

THE SMALL RANCHERS ARE EASY PICKINGS

In your last issue, the author of the "Palouse sketch," drew attention to and a striking likeness of conditions as they exist there, and underneath all, a glimpse of the tangible—a real ownership was shown. Clearly the author exposed individual ownership.

I want to call attention to a neck of the "Great Inland Empire" where the rattlesnake, horse thieves, death, dust storms, the mortgage, crop failures and that loathsome incipient dream—"the scab"—exist; where 90 per cent of the land is mortgaged beyond its selling or market value. Where one man can, by foreclosure and forced sale, retire 90 per cent of these archaic molluscs, and probably only refrains through higher senatorial aspirations.

Where the pope's own "democrats" have erred allegiance with their party. Where it's sacrifice to discuss economics, class distinction or industrial union. Imagining these servile lickspittles, these ticky farmers, nominal owners only, of a 160-acre rattlesnake den damning the luckless wretch, who by their own perversity and ignorance made these what they are. Compelled by hunger (and not for the measly pay for a few days of slaving) returning year after year in order to pound a little practical common sense into their noodles. But with brains of a hedging capacity, no wonder, fellow worker, you balk even though a higher wage, and these added embellishments: "Bassett's footstool" (Adams Co., Wash.), your bed; sky, a covering; your thoughts, companionship; where their celebrated 40-mile zephyra soothe you into the belief you're sleeping, when as a matter of fact, actual sleep comes only after the 3 a. m. whistle blows. Realizing you must take your medicine often, consisting of about four pounds of Pasco dust, this is even more than any we saw in the Adams county cities. This residue always due in Adams county, is a near cousin to an active volcano with a Kansas cyclone's company. Many of the denizens of this prosperous country assign their going belly-up to this one cause. I challenge contradiction of this fact: That many of these barnacles are mortgaged beyond redemption, and whose formerly the individual could borrow from the bank on personal note, he's now denied on good collateral. Nominal owners of whole sections are working on the new "Jim Hill triumph," Adrin-Connell branch, with teams worth \$100 for 75 cents per diem and this "voting king" \$30. Formerly this "voting prince" hibernated during this period or busied himself stealing coal. Meanwhile shouting: "One country, one flag, one—well, let's call it that, one damned sure chance to learn botany counting ties."

Still, among these despots are men who understand industrial union economics, and the class struggle; that the emancipation of the wage slave must be brought about by the workers themselves, and this can only be done by joining a union whose "ahiboleth"—an injury to one concerns all—in their watchword. Through the decimated ranks of the P. A. Farming class, who is today disputing your right to eat, these words that thieves (for a thief steals your purse, a scab the job that fills that purse); with these, I say, the gifted I. W. W. get busy! (DURMA.)

AROUND CLATSKANIE.

Conditions in and around Clatskanie are fierce and still might be as good as anywhere else. My experience in one of the camps is like this: The men are woke up at 5:45 a. m., then at 6 o'clock the breakfast bell rings and no later, as the slaves eat breakfast, the train is started to the woods and start to work as soon as they get there; it might be 15 or 20 minutes to 7 o'clock. No sooner the slaves or loggers are on the spot than they jump into the work till 12 o'clock at noon, that making five hours and 12 to 20 minutes in the forenoon.

Noon hour passes something like this: At 12 o'clock the whistles blow, then the men have to walk to the train and ride to the camp, where they arrive about 15 minutes later, then a little washing and the dinner bells ring, being about 22 minutes after 12 o'clock; then a man will have to hurry up and eat dinner or else he would lose some of the grub because a big lot of loggers, or slaves, are waiting on the train to get back to the woods again, and as soon as the last man comes out of the cookhouse the engine is started up in hurry back at a dead run and to get to their places at about 15 to 20 minutes before 1 o'clock to make another dead run until 6 o'clock in the evening. This making, counting only the time a man actually works, 10 1/2 to 10 3/4 hours a day. The way the men work in the woods is as a man can think of. If you ever saw a dog show with the dogs or pups jumping over a whip then you got something that looks like the slave jumping on the logs at a mad run as if they could not get so many carloads a day then there would not be another day coming. Wake up! Don't run like a beast for a boss or a capitalist that gives you only a bare existence of life. We are not born to slave for another man that lives on us. Don't be a fool and kill yourself for a capitalist; he don't care for you, and in case you have a family he don't give anything to your children except contempt. Join the I. W. W. and become a man for yourself and get more pay and shorter hours, and force that dirty boss you are working for at present to work himself and make him jump the way he compels you to do, and then you can see how long he will last. WALTER TH. NEF, Portland Local No. 93.

