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THE PRINCE RUPERT I. W. W. ON STRIKE

I take the opportunity of letting you now something about the labor situation in this place. I presume that you are wars of the fact that Prince Rupert is the Terminal of the Grand Trunk Pacific alfroad, now under construction from

Canada.

Now there are several provisions in the agreement between the government and its railroad construction company, which, if lived up to, would be of some benefit to the workers here, such as the Alien-Clause, which provides that no contract laber is to be imported. But as you are aware of the fact, it is the habit of all our governments to leave loop-holes in the laws supposedly passed in the interest of the workers, loop-holes so large indeed that you could pull an elephant through. And it is almost useless for the workers themselves to try jaind enforce this would-

It would be well of you to select a few testworthy men, who let themselves be simpled from some employment egency to simpled from some employment egency to some could have direct evidence, which is hard to obtain. You understand there is penalty of from \$300.00 to \$500.00 to Spokane, or to No. 421, Kalispell, Mont, which is hard to obtain. You understand there is penalty of from \$300.00 to \$300



Kalispell, Mont., May 16, 1909. We had a rousing meeting at Somers last night which lasted until midnight. last night which lasted until midnight. The Somers saw mill men voted to a man to go on strike on the 20th. The hall was crowded for the first time in several months. Yesterday was pay day in Sonters, and it was reported that a great number of the men could not pay their dues into the Union, as they had nothing coming but a slip showing how much they were in debt to the Commany.

Eureka, Mont., May 16, 1909.
The following copy of a letter is one that has just come in from the secretary of the Strike at Fortine, and will do more to let you know how things are there than anything I could tell you. The Mr. Weal referred to is the manager of the Eureka Lumber Co., at Eureka:

will come through with the wages as soon as the strike is on below (meaning the Flathead, Stillwater and Big Fork rivers). He says he does not care about the money end of it, but does not want to sacrifice his principles. My reply was, "The same over here."

Phoenix, Ariz., May 9, 1909.

GOVERNMENT POWER AND WHAT ABOUT IT

(By Covington Hall.)

Walter Thomas Mills is reported as having said in a lecture delivered in Long Prairie, Minnesota:

"We have one government at Washington and another at Wall street. The government at Washington is a Democracy. The government at Wall street is a Despotism."

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Herd, in all its pakedness, is the fallacy that lies at the bottom of "pure and simple political" socialism, or Hergerism, which is the assumption, for it is nothing more, that the state is something separate and distinct from the economic organization of society. This fallacy also lies at the bottom of pure and unadulterated anarchy. Wherefore, your pure and simple political socialist and your pure and unadulterated anarchist cleave never to the lines of the class struggle, for, according to the first, all you have to do is to "capture" the powers of government, while, according to the last, all you have to do is to "smash" the powers of government, and all of us will live happily forever afterwards; all you have to do is to gain enough; adherents to "capture" or "smash" the existing government and, when this is done! something akin to divinity will descend from heaven on the denizens of earth and the New Jerusalem will be an accomplished fact.

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Such a statement, "The government at Washington is a Democracy. The government at Wall street is a Despotism," is not only a "bad fault" but a crime against truth and reason, for "the government at Washington" is the government at Washington" is the government. BIG STRIKE

BOOSE venders that there never was a strike, but we soon changed their mind.

I. had a talk with Mr. Weal last night and he wanted me to get the men to go back to work until the 20th. He told me that he heard that there was to be a gentlast rich government at Wall street," since "the government at Wall street," since "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street, is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street, is the source from which "the government at Wall street, is the source from which "the government at Wall street, is the would come through with the scale. Had him that we could not see the point and could do nothing for him. He says he does not want to government at Wall street, is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street, is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street, is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source from which "the government at Wall street," is the source which he would come through with the scale. Had him that we could not see the point and sceing that all government

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and, when the government of the working class rises, the government of the capitalist class must fall.

This is the truth, and the working class can never "canture", or "smash" the government at Washington or anywhere else until it is industrially organized on the plans and principles of the I. W. W. for the control of the economic system denends on the control of its central and guiding force, which is the industrial, and

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A scab is a traitor to his race, and an enemy to himself.

If the "common laborer" is good enough to mix mortar for the bricklayer, why is he not good enough to belong to the same union?

