th day of March. 1910.
A. J. PLOWMAN,

Plaintiff's Attorney.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { State of South Dakota, } \\ \text { County of Lawrence, }\end{array}\right\}$ ss.
In: the Cirenit Court, Eighth Judiciel Cirenit.

## ORDER TO SHOW CAI'SE

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Cpon reading and fiting the summons and complaint and affidavit of the plaintify herein, it is

ORIDEREI), That the above named defendants and each of them be and they herely are ordered to show cause before the Court at the court hons: in the (ity of Deadwood, County of Lawrence and State of South Dakota, at ten o'elock in the forenoon of the 24th day of Marth. 1910, why they should not be during the pendency of this action and until the coming on for hearing of this order, they and each of them, their agents, servants, employes, associates, confederates, and all those who may be aiding, abetting or assisting them, are hereby enjoined and restrained by this Court from congregating together in large numbers when the employes of said plaintiff are about to arrive in the Town of Terry, and from using opprobrious and abusive langrage toward the employes of said plaintiff, and from, by word, sign or gesture threatening or intimidating, in any manner. any of the employes of said Company, from going to work for said Company, or in traveling from their places of work to their places of abode, and from congregating in large numbers, and in any manner, either by word. sign or esesture threatening or intimidating any of the employes of said Company at any railroad station in the vicinity of the Town of Terry : from going to work for said plaintiff C'ompany or continuing in the employ of said Company, and from in any manner, by threats or intimidation or by the congregation of a large crowd of people, or by any abusive or opprobrious epithets. interfering with or annoying in any manner the employes of said plaintiff, and from threatening, In any manner by word sign or gesture, any of said employes of said plaintiff with bodily harm, either present or in the future

Done in open court at Deadwood, South Dakota, this 16th day of March, A. D. 1910.

By the court :
Seal)
Ittest: V. D). STAR, Clerk.
W. G. RICE,

Judge.


Information is wanted of the whereabouts of Herbert Uhtoff, 27 years old, 5 feet 11 inches, weight 140 or 145 pounds, smooth face, brown eyes and hair. Worked until March, 1909, in Orphan May mine in Cripple Creek district, and
worked in May in Gunnison tunnei. Anyone knowing his present address will pease communicate with Ernest Mills, 605 Railroad building, Denver, Colorado.

## GET TOGETHER.

 Blockhouse, Wash., March 6, 1910.Editor Miners' Magazine:
In your issue of February 24, 1910, under the caption of "Knockers Can Not Build," you complain of so-called critics finding fault with a merger of the U. M. W. of A. and the W. F. of M.
I have been a member of both of those organizations, and as the man seated at the same table with you and John Naven in the Tenth annual convention of the W. F. of M. in 1902, who made the motion for this coalition, which is now being consummated I wish to state very briefly that I thought I was right at that time, and as time has passed, certain developments have tions should affiliate and now I know it was the proper action to have taken at that time, though Malcom Gillis and Barney Linzy ridiculed the idea and the mover of the proposition.

It will be put forward as a reason why we should not join the A. F. of L. that their craft form of organization will be detrimental to the W. F. of M., nasmuch as we claim jurisdiction over all who toil in our industry. I have federation, and I never met a poor scabby slave of the mines but would admit "The union is all right if conducted right. My answer has ever been, "It is your fault if the union is not conducted right. You, sir, should be in the union helping to conduct it. Thus our attitude toward our toiling, struggling brothers of the A. F. of L. has been erroneous. Tis true the acts of certain leaders of the A. F. of L. have been disgusting, to say the least, but just to that same degree has the heroism of the rank and file been displayed, who staid in the ring fighting bravely against the fearful odds of crafty betrayers place is sor the gaged in some economic struggle and the baton of the state constabulary has
felled your brother and you carry him off the field while washing the blood off his toil-worn honest face, just whisper gently in his ear, "You poor fellow, thick scull cracked right now." The dawn is breaking. get to have your poor your forces, or go down to eternal degradation. $\quad$ T. F'. HLRLEY.

## REMOVALS BY THE SUPREME RULER.

Miners' Magazine
I notice with deep regret that the Supreme Ruler of the U'niselse has, in His infinite wiskom, seen fit to remove from all earthly activity our weteemed and beloved brother, Dan Mc(iinty, of "True Blue" Local so. -. Phe obituary removed Brother McGinty, but we will presume it was by one of his well known.methods of putting miners out of commission- perhaj, the dynamite route, which usually tears and disfigures so horribly; or, maybe "had ground"-a good sized boulder may in this instance have snuffed out our brother. A good sized boulder or chunk of ore in the hands of the "Supreme Ruler" puts a horny-handed miner out of business in short order. Then, the "Supreme Ruler" sometimes makes use of powder smoke, gaston and foul air. due of course to bad ventilation; this method of remoral is reserted by His Majesty for particularly bad miners-strikers, agitators, ete., who richly d erve lingering deaths.

