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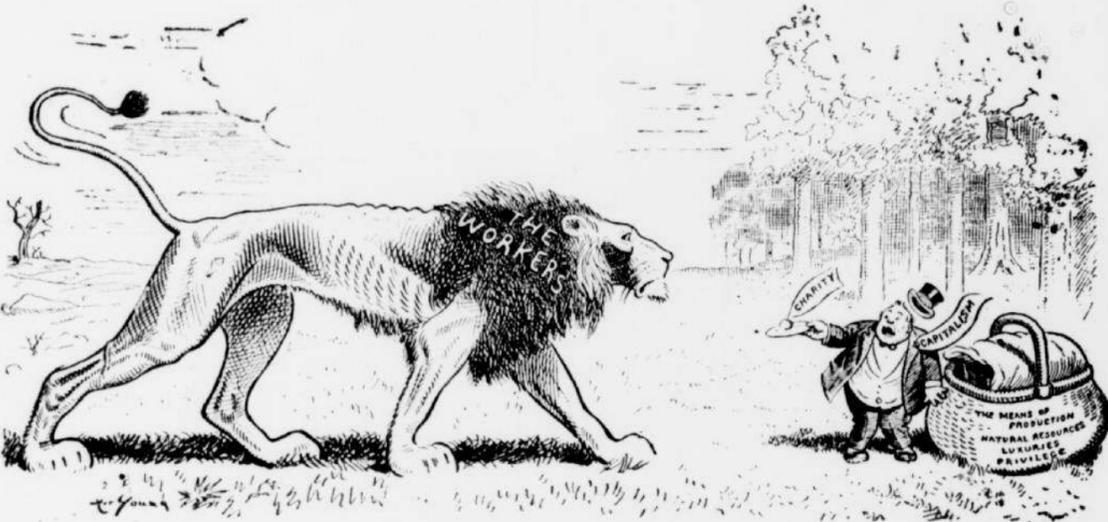
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"AND THE CAT CAME BACK."

I came back 'cause I heard the Lumber Trust and the Fruit Trust wanted to know my name. Well, I'm the SAB CAT. My Mother's name is HUNGER, my Father's name is OPPRESSION, and mine is REVOLUTION. My motto is "DAMN YOUR CHARITY! COME ACROSS WITH THE GOODS!"

Police Hyenas Cornered in Los Angeles.

To all HUMANE persons and Organizations in Los Angeles and elsewhere.

Greeting:

On Sunday, July the 20th, at First and Los Angeles St., a fellow-human being was arrested for expressing his views but was charged with DRUNK and DISORDERLY CONDUCT. The charge and that which lead up to the arrest we are not particularly interested in but as Right Minded and Humane Beings we want to bring the facts before you for your consideration and to solicit your support in our efforts to Legally bring to justice the persons guilty of as rank and raw a piece of lawlessness as was ever pulled off.

The FACTS as follows:—One Carl Zimmermann was placed under arrest by one policeman unaided, the police patrol called and the prisoner led to it by ONE policeman who was having no trouble whatever in handling the man under arrest. When the patrol arrived, FOUR other police went to the assistance of the first officer and commenced pushing and cuffing the prisoner, also one innocent bystander who was watching the fracas was mistaken for the prisoner by one of the police officers and he (the officer) without waiting to learn what was the trouble, smashed said bystander over the head with a club or other weapon rendering him unconscious. After the wagon was reached by prisoner and police, a most uncalled for and Brutal assault was committed on the arrested man. He was beaten over the head, arms and body and knocked on to the floor of the patrol-wagon where and in which position he was jumped on and kicked and but for the protests of the crowd would in all probability have been killed outright by the police. On arrival at the station, the man who was by this time so badly beaten that he could not walk, was thrown into a cell and left there without attention. Some interested persons who tried to reach the prisoner that afternoon were denied admission and roundly cursed for daring to question the Right of police department or its members to beat an unarmed and unresisting prisoner.

On Monday morning the prisoner was brought before JUDGE (?)

Chambers' (use the word brought instead of tried because it was such a farce) and a police officer pleaded GUILTY for the prisoner who was remanded till Tuesday for sentence. Some of the persons who made vain efforts to see the man on Sunday were present and positively state and will swear that the prisoner did not plead guilty. They also noticed the terrible condition of the man and after again trying to learn the extent of his injuries, without any satisfaction, requested the privilege of having a DOCTOR that they would secure examine the man. This privilege was denied them. Between that time on Monday and 2 p. m. on Tuesday when the prisoner was again BROUGHT before Chambers for sentence a strenuous effort had been made to secure some attention for the man and the net result of the thing was that a very competent Lawyer was secured (Mr. Job Harriman) who tried his level best to have the case reconsidered and the plea of guilty stricken out as the prisoner and witnesses positively declare that that plea was made by a policeman and not by the man under arrest. Chambers refused to entertain the lawyer's contention and sentenced the man to 30 days without the privilege of a fine after also refusing to permit a COMPETENT Doctor, who's services had also been secured, to ascertain the extent of the injuries received by this victim of police brutality. Not being willing however, to drop the matter Mr. Harriman did finally find a way to reach the prisoner and he was duly examined by the Doctor who reported that he found the 8th and 9th ribs broken, innumerable bruises, etc., and a very badly damaged head, the result of the blows on the head and the broken ribs so close to the heart might in either case result in death. It was proposed and has been undertaken to push this case to the limit and we claim that every right-minded person will lend at this time all the assistance possible regard less of the original cause of the arrest as it is not a question of actions of a man before arrest, but a question of the privilege of an OFFICER OF THE LAW to LEGALLY beat a man near to death and not be made to pay the penalty of his violence.

The LAW in this case reads something like this:—Any officer or per-

son who, under the cloak of authority will unnecessarily assault, bruise or batter anyone will be liable to a fine of not more than \$5,000 and 5 years in jail. It is not conceivable that a man who has easily handled by one police officer on the street was so desperate a character after he was placed in the wagon that FIVE policemen must of NECESSITY beat him very near to death in order to land him in the jail.

Constant repetition of cases of Police Brutality has forced us to the conclusion that it is high time some DIRECT effort was made to remedy matters. Now is the time—we are taught that we must respect the law and pay the expense of men to see that law is obeyed, but they who are employed as REPRESENTATIVES of the LAW seem to think and DO act unlawfully. A Crime when committed by a representative of the law should be just as much a crime as when committed by anyone else and the guilty MUST BE PUNISHED if law is to be respected.