All members of tue I. W. W. should make themselves familiar with the constitution and rules of their union. More is learned by reading than by useless arkning. Knowledge is power.

Stay away from Prince Rupert, B. C. Industrial Union 126 is on strike against the unbearable and horrible conditions there. Help the boys by advertising the strike. An injury to one, is an injury

Sympathy for strikers never won a dollar and never will. If you have no money to send to Industrial Union No. 421, then do all you can to keep the bosses from getting scabs to break the strike. Sympathy will starve a dog

There are dozens and hunareds of complaints daily about the swindling of workingmen by the employment offices. The lumber companies in Montana are trying hard to get scabs through the Spokane offices. Beware of them all.

The workers' only power is their industrial power. Power requires organization to be effective. Join the I. W. W. and apply your industrial power for your own benefit: otherwise you will be forced to apply your energy for the benefit of the boss—who is o-r-g-a-n-i-z-e-d.

Stickers are being pasted up around Spokane with the motto:
"Fire the Jap." These bear the A. F. of L. label. We would suggest to those members of the A. F. of L. who intend to "fire" the Japanese, that they take up the matter with Mr. Taft, who is a member of their "union."
Workingmen, what have you in common with Mr. Taft?

The initiation fee in Aug. I. W. W. is never over \$5.00 in any local industrial union and very seldom that high unless the union has good industrial control. Generally the initiation is 50 cents or \$1.00. In Spokane it is 50 cents. The card of any labor union is good with us in place of the initiation fee. There is no reason why you can not join the union, and every reason why you should join the I. W. W.

by way of answer to numerous inquiries as to organizers and the work of building up industrial union in various places, it should be understood that the General Administration of the T. W. W. has charge of organization work. Address letters and inquiries as to dates for the National Organizers to Vincent St. John, General Secretary-Treasurer, 310 Bush Temple, Chicago, Ill., or Wm. E. Trautmann, General Organizer.

The Chicago Daily News says that the convict lease system is at an end in the State of Georgia and the convicts have been put to work on the roads. The paper says the State is enjoying "moral peace" which has been missing for many years. There are also convict road camps in Washington and according to Nancy Durham of the Review, this kind of thing will settle the social problems of the ages. Are the working people hungry and desperate next winter? More rock piles! Are there tramps? More chain gangs! Are there papers like the Review? More sewers!

The following is from the Reading (Pa.) Advocate and is a sample of the expressions of opinion from the length and breadth of the

ole of the expressions of opinion from the length and breadth of the country in regard to Mayor Moore and the Spokane mis-government:

Protests are being sent to the Czar-like Mayor from all over the United States, by the workingmen, and these probably will have the effect of bringing the Czar-Mayor to realize that he is in America and after all is only a servant of the common people, by whom he was vested with the powers of his American office, but not that of Czarism.

There can be no peace so long as hunger and want are found among millions of working people and the few, who make up the employing class, have all the good things of life. The employing class not only have all the good things of life, but many of their dogs have more and better food than the babies of the workers. Here are a few items from the Chicago "Tribune" of May 10:

"Dogs' and Cats' '400' dine."

"Residence of Mrs. L. Erb Beautifully Decorated for the Occa-

" 'Bonnie Pink' is nostess."

Bonnie Pink, a pedigreed Mexican fox terrier last night, at 5019 Prairie Avenue, by a circle of her intimate friends, was one of the conspicuous events of the late social season. Guests af a 10 o'clock dinner included all the really classy dogs and cats who live in the neighborhood. The house was beautifully decorated with bunting and flags. The guest of honor was a full-blooded rated with bunting and flags. The guest of honor was a full-blooded Persian cat. Those in the receiving line included 'Tootsie,' 'Helen Taft,' 'Honey Boy,' 'Love of Mine,' 'Dearie' and others. An attractive luncheon of roast heart, Columbia River salmon and ice cream was served. The guests were highly pleased and there were a number of fine spring toilets in evidence. It is understood that this cat and dog dinner is to be one of a series by the feading lights."