Evil coal miners also come in for a considerable thare of the "swintme Ruler's wisdom," and are oblized to suffer horrihle d. athe and an ful tort :rew through explosions, fire and deadly gas. Many thorisands ase- in this way "rerash as to assert that all these deathe in coal mine diasters can be charged to indifference and criminal carblessness on the bart of the coal commanew but a few of us who are on the invide are satiefled that it is only the "su preme Ruler" performing his ucual duties toward humanty.

But how different is the life and death of the real fatorites of fortune the Harrimans, the John D.'s, the Pierp. Morgans, and their class. None of these awful deaths for them. On the contrary, their last hours are passed amid the netuences of frends, famting is and ence, surgery, medicine and climate; their last hours are soothed on downy beds of ease.

## THE MINERS MAGAZINE

If anyone but the "Supreme Ruler of the Universe" established or even tolerated such conditions as these I fould say they were wrong, criminal and monstrous

What do you think about it, brother?
Think it over a little, anyway.
A MINER.

## INFORMATION WANTED.

Cornucopia, Oregon, March 13, 1910.
Information is wanted regarding the whereabouts of relatives of Rober Wilson, who was killed in a snow-slide at the Union Companion mine at Cornis known of his relatives. The deceased was about seventy years of age, and was a resident of this camp for a number of years. Any information will be gladly received by Cornucopia Miners' Union No. 186. TOM PARRY. (Seal)

FOR THE LOCKED-OUT MEN OF THE BLACK HILLS, SOUTH DAKOTA

Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado
San Francisco, Calif., March 14, 1910,
Dear Sir: Enclosed please find $\$ 10.00$ for a donation from this branch of the International Wood Carvers' Association, for assistance of the Western Federation of Miners in their present trouble, and we hope this will help you to succeed. Please send receipt to the above address. Yours fraternally,
H. E. SCHMIDTT, Financial Secretary.

Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado
St. Louis, Mo., March 14, 1910.
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed please find check for $\$ 50.00$ as a dona tion for the locked-out brothers of your organization in South Dakota. Wish ing you success in this struggle, I am, Fraternally yours,

Secretary Local Union No 6, U
Weir, Kans., March 12, 1910
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado
Dear Sir and Brother: Find enclosed money order for $\$ 10.00$ as a donation of Local Union No. 210, U. M. W. of A., for the Black Hills strike. Fraternally yours,
A. GLADIEUX, Secretary.

Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado
Washoe, Mont., March 13, 1910. Dear Sir: Enclosed you will find a check for $\$ 150$, which was given for the defense fund of the Homestake miners of Lead, South Dakota, by Loca No. 2,659, U. M. W. of A., of Washoe, Mont. Yours fraternally,
J. A. BOYER, Secretary

Bridger, Mont., March 14, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary-Treasurer W. F. of M., Denver, Colo.
Dear Sir: Enclosed you will please find money order for $\$ 10.00$ as a do-


Sacramento, Calif., March 13, 1910
Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary-Treasurer W. F. of M., Denver, Colo.
Dear Sir: Enclosed find check on our local here for $\$ 5.00$ to assist your organization in their battle at the Homestake mine. Your representative, Mr. Hutchinson, addressed the meeting and I must say he is a very fluent speaker and gets directly to the point at issue without keeping his audience waiting and gives full explanations of his subject. Wishing you our heartfelt hope in succeeding in your battle, Yours traternally, mbers, Gas Fitters Secretary No. 447, United Association Journeymen Plumbers, Gas Fitters,
Steam Fitters, Steam Fitters' Helpers of the United States and Canada,

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Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado,
Dear Sir: Enclosed find check for $\$ 10.00$. With best wishes for your success, I am, Yours fraternally A. CALDERWOOD,
Secretary No. 1082, Carpenters and Joiners of America

Sacramento, Calif., March 11, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary-Treasurer W. F. of M., Denver, Colo.
Dear Sir and Brother: Find enclosed $\$ 10.00$ as a strike donation for the miners of the Homestake Mining Company of Dakota. The secretary did not you will know. Yours fraternally, H. B. SLAKEY, you will know. Yours fraternally, H. B. SLAKEY,

Treasurer No. 586, Carpenters and Joiners of America.
San Francisco, Calif., March 10, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed find check for $\$ 25.00$, which is a donation from this union to the Western Federation of Miners. Hoping you are successful in your struggle and awaiting an acknowledgement of this receipt, I remain, Fraternally yours, JOHN W. MAHER, Corresponding Secretary International Union of Steam Engineers, Hall of Local Union No. 64.

Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado.
Culmor, N. Mex., March 14, 1910. Dear Sir: I enclose you herewith express money order for $\$ 1.00$ for the benefit of the locked-out Homestake miners of Lead, S. Dak., It is not much of an offering, yet if all the members of the socialist party would do as much, it would help the boys out some. I hope they will stick and win. JAMES ETTREN, Secretary.

Belleville, Ill., March 11, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed find a check for $\$ 25.00$ as a donation of Labor Union No. 99, U. M. W. of A., to our striking brothers in the Black we have done the were able to make it thousands instead of dollars; however, amount, as small as it is, will help some poor, unfortunate brothers to keep the wolf of hunger from the door and that ere many days we will receive the
good news that the Western Federation of Miners has won its fight in South Dakota. With best personal wishes, I am, Fraternally yours T. J. Hitchings

Scammon, Kans., March 10, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado. closed you will find money order for $\$ 14.50$
lease send receipt for the same. Yours truly
the South Dakota strikers. Please send receipt for the same. Yours tr
JOHN EDWARDS.
Secretary Local Union No. 760, U. M. W. of A.

Mr. Ernest inills, Denver, Colorado
Sheridan, Wyo., March 11, 1910.
Local Union No. 1384 , Carpenters and Joiners of America, from Sheridan Wyoming, to the relief of locked-out miners in the Black Hills district.
F. H. STOVER, Treasurer.

West Mineral, Kans., March 12, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed find money order for $\$ 10.00$, a donation by Local Union No. 1697, U. M. W. of A., for the locked-out brothers of South Dakota. Yours very truly, OHN LEREQUE, Secretary

Collinsville, Ill., March 12, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir: Enclosed find draft for $\$ 100$, a donation by Local Union No. 685, U. M. W. of A., of Collinsville, Ill. Robert Bartolero was here and explaine Fraternally yours.

Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado.
San Francisco, Calif., March 8, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado
Dear Sir and Brother. Carpenters' Union No. 483, U. B. of C. and J. of A., and listened to an interesting report of cond. Edward Morgan, last evening, South Dakota. The enclosed check for conditions in the Black raction. We hope that this small sum will aid in relieving the distress of a few of our brothers there. With best wishes for your success, we remain, Fraternally yours,
J. T. GREENWOOD, Secretary.

Huntsville, Mo., March 12, 1910
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado,
was with us last night telling
Dear Sir and Brother: Mr. White was with us last night, telling us of your trouble in standing for your rights as working men. Enclosed you will find draft for $\$ 25.00$ to help in the good cause. Trusting that you wis Financial Secretary, Local Union No. 1135, U. M. W. of A

San Francisco, Calif., March 8, 1910
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed find money order to the amount of $\$ 5.00$ as the first contribution of millmen of Local No. 422, in your noble fight Please acknowledge receipt of the same. Fraternally yours,

HENRY NEIDLINGER
Acme, Wyo., March 12, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary W. F. M., Denver, Colorado.
Enclosed you will find twenty-five dollars ( $\$ 25.00$ ) donated by Local No. 2713 , U. M. W. A., to be applied to the fund for the aid of the locked out members of the W.F. M. in the Black Hins, $S$. D. Wishing you success your great struggle, I remain, Yours fraternally, HUGH McLEOD,

Sacramento, Calif., March 14, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary W. F'. M., Denver, Colorado
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed find money order for five dollars. which I was instructed to send at the last meeting of Division No. 256 of Carmen's Union. We are sorry that is all we are able to send at this time, but have just emptied the treasury on account of the trouble at Philadelphia. With best wishes, I remain, Yeurs fraternally. HOWARD L. MOTT,

San Francisco, Calif., March 14, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed you will find U. S. money order for ten dollars ( $\$ 10.00$ ), this being our donation to the cause of the locked-out miners in the Black Hills district, whose situation was so ably and elcquently ex. main, Fraternally yours, $\quad$ WILLIAM L. BOEKEL,

WILLIAM L. BOEKEL,
St. Louis, Mo., March 15, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed please find money order for five dollars donated to your local Hoping you will send receint at once and wishing you all the best of luck, I remain, EDWARD B. DIEHL, Secretary Carriage Drivers' Local No. 405.

Dietz, Wyo., March 10, 1910.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary-Treasurer W. F. M., Denver, Colorado. Dear Sir: We had a letter from Mr. Butler in response to aid for the other miners of Lead, S.
We brought it up at the local meeting on Wednesday night and the brothers voted $\$ 20.00$ for them.

