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"WAR FOR HUMANITY" A QUEER CONCOCTION

Poor France Wasn't Too Poor To Murder The
Soldiers And Then Call For Help

PARIS—Andre Berthon, the deputy who is leading the fight for the punishment of high military officers responsible for the indiscriminate execution of French soldiers during the war, is having difficulty in obtaining a hearing before the chamber of deputies. During his protest against the refusal of the chamber to hear his charges in connection with the scandal, Berthon managed to bring out additional details in the case of the two lieutenants ordered executed without trial by General Boyer.

Berthon told the chamber that "the captain commanding the firing party was overcome with emotion and refused to give the order to fire. It was actually Lieutenant Herduin himself—one of the two condemned officers—who commanded the men to carry out the painful duty and who gave the fatal order which brought death to himself and to his comrade."

General Boyer, who on being appealed to by the condemned men to give them a hearing scrawled across their written request the words: "No remarks. Execution immediately," still enjoys a high command in the French army. During the discussion Minister of War Barthou declared he was ready to "over" Boyer.

As was mentioned in this correspondence Lieutenants Herduin and Milan were executed at Lieury in June, 1916, on the ground that they had, without authority, given the order to their men to retire after their companies had been reduced to half strength and were exhausted by heavy fighting. The officers were given no trial.

Another incident of the war which has stirred France is published in "La Voix du Combattant," the French ex-service men's paper. In September, 1914, during the German advance and the French retreat from Charleroi, a soldier in the Fourth Zouave regiment fell exhausted in the village of Reully-Savigny and was placed by his of-

ficer under the care of the mayor of the place.

That evening the soldier died mysteriously. His mother, however, was not satisfied with the report of his death and made long and careful inquiries into it. Eventually she discovered that her son had been thrown into the River Marne by the mayor with the aid of two councillors, who were apprehensive of their treatment if the advancing Germans should learn that they had sheltered a French soldier.

This information came to the mother only after the armistice, and she immediately lodged a formal accusation against the mayor. Some time later she received from the public prosecutor a letter in which he confirmed the fact that the boy had been murdered under horrible circumstances, and declared that the mayor would have been sent to the next assizes if he had not already committed suicide.

FINE PIE FOR PROFITEERS; STARVATION FOR EX-SERVICE MEN

The treatment of the returned soldiers shows better than anything else that the reason the masters wanted war was not to help the country and to make the world better, but to fill the pockets of the profiteers.

In the shipbuilding department alone is a scandal so outrageous that only the most thick-skinned pirates can have anything but contempt for the management of the war industries.

Not a cent for the soldiers out of the whole wreckage of the war. In order that this may not seem exaggeration we herewith give you a chance to read the story printed in the Duluth Herald. This paper is not dangerous. It is "red" and would not overstate the matter which involves its own friends.

(From the Duluth Herald)

NEW YORK, July 18.—In the course of a talk on board the Leviathan late Saturday in Hoboken, Chairman Albert D. Lasker of the

shipping board remarked that the board's loss was almost \$4,000,000. That is the highest figure ever placed on it.

He reiterated that the new board inherited "the greatest commercial wreck of all time."

"It inherited assets that were mostly liabilities," he said. "The wooden ships alone cost \$240,000,000 and will be sold, salvaged or sunk before Oct. 1. They are commercially impractical."

Several facts about the Leviathan were learned as a result of Chairman Lasker's visit to the vessel.

Plan to Rebuild Ship.

A plan to recondition the vessel and place it in the transatlantic service will be put before the new board at once. A decision as to what to do is to be made in thirty days. If Chairman Lasker has his own way it will be operated. The project has progressed so far that forty draftsmen are at work in the grand salon.

The International Mercantile Ma-

rine company has not merely an option on the boat's service but a contract to operate it for five years. The plan of the company is to place the Leviathan in service between here, Southampton and Hamburg, along with the new Majestic, formerly the German Bismark, which it has acquired. The Leviathan will be under the American flag in the American line; the Majestic under the British flag in the White Star line.

Cost Set at Ten Million

The shipping board will pay for refitting the Leviathan. Estimates for the work vary from \$8,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

To replace the Leviathan would cost between \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000, according to Chairman Lasker. The exact cost of the Leviathan never was made public. It was believed to have been around \$10,000,000.

The upkeep alone while lying idle in Hoboken cost \$60,000 a month for a time, but has been reduced to \$36,000.

VERDICT IS "GUILTY" IN SACCO-VANZETTI CASE

Another Nail Driven Into Coffin Of Capitalism
By New Frame-up Outrage

By JOHN NICHOLAS BEFFEL
Dedham, Mass., July 15.—"We are innocent; you are killing two innocent men," was the cry of Nicola Sacco last night as he and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were found guilty of first degree murder. Sacco's wife threw her arms around him crying hysterically; "they shall not take my Nick away from me," she screamed, as Sacco was handcuffed and led away. Vanzetti was silent, stoical. The jury was out only five hours. The defence will begin a new fight immediately to save the defendants from the electric chair. The defendants will not be sentenced till November on account of the necessary appeal proceedings.

Giving of evidence in the Sacco-Vanzetti trial was concluded on the thirty-third day. The final offering was made by the defence—a translation of the copy for a handbill found in the pocket of Nicola Sacco on the night of his arrest. This translation read:

"Fellow Workers: You have fought all the wars; you have worked for all the capitalists; you have wandered over all the countries. Have you harvested the fruits of your labors—the prizes of your victories? Does the past comfort you? Does the present smile on you? Does the future promise you anything? Have you found a piece of land where you can live like a human being and die like a human being?"

"On these questions, on this argument and on this theme, 'The Struggle for Existence,' Bartolomeo Vanzetti will speak. (Here followed blank spaces for hour, date and place of meeting.)

"Admission free. Freedom of discussion to all. Take the ladies with you."

This referred to the Salsedo protest meeting which Sacco and Vanzetti were arranging in Brockton for the Sunday following Salsedo's death. Vital evidence in favor of Sacco was given by the last two defense witnesses, Enrico Iacobelli and Michael Kelly. The latter owns the Three X shoe factory in Stoughton where Sacco worked. He was called by the defence to identify a letter which he wrote to Iacobelli on April 8, 1920, offering him a job which Sacco was soon to vacate in view of Sacco's intended departure for Italy.

Iacobelli replied, saying he could not see Kelly until April 15; Kelly then wrote saying to come on. Iacobelli testified that he did go to see Kelly on April 15 and also visited Sacco's home close by the factory and talked with Mrs. Sacco about where Nicola was and about the passport which Sacco had gone that day to Boston to get.

Judge Webster Tayer allotted two hours to Defense Counsel Fred H. Moore for his closing argument in behalf of Sacco and two hours to McAnarney for his argument in behalf of Vanzetti. Prosecutor Frederick Katzmann was accorded four hours for final summing up against the defendants, who are accused of killing a paymaster and payroll guard, Frederick Parmenter and Alexander Berardelli, and robbing the Slater & Morrill Shoe Company at Braintree of \$16,000.

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Opening Of The Congress Of The Communist International

MOSCOW, June 23rd.—"Rosta, Wien."—The huge Moscow Theatre was filled to overflowing. The stage boxes and parkett were filled with the delegates to the congress. All other parts were crammed with the representatives of the Moscow proletariat. One could hear conversations in every tongue of Europe and Asia. The members of the Executive Committee of the Communist International appeared on the stage. Sinovjev Declared The Congress Opened.