The above stated situation is FACT and we stand ready to prove the conditions as specified for we have a number of witnesses who will SWEAR to the truth. Every trade union that has had its pickets and striking members treated as this man was treated should be interested. (You may have a strike at any time. Remember the Iron Workers, Brewery Workers and S. P. Strikers and the many heads broken by the police for the Masters you were fighting against). Likewise let every Socialist, Free Thinker, Reformer, S. L. P. or Y. P. S. L. member, Anarchist or other person who is in the habit of thinking for himself and who has manhood enough to appreciate his position in society as well as to have the feeling and heart of a HUMAN, INTEREST himself in this matter and lend full support.

A copy of this is being sent to every Trade Union, Revolutionist and Clear-thinking organization that we can reach. Some individuals will also receive a copy as well as every NEWS-PAPER in Los Angeles. We don't expect any attention to be given this matter by the CAPITALISTS SHEETS. Particularly the CRIMES who in its Editorials of last Monday and Tuesday practically placed a

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SEATTLE RIOTS

By Frank R. Schleis.

Columns after columns of editorial and news matter has been and is being written about the riots which occurred in Seattle on the night of Friday, July 18th. Thru the direct connection therewith of Secretary of the Navy, Josephus Daniels, they have assumed a national aspect. The participation therein of the sailors and soldiers of the U. S. warships lying in the harbor and from the forts surrounding the Puget Sound, have showed to the public the peculiar composition of that great institution, the army and navy, supposed guardians of the country's rights, the constitution, and "Law and order."

Nor has this affair passed without leaving behind a stigma on the ranks of those who are supposed to be the protectors of our liberties. On the other hand, while the organization has been temporarily inconvenienced by the affair, still it has in nowise injured us here in Seattle, as subsequent events have shown. Our headquarters opened up finds the usual visitors, and propaganda meetings an unusual attendance. The Seattle Daily Times, a miserable imitator of the Los Angeles Times, is today practically a discredited sheet. Ream after ream of rot has been reeled off by that slimy sheet, but had it been the workingclass element of Seattle that they had been appealing to, instead of a lot of hoodlums from the army and navy, nothing would have occurred. But this sheet seizing upon the fact that the Secretary of the Navy had seen fit to make an attack upon the champions of human liberty, combined the two into a skillful article carefully calculated to incite riot. Into this Article was cleverly woven the distorted facts of the occurrence of Thursday night when three soldiers received rough treatment from a crowd gathered about to hear a militant suffrage advocate, after the former had compelled her to leave her stand and attempted to slap her on the face. Thus on Friday afternoon the Times blazons out in big headlines "Daniels denounces tolerance of red flag." Sub-headlines read: "I. W. W. denounced by head of navy," "While Daniels arouses patriotism of Rainer Club diners, Anarchists attack wearers of blue." Concluding the article the Times warns "Trouble brewing for I. W. W."

To give the story of the affair as it occurred on Thursday evening, we herewith submit an affidavit made by the speaker herself. She belongs neither to the I. W. W. or to the Socialist party, and her affidavit is borne out by others, scores of which could be obtained if necessary. These are her words:

"Mrs. Anna Miller, being first duly sworn, on oath deposes and says. —

That on the evening of July 17, 1913, at about 9.30 P. M., she borrowed a stand from which to speak, and began to talk on women's rights***; at the beginning of her talk a large sailor in uniform approached her and told her that she, as a woman, had always been a slave, therefore had no right to speak and had better stop trying. On starting to talk the sailor disappeared *****. After the large sailor had been gone about fifteen minutes affiant observed him coming up Washington Street, accompanied

by other men in uniform. The crowd of uniformed men attempted to break up affiant's meeting by jeering, etc., to which affiant replied by advising them to be gentlemen and respect the rights of others. Perceiving their persistence affiant closed her meeting, whereupon the uniformed men took possession of the stand upon which affiant had stood and spoke therefrom. Affiant sent several men to get the box but without success; then affiant went to get the stand in order to return it to the owner, and on asking for it the large sailor originally mentioned raised his fist to strike affiant, whereupon a well dressed man wearing a diamond ring asked him, "You'd hit a woman would you?" and therewith hit him with his fist a number of times. Affiant was grabbed by the other uniformed men, but was successfully carried out of the crowd by members of the I. W. W."

ANNA MILLER.

Henry Borini, being sworn, corroborates the statements made by Anna Miller adding that the "large sailor was sober, his companions drunk." Frank Rask, in a sworn statement, corroborates the other two, after reading their statements, adding: "That affiant heard all of Mrs. Miller's speech while the soldiers were there; that she was talking on religion before they arrived; that she made no reference to the red flag, no reference to the I. W. W., and used no language insulting to the army and navy."

Before the Thursday night affair ended, witnesses say, a dozen or more soldiers and sailors were more or less injured by the crowd. Seizing upon the affair as a pretext, and by carefully distorting and interweaving therein the speech of Secretary Daniels, The Times was able to raise a mob of hoodlums who made the attacks of Friday night. It is significant that at the head of the mob, for the most time, was a certain Mattison, political writer for the Times. That the whole affair was pre-arranged can be seen by the evident systematic method which was pursued.

But long before the attack was made, the I. W. W. had received word of the affair. We were notified that on that evening all the sailors who could possibly be given shore leave would come ashore and make the attack at 7:30 p. m. This information later proved to be correct, as promptly at that time the hoodlums began to put in their appearance yelling and hooting. The headquarters of the I. W. W. at 211 Occidental Ave., where the

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FELLOW-WORKER GAINES.

We are advised that Fellow-Worker I. Gaines, one of our best colored fellow-workers, is still being held in the Lake Charles jail awaiting the action of the "Grand Jury" next month. He is supposed to be held in connection with the dynamite or firecracker that went off in the Merryville bullpen some time ago. HE WAS SICK IN BED WHEN THE THING WENT OFF. We all know what SAWDUST RING "JUSTICE" is and it is up to the Locals to see that Fellow-Worker Gaines is taken care of and DEFENDED to the LAST DITCH.

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EDITORIALS

The I. W. W. Preamble

The working class and the employing class have nothing in common. 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.

Between these two classes a struggle must go on until the workers of the world organize as a class, take possession of the earth and the machinery of production, and abolish the wage system.

We find that the centering of the management of industries into fewer and fewer hands makes the trade unions unable to cope with the ever-growing power of the employing class. The trade unions foster a state of affairs which allows one set of workers to be pitted against another set of workers in the same industry, thereby helping defeat one another in wage wars. Moreover, the trade unions aid in employing class to mislead the workers into the belief that the working class have interests in common with their employers.

These conditions can be changed and the interest of the working class upheld only by an organization formed in such a way that all its members in any one industry, or in all industries, if necessary, cease work whenever a strike or lockout on in any department thereof, thus making an injury to one an injury to all.

