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MENT OF THE NATIONAL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF S. P.

To the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party:

New York, Oct. 16th, 1911.

Comrades: It has been brought to the attention of the executive committee of the Italian Socialist Enderation that a warning has been issued by your office against Edmondo Rossoni qualifying him as a fake agitator and a vulgar defamer of the socialist movement.

Believing that you have been wilfully misinformed by interested parties I hereby furnish you the facts as they are in the hope that you will realize the honest intentions and bona fide both of Edmondo Rossoni and the Italian Socialist Federation of which he is the National Organizer.

The Italian Socialist Federation is an or ganization of lifteen years standing whose aim is to educate and organize the masses of Italian immigrants along the line of revolution ary socialism.

At its last national convention held at Utica A., last April, it resolved to adopt and follow the syndicalist theory and confine its methods and action to the organizing of the Italian workers industrially, as advocated by disregard all forms of political activity within

the orbit of the capitalist state.

That this disqualifies the I. S. F. from being

cally deny.

of its organizers it is evidently it undisputed ple and but a few words being said he was right and we have nothing to object—but we jerked into eternity.

have incurred through ignorance and misinformation, we hereby 4sk that you withdraw from the press of your party or modify as aforesaid the untrue and malicious statement-By order of the Executive Committee. Yours for the Revolution,

ARTURO M. GIOVANNITTI. National Secretary Italian Socialist Federation, 157 N. 28th St., N. Y.

# DIRECT ACTION.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 31 .- The threatened strike of the kitchen queens in Portland's fashionable homes took a painful turn today. when a cook in an Invington home upset a bowl of hot soup down the neck of a luncheon guest, who, she learned, was the newspaper man responsible for publicity anent the strike plans of the cooks' union.

Orton E. Goodwin of the Morning Oregon was compelled to make a change of clothing before reporting for work tonight as a result of the "accident"

Portland cooks announce that an effective union has been organized and unless a scale of \$40 a month is agreed upon by Thursday morning there will be a walkout in every home in town .- Spokesman-Review.

Square meals are a close rival to the ten commandments in making good workers. W. N.



cialists, as we understand that Socialism is mounted the scaffold on that bleak November to the monopoly of any party or persons nor is the appellative "Socialist" patented by any one of the many tendencies of this world wide movement.

All this, however, does not justify a party calling itself Socialist from officially slandering the good name, and the well proven class consciousness of Edmondo Rossoni who both as a man and a labor agitator has a long and honorable record.

The worlds of August Spies were the world; of a prophet: "THERE WILL COME A as a man and a labor agitator has a long and honorable record.

The WHEN OUR SLIENCE WILL BE with the blood money which they were given at the meeting where the bom's was morning 24 years ago to satisfy the gloating thrown muil they were urged by others to come and help out with the meeting. The jury was carefully selected to do the murderous act of finding the men guilty. They were all prejudiced and admitted their prejudice while under examination by the judge. The words of August Spies were the words these venomous creatures were taken in carriages by the capitalist class and presented with the blood money which they were given to mulestand they would receive. The selection of the monopolity of the blood money which they were given to miderate the meeting where the bom's was morning 24 years ago to satisfy the gloading to come and help out with the meeting.

The jury was carefully selected to do the murderous act of finding the murderous act of findin MORE POWERFUL THAN THE VOICES with the blood money which they were given the public that Edmondo Rossoni is not one of its organizers it is deidente if multisment that and tours from more than the public that extra money was due that and tours from more to the people in the people of its organizers it is deidente if multisment of and tours from more than the people in the peopl

Believing that these informations will be club and gun on a defenseless audience of speeches have since been printed by the wife satisfactory and that in justice to truth and over 4,000 people who had congregated on of Albert Parsons and they have been circularder bonesty you will see the error in which you Haymarket square in Chicago to hear the lated around the world. They are famous freedom.

November 11 is the 24th anniversary of the speeches of the labor men who were then help-speeches not only for their length under such That this disqualifies tid I. S. F. from being judicial murder of Albert Parsons. Adolph ing the strikers for a shorter work day. The a trying ordeal, but also for the brilliant lancing the word: "Socialist," we most emphatically deny.

These men suffered death by strangulation in the strike and the general sentiment among tem and the fake trial by which the men were If we differe in tactics from the Socialist order that we might live. Not a cowardly the workers was a harred for the police force, party that does not mean that we are not Socialism is mounted the scaffold on that bleak November even at the meeting where the bomb was

> waiting for you." Five of this gang of murderers have since died in lunatic asylums.

found guilty.

The last words of the speech of Louis Lingg showed the hatred he hore towards the sys-tem. He said: "I despise you. I despise your order, your laws, your force-propped authority. Hang me for it."

Every member of the I. W. W. today bears that same hatred for the capitalist system. We cannot bring back our fellow workers who were strangled for fighting honestly for an eight hour day in Chicago, but we can pick up the mantle which fell from their shoulders only when their breath was shut off and we can carry it on and on to victory. We can raise our red flag and gather around it knowing that it stands for freedom and denotes right and we have nothing to object—nut we take issue with any further statements.

The Italian Socialist Federation through its official organ has never endeavored to fare under the banner of the Socialist party nor has Rossoni ever attempted to pass as an organization of the working the properties of the working that separates slave from stave.

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All these men who were hanged becau workers by forcing all parasites to do their share of the work of the world. Let us make McDaniels, Spokane; F. B. Farris, Omaha, As share of the work of the world. Let us make harder and harder for the revolution and

I. W. W. MEN THANKED THE JUDGE— POLICE METHODS ARE ADVERTIS-ING I. W. W.—BIG MEETINGS HELD—JUDGE IS FOR HON- . EST UNIONS.

Six members of the Industrial Workers of the World thanked Charles H. Clark, acting judge in the North Side Municipal court, when he assessed a fine of \$50 against each of them this morning on a charge of blocking the sidewalk at Sixth and Main streets last night, where they held a meeting.

Apparently the organization has made good its assertion that the members here would be re-enforced by members from other cities in the controversy with the police over the right to hold curbstone meetings. Only one of the men tried this morning gave a Kansas City address. The others had come from other cities since the campaign opened, they said.

They smiled as they walked back to the holdover; and each one said: "Thank you, judge; that's what we want."

"I'm sorry that I can't make it \$5,000," Judge Clark told them. .

They refused to be sworn when they gave their testimony. A patrolman said a crowd of several hundred persons had gathered at the corner last night and that the street and sidewalks were blocked.

"The sidewalk was not blocked," Don D. Scott, 1834 East Ninth street, said. "There was not a vehicle on the street all the time we were there. The crowds came because of the advertising the police have given us. They are to blame for the fact that so many were on the street. If we are guilty then the Salvation Army is guilty and so are newspapers which display the results of ball games to crowds on the street."

"Are you a convert?" he was asked.

"No, I have been a rebel a long time, a rebel against capitalism," he replied. "Every man in our organization has as much power and as much right as any other member. We have no president because we do not believe in fakers. We don't believe in the Samuel Gompers-John Mitchell idea of running a labor organization. We follow no Moses out of the bullrushes."

"I'm for all honest unionism, and honest strikes," Judge Clark replied as he assessed their fines. "But it's my impression that you and your kind are the cause of much of the sentiment against organized labor. You are the cause of the strife and riots in labor strikes, because you work in strikes not for the benefit of labor, but against the federation

The men against whom fines were assessed Louis Rachstein, St. Louis; C. A. were: Brown, Chicago; Fred Chrest, Portland; Joe long as they have to go to jail they do not care how large their fines are, they said. One of the men, G. A. Brown, asserted that they would be released in a short time, because public sentiment would be turning their way so strongly that the police would have to rec-

M. J. Bowden and C. F. Steckham, Kansas at the meeting and were arrested, were dis-

hours. The occupations of the others varied them are of slender build, between five and one-half and six feet tall.-"Kansas City Times.

MEMORIAL MEETING. The Scattle I. W. W. will hold a memorial necting in commemoration of the death of the Chicago martyrs who were judicially mur-dered November 11, 1886. The meeting will be held at the I. W. W. hall, 211 Occidental Ayenue, Sunday, November 12, at 7:30 p. m.

Good speakers, good singing, all workers are

We still have plenty of those 25c sub cards. Get a few today.

invasion made these sentimental

(Walker C. Smith).