Our first word, began Sinovjev, shall be dedicated to the comrades who have fallen in the struggle for Communism. In Berlin comrade Syll has been buried, and in Turkey a group of the most active Communists have given their lives. In Italy not a day passes without the White terror demanding its victims. In the March action the German party had lost several hundred of their best comrades. Also among the participants of the second congress there are victims to be deplored. A group of French and Greek comrades who wished to get through the cordon of the bourgeois to their own lands had to pay with their lives.

The enemies of Communism refer to the events in Italy, Czechoslovakia and Germany and say that the Communist International has suffered a defeat. We believe however that such events are unavoidable. The long chain of the struggle of the working class consists of such events. We know them here in Russia also but in the end the revolutionary movement won the upper hand. The struggles of the past year are without doubt a step forwards. Capitalism is going through a severe crises. In Europe and America there are millions of unemployed.

The strike of the English miners is an example of the endurance of the workers and in spite of the treachery of the leaders will still last many weeks. Today we have received reports of new strikes in Italy and quite recently a three-day strike took place in Bavaria.

In the last year our party has grown very strong. In the last congress only a small group of French delegates took part and this

time the French delegates represent a party of 120,000 members. From Czechoslovakia instead of a few delegates we have to greet representative of a party of 400,000 members. The English and American parties have completed the union which gives them the possibility of appearing with a solid front.

The White terror cannot destroy our party and cannot stop its irresistible growth. We do not need any Opportunists. Instead of the last year's representatives of the Italian Socialists the delegates of the new Communist party of Italy are in our midst. It is much better for us that we have freed ourselves from all Centrist and reformist leaders and the day is not far distant when all the Italian workers will stand in our ranks.

Last year the representatives of Right German Independent Socialists came to unite with us so that they could sabotage our work from within. When we would not hear anything of it they founded the second and a half International which unites nearly all the wobbly elements in it. This fact need not bother us. Up to the time of the second congress one could still harbour doubts as to the breakdown of the second International but now the fate of their leader Thomas is characteristic for the whole of the yellow International. At the time of the miners strike Thomas betrayed the workers and thereupon to avoid their vengeance he fled to America. The American workers however received him with hostile demonstrations.

The struggle with Amsterdam now stands as the order of the day. The International Council of Red Trade Unions which was formed last year now unites more than 15 million workers. A great work stands before us. We shall settle our party and all that seek to bring the poison of Centristism into our ranks must be met with the sharpest resistance. We must present all comrades with the inner and outward situation of Soviet Russia. The late of the bourgeois surrounds our congress as a wall. Full of glee the Polish press reports that only a small number of dele-

gates have arrived to the congress. In fact there are thousands of delegates who represent 48 different lands. (Note. Fifty three countries were invited to send delegates.) Never before were so many representatives of the countries of the East present in a conference. At the conclusion of his address Sinovjev greeted the delegates who had come to the congress of the Young Communist International and finished amidst a storm of cheers by calling for cheers for the world revolution and the Communist International.

Sinovjev was unanimously elected president. As vice-presidents were elected Loriot (France), Koenen (Germany), Gennari (Italy) and Kolaroff (Bulgaria).

Comrade Fröhlich made the proposal that Lenin, Trotsky, Radek, Muna (Czechoslovakia), Brandler (Germany) and Ilkpin (England) should be elected honorary presidents. This was carried unanimously.

Kamenev said that apparently history wished it that the congress of the revolutionary Communist forces of the whole world should

GIRLS GET LESS, PRICES GET BOOST

NEW YORK.—Within a week after 450 girl employees struck at the plant of the American Sugar Refining Company in Brooklyn against a cut of \$1 a week in their slender wages, the sugar concern has advanced the price of refined sugar from 5.30 to 5.40 cents a pound, giving as a reason the "increased demand."

According to market reports, "the improvement in the industry has been very noticeable according to reports from sugar interests. The improvement is not purely local, but scattered throughout the country." It has not, nevertheless, extended to the 450 girls whose wages were cut, nor to the 150 men who went on strike with them when the wages of the latter were cut 40 cents a day.

assemble in the capital of that despotic empire which had exercised its rule for many hundreds of years over Europe and Asia and where the Russian proletariat now celebrated the fourth anniversary of its liberation. 135 million workers and peasants are now united in the sign of the hammer and sickle. We have at last dropped the flint from our hands to grip the hammer and we will show that Soviet Russia knows the way to regulate its economic life. Now that we are passing over to peaceful work the congress of the Communist International takes place. Three cheers for our beloved guests.

In the name of the French Communist Party Vaillant-Couturier greeted the Red Army. The French Workers are ready to join the revolutionary army of the world. The day will come when the workers of France standing on their foremost barricade will reach their hands to the oncoming Red Army of the world revolution.

The oldest Communist of Germany, one of the participants of the Zimmerwald conference, Fröhlich, greeted Soviet Russia as the fortress of the world revolution. The German Communists await that this congress will stride forward in the line that was set by the second congress of the Communist International. Communism has been able to free itself from its right wing who show more and more that it has gone over to the side of the traitors of the working class. The German Communist party is prepared to fight until the last victory is won. Let the social patriots increase the number of their extraordinary courts as much as they wish the eyes of the proletariat are opened and they are flocking to the banner of Communism.

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the workers of Italy there are backward elements who require the authority of the third congress, who will be helped by its decisions to find their way and who will be moved by it to fulfill their duties to the international Communist movement.

Tomassi, the secretary of the French Trade Union Council said that the last years were sad ones for the French trade union movement. The leaders of the trade unions had pursued a policy of treachery to the workers. The workers have now awakened to the consciousness that it is necessary to get rid of the bourgeois. They have grasped that with those who let paid murderers and mislead soldiers loose against the workers no compromise is possible. The workers have lost belief in the democratic phantoms and are following Moscow and the Russian workers.

In the name of the Bulgarian Communist Party Kolaroff related the difficulties with which their party had to contend. In spite of the fact that Bulgaria is a backward land, economically and culturally, new Communist groups are being continually formed. The Communist movement is the single lever for the progress of mankind.

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STRIKE BREAKERS HOUSED IN HOTEL

SAN FRANCISCO.—The pet imported scabs of the Builders' Exchange are going to be housed in style. A week ago the guests of the fashionable Dale-Tallac hotel were ordered out and the building was secretly leased as a lodging place for strike-breakers. The entire basement has been remodeled into a dining room for 400 men. The police were called to guard the hotel, though it is still practically empty.

Meanwhile an echo from the building trades troubles here has been heard in San Diego. Several hundred men have walked out of building jobs in that city on account of a \$1 a day reduction in wages and an attempt to introduce the "American Plan."

DEFECTIVE PAGE

LEAVENWORTH VICTIM APPEALS TO CONGRESSMAN

Claims Department Of Justice Put Over Frandulent Deal To "Get" Him

WASHINGTON.—On the letter-head paper of Leavenworth penitentiary, and bearing every indication of genuineness, there has come to a member of the House a pitiful plea that the congressman go to Attorney General Daugherty and ask for an investigation of a frame-up of which the writer of the letter claims to be the victim.