Instead of the conservative motto, "A fair day's wage for a fair day's work," we must inscribe on our banner the revolutionary watchword, "Abolition of the wage system."

It is the historic mission of the working class to do away with capitalism. The army of production must be organized, not only for the everyday struggle with capitalism, but also to carry on production when capitalism shall have been overthrown. By organizing industrially we are forming the structure of the new society with the shell of the old.

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PREAMBULO DE LOS TRABAJADORES INDUSTRIALES DEL MUNDO.

La clase trabajadora y la clase patronal no tienen nada en común. No puede haber paz mientras el hambre y la necesidad sea sentida por millones de trabajadores, en tanto que unos pocos que componen la clase patronal disfruten de todas las delicias de la vida.

Entre esas dos clases habrá lucha hasta que los trabajadores del mundo se organicen como una clase, tomen posesión de la tierra y la maquinaria de producción y abolen el sistema de salario.

La centralización de la dirección de las industrias en las manos de unos pocos cada vez menos, imposibilita a las Uniones de oficios para luchar victoriosamente con el siempre creciente poder de la clase capitalista, porque las Uniones de oficios han creado una situación que empuja a un grupo de trabajadores de las mismas industrias, ayudando así al común enemigo para ser derrotados en las luchas del salario. Mas todavía, las Uniones de oficios ayudan a la clase patronal induciendo a los trabajadores a creer que sus intereses son los mismos de sus patronos.

Estas pesimas condiciones pueden ser cambiadas si el interes de la clase trabajadora se une en una Organización formada de tal modo que todos sus miembros en cualquiera industria, o en todas las industrias si es necesario, cesen de trabajar solidarizandose con sus companeros de cualquier departamento, haciendo así: "la injuria hecha a uno, la injuria hecha a todos." En lugar del lema conservador: "un buen salario por un buen día de trabajo," nosotros debemos inscribir en nuestro Estandarte nuestra divisa revolucionaria: "Abolición del sistema de salarios."

Es la misión histórica de la clase trabajadora, hacer desaparecer el capitalismo; el ejército de productores debe ser organizado no únicamente para la lucha diaria con el capitalismo, sino para regularizar la producción cuando este haya sido derribado. Organizandonos industrialmente, formamos la estructura de la nueva sociedad, dentro del cascarón de la vieja. mos la estructura de la nueva sociedad, dentro del cascarón de la vieja.

Conociendo por tanto, que tal organización es absolutamente necesaria para nuestra emancipación, nos unimos bajo una verdadera Organización:

"EL OBRERO TIENE DERECHO AL PRODUCTO INTEGRO DE SU TRABAJO."

ON THE ROAD TO POWER.

We of Los Angeles have undertaken a Campaign of Education and propose to direct our efforts principally to the organization of the Street Railway employees, the Light and Power Co's employees, the Telephone and Telegraph employes and all employees engaged in the manufacture of electrical equipment and appurtenances. On account of the peculiar geographical situation of Southern California the key to the whole industrial field lies in the organization of the above specified workers and once we can control them we can control the whole of this country.

As you know the much advertised Fruit Lands are absolutely worthless without water and water can only be had by pumping. Practically all of the successful pumping outfits are operated by electricity. (The Chamber of COMMERCE don't inform the suckers that buy land that it takes a fortune to get water on the land or that H— would be a fine place IF THEY HAD WATER.)

The Power Factor in this country is ELECTRICITY. It is generated in the hills, hundreds of miles away, and brought into the cities and towns by high tension transmission lines, there "stepped" down or converted into direct current for commercial purposes and every factory, saw mill, lumber-yard, iron foundry, mill, manufactory, street railway, department store or other BUSINESS is absolutely dependent upon it (electricity) for its motive power. Thus by controlling the only Power Factor there is in this country we control all, farm and manufactory alike.

Rumor credits a Mr. Huntington, the controlling influence in the street railway and power business in Southern California, with the statement made at a recent banquet at a prominent hotel in New York City, "I have 5,000 men employed in Southern California and not one a UNION man." He made some error when he made that statement and he should have consulted the I. W. W. first for, by so doing, he could have saved himself a misstatement. There are MEMBERS of the INDUSTRIAL WORKERS on the job although he may not have known it. And from now on there will be an ever increasing number. The I. W. W. have started on the job and as we NEVER FAIL; there will be some interesting doings here.

The plan of organization is roughly outlined in the following:— We will reach the employees through our newspapers with an article each week and also by personal and hand-bill propaganda. The employee will not be seen with a known I. W. W. nor will he be expected to come to meetings or visit the hall. His application for membership will be made by mail, accompanied with the necessary fee and dues, a card will be issued to him WITHOUT his name appearing on the page usually given over to "Name, Address, etc." A separate set of books will be kept with the names of all of the men joining, the Secretary to be the only person to know the names and addresses. And in the regular Day Book, Ledger, etc., will be entered the card number in lieu of a name. Should it ever be found necessary to get in touch with the man that corresponds to a certain number the secretary can refer to the secret INDEX. There can be no real reason for the individual members wanting to know the man that carries card number so-and-so as long as the dues are paid, we don't care what a man's name is so long as we know we can rely upon him when necessary. Thus the sneak, stool-pigeon, spotter and detective are rendered useless; they cannot report to the boss any more than the boss himself could find out by visiting at a meeting, and the employees are absolutely safe until such time as the membership decides that it is time to give the BOSS a shot of direct action and to better working conditions. This kind of organizing cannot be beat for the only two persons knowing just who belongs is the individual himself and the Secretary; the individual will not tell and the Secretary will be tried by a workers court and found guilty if the names leak out. A Secretary who will permit a leak will find himself trying to square it with St. Peter.

Our papers will have a report of what takes place in the meetings so any one may keep in touch with the efforts and progress made. When any member thus secretly, wants to suggest or call to the attention of the organization anything all he has to do is to send it by mail, signing his CARD NUMBER and it will be given the local for consideration. The men here are ripe for organization, but have to be very careful as a perfect system of stool-pigeons exists and the men have to be assured of two things—1st., That we make it impossible for spies or detectives to learn who is a member and, 2nd., That every wage worker connected with the industry be solicited for membership; this of course means power-house men, switch-board men, linemen, cablemen, car repairmen, trackmen, switchmen, flagmen, telephone girls, telegraph operators, MOTORMEN AND CONDUCTORS and all others, both male and female. And that we are to act as one unit regardless of occupation in the interest of all.