Conditions Around Sunnyside.

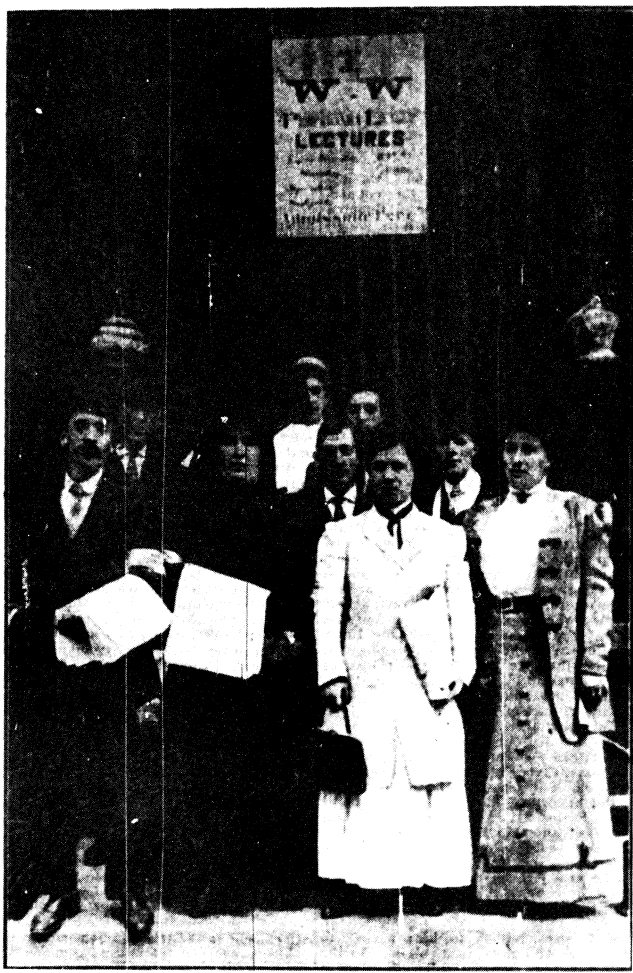
During second haying, now over, commodity labor was scarce. Farmers paid \$2 and board. It is possible almost any day to get work on hay baler from \$2.50, buckers, to \$3.50, forkers. Heavy work around steam balers, some bales 200 pounds. Two employment shark jobs are:

Reservoir, Sunnyside, \$3, ten hours; any one can have for asking, but few care to stay picking hardpan with blunt picks; boss not popular. Employment shark, Nor. Yakima.

Government work on ditch, \$2.25, lends inducement, in fact that fare from Spokane is returnable if men stay 14 days. Job has been short-handed all summer. First shift walks on own time one mile; puts on wet rubber hip boots at 4 in the morning; wet job. Camp situated four miles from Mabon on N. P. Potato picking will soon start. Any man can get a job for himself around this part of the country without buying it. Conditions will probably remain same until the harvest days are over, or more correctly, until the harvesters are harrowed by the various parasites. Then, perchance, the agents in Spokane may be able to flood jobs, when employers may be in happy position to cut wages and hustle workers. J. FLOYD.

Educate! Educate! Educate! Send books throughout the land, educate the people and we can bid defiance to the schemes of tyrants.—Patrick Henry.