John L. Murphy, No. 13,586, charges that he is in Leavenworth as the result of the foregoing of a letter by agents of the Department of Justice. He tells of third degree torture, neglect of sick prisoners and their death from neglect during the "flu" epidemic. He pleads for early attention to his charges by the attorney general.

This is his story: "I am a working man, not a leech. In 1918, while working at Olympia, Wash., I wrote a letter to Chris A. Luber at Sacramento, Calif. He was a member of the Industrial Workers of the World, and was in jail at the time of writing. This I did not know at the time. In fact, he had been in jail almost two months before I wrote my first letter. My letter was the ordinary kind exchanged among workers—working conditions, etc.

"This letter was not delivered to Luber. The department of justice got it. They answered it and forged Luber's name to it. This letter was indeed very bitter against the government. I thought my friend Luber had gone 'buggy.' How was I to know that a department of justice agent was writing to me? They wound up by asking me to 'pull off' something violent, just anything would do. Unknown to me at the time, 55 members of the I. W. W. were in jail at Sacramento. And they wanted evidence to convict these men. This is one of the games they played to get said evidence.

"They were willing to pay me any price and they cared not how they got it.

"In the letter I wrote this 'agent' refused to agree to commit a crime and roundly scored this agent, thinking I was scoring my friend Luber for his d—d foolishness.

"Letter after letter came. Bribes, and big ones, pleas, offers, etc. I denounced such doctrine again

and again. In those letters I would agree that we were being run over by military hysteria and that men were using the war frenzy to stifle legitimate discussion. Then I would denounce the writer for his plan to cure such things.

"Now get the infamy of this trick. The parts of the letter which spoke of military hysteria and such terms were photographed and such terms were photographed so as to leave every declaration of my own out entirely. Then I was arrested and taken to Sacramento and thrown in jail."

Murphy goes on to tell of his discovery that Luber had received none of his letters. He asserts that numerous efforts were made to induce him to "lie and perjure himself on the other men in jail" but that both offers of money and freedom on the one hand and threats and the "third degree" failed to shake his determination to tell the truth.

He was indicted, convicted under the espionage act, and sentenced to serve five years in prison. He was later denied a parole and he comments bitterly upon the granting of paroles to white slavers, bank robbers, counterfeiters, etc., while a pacifist Socialist belonging to the I. W. W. who "never gave any man or woman or child a moment of grief in my life," is held in prison.

The "flu" epidemic struck Sacramento while the I. W. W. were in jail there and Murphy states that no doctor was given the sick prisoners until their own organization sent one in and paid the cost. He charges that the prisoners were not permitted any aid and the sick had to help each other. "Five soon died. Had they let help in to us we could have saved their lives. It was sure hell."

He says that when the jailer was paid to buy food the food was left just out of reach, beyond the bars, and there permitted to rot, its stench filling the cells as the men sickened and struggled against vermin and filth. "They became like beasts." A woman who pleaded with the court and the jailer for more humane treatment for the I. W. W. prisoners was herself indicted along with them.

The congressman is considering action.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FIGHTS GRAIN GROWERS

WASHINGTON.—Senator Kenyon of Iowa has asked the Senate to order its committee on agriculture headed by Senator Norris, to investigate the press reports to the effect that big business has deliberately set out to "get" the United States Grain Growers, Inc.—the big co-operative marketing company launched by the organized progressive farmers of the country.

In Senate Resolution 110, Kenyon recites that a convention is reported to have been held at Cincinnati, June 27, 1921, where a national organization was projected to combat legislation for the relief of the farmers of the country, and at which \$250,000 was authorized to be raised and expended to combat the United States Grain Growers, Inc., and for defeating legislation.

Big business agencies named as

taking part in this conspiracy, which he demands be show up, include the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, National Grain Dealers' Association, Wholesale Coal Dealers' Association, Wholesale Lumbermen's Association, Wholesale Implement and Vehicle Association, Millers' National Federation, Flour Association, National Feed Dealers' Association, National Cotton Growers' Association, National Hay Association, etc., along the country grain elevators, all grain exchanges, banks and grain exporters.

His resolutions ask the committee to discover the names of the subscribers to the slush fund, the officers and agents appointed to carry out the anti-farmer campaign, and "all facts and circumstances, commercial or other organizations, to defeat the co-operative marketing movement which the farmers of the country have instituted."

Real Disarmament

BY JOHN E. NORDQUIST

Hop to it workers! Let's disarm 'em right;
The war loving lords who are spelling for fight,
We'll use no force to turn the trick;
We'll wear 'em from war, 'thout striking a lick.

Their armies and navies, and law grinding things,
Will lose their charms when we clip their wings.
'Steard of shouting for war they'll welcome peace,
A number two shovel and elbow grease.

We'll disarm 'em by taking each factory and mill,
Each industrial hive, now standing still,
We'll set the wheels humming and producing for all;
We'll disarm 'em 'thout starting a bloody brawl.

Don't worry 'bout army and navy demands,
Or what the "plutes" do in other lands;
But join in the real disarmament plan—
HELP CAPTURE THE FACTORIES and show you're a man!

ENGLAND'S REDS OVERCOME SNAGS

LONDON.—"There are other visitors. Will you go in now or wait?" the clerk asked your correspondent who dropped in to see the editors of the "Communist" at their office near the Covent Garden. The other visitors were a couple Scotland Yard inspectors, one tall and one short, who stalked in and out of the office, first talking things over downstairs, then upstairs, much as though they were the board of directors.

The editor, Francis Meynell, welcomed the American visitor. He was a lit limp, his hair disheveled, and he frankly confessed that these daily bouts with the police were tiring.

The last demands of His Majesty's officers is that the members of the "Communist" staff turn their evidence under pain of six months' imprisonment and a fine up to 100 pounds if they refused. Albert Ingpin, secretary of the party, was arrested recently for treason, lese majesté or something like that and now the police are trying to get enough evidence to justify arresting him and keeping him in jail.

This last summons has been served on everybody from the editors down to the volunteer filing clerk, a mild little girl, and the red-haired office boy.

They must tell, so the summons reads, "all the conversations said Inkpin has had with them from time to time since commencing employment in reference to the business of the said premises, by whom they are employed and by whom paid."

According to Mr. Meynell these direct attacks of the king's officers are less troublesome than some of the indirect ones. After all, there is in England and in many of these circles which are combatting the Communists, most energetically a respect for fair play and freedom of public opinion which is still strong enough for them to disapprove of frontal assaults. The real obstacles are, therefore, those from other channels than the law.

The "Communist," published by the executive committee of the Communists in England, is a progressive weekly. Three months ago the circulation was but 6,000. Now it has jumped to 60,000. This necessitated using a rotary press. A publishing company agreed to print the sheet. But the owners of the works cancelled the contract on insistence from outside quarters. The same happened when the new Labor Press Company considered printing it. Here the printers' union took an attitude hostile to the "Communist" and even refused to set up several columns in a recent number.

The "Communist," therefore, is reduced to a primitive old press and must have a five day's start to run off 60,000 each week. Were it not for this difficulty the circulation would jump over night to 90,000, Mr. Meynell declares, because the number of readers grows with the prolongation of industrial warfare and general discontent.

Various efforts have been made to prevent the sale of the paper on the newstands. An unsigned article was circulated in some of the large papers that sellers of the "Communist" would lay themselves open to fine and imprisonment.

Mr. Meynell does not find that the Communists are getting any support from the leaders of the labor party or the independent labor party.