To the wage-slave who can read between the lines and recognizes the various sizes and kinds of wooden shoes that can be made to fit the consistent Industrial Unionist, agitation and organization as herem roughly specified, knows that we are unbeatable and that we can bring home the bacon in Southern California. Since we have publicly stated our intention to organize the street railway-men, the A. F. of L. official sheet here has been urging that the A. F. of L. get busy and better the working conditions of the poor slaves in this industry and also the P. E. Ry. Co. has given some of its slaves an increase of 10 per cent. The working conditions for motormen and conductors are particularly bad; two-bits an hour, 10 hours to make \$2.50 and, in order to get in 10 hours, a man will sometimes lay around for 20 hours, being paid only for the hours worked. To the steady slaves is promised a cent an hour increase for each year put in with the company continuously, thus a man starting in at \$2.50 for 10 hours will in the course of one hundred years be receiving \$3.50 for 10 hours, unless he gets sick, dies or gets fired before that. Some capital(istic) prospect, WHAT?

This kind and method of organization will tend to promote the papers sub-list as well as to reach the persons sought through the medium of OUR OWN press and that is what we need, literature propaganda in order that those who will read might be taught the full philosophy of the Industrial Unionist. Many members who do not understand what I. W. W. really means are of less actual value than few who thoroughly understand. The one has no CONVICTION, consequently no courage, the other is full of conviction and likewise courage and will advance the cause of INDUSTRIAL FREEDOM at every opportunity.

Yours for the I. W. W. and Liberty,

J. T. DORAN, Organizer.

Los Angeles, Calif., July 28th., 1913.

Send in a club of Five Annual subscribers or more to "The Voice" and we will send to each, free, a copy of Sabotage, a book every worker should read.

THE FARMER QUESTION.

By Covington Hall.

The farmer question is, in the first place, no question at all. The Southern District of the N. I. U. of F. & L. W. never proposed to organize the farmers as such and never has attempted it. All it sought to do was to bring into its ranks those working farmers who worked in the woods or mills part of the time themselves, or who were so closely connected with the lumber industry, though their sons so working as to have a vital interest in the fight. The situation it was up against was, briefly, this: There is throughout the South a large number of so-called farmers, both freeholders and tenants, who with their families fight the wolf from the door on a PATCH of land. In the timber belts many of these farmes are old retired lumberjacks; their sons are all very probably working in the mills or woods for some Lumber Company while their daughters are working in hotels or telephone exchanges; in the west Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma belt the families of these farmers and those of the forest workers are nearly all closely related through marriage; the entire market of these farmers is the men in the mills, so that they and the forest workers are not only bound together by social ties brought about by inter-marriage but they have the strongest of economic reasons for making common cause with each other against the Lumber Kings on one side and the Landlords on the other.

Where these farmers have heard and understood the message of the I. W. W. they have eagerly accepted it and have from the first been in the vanguard of the fight on the Lumber Trust, and they and the woodsmen have been the last to sound the bugle of retreat. In the beginning of the struggle one of the sharpest of the Lumber Kings said: "We can whip these men in the mills but if these damn working farmers join the woodsmen in their attempt to build up this union, it is only a question of time when we will have to give in; we may put them down for a while, but in the end we will be whipt." He knows the situation in this timber belt better than any other Lumber King who claims to own it and had good reason to know whereof he spoke.

In many a strike these working farmers have since demonstrated the true revolutionary spirit, throwing open their doors to the evicted and placing everything eatable at the disposal of strikers, and they and the woodsmen will yet make John Henry Kirby and his hellions take backwater.

None but those who have seen with their own eyes can know the state of these "corn-patch" farmers, the tremendous battle they are making to keep from starving on the soil, the economic slavery that is their portion from the cradle to the grave. So hard is their lot in Alabama that the Commissioner of Labor of that State has stated that when they were gathered into the cotton mills "it was an ACTUAL-IMPROVEMENT IN THEIR ECONOMIC CONDITION." What, then, must seem the "improvement" to them when they are carried into the lumber industry, of the West especially? Pancer has said that nearly all the North Carolina "Tarheels" scabbed during the late forest strike in the Northwest, but in the west Louisiana belt these working farmers and their sons are the first to answer the call to strike and the last to go back. Why? Because they have heard the message of the ONE BIG UNION and believe in its principles. Had the A. F. of L. been a real labor union, had it even made an attempt to carry the propaganda of UNIONISM to these men and women battling with hunger on the patch farms of the South, the vast army of strikebreakers, white as well as colored, that has been drawn from their ranks would never have been at the command of the Masters of Bread. Not only have they been used against the miners and forest workers but against the railroadmen and seamen, as well; yet Hickey, myself and others who have insisted on carrying the message of the Union to them have been derided as "compromisers of the Revolution," etc., and-so-on. Yet wheresoever the seed have been sown, they have been exceeding fruitful. As to whether or not we have acted correctly, it is only a question of whether the I. W. W. will leave these men, as have all organizations since the collapse of the Knights of Labor, to be an immense reserve from which to draw strikebreakers and military material at the will of the Master Class, or whether it will take advantage of a situation that is all in its favor and turn this force, a mighty one when once awakened, against the Industrial Despotism. That's all there is to the farmer question in the South.

There is but one other thing to consider in their affect on the Revolutionary Movement and that is: The spirit of COMMUNISM is still strong among them, for they are FORCED to render self-help to each other at all times, and this COMMUNISTIC SPIRIT, once organized, should be a tremendous force to hurl against the enemies of mankind, the Capitalist Class.

The Woodsmen and their working farmer kin have been the backbone of the Southern District from the first and they are now covering the retreat of the Union, have been both its vanguard and rear-guard, and their dogged resistance will yet turn the tide of battle and sweep down the hellish labor system that has so long kept the South in rags, hunger, misery and tears.

Many blacklisted lumberjacks are to-day digging out an existence on some "corn-patch" farm, refusing to acknowledge defeat and ever watching an opportunity to rush the Masters of Bread and plant the crimson banner of Industrial Democracy triumphant over the stockades of the Southern Lumber Operators Association. These men and women are the cream of the army of the Revolution and it is such as they who will yet and soon bring the long, long night of slavery to its end for,—"THE WORLD IS FOR THE STRONG."

THE BEARERS OF THE LIGHT.

What though you sawed Isaiah in the hollow of a tree, what though you hung the Nazarene upon Mount Calvary, what though the Sage of Athens did the poison hemlock take, what though your vile religion burned great Bruno at the stake—what though a million martyred ones have gone your bloody way, their souls, ye wolves, you could not kill, they're with us all to-day! You think that now you'll hide your guilt beneath a saintly sham—for all your philanthropic gifts we do not give a damn! Your libraries and colleges, endowments great and small, your churches and cathedrals, we spurn them one and all! Your monster creeds and humbugs, your goblins and your hell, no longer on our quickened brains conjure their magic spell! Go—take them where you forged them, back to the savage night—we follow those you thought were dead, the Bearers of the Light!—"The Melting Pot."

