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## AGITATE—EDUCATE—ORGANIZE—FIGHT FOR THE EIGHT HOUR DAY

### NOT FRIENDLY TO SLAVES

MILWAUKEE POLITICIANS ARE EMBARRASSED.

Socialists(?) Denounce Men Who Have No Votes—Organized Craft Leaders Should Never Mention the Word SCAB.

"Socialists in control of the city government are not responsible for filling the city with vagrants for the convention of the casual workers," according to Alderman Berger, who stated on Friday that the ADMINISTRATION IS BEING SERIOUSLY EMBARRASSED BY HAVING THE FINGER OF ACCUSATION POINTED TO THE CITY HALL.

"The convention in session in Milwaukee did not come by our invitation," he said. "Socialists in all countries have a prejudice against the submerged part of the proletariat, and in cities hoboes are called proletariats of slums. In the country they are called tramps. HOBO NOT A FRIEND.

"We are not accustomed to look on the hobo or so-called 'casual worker' as a friend of organized labor. They are always found to sustain the ruling class. They furnish the strike breakers and deputy sheriffs, and floating voters for different elections.

"Neither did we know how many were coming. There might have been 200, or 2000, or 20,000. I suppose there could have been 20,000, for there are plenty of men out of work. SOME CALL IT 'FAKE.'"

"If there had been 20,000 it would have seriously embarrassed the administration, which has embarrassed enough and sufficient troubles by being fought by everybody."—Victor Berger in "Milwaukee Sentinel," February 3.

That he is not aware of the significance of the unemployed convention is evidenced by the above remark of Congressman-elect Victor Berger of Milwaukee. That those on whom the weight of capitalist oppression falls most heavily are endeavoring to discover a means through which they may presently alleviate their misery, and ultimately emancipate themselves, convey nothing to the Milwaukee politician. Engaged only in securely underpinning his political prestige, he had not time for more than a displeased look and a word of condemnation and insult to the "down and outs," with a hurried assurance to the bourgeoisie that their interests were safe in the hands of the socialist(?) administration.

This gathering of unfortunates, grappling with the problem that the working class must solve, won only the ostracism of Berger and his following.

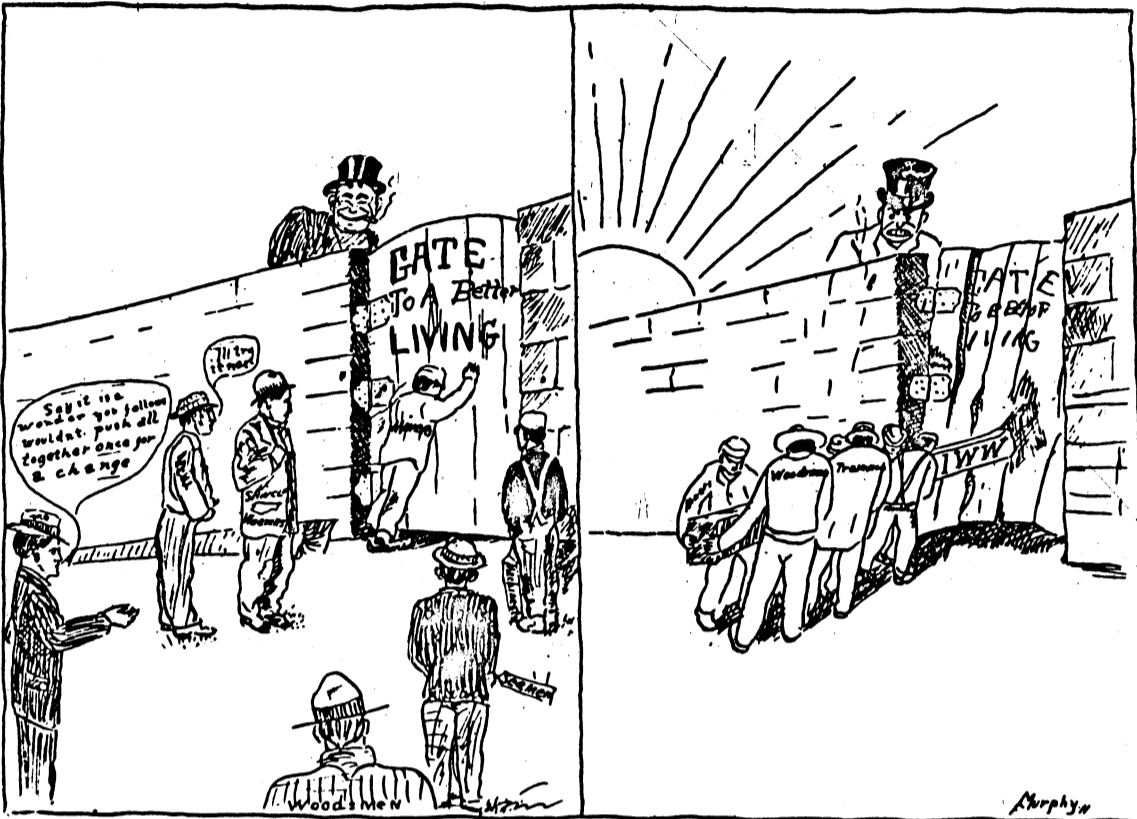
But such bodies as that assembled last week in Milwaukee deal with live issues, and are in a position where they cannot afford to ignore facts in the manner that is customary with the aspiring or successful politician.

The conventions of the unemployed are writing the death sentence of fake laborism and political humbuggery. The deliberations of these bodies will expose the pretensions of the skates that champion(?) labor to the fulfillment of their own ends, and learn to differentiate between the genuine and the pseudo socialist.

"Socialists in all countries have a prejudice against the submerged part of the proletariat," says Berger. Curiously enough, however, the socialist party springs into existence as the political reflex of the needs of the class of which the unemployed is an integral part—the working class. The unemployed, as an evidence of the inability of the capitalist regime to safeguard the interests of the race, is the favorite and strongest argument of the socialist party propagandist. As a means of amassing political capital the unemployed is exploited to the limit by the working class(?) politician.

But when, as was the case in Milwaukee, the politician is between the deep sea of working class opinion and the devil of petty bourgeoisie suspicion, we are forced to regard Victor L. Berger as a cheap paper-covered edition of Theodore Roosevelt.

Not a meeting was arranged by the social democrats for their (the unemployed) enlightenment. Not a subscription taken up to provide a substantial meal for them. The administration officials who addressed them urged them to attempt the impossible—to maintain a residence—and to rely on a weapon of which capitalism had deprived them—the franchise. They were segregated from their class, though there is a constant interchange between the employed and unemployed di-



DIVIDED WE LOSE

UNITED WE WIN

visions of the working class. The privations that the "hoboes" were experiencing is a condition into which any of the workers may be plunged. One which Berger stated he himself had narrowly escaped, and which City Attorney Hoan confessed to have undergone. Whether either of them would have been different or appeared different to the delegates can be only a matter of conjecture; but, like the Scotchman, "I ha ma doots." "We are not accustomed to look on the 'hobo' or so-called casual worker as a friend of organized labor." They are always found to sustain the ruling class. They furnish the strike breakers and deputy sheriffs, and floating voters for the different elections." Thus saith the shining light of A. F. Lism in the "Cream City," with the usual sang froid and affrontery of an officialdom that is comfortably ensconced in snug berths. In the first place, the American Federation of Labor is not an organization of the working class, but a blockhouse of capitalism from which are launched volleys that confuse and divide the workers, and leave them as easy prey to their capitalist masters. This aggregation with prohibitive initiation fees and unfair technical tests closes its doors in the faces of the vast majority of the working class: that ignores or is blind to the trend of industrial evolution, and the responsibility it imposes on the hosts of labor: that fails to recognize in the unemployed a force that will ultimately sweep from its path every impediment that bars them from the opportunity to create and enjoy wealth. "Self-preservation is the first law of nature." When the migratory workers, together with the balance of their unskilled fellows, from an analysis of existing society, become aware that they are the most important industrial factor, they will demonstrate that they are not, and never have been, the enemies of organized labor, but the victims of the shortsightedness of a job-holding and job-guarding bureaucracy that has usurped the right to speak for labor. Unemployed delegate bodies intelligently discussing their conditions, like the writing on the wall at Belchazzar's feast, proclaim that the A. F. of L. has been weighed and found wanting.