K. C. on the map and today in that hilly village the principal topic of conversation is the One Big Fighting Union of the working class.

One of them, charged with speaking Some pf the members of the board were there It is conceded that the authorities had to back on the street so as to blockade traffic, stutters and they endeavored to manocuver it into a down and they made quite a neat job of it. so it took him several minutes to tell his name conference with Halero and myself protesting from steam fit er to tailor. None of the others that we had no power to take action and tell-has been working recently, they said. All of Clark, together with the public persecutor, never block the road of capitalist justice. This saved their face through the medium of the last haul filled all available space at the mu-Board of Public Welfare. This board con- nicipal farm and since then no further arrests sists of well meaning old fossils, recently re- have been made, although the meetings are who spend their time and the "dear public's" night the speaking started at Sixth and Main. noney in sprinkling cologne an the dunghills as usual, and the box was moved up to 12th of capitalism or in poulticing boils on the and Grand. This is the busiest section and hody politic. With the threat of "ONE the crowd that had followed the speakers and THOUSAND MEN FOR THANKSGIVING singers, together with those who quickly DINNER AT LEED'S FARM" haunting gathered, became so large as to block trafficthem like a spectre, these souphouse reform- for the first time. Doyle, Saunders, Lyons and ers went straight up in the air. Kansas City myself were the speakers and the cop on the under normal conditions cannot care for its beat—well, he beat it, accompanied by the nation of the aims and objects of the I. W. W. "unfortunates" and the present business de-jeers of the crowd. Saturday was spent in which discussion he became so interested pression, coupled with a threatened I. W. W. putting out "Bulletin No. 1," which was a (Continued on Page Four.)

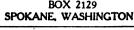
gentlemen statement of the position of the I. W. W. On charged. (Walker C. Smith).

Kansas City is built on a bluff, but they can't bluff the L. W. W. has succeeded in putting The L. W. W. has succeeded in putting K. C. on the man and today in that hilly vil-boys were kangarooed to the tune of \$500 each to return at 3 p. m. and upon doing so were ing them that the men in jail were the only ones who could settle the fight.. Not withstanding this the conference continued for three hours and assumed the appearance of a treaty council between equal powers. It conclusively demonstrated the tremendous power of organized might and clearly showed that we are building the new society within the shell of the old. We are gaining general recognition as a fighting force disputing contro with the powers that be. The court stenographer was present and took down notes unti-Halcro and I launched into a detailed expla-

Big Victory for I. W. W! Free Speech Established in Kansas City!

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To tell med that they cannot help themselves is to fling them into recklessness and despair.-Froude.

#### A Scab Paper.

Some person has been mean enough to send us the maider copy of "The Times" printed in Portland, Ore. The first issue of this infamous rag struck daylight on October 21. It stands for the "open shop" and we are also reminded by glaring words on top of the first page that it stands for TRUTH, LIB ERTY, LAW, EQUAL RIGHTS AND INDUSTRIAL FREE DOM (for the boss) although it says that all these luxuries are for the slave as well as for the master. This paper stands for "equality of opportunities to the independent worker and to the average good citizen." Equality of opportunity for a scab is the phivilege of standing in a bread line waiting in turn for a dry doughnit and a cup of slop from the hand of charity To get it any quicker by the opportunity route would be to knock the starving wretch down in front and then that would be the "survival of the fittest."

Over the efficient column it says: "A FEARLESS EXPON-ENT OF INDUSTRIAL PEACE, THE 'OPEN SHOP AND THE RIGHTS OF INDEPENDENT LABOR' (whatever that is). It don't say a word about "Independent capital" and we have a wee's inking idea that this rag is the mouthpiece of the lumber trust and a few other combines on the coast that are looking for 'Industrial peace' at the expense of the misery of a great army of workers who have to slave for a mere pit tance called wages, in order to live.

As the I. W. W. is recognized as a live issue on the coast by the master class "The Times ' in dealing with the necessity for injunctions has the following to say:

"From The Times viewpoint the railroad companies have ex ercised their right alone. There has frequently gone up a yell of disapproval from the unions, from the flannel-mouthed soap-box street corner orators, from the I. W. W.'s and others of that ilk against "government by injunction" as they term it. Yet, when one looks carefully into the matter, the injunction orders of the courts are sometimes a necessity. Public business must be carried on, and if the railroad companies are not allowed or are deterred from performing their part, they are entirely justified in seeking their remedy by injunction. Public sentiment and human wisdom will back up this position. The Illinois Central recently had cause to enjoin its strikers from interfering with its rights. Now injunctions, either temporary or permanent, are not usually asked for until the usual remedies have been exhausted, and therefore, when applied are usually justifiable."

Under the caption "unreasonable and absurd demands" the "Times" has the following to say editorially re the Harriman strike:

"Organized union labor demands so many unreasonable things of the Harriman system, that neither that system, nor could any other, or any firm or individual accede to them and exist. There has been considerable talk of a 'fight to a finish.'' So be it. When the 'finish' comes the Harriman system will still be doing busir lose its points."

We believe that the editor of this "independent labor" sheet knows what he is talking about in regards to the Harriman strike although we deplore the organized scabbery that is daily going on. Had this fellow who is throwing the ink on "The Timest' been editor of some English anti-union paper a couple of months ago, he would have had a different tune to sing. He sings well now, not because of the strength of capital but over the weakness of labor and we opine that he will have more to do with making industrialists than anything that could be done or said in the near future.

In speaking of unionism the editor of "The Times' says:

"As between the employer and employe it should be a question of strict merit alone, in which the question of unionism or non-unionism should cut no figure.... Any employer stands ready to make the best investment... If his employe can earn for him a certain sum, greater than another man, he will hold to be satisfactory."

Yes it is true that the man that can produce the most and do it for the least money, makes the best investment the boss craniums, that they are just scabbing a little when they are could enter into. Here is where the whole trouble starts. Are taking out an engine that has been worked on all night by we to be working slaves so that the master can make good in- another brand of scab?

vestments out of our skill and toil or are we to fight for the INTERNATIONAL BULLETIN OF THE support "if necessary by a national stoppage full product of our toil and do away with class lines by taking all we produce? Are we to be mere "investments" for a para site who produces nothing, or are we to be men? That is the fight and that fight must be fought out on a clear cut issue. We can see why the boss has started "The Times" in Portland and why he is to start a similar paper in Spokane, Tacoma, Seattle and other coast cities. We welcome these papers. They will do an immense amount of good and they will serve to put the class struggle up to the poor dupe that is today paying dues into some craft union only to be a scab or be scabbed on the first time a skirmish comes up between master and slave. The mutual relations of a cheap, subservient lickspittle, of a slave and the master will always be satisfactory. It is not satisfactory to the master to see slaves rebel against their ill gotter gains from the toil of labor. We do not want them to love or even respect us, we want them to hate us with that hate that must come between rebel and master. On with the revolution! On with "The Times!"

#### A NICE FATHER.

SPOKANE, Wash., October 17.—The office of the Sun Employment agency on Front avenue, this city, was wrecked by dynamite... For a block the street was littered with the debris from the wrecked building. The employment office, of which Thomas Goodwin was the proprietor, has been supplying strikebreakers to fill the places vacated by the strikers on the defeating strikes rather than to allow the Harriman lines. Goodwin's sons are union men.-"Times," Portland, Ore.

Goodwin's sons should be proud of their father. Such sons coming from such stock is something unexplainable unless it be that "they took after their mother." Goodwin says he always got along with the union men and he cannot understand why his place of business should be blown up. Goodwin seems to have very queer reasoning faculties when he is surprised that any one should dislike him because he hired scabs for the that any one should dislike him because he hired scabs for the pressed the heartiest sympathy for the L. W. Harriman lines, but at that he is as good as any union scab W. and held out the hope that there would be that has so ably succeeded in keeping every train running on the Harriman lines since the strike of shopmen started. All scabs should be classed together under one heading regardless of whether some are decorated with emblems or not. A union card does not make a union man, but often is a shield for scabs to hide behind. One Big Union is better by far than dynamite. It acts quicker.