All this is in Chicago where, according to the Board of Education, there are thousands of children of the working class who go hungry to school every day, and where the babies die by hundreds a day in the hot season for lack of care and fresh air and proper food. Peace! Imagine some poor mother whose child is gasping for breath in the imagine some poor mother whose child is gasping for oreath in the foul tenement house and who is too poor to take her baby even to the park for a breath of air reading about a dog, well fed and cared for and called "Love of Mine" by some rich Jezebel whose diamonds are the crystalized tears of the women and children of the working class! A workingman who will tamely submit to see his children

perish and his wife suffer in the midst of a society so wealthy that perish and his wife suffer in the midst of a society so wealthy that even the dogs revel in luxury is too degraded to be worthy of sympathy. But his wife and children are to be pitied. Personal revenge and wild, irresponsible talk will not help the matter. Nothing short of the deliberate, untiring, systematic organization of the workers will be of any permanent avail. The prisons are full of fools who thought to "take the law into their own hands" acting as individuals. All things are possible by means of strong, industrial union. What can be accomplished without it? Think it over, investigate for yourself, and then in Humanity's name, act! Cat and dog dinners, and the potters field for the workers' children! Every working man and woman who refuses to do his or her best to right these infamous wrongs, is morally responsible for the state of society wherein they wrongs, is morally responsible for the state of society wherein they are possible.

TWO BIG I. W. W. STRIKES

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The lumber workers at Eureka and on the Fortine River in Montana are out on strike and the log drive is utterly tied up. Baker's brush camp, near Kalispell, is also tied up. The men on the Flathead and Whitefish rivers, have set May 20 as the date for them to go out also. The old policy of "scare" and intimidation on the part of the employers is also being worked—sheriffs, deputies, etc., galore. This sheriff is well calculated to heal a labor trouble "on the civilized plane." for he has just got through hanging a lumber jack, who, is reported to have been insane, at Kalispell. The National Organizer of the I. W. W., Fred W. Heslewood, is also receiving his usual share of abuse from the enemy. So far Heslewood has escaped hanging, but it is thought probable, by the respectable element, that Heslewood was "implicated" in the murder of Julius Caesar some time ago—or at least he would have been implicated, which, you know, amounts to the same thing! The fact is, the strike is orderly and the bosses and bosses' men (?) are wild to think that the lumber jacks should have struck just when they were needed to move the

know, amounts to the same thing! The fact is, the strike is orderly and the bosses and bosses' men (?) are wild to think that the lumber jacks should have struck just when they were needed to move the log drive. It is up to every member of the working class, either in the I. W. W. or out, to help with money and support, the strike at Kalispell. The men in the A. F. of L. should also stand by their class, regardless of the color of their union cards. The I. W. W. has never refused to help the A. F. of L. in a strike or trouble against the common enemy, the employer. At the time last summer when the Brewery Workers were striking at the Schade Brewery, we advertised the strike, and Industrial Union No. 111 at Newport, Wash., actually drove the scab beer out of that town. This is only one of many similar cases. Will the boys now stand by the I. W. W. and refuse to support the scab "international" which is organized in the lumber district by the bosses, to fight the I. W. W.? There is every chance that the strikers will win oht and it is up to you to help. On the first page of this number of the Worker is a communication from Fellow-Worker Patrick Daly of Industrial Union No. 126 at Prince Rupert, B. C. Read it carefully, and remember that their fight is your fight, and if you are tired of packing blankets and sleeping in a lousy bunk house and eating swill house grub, get busy. When a bunch of workingmen have got the nerve and the sense to get together on their own hook and organize a union and put up a fight like that in Prince Rupert, it is like a cool drink in a hot desert. Let the railroad workers remember that instead of being cattle to be "shipped" and herded, they can make their condition better and their example and lives sublime by coming together and demanding more pay, better grub, shorter hours and decent conditions. Where there's a will, there's a way! A man who gives up or loses his grip is dead already—and the dead can not fight. This is a most important object lesson, you railroad "stiffs!" Keep awa from Prince Rupert and tell the rest of the boys to do the same and help the men on strike to beat this gunny sack contractor who is a stomach robber of the most approved pattern. The next time you go out on a construction or extra gang, wait till there is an emergency call, and then refuse to work till they raise your pay. They'll do it if you stand pat. The boss can't get along without you, or he would not hire you in the first place. When you strike, strike quick and all together. The time there were washouts on the Northern Pacific and Great Northern R. R. last summer, the Japanese and Italians refused to work under about \$5.00 per day—for the time Pacific and Great Northern R. R. last summer, the Japanese and Italians refused to work under about \$5.00 per day—for the time being. The roads were tied up and no militia in sight. Did the boss come through? You bet your life—and looked pleasant too. But a bunch of "white" men—good peaceable citizens—stayed at work and got—what? Got \$1.75 per day and then "got" fired! The workers' only hope is in industrial union and they are learning it fast. Brace up and join the I. W. W. You will be a taller man then, and have a right to be chesty. If you want to live like a man and not like a' dog; if you are tired of seeing the scab-herding employment agents ride in automobiles and get fat on your misery—and then laugh at and despise you—Organize! Organize! Organize!