When craft after craft has attempted to better their conditions by striking, their associated craftsmen with union cards in their pockets, and union buttons on their lapels, have assisted the employers by aiding the scabs to operate the industry. Fully cognizant of this, Victor Berger unblushingly charges the unemployed alone with assisting the ruling class. He knows that the A. F. of L. is pledged to such a system—may more—guarantee it. Who has not seen A. F. of L. organizations in cases of jurisdictional squabbles wave their union cards aloft, and loudly quote some decision that invests them with the right to assist the boss—TO SCAB? Yet Victor Berger, with a politician's audacity, dares to pin the label of scab on the unemployed. They furnish strike breakers and deputy sheriffs." It is a lie! It is the home-

guards, the workers who never ramble far from the fireside, that furnish the scabs and deputies. Very often it is the conservative wage slave with a home and a small bank account, if you please. It is he who fills the ranks of the militia—some of them, many of them with A. F. of L. cards in their pockets. Who furnished the strike breakers at Tonopah, Goldfield, at Buffalo in the garment workers' strike, and many other places? Who is now furnishing them in the Brooklyn shoe workers' strike?

The A. F. of L. Who swung the police clubs against the "Resistencia" in Tampa, Florida? A. F. of L. men under the leadership of an international officers of the Cigar Makers International Union. Berger knew this when he gave out his interview. How about honest expression of opinion?

The floating voter would be won over by a genuine working class political appeal, but cannot feel any interest in the bourgeoisie tax-saving schemes that the Milwaukee Social Democratic party has lent itself to carry out. The fact that reform party platforms were made to go in on and not to stand was never more clearly shown than in the defeat of the motion by Alderman Corcoran (democrat) in the Milwaukee City Council.

At Tonopah and Goldfield the A. F. of L. signed a contract for a 12-hour day, when the I. W. W. cooks and waiters had already won an eight-hour day. During the late garment workers' strike in Chicago, United Garment Workers officials openly boasted that they had driven the I. W. W. striking garment workers out of Buffalo WITH THE AID OF THE POLICE. The Corcoran motion was to set aside \$168,000 in a contingent fund to give work to the unemployed, "by opening up public works as soon as possible." That has a familiar sound. Maybe it was in a Social Democratic platform that I read it. Anyhow, Berger denounced it as "the cheapest kind of demagoguery." (See S. D. Herald, February 4.) Yet each of the instance cited had a bearing on the local unemployed situation, and in each of them the two organizations that Berger is identified with, and which he advocates, fell short of the standard that measures worth to the workers, or signifies consideration of, or friendship for them. "Verily the ass knoweth its master's crib."

The ruling class can generally be depended upon to take care of their sustainers, and were the unemployed to be depended upon by the ruling class there would have been no need for Victor Berger to feel embarrassed at their presence in Milwaukee—nor would he. Machinery under capitalist ownership is responsible for the presence of the large and growing army of unemployed. It dispenses not only with laborers, but with the skill formerly required in industry. A considerable portion of this unskilled division of the working class are compelled to hold themselves at the beck and call of capitalist property. Temporarily they find employment in the harvest fields, logging camps, extra-

gangs, irrigation ditches, railroad construction and public works generally. They drift from steel mill to steel mill, and from mining camp to mining camp, and so forth.

The A. F. of L. has never made any serious attempt to organize them. It's a fact the basis of the A. F. of L. (job monopoly) does not permit it to organize them, and therefore it is one of the main reasons for this condition of affairs.

To the socialist parties, concerned only with a resident and voting population, they do not appeal.

What is needed is such education as will fit this element to intelligently appreciate that the fact that their condition is due to the subject character of the class of which they are a part. Make agitators out of all the available material, and there is lots of it in their ranks. This work the Industrial Workers of the World alone have undertaken. Out of the agitation in localities where the migratory worker is almost the sole occupant of the industrial field has crystallized the demand for an eight-hour day. "AGITATE! EDUCATE! ORGANIZE! FOR THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY" is the slogan of the slaves of the construction, logging and irrigation camps of the west. That cry is echoing in the east, and the organization that makes it possible is daily growing stronger.

Before the charge of the working class in ONE BIG UNION every hiring of reaction, every lickspittle and apologist will give away. That ONE BIG UNION is the dream of labor which the workers are preparing to realize. Its coming will sweep Howism, Bergerism, Gompersism and Capitalism into the dustbin of history.

EDUCATE AGITATORS. AGITATE FOR ORGANIZATION. ORGANIZE FOR FREEDOM.

#### THE RAMBLER.

(It will be remembered that it was Victor Berger's Social Democratic Herald of Milwaukee that denied that the Haywood, Moyer and Pettibone case had anything to do with the class struggle, and characterized it as a bordered feud. In this respect also is Berger an imitation of the toothful one.)

#### WOW! "THAT SUBURB OF HELL, FRESNO"

A set of resolutions from the I. W. W. local of Detroit, Mich., was received by Chief of Police Shaw today, protesting against the "abrogation of constitutional rights" of the I. W. W. in this city by arresting them for exercising their constitutional rights, mistreating them in jail and against mob violence. The resolutions refer to this city as "That Suburb of Hell, Fresno."—Fresno "Herald."

The best holiday we can have for awhile will be on the 1st day of May, 1912, when we will all go home at 4 p. m., or when the eight hours is up. Keep at the eight-hour agitation, as it will take every minute of the time to accomplish the shorter work day.

### W. F. M. MEMBERS NEXT TO FAKE

BUTTE SMELTERMEN SEE JURISDICTIONAL FIGHT LOOMING UP.

No Industrial Charters in the A. F. of L.—O'Connell of the Machinists Won't Drop the Meal Ticket.

The following resolutions were adopted by Butte Mill and Smelters' Union No. 74 at their regular meeting held February 9, 1911:

Whereas, The members of the Western Federation of Miners did by referendum vote decide to apply for affiliation with the American Federation of Labor, provided always that they be granted full jurisdiction over all workers in the metal mining industry; and

Whereas, The industrial form of organization is the correct form and along such lines the Western Federation of Miners is organized and has had many struggles for this vital principle and to maintain this jurisdiction in the different mining camps; and

Whereas, The charter as granted by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor provides that only partial jurisdiction be recognized or allowed; in fact, allowing machinists employed in the mining industry to maintain locals chartered by the craft organization and refusing to recognize the Western Federation of Miners as an industrial labor organization; and

Whereas, The acceptance of this charter by the Western Federation of Miners would nullify our foundation principle and stop the Western Federation from attempting to complete the industrial organization for which we stand as provided by our constitution; therefore, be it

Resolved by Butte Mill and Smelters' Union No. 74, W. F. of M., that we place ourselves on record as opposed to the acceptance of this or any other charter from the American Federation of Labor until such time as the full and complete jurisdiction of all men employed in the metal mining industry be granted the Western Federation of Miners and until all affiliated members of the American Federation of Labor employed in the metal mining industry of all and every craft whatsoever be ordered by the proper American Federation of Labor authority to deposit their working cards in and become members of the local of the Western Federation of Miners, under whose jurisdiction they may be employed; and further that we notify all locals of our action and ask that action be taken by them against the proposed retrograding affiliation.

JOHN H. MATTHEWS, President.  
A. M. FLUENT, Secretary-Treasurer.

#### THE LATEST FROM FRESNO.

City Would Like to Holler "Enough"—More Men Are Needed to Board With the County.

The fight for Free Speech is still going on in Fresno. The men are all "stickers" and are determined to stick until they win. We have held two street meetings, Sunday, February 5 and 12. We had large crowds at both meetings, and the public sentiment is changing in our favor.