#### A CLEAN UP FOR K. C.

It appears that the authorities of Kansas City have already put their foot in it" when they claimed that prisoners saved \$22,000 in Kansas City by breaking rock last year. The I. W. W. members now have ascertained that no such money appears in the receipts and expenditures of Kansas City and there is room for an investigation as to where the money went to. The Free Speech fight in Spokane was the means of ousting every public officer from both county and city. Not a prosecuting attorney, a jailer or sheriff is in office today, although they had for a quarter of a century held onto the money pouch and the graft end of Spokane county and city. The famous Pugh ring was smashed to pieces and nothing had more to do with their undoing than the bread and water route and the "third degree" as practiced by this miserable ring. Kansas City will not allow the I. W. W. prisoners to mingle with the other prisoners because of the fertile field offered for ngitation. This is all the proof needed to show that it was the agitation on the street corner that caused the arrests and not the blockading of the streets as is claimed. There is a fertile field on the street corner for agitation as well as in the prisons and we intend to hold that fertile field if it takes 10 years to whip Kansas City. When Kansas City gets through with the Free Speech fight it will be poorer but wiser and FREE SPEECH WILL BE ESTABLISHED.

## THE IRISH STRIKE.

The sad tidings have just been received in this country to the effect that the Irish railway strike was lost on account of religious differences between the strikers. The master class immediately the strike began, started in to create the dissention he knew could be created if he could but pit the Orangemen triotic speech to his constituents. Cabrini, the against the Catholies. The scheme worked to the complete deputy of Pescarolo, in an interview publish satisfaction of the boss. It is but a few years ago when miners ed by the Corriera della Sera described in high all belonging to the Miners union of the metalaferous mines killed each other over religious differences. The fight between the A. P. A. and the Catholic miners resulted in many a union being smashed to pieces. We have passed that age of fanaticism to some extent in this country, as we do not believe it possible to split the workers on religious propositions any more We are told that Christianity has a ization. The recent strike in Ireland shows how it has advance ed the workers to a state of ignorance whereby they will fight each other over a fictitious God at a time when all workers should be banded together to fight their common enemy, the boss. Its high time the Irishmen of Ireland were taking stock of their intelligence and find out just what amount of it they have on hand at the present time.

## SCABS WEAR UNION (?) BUTTON.

And now we pick up "The World issue" printed in Santa Cruz, Cal., and on scanning the pages we find where some Harriman strikers are reporting that scabs are wearing B. or F. L. buttons in order to get past the pickets. From this we presume that the Firemen are allowed to work and are considered nailway companies have taken back the engine good union men, while the scab who has no button is in danger of getting a few gibes thrown at him as he passes the gate. such a man in position, and their mutual relations are bound The whole thing is covered with scales and the guy that wears the union button is the biggest scab of the whole bunch. Wonder if these labeled union scabs don't have a small idea in their

SYNDICALIST MOVEMENT. Address: Bourge-la-Reine, Seine, France.

#### United States.

October 15, 1911. On Monday, the 12th of October, the sixtl nnual convention of the I. W. W. was called to order by the General Secretary, Vincent St. John. Twenty-four delegates representing 38 local unions and one national union (National Industrial Union of Textile Workers) were at the congress. Telegrams of assurances of the I. W. W. moral, financial and physical support were sent to the Mexican revolutionists, the MacNamaras, Buccafori, Preston and Smith, and several other fellow workers jailed because of their loyalty to the working classes. Tuesday's session was occupied by the reading of the reports of the G. E. B. and of the secretary and treasurer. St. John; documents which showed a gradual increase in the moral, financial and numerical strength of the I. W. W. as well as regarding its numerous victories since the last convention.

Wednesday the reports were read of "Solidarity," of the Budapest delegate, and of the general Organizer Trautmann. Trautmann's eport of the criminal alliance of the A. F. of L. fakirs and the self-styled revolutionary socialist politicians, who as the report shows, time and again have acted in full concert in vorkers to win with revolutionary methods.

by various proposals to abolish, to reorganize or to limit the power of the G. E. B.; they were rejected and the G. E. B. remains therefore as it was.

At the convention assisted three delegates of the Brotherhood of Timber Workers, one from the Metal Workers Union, and one from the Polish Executive, I. W. W. The first exa speedy affiliation between the two organizations if they could bring it about. The necessity for better co-operation between western ocals, a question brought up by the Pacific with life and vim and courage; an organiza-Coast District Organization was generally ad- tion that injects hope and inspiration into the mitted.

entirely devoted to the practical work of orzanization and propaganda.

#### Hungary.

The Syndicalist situation in Hungary. Hungary everybody is clamoring for the great means of salvation" of humanity; unillemocrates, radicals of '48, clericals, free maons-all are unanimous in desiring its introduction. In the mean time the working classes are losing all they gained. The trade unions see their strikes fail one after the other, landlords increase rents to an unpretedented height, and if the workers cannot pay these extortions they are put mercilessly out (just as in France WITH universal suffrage). It is not long ago that the subject of increased cost of living was at the order of the day; at present everybody is only inperested in universal suffrage. Bread, meat, degetables are growing dearer every day, but duly question as democratic government, govrument by the people, are now discussed. Under these conditions the revolutionary workers, syndicalists and anarchists have startell a vigorous propaganda for revolutionary vadicalism. A large meeting was held where the secretary of the French Confederation of labor, Jonhaux, spoke. Since then the first Inhor, Jonhaux, spoke. Since then the hist-proved an utter failure. But the two first-democratic party, has been created. It is the union of engine drivers, and was organized lation of the neutrality laws. by Ignace Beller.

Italian Chauvinism. A perfect fever of pa-triotism seems to have seized the Italian peole. We mentioned that some socialist denu tits frankly declared themselves in favor of he war. Now Felice, the deputy of Catana, former revolutionist, has gone as a reporte to the seat of war after having made a pa language the departure of the Italian troops The complete the trio let us only mention Bessolati. And how many others! But not only parliamentarians, also syndicalists, partikans of direct action, as Arturo Labriola, Phlol Orano and Olivetti have their sympathy with the war. This would be difficult to un derstand if one did not keep in mind that those "intellectuals" of the revolutionary syndicalist movement in Italy have had always The bourgeois press a doubtful influence. often calls them "leaders," but if they are, they are self-imposed leaders who in the first serious crisis separate from the workers.

## Ireland.

The Irish Strike. The strike in building matrials which brought about the great solidarity strike of the railwaymen, has come to ar end on October 6. It had lasted six weeks The strikers, all members of the Irish Trans nort Workers Union, demanded an increase in wages and recognition of their union. The first has not been gained, but will be settled thter. All men have been taken back. The stallway men's strike will cease now, too. The personnel and 9-10 of the other categories of strikers.

## England,

Miners' Congress at Southport and General Strike. The congress of Southport of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain, held on October 5, a secret meeting to discuss the proposals of the Northumberland miners to

of work" the three claims; I, a minimum wage 30 per cent above the tariff of 1879; 2, abolition of the three shifts; 3, reintroduction of the 8 hours day. The congress decided to support the two first claims. This seems to indicate period of serious trouble in the English coal fields. Some local miners' federation especially that of Northumberland and Scotand, have started an energetic campaign. The Miners' Federation of Great Britain counts 60,000 members.

#### A YEAR OLD AGITATOR.

This issue closes the first year of The Agitator's existence; and a stormy year it has been. It has had to struggle against the indifference of a large part of the radical element, that should have been its main support. It has had to struggle against a powerful enemy, the capitalist class, whose crush it are not yet ended. But its struggles have given it strength. The few whose devotion and persistency carried it on from month to month have grown to many. It has now a little army of fighting rebels behind it that assures, not only its continuation, but its early enlargement. We are still printing it on the old hand press, but the assurances of a new press within the near ferture are very bright.

One of the most encouraging things connected with the paper is the number of readers and supporters it is getting who have never been connected with a propaganda of so radical a nature. This is an indication of the Thursday, Friday and Saturday was occupied growth of revolutionary ideas, as opposed to the pure and simple trade union and ballotbox socialism; both of which have held the workers of America under the hypnotic spell

of their false promises for the last 20 years.
It takes a worker a long time to see through a trick. But he cannow be fooled all the time. The time of the politician and the getter of a little more of the product is fast fading. Trade Unionism must change its tactics or die. Socialism must quit politics or degenerate into a mere reform party.