Re "The Industrial Worker"

Action of Los Angeles Locals on "Worker" Controversy.

July 15th, 1913.

Moved and Seconded:

That Secretary be instructed to write G. E. B. that Los Angeles Locals are not satisfied with the ruling suspending Smith and leaving Heslewood on the paper. That he be further instructed to say that unless Heslewood he suspended within two weeks from date that Los Angeles Locals would cut off bundle order and support Portland resolution.

CARRIED.

July 22nd:

Moved and Seconded:

That all communications concerning "Worker" controversy be laid over awaiting report of G. E. B.

CARRIED.

July 29th:

Moved and Seconded:

That in view of the fact that G. E. B. session ended thirty days ago and the board has failed to give a report to the membership of their action and furthermore have failed to take action toward removing or suspending Heslewood from the "Worker." Be it Resolved by

Los Angeles Locals to instruct the secretary to wire the "Worker" office to discontinue our bundle order until such time as the wishes of the rank and file of the I. W. W. have been complied with.

CARRIED.

Moved and Seconded:

Should the G. E. B. pay the expenses of Fred Heslewood to the next convention that the membership of the I. W. W. demand that the expenses of Walker C. Smith be paid to the convention so that the delegates and the membership shall have full knowledge of the entire controversy.

NOTE:—The former action of the locals to concur in the Portland locals was not embodied in the motion to discontinue bundle order.

(Seal).

(Signed) W. B. COOK,
Sec'y L. A. Locals.

RESOLUTION OF PROTEST OF LOCAL 245, I. W. W.

San Pedro, Calif., July 25, 1913.

WHEREAS, The G. E. B. has exceeded the power vested in them by arbitrarily removing Walker C. Smith from being Editor of the Industrial Worker, of Spokane, Wash., and refusing to accept the resignation of Fred Heslewood as Business Manager of said paper. Thus making the referendum the only power vested in the membership null and void. And thereby removing all control from the rank and file. Thus setting a precedent to establish a dictatorship. Therefore, be it Resolved,

That Local 245, San Pedro, Calif., is in hearty accord with all protesting Locals. And do hereby condemn the action of the G. E. B.

And be it further Resolved,

That copies of this resolution be sent to Industrial Worker, Solidarity, The Voice of the People and National Headquarters.

(Signed):
RODERICK J. MACDONALD,
MARTIN BERKLEY,
W. J. BELL,
Com. on Resolutions.
S. L. DODGE, Sec., 245.

STENOGRAPHIC REPORT OF CONVENTION DEMANDED.

Resolution issued by Local 245 (I. W. W.) of San Pedro, Calif., demanding a complete stenographic report of the proceedings of the next Convention.

Whereas, The work of the organization (I. W. W.) has been alarmingly hampered owing to the lack of a complete stenographic report, causing secretaries to waste time and money asking questions pertaining to the Convention for the information of the membership receiving from Headquarters but scant and incomplete replies to the dissatisfaction of the membership;

Therefore, be it Resolved,

That Local 245, San Pedro, Calif., place itself on record as demanding a complete stenographic report of the proceedings of the next Convention. And respectfully ask all Locals to cooperate to enforce this demand.

And be it further Resolved,
That copies of this resolution be sent to the Industrial Worker, Solidarity, The Voice of the People, and National Headquarters.

(Signed):

RODERICK J. MACDONALD,
MARTIN BERKLEY,
W. J. BELL,

Com. on Resolution.
S. L. DODGE, Sec'y, 245.
San Pedro, Calif., July 26, 1913.

TACOMA RESOLUTIONS.

To All Members of the I. W. W.: Fellow-Workers:—

Owing to the many strikes, and the activity of the powers which be, to suppress all I. W. W. agitators and agitations; we feel that the time is too critical for us to encourage any internal dissension, and after investigating the matter of Smith and Heslewood's trouble; it is a result of the personal differences of opinion existing between two parties regarding the management of the paper.

While we agree that the case is of serious magnitude, still we believe to boycott the WORKER at this time, would result in something of more serious moment. Then considering the fact that the annual convention is so near at hand when these things will be thrashed out in full, therefore: we ask all who are in accord with the principles of the I. W. W. and wish to push forward the movement for EMANCIPATION! Will agree with us, and postpone for the present any action that would tend toward destruction of this great weapon of LABOR, THE INDUSTRIAL WORKER.

And, furthermore: Fellow-Workers, do you realize what it has cost in the sacrifice of human life to build up our press to its present size? Remember, the I. W. W. press is a great menace to the capitalist system, which is proven by their actions against it.

Fellow-Workers do you realize what the cost has been to the REBELS of the North West, not only the money it has cost, but the sacrifice of time and the misery, not to mention those of our Fellow-Workers who have been crushed and maimed for life under the iron heel, and some have lost their lives in this great struggle to build up this great galling gun, which is firing SHOT AFTER SHOT into the strong hold of the enemy.

Would you muzzle this gun? WOULD YOU? After due consideration we venture to say that we don't believe it. Remember that the INDUSTRIAL WORKER IS THE WESTERN ORGAN OF THE I. W. W. and no member should attempt to tear down what it has taken years to BUILD UP.

If the Editor or Editors of the INDUSTRIAL WORKER have not fulfilled their duties, the paper is not responsible, but rather the individuals. THEN WHY BOYCOTT THE PAPER? We say! DON'T BOYCOTT THE INDUSTRIAL WORKER, BUT CAN THE DISRUPTORS IF ANY.

If an individual on the paper staff is using disrupting tactics, tie a can to him, and if they are all disruptors can them, all, and put on a new staff, but above all, stand with the principles of INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM. Always hold on to what we have gained, for we must move forward and not stand still.

With due consideration, we, the Tacoma Locals I. W. W. in their last regular Business meeting, have voted to keep the INDUSTRIAL WORKER IN THE FIELD, and we hope that all locals will see the necessity of such action. So hoping for the co-operation of all true REBELS in building up a greater I. W. W. press we remain, YOURS FOR EMANCIPATION.

By the Committee:

MARCUS A. OTIS,
GUS. SCHUTZLER,
A. J. MARTIN,
GUS. SCHUTZLER,
Joint Secretary.

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WALKER SMITH ANSWERS ANOTHER "CHARGE."