Our local only being young and not working much, it is as good as we could do at the present time, but we hope it will help you along, and wishing you may win out, because we don't want to see you lose out, especially a lock-out, and get all the men to be members of the union.

Hoping you will have success and that you will win, I am, Yours, fraternally,

JOHN ROBERTSON
Secretary No. 2055. U. M. W. of A.
Bevier, Mo., March 5, 1910
Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary-Treasurer W. F. M., Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir and Brother: Enclosed you will please find a draft for $\$ 25.10$, donation for the Black Hills, South Dakota, strike fund from Local Union No. union, I am, Respectfully yours, $\begin{aligned} & \text { JOHN P. EVANS, }\end{aligned}$

Mr. Ernest Mills, Denver, Colorado.
Deitz, Wyo., March 3, 1910.
check for $\$ 200.00$ as a donation from Local Union No. 2312, U. M. W. A., for the assistance of the locked-out miners of the Black Hills district. South Dakota Assuring you of our sympathy, and aid, morally and financially, I am, Fraternally yours,

GEO. N. AKIN, Secretary.

Mr. Ernest Mills. Denver, Colorado Dear sir and Rrother. Enclosed find cheek for $\$ 25(4)$, which was do nated at our not permit. Hoping you will succeed in your struggle, 1 remain, Yours truly Treasurer Beer Drivers and Stablemen's Inton, No. 43

Girard, Kans., March 16, 1910
Secretary Western Federation of Miners, Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir and Brother: Pledse find enclosed monty erder for 810.09 from Local tion No. 2455, L. M. W. A., donated for the benefit of the strike of the dectfully,
respers in south Dakota, and please recelpt for thes RAE. Sacramento, Calif., March 16, 1910
W. F. M., Denver, Colorado.
Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary-Treasurer W. F. M.. Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir and Brother: Please find enclosed postoffice money order for 8..00, donation from Brals, Yours fraternally. Brew B GESSNER, to the strikers in the Black Hills, Yours fraternally. B. GESSNER.

## Sacramento. Callf. March 17, 1910.

Mr. Ernest Mills, Secretary-Treasurer W. F. M., Denver, Colorado.
Dear Sir and Brother: Please find enclosed money order for $\$ 6500$ from the Hod Carriers' Union No. 1, Sacramento, for the benefit of the men locked out of the mines in the Black Hills. Please answer and send recelpt for the
same. There was a brother here and addressed the union and we desired to send one dollar for each member of our union. Our membership is sixty-five Fraternally, your brother, WM. C. JACKSON.


THE FLEECING OF ROMANO: A SKETCH.

## (By Emanuel Julius.)

Romano Batagliano is now at his organ again. His tiny monkey looks up at his master with a sad look and seems to say. "Ah, my Romano, why you so sad? Why you never smile at you' little Tony? Me love you just same. Why But he nevore? an answer. Romano now has a blank look on his face and very often sighs in a tired, heartless manner

For Romano the world has become a dark maze and holds out no hope He distrusts every person, he sees a har in every word he hears; a thief in every man and a murderer in every fat individual, provided he is well dressed. How it used to warm his big heart to see the ragged children of the street dance and sing the popular medlies he used to grind out! Their happy laughter used to bring up dreams of sunny Italy and the squeaks of Tony told him and mount up into dollars for future joys.

But no longer.
Romano once hoped to be wealthy -rich enough to go back to his far off land and buy a cottage for Tony and himself

It wasn't so long ago that he had the immense sum of $\$ 800$ stowed away in the banks of Little Ltaly. Not in one bank, but in many, for Romano was afraid that if he put all his money in one place it might birn down, or blow up, or be robbed, and the like. The money collected slowly, but a dollar tucked away every morning meant hundreds in a short imm

All Romano's money is gone now. And somphow he ean't get started to ave his hard-earned money again.

Romano thought that nearly all the wealt of Litt
of a few ward politicians-he craved to become a part of them
One spring evening while sipping wine in a small Italian coffee house a
ve Points" (one of those places where they sell any liquid but coffee), who should come strolling in but Fetucci Slaveno-heavy, sporty. self-assertive and well-fed.

Fetucci knew Romano. Once a year at election time he would approach Romano, pat him on the back, put a cigar in his hand and whisper something in his ear. Romano always understood and "did the right thing

Fetucci sat down close by Romano They got talking. Soon the subject was portics. Finch paike a klowing wa coud That's why he was so congenial Presently, seemingly was so congenial
tan in Romanos sher he heart, he whispere in Romano trembled. At last he was to be admitted to the order of the Money Gods
"Don't know yet," replied Fetucci, "but I'll introduce you to a man at city Hall who can fix it up so's you'll get rich in no time, and it won't cost you much either.
Romano

Romano could not find words to express his gratitude
"When?" he asked.
"Tomorrow, but be sure to dress yourself up good so's you'll make a good hit with him, see?