The best men in both organizations are going over to the I. W. W., a young organization toilers; an educational organization that thinks Generally it is seen that the convention was more of a book or a pamphlet than a pound nitrely devoted to the practical work of ortion not afraid to resist the invasions of plutocracy upon the little liberty that still remains, and ready to go in for the final tussle and win freedom for the workers by the direct road of the general strike.

This fine, vigorous, straightforward moveersal suffrage. Social-democrates, bougeois ment has the unqualified support of The Agi-

With freedom as the fountain of education, and Industrialism as the basis of action, the Workers of the World are on the sure and speedy road to emancipation.

The Agitator will continue the propaganda it mapped out for itself at the start: Industrial Unionism for the parent, the Modern School for the child, Freedom for both. JAY FOX. Editor.

The grandest act of the delegates to the recent I. W. W. convention in Chicago was their adjournment of proceedings to visit, in body, the tomb of the martyrs, Parsons, Spies, Fischer, Engel and Lingg, in Waltheim cemetery."- The Agitator.

# DO NOT DESERT THEM.

As was inevitable, the attempt to convict Pryce, Mosby, Reed and Laffin on murder, robbery and arson charges arising out of recent military operations in Lower California

It is now that labor and radical organizations should bestir themselves. The previous charges had to be tried on evidence, and public protest could have done little, if any, good. But the neutrality prosecutions raise large questions of public policy, on which opinion should be expressed in no uncertain terms

The plutocrat Madero admittedly imported arms by the wholesale, and his troops were granted special permits to pass over American oil. He is honored by the American government. The proletariat leaders who opposed im were thwarted at every turn by our government's forces and their leaders now lie in

Madero's guilt is conceded and was on the largest scale. His enemies, under the flag of the Mexican liberal party, had they wished to do so, could not have begun to compete with Madero in violating the neutrality laws, for they were far too poverty-stricken. Radicals and labor union ore

should consider this. They should not leave their brothers in the lurch. They should not look on indifferently while men of the people who suffer for what brings the capitalist-politician glory and power. It is in our power to rectify this by prompt

and vigorous action. If we fail to rise to the ecasion we ourselves shall suffer, for we shall have shown ourselves weak and the weak are dways in the wrong,

Take action, and take it quickly .- "Regen-

What makes all doctrine plain and clear? About two hundred pounds a year. And that which was proved true before Prove false again? Two hundred more -BUTLER

The only things that are free in this world W. N. are advice and kicks.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE Industrial Worker

#### FROM CHICAGO.

Industrial Union No. 85, Branch 2, Karl Rathje, Secretary, 881 La Salle Avenue Chicago, Ill.

October 17th, 1911. Fellow Workers of Spokane, Wash.

Greeting: Your circular letter, undated, the envelope of which is post-dated October 20th. 1911, containing expression of your dissatisfaction of certain action taken by the late convention; and furthermore containing six "motions," or propositions initiated by you, to be seconded or supported by a sufficient number of locals, in order to subject the said propositions to referendum vote of the membership of the I. W. W., signed "O. Liza, F. S. Fisher, Gust. Larson, Committee of Spokane Joint Locals, I. W. W. Without seal attached, duly at hand and contents noted, and dis-cussed by Local 85( Branch 2, I. W. W., in regular meeting assembled, this 27th day of October, 1911.

I am instructed to convey to you the resultant resolution adopted, copies of which will be received by the locals of Spokane and the I. W. W. Press, and which is as follows:

Resolution.

Whereas, Local 85, Branch2, has received from a committee of the Spokane locals a circular letter setting forth the dissatisfaction of the said locals of Spokane, at the work accomplished by the late National Convention of the I. W. W.; and

Whereas, The first act of the convention specified in said letter is: "The matter of levving an additional assessment upon the membership of the I. W. W. without first con-

sulting the said membership;" and Whereas, The minutes of the said convention show that the above specified matter was ordered sent, and has been sent to a referendum vote of the entire membership, the latter now being in possission of the same; and

Whereas, Proposition No. 4, and which is as follows: "Shall the term of general officers, not exceed one consecutive term (one year)" is put negatively, and therefore an accurate vote on this proposition being impos

Resolved, That we deplore (1) the hasty action taken by the locals of Spokane and by their committee of three (3). (2) the evident superficial reading of the minutes of the late convention. (3) The failure of their delegate to fully and accurately report to the member

ship, if they have truthfully reported at all Resolved, Further, that the letter be returned them, and that they be requested to put "motion" No. 4 in the positive form, and to climinate "motion" No. 5, for the all-sufficient reason, that it is one of the propositions on the ballot sent out for a referendum vote by the general convention, and is being voted on

Local 85, Branch 2, hopes that the result of such misrepresentation as may have been made, will be cast aside, and that a calm and cool perusal of the minutes of the proceedings of the Convention and the receipt and acceptance of more information will allay, if not destroy, all fear that the late convention, which was attended daily by members of this and other locals, was not the best convention so far as regards its careful considerations. cool deliberation, long and thorough discussion of weights problems and important matter coming up before it almost paily; and we beg to assure you, fellow workers of Spokane, that, if we had noticed in any action of any delegate anything smacking of, or tending to usurpation or attempted dictatorship, would have heard from us, and others before of the various locals. now. Yours for "The Industrial Workers of the World."

Local 85, Branch 2, L. W. W. Per KARL RATHJE. Recording and Corresponding Sec'y. (Seal).

## FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

Mrs. Emerson just arrived in Frisco and after George Speed had spoken for about two hours on "ONE BIG UNION" Mrs. Emerson spoke to a large crowd. The "Worker" sold where, especially where these craft scabs could help form a new idea in their capitalist brains. There is certainly a great need of some L

W. W. tactics being injected into this Harriman strike as the whole bunch has gone to sleep.

HOPKINS.

# THE EIGHT HOUR WORK DAY.

lem at this time is the eight-hour work day. the at this time is the eight-hold work as a like to train speakers, organizers and a patrolman interrupted, and he led the little upon their own labor power for their existupon their own labor power for their existupon their own labor power for their exist- writers. Those now employed are living in constant fear of losing their jobs, because they for a closer, more systematic method of carrywork so long and produce so much that other ing on propaganda and organization. willing workers who are therefore prevented have to get the literature of the I. W. W. into rights to the jobs they now hold.

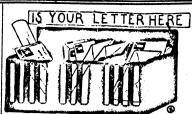
working more hours and increased energy so local patriotism and launch out with zeal upon One came from Minneapolis, another from St. long as there are hungry workers begging fighting for a chance to work.

liberate restriction of your energy. Agitate, Educate, Organize, for the eight hour work

Industrial solidarity is the key to the situation, ONE BIG UNION is the means of victory. Get busy! Get in line.

While you are arguing with a fool, just stop and figure that there are two of them.

The most bigoted reformer is the man who is tired of being bad.



The following mail is at the Vancouver headquarters and can be had by applying to Fred Parsons, Secretary L. U. 322, 232 Pender street east. Vancouver, B. C .:

Antosewich, S., 2. Anderson, C. H. 1 Baer, E. J. 1. Carlson, Olaf, 1. Carlson, C. H. 1. Carlson, J. A. 1. Dohbel, A. 4. Gronli, P. 2. Hayward, F . Herseblick, A. 1. Harthick, A. 1. Johnson, S. 2. Johnson, Gus. 1. Ling, E. N. 1. McCay, W. J. 1. Martin, Robt. 2. Manchwack, J. 1. Mylinder, O. 1

Nylander, O. 1. Nelson, Charlie, 7. O'Brien, Lindsay, 1. Phippard, A. 2. Perry, C. 2. Pepper, A. W. 4: Pucitti, L. 1. Robinson, I. 1.

Roha, C. 1. Sylverson, E. 1. Sharp Clair, 1, Tocher, J. 1. Torsell, Chas. 1.

Tornquist, J. 1. Undersath, C. 1. Welinder, O. 1. Willman, H. 1. Walters, W. E. 1.

Winters, F. 1.

#### CHICAGO SUNDAY MEETINGS.

Branch 2 of Local 85, Chicago, will hold eries of special lectures every Sunday evening On Sunday evening, November 12, W. L. Hall will speak on "Events in the History of the Labor Movement.