To All Members of the I. W. W.:—

In the issue of the "Industrial Worker" dated July 24 a charge is made that I stole a mailing list of that paper. IT IS A LIE!

At quite frequent intervals during my term as editor of the "Industrial Worker," I secured mailing lists from the mailer, Jos. O'Neil, for various kinds of uses in connection with the work on the paper and the organization. For the sending out of expiration notices, for the clipping of a portion of the said list to send to boosters so that they might secure renewals, for the purpose of circularizing when special issues were about to be printed, for the purpose of getting news accounts of labor troubles in places where we had no regular correspondents and in many other ways were these lists used. Not one was ever used or intended for use outside of the organization.

(Signed):

WALKER C. SMITH.

PHILADELPHIA D. C. MOTION.

Fellow-Workers:—

At last meeting of District Council, the following motion was carried without a dissenting vote: "That we condemn George Speed for his actions while here in Philadelphia, and that we demand that he be recalled from here for doing nothing, and that we refuse to recognize him as National Organizer, and, furthermore, we have same motion published in Solidarity, Industrial Worker, The Voice of the People and Social War.

Let the rank and file know what we think of the G. E. B.

Yours for Industrial Freedom,
J. J. MILLER, Sec.
Philadelphia, Pa., July 31st, 1913.

"A DAMNED LIE."

"Mother Jones, looks as fresh as a young girl, but when you ask her about her 'boys,' her face takes on a sad look, and her voice sounds tired, as she shakes her head and tells you about them. She told me that the report in Justice, about conditions in W. Va., were correct.

She said that the report of the National Committee was a damned lie. That the charges made in Justice were true."

The above is from a letter of Nina Lane McBride, who is now in Washington, D. C., with Mother. It's now up to the "investigating" (?) triumvirate, Debs, Berger and Germer, to yowl "bummeryite," "anarchist" and all their borrowed "Weekly People" yells at Mother Jones, too, it would seem.

O you "great leaders!" God save us from our "leaders!"

Fleming to Lecture

A lecture, which is likely to prove interesting as well as instructive, on the subject of "The Economic Interpretation of History," showing the progress of social evolution and the inevitability of Socialism, will be delivered at Sewerage and Water Board Employees' Hall, 314 St. Charles Street, on Friday, Aug. 8, at 8 p. m., by R. P. Fleming, under the auspices of the Workers' Educational League. Everybody welcome. Admission free.

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MARINE NEWS.

On Thursday July 31st., the last of the 43 men that were arrested on June 11th., in connection with the Fruit Trust's riots on the river front were discharged; their names are F. Prego and R. Knudson, who were charged with extra charges of shooting at with intent to kill, and assault and battery, but the state had no evidence to convict, so that the charge fell through, but still the state attorney wanted the trial put back again for the third time, and Judge Fisher, whom, I think must have been sick of such trumped up charges, discharged these men without a hearing.

The Local Union of the Marine Transport Workers, having finished fighting the Fruit Trust, have now to fight the Shipping Master, Beck Johnston, as all the ships that belong to the Fruit Trust and also those chartered by them are being

mostly by the men that live in this sniping master and saion keeper's house, and it is said that he gets two Dollars for every ship without turning a hand for it. But still there are some of the masters of the vessels who have proven themselves gentlemen such as the Masters of the S. S. Bluefields, a chartered ship, and the S. S. Bustard of the Atlantic Transport Co., for these gentlemen have stood by the Union men, and have given their word to do so in the future. This shipping master on Saturday August 2nd. tried to get the master of the S. S. Bustard, to break the wages of the firemen Five Dollars (\$5.00) per month, by saying that the Fruit Trust had Broken up the Union, and the men that are still here are all working for Forty Dollars (\$40.00) per month, and if the Union men that were aboard the ship at that time would not work for that wage, he would supply men that would, as he had men ready to take the jobs, but when the Union's Representative met the master of the ship, and explained the situation, he kept the Union men aboard and the wages the same.

There is now here an organizer of the A. F. of L. who is trying to organize the Sailors and the "Anglo-Saxon" firemen of this port into one Union of the A. F. of L. This organizer comes here from Mobile, but why did this "Federation" not send this man when the fight was on between the United Seamen Union and the Fruit Trust? Or why is it that this same A. F. of L. refused to send money to pay the expenses of the funeral of one of its members when he was murdered? Or again why is it that this same lot of fakerationists always keep its members at work while other workers are fighting their Masters, and then when all has been peaceful-

ly settled, they come in and try to cause disruption among the members of other organizations, just as they are trying to do at present in New Orleans?

W. J. P.

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Police Hyenas Cornered in Los Angeles.

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premium on the clubbing of Citizens by the police and who continually advocate LAWLESSNESS and VIOLENCE under a thin and smug veneer of Piety and Virtue.

Protest meetings are to be arranged and we earnestly request that in the meantime you communicate with the COMMITTEE, care I. W. W. Secretary, 781 San Pedro St.

This is not a fight by or in the interest of any individual Organization but in the interest of HUMANITY and with a desire to compel the police force to act legally as well as anybody else. To refuse support in a matter of this kind indicates that you are perfectly willing to have either yourself or a member of your own family treated in this outrageous manner. If the policemen of Los Angeles can club Citizens at their option, why NOBODY is safe, for a policeman may at any time get PEEVED at any of us. In justice to many of the men on the police force let it be said that they do not believe in or practice clubbing. Where we do find men that will resort to unnecessary VIOLENCE while employed as police officers, the best thing for all concerned is to force them out of their positions and prosecute them as any other common CRIMINAL.

Trusting that you will give this matter your consideration and IMMEDIATE support both morally and FINANCIALLY,

We beg to remain,
YOURS FOR JUSTICE AND THE
OVERTHROW OF TYRANNY.

J. T. D., Committee:

DORAN,
BENDER,
HAWKINS,
DARRINGTON.

All contributions will be acknowledged and anyone interested will be further informed as to developments and progress. COMMUNICATE AND LEND YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS, A CASE WHERE "THE LADY OF JUSTICE" HAS BEEN OUSTED IN FAVOR OF THE ULTIMATE IN BRUTALITY.

Los Angeles, Calif., July 25, 1913.

Frisco M. T. W. on Job.

We have started a new Transport Workers Local here in Frisco and have got the labor skates on the sailors and coast seamens union scared to death, as the sentiment is strong among the slaves here for the ONE BIG UNION, but they are not joining us at present in any great numbers on account of petty differences, such as the claim that we are against the Church and are trying to break up the rest of the unions, etc., but as soon as we get them cleared up as to our principles, we expect to do good work for the organization.