Strain at a Gnat And Swallow a Camel

Some citizens are leaving the U. S. because they will not tolerate prohibition. Others are now getting excited because of the proposed anti-tobacco crusade. The humorous publication Life, gets serious and warns its readers that the anti-tobacco fanatics are in earnest, and adds: "You will wish you had done something about it before it is too late."

The writer likes a gin-fizz now and then, and smokes like a bonfire, but he thinks he knows what real tyranny is when he sees it. A government can burden you with taxation; rob your schools of free education; prepare for a poison-gas war; insult your moral sense and your intelligence on matters of vital importance, in short, it can conscript your body and your soul and it's all taken as a matter of course. But when it takes away your pipe from you, you swear by all that's holy, you won't stand for it, and the so-called intelligent people are the ones who get most indignant.—From Good Morning.

The International Conference Of Communist Women

When Krupskaja appeared in the morning sitting she was greeted with great applause. The Communist women of the whole world greeted in her the champion of the liberation of women.

The representatives of Persia and Turkey remarked that the women of the East lived under very hard conditions and scarcely dared to express their wish.

The representative of the Young Communists greeted the congress in the name of 350,000 Young Communists of Soviet Russia. The representative of Finland related the severe struggle of the Finnish Communist Women. Smidovitch gave a report on the work among women on the basis of the experiences in Moscow. He stated that conferences are a good school for interesting women in Communist work.

Klara Zetkin declared herself in agreement with Kolontai but found it necessary that those women who worked at home must also be drawn into the struggle. The majority of the peasant women have been already proletarianized and make good ground for agitation. She considered that an active propaganda should be carried on among the women of the intellectuals.

"FELLOW WORKERS" BADLY MISUSED

WASHINGTON.—Readers of the Washington morning papers rubbed their eyes in wonderment the other day when they saw a short speech beginning with the words "Fellow Workers," given prominent space in a "box" on the first page of their daily.

How could a "respectable" paper like theirs give prominence to such I. W. W. language?

Who else but a bolshevik or an I. W. W. would begin a speech with "Fellow orkers?"

Tut, tut,—it was none other than President Harding speaking, and the crowd whom he was addressing were those charged with helping General Dawes compile the new budget.

"Fellow Workers" has thus become a respectable term by presidential act!

Chinese Monks Strike

"Pekin Daily News" reports: 150 Chinese monks of different temples of the district of Sung Kiang are on strike for more pay. They complain against the small allowances which they receive from the higher monks, which are quite insufficient to keep up with the present rising cost of living.

STEEL TRUST COMBATS INTERCHURCH REPORT

NEW YORK.—The sole purpose of the mysterious appearance of the documents entitled "A Review of the Steel Strike of 1919," by the Commission of Inquiry, Interchurch World Movement, is to discredit in advance further revelations of exploitations and inhuman practices by the Steel Corporation, and if possible to reflect upon the first volume of the Interchurch report on the steel strike—which already has aroused many clergymen and a large part of the public to the manner in which the steel trust treats its employees and to the manner in which it mobilized press, pulpit and public officials by falsehood and suppression to aid in its brutal methods of breaking the strike.

It has learned also that the "Review" above referred to once was presented to the Senate investigating committee as "evidence" to block a Senate resolution making the interchurch strike report a public document.

The interchurch reply to the "Review," presented to the Senate committee at the time, called attention to the fact that the "Review's" 32-page attack on the personnel of the commission and its investigators consisted of secret reports concocted by spies and "under cover" men.

Summarizing its reply to the "Review" the Interchurch commission said:

"Our report contains 41 pages on the 12-hour day and the 7-day week and the causes of the company's failure to reform; 39 pages of wage and living standard analyses and the resultant living conditions among the steel workers; 45 pages of evidence on the effects of arbitrary control in plants, grievances, welfare work, etc; 40 pages of evidence, largely documentary, on the social results of a 'no-conference' industry; 62 pages of analyzed data on the organization and conduct of the strike, its aims, leaders and failure, and its conclusions, carefully formulated, and the findings.

"Against this 'Review' contains 32 pages of a comical attempt to show that the commission was not the author of the report and that the interchurch was full of 'Reds'; 16 pages of sincere general argument on collective bargaining from the anti-union viewpoint and the rest general observations on hours, wages and management designed to shift to the workers themselves the blame for mad conditions."

The reappearance of this discredited attack on the Interchurch report is without doubt an attempt on the part of the steel interests to forestall so far as possible the publication of the second volume of the Interchurch report, announcement of which forthcoming book was recently made by the Bureau of Industrial Research, 289 Fourth avenue, New York City.

This second volume contains an exposure of the spy system maintained by the various steel corporations to smash all attempts to organize the steel workers.

The records show that the charges against the personnel of the Interchurch commission are almost exactly the same—even to phraseology—as those made when the mysterious "Review" was circulated anonymously among the steel manufacturing districts a year ago and that the charges were retracted and apologized for under pressure.

That was about the time the Steel Corporation published 1,500,000 copies of a sermon by the Rev. E. Victor Igelow of Andover, Mass. in which the minister attempted to besmirch the Interchurch investigators and thus discredit their report and glorify the Steel Corporation.

It is rumored that the "Review," which now has bobbed up again after having been several times thoroughly exposed, is to be given a circulation similar to that of the Rev. Bigelow's sermon—the cost of distributing 1,500,000 copies of which was paid by the Steel Corporation.

MILWAUKEE SOCIALISTS IMPRISON COMMUNISTS

MILWAUKEE.—That the government, without a warrant, has been holding alleged radicals, arrested by the police for disturbing Communist literature, in the county jail for days and sometimes weeks was revealed when Federal Judge Ferdinand Geiger, under a habeas corpus procedure, allowed Michael Sucha to go free.

Sucha had been in jail six days. He was detained under order of Henry H. Stroud, head of the local secret service, according to his attorney. A habeas corpus writ was instituted after Stroud is alleged to have refused the attorney permission to see Sucha in jail. This is done under the direction

of the Socialist administration of Milwaukee, at the head of which is the socialist mayor, Daniel Hoan. The political boss is Victor Berger, who was before the courts during the war, but who was found harmless to the capitalists and given his freedom. He is now helping to prosecute the Communists and violates the principle of free expression which he hollered about so much when he was prosecuted for his pro-Germanism.

In the case of Berger it was a matter of sympathy for the old kaiser, rather than opposition to war as a whole. But in spite of this he was set free and is now serving the cause of reactionism to the limit.

LET WAR PROFITEERS PAY THE SOLDIERS BONUS

WASHINGTON.—Let the war profiteers pay the ex-soldiers the bonus, or adjusted compensation, which President Harding says will break the treasury.

That is the proposal of Congressman Kopp of Iowa, set forth in House Resolution 149, introduced on the day that Mr. Harding went before the Senate to kill the bonus measure.