On Sunday evening, November 19th, E. Val Putnam (editor Chicago Daily Socialist) will speak on "Impossibilism on the Economic Field."

On Sunday evening, November 26, General Organizer Wm. E. Trautmann will address the meeting on "On the Road to Freedom."

#### NOTICE.

Any one knowing the address of Fellow Worker Hylko will please notify the "Worker."

## FROM ABERDEEN, WASH.

Last business meeting of Local 354 I was instructed to communicate with the "Worker" and through its columns asking the opinion of the other locals on the Pacific coast about forming a district organization to more effeetually carry on propaganda and organization work. As to whether we hold a conference you of the "Worker" we would like the opinion

As a starter we submit the following plans for discussion:

1.-Formation of a district organization omprising entire Pacific coast.

2.-A voluntary organization fund to raised to carry on organization work in warious places yet unorganized.

3.-A system of interchange of local speakers and organizers and the routing of organizers.

4.—The formation of volunteer bands to spoke to a large crowd. The "Worker some well. The cartoon "The stick the master and break" is the real dope. We should get bership this closed affiliation on the job. That the cartoon is and paste them every local secretaries keep a list of all such home size and paste them every It being especially impressed upon the members in these volunteer bands and where workget a good look at them and maybe they would ling. That secretaries, organizers and members try to pack various jobs. That a tabulated list of all members be kept and where working

5.-A tabulation of the working class population of cities and towns as far as possible in order to systematically carry on propa ganda and organization among them.

6.-Formation of literature brigades to dis tribute and sell literature and take subscripions to naner

7.- Formation of study classes and courses

Fellow Workers: The time is rotten ripe from working with them are contesting their the hands of the workers, and in order to do just reached the city, brought here by the cry so we have to have system and for help sent out when the police first began Remember, you cannot secure your job by method. Let us lay aside all differences and arresting the orators at Sixth and Main streets. a crusade of industrial organization. Don't Louis and the third from Spokane, Wash. The neglect this matter but take it up at your The only security for your jobs is rest business meeting and settle the matter 1700 the Paseo, and C. F. Steckham, 2838 reduction in the hours of your toil and a degree of establishing a district organization and Raytown Road. Their cries of "shame" when more efficient means and methods of propaganda and organization. With a hearty good vill in the work for our common cause, local men. Aberdeen greets you all. Yours for Industrial

Unionism. W. I. FISHER. Cor. Sec'y and Literature Agent.

Don't tell all you know, but know all you

W. N. | 000 this next week. Are you game?

# "RESPECTABLE" **SOCIALISTS**

KANSAS CITY SOCIALIST TOO "RE-SPECTABLE" FOR I. W. W.—HAVE TOO MUCH TO LOSE TO FIGHT -WOULD APOLOGIZE TO POLICE CHIEP.

The Kansas City Socialist, recently, contain ed a fine article by Steckham regarding the free speech fight. Steckham belongs to the I. W. W. as well as to the Socialist party, and was arrested last Wednesday night in company with another 'S. P. member named Bowden The pinch was made by one of those malodorous maggots commonly known as "fly bulls" on information furnished by a cockroach barber who runs a scab shop at Sixth and Main streets. The two men were subsequently released but the arrest rankled in the breast of Steckham so that his language in the article was in a manner strenuous. One parlor socialist, Rufus Bleistein by name, on Sunday, October 29, at the socialist city convention brought forth a resolution against the article He termed the article "highly improper, highhanded, disruptive, unwise and pernicious individualism, tending to bring the socialist party into disrepute and into unnecessary conflict with the city authorities; unjust intimations regarding peanut politicians at the back door of the party, and wound up the screed by resolving "that we do hereby condemn said article and in the name of the socialist party of Kansas City do offer our apologies to the chief of police." After considerable discussion a sidestepping substitute condemning the "scurulous" language was passed by vote of 21 to 9. The chairman refused to accept an amendment to insert "unladylike" in place of "scurulous." Borden said the social ist party did contain a bunch of peanut poli ticians and like other peanuts they needed roasting. He said that if the truth were known the Kansas City socialists had a streak of yelow up their backs resembling a flock of canary birds, and the revolution would probably ind all of them hiding beneath their beds One of the ballot box maniaes said it was al right for the I. W. W. to fight this kind of a battle as they had nothing to lose. A motion to extend the I. W. W. the use of the S. P. readquarters should their hall be raided by the police was lost after hitter discussion 9 for and 21 against. Steckham immediately resigned all official connection with the socialist party so far as active work is concerned and stated that he retained his membership with faint hope that the party might some day be come revolutionary. And this class of shoddy courgeoise are the ones who constantly prate about the shadow, the reflex, the shield, the political arm and similar rot. The "political ring" seems to have been reduced to pinfeathers—or pinheads

WALKER C. SMITH.

K. C. SOCIALISTS CRY "SHAME" AND GO TO JAIL—"YOUR ROOM IS READY" SAYS "BULL."

Nearly five hundred persons gathered last night on the steep slope of Sixth street east of Main in expectation of the Industrial Workers of the World meeting. At 7:30 o'clock the meeting began and at 7:40 o'clock it was all over. Eight men were taken to the police station, including two members of the So cialist party, who were merely bystanders, but who were pointed out to the patrolmen by the two policemen not in uniform, who were among the crowd.

Four patrolmen "rushed" the speakers and four were dragged off to the jail amid the cheers of the spectators. Then a small man wearing glasses jumped into the senter of the

"Wait a minute, fellow workingmen, this meeting isn't over," he shouted. "There are more of us willing to go to jail. We, the workingmen, built the jails and we, the workingon will live in the jails We'

"All right come on. Your room is ready," none appeared to further demonstrate the righ of the workingman for "free speech," and soon We the crowd drifted elsewhere.

Three of the men arrested last night had two Socialists arrested were N. J. Bowden, the I. W. W. speakers were arrested brought down on their heads the wrath of the police-

The man who fears to take his stand alone. But follows where the greatest number tread, Should hasten to his rest beneath a stone. The Great Majority of Men are Dead. -From "The Caxton."

To reject an idea because it is new is not a Let us run the "Worker" circulation to 10,100 this next week. Are you game?

Description in the strength of the strength of



Under this head, local unions may have their cards printed and carried continuously for one year. Rate \$5.00 per year.

Local No. 13, San Diego, Cal., meets every Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p. m. Hall and reading room at 805 H street.
R. THOMPSON, Secretary.

P. O. Box 312, San Diego, Cal.

Local No. 84, I. W. W., St. Louis, Mo. open headquarters 1214 Franklin ave. Business meeting every Friday, 8 p. m. Soap boxer coming through please drop in. All slaves welcome.

SCERETARY.

Spokane locals have business meeting every Monday at 7 p. m. Open air meetings when-ever weather permits. Hall and reading room 203 Front avenue. Address all communications, orders for song books and mone orders to Secy. Spokane Locals, I, W. W.

No. 61-Kansas City, Mo., meets every Friday at 8 p. m. Headquarters 211 Mo. avenue. Thomas Doyle, Secretary, 211 Mo. Ave.

Local 85-Branch 2 (English), Chicago, Ill. meets every Friday night at 183 West Madisor street, near Fifth avenue. President, Wilbur M. Wolfe; recording and corresponding secretary, Karl Rathje, 881 La Salle avenue; financial secretary, Tillie Meyer, 612 N. State

Local No. 380, I. W. W., Tacoma, meets every Sunday at 11 a. m. Address all com-munications to Sec., Local Union No. 380, 110 South 14th street, Tacoma, Wash.

Portland I. W. W. headquarters and free reading room at 309 Davis street. Business meetings every Sunday at 2 p. m. Stereopticon views and lectures every Sunday at 8 p. m.

Locals Nos. 64 and 137, I. W. W., Minne apolis, Minn., meets every Friday night at room 3, Webb Block, 10 Third street south. Reading room open every day. I. W. W. papers and others on file.

JEAN E. SPIELMAN,

Secy Joint Locals.

Local 66, I. W. W., Fresno Cal. Headquarters reading room at 657 I street. Meetings every Thursday, 8 p. m.; Sundays, 3 p. m. Reading room open at all hours.