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The fact that the Japanese workers are becoming more and more class conscious and have a keen idea of the value of working class organization on the industrial field is again shown by the recent developments in the Sandwich or Hawaiian Islands. Five thousand Japanese agricultural workers in the sugar-cane fields are on strike. The strike is admitted to be complete and orderly by the papers of the employing class. The Japanese demand a raise of wages from \$18.00 per month to \$22.50. An attempt is being made by the employers to break the strike by means of "white" scabs! Sometimes the most unlooked-for effects result from the reliance of the ruling class on the supposed servility of those whom they intend for tools and underlings. Tiberius Caesar, the Roman Emperor, selected as assistant, a certain man named Sejanus, whom Caesar supposed too mean and cowardly to be dangerous. Sejanus promptly made himself the practical ruler of Rome by his daring and energy. By the same token, the Japanese, who were supposed to be too slavish for revolt, are rapidly showing the world that, in the words of the California Labor Commissioner, "they are most merciless in their demands on the employer." These facts are of interest in connection with the "anti-Japanese" agitation, which is being fostered by the American employing class to try to rouse the American workingmen to a fury, which will enable the American employing class to incite a war against Japan for the conquering of the Asiate market and the supremacy of the Pacific. For the benefit of those in the farming sections of this country, it should be a matter for thought, how long it will be before a body of 5,000 American laborers will have the energy and manhood to strike in a body? Many of those patriotic Americans in Washington and in the Northwest, for instance, who will follow the harvest, eat rotten food, and sleep in their masters' straw stacks, will be among the fools who cry out against the "forwill follow the harvest, eat rotten food, and sleep in their masters' straw stacks, will be among the fools who cry out against the "foreigners" and the Japanese! When the ranch hands in the Palouse country and the "Big Bend" are men enough to compel the ranchers they work for, to give the men as good care and accommodations as a horse gets, they will then be far in advance of their present degradation—with their blankets on their backs, and their bodies dirty and often covered with vermin! All true workingmen should long to extend the hand of fellowship and help to the Japanese who are engaged in a fight with the common enemy of all workers—the employing class.

The campaign in the Islands against the Japanese fellow-workers is being carried on in the approved "legal" and "constitutional" way. Y. Soga, who is editor of a labor paper, the "Nippon Jiki," has been indicted as being a "dangerous and disorderly" person. Radical Y. Soga, who is editor of a labor paper, the "Nippon Jiki," has been indicted as being a "dangerous and disorderly" person. Radical labor papers are to be suppressed and their editors jailed and hung—so much for "American liberty!" The only possible remedy for this state of affairs, and the only way to avoid outrage and tyranny on the part of the employers, is industrial union of all people who work for wages—regardless of the color of their skins. The average farm hand will soon have a darker skin from the dirt of the field than the Japanese. A yellow skin is to be preferred a thousand times, to a vellow heart. The prejudice of race, like the prejudice times, to a yellow heart. The prejudice of race, like the prejudice of religion, or the divisions of warring crafts, is mefely one of the

tricks of the employers by which they are able to fasten their septic claws deeper and deeper into the backs of the workers. The employing class are the only foreighers under the sky, and the only enemies of the workers. Now, will you sleep under a straw stack this summer, workingman?

THE FINAL AIM OF THE I. W. W.