Next morning Romano was up bright and early; dressed himself in his best and hastened to meet F'etucci, who was to see that a goodly portion of the world's sweet things were to become a part of him
True to his word Fetucci was on time and ten minutes later they were on their way to City Hall.

Romano was led into one of the hallways and told to wait. Fetucci hur ried away while Romano was left to look about at his surroundings. He felt shy, out of place. A beautifn oil painting on one of the walls attracted his eye. He admired it-for indeed, it was grand.
Romano now felt a trust for all persons in this palace. How could any one be unfair who walked about in such a magnificent place

Presently Fetucci came back. He was accompanied by a big, powerful man who wore a fur-lined coat. It was early spring and a fur coat was slightly out of season, bat pointed his thumb towards the spot where the new city hall was being built Fetucei acted as interpreter. "This gentleman," said he, "tells me that a great mistake was made in laying the foundation of that bulding Now it is necessary to dig it all up again. He wants all that wood, the fences, boilers and pipes carted away. He's willing to sell it out to you if you promise to start to get it out of the way right away. Inderstand?

It was all clear to Romano. He saw riches in his grasp. The material

## UNION MINERS TERRY HOTEL IERRY, so. dax.

thought Romano to himself, must be worth thousands of dollars.
How much?" anked Romano, "Make it cheap.
They consulted in an undertone. Presently Fetucci turned to Romano and sald, "Are you willing to pay a thousand dollat
"oh, too much, too much. I pay five hundred"

Settled," replied Fetucci "Come back with the money this afternom and start work tomorrow, for it must be done in a hurry

That afternoon Romano took all his money out of the banks. An hour the stated sum was in the hands of Fetuccis friend
With the remaining three hundred dollars he bought two twams and hired four of his acquaintances to start work the next morning. A number of other detatls were attended to. Tomorrow was to commence an era of riches.
That night pleasant dreams visited him. Ireams of green hills,

That night pleasant dreams visited him, Drwams of green hills, trees birds and blue skirs of wine and song did be also iream. But, alas,
was but a dream of happiness-tomorrow was to tell a story of misfortune Romano, his wagons, his men-all were on hand. Romano thought best to remove the fences first, that there might be more room. Why need this story be continued? It was a terrible blow. He was arrested for larceny. In court he was laughed at. His tears were provokers of hearty laughter.
Now Romano grinds his organ. His dream of wealth is shattered. His faith in humanlty is deadened. His hopes are lost.

And litile Tony continues to wonder why his master is so sad
Now York City.

## A TRAMP.

(By William Beck.)
Mister, don't say no. "Why don't you ko to work?" Say, will you give me a job? No, I thought not. It's easy to preach, but when a man gets a chance he always gets left. Yes, there's the wood yard, where a man can saw a cord of wood for 15 cents' worth of grub. And there's the county charity, where a man can get a
loaf of stale bread for taking off his hat and making a low bow. oaf of stale bread for taking off his hat and making a low bow.
What's that you say? I'm asking charity of you. Oh. no! I come to you as man to man. Go to the public and to the official in his brilliant uniform. and he treats you like a dog after a bone. dime simply because 1 'm that hungry that 1 must receive a crust or else lhe down and die.
I talk like a man of some education, do I? Well, I had a fair schooling, and when I went I tried to learn.

How did I get so low? It must have been through drink?
That's where you're off, mister. I guess I never in one month when I was well off drank as much as you do now in one day. That's the way you fellows who have wealth try to make your minds easy when you a man down.

Why, mister, where I lived the whole town didn't spend in one year 1500 of us) what you spend for wine at one banquet, which was given when we were locked out of the works. And our combined wages for a year would not bodies to you were ou paid an evangelist to come and save our souls. Gur
Where's my home? I haven't any. I used to have one in ohio, and worked in a rolling mill. But the firm brought over a lot of foreigners and we had to work for the same pay they recelved, which was much lower than the American worker ever received for doing that line of work. Two years ater we found there had been two other cuts made in wages and then the mported workers kicked, too.

We were locked out, starved and clubbed by the authorities. Later the starvation to which we were subjected drove us to submission and we had to accept had takenses gave us.

As I had taken an active part in getting what belonged to us, I could not get employment at the mill under the general salary and later informed that Since thon I could get no job in iron works and since I could do nothing else, having spent my previous days at the trade, i was forced to be a tramp. Don't you think it was free choice, sir?
The little education and refinement I had was a hurt rather than a help. for I couldn't get down to blarkening boots or selling shocetrings.

Did I have a family? Yes, sir. I had the best wife and three of the finest children the sun ever shone on.