W. F. LITTLE, Sec., Box. 209.

Local 179, I. W. W., New York City, has headquarters at 212 East 12th street. ness meetings every Wednesday evening. Leeture Sunday evenings

JANE A. ROULSTON, Sec'y, 128 State St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

## DATES OF WALKER C. SMITH.

Montrose, Colo., Nov. 7. Grand Junction, Colo., Nov. 8. Salt Lake City and vicinity, Nov. 10, 11, 12 13, 14, 15, 16, 17. Goldfield, Nevada, No. 19.

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 San Pedro, Cal., Nov. 27. San Diego, Cal., Nov. 28. Fresno, Cal., Dec. 2, 3, Stockton, Cal., Dec. 4, 5, 6.

Oakland, Cal. and vicinity, Nov. 7, 8, 9, 10. San Francisco, Cal. and vicinity, Dec. 11, 12, 3. 14.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, Eureka, Cal., Dec. 22 and 23. Portland, Ore., Dec. 25, 26, Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 29, 30, 31. Seattle, Wash., Jan. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Spokane, Wash., Jan. 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.

Boost the Walker C. Smith meetings and elp to make them a success in building up the ONE BIG UNION.

## FROM ST. LOUIS, MO.

This to inform you that Wm. Young is no local and hasn't been for some time. Yours for Industrial Freedom.

M. ROBERTSON. Secretary Local 84. 1214 Franklin Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

# PAMPHLETS IN GERMAN.

Der Sociale General Strike, by Arnold Roller, 5 cents Die Directe Aktion,

by Arnold Roller, 5 cents Syndicalismus, by Max Baginski, 5 cents. Die Gottespest, by John Most, 5 cents.

100 copies \$3.00 postpaid. Politische Rechte und ihre Bedeutung fur die Arbeiterklasse, 3c.; \$1.50 per 100. Anti-Syllabus, by Dr. F. Krasser, 3 cents;

\$1.25 per 100. In English: The Social General Strike, by A. Roller, \$2.50 per 100

GEORGE BAUER. P. O. Box 1719. New York City.

A dollar in the hand is worth 10 you can-W. N.



F. H. Alexander sends in \$2.00 this week. Fellow Worker Alexander says "This completes my pledge of \$1.00 for subs for five successive weeks." If 59 other fellow workers had done the same thing we would today have 1,200 new readers for our paper. These 1,200 would work like compound interest.

Seattle locals sends in \$7.75 for subs this veek, besides paying for bundle order in advance as usual.

Portland, Ore., locals send in \$15.00 this week, \$5.00 for prepaid cards and \$10.00 on bundle order account. Portland also sends for bunch of old "Workers" for distribution. May the good work always continue.

Arthur Holland, secretary of Railroad Workers, sends in \$8.00 this week from Lytton, B. C., for "Workers."

Walter Knox, secretary of No. 40, Missoula, Mont., sends in \$3.00 this week, \$2.00 for subs and balance on bundle order. Hurrah for No. 40! Stay with her boys.

F. B. Earnshaw sends in \$1.75 from Porterville, Cal., for subs.

C. Nelson sends in \$6.00 for combination subs from Vancouver, B. C.—"Solidarity" gets half of this.

R. F. Thompson, secretary of No. 13, San Diego, sends in \$3.75 for prepaid cards this week. Pretty work.

Spokane locals order \$3.00 worth of prepaid cards and takes in \$1.00 for subs.

A. J. Amolsch, secretary No. 380, Tacoma, Wash., sends in \$1.20 for subs and pays for bundle of 150.

Gust Alonen, secretary 431, I. W. W., Eureka, Cal., sends in \$5.50, \$3.50 for prepaid 25c cards and \$2.00 for bundle order. Gust says the last bunch of \$3.00 worth all went in one day.

Pete Chapin and L. Gustafson of Vancouver, B. C., donates 50c each to help the "Worker." Many thanks.

## STOCKTON I. W. W. GROWS.

Local No. 73, I. W. W., Stockton, Cal., has moved to better and larger headquarters at 236 South California street. All workers invited.

## A FIGHT FOR FREE SPEECH.

A dastardly effort is being made by the capitalistic press to justify Chief Griffin in his efforts to prevent the members of the I. W. W. from speaking on the streets of Kansas The speakers of this revolutionary organization are accused of using profane and improper language, and of ruining the business of the law-abiding (?) ten per cent a month pawn broker on the corner. Chief Grif-tin further fears that they will arouse discontent; cause the starving unemployed to create riot and disorder and deleares that they must either go to jail or leave the cfty.

The reply of the I. W. W. rings forth clear

and emphatic: for every member put in jail; a hundred will come to Kansas City to take his place on soap box or curb stone; for every hundred sent to the work house, a thousand will ride in on box car and blind baggage, to give up the only thing the capitalist class has left them-their liberty It will be a ragged, unkept army fighting for the right of free speech; an army of the unemployed; an army of the exploited, pitted against the well-groomed minions of law and order—but an army whose irresistable, non-resistance, has won the right of free speech wherever the gage of battle has been thrown down.

The thousands of unemployed who feel the hunger pains of famine gnawing at their vi-tals, will hear the message of revolution and rebellion on the sterets of Kansas City this winter in spite of the threat of the police and longer secretary or literature agent for this press. It will create discontent, it may cause riot, but above all the spirit of the L. W. W. will arouse the hunger horde, not to petition, but to demand, not to cringe, but to stand erect.

> This is a fight where there is only one position for the revolutionist to take. You are either with the I. W. W. or against them. You are either for the police or the workers. There is no half-way position. A fairly good revolutionist is no better than a fairly good egg. It you have not the guts to go to jail, you at least have the lungs to shout your approval You boast of being a red card socialist. Be also a red flag socialist and a red blooded socialist.-Kansas City Socialist.

## RACE SUICIDE GOOD THING.

Lady Stout of New Zealand, when told that the birth rate in her country is declining, said to her informant in England, where she is visiting, that she considered it a good sign.

"The birth rate of a country," she said, "always tends to decline as the intelligence and education of the people advance, until the conditions of life have become so much improved that the thoughtful parents feel assured of the future of their children.-Ex.

# TO RAILROAD K. C. on the Map Praying for Victory in Harriman Strike **WORKERS**

This is to let you know that we railroad bosses are prepared to work you to death and

You do all the work and we get all the profits

We pay the lowest wages and charge the nighest prices for board and bum supplies. We have nice, clean, warm barns for horses and cold, lousy, rotten bunkhouses for you. We want only suckers and damphools.

We charge hospital fees as often as we want to and do as we damn please with your money If you get hurt or sick you can go to hell. We have the worst camps on earth. The

smell would kill a skunk. You can't sleep in our bunks if chloroform ed. We put a dead man in a bunk once and

he crawled right out. No light or fresh air ever gets into ou bunkhouses. The rottener the better for you suckers.

Our camps are so herce that you can get oncumonia, ague, typhoid fever, rheumatism, smallpox, cholera and buboric plague all at

you what we damn please. Our word is no good. We are so crooked

we can hide behind a corkscrew. We hire men at one price and always pay

We pay off in tobacco or postage stamps if we feel like it.

We allow spies and suckers special privileges, like sleeping in the barn, carrying water

and sometimes talking to the boss.

Every damphool and sucker must sneak round and report what the I. W. W. is doing. Stick to us and be a sucker. Don't join

The I. W. W. wants better wages and we don't want to pay anything.

The I. W. W. wants shorter hours and we want you to work night and day.

The I. W. W. wants decent camps and we want you to have the foulest camps on earth. The I. W. W. wants better food and we ant you to have the rottenest grub we can If the hogs won't eat it, you must.

The I. W. W. wants us to put in hospitals and doctors all along the line for your money and we want to blow in your dough as we

The I. W. W. wants to educate every worker so he will get a better living and we want you to be so crazy that you won't have sense

None of us bosses like the I. W. W. which stands for a square deal to every worker, because we stand for the dirtiest deal that will bring most profits from your labor.

Above all DON'T THINK. Every one who

thinks always joins the I. W. W.

Stick to us bosses and we will skin you to the hone and then grind the hones into fer tilizer.

He a sucker

Yours for more graft from labor. THE RAILROAD BOSSES.

## REVOLUTION

She is coming, O my masters, she is coming in her might.

With the red flag o'er her legions and her

sword sharp, clean and bright;

She is breaking through your dungeons, she is tearing off your chain;

She is coming to take vengeance without

mercy, once again!