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The Industrial Workers of the World is a revolutionary organization of the working class without political affiliation. By means of organization in the factories and shops and farms; wherever people work for wages in short, we fight the class struggle for more wages and shorter hours, for better conditions of work, with the final intention of taking and holding the earth and the tools of production and using all of them solely for the benefit of the working class, which will then include all persons. Considering that but a small part of the workers of the world are organized, or have any practical idea of action as a class, and considering further the obstacles to be overcome, the industrial union of working people provides an enormous field for all the thought and energy of those who are interested and willing to exert themselves for the good of humanity and the progress of the working class. Notwithstanding the difficulty often met in wringing even a small concession from the employing classaid the organization needed to accomplish it, we still have peoply who spend their time in disputes about just what form and structure human society will assume when the master class has been finally supplanted by the collective ownership of the means of production and distribution. There are today, unfortunately, persons calling themselves anarchists, who claim to teach that the absolute. Treedom" of the 'individual is only possible in a state of anarchy. A century ago, the followers of Rousseau and song of the other self-constituted teachers taught that the "protection" of society was only to be had by the surrender of some of the natural liberty of the individual. As a matter of Tact, in human society, liberty is only reached by means of human association. The desire for harmony is stronger in the minds of men than the forces which make for the breaking up of society. That this is so is stated in the Declaration of Independence which admits that men are more disposed to suffer evilis than

Let the parasites, the dreamers and the riders of pet hobbics settle their disputes to their own satisfaction—is possible. The Industrial Workers of the World is a labor union. The revolution takes place at the point of production—not in the air nor in the minds of enthusiasts and those who style themselves "ists" of any kind or shape.

A Union of workers like the I. W. W. must strive to keep free from the entanglements and vagaries of the political schemers and the impossible fancies of so-called "anatchists." The I. W. W. is the labor Union of the working class. It is by no means an anarchthe labor Union of the working class. It is by no means an anarchist organization—if such a thing were possible. The L.-AV. W. teach order, discipline and organization. There is not in the realm of Nature an organism or a species which is without all three. "Anarchy" is an impossibility, and while private opinion on politics or sociology is a matter of choice, the person who would use the L. W. W. as a field for the propagation of theories not laid down in the constitution of the L. W. W., must be considered a detriment and an enemy of the working class.

RIGHT AND WRONG

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One of the philosophers has said that, "the unconditioned positive and the unconditioned negative, are alike inconceivable." (This is pretty good dope for a hungry blanket stiff.) The same thing is true of "right and wrong." It is "right" for Mayor Pratt and Omo to plaster every telegraph and telephone pole in town with election notices. It is "wrong" for working people to post up notices of the Montana strike. There is no positive right and no positive wrong. What is right today, is wrong tomorrow. It depends on your point of view. A slave thinks slavery wrong. A master thinks slavery right. The practical point is, what is best? Murder is right for an army, but it is wrong for a single person. They have hung murderers and have crowned conquerors. If it is right to massacre strikers at Homestead, then murder is right. The fact is, both are utterly wrong and brutal. The reason the Industrial Union does not stand for military resistance to the enemy, the employers, is that it is ethically wrong to take human life, except in self-defense, and it is moreover foolish. The enemy have the guns. We have the shovels. The enemy will not work and can not work with the shovel and, the tool of production is the only weapon of the workers that they can apply to resist the employing class. We can make the bose come through with more wages because we can and have got the power to work the shovel and the cant hook. Think this over and then act. Bread and butter power is stronger than gunpowder and dynamite power. Every human being must learn sooner or later that the l. W. W. is the hope of humanity. Alike removed from the fancies and the dreams of the politicians and the insane ideas of those who advocate military resistance, the industrial union is the only "peaceable solution" of the struggle between employers of labor and the laborers. The I. W. W. is the most modern form of the organization of the working class. It is the outcome of the bitter experience of the martyrs and it is up to every thinking man to

The National Industrial Union of Textile Workers of the I. W. W. has held a convention at Providence, Rhode Island, and the showing made in the past year is most cheering. Francis Miller ware-elected secretary and it was shown that, owing to the agitation of the I. W., W., 5,000 workers in the Dyers and Helpers Branch of the Textile Industry alone, were conceded an advance of \$1.00 pe week in wages. The convention voted to send fraternal delegate to the Industrial Union of France which has had such brilliant success in the left extragale with the send fraternal delegate to the Industrial Union of France which has had such brilliant success in the left extragale with the send fraternal delegate to the Industrial Union of France which has had such brilliant success in the left extragale with the send frame of the Industrial Union of France which has had such brilliant success in the left extragale with the send of the Industrial Union of France which has had such brilliant success. cess in the late struggle with the enemy's government in that country. The program of our French Fellow-Workers in regard to antimilitarism, general strike and anti-patriotism was endorsed. It was also decided to ask the General Executive Board of the Industrial Workers of the World to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to forward the decided to levy a general assessment on the membership to be a second to b ship to forward the work of organizing the coal miners as well as the textile workers. The spirit of working class stick-togetherness was an inspiration. The reports showed that the National Industrial was an inspiration. The reports showed that the National Indu-Union of Textile Workers has now a niembership of over 6,000 this in face of a galling fire from the enemies and the politicians. "We are not divided—all one body we!" The following year will witness a general agitation which is certain to produce real results for the workers. The Providence Evening Bulletin, an employing class sheet, occupies several columns with the matter of this convention. The affairs of the National Industrial Union of Textile Workers in New England are of equal importance to the lumber Workers in New England are of equal importance to the lumber jack in Montana. In a few years—but wait, and hustle!