The city officials would like to quit, but they hate to lay down under fire. The city has enough, but hates to holler "quit." Now that the fight has lasted as long as it has, they will never want to tackle the I. W. W. again. It is now up to the members to get to Fresno in strong enough numbers to FORCE the officials to "lay down."

This has been a clean fight on our side and has been carried on by "Direct Action." We want no compromise. Nothing but the unconditional surrender on the part of the city, and the release of all prisoners will go with us. I think after this fight is over we will have no more Free Speech fights for awhile. The officials of other cities will think twice before they tackle us.

I have been out of jail since February 1, when I was acquitted by a jury of farmers in four minutes on a charge of vagrancy. I have done some outside work since my release. Some of the boys will have jury trials on Friday. I will plead their cases, then speak on the streets and go to jail. Am getting homesick for my beans and raisins. Can't stay out much longer. Wake up, boys. Come to Fresno and help whip the BOSS as he should be whipped. Meet us in the Fresno jail.

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Have you ordered a thousand of those red stickers from the General Secretary in Chicago yet? They are \$1.00 per thousand. Stick 'em up everywhere.

### DIRECT ACTION.

Say, mother, I've been praying for a pair of skates for ever so long. Don't you think we had better stop here and get them an' save Got the trouble?—"Life."

### THE LYING PRESS.

The Fresno capitalist press, as well as scores of other newspapers in the South, are disseminating lies among the workers for the express purpose of keeping the men divided and fighting among themselves. The lie that is being used is "that F. H. Little, Murdock and several other LEADERS are drawing \$3.00 per day whether in or out of jail." The Fresno papers say that this graft on the part of the leaders has dwindled down the number in jail to 45.

How much effect this "bunk" has had in deterring the workers is hard to say, but that the number has dwindled down to 45 is an absolute lie, and any workingman that takes cognizance of these bare-faced lies, certainly has a poor understanding yet of the schemes of the master class to divide the workers. These clippings were used as evidence not long ago or an attempt was made to introduce them against Fellow Worker Little lately in a conference of representatives of the working class. To have what are termed intelligent members of a revolutionary organization taking notice of the lying press is certainly not at all gratifying. No man in Fresno is a leader and no man has drawn \$3.00 a day while being in jail, or out of it. When we want evidence against our fellow workers in the Fresno jail we will not fly to the lying capitalist press for it, and if we don't want to go to jail we certainly will keep our mouths shut and not try to deter those who might go. The following is a sample of the many clippings that are to hand:

Industrialists are just beginning to realize that while they have been cooped up in jail without funds, their "leaders," whether in jail or out, have been drawing down \$3.00 every day. They are bucking and are quitting the fight. They realize that if the Industrialist movement is to succeed it must have leaders who fight for principle rather than for money. And it is because the movement is headed by the wrong brand of "leaders" that the organization is unable to secure recognition here.—Fresno paper.

### GET RESULTS.

Get organized. The boss is organized; that's the reason he gets results. Any time the boss sees that any part of his organization don't get results that are good for his interest he cuts those parts out.

Signing your name to the roll book and taking out a card is not going to settle any problems for you as a working man or woman: you have to get busy with the work of organization and education. Spread it among your fellow wage slaves. Study and plan how to do the business of the organization in the best way to get the results that we are organized for.

### THE OWENS MACHINE.

The Owens machine for glass blowing threw five men out of employment to every one retained, and the one out of six who was retained was offered by the boss one-half the wages formerly paid when the work was done by hand. This is an example of what a machine will do to the workers. The machine strips the worker of his skill and leaves him a machine tender, or rather fires him bodily and puts a boy in his place. The boss stated when retaining the one glass blower out of six at half wages, that he was doing the glass blowers a favor by giving them work at all, as boys could just as well attend to the machine. The machine strips craft unions of any power they ever had and leaves only one thing to do, and that is to organize INDUSTRIALLY and take the machine away from the boss and operate it for the benefit of all, instead of to the benefit of a few to the detriment of the many. Robert Ingersoll, the great orator, said the labor movement must solve the problem, WHETHER THE MACHINE WOULD OWN THE MAN OR THE MAN OWN THE MACHINE. The machine owns us now, body and boots. If you don't like it, organize in the I. W. W., the only union in America that stands for one union of the working class and has a set program of action for doing things. The first fight is the shorter work day.

### A CASE OF FOUR GRAPES.

"The National Civic Federation is now in session. Carnegie, Belmont, Roosevelt, Parker, Low and other magnates in the financial and political world will touch elbows with such 'labor leaders' as Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell, William D. Mahon, James O'Connell and Warren E. Stone.

"There will be a royal feast for the 'captains of industry and the labor leaders,' but after the annual banquet, strikes and lockouts will continue, and hundreds of thousands of men, women and children will know the pangs of want because they have not the means to buy the actual necessities of life.

"When the rank and file of the membership of organized labor have a clearer grasp of the irrepressible conflict between exploiter and exploited, 'labor leaders' will not sip sparkling champagne with industrial tyrants."—"Miners' Magazine," January 12.

This is the "gang" that the officers of the W. F. of M. are anxious to rub elbows with also. This is the outfit they wish to "affiliate" with. One would think to hear the weekly spasm from the editor of the "Miners' Magazine" that these gentlemen who wine and dine with the leading capitalists of America were not members and officers of the A. F. of L., the very organization that the officers of the W. F. of M. seek to affiliate with. Is an organization any better than its officers? Has not Gompers been re-elected to this position as president of the A. F. of L. every year for more than 20 years? Have not the delegates in every convention where he has been re-elected for nearly a quarter of a century, known full well that he was a member of the Civic Federation and that he holds the second highest position of honor in this capitalist organization? Was it not known that he believed in and was a member of the Civic Federation when his wages were raised to \$5000.00 a year only three years ago? Did not Victor Berger, the leading Socialist of Milwaukee, and now the first congressman in America on the Socialist ticket, second the nomination of Gompers at the same convention that raised his wages? What has the W. F. of M. to get by paying thousands of dollars annually for the express purpose of paying the wages of a lot of capitalist stool-pigeons that are hand-in-glove with the capitalists of the country in their united effort to divide the workers on the industrial field with TRADE CONTRACTS? With the coal miners divided against themselves with STATE CONTRACTS, could they strike with the quartz miners or assist them in any way except by the giving of money and can money saved by slaves whip the master that has four-fifths of the product of the toil of the workers? Could not the coal miners just as easily give their money in time of conflicts between labor and capital without any "affiliation" with the Civic Federation officials? Is not this "affiliation" game on the part of the officers of the W. F. of M. a "ruse" or "scheme" to head off any chance of the members of the W. F. of M. becoming a part of the Industrial Workers of the World? Has every member of the W. F. of M. given this "affiliation" stunt a careful study, and have they asked themselves what they have to gain by paying per capita tax to keep up fat salaries of a lot of labor fakirs that dine and wine with the leading capitalists of America? If the rank and file of the W. F. of M. votes to "affiliate" with craft unions and pay a per capita to the most beautiful set of labor fakirs that have ever been hatched in America, they will do so to their everlasting shame and disgrace and can no longer lay any claim to belonging to a fighting labor organization. After such an affiliation, jurisdictional squabbles will be their portion and they will be the easy marks of the master class and the objects of pity of all real rebels that are on the fring line.

### JOHN MITCHELL WILL FIGHT.

John Mitchell will appeal to the rank and file of the coal miners to endorse him in his traitorous actions in affiliating and drawing a salary of \$6000.00 a year from the boss for the purpose of dividing the workers on the industrial field.