She is coming, O my masters, she is surging

round the earth: And all men will soon be shouting what each

whispered at his hearth! She is coming in hate's beauty, with love's

fierceness in her eye; Like a maddened mother hast'ning where

your tortured child-slaves die!

She is coming, O my masters, with her strong steel-muscled hands:

She is reaching for your palaces, your gardens and your lands;

She is calling to her standard all the sons

She is coming, O my masters! Neath her red,

Lo! the guards that now surround you in her

rebel ranks shall march! She is coming as forever and forever she has

come. long roll of the drum!

She is coming. O my masters! Soon her

troops shall rest their feet In the limpid waters flowing through your

Soon her hungered host shall gather in your

howers cool and sweet

gold-roofed banquet hall,

And to strains of martial music hold high revel o'er your fall!

She is coming, O my masters, she is coming

in her might: With the red flag o'er her legions and her

sword sharp, clean and bright! She is coming, O my masters, with her

strong, steel-muscled hands;

She is reaching for your palaces, your gardens COVINGTON HALL ways intentional. and your lands!

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as to forget his work. Each of us spoke about fifteen minutes, showing how improved machinery, subdivision of labor and trustified methods had produced a class with no property except their labor power, and how the I. W. W. proposed to organize this labor power. In answer to questions we stated that we regarded the flag just as we would any other piece of cloth, for we had no country but were citizens of the world. We laughed at their endeavor to connect the death of Sullivan of Spokane with the I. W. W. and told them that what we meant when we said "We've got the goat of the chief of police" of K. C. was that the police department had cold feet and was the incarcerated avitators had done. Halcro gave a good explanation of what is meant by their prayers. the term "revolution." He said that free speech was the safety valve of discontent and if that were denied the workers could not be educated and organized. This stops all possible chance of a peaceable solution and the result would be a bloody revolution and the destruction of that which had required centuries to build. When we had finished the eigars, and commenced to praise us saying we If you quit before you are dead we will pay were too intelligent to be in such a movement without having some immediate personal pur- the Hunger-Devil is knocking at the doors pose. He wound up by saying something to this effect: "Let us be man to man—jun and ramines what is your game anyway?" When we stood grin.
"Well," said one of the labor officials last "Well," said one of the labor officials last of public welfare stepped forward and pro-posed to parole the men. The rules were let ment in other shops. The railroads cannot down so that Halcro could carry the proposal to the whole bunch in jail and he saw them and according to present advices will be released on Wednesday.

This means that the I. W. W. can speak ing a permit of any kind, where such meet-sands who have no jobs, in search for employ ings will not endanger the life and limb of passersby and where no valid objections are idle, jobless men. A strike in one big shop raised by abutting property owners. It means the I. W. W. has succeeded in maintaining the right of free speech in Kansas City and has passed one milestone on the road to industrial freedom. Kansas City has been put on

# C. AFRAID **AGITATION**

I. W. W.'s MUST BE KEP APART FROM OTHER PRISONERS IN KANSAS CITY—PRISONERS ARE A "FER-TILE FIELD," SAYS POLICE CHIEF.

Segregation in some building in this city and hard work on a stone pile is to be the portion SHOPS." of the members of the Industrial Workers of plan is the result of a conference between to gain for a few leaders the right to meet with the shops when our fellow workers were englished. D. Mill, president of the board of public officials of the companies in the same room, welfare: W. E. Griffin, chief of police, and John T. Mathix, assistant city Counselor in over the table.

New York 1834 - 1835 - 1 the North Side municipal court.

Mr. Mill is at the Leeds farm today to see how the members of the society now there have been behaving. Including the six members sent out today there are twenty-four on

## No Room at Leeds Farm.

"All men sentenced in the municipal courts must work out their terms if they do not pay their fines," Mr. Mill said this morning. "At ers may not seab on others in other shops, by present there are enough prisoners at the farm. All the men needed are at work on buildings and doing other things on the farm. The only thing left to do is to put the Industrial Workers of the World at work breaking stone. They can be made to pay their own way at no cost to the city. On the municipal stone pile last winter we employed twenty thousand men in all and they carned \$22,000. That paid

their way. "The stone pile the Industrial Workers will for? of grief and toi)—

She is promising her soldiers all your stolen wealth for spoil.

The stone pile this winter. We believe it absolute by necessary to segregate these men from the lines since the injunction was issued! "Obey regular prisoners at the Leeds farm. It is the injunction, and let us elect our own all right for them to agitate among themselves, judges," was the advice given out on October but there would be altogether too fertile a field 18th. to work if we turned them loose on the farm.

Bread and Water for Drones.

"Some arrangement will be made to have a special guard put over them in some building Arm in arm with Truth and Freedom, to the not yet decided on. They will be put to work on the stone pile near that building. No matter how many of the society are arrested and sent to jail, we will have plenty of stone for them to break. If any of the men refuse to work we will find a way to make them work. am in favor of the Spokane method of placing them on a diet of bread and water who refuse to work."-Kansas City Times.

> You take my house when you take the prop That doth sustain my house; you take my When you do take the means whereby I live.
> —Shakespeare.

> > Go put your creed into your deed, Nor speak with double tongue. \_Emerson.

Truth may be an accident, but a lie is al-

"Eleven years ago," said Mr. Doolittle in by command of the leaders, so to prevent that the mass meeting of striking shopmen on October 25th, "the machinists wanted an increase in wages. Before presenting their demands we held a prayer meeting in the shops, with the

result that we obtained a nine-hour day and

a wage increase of six per cent." This is one of the reasons given by Reverend Machinist Doolittle and 17 more reverends of various denominations for praying in all the meetings with the strikers that the Lord might soften the hearts of the officials of the Illinois Central Railroad Co.

On October 26th, according to the "Record Herald," the officials of the company said language: that so far they had not experienced any change of heart as a result of the prayers of arresting men for doing the same thing the men-but as between picketing and praying, they prefer to have the men keep on with

The company officials refuse to have their with the approval of the strikers. hearts softened by prayers: Now the women of the strikers are to march in procession to these officials and pray with them to make

But while you men are praying the shops smiling and urge you to keep on hoping and praying. The Lord is asked to intervene and that outfit that was arrested. of the strikers and entering into their homes

week, "we need not work for the Illinois Cenget competent men. We can work elsewhere, bide our time while working until the railroad Sunday afternoon. The boys signed the paroles is ready to recognize the System Federation and then all will return to their vacated positions in the Burnside shops."

And thousands of strikers took that ene on any corner in Kansas City, without secur- They are now mingling with tens of thoument. But the market is overcrowded with if carried on right, protects the wages and labor conditions of workers in other shops also in a given district. But not in this case

The Illinois Central shop strikers, upon advice, have helped to swell the crowds of unemployed at the gates of other factories. Many hundreds of them have accepted employment in the Pullman car shops under re duced wages. Thousands of others in the shop had to submit to the same reductionsfrom 10 to 25 per cent in most of the depart

This policy of biding your time, and pray ing, of accepting work elsewhere under any wages you can get, has not injured the Illinois Central Railroad Company, but tens of thou who have to accept the wage reductions because of this policy are harmed and worsted by your obedience to the advice. "WORK ANYWHERE, FOR ANY WAGES, UNTIL WE GET THE SYSTEM FEDERATION on strike, although many of the men were RECOGNIZED IN THE BURNSIDE offered inducements before they walked out.

Is this what the strike has been called for? the World who are sentenced to jail. That

> Were higher wages involved? No; say the leaders now.

> Shorter hours of work demanded? No, say the leaders again.

> Abolition, or at least investigation of the "grafting system" been asked for? No, says the leaders again. That's a demand that con-

erns the Hunkeys only.

Well, let us pray together so that the strik

In the issue of the "Daily Socialist" the only paper now accepted by the strikers as their information bureau, the secretary of the Blacksmith's union claims that all strikers would immediately return to work if the company would only meet once the officials representing the Shop Federation-and that's all that would be demanded.

Great Scott! Is that all you are fighting

But the "Daily Socialist," the information mreau of the strikers, says that on October 28th strikebreakers were annoying the picket You know that that information is garbled, to suit the purposes of the labor officials who are anxious that the facts be known to the workers elsewhere.