Fellow-Worker McDermot has been speaking every Monday evening for some time past in front of the Sailor's Hall, and last night when he attempted to speak in the old place, as usual, the labor skates of the sailors and seamens unions had a big bunch of Sissor bill Slaves on hand to try and break up the meeting, but failed although they tried as hard as possible to do so.

The Labor Fakers seeing this would not work, proceeded to call the Police who came in and arrested Fellow-Worker Fred Muller and scattered the crowd and they (the Fakers) thought they had done a smart trick, but as Fellow-Worker Muller was being taken away in the wagon, the Bulls told him about the frame up, and we found out just how much the Fakers are afraid of the ONE BIG UNION.

Fellow-Worker Muller was turned up free this morning which must have been quite a slap in the face to the Labor Fakers.

As things go along, I will let you know what goes on. I can not say what the enemy's next move will be, but can say we are ready to meet them any old time to discuss the issue before their own members and see who is the better man.

FRED L. TIFFANY,

Acting Sec'y., No. 9, M. T. W.
No. 9 Mission Street, San Francisco,
Cal., July 29th, 1913.

Marinos Del Puerto de New Orleans Alerta.

(By J. Filgueira.)

Marinos del puerto de New Orleans, tener cuidado no os dejes seducir por el engano, de esos perros falderos, llamados Degades de la Union de Bodine y Co, me gusta ponerlos de acuerdo, por un ses caso; El sabado dia 2, llevo a este puerto Harry Giddy, mandado por Bodine, con la mision de Organizar marineros y fogonerous Anglo-Saxgonos, que si son latinos ya no valen, a estos ultimos que los parta un rayo, Esta es una prueba mas para todos aquellos que no estan desengañados de la Organizacion de Bodine, tan solo admite los que ellos le llaman anglo-Saxjones, los latinos para esa union, es veneno, que la transforma en muy poco tiempo si llega admitirlos.

Dice Mr. Bodine y Co, que los Latinos somos muy revolucionarios, pero yo lo entiendo todo lo contrario, los latinos y particularmente los espanoles que hoy pertenecemos a la union, tenemos los ojos mas abiertos que hace cuatro anos pasados, que miramos mas por los intereses de la organizacion que los que pertenecen a la Federacion de Bodine y Co, si este llegara a ser secretario de la Union de fogoneros como lo es de la union de marineros en la actualidad, no creo que estuviere dos semanas en el cargo, este es el motivo de llamarnos revolucionarios; Pero el propio que llega de parte de Bodine, con la mision de reorganizar los marineros y fogoneros para la union de la A. F. de L. creo tendra que marcharse con el rabo entre las piernas, que si anda con el muy descubierto, quizas no ande con el muy seguro, por primera vez, no fue muy mal recibido, que los marineros que a la union de Bodine y Co, que antes se embarcaban de esquiros, y de esquiros que no embarcaban que en este puerto hay una verdadera organizacion que es la de los I. W. W.

Ahora esta de parte de los marineros y lo mismo de los fogoneros, que al presentarse uno de esos comisionados de Mr. Bodine y Co, pregonando la mentira de la organizacion, este debe llevar su mercedo para que no lleven acabo su obra tan degradada, que es el engano de los marinos, y encuanto muchos no se desengañen, tarde sera cuando el marino lleve a su emancipacion, y encuanto los marineros y los fogoneros, no pertenezcan a una sola organizacion, la derrota esta siempre de parte nuestra; Pero si todos pertenecemos a una sola organizacion como un solo hombre, entonces seremos invencibles, hoy es el dia que en el puerto de Boston y Philadelphia, se estan preparando bastante bien, organizando fogoneros marineros y estibadores en una sola union, y esta sera la salvacion de este puerto, y para esto nosotros debemos estar siempre preparados para cuando llegue la hora, y estoy convencido de que en muy poco tiempo, la Co de la fruta tendra que mandar los 164 chinos para donde los traiga, y esto tiene que suceder asi; Por lo tanto todos debemos laborar con entusiasmo para mantener la organizacion fuerte como la tuvimos hasta la fecha, y entonces el triunfo coronara nuestros deseos muy pronto, habiendo fuerza en la organizacion no hay ley ni policia ni ejercito, que domine a la clase trabajadora.

Tambien debo poner en conocimiento de los fogoneros de este puerto, que deben apartarse del embarcador Beck Johnson, que esta metiendo mucho la pata en los barcos de la fruta, y todo el pajaro que vuela mucho se le deben cortar las alas, para que se vaya mas despacio, este es el contrario mas grande que tenemos en este puerto, y muchos no hacen caso a esto, pero si se le debe poner mucha atencion, porque para embarcar en los barcos tiene que rebajar los sueldos cinco pesos, como lo hizo en el Bluefields, y lo quiso hacer en los barcos de la union como el Burstard que ya tenia la tripulacion preparada a \$40 pero alli le salio el tiro por la culata, y si esto no se para ahora, dentro de un par de meses hay que ir a para ra su casa todo el que quiera embarcar, pero si todos los que nos interesamos por la union, ponemos un poco de atencion, y al mismo tiempo hacer algo practico esto es muy facil de abolir, haciendo un poco de guardia al embarcador, y tambien a los que por el embarcan, esto se acaba en ocho dias, y entonces seran los embarques libres y pagaran los sueldos de la union, ahora empieza Beck Johnson, por embarcar marineros en

los barcos de la fruta, y dentro de una semana o dos embarcara fogoneros, y los espanoles que estamos en esta puerto no tendremos un solo barco para trabajar, por lo tanto aqui debe empezarse una campana, en contra de los embarcadores y de quien embarca por ellos, y si asi no se hace, entonces la esclavitud entro en el puerto de New Orleans, y esto seria una verguena para nosotros el dejarnos pisar de una manera tan degradada, por lo tanto debemos poner manos a la obra cuanto mas antes, sin darle tiempo a que tomen mucha fuerza, que luego sera mas dificil el pararlos.

SEATTLE RIOTS

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larger part of the organization is, was first attacked. But as we had received word of the affair, all the books, records and effects of the organization were carefully put away, the electric lights were put out of commission and the entrance door barricaded. This precaution alone saved the headquarters from total destruction. Entrance was made by means of a fire escape, and evidently the "Noble defenders" had little inclination to perform any great physical labor, and so left the larger part of our effects intact. Reports have been made that many of the soliders had bayonets under their coats, while the sign at the entrance was shot to pieces with revolver shots. The police, too, had little inclination to interfere with the work of destruction, and we expect took a secret satisfaction in seeing the work go on. One policeman went so far as to boost a short sailor up the fire escape.