It will be up to Mitchell to review his past to the members and tell them how he has SUFFERED for their sake, etc., how he has been ALMOST thrown into jail for the cause of labor, how he has always labored for their best interest in dividing them up in SACRED CONTRACTS, etc., how he worked for the eight-hour day for coal miners and how he has generally been a true and faithful servant (although the boss paid him a handsome salary) and how to turn him down now would disgrace him, etc. If he uses all the tricks and schemes and peddles his MARTYRDOM to the rank and file as an officer of another miners' organization has done, there will be no question but what he will be kept as an idol and a living evidence of how easy it is for a smooth fakir to gull in the man that has to labor daily in the bowels of the earth. If he could only induce the BOSS to let him serve a little of that "sentence" it would be a "cinch." Fresno and Spokane jails have been packed with men, but then they only belong to the COMMON HERD. They are not yet LABOR LEADERS. How nice to be a MARTYR with a fat salary.

### THE BOSS DON'T LOSE.

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—Because his pay as flagman in the employ of the Southern Pacific company was reduced from \$60 to \$35 a month Chris Olsen turned on the gas at his home in Berkeley tonight. He was found dead by his wife when she returned from an errand. Mrs. Olsen said her husband had been in the company's employ for 27 years and was heartbroken when he learned he was derated. He had carefully removed a pet canary from the room where he lay down for his last sleep.—Spokesman-Review.

The engineers have just been granted a raise of pay. It has been paid, not at the expense of the railway company, but at the expense of flagmen, section men, etc., who could ill afford to stand the cut in wages. In Portugal only a week ago every railroad man in the nation laid off work and forced the resignation from the government of the minister of railways as well as some other concessions. They didn't vote the minister out; they FORCED him out. That is Portugal and this is sh—

Any errors in the way of not getting receipts for money sent to the "Industrial Worker" or any other matters pertaining to the financial business of the paper, should be taken up with Vincent St. John, 518 Cambridge Bldg., Chicago, as well as with the management in Spokane.

## SOME PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE

FROM THE BANKERS' MAGAZINE.

How It Worked 20 Years Ago—It Is the Same Today—The Bankers' Program of 1892.

The "Chicago Daily Press" recently published a despatch from Wall street dated March 21, 1892, in which the capitalists, after setting forth the conditions of the country, instructed their henchmen in the course to be pursued in the following language:

"We must proceed with caution and guard well every move made, for the LOWER ORDERS of the people are already showing signs of restless commotion.

"Prudence will therefore dictate a policy of APPARENT YIELDING to the popular will, until all our plans are so far consummated that we can declare our designs without fear of any organized resistance. The 'Farmers Alliance' and the 'Knights of Labor' organizations in the United States should be carefully watched by our trusted men, and we must take immediate steps to either control these organizations in our own interest, or to disrupt at the coming Omaha convention, to be held July 4.

"Our men must attend and direct its movements, else there will be set on foot such antagonism to our designs as may require FORCE to overcome this. At the present time would be premature, as we are not yet ready for such a crisis.

"Capital must protect itself in every possible manner through combination and legislation. The courts must be called to our aid, debts must be collected, bonds and mortgages foreclosed as rapidly as possible. Then through the 'process of law' the common people have lost their homes. They will be much more tractable and easily governed, through the influence of the STRONG ARM OF THE GOVERNMENT, applied by a central power of imperial wealth under the control of LEADING FINANCIERS.

"A people without homes will not quarrel with their rulers. History repeats itself in regular circles. This trust well known among our principal men, now engaged in forming an imperialism of capital to govern the world, and while they are doing this the people must be kept in a condition of political antagonism. The question of tariff reform must be urged through the reorganization known as the Democratic party, and the question of protection with reciprocity must be forced to view through the Republican party.

"By thus dividing the votes we can get them to extend their energies in fighting questions of no importance to us, except as letters to lead the COMMON HERD. Thus by discreet action we can secure all that has been so generously planned, and thus far successfully accomplished.

"FORREST R. EDWARDS."

This article was stolen from the files of a bank in America. The porter at the bank secured it for a bribe of \$1.00. We have the original of this article or letter and the above is quoted word for word. It needs no comment, any more than to say that the man who cannot understand it ought to take to the first lunatic asylum and make application to be installed in the "queer" house. It is easy to see that the master class fixes the political "dope" to keep the common people (the workers) divided on mere letters that amount to nothing. The organization most feared at the time was the "Knights of Labor." The "Knights of Labor" was an economic organization and was destroyed internally by LABOR FAKIRS. When the organization cannot be controlled it must be destroyed. The workers in the I. W. W. must guard well their organization from the work of the LABOR FAKIR or capitalist stool-pigeon. The bankers' association 20 years ago says that the people without homes are more tractable and more docile. We cannot afford to waste our time on a lot of political bunk. The path is clear to save ourselves by DIRECT ACTION on the job with our one revolutionary union. Let every worker study as well as read this article that was issued by the money barons 20 years ago. To fight this gang of leeches that suck the blood from the backs of the workers will take men and women that are brave and who will use every recourse in bettering the condition of the working class. The shorter work day is the only logical proposition to advocate. Line up for May 1, 1912.

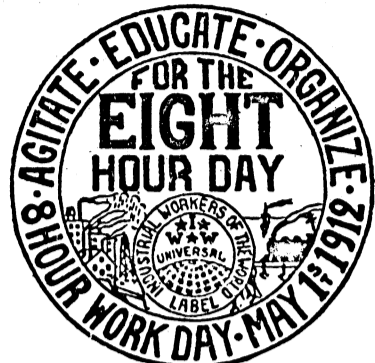
### THEM EIGHT-HOUR "STICKERS."

Don't forget that the red stickers are ready now at headquarters. They are \$1.00 per thousand, and a thousand will sure do some good. Order a thousand of them today for yourself and stick them on everything that they will stick to, where the workers can see them. Always put them in conspicuous places, where the most people will see them and especially the workers. Don't fail to order a thousand. Order from Vincent St. John, general secretary I. W. W., 518 Cambridge bldg., Chicago, Ill. Do it now.

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## THE MONEY IS NEEDED

ACTION SPEAKS LOUDER THAN WORDS—THERE IS PLENTY TO DO.

The Pacific Coast District conference is ended. If the plans of the conference are put into practical operation the effect will be a permanent development of the I. W. W. The district organization of the I. W. W. will embrace two circuit systems, one of the north and one of the south. The meetings of the lecturers and organizers should be pre-arranged for definite organizing purposes. That is, meetings should be called for workers employed in a given industry. The most competent lecturers and organizers should be employed through the district referendum, and they should travel with such instructions as would save the most time and money. This system of agitation would benefit both the small and the big locals, and new locals should be started wherever possible. In this way the speakers would not only do good, but they would do the most good, and all waste of agitational energy would be eliminated. If there is 3000 members within the district, and a 10 cents per capita tax is paid per month, to the district organization, it will mean about \$300 per month. Three organizers paid \$18 per week means about \$216 per month. One district secretary, paid \$15 per week means about \$60 per month, and there is about \$24 left for fares. Profits on literature sales may also be expended on railroad fares. Collections at meetings may be used for fares, advertising, hall rents, etc.

These meetings would tend to keep up interest in all locals, and at the same time aid the local organizers, the camp delegates and the members to get new members, and to start new locals. The organizers should be transferred from one circuit to the other, so as to perpetually create new interest and energy.

Yours for industrial freedom.  
 E. S. NELSON.

## EVERYONE CAN GET BUSY

SHOULD ENLIST ALL RADICALS IN THE FIGHT FOR THE 8-HOUR DAY. WILL TAKE THE UNITED EFFORTS OF ALL TO WIN—A FIZZLE WILL BE BAD.

I would like to see the eight-hour proposition come to a head. I don't believe, however, that the I. W. W. can be built up to sufficient strength to make the move successful, and believe we should endeavor to secure the co-operation of other organizations and their press.

The I. W. W. is bound to gain by a successful eight-hour move, as nothing could better illustrate the possibilities of an organization of all the workers, while a sickly fizzle would merely be a knock for us.

My plan would be to have socialists and radical unionists, regardless of their affiliations, to get together and form eight-hour clubs, circulate the proper literature and at the proper time, canvass their several districts, thus ascertaining just who is willing to quit work at 4 p. m. and to take such measures as might be necessary to spread the infection.