What became of them? My wife died soon after the hard times from grief and hunger. You see it was a wet, sloppy day when the firm caused us or and in the moving vary poor girl she for years and were paying rent me, mister, I feel all broke up when I think of that time. What became of the young ones?

They went to the poorhouse and Ned and Nan they hungered so for their mother and the surroundings of home that they wilted away and dind.

Little Mary, she's still living there, mister. But I never expect to see her again, for I've lost heart, and pretty soon, mister, I'll lie down in some ditch and die.

What's that you're giving me-a "V"? That's no good, now, sir. The time's past. I've had all the nerve drove out of me. I'm played out. But I at the poorhouse. There's her address. And say you saw her old dad and he loves her and wishes he could do her some good.
what I told you to. .
They parted- the poor man-the tramp. and the man of wealth. Fe mut my little part and can but die

The morning sun now gilds the eastern sky, and flushing through the glen, tints with his glory all the rags which colered that which did mote and live.
For in the ditch, beside the winding road, beneath the weeds and pelsonous For in the ditch, beside the winding road, beneath the werds and poosonous roots in the glen, lies dead a "tramp," And on his face, smowthed br the
hand of death, is born once more the hope of joy and youth.- Chicago baily hand of

## STRIKES MERELY INCIDENTS.

Such spectacular incidents in the class war as have recently occurred in Philadelphia and South Bethlehem and New Castle compel the attenton of all. They are picturesque and melostramatic. In them the vell is forn from the hdeous class conflict which disiputs our socicty, and the clase strukgle is of Soclalists and trade unionists are merely the outward and vishble svmp
oms of the social malady, just as boils are the symptoms of the poisons under ing the constitution of their victim. atshop is just as truly murdered by capitalism as is years of toin in the on the streets of Philadelphia. The children robbed of their childhood in the cotton mills of the South are far more deliberately human sacrifices to th god of private profits than is the little girl killed by a stray bullet in Phila elphia. And the unnoted victims of the daily routine of capitalism are as ousand to one compared with those spectacularly slain in the open battle It is well and
is well and right that we should wax eloquent and indignant over the slain in Philadelphia, but we ought also to remember the thousand of unistory of the past is nitalism who daily go to unmarked graves. The true heroes taught in the schools, description of battles and the lives of kings and the dinners and how the forgotten Marys cooked them. In the same way the true tragedy of the class war is being enacted daily in the sweatshop, the factory, the tenement and the cotton mill rather than in the occasional
The true significance of the strike in towns and cities.
The true significance of the strike in Philadelphia lies in the fact that women first time in the industrial history of America a vast body of men and that class consciousness which is the irbinger of petty craft selfishness to shadows the day when the whole working class, animated by a common ore pose born of a common need, will act together both in their unions and at the ballot box to put an end forever to the hideous waste of life which is the very foundation of the present system. The general strike in Philadelphia proves that there are thousands of men and women in the American labor movement who know not the meaning of the words "class consciousness," but who can be trusted to act class consciously when the need for such action arises. It proves that the American working class are far more nearly ready for the so cial revolution than many timid and faint-hearted Socialists had believed.-
New York Call.

## STRIKE ON THE GREAT LAKES

The great Seamen's struggle for the maintenance of human freedom on the Great Lakes is still in progress. Ten thousand Seamen have been on strike against the ship owners (known as the Lake Carriers' Association) since the monthning a the Pittsburg Steamship Company, a subsidiary of the Steel trust.

In spite of the most vicious attacks from the employers and persecutions from both city and state authorities in many instances, especially by the police, public and private, the unions of Seamen have been able to present solid front and can report few deserters. By careful management and the loyal support of seamen on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts the men on the Lakes have carried on the struggle for nearly an entire year without as sistance from any source outside their own international union, and they are still in good condition, their unions being sound both as to finances and mem-

The strike was brought about by an attempt on the part of the ship owners to compel the union men to hand over their union books and cards to the employers and to pledge themselves never to again join a labor union "as long This was followed by a further attempt on the part of the nop
naugurate an industrial passport system which they had dignified by the name of "Welfare Plan," but which was modeled upon the police system the Russia and the notorious English Shipping Federation scheme which brought about such havoc on the English Merchant Marine, resulting in the employ ment of Asiatic labor on over a third of the vessels of that country, 70,000 Asiatics had to be employed because the federation scheme so lowered the wages and conditions that white men could no longer be induced to ship on those vessels.