- TO UNION SECRETARIES. The following is a list of the Industrial Unions and Branches of industrial Unions of the I. W. W. in the United States and Canada. It is possible that there are some errors and omissions in this list. All secretaries are asked to send a statement of their names, addresses, times of union meetings, etc. This list will be published every week, and those unions wishing their names continued are asked to write to the editor of the Industrial Worker without delay. Arizona. Secy.—Town—Address. 272—F. Velarde, Phoenix, 595 E. Van Buren. 273—W. Welch, Globe, Box 1230. British Columbia. 155—G. W. Rogers, Phoenix, Box 264. 44—Alice Harling, Victoria, 1630 Pembroke. 525—A. L. Elliott, Nelson, Box 653. 322—F. C. Lewis, Vancouver, Room 3 Sullivan Bldg. Meets 2 p. m. Sundays. 326—Pat Daly, Prince Rupert. California. 173—J. W. Johnstone, San Francisco, 172 East St., Maritime Bldg. 437—John Sanderson, Brawley, Box 61. Meets 8 p. m. Saturdays. 419—Wm. Kuhl, Redlands, Box 357. 12—W. R. Sautter, Los Angeles, 243 East Second St. Colorado. Mixed Local, Denver. Illinois. 500—J. J. Meyer, Pullman, 11,653 Yale Ave. 233—F. Baizano, Chicago, 161 N. Carpenter. 85—Branch No. 1 (Scandinavian), Oscar Gaderlund. Meets 2d and 4th Sundays in month at 8 p. m. 135 Wells St. 85—W. Zalewski, Polish Br. 83—P. Price, Chicago, 111 Oak St. Br. 2. 167—A. Simpson, Chicago, 1811 Oakdale Ave. Iowa. 139—H. Hagensen, Sioux City, 419 Jennings. Louisiana. 38—F. Albers, New Orleans, 137 N. Scott. Minnesota. 424—H. F. Leger, Jr., Deer River. Meets 1st and 3d Sundays of month at 10 a. m., Ruby's Hall. 64—C. H. Fisher, Minneapolis, 527 Emerson Ave. Missouri. 84—J. Pollack, St. Louis, 1529 N. 15th St. 188—I. Marcus, St. Louis, 1005 N. 14th. 413—Wm. Hoffman, St. Louis, 2634 S. 18th. Montana. 142—J. F. Schroeder, Anaconda, 212 E. Com. Av. 105—J. H. Schwend, Anaconda, 511 Washington. 405—F. C. Meyer, Butte, Box 1133. 41—Morris Waggoner, Great Falls, 520 4th Ave. South. 421—Joe Duddy, Kallispell, Box 175. 300—M. F. McClung, Kallispell. 33—Pete Brown, Darby, Box 78. 35—H. C. McCann, St. Regis, Box 23. 39—W. H. Coombs, Billings. Meets Friday, 7:30 p. m. Nebraska. 86—F. H. Alexander, Omaha, 627 S. 17th. New Jersey. 24—A. Hagsberg, Harrison, 15 Franklin Ave. 163—A. Olson, Jersey City, 349 Communipaw Ave. 510—H. Hartman, Jersey City, 107 Paterson. New York. 161—C. Delz, New York, 512 E. 146th. 139—C. G. Fisher, New York, 348 E. 162d. 131—H. Beckman, New York, 334 E. 51st. 93—W. Northrop, New York, 44 W. 96th. 217—J. Fronkowlak, Buffalo, 1159 Broadway. 91—J. Lyng, Yonkers, 29 Fernbrook. 15—A. Black, New York, 403 W. 127th. 179—J. Routsiloue, Brooklyn, 427 Nostrand Ave. Ohio. 33—Chas. H. Smith, Cleveland, 6636 Bliss Ave. 98—M. Marcus, Cleveland, 2472 E. 51st. Oregon. 