I believe that by such measures thousands of workers can be gotten out in districts which cannot otherwise be reached by the I. W. W.

Hope the question will take definite shape in the near future, as workingmen around here are already taking interest, and I want to get to work. There are no unions in this town now, but an I. W. W. organization is in process of formation. Will have more to report on it in the near future.

SAM MURRAY,  
 R. F. D. No. 1, Napa, Cal.

# EXPERIENCE THE BEST TEACHER

## FACT OR PHANTOM?

Get on the Earth—Examine Things Closely—Get Your Brain Into Action—Real Facts and Action Is What Counts.

I notice in all my wanderings, in which wanderings contact with the man called working man compels me to tap my forehead asking in some dumb way what moves him, attracts, rejects, controls or governs him.

From himself I get little in the way of information unless I sit idly by and watch his every action, his every move or function; it seems he does only the one thing through his whole life long, work, look for work, obey, is governed but has no ideas of government. But when I ask this working man who or what the force is that governs, he doubts my mental capacity to grasp so simple a fact, and answers with a knowing wink: "Men, brainy men!" Still pursuing my inquiry—with the hope at last that I have hit upon a working man who thinks a little for himself—I ask him what is government; is it good or bad for all the people? Does the men called working men at all understand things with which they are surrounded?

I am astounded at his answer, but a study of his eyes, which, at first, appear dull and lustreless, as so many men's eyes now are, shine out with intelligence and fire, long suppressed, it seems.

"For the past two centuries we, the working people, have more and more lost sight of the exact and direct meaning of things; subject to a domestic, many-sided and prolonged education and its constraints, we fix our mind on the symbols of objects, instead of on the objects themselves, instead of on the soil itself, on a map made of paper; not on animals—man-animals struggling for existence, but on nomenclatures and classifications; instead of on men who feel and act, or statistics, codes histories, literature and philosophies; in short, on printed words, and, more still, on abstractions, terms which from year to year become more abstract and further removed from experience, more difficult to understand, less adaptable and more deceptive, especially in all that relates to human society. In this domain, owing to extended governments, to the multiplication of services, to the entanglement of interests, the object sought by the working man ever eludes his grasp; in almost nine cases out of ten, things are only, merely words. The rest, if they require some significant indication of what society really is, and what it means, beyond the teachings of books, requires 10 or 15 years of close observation and study to re-think the phrases with which their memory is crammed, to interpret them anew, to make tangible their meaning, to get at and verify their sense, to substitute for the more or less empty and indefinite term the fulness and precision of a personal impression. Ideas of society, state, government, sovereignty, rights, liberty, the most important of all ideas, were curtailed and falsified; in most men's minds, simple verbal reasoning, combine them together in dogmas and phrases."

He looked at me to see what an impression his outburst produced. I grasped his hand encouragingly; he went on with his hard, hard work piling heavy lumber for \$2.00 a day, a mere working man, you would say with a sniff(?); but, my friend, if all men who work would only get their brains into action, examining things which go to make up their daily life, how different everything would be! Working man, think, act and be free.

W. RAVENWORTH.

# HOW THE PIE IS DIVIDED

## HOW FAKERS HANG ON TO THE "PIE CARD"—MORE INTERESTED IN THEMSELVES THAN THE WORKERS.

In an article of the "Worker" of January 26th my name was mentioned as having been criticized in the January "Shingle Weaver." I have not seen the article in question, but heard of it. I wish some good revolutionary shingle weaver would send me a copy of it, and I am sure that I will be able to answer it to the satisfaction of the so-called "irresponsible fanatics" who foolishly and unconsciously remain in a craft union. I am not surprised at all of the vote taken by the delegates on the industrial resolution. The "meal ticket" artists had been busy during the whole year 1910 in order to keep the "pie card." But let me tell you, fellow workers, that has been going on in the Shingle Weavers' Union as long as can be remembered, and I am positive that the same is going on in all craft unions.

Unless you forget, let me jar your minds a little bit. Unnecessary for me to recall the petty feelings that were existing between Hoquiam and Everett in regard to who should get the offices.

In 1907 I was taking the minutes of the Bellingham convention. Jos Bolger of Wisconsin was at that time filling an unexpired term as president. A resolution was presented to make the office elective for one year instead of two, as it had been. The resolution carried and it was decided to elect the new officers. All officers at that time were chosen by the dele-

gates of the convention. During the convention some of the delegates started to attack the past life of J. G. Brown, as it was known that he would be a candidate for president. Brown (and every delegate will remember, as most of them had tears in their eyes), gave an eloquent talk on his past life and by it won over the greater part of the delegates, and at the election of officers was duly elected, defeating Bolger. The trick had been well done. John Campbell of Everett was re-elected secretary. At that convention a resolution was passed making all officers nominated and elected by the rank and file of the organization and the votes to be counted by a committee of the convention. In the fall of 1907 came the nominations and election of officers for the year 1908. Brown of Hoquiam was renominated for president, E. P. Marsh of Everett was nominated also for president, John Campbell of Everett for secretary and D. McRae of Marysville for the same office. As soon as the nominations were made the fight began for the meal tickets between Everett and Hoquiam. Hundreds of dollars were spent in the struggle for the pie cards, and at the election and the counting of votes, Brown and McRae were elected for 1908. Follow me closely here and I will be as short as possible. Watch the artists. During the year 1908 Brown bought an interest in a shingle mill and when it came to nominations for the year 1909, Brown refused to accept a nomination. Chas. Clifford of Everett and Frank Baker of Milltown were nominated for president. E. P. Marsh of Everett, W. E. Willis of Hoquiam and Frank Stevenson of Blaine for Secretary. At the convention of 1909, held at Olympia, the election committee made their report of the votes cast: Frank Baker had been elected by a big majority over Clifford and E. P. Marsh had one vote over Willis. Report had been made among the delegates that illegal voting had been done. Star chambers were held among some of the delegates in regard to the election. Some did not want Baker as president on account of his radicalism and also a great jangle over the secretary. I suppose those delegates came to a compromise to divide the pie card. The presidency to go to Everett and the secretaryship to Hoquiam. A good many delegates, including myself, were unaware of such proceedings, and one morning a motion was made declaring the election of officers null and void and that the convention proceed to nominate and elect new officers. I got up and stated that I would refuse to take action in such proceedings and that if nominations and election was necessary, to leave it with the rank and file. But I did not know that everything had been arranged during the night before. Clarence J. Folsom was nominated as president and W. E. Willis as secretary. No more competition except in regard to secretary. The delegates from Blaine and Anacortes voted for Stevenson. The pie card had been divided in equal parts and the referendum of the rank and file turned down.

At that convention a resolution for the eight hours was voted down. A motion was made inviting Mill Owner Brown at the coming convention, which was voted to Marysville. In 1910 came the memorable convention at Marysville, and well known for the great agitation for industrial unionism. Brown was there, not as a mill owner, but as a shingle weaver, having gone out from the employer's rank. Every one knows the rest of that convention and how the "meal ticket" artists sacrificed their principles for salary. The last convention at Raymond is another sample. The rank and file, according to the officers, are too empty-headed to be conscious of their interests. Shingle weavers and fellow workers, how long are you going to stand this? Why don't you study the conditions of your class? Why don't you organize as the capitalists, in one big red union? Shake off those labor lieutenants from your backs who are selling you just like cattle and who will as long as you support them with pork chops. If they want to live, let them do useful work for the benefit of the entire working class, regardless of creed, color or nationality. Let them go out and agitate for the eight-hour day. Don't wait till Brown prints the speech he made in Marysville for the eight-hour day; he has forgotten that, and he will as long as you can stand it. Yours for one union, GEO. LAVIOLETTE, Bellingham, Wash.