The "welfare plan" passports of the Lake Carriers, obtained only after reg istration of names, personal appearance, past history, etc., are intended to keep the seamen under constant control of the ship owners, whether the sea man is employed or not. While ashore, these passports must be exhibited to the shipping mases of the Lake care Upon being given job the seaman must deposit his passport with the ship. master who will return it to him when he leaves the vessel provided the mas ter has been satisfied with the services of the seaman. Otherwise the pass port is taken up and returned to the Lake Carriers and the sailor is forever blacklisted. Every owner, shipping master and ship's officer has the full au thority under this "welfare plan" to at any time for any reason or no reason blacklist any sailor, or marine fireman or cook. Afloat or ashore constant re straint and espionage is to be applied to every seaman. It was a deliberate attempt on the part of the ship owners to establish serfdom on the Great Lakes.

The Seamen are on strike to prevent this, and they have exhibited true manhood in their determined stand. As patriotic American citizens it is their duty to fight against this attempt to inaugurate a modern feudalism. Born freemen, unless they surrender their birthright, they can do nothing except to continue the struggle until the slave system, which the ship owners have
seen fit to mask under the name of "welfare plan," has been entirely abol seen

This the Seamen of the Lakes have decided to do, and have publicly an nounced their determination and they believe in their ability to remain on Carrier's Association will agree to recognize them as free men. The Seame realize that real freedom, real liberty, will not be theirs unless they can rid the Lakes of this vicious passport system and again themselves exercise an effective voice in nominating the conditions under which they must live and work.

The American Federation of Labor has endorsed the strike and has pledged moral and, should it be needed, financial aid. But at present the Seamen are asking nothing except the moral support and the active sym pathy of all workingmen. They make this refues of "Pass the word along, brother, there is a strike on the Great Lakes. Advis all unemployed workers to keep away

## LABOR IN POLITICS

Very much has been said and writtetn in reference to the subject of abor in Politics." If we had half of what has been written on the subject bound in volume it would take the largest room in the city to hold the same.

It is high time that labor is awakening. Year after year, as the politicians come for election or re-election, in their usual speech they tell the working people how much they love them and what they will do if they are elected and just about as soon as they are through making the promises, they forge that they ever made any. Organized labor snends thousands of dollars yeary for committees to call upon the different pubic offials will benefit the com of the people and legislators elected to make laws that will bo down on thei munities. These committees are practically comp and be for laws to be enacted without any so licitation, and, except in a very few instances, no success has been had. In place of these peopte doing the their will.

We believe the time is at hand when labor should assert its rights on th political field, not as it has done heretofore, by endorsing candidates on the different parties' tickets, but it should of only labor Candidates should selected from among our own members and a complete ticket named. then go before the working people of this and other communities with strictly bona fide labor ticket. There is no question but what if this is done and labor unites for this ticket, that every public official in this city, in thi state, yes, in the entre who produce the wealth of the country. Let us the real people the present politicians and political parties for what is our just due but the then, to remedy the evils that are confronting us today.

This will not be an extraordinarily easy task to accomplish and we can not expect to elect our entire ticket from the start, but if we set out with the a short time we will have full control of the entire situation. We bat what in thing to gain by this procedure and nothing to los situation. We have everytem we are accomplishing practically nothing, so that if it the present sys or more before we succeed in electing our ticket we would be making years advances. You would also find the present dominant would be making great themselves fare lator what they wanted-just as parties falling ave labor has at last awakened to the only way in which to accomplish the that sires. According to the number of laboring people in the city of Pittr de and the state of Pennsylvania, it should be an easy matter for anybody figure out who are absolutely in the majority. If we elect laboring pe to make our laws, we believe we will have more common sense laws tha we have at the present time. They would be short and directly to the point As it is at the present time, the people who make our laws are, in the main tawyers, and, naturally enough, when they are drawing up the laws, they frame them in such a way that they can be interpreted both ways, and at the same time both interpretations be correct. By doing this they are creating business for themselves and not knowing whether they will be on the de fense side or

All the arguments that can be produced saying that we should have law yers to draft our laws for us does not amount to anything, when you consider the fact that just as soon as labor tries to get the benefit of any laws that ninety-nine times out of a hundred the higher courts will declare this unconstitutional. If lawyers are so bright and competent to make our la for us, they should make them so that they would stand the test in any court but that would not be creating business for themselves, appeals to the high courts would be less frequent, and, consequently, their business would fall of

It is high time for labor to awaken to these conditions. Throw aside party affiliations, organize a party of the people, by the people, and for the people. Elect men from your ranks to public office and then, and only then, can you expect to accomplish the real purpose for which you are organized. It will be far more appropriate to have the few coming to the great majority for concessions than it is for the great majority to be asking for concesaffiliations or ties with any of the present bert stricty labor party, with no are justly entitled to, but get out and work the entire 365 days of the yoar for are jus own salvation, and there will be no question as to the result - Iron City Trades Journal.