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The demand for protection of life and limbs and that a commission elected by the workers of the mine to determine when it is safe to go to work should need no argument, especially when it is considered that almost daily the nation is shocked at news of explosions and all round accidents that cost hundreds of human lives. We hold that only those who are risking their lives to produce fuel for the nation have any right in determining when they shall risk their all and when not. At the present time there is a heated discussion in this region over a bill that would provide the mine inspectors in the different districts to be appointed by the governor of the state, the present method is by election. It should be clear to any is by election. It should be clear to any discerning person that either way the plan cannot work to the satisfaction of ful lesson indeed, but a necessary lesson for the final end; that lesson is that the the miners and workers of this dangerous industry in general. Appointment by the governor would only place the lives of the workers in the hands of politicians appointed by another politician which as a general rule know nothing about mines or anything else that spells work. The system whereby they are elected by a discovery of the continuity in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the conflicts as long as the employes of the entire mining industry of the nation and of the world for that matter anything else that spells work. The system whereby they are elected by a discovery of the continuity in fact, can never hope to be victorially appointed by another politician which as a general rule know nothing about mines of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially appointed by another politicians of the final end; that lesson is that the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, can never hope to be victorially on the coal miners of this region and this country in fact, general vote of all classes in a district will not benefit the miners for many reasons, chief amongst them are the fact that the bosses and all the petty exploiters of labor have a voice and determining power to govern elections, the ones that are workers and whose lives are daily in danger that the pure and simple unionical simple unionical terrane world for that matters are not united under one banner, having one aim in view, standing together shoulder to shoulder as men worthy of the great history of the working-class on the revolutionary basis that "An injury to one is an injury to all."

Over the shattered ruins of decayed pure and simple unionical terrane world for that matters are not united under one banner, having one aim in view, standing together shoulder as men worthy of the great history of the working-class on the revolutionary basis that "An injury to one is an injury to all." ers and whose lives are daily in danger but happen to be in this country, less than the required length of time, have no there will rise new hopes that find their vote in the matter. The political machines true expression in the Industrial Work of political parties are controlled by politicians, and they in turn are controlled by the masters who have the industrial power upon which their political influence and power rests. We can look neither to politicians nor government to protect

and workshop when the men, their rathers insist that they shall receive as much as anybody else. With that fact before them, the delegates of the District Council yoted for the demand. The present game offers no end to the evil of the mistaken idea that because one worker happens to get more wages he is therefore justified in looking down on the others who do not fall in the same low level of paying homage to the bosses.

In reply to the argumentation of those who may think that it is improper or that the boys working in the industry are not entitled to as much pay as the men, we would call attention to the fact that the boys perform certain work and that if a man was hired he could do no more, in fact in the case, of the slate pickers the men could not do as much as the boys. It should be sufficient to state, however, that that should be no concern of the wage workers since the fact stands that the boss has to pay the wages and in case he pays less he will have that much less left over to be able to amass and get in ine for the much-sought honors of buy

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may be against our hopes and wishes they will be defeated in the oncoming conflict. Cold figures prove that the bosses have some 13 million tons of coal stocked up and that is about six million tons more than they have in time of prosperity. When it is considered that millions of workers all over the land are out of work and hungry, and the further shameful fact that the coal miners of other fields will remain at work digging coal and living up to the sacred contract, what other conclusion can we come to? But should there be a strike a lesson will be learned, a pain-

to another, one compromise to another, there will rise new hopes that find their

Speed the day, men!