## TRAIN CAPTURED BY I. W. W. CROWD

Break Into Freight Cars to Ride From Portland to California Points—From Spokane to Fresno—Plans Are Made for Big Demonstration in Which Hundreds Will Participate.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 16.—One hundred or more members of the Industrial Workers of the World, who arrived here from Seattle, Tacoma and other northern points early today, captured a Southern Pacific freight train just as it was leaving the terminal yards today for California points. The gang made a demonstration and finally broke the doors of three freight cars climbed into the cars and soon were on their way. The police could do nothing and the Southern Pacific officials declared they would take no action until they had crossed into California, when it is proposed to ask the governor of California to call out the militia to handle the troublesome crowd.

Reports received here today from Spokane and other northern cities are to the effect that at least 500 more I. W. W. men will reach Portland within the next few days. The objective point of the gang is Fresno, Cal., where it is said demonstrations will be made to bring about conditions which they claim will give them the right of free assemblage and free speech.—"Spokesman-Review," February 17.

# What the Locals Are Doing

### NOTICE.

At a special business meeting held by the joint locals of Spokane February 15 I was instructed to have a notice inserted in the "Worker," that all members of said locals send in their names, card number and number of local, with proper address, so that the local secretary can send them their referendum ballots at an early date, as all ballots must be sent to the P. C. D. O. secretary before March 15, 1911.

Members Locals Nos. 434, 222, 132 and 223, Spokane, take notice and act.

A. BENSON  
Secretary Joint Locals.

### NOTICE.

At the last regular business meeting of Local No. 173, held February 8, 1911, I was requested to notify the "Industrial Worker" that local No. 173 has gone on record as endorsing the eight-hour movement. Yours for industrial freedom,

J. LEBOH,  
Financial Secretary, No. 173, San Francisco.

### NOTICE.

Fellow Worker F. H. Dixon of Spokane declines the nomination for district secretary.

E. S. NELSON,  
Secretary Pro Tem, P. C. D. O.

### NOTICE.

All members of Local No. 380 at Tacoma who wish to vote on the referendum for officers of the P. C. D. O. should get ballot from the secretary. All members should get busy now and not criticize after the referendum vote has been taken. Now is the time to act. Get busy.

JOHN M. FOSS,  
Secretary No. 380, I. W. W., Tacoma, Wash.

**THE EIGHT-HOUR ACTION DAY.**  
We question the authority of any individual to change anything decided upon by representatives of 20 locals; but in order to prevent further confusion, we take it upon ourselves to change the date set for eight-hour action from May 2 to May 1, 1911.

Temporary Executive Committee of P. C. D. O. of I. W. W.  
E. S. NELSON,  
Secretary Pro Tem, P. C. D. O., I. W. W.

### DISTRICT NOTICE.

To give ample time to all locals to vote upon the deliberations of the conference, it has been decided to change the date for the ballot returns from March 15 to April 1.

Each local secretary should send in the total number of votes cast for each officer or proposition.

E. S. NELSON,  
Secretary Pro Tem, P. C. D. O., of I. W. W.

### CONFERENCE NOTICE.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 9, 1911.  
To "Industrial Worker."  
The 1st of August, 1911, is the date set by the conference for the next meeting of the P. C. D. O. of the I. W. W.

It was decided that the 1st of May, 1911, week issue, of the "Industrial Worker" shall be devoted to the eight-hour movement.

Yours for industrial freedom,  
E. S. NELSON,  
Secretary Pro Tem, P. C. D. O.,  
621-2 Second street, Portland, Ore.

### DISTRICT NOTICE.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 15, 1911.  
To "Industrial Worker."  
A 10-cent per capita tax was discussed and decided upon by the conference. It was carried that all locals in the Pacific Coast District organization shall purchase due stamps from the district secretary, at the rate of 25 cents, 15 cents to go to I. W. W. headquarters and 10 cents to the district, pending the change in the I. W. W. constitution as stated in the minutes. This was not put on the ballot, as it was considered unnecessary, as all would agree that the district organization could not run without this support. If there is 3000 members within the district it means \$3000 per month at the above rate. This means that three organizers, paid \$18.00 per week, can be employed, \$15 per week or \$60 per month for a secretary, leaving \$24 for fares.

It was also decided that if the initiation fee be \$1.00 or \$2.00, that 50 cents goes as a sub for the "Industrial Worker." This could not be put on the ballot for the reason that there are three initiation fees on the ballot, \$2.00, \$1.00 and 50 cents, and we don't know which one of the three will carry. Yours for industrial freedom.

E. S. NELSON,  
P. C. D. Secy.-Treas., I. W. W., Pro Tem.

### DISTRICT NOTICE.

F. W. Phar of Spokane, nominated for one of the district committeemen, has declined the nomination.

E. S. NELSON.

## FOR THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

San Diego Local, No. 13, I. W. W., will take action in the eight-hour campaign. We will see that every wage slave in this city is informed of our big campaign, the biggest in our history, and we will agitate unceasingly from now until May 1, 1912. We can expect good results if other locals do likewise. Let other locals make known their methods through the press, for the benefit of the membership at large.

Agitation Committee Local No. 13,

### RESOLUTION.

Local No. 437 Pays Tribute to the Dead—Fellow Worker Bordet Has Died That Others May Live—Killed by Hired Sluggers of the Master Class.

Whereas, Holtville Local No. 437, I. W. W., is called upon to pay its respects to our fellow worker, Henry Bordet, who died February 7, 1911, after suffering the terrible tortures as a result of the police brutality which had been practiced on him in the Free Speech Fight in Spokane, Wash.; and  
Whereas, The only crime that Fellow Worker Bordet had committed was the one against capitalism of wanting to tell the truth and have those rights that have been guaranteed to him, as well as the rest of us, by our forefathers; and  
Whereas, Fellow Worker Bordet has died as a direct result of kicks and beating by the Spokane police; therefore, be it  
Resolved, That we hold the police and hired thugs of Spokane city as the murderers of our friend and fellow worker; and be it further  
Resolved, That the charter of No. 437 be draped in mourning for 30 days; and a copy of these resolutions be sent to the "Industrial Worker" and "Solidarity" for publication.

SAMUEL TREGONING,  
OTTO THIELICKE,  
EARL E. ROBBINS,  
GEO. T. EDWARDS,  
THOMAS RYAN,  
Committee.

### NOTICE.

No more contributions are necessary for the relief of Henry Bordet at Holtville, Cal. Local No. 437 wishes to thank all those who so generously assisted in making things as comfortable as possible for Fellow Worker Bordet before he went to his last resting place and away from all the suffering which he endured. There is \$15.90 more on hand than was used and this amount will be returned to the locals contributing.

SAMUEL TREGONING, No. 437, I. W. W.

## DEATH CLAIMS BORDET.

**A Fighter Has Died as a Result of Police Brutality—Hanging Would Have Been Preferred.**  
I left Holtville (No. 437) Monday, after staying there for a few days. But I wish to speak of is Henry Bordet, the man who was so savagely abused in Spokane by the police, at the time of the Free Speech Fight. If some of the murderous lickspittles could see the result of their work their very souls (if they have souls) would be blighted by the sight.

When one thinks of Bordet lying on his deathbed, can he help but revolt against the damnable system that allows a brute to tyrannize over a fighter for the right, like Bordet, and through blows and exposure condemn him to torture such as is the lot of few men to suffer.

Far better for him if they had hanged him in jail in Spokane. The awful torture the man has endured can hardly be conceived. When I saw him the power of speech was gone; his throat was paralyzed so that he could swallow no food, AND THE MAN WAS ROTTING TO DEATH.

I think Bordet will be dead before you receive this letter. I hope so. But the fight he has fought for liberty will be remembered; the fight will not die with him; rather, it will receive added impetus. The fight will go on, and the gist of this man will stand as an example to us. With an almost inconceivably horrible death staring him in the face for months, he uttered no complaint. His thoughts and words were of the cause he was dying for, and the fellow workers who were caring for him.

If Bordet had been killed in jail a war of protest would have swept over the land that would have went down in the pages of history. But instead he dies in a far-off corner, with only a few friends with him, and his passing goes almost unnoticed.