Kopp is the member of the House who was elected on the farmer-labor primary ticket headed by Col. Brookhart last year in the great fight against Senator Cummins and his railroad backers. His resolution reads:

"Whereas, during the late war a number of shameless and conscienceless profiteers took advantage of the American government and the American people and plundered and robbed them in a frightful and shocking manner; and

"Whereas, by such plundering and robbery more than 23,000 new millionaires were created in America, an average of one new American millionaire for every four American boys that lost their lives in the service of their country; and

"Whereas, said profiteers, by their wicked and disloyal methods, brought about a large part of the nation's debt, which is now such a burden upon the American people, and for the payment of which the American people, including the ex-service men, are now subjected to crushing taxation; and

"Whereas, said profiteers are now living in unparalleled luxury, while great numbers of the ex-service men are in actual want and distress; and

"Whereas, we paid the ex-service men, who offered their lives for our country, the paltry sum of a dollar a day; and

"Whereas, we owe the ex-service men a solemn debt, one that the people will not permit to go unpaid; and

"Whereas, the secretary of the treasury has stated that there is now no available income from which said debt can be paid; and

Whereas, said profiteers should be held up to the everlasting scorn of the American people and should

be compelled to pay said debt from their stolen wealth, therefore, be it

Resolved, That a select committee of seven members of the House be appointed by the speaker to investigate and procure all facts relating to said war profiteers, to secure their names, to have said names published in the Congressional Record, and to devise a plan whereby a bonus or adjusted compensation can be paid to the ex-service men by a levy of a special tax for that purpose upon said profiteers.

"That the secretary of the treasury be directed to furnish to said committee the names of all individuals, firms and corporations called for by said committee, together with the reported incomes of said individuals, firms and corporations since the late war began, as shown by the records in the treasury department."

The usual powers and privileges are provided for the committee, which is directed to report to the House as soon as possible.

Of course this plan will not be adopted. Kopp's resolution merely reflects the growth of revolt against special privilege government and the awkward confiscatory methods with which men elevated on the Republican ticket seek to right fundamental wrongs in an embarrassed competitive society.

CHEHALIS I. W. W. RELEASED.

Chehalis. — The nine alleged I. W. W.s held in the Lewis county jail for the last six weeks were released today. It appears that the evidence was insufficient to hold them longer on a criminal syndicalism charge.

As soon as the men were released they formed into a parade and marched through the street. The men released are: Albert Brick, Thomas O'Mara, John Finn, Enoch Hines, W. C. Goldsmith, Oscar Peterson, Chester Davis, James Lee and E. S. Sullivan.

Judge W. A. Reynolds ordered the release. He was the judge before whom the I. W. W.s who were convicted two weeks ago refused to be tried.

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Laugh while you live. It is the only way to live. Laugh when the masters plot your ruin. It is our turn now. Our day is here.

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Let us hustle for that hour. It is within our power to get rid of the enemy of our lives. We can bring health and joy to this generation and taste the happiness of freedom.

But there are thousands who know nothing about this... The great masses of the workers are still in the dark. They are still helping the old system to exist.

We must reach these workers. They will yield to education if we put the right kind of matter into their hands. You know how you got started and how thankful you are that you now see the light. Your fellow worker is in the same fix. Give him a lift. Give him a chance to read and understand. He will be your helper and your inspiration.

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STATE FEDERATION HAS CONVENTION

The Minnesota State Federation of Labor held its convention in Brainerd last Tuesday and Wednesday. It elected E. G. Hall, of Minneapolis, president, defeating Frank E. Miner by a vote of 239 to 125.

A resolution urging the American Federation of Labor to affiliate with the International Council of Industrial Workers now assembled in Moscow, was rejected today by a vote of 201 to 120. A resolution urging the state federation and officers to assist the printing trade in the fight to retain the forty-four-hour week was accepted.

Among resolutions adopted were:

Favoring the economic equality of women; protesting against serving food in other places than catering establishments; assisting newsboys' organizations; denouncing legislators who voted against sanitary conditions in places where food was prepared; favoring legislation against the Ku Klux Klan; opposing "doubling-up" of letter carriers while others were on vacations; to extend the Klotz bill to cover school and township elections; favoring the teachers' tenure law; establishing housewives' unions; condemning compulsory military training; incorporating teaching elements of public taxation in public schools; that women be given representation in a world conference on disarmament.

Communist Jailed By Lawless Officers

OAKLAND, Calif.—A meeting which was being held under the auspices of the United Communist party, and addressed by George Coleman, well known California radical, was raided by the police and eight of the audience arrested and charged with "criminal syndicalism." The meeting was the third of a series, the previous ones having been addressed by Robert Whitaker and William Thurston Brown. No evidence was shown that the meeting or the speech were in any way illegal though Coleman was accused of having used the word "revolution" several times in his address and of having spoken approvingly of soviet Russia.

The men arrested, M. J. Dunn, James McLaughlin, Patrick Casey, John Hanlon, Alex Farnsworth, Howard Welton, Arthur Masters and John H. Carter, are all shipyard workers and are conveniently charged by the police with being "I. W. W. organizers."

Reed Statue.

JUST BEFORE THE PANIC, MOTHER!

Good bye, master, I must leave you. Something tells me I must go. For—you know, I can't deceive you. Going-wage is too darn low. Yes—you say that you will feed me if I split a (hardwood) cord. Do not to temptation lead me—I'm not toiling for my board.

Tho my trials have been sundry I must e'er disdain to moan, And altho I'm "good and hungry" I would leave your work "alone." Plans of men and lice miscarry And I know just how you feel, But, you see, if I'm to marry I must earn a double meal.

If I work for bread and lodging While the sun is high and warm, It would cause me sundry dodging Thru the winter's cold and storm. I must have the "All that's in it," In the labor that I sell— For one cannot tell what minute It my start—to rain like hell.

One more question, boss, one only, As you count your wealth, untold: Would you have me save "bologna" 'Gainst the day when I am old? Now, we understand each other— And we'll play the "game of grab." But—please do—recall my brother; I'm too old to be a scab.

T-Bone Slim.

PERJURER PINCHED.

San Francisco.—The writer was over to San Quentin last Saturday and while there saw Dr. Marie Lqui of Portland. She was looking fine and felt well. One of the rats by the name of Crowley, who perjured himself at her trial in order to win favor from the masters, was given 60 days in jail recently at Portland. Which goes to show how much they think of such backwash from the slums.—(E. A.)

WAR LEAGUE GETS HELP FROM GOAT

NEW YORK.—The War Department has furnished to the National Security League a supply of franked envelopes in which the League has been sending broadcast propaganda letters urging universal military training.

The admission was made by Edwin L. Harvey, executive secretary of the League who declared "what we have been doing has been at the request of the War Department, and we have been glad to do it."

Harvey said that Gen. William Weigel then chief of staff of the second army corps area with headquarters on Governor's Island, about six weeks ago asked the League to help get enrollments for citizens' military training camps.

"The War Department," he continued, "through Governor's Island and with the approval of Maj. Gen. Bullard sent us a supply of franked envelopes, and we sent letters to our 40,000 members and to 7,000 members of the Merchants' Association in New York City urging their support in the training camp recruiting campaign."

Harvey further admitted that pamphlets and letters containing propaganda for universal military training, some of them written by Chas. D. Orth, president of the League, had been sent out in the franked envelopes. He declared, however, that all the material thus sent out had been with the knowledge and approval of the War Department.

Son Leaves When Open Shopper Comes

MINNEAPOLIS.—The "open shop" movement as a disrupter of families was revealed in this city when C. A. Cheshier, son of A. M. Cheshier, proprietor of the A. M. Cheshier Printing company, which has been operating on a non-union basis, quit his father's home and plant and joined the typographical union.