93—E. J. Foote, Portland, 33 N. 4th. 92—Pat Walsh, Portland, 33 N. 4th. 141—Building Constructors, Portland, Ore., 33 N. Fourth St., B. Lorton. Pennsylvania. 414—R. Walters, Philadelphia, 5539 Poplar St. 11—D. Andrea, Dummore, 306 Smith St. 11—H. Davis, Philadelphia, 2439 S. 17th St. 412—H. Elngart, Philadelphia, 1154 S. 6th St. 404—Joe Shofer, Philadelphia, 420 Green St. 524—T. Goetomo, Scranton, 101 Lackawanna Ave. 215—J. Desmond, Pittsburg, 4 Gaszam St. 516—Anton Parise, Parsons, Box 81. 516—G. Grech, West Pittston, 118 Luzerne Ave. 511—J. Yanello, Old Forge, Box 13. 372—P. Cox, Patton. 25—John Lodone, Masontown, Box 697 Br. 1. 26—G. Basso, Fairchance, Box 226 Br. 2. 298—New Castle, 23 1/2 Washington St., Thursday Evening. Mixed Local, L. Duchez, New Castle, Box 622. 299—Jerry Kaufold, Lyndora, Nixon Hotel. 296—McKees Rocks, 100 Chartiers Ave. Colorado. Denver, 3505 Humboldt St. Rhode Island. 99—B. Ulderico, Woonsocket, 686 Diamond Hill. Vermont. 7—F. Rossi, Montpelier, 115 Barre St. 176—N. Imbruglio, Waterbury. 410—L. Marchetto, Barre, 10 Shurtleiff Place. Washington. 423—F. W. Schwartz, Spokane, 416 Front Ave. 132—G. E. Boyd, Spokane. 432—Wm. Liebrecht, Seattle, 308 James St. 434—H. A. Hanley, Spokane, 416 Front Ave., Rear. 131—A. C. Cole, 308 James St. Meets Mondays, 8:30 p. m. 382—G. R. Coles, Seattle, 308 James St. 178—Chas. P. Williams, Seattle, 308 James St. 222—A. Lovett, Spokane, 416 Front Ave., Rear. 380—A. Payne, Tacoma, 203 S. Cliff Ave. NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL UNION TEXTILE WORKERS. National Secretary—Francis Miller, 12 Rosemont Terrace, Lymanville, R. I. 20—G. G. Smith, Lawrence, Mass., 112 Newberry St. 55—W. Swindiehurst, Fall River, Mass., 23 James. 120—D. Ficari, West Hoboken, N. J., 447 Central Ave. 157—Wm. Yates, New Bedford, Mass., 720 Belleville Ave. 425—A. Debuigne, Philadelphia, 1842 N. Front St. 433—S. Martinelli, Stajord Springs, Conn., Box 698. 436—C. Coppons, Lowell, Mass., 37 Prince St. 513—Francis Smith, Woonsocket, R. I., Box 40. 520—T. J. Powers, Olneyville, R. I., Box 206. DISTRICT COUNCILS. Philadelphia, Pa.—H. Davis. New York, N. Y.—H. Traurig, 741 E. 5th St. Chicago, Ill.—Frank Morris, 302 Wells St. CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. Seattle, Wash.—T. Brown, 308 James St. Spokane, Wash.—C. L. Filigno, 416 Front Ave., Rear. Portland, Ore.—E. E. Johnson, 33 N. Fourth St. PROPAGANDA LEAGUES. Buffalo, N. Y.—H. Tutbill, 49 Baynes St. Chicago, Ill.—B. H. Williams, 302 Wells St. Kansas City—Hugh M. Scott, 71st and Main Sts. Butte, Mont.—Paul Cooney, 261 E. Parphyry St.