Not strikebreakers annoyed the picket lines but seven pickets were arrested, all members of the Industrial Workers of the World, on October 21st.

So there must have been some picketing! course, twice since the injunction issued was picketing done. Once, on October 18th, by advice of the labor officials, against the 157 striking members of the Industrial Workers of the World, who had called a meeting to be addressed by Gurley Flynn and

The courts, of course, would not restrain you from stopping a meeting in which the struggle between the employes and the com-

devilish God-condemned outfit of Wonder to have "ONE BIG UNION." The System Workers as Reverend Doolittle calls us, from Federation cannot exercise that power because holding a meeting.

It was a great deed, indeed!

of the ministers and labor officials.

"Now has come the time to defy the law and the injunctions. Now 3,000 men will go on the picket line, and all will go to jail if one is arrested." Not a word was said in English to indicate that such a proposition would meet

But all the Hungarian and Polish members of the Industrial Workers of the World, not thinking that the Socialist party man Bergli peace with the striking employes, as decided was laying purposely a trap to send men to in the meeting on October 29.

jail, went on the picket line on October 21st, seven were immediately arrested (and two beare filling up. But while you are depending fore), thrown into the lockup, and at the same on someone else the company officials are time this Bergli was seen in Burnside passing sneering remarks with the policemen about

Did the other 3,000 men come to the picket line, as was announced? Did they go to jail and families with his piercing and deadening as one of their leaders, Bergli, has brazenly promised? Did the ministers of the gospel come to pray these arrested men out of the

> No: but when the trial of these men will take place we will not be surprised to see of-ficials of the Illinois Central and officials of the labor unions go hand in hand on the witness stand, to disclaim any responsibility for this "violation" of the law that one of their tools had publicly advised and commanded.

That is the way you are making this fight You all, with on exception are responsible for these conditions of affairs. Those of the rank and file who have courage enough to make some show of a fight are thrust into jail, others pray, hundreds of others are taking employment in other factories under reduced wages, as a war measure, thereby scabbing or others, and others are on a vacation, with the approval of the officials of the Illinois Central Railroad Co.

On a vacation?

On a vacation! The members of the International Association of Car Workers, although also affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, signed a contract with the company, and they all remained at work when the strike was called. But as it was rather annoying to as the company could well afford to have these in the hose when running down hill. Oh pass through the picket line the first week men stay from work also, they were given a ands of other workers in the Calumet District vacation. Most of them will return when called upon to do so, that is when the shop is well filled up in other departments.

Ill-opportuned, as the strike may be, mis managed as it is now, barren of any results as it will prove to be, we could not stop in

a System Federation of Shop Employes. We will emphatically protest against strikers scabbing it in other shops by helping to re duce wages.

We will not ask the employers for the right it is based on a wrong foundation.

Power alone will determine the outcome of There was rejoicing, hilarity in the camp all struggles between capital and labor. The power of the workers themselves, and not the There was another picket service done, prayer to someone not connected with this again at the advice of some of the leaders, who strike, will decide whether we can enforce the at the same time claimed to represent the demands we have formulated, as a basis Socialist party. This was after this "leader," around which the workers will rally in the Mr. Bergii, at the suggestion of his colleagues construction of a real insctrument of power, told the hundreds of Hungarian workers who an industrial union, which will embrace not could not understand English, in their own only the shop employes on the railroads, but also all workers in the operating and other departments. We have demanded:

1.-An eight hour day for all employes.

2.-15 per cent increase in wages for all workers earning from \$1.20 to \$2.00 per day (and they are the majority).

3.-An increase of 10 per cent for all earning from \$2.00 to \$2.50 a day,

4.-An increase of 5 per cent in wages for all who make \$2.50 and more a day.

5.-The abolition of the "grafting system." That means the discharge of all superintendents and foremen who have exacted from \$20,00 to \$25,00 from workers for giving-them

employment. 6.-The establishment of a labor bureau in which the employes have equal rights of con-

trol and supervision as the employers. 7.-The abolition of the practice of deducting hospital and pension fees from employes.

We know that we have not the power to enforce these demands now. The strike as we feel now cannot be won. And if the System Federation of Shop Employes is recognized, we were told by the labor officials that not one member of the Industrial Workers of the World would be allowed to stop in employ-ment of the Illinois Central Railroad Co.

We would be staying on strike all our lifetime, just to give a few craft union officials the power to betray the workers every time when times are opportune to wrest working conditions from the employers.

We will, though, continue to build up the "One Big Union." We will continue the conflict in the place of employment.

We will pray that brimstone may fall from heaven and hell into the wheel-boxes of engines and cars-we will pray that trains may not run and freight not be moved, we will pray that the roadbed be softened so that the purse-heart of the capitalists be affected, we will pray that billing cards on cars with freight change over night so that cars will find the road to other destinations, we will pray that the breakbeans are pressed tight when trains run up, and that the air freezes what else would we pray for? but when we pray we will have the power to back up the prayers, and win our demands—the recognition of our right to work only eight hours a day with pay increased according to our strength organized in "One Big Union of Railroad Workers," a union by which we will get more of the good things of life now and also win complete industrial emancipation. We will then need no pickets, and no jails. No polices men, no soldiers can make the trains run, on

the freight to be moved. Come, fellow workers, pray with us for the cal thing, and get it by fighting for it.

Organize your power, organize in the Industrial Workers of the World.

Railroad Shop Workers Industrial Unions of Pullman and Burnside, Ill., Industrial Work-

CITY-WHERE IS THE \$22,000 EARN-ED BY PRISONERS?-LOTS OF TURKEY ON THANKSGIV-ING Day.

to demonstrate the right of free speech by force attempt to deny that same right. overfilling the jails. A crowd of several hundred had gathered by 7:30 at Sixth and Main streets to see the I. W. W. orators dragged off to jail. But as an hour passed with nothing doing, the crowd gradually dispersed.

At 9:15 o'clock a small group came down the Sixth street hill from Walnut street. One \$22,000 profit does not show in any of the city man stepped to the middle of the street and began with the familiar:

"Fellow workingmen, I want your attention. We, the workingmen".

The few loiterers on the corner drew closer. The two policemen who had been waiting since 7 o'clock began to patrol the sidewalks. As the speaker's eloquence increased, so did the crowd. So did the number of policemen, until there were five.

The patrolstalwarts in blue to arrest him.

men had orders not to molest the speakers.

The Sidewalks Were Kept Clear.

So the Industrial Workers of the World doctrines were freely expounded to the crowd. The patrolmen kept the sidewalks clear, but that was all. After the L. W. W. speakers got through, several socialists took advantage of the opportunity to let their doctrines be the audience.

was a city ordinance against distributing cirpanies were to be discussed in all its details. culars through the residence districts. They of us at Leeds Farm to help eat that turkey so 500 men picketed the hall on that day, ordered 10,000 copies of a "proclamation," dinner."—"Kansas City Times."

BULLS" LAYING DOWN IN KANSAS, struck off. Twenty-three men volunteered last night to distribute the circulars today. The "proclamation" will set forth how much it has cost the taxpayers of other cities to watch the futile efforts of their police departments to try to restrain the "right of free speech," and Until 9:15 o'clock last night yesterday prom-ised to be an off day in the I. W. W. campaign City taxpayers to observe their efficient police

## Will Attack the City Administration

"And we will follow the 'proclamation' with another asking what became of the \$22,000 earned last winter," a member of the organiza-tion said late last night. "And why this records of receipts and exenditures. Oh, they'll be sorry before they get through with us."

Handbills were printed yesterday setting forth that Walker C. Smith, national organizer of the Industrial Workers of the World, would speak Saturday night at 1226 Grand Avenue on "The Way Out of Wage Slavery." lecturer expects to be arrested, he said last night.

"And when I am arrested, the first thing the two men who spoke openly requested the that will happen is that my wife and our baby will come here from Chicago to join me in iail. Two months ago I was arrested in Denver and my wife, with our tot in her arms, had to be kept by force from getting into the patrol wagon with me."

"Although it's a long way from Thanksgiving day," another member of the I. W. W. said last night, "we are already planning our Thanksgiving dinner, thanks to the reputation for generosity on Thanksgiving Day Kansas The I. W. W. learned yesterday that there City has. We understand all prisoners are given turkey dinners. Well, there will be 1,000