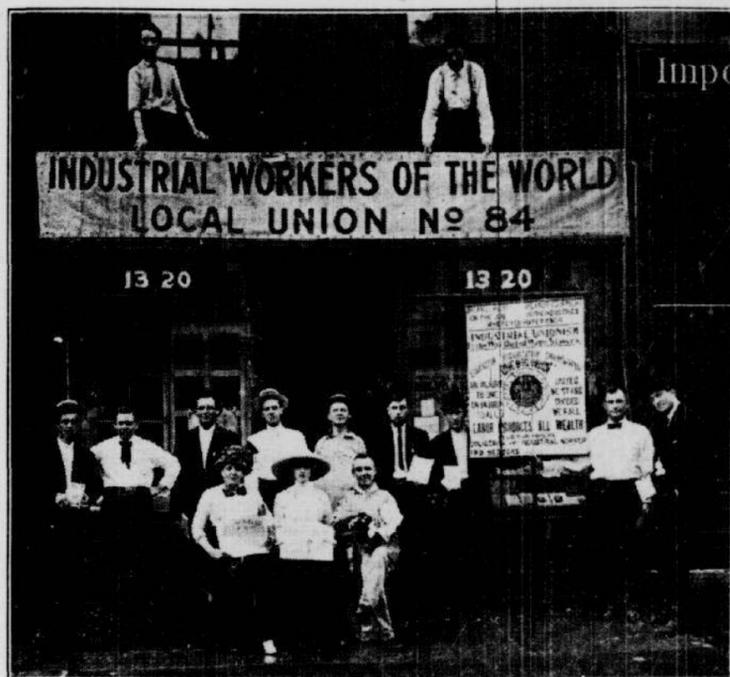
From here the mob proceeded to the upper end of town in search of more property to destroy. Missing the I. W. W. headquarters, which had just moved to a new headquarters, the fifth ward headquarters of the Socialist Party was destroyed, the effects piled in the street and burned. Next the fourth ward headquarters were visited and same process undergone. These were the principal headquarters of the Socialist Party in this city. Following this destruction the other I. W. W. hall was finally located and the mob continued their work of destruction and arson. Saturday night we were threatened with a renewal of the attack, but nothing occurred.

Saturday afternoon saw the issuance of a proclamation by the mayor closing the saloons and ordering all editions of the Times suppressed unless the matter was first submitted for approval. Against these orders, both the saloons and the Times found speedy relief when Judge Humphrey's issued an injunction. And so the affair came to a close. Thousands of persons who were in the city to celebrate the four days of the Golden Potlatch had an opportunity to witness some of the fine work of the "law and order" defenders. In the meantime they had also an occasion to hear a little of the I. W. W.

While investigations being carried on may produce sensational developments, the Press of Seattle seem to be anxious to have the whole affair closed and forgotten. The Seattle Star in headlines announces "Let us Forget it" while the Post-Intelligencer adds editorially, "We have had enuf of the affair." Meanwhile the Times, in the issues of Tuesday afternoon and evening sought to create another riot by running blurring full page headlines reading "Stabbed by I. W. W.'s Army Sergeant dies" and "Murder sequel to attack on uniform." Beneath these headlines was a carefully prepared story telling of the death of one of the wounded sailors, even describing minutely the death agonies endured. The article failed of its purpose and the next day the papers of the city denounced the fake.

To-day the Times is a thoroughly discredited sheet. The Star says editorially: "All the decent papers of this city are unanimous, and there is little to fear from the degenerate filth poured out from the Times." The Sun under black flag with skull and cross bones says: "The time is opportune for Alden J. Blethen to pull down the American flag from the top of his editorial page in the Times and substitute therefor the Jolly Roger, with the crossbones and skull.

The black flag is the only one under



A BUNCH OF ST. LOUIS REDS

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Portland Free Speech Fight.

Portland, Oregon, July 29, 1913.

Fellow Workers:—

You may have read something in the daily papers about the Portland Free speech fight, and I have therefore been instructed to briefly explain the circumstances.

It started with a strike of women cannery workers which was practically under S. L. P. leadership, mostly because they had the only available woman speaker. Street meetings were held, continuously, in front of the cannery and elsewhere.

This gave the M. and M. and their political servants the chance to stop street speaking and several of the strike meetings were broken up by the police. The speakers were arrested, as were a number of other people who showed any inclination to resist, or who happened to wear working clothes or a red tie. Open air meetings were restricted to the plaza—where there is barely room for one meeting at a time—and even there the speaker is liable to arrest if he drifts away from the approved Sunday School manner of speech.

The daily papers were unanimous in giving us all the blame or credit, although we had nothing to do with it, thus showing that it was the authorities were after. They had made elaborate preparations for us to take up the fight, and we took the cue—and kept quiet.

A free speech league was formed, and we were invited to participate. We sent the following reply to the invitation:

Chas. K. Otten;

Secretary Free Speech League:—

I have been instructed by the Portland locals of the I. W. W. to inform you that we decline to participate in the proposed Free Speech League.

Our reasons for this attitude are; first, that our methods of carrying on a free speech fight are so radically different from any of the methods that the proposed league can use, that we do not see how any real co-operation is possible. Any attempt you may make to win free speech through the courts or through influencing the general public opinion, would only be hindered by us if we took any part in it. We have therefore decided to remain quiet until your methods have been tried, or as long as the authorities will let us.

If your methods should fail to bring the desired results, it would be an additional justification for the methods we may use in our fight.

which it is proper for him to pursue his piratical newspaper career.

The American flag is dishonored and disgraced by its use on the Times."

And so ends another chapter in the history of the I. W. W. in the West.

We believe the harmonious relations between the revolutionary organizations will best be served by avoiding artificial and illogical agreements and combinations.

Yours for Industrial Freedom,
B. E. NILSSON,
Sec'y Local 92, 93, and 141.

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Ball Woodsmen Win.

The steel gang on Sweet Home front won out and are going to work this a. m., with free board. The bosses had already made several efforts but the boys refused all until they came up to their demands, which was done Wednesday evening, the 29th of July, making second victory here.

It is reported that the mill will start up with a half crew of scabs, scabing on scabs.

Many eyes are being opened by the solidarity and victory of the track crew and woodsmen.

Yours for the O. B. U.
W. C. TAYLOR.

Merryville Union Barbecue.

Every body lay your plans to come to the big barbecue on Sept. the 1st., where we will faithfully attend to the inner-man and also give your Think-Tanks a jolt. Some of the best speakers will be with us that day, for a sample, Jay Smith, Phineas Eastman, A. L. Emerson, and others. So there will be a good time for every one.

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