MEMBERS OF THE CHICAGO PROPAGANDA LEAGUE, WHO SOLD 500 COPIES OF THE INDUSTRIAL WORKER ON LABOR DAY.

CHICAGO LEAGUE.

At the request of McKees Rocks strike committee I am sending you the following report and picture for publication.

In obedience to our motto, "An Injury to One is an Injury to All," or "Money Talks," the faithful few proposed to raise some coin for our striking fellow workers at McKees Rocks, Pa.

Five hundred Industrial Workers were ordered by wire and received in due time on Monday morning.

Fellow Workers Mrs. Meyers, Mrs. Blair, Carl Rathje aus Ham-burgh, Pete Allerd the big Swede, Wilcox the snake charmer, and E. S. Nelson from Portland, formerly star tenor of the famous Overall Brigade, composed the strike relief committee.

At 2 p. m. it assembled in front of the I. W. W. hall to have a picture taken by Butch, I. W. W. staff (read starved) photo-grafer.

After removing the dead ones and injured resulting from the shot, the live ones caught a passing "direct to the Park" flyer on the fly. Riverview Park, the place: Labor Day (?) picnic, the attraction: three hours, the time.

Net result: 350 Industrial Workers sold at 5 cents per and \$7.00 collected on strike list. Over \$20.00 will be sent on with more to follow.

A few incidents: Fellow Worker Price, the most painstaking treasurer we ever had, was exempt from duty. He laid 80 I. W. at the Swedish S. L. P. picnic on Sunday.

Fellow Worker Nelson, who only a few days ago had several fingers smashed while grinding out compensation for the riches that capital takes insisted upon going along and doing his share. He did the spitting, while Allerd handled the lot.

Mrs. Blair got \$1.00 from some street car men on the way to the hall, while the irrepressible Carl told the passengers on the flyer all about the great strike in Pennsylvania, inducing several of them to buy a I. W. A friend who doesn't care to have his name in type donated 15 copies of the Socialist Review, September issue, which were sold by Wilcox.

James Connally, the main speaker, delivered the Labor Day address. Said he, amongst other good things: Our forefathers fought like hell for the right to elect their own president, etc.; fought for political freedom; how much more is it imperative for you working men to battle for economic freedom—the power to elect your own foreman, etc.; to enforce working conditions for your own liking. The industrial field is the battle ground. Organize and do it right. (Great applause.)

Barney Berlin then spoke and at the finish delivered himself thus: The real Labor Day is election day! (Like hell it is.) Three pair of hands attempted to make a noise. A sign of the times.

The speaking over, the hustlers dug in and sold the I. W. first, and argued afterwards. Fellow workers, so ye forth and do likewise: combine agitation with the raising of money for this strike, or any other for that matter.

With best wishes we remain, yours for the earth and the fulness thereof. (14 chapters one-eyed John.) "Butch" Bohlman and Otto J. Smith, Committee.

PICNIC IN LOS ANGELES.

Local No. 12 gave their second picnic of the year in the same place it was held last July in the Arroyo Seco bottom. The picnic was not held to celebrate Labor Day, the day set aside by Capitalist Congress for the worker to rest, but just simply because it was Sept. 6 and the boys were not working and felt like jungling up for a day.

The committee that had the affair in charge, were as usual Germans. This was evident the moment one arrived at the grounds, for there it was "that amell" between two pieces of rye bread for 10c, mustard free, to be applied as a disinfectant, providing you were not Dutch.

The Limburger was disposed of first, then the ham was sliced with the same knife, which left the ham with a flavor somewhat favoring the smell of a fertilizer factory, and once more it was necessary to bring the mustard into play.

The bakers did well: one presented a cake 18 inches in diameter, with I. W. W. worked on it, to the committee, and another bought 100 pounds of sugar to make three gallons of lemon-

ade; "good judgment." He was looking out for several picnics in the future. It was rumored he owns \$2.50 worth of stock in the Oxnard sugar factory.

The funds were limited, so there were no lost leg mines to be searched for. Fellow Worker Wilson did not appear with his musical muscle developer, so there was no music.

The address of the day was delivered by Jones. He also gained 10 pounds, for there was nothing came his way that he did not stop, and at 5 p. m. he looked like a poisoned pup. Fellow Worker Bernsdorf also spoke, telling the boys to put their hand to the shoulder, and that our motto was an injury to all is the concern of one.

The expenditures were \$28.45, and the receipts \$38.80, one box of lemons and 100 pounds of sugar. All went home happy and the day was well spent. G. A. FRICK.

Competition ruins our markets, enables the rich to take advantage of the necessities of the poor, makes each man snatch the bread out of his neighbor's mouth, converts a nation of brethren into a mass of hostile, isolated units, and finally involves capitalists and laborers in one common ruin.—Greg.

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