Young Cheshier gave the lie to his father's claims that the plant was operating successfully under the non-union plan. He said he found it a hopeless task to produce with untrained non-union workers and he refused to endure his father's abuse for the failure of the plant to get out the work.

Three more shops have been signed up by the printing trade, making a total of 57 plants which are now operating under completely unionized conditions and the 44-hour week.

A Dangerous Foreigner

Galileo was a dangerous foreigner! Attorney Leon French appeared before the Board of Education of this city as a representative of the American Legion to protest, on behalf of the Legion, against naming a high school in the Italian quarter for the great Italian astronomer. No action was taken.

FAMOUS DANCER TO TEACH RUSSIAN KIDS.

PARIS.—Isadora Duncan, the famous exponent of classical dancing, has accepted an invitation from Krassin to go to Moscow to establish there a great school for 1,000 children. In an interview, she said: "The Soviets alone of all governments in the world, are interested in the education of children. This has always been my own work, and my conception of the social system corresponds to the immense effort already made by the Soviet government of Russia."

Asked if she were not afraid of the hardships of the Soviet regime and of hunger, she replied with spirit: "Physical hunger is nothing. It is spiritual hunger that I am afraid of, and that is everywhere today."

HAYS REINSTATES BURLESONIZED MEN

CHICAGO.—Some of the injustices meted out by ex-Postmaster General Burleson were righted by Postmaster General Hays with the reinstatement here of 10 of the 11 officials of the Chicago Postoffice Clerks' Union who were dismissed from the service by Burleson on September 1 1920. Pierce E. Butler former president of the union, was the only one of the 11 not reinstated and he is of the opinion that eventually he will be put back on the job.

The dismissal of the 11 followed an 18 months' fight between the union and Burleson. Finally the men dropped from the government payroll for "pernicious activity," construed by the men to cover their attempts to obtain better wages and working conditions. Hays, upon assuming office, ordered the dismissals to be investigated, with the aforementioned result.

The Market Gardner

By PERCY WATERER
I am a Market ardenner. Thinking so many workers were out of work (through the system) I thought I would reduce the price of my truck, so I goes to Miller, the leading groceryman on the square, and asked him if he would buy my peas and beans etc., so as to be able to sell them cheaper. He says "yes" so I sold him some peas at \$1 per bu when I could have got \$2, the usual price (at that time) and I sold him 4 bu. of extra good snap beans at 75cts. per bu., but when I called at his store the next day he had peas marked up to 15cts per lb., or 2 lbs. for 25 cts., and beans at 10cts. a lb. or 3 lbs for 25cts. These men have the effrontery to tell a customer that stuff is so high priced they are forced to sell at such figures. Beans sold Saturday at 50 to 75 cts. per bu., wholesale, but retailed at 10 cts. per lb. at most stores.

Is it any wonder so many working people are broke and some are eating parched corn, weeds and wild berries? This is only one instance of how the speculators and exploiters rob the public. Keep prices up and deny those workers the necessities of life under this present system of production for profits under their most favorable conditions. I do not think we should look so much at what our country has achieved, its vast possibilities and great wealth for these things are a growth rather from sheer opposition and in spite of its mal-administration, but we should look at what it should be, what so much more glorious a people we should be at a time when every man who works and produces by his labor a home of his own, where no poor or slums exist, but an equal opportunity and privilege to all.

Wage-slaves, sweat shops, and exploiters have got to go into oblivion, but just so long as the average voter will commit our nation into the care of the class of politicians we now have a real good time or benefits of our nation must be in the shade to be enjoyed by those who manipulate us at present.

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The proposition has been made to TALK about disarmament. The project has proceeded so far that the big powers have decided to agree to have a talkfeast on the subject.

Only one of the big fellows stands in the way. It is Japan.

England says it will talk about it. France is ready for a parley. Italy too. Germany has not been invited but there are prospects. Russia is less hopeful of being asked to talk it over unless she should decide to fire Lenin and Trotsky and about 180,000,000 other Bolsheviks.

But the stumblingblock is Japan. She says she is willing to talk some, but balks at a "full discussion."

Now we do not blame Japan. She has a big fleet and a wonderful army and could probably kill several people in a regular war and probably sink some enemy ships. Fact is that she is a worthy power and must be recognized as a formidable foe should there ever be a real Christian war started again.

But when it comes to talking and discussing disarmament in an unlimited way Japan shakes her head and demands to know how far that talk is intended to go. How does she know but that talk might be worse than any war ever put over by a god loving nation?

It is true that Woody Wilson is out of it. So is the kaiser, to some extent. That is a mitigating circumstance, to be sure. But there is Briand and Clemenceau, the glib Frenchmen. And there is Lloyd George, and our rapidly improving talking expert, Harding.

Unlimited discussion on disarmament!

Japan gets pale in the face and says no. She will not run the risk of getting into a war like that. It is too hazardous and too arduous.

Our sympathies are with Japan. We know almost as well as Ireland the perils of talk. Also the expense of it. Did we not talk peace for fifty years? And what did we get but the biggest war in history. Have we not talked bonus 'till the glorious senate has spent more than the whole bonus would amount to in discussing the matter? Have we not had talk on the league of nations 'till all the nations are bankrupt?

Do you want to go into a seige of talk on disarmament now when all the world is exhausted and unable to stand the onslaught any longer.

Race suicide! That's what we call it. Japan isn't ready to die yet and she openly confesses that she is a heathen nation, but to agree to a "full discussion" on disarmament—no, her conscience pricks her. She objects to add another horror to the catastrophes that have jumped doublefooted on this little planet for the last half dozen years.

Say what you please about Japan, but she is not hardbodied enough to stage a disarmament discussion to rivet the attention of a trusting people upon while preparations for wholesale slaughter are being made behind the scenes.

Only Christian nations will go that far.

Injunction Against The Printers

Of course the expected has happened. The printing firms have asked for an injunction against the striking printers demanding that they be restrained from picketing the plants as well as talking to seab printers about the strike.

The Citizens' Alliance is, naturally, behind the move and the whole capitalist class is pushing the judges to help the employers out.

A suit has also been started for damages against the union for \$25,000, which the firms say they have lost by the strike.

So the whole capitalist machinery is again set in motion to "get" the workers and sustain the employers.

We are going to suggest to the printers that they apply for an injunction against the bosses restraining them from importing seabs and from employing non-union men. Why not? Is not that just as reasonable as to ask the court to prohibit picketing?

Then, too, the printers should realize that a strike is no good unless there is solidarity of plan and action. A lot of job work is now being done by printers in the newspaper offices and that helps getting the material out quite promptly with little or no inconvenience to the patrons.

In a printers' strike there should be a strike and nothing else. If every printer went out and every plant closed and every newspaper stopped it would not take fifteen minutes for the bosses to make up their minds to grant the demands of the printers.

This business of a few going out on strike while the rest are all working and doing the work of the strikers should be looked into first of all. When in all this world did the workers win when they supported the bosses with ten dollars and the strikers with one?

What is the use in a strike if there is no education in it? Why monkey with a fight if the workers learn nothing thru it? If the printers are after only the 44 hour week they gain nothing even if they get their demand. If they do not learn that they must become the masters of industry in order to be safe they have gained nothing.

As it is, with the great majority of printers at work trying to feed those that are on strike, there is little hope of victory. The printers as well as all workers must learn that the first thing to consider is solidarity. With solidarity they can win. Without it they must lose.