## MR. DOOLEY ON THE OPEN (NON-UNION) SHOP.

"What is all this talk that's in the papers about the open shop?" asked Hennessey.
"Why, don't ye know?", said Mr. Dooley. "Really, I'm surprised at yer ignerence, Hinnessey. Whut is th' open shop? Shure, 'tis a shop where they kape th' door open t' accommodate th' consthant sthream of min comin' in t' take jobs cheaper thin th' min whut has th' jobs. 'Tis like this, Hinnisseysuppose wan of these freebarn Amerycan citizens is wurkin' in an open shop for th' princely wages of wan large iron dollar a day of tin hours. Along comes another freebarn son-of-a-gun, an' he sez t' th' boss: 'I think I could handle th' job for ninety cints.', 'Sure,' sez th' boss, 'an' the wan-dollar man gets th merry, jinglin can, an goes out into th' crool wurld $t$ exercise his poor devil An' so it goes orr Hinnessey. An' who gets th 'benefit? Thrue poor devil. An' so it goes orr. Hinnessey. An' who gets th 'benefit? Thrue,
it saves th. boss money, but he don't care no more for mone ythan he does for his roight eye. It's all principle wid him. He hates t'see min robbed of their indepindence. They must have their indepindence, regahrdliss of inything ilse."
"But," said Mr. Hennessey, "these open shop min ye minshun say they are fer th' unions, if properly conducted.'
"Shure," said Mr. Dooley, "if properly conducted. An' there ye are. An' how wud they have thim conducted? No sthrikes, no rules, no conthracts, no scales, hardly any wages, an' dam few mimbers.'

## MA CAN'T VOTE.

Ma's a graduate of college and she's read 'most everything She can talk in F'rench and German, she can paint and she can sing. Beautiful? She's like a picture! When she talks she makes you think Of he sweetest and she doesn t smoke or drink She knows more than half the lawyers do. but ma can't

When my pa is writing letters, ma must always linger near To assist him in his spelling and to make his meaning clear. If he needs advice, her judgment, he admits, is always best;
Every day she gives him pointers, mostly at his own request She keens track of legislation, and is taxed on bonds and stocks, But she never gets a look-in at the sacred ballot box.

Ma is wiser than our coachman, for he's not a graduate, And I doubt if he could tell you who is governing the state.
He has never studied grammar, and I'll bet he doesn't know Whether Caesar lived a thousand or two thousand years ago He could never tell us how to keep the ship of state afloat, For he doesn't know there's such a thing; but Ma can't vote.

Once when Mr. Jones was calling they got up a short debate That was on the tariff question: he supposed he had it straight. But before they'd finished talking he threw up his hands and said That he d not read much about it, or remembered what he'd read, He's too badly rushed to study how to better human lives,
Still he looms up like a giant when election time arrives.

Mrs. Gookins does our washing, for she has to help along Taking care of her six children, tho' her husband's big and strong When he gets a job he only holds it till he draws his pay, Then he spends his cash for whisky, or else gambles it away And hed trade his ballot for a driok-but Ma can't vote!

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Resolved, By the Tonopah Miners Union, No. 121, that in respect to the memory of our deceased brother, our charter be draped in mourning for a peFlod of thirty days; and be it further
Resolved. That a cony of these resolutions be presented to the bereaved family, a copy sent to the Miners Magazine for publication, and a copy
spread upon the minutes of this meeting.
(Signed) WILLLAM MITCHELL.
W. B. EVANA.
THOS. CAMPBELL,

Committee.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Cobalt, Ont., March - 1910. Whereas, Death has again visited our ranks and remosed from our midst Bro. W. W. Hicks, who died of pneumonia on March 3. 1910; be it
Resolved, That the members of Cobalt Miners' Cnion No. 146, W. F. M. Resolved, That the members of Cobalt Miners' 'nion No. 146, W. F. M., offer the heir and relatives their heartfelt sympathy in their hour of sorrow, and be it further

Resolved, That we send a cony of these resolutions to the late brother's relatives, a copy to be spread upon the minutes of this local, a copy sent to the Miners' Magazine for publication, and that we drape our charter for a perod of thirty days.

COBALT MINERS UNION NO. 146 , W. F. M JOSEPH GORMAN
JOHN FRASER,
ALBERT NAP GAUTHER
(Seal)

## IN MEMORIAM.

Cornucopia, Oregon, March 13, 1910.
Resolutions adopted by Cornucopia Miners' Union, No. 186, W. F. M. Whereas, Death has again invadel our union and taken from us our true and loyal member, Robert Wilson, whose untimely death is sincerely mourned by this union, and his many friends in the district; therefore be it
Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days in honor of our deceased brother, and a copy be spread on the records of this union, and a copy be sent to the Miners' Magazine for publication.
R. E. CARTER.
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