But—is it not infinitely worse to kill Bordet by months of horrible torture than by a blow in jail? Will you workers stand for the fighters being killed by torment surpassing hell itself and do nothing?

Let his name be placed with the greatest martyrs to our cause, to be the battle cry flung at aital entrenched behind its death-dealing police. Let us hurl his life's story against the sanctimonious lier of the subsidized press. Let his name be on the lips of every fighter. Far more pitiful and more brave is Bordet, dying by inches in obscurity, than any far-famed martyr that ever died with a noose around his neck.

REMEMBER BORDET.  
KARL MOORE,  
Local No. 437 Holtville, Cal.

Don't forget those red stickers. They will do good if you but use them. Paste them up everywhere. Order a thousand today, so that you can be kept busy for a few weeks licking them and getting them up in the proper places.

# Boosters' Brigade



Covington Hall donates \$1 to the Fresno fight, and \$1 for a bundle order for Debs' meeting at New Orleans.

- John Perz donates \$1 towards the press fund. It will apply on the "Deficit"
- J. Sullivan donates \$1 through Tom Whitehead towards the "Deficit"
- 14—WORKER— Houtchens Nestor Dondoglio sends in \$1 donation to press fund. Will go on the "Deficit"
- Chas. Lint and Jas. Knust donate 60 cents to the "Deficit" Every little helps.
- Bert McQueen sends in \$6 for subs and prepaid cards. That's going "some."
- A. O. Morse sends in 75 cents for sub to the Industrial organization in Prince Rupert, B. C.
- Henry Tiggerman sends in \$7 for subs from Maiden, Mont. Them miners are on the warpath.
- William Tubbs of Bovil, Idaho, sends in \$1 for subs and is on the jump for more.
- John Foss, secretary of No. 380, in Tacoma, sends in 75 cents for a sub. Dig them up, John.
- Fellow Worker Mangus sends in \$12.50 for subs from Kendall, Mont. More of them miners that don't want to be Civic Federalized.
- Thomas Whitehead sends in \$4.90 for subs from Seattle; \$3 of this is for prepaid cards for Fellow Worker Ikey at Hazel, Wash.
- Fellow Worker Farley sends in \$1.50 from Norway, Mich., for three subs. Look good to "muh."
- Jas. C. Knust sends in 50 cents for a sub from Plummer, Idaho. Dig into them, Jim.

This is a very poor week for the "Worker." Receipts have materially fallen off in spite of all the efforts that have been made to make the "Worker" pay its way and reduce the "Deficit." Every live member is urged to put forth an effort to secure subs for the "Worker." The I. W. W. men in the W. F. of M. are expected to do their duty. A little effort in getting subs will smash all plans to throw the miners in the Civic Federation outfit that peddles "harmony of interests" between slave and master. Let every one get busy for the "Worker" and the paper will soon be free from debt.—EDITOR.

## REPORT OF ASSISTANT EDITOR OF THE "INDUSTRIAL WORKER" FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1911.

RECEIPTS.

Received for subs.....	\$42.40
Received for bundle orders.....	31.25
Received for donations.....	3.60
Covington hall, don. for Fresno.....	1.00
Total receipts.....	\$78.25

EXPENDITURES.

Grauman-Walker, on account.....	\$50.00
Donation Covington Hall forwarded to Fresno.....	1.00
Miscellaneous expenditures.....	4.80
Fred W. Heslewood, account wages week ending February 18.....	8.00
Jos. Oneil, balance wages week ending February 11.....	10.00
Jos. Oneil, account wages week ending February 18.....	4.00
Total expenditures.....	\$77.80
Total receipts.....	78.25
Cash on hand February 11.....	2.07
Total.....	\$80.32
Total expenditures.....	77.80
Balance cash on hand February 18.....	\$ 2.52

## POVERTY UNNECESSARY.

Mankind has reached a point where the means of satisfying its needs are in excess of the needs themselves. To impose, therefore, as has hitherto been done, the curse of misery and degradation upon vast divisions of mankind, in order to secure well-being for the few, is needed no more; well-being can be secured for all, without overwork for any.—Prince Kropotkin.

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## Be a Lion and Not a Lamb

WHERE IGNORANCE IS BLISS, ETC.  
Capitalists Are Defended by Hired Thugs and Ignorant Slaves.

The battle for free speech is still raging in Fresno, Cal., where more than 100 of the ablest men in the Industrial Workers' movement of the west are jailed by the hangdogs of the exploiting class. The well organized band of "protectors" of stolen goods is hard to beat. It has the power of the mighty robbers behind it. And what is more to be lamented, it has the support of the majority of those who are robbed.

Ignorance is bliss for the poor, down-trodden devil who gets the worst of the economic deal in Fresno and elsewhere. He feels the chains, but bears them. He accepts, sullenly, his lot and, if he is a Roman Catholic, will have the authority of the mighty men of God, for the righteousness of his attitude. When the job is done and the foodless fool is turned adrift on the spacious ocean of unemployment without a rudder of brain or courage to guide him he accepts the word of the priest or politician for the cause of his misery, and eats from the kid-gloved hand of charity, the gracious crumbs it offers him.

But the few who fight are the ones that count. The weaklings and the fools may register a master's vote, but they never won a workers' fight. This is an age of blood and iron, an age of action, a nervous age, a ravenous age, where the men who will not move in their own defense, are eaten, devoured; not literally, but figuratively, which is worse. For the victim of cannibalism is eaten but once, while the victims of capitalism are like Prometheus chained to the rock, their hearts are devoured by the eagles of spoilation each day, but they grow over night to give the vultures a fresh meal on the morrow. Prometheus stole fire from heaven and taught man how to use it. For this God chained him to a rock and had an eagle come each day and eat his liver; it grew again over night, thus his torture was continual, until Hercules came along, shot the eagle and released the prisoner.

The story has meaning for us. The agitators have stolen the fire of truth; and for passing it out to the people are pillared on the rock piles of Fresno. They were murdered in Chicago, and Japan has shed their blood, and the gore of martyred Russians would make a mighty flood. But let the capitalistic eagle beware; there is a Hercules coming. And his arm will be as true as the fabled one.

In the meantime remember the fight in Fresno, and give aid and encouragement to the gallant men who are blazing the way of freedom—"The Agitator."

## CAN'T BE TOO RADICAL

GET MORE RADICAL.

The Boss Is Radical When He Murders Our Fellow Workers—Fight for the Eight-Hour Day for All

There has been considerable comment of late in labor circles in regards to "God knows" fatty and Fred Warren. All readers of our rebel papers are familiar with the case. Fatty says he declines to make a martyr of Warren and thereby promote his socialist doctrines. As an individual I think Fatty is afraid of real working class action, especially a case of this kind, where our voting slaves could not get action.

We will say that 400,000 slaves offered a reward for the same man to be taken back to Kentucky. It doesn't make any difference how much of a reward, if it were only 5 cents, it would answer the purpose. What would Fatty and his class leeches think if they had to call out the soldiers to keep the working class out of jail? It would make capitalist law appear rather absurd, would it not? All capitalist law is absurd and a lie. Let's make more slaves see it.

By putting up a solid front the capitalist law is nothing; but as an individual being broke is a crime.

The politician says we are too radical! Radical, indeed, is the capitalist class; radical when they murder 12 of our fellow workers in Japan. Are they radical when they try to starve 500 of our fellow workers in jail?

Let's be more radical. The boss goes to any extreme to gain his end.

We want an eight-hour work day. Let's be radical and take it. Let's put up a solid front on May 1, 1912. Let's just work eight hours. Let's not ask the boss, but just do it. The boss likes to be radical. The boss likes good things, and so do ye. Now all together on May 1, 1912.  
THOMAS DUFFIN.  
Duluth, Minn.

## THE WEAPON WHICH WINS

### THE POWER OF "SABOTAGE"

A French Working Class Weapon—Can Be Used in Any Country.

All of us wage slaves well know, even the most stupid among us, that we are not getting our share of the goods of this world, although we work hard enough for it. Knowing this, most of us keep on grumbling at our beastly conditions without making any serious attempt to improve them, even when we know that by organizing properly we could whip the boss.