We are with the strikers and hope they may get all they demand, but we would not be on the square with them if we held out a false hope to them when we know that the cards are stacked against them.

First of all, let the printers realize that they must strike in a body if they strike at all and if they expect to win. Then they must learn that any victory under the present system will soon be turned into a victory for the master class. Therefore the printers and all workers must organize and plan to take over industry

into their own hands and have charge of it. This can be done only by the capture of power. Power lies in government. The workers must therefore be the dictators of government and thru it manage the affairs of the people.

Teach that during the strike, while the printers are hungry and while the injunction judges enjoin, Teach that while you have time to think. This will make the strike worth all it costs and will bring results far beyond what the strikers dream and the bosses expect.

LET THE CHURCH DO IT

It seems that when a real dirty piece of work is to be pulled off the capitalist crew makes the church do it.

During this period of cuts-in-wages it seemed so utterly wrong to take the bread out of the children's mouths that the people could not help revolting. To cover up the nastiness of the procedure the bosses took the worker with them to church and made him listen to the sermons that the bosses had ordered the preacher to preach.

To save time and money and to make the effect uniform and general, Secretary of Labor James J. Davis, went before the different church bodies and presented this little outline which was read at the big conferences so the preachers could get the instructions from a high source and at an authoritative gathering:

With both employer and employee sitting before the pulpit a complete understanding between the two becomes a church obligation. Why should not the church help bring this about?

Let the church preach economic and social justice, economy and thrift.

And, above all, let the church teach the practical application of the Golden Rule, not as a millennial theory, but as a vital principle for our daily guidance in all the business affairs of today—
"Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye so to them."

To clinch the business the secretary is instructed to wind up with the Golden Rule.

This rule works fine for the boss. He uses it when he cuts the wage. He says to the worker: "If you were in my place you would want to cut the wage of the worker, wouldn't you?" "Sure, Mike," says the worker. Then the boss shows him the golden rule and right there it says that he should submit to the will of the boss just as he himself would have the worker do if he were the boss.

Why shouldn't he please the boss? It's the Golden Rule. He sits with the boss right before the preacher and hears these divine words. He goes home and mutters to himself that it must be right to give in to the boss just as he would want the workers to give in if he were the boss.

But the boss? How does this work in his case? Does he put himself in the place of the worker? Not he.

On the other hand he hears the words ring in his ears that the worker must now understand how gloriously Christian it is to submit to the cut and how nice it is to get increased profits without the resistance of the slave.

The Golden Rule is the rule that gives the ruler more gold. The boss gets it and the rule is raised another peg and the preacher is given another reception and an increase in salary. You have noticed how the press has prayed for increase in the salary of the preachers, while the same press raved about the cut in wages of the workers.

Yes, sir. When there is a dirty piece of work to be done the church has to do it.

"I'LL NEVER GO BACK"

Some of the men in prison are showing a spirit that ought to arouse the American people to quick action against the brutalities practiced upon innocent victims of our growing tyranny.

John Golden, member of the I. W. W., and convicted in Eureka last December on a charge of "criminal syndicalism," is a political prisoner and knows it. He has consistently refused to work in the jute mill, to which new prisoners at San Quentin are assigned (and where, it is said, "criminal syndicalists" are usually kept a good deal longer than other prisoners).

For seven months he has been in solitary, on one meal a day, a process which most men cannot stand more than a month at the most without danger of insanity. For the first months of his isolation he was kept in the dungeon in absolute darkness.

Golden states that his imprisonment is unjust and unwarranted. "I'll never go back to the jute mill," he told Captain Samuel Randolph. "I'm here for one to fourteen years. If I have to spend fourteen years of my life in a granite cell on one meal a day I will never give up."

If we on the outside showed half the guts that this and other prisoners show we could get the country so stirred up that the masters would not be able to continue their outrages another day.

Our chance of securing safety for ourselves will be in proportion to the interest we have in the miserable cases now existing under our nose. You do not know when your turn may come. When you are in, you feel mighty glad when some soul on the outside shows you are not forgotten. It will not be long till most of the real rebels will be in the dungeon.

No one is safe as long as we allow the master class to go on in their insane and brutal practices. Some day your turn will come. Let us get busy and wise and stop this infamy.

TARRING THE PREACHER

If you are a preacher with some sense of justice we warn you not to go down South nor stay up North.

The Rev. Phillip S. Irwin preached a sermon in Miami, Fla., last Sunday and the plutes did not like his ideas about social equalities so they took him into the woods and whipped him till his body was a bleeding mass and then applied hot tar and feathers.

The news item blatantly closes with the general statement that "none of Irwin's assailants has yet been apprehended."

The law and order people are evidently getting on as fast as they can. The tar industry should prosper and the birds should feel proud to yield their feathers for the holy cause of pure Americanism.

In a month or two we should be able to see new developments. Might not these patriots take a bucket of tar and a sack of feathers and a hunk of rope and a whip or two with them into the church and be ready for the preacher who happens to forget that he must not tell the truth or preach the good gospel of the Carpenter of Nazareth?

This law and order business is getting to be quite an industry and should become quite a factor in solving the problem of unemployment.

I. W. W. METHODS

We confess that we borrow this heading from the editorial column of the Tribune.

Under it the Tribune tries to incite the passion of the people against the I. W. W. as it did in the case of the lynchings that took place in Duluth, and which left a black spot on this city that can never wash off. Just a word about mob methods of the capitalists first.

There is the Bisbee, Arizona, case. Over one thousand workers were taken in the night and driven over the railroad and packed in box cars and taken into a desert a hundred miles away to starve to death and die of thirst. That was done by bankers and lawyers and respectable business men and preachers.

Aberdeen and Huron, S. D., were scenes of similar outrages the other day. The first report was that 500 workers, many of them members of the I. W. W., were set upon by the "best citizens" and driven like cattle over the prairies to die from brutal treatment and hunger.

According to the constitution of the United States it is unlawful to infringe upon the liberty of a citizen without due process of law. If these men had committed a crime they should have been prosecuted according to law and given a fair trial and a fair sentence. No mob objects to that. He does object to the railroading methods used by the law and order gang that is the greatest of all criminals. We all object to that illegal and outrageous procedure. Many good republicans and democrats object to that. All decent people object. Naturally the Tribune does not object. We do not expect it to. We are speaking about decent people.

The incident of Centralia is by no means forgotten or settled yet. Some of the men who stood for their rights and defended themselves in their own headquarters against a murderous mob are in prison. But they served their country by putting the brakes upon the wheels of mobism and giving warning that the security of the workers cannot be violated without resistance. It put a damper upon the ardor of the mobbers, as some of them did not feel themselves in shape to appear before the Judge of All Earth without proper notice.

Other I. W. W. members will defend themselves against lawless mobs. The mobsters might as well make up their minds to that. And all the lies spun out by the Tribune and the whole Annanias press cannot put the frame-ups over on the awakening people.

The press carries the story of the killing of a man in or near Huron. It says that the fellow was shot for not joining the I. W. W. Have you ever heard such absurd rot in all your life?

When the fact is that the I. W. W. do not take in a worker unless he subscribes to the principles of the organization, having first become class conscious and thoroughly in sympathy with the whole movement. It would be just as absurd to say that a Free Mason shot a man for not waiting to join the masonic order. Such is the intelligence of the Tribune.