FROM DARBY, MONT.

and power rests. We can look neither to politicians nor government to protect our lives, we must do that ourselves, and we will be able to do so only when we have the power that its generated by the industrially organized coal miners. Such a demand as this is based on the recognition of principle that the coal miners must and shall run and own the coal miners must and shall run and own the coal miners must and shall run and own the coal miners must and shall run and own the coal miners must and shall run and own the coal miners must and shall run and own the coal miners must and shall run and own the coal miners must and shall run and own the coal miners must and shall run and own the roal miners must and shall run and down the roal miners must and shall run and down the roal miners must and shall run and down the roal miners must and shall run and down the roal miners and the roal miners must and shall run and the samp shall run and the roal miners must an

ing a European duke or something of that nature for his daughters to play with.

Relative to the demands for the check-off system and recognition of the union there should be very little explanation required as to why sane and conscious workers should be opposed to it. Suffice it to say that at some other date we may treat the matter more fully.

Bosses Prepared for Trouble.

In spite of all the claims to the contrary, the workers of this region are facing a serious situation and however it may be against our hopes and wishes they will be defeated in the oncoming conflict. can get work. One of the gun men got beat up at the A. C. M. Co. camp at Lick creek [ast Sunday night; the papers came out that it was the foreman, so it would not attract so much attention.

PETE BROWN.

Sec'y No. 33 I. W. W.

THE COUNTY HANGMAN — A "FRIEND OF LABOR"

Modern civilization was celebrated on April 2nd in Kalispell, Mont., by choking

man to death with a rope.

Invitations were given to those who vished to attend the "Necktic Party," as ome ternied it.

The notable event took place at 7 o'clock in the morning, and those who loved to see human life taken, so that the law might be revenged (as the town papers termed it) staved up all night, in a vain attempt to lick up all the booze in the town.

Many who witnessed the affair, said the principal didn't mind much, as he was so drunk he could not walk alone; and he was not the only one. One invited guest fainted. He evidently did not take on enough of the elixir of life to drown his

guilty conscience.

Several church memoers were on the job, but the good father with the last sad rites of the church was missing. He had been around a few days before for a few moments.

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"Without abandoning the platform of liberty of contract, it is your right, nay, your duty, to provide the workers means for contending with capital on an equal and legal basis. With common halls freeand legal basis. With common halls freely and permanently at their disposal, the workers will be able to discuss more maturely and more exactly the many questions which concern their trade and affect their wages; they will have for their aid and enlightenment, every faculty for obtaining information and carrying on correspondence, the data provided by statistics, an economic industrial, and commercial library, and information as to the course of production in each industry, not only in France, but throughout the world."

Revolutionary Centers.

With a central meeting hall and an an-With a central meeting hall and an annual subvention of 20,000 francs provided by the municipality, the Paris Labor Exchange at once became an important factor in the union movement. Other cities soon followed the example set by Paris; by 1892 the exchanges numbered fourteen, by 1893 thirty-four, and by 1898 fifty-one. By the latter year they had secured the affiliation of over 70 per cent of French unionists. The activities of the exchanges, meanwhile, had not remained confined within the narrow limits set by M. Mesurer's trustful and somewhat academic imagination. Their educational and statistical functions soon became of and statistical functions soon became of minor importance. The functions of mu-tual insurance retained more reality tual insurance retained more reality—
aiding the members to find employment.
Giving them relief when out of work or
disabled by accident and particularly providing the viaticum or traveling fund to
enable workers to seek a position elsewhere. Each exchange became the headquarters of an active campaign for union
izing the unorganized workers of the locality. But it was as a center of graylucality. But it was as a center of revolu tionary propaganda that the labor ex-changes developed most significance. Es-

Pouget, associate secretary of the C. and one of the leading spirits in the movement, writes:

"It is the activity of the bourses of the south which is responsible for the pene-tration of syndicalism among the agricultration of syndicalism among the agricultural workers and the formation of numerous unions of peasant vine growers; in central France it is the bourse of Bourges which has organized the wood leutters; in the west, it is the bourse at Brest which has stirred up Brittany, hitherto untouched by the labor movement. Again, when a strike breaks out, the bourses are the centers where the rebelling workers gather, and if some united action is being organized, manifesting the solidarity of the whole working class of the Henry Eden is asked to communicate. arity of the whole working class of the Henry Eden is asked to communicate country it is from them with No. 437, Holtville, Calif. country • • • it is from them that the quickening summons radiates

forth; what is more, they play an impor-tant part in the anti-militarism campaign; they keep open house for the soldiers, pro-vide rest and comforts for them, and counteract the harmful influences of the barracks.'

Form of Organization.

Its scope was thus defined by M. Its scope was thus defined by M. Its scope was thus defined by M. Its Mesurer, president of the municipal council of Paris, in the report which led the council to set up the first exchange:

"Without abandoning the platform of the scope of the s Trade Federations. There are at present over sixty federations included in the section, of which the building trades, printing, metal working, textile and—a recent acquisition—the mining groups are the strongest.

strongest.

Exclusive of the miners' unions they comprise about 2,5(0) locals. In discusscomprise about 2,500 locals. In discussing the structure of these national federa-tions, Pouget notes that while a few of the oldest are organized on a strongly centralized basis, the normal type is a federal union based on autonomous locals, and ministered by a federal committee from each affiliated union. This repre-sentative, always subject to recall by his sentative, always subject to recall by his local, remains, by correspondence, in permanent contact with the organization which has given him his mandate. * 3 The centralization which in other countries kills the workers' initiative and shackles the autonomy of the local union, is repugnant to the French working class. And it is spirit of autonomy and federalism—which will be the essential characteristics of the economic societies of the future—that gives to the French labor future—that gives to the French labor movement its profoundly revolutionary

The Federal union of these two sections forms the confederation itself. The administration is in the hands of three permanent commissions, a commission on strikes, a financial or auditing commission, and a commission in charge of the official journal, the Voix du Peuple, a general committee, and a modestly named "bureau" composed of seven members two secretaries from the federation sec-tion, one from the bourse section, one from each of the three permanent commissions, and the treasurer. It is this bureau which really controls the situation, though professedly acting merely as the mouth-piece of the workers in the unions.

(To be continued)

FROM HOLTVILLE.

cality. But it was as a center of revolutionary propaganda that he labor exchanges developed most significance. Expecially after the forming of the Federate with the growing influence of the Bronssists and Altemanists in their ranks, they devoted themselves; o spreading the gospel of the class stringle, the general strike, and abstention from parliamentary action. Finally in 1895, the year when the Chessists Federation passed out of the C. G. T. as it has come to be familiarly known. Committed to much the same from the control of the control of the same devotinal and practical programme as the Federation des Bourses of the same doctrinal and practical programme as the Federation des Bourses of the same doctrinal and practical programme as the Federation des Bourses of the same doctrinal and practical programme as the Federation des Bourses of the same doctrinal and practical programme as the Federation des Bourses of the same doctrinal and practical programme as the Federation des Bourses of the same doctrinal and practical programme as the Federation des Bourses of the same from the same fr

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THOS. WALSH.

the problem, therefore, is not fundamentally one of "capturing" or "smashing the political machinery, but on the ability and power of the working class to out-organize the capitalist class on the indus-trial field, which, once done, gives the working class control of all the social ma-chinery and enables it to peaceably re-form or revolutionize the government or general administration of society in ac-cordance with the demands of the new order, which they the workers, have order which they, the workers, have evolved into being through the I! W. W the Commonwealth, where all will be workers, all will be owners, and their government a Democracy, and for the simple reason that it could not function other-

Such language as that used by Walter Thomas Mills is a travesty on reason, a treason against truth, a dishonor to soialism and a crime against the working

NOTES FROM PORTLAND.

(By E. J. Foote.)

The May Day edition of the Industrial Worker was a hummer and the effect it had on the socialist politicians of Port-land was one of the amusing incidents that tend to show these gentlemen up in their true light.

The I. W. W. has leased a fine new hall at Fourth street, between Couch and Burnside, and gave a big entertainment the 16th of May. The Union is growing very rapidly and we are taking steps toward organizing the loggers in the camps.

The spiration grainer the employment.

The agitation against the employment sharks is bearing fruit and we are putting them on the bum. The Workers refuse to buy "information" of them.

Fellow Workers Mitchell and Johnson are working on the government ditch at Celilo and report back that men come and go. The grub is rotten, camp is crummy and the stiffs ready for anything.

There is a state law in Oregon, passed last winter, making it a penal offense to have a bed sheet less than 9 feet long. Ot

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