Now, we do not know whether there was a man shot out in South Dakota or not. We have no evidence to that effect except the report furnished by the capitalist press, and only unsuspecting babes are simple enough to believe that.

But taking it for granted that a man was shot it is dollars to doughnuts that he was shot by one of the law and order brutes who afterward found that he was an innocent returned soldier who probably did not have a dollar to pay his initiation into the I. W. W. So the I. W. W. were blamed again.

Or the fellow shot may have been spotted as a holdup gink that followed the workers to pick them after they had earned a few dollars in the harvest fields. We do not know.

But reports are generally accepted as authentic that in North Dakota some years ago before the I. W. W. had been organized in that state it was like taking your life into your own hands to try to get out with your wages after the harvest season. Holdup men were so numerous that the fellow who got by the line without being robbed was considered very lucky. It was found that the "best citizens" especially of the young fellows made their living and piled up money by robbing the harvest hands upon their return from their work after harvest and thrashing. Often the police were in cahoots with this gentry.

The I. W. W. put a stop to it in about one season. They formed into gangs of five or seven and traveled in such a way that the hindmost one of them could reach the holdup guy with a good six shooter. Man after man was picked off when he called for hands up. When found and identified the town in which he lived shut its mouth. So many of these gents were sent to Heaven in their attempt to rob that the rest decided that the sport had become too hazardous. Moreover the undertaking bills of the "best people" piled up so high that it looked like bad investments to send guys out to do such jobs. Today you can travel all thru North Dakota with your earnings right in your pocket and there isn't a chance in a thousand that you will meet a representative from the "best families" who offers to relieve you of them.

It may be that the holdup crew in South Dakota has become too bold and that the I. W. W. is considering it a necessity to make that state safe for the worker's earnings. We are inclined to think that the decent people of this country will wish the I. W. W. success in this worthy undertaking.

But we don't expect that the Tribune will.

It is the program of the I. W. W. to put a stop to all robbery. It is easy enough to clean up the fellow who comes with a gun and a dagger, masked only by the black covering over his face, but it is a bigger job to abolish the robbery that takes place in the pay envelope by means of the profit system which robs all the workers. It is to eliminate that robbery that the I. W. W. is organized.

And as certain as the workers did away with the holdup gangs in North Dakota will they also do away with the system that robs them at the point of production.

That is the reason the supporters of the robber system are so infernally peeved at the I. W. W.

BE A DELEGATE

Roll up your sleeves, open your shirt

We've got a job to do—

It's not alone for me and George

But for Dick and John and YOU.

Take out credentials, stamps and cards

And line-up all the works.

We'll never get our freedom by

The one who backs or shirks.

I've said enough to those half-wise —

Take out supplies and ORGANIZE.

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THE SHORTAGE IN FOOD

There is great danger of a famine in the greatest of all food producing countries—America.

The grain gamblers have played with their dollars for some time. They also played with the farmers. They played roughly and that they might get by with it. They played during the war—a terrible game.

Now the farmers are tired and have quit putting in wheat. They have reduced their acreage to a minimum and refuse to get excited when the papers cry to them to get back to their old gait.

Then too this year the heat has done its part. You will see nothing about this in the papers until after the gamblers have gotten the farmers to sell the little they may harvest. After that you will hear about the shortage, and the price of flour will go up to the highest level in the history of this country.

With the workers out of a job and the winter coming on there will be some interesting doings. There will be bread riots and murder and holdups as have never been witnessed in this country before.

The profiteers will pay in the long run. They will not be able to escape. There will not be enough police to keep the hungry masses in check. People will not starve unless they have to.

For some time it is evident that there will be serious shortage of food. The capitalist system will leave this country as barren as it left Russia. The old czar wrecked that country completely before he was pushed aside. There was not a crumb left for the people to eat. There has been a lot of hardship in Russia on that account. But the workers are now putting in larger areas of grain and will soon have all the food they need. They will be able to help the rest of the world in the crisis and they will not hesitate to come to the rescue. There will be no blockade by Russia when the rest of the world is down on its knees.

Then we shall begin to build up again, as Russia is building up now. Then we shall put the gamblers and robbers to work and teach them to earn their living. It will be a thing worth while waiting for.

It is for the great change from the failing, fumbling system of capitalism to the stable and secure system of Communism that we are willing to go thru fire and death. It is to make the world free and good and pleasant to live in that we must organize and sacrifice.

The fruit of all that labor is in sight.

THE SACCO-VANZETTI FRAMEUP

For over a month the case of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti has been fought in the court at Dedham, Mass. These two workers were charged with murder. The defense showed that they were many miles away from the scene of the crime at the time it took place.

But in spite of that the picked jury and the framed up testimony found them guilty. They must die in the electric chair unless public opinion saves them, as it saved Mooney and Billings from the noose.

It seems that when the capitalists want to "get" intelligent workers who are influential in organizing their fellows they simply frame up a murder plot and use the courts for their purpose. Had it not been for an aroused working class Mooney would have been hung, the every link in the chain that condemned him has been found faulty.

The time has come when the frameup business must stop. The workers are the only ones who can stop it.

WHIPPING THEM IN LINE

The crime of stirring up the returned soldiers against the I. W. W. is one of the lowest that the capitalist press has stooped to commit.

Should the war veterans fall for this propaganda, as some of them will, there is certain to be bloodshed on a large scale. We do not think the I. W. W. will let any mob program go unchallenged for any length of time. They will endure as long as can be reasonably human, but then they will turn. Whatever the horrors may be they can all be laid at the door of the capitalist press and its vicious, underhanded, lying methods.

The war veterans and the I. W. W. have suffered together and been compelled to work and fight together for the master class and they as workers have nothing to quarrel over. Members of the organization called the World War Veterans will not bite. They have their eyes open pretty well. But the members of the American Legion have been misled so long that many of them are not next to the fact that they are being used as tools of the capitalist crew. When they get wise it will be hard for the miserable dogs of the pirate aggregation to fool them.

But the government might well look into this propaganda of hate promulgated by the capitalists for the sole purpose of creating a division. The I. W. W. invite all workers among the returned soldiers to learn the principles of industrial unionism and when they have learned them they will not attack, but rather join the organization that stands for justice for all the workers.

In the meantime it is well to have an eye on the criminal press that seeks to stir up mob violence.

IF THAT IS SENSE

The North Dakota farmers passed a law that made it possible for the state to help the people build houses. The other day the commission that has house building in charge was about to put up a house and immediately one of the capitalist tools who still remain in the state got out a restraining order so no house can be built.

The capitalist press is hilarious about it and jances around like Indians at a wedding. Great sport to be able to prevent people from building houses.

But when it comes to building war ships and gun factories and military headquarters and killing machines the same press is the most ardent supporter—especially if there is a lot of graft in it for the big bosses.

If this is sense—well we are glad we haven't got any. We'll be generous and let the capitalists have it.

A RED FLAG MAYOR

The radicals in Paris won a signal victory at the recent elections at Quevilly, reinstating Mayor Bazin by a big majority after he had been deposed for hoisting the red flag on the town hall on May 1 last. M. Bazin and most of the municipal councillors support the Third International.

It's a fine thing to be the father of an injunction law. That's the reason Taft is Chief Justice today.

Another sign of patriotism can be shown by the soldiers, says a cap sheet, by not demanding the bonus just now. We never thought of that. Patriotism is the handiest thing in the tool shop.