We know very well that we are robbed daily; then why not fight the robbers daily? To do this it is not always necessary or prudent to go on strike, but we can have recourse to "sabotage," one of the most efficient weapons in the hands of the producers of wealth and one that every worker possesses.

The French workers have long ago realized the POWER OF SABOTAGE, and are using it generously, keeping the good bourgeoisie in a terror-stricken state. Here SABOTAGE is little known and less used.

Imagine the feelings of the boss when he has a loss of thousands, yes, millions, of dollars' worth of goods by the unseen hands of the SABOTERS, and being helpless to prevent it. Imagine thousands of workers in every field of production, instead of using their brains and strength to make profits for the bosses, would use it against them by SABOTING at every opportunity.

Imagine the accidental breaking of machinery or costly tools. Bum work and little of it. Deliberate blunders, delays, blockading of the means of transportation; in fact, thousands of devices can be used to create havoc in production and distribution. If we cannot get all we produce, why let others have it? The beauty of SABOTAGE is that it only requires a little cunning and determination and practically no danger of losing one's job when carried on intelligently, as it is practically impossible for the bosses to watch everything and everybody at once.

We workers should always keep in mind that if we are compelled to produce, then produce as little as possible or keep it from going into the pockets of the master class. The vital spot of a bourgeoisie being his pocket-book, stop the goods from reaching that spot and he will die of his own account.  
LOUIS MOREAU.

## A Master's Hired Tool

WILL BE TUTOR TO POLICE FORCE.

Detective George E. Cox Goes to Oakland to Study Finger Prints.

"Under the new order of things at the police station Detective George E. Cox will be recommended by Chief of Police W. J. Doust for head of the bureau of identification, which includes taking of photographs, Bertillon measurements and finger prints.

"Inspector of Police W. H. Lewis, who had charge of this work, will have charge of inspection of the department only.

"Detective Cox will take a course of instruction in securing finger prints from the Oakland (Cal.) police department, which has the best identification bureau west of the Mississippi river. All the members of the detective department will be taught this phase of the work next summer, with Cox as tutor."—"Spokesman-Review," February 6.

This fellow is a member of the I. W. W., having joined during the Free Speech Fight a year ago in Spokane. He has been a switchman on the Southern Pacific and is reported to have been a scab on that road. He has been a Pinkerton detective and gained his fame(?) in Spokane and received his reward in the shape of a substantial raise in salary for his adeptness in worming his way into the Free Speech defense office, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. For this wonderful piece of strategy(?) in joining the I. W. W. and getting a job licking envelopes all day for \$1.00, he has been placed ahead of his brother officers in rank and pay. As several girls were hired in the Coeur d'Alene office at \$2.00 per eight hours, and were not even members of the I. W. W., it is plain to see what a wonderful brain this ex-Pinkerton sleuth must possess to be able to get into the secret confines and the "holy of holies" of an organization that has no pass word, no secret, and which nearly always holds all meetings on the street or in a hall with the windows and doors open. The city of Spokane paid out many dollars for initiation fees to stool-pigeons to secure "evidence" in the I. W. W. that would railroad men to

the penitentiary. On one occasion \$50.00 was paid over to the secretary of the police by the comptroller (Farley) for the express purpose of paying these "initiation" fees. The IGNORANCE on the part of the master class in wasting their money on "Pinks" when there are no secrets to investigate, only shows what easy "pickings" they will be once we have an organized working class. As every-smooth (?) "Pink" has several names, the revolutionary name of Cox is "Burk." With all the craftiness of a "Pink," this specimen of a snake never succeeded in pocketing one letter in two weeks while engaged in the profitable vocation of licking envelopes. When this gent runs up to the top of the ladder in a few months, and over the heads of men that have been on the police force for 15 years and who still have to wear the "horrid" uniform, while Cox takes a trip around to get onto the "fine work," it will give the public some idea of the intelligence of the fellow who doesn't wear rubber soles. The people of Spokane are "easy." What a pity!

## Idaho Rebels Are Busy

FROM LEWISTON, IDAHO—ANOTHER FRESNO EYE-OPENER.

At a special meeting of the Lewiston Syndicalists Sunday afternoon, February 12, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Our fellow workers at Fresno, Cal., have suffered enough from the infamy of the sleek, constituted authorities there; and

Whereas, The police force, state and municipality, is seemingly the ever ready "Johnny on the Spot," the "Sancho Panza," of America's vested interests; and

Whereas, Our fellow workers are being tried before tribunals that are hostile (even unto death) to any and all appropriated men and women in this republic; and

Whereas, Our fellow workers throughout the full gamut only can move and answer, go and come, exercising the inalienable common right of talking, a procedure laudable as against the brute force which the authorities make use of where property rules; and

Whereas, One who feels harmed at this talking except the well entrenched evil-doers, who are high up in society; therefore, be it Resolved, That we, the Syndicalists of Lewiston, Idaho, most earnestly enter our protest against the police brutality in Fresno, Cal., in trying to subdue harmless and honest men in their desire to speak the truth; and be it further

Resolved, That an investigation be politely demanded of the governor of California with a view of impeaching the present mayor of Fresno and the chief of police; and be it further

Resolved, That the brutality in Fresno warrants such a demand from our side.

P. S.—A copy of these resolutions were ordered sent to the governor of California and a copy to the "Industrial Worker" for publication.

ANTONIA DIOS, Chairman.  
N. TREVE, Secretary Pro Tem.  
Lewiston, Idaho, February 12, 1911.

## Take Hold of Yourself

A NEW CONVERT.

Is Interested in the Eight-Hour Movement—Workers Must Take Hold of Themselves.

I attended one of your meetings here in Vancouver last Sunday and got a copy of your paper. I have not studied this question much, but I think an eight-hour day is a perfectly just and logical demand. I also think that \$3.00 a day should be paid to a day laborer as a minimum wage. He needs that to live decently and save on. But I feel sure that however just his demands and however dearly and distinctly he enunciates them he will not get them until he is strong enough to compel their concession. Now, vast as is their number, the workers of the world seem practically helpless in this matter. Their numbers give them no strength; because individually they are mostly ciphers and numbers made up of ciphers don't amount to much. No! What we want to do is to reform the individual worker. The power we are up against is colossal and it is folly to think of capturing that titidal with a frontal attack by an undisciplined mob. Oliver Cromwell recognized this principle perfectly when he prepared to fight the power of the king. His soldiers could not cope with the Royalists as they were( so Cromwell resolved to start with the individual and put firm purpose, fervour and discipline into him and in course of time he evolved his "Iron-sides," who were invincible. And as it is with us, we must get down to each individual man and put some fervour into him for this noble cause, and give him an ideal to uplift him. To experience the full measure of life and not only its miseries. Now what is keeping the working man down?

To start with we may safely say—Drink! Oh yes, my friends, you must admit it; IT IS DRINK. Now, when a man habitually drinks he is habitually "broke" habitually

down and out; has to take any job that comes along. If a man has some money saved he need not take a job unless it is good enough for him. He has some measure of independence. Let the workers take a hold of themselves and try to grapple with this thing which they know is keeping them down. Oh, I tell you if we are going to fight capital we must qualify ourselves to the very utmost of our ability. We are up against no chicken. Now, I believe that in the matter of drink the working man is not wholly to blame. His life is sordid and hard and nature seems to require a reaction. For months he has been toiling hard and he comes to town for a well-earned holiday. Well, there seems to be only the saloon open to him. So he goes there, and it is the same old story over again. There are thousands of men who are not prone to drink at all, but they seem to have no where but the saloon to go to. I think if Carnegie, instead of building so many libraries, had built an extensive system of temperance houses where a man could get good board, room and some form of amusement at a reasonable price, in fact working men's "clubs," he would have done more good and the saloons would not get so much of the workers' money. Yes, it is the saloon that is keeping the worker down, and how far capital is to blame for this it is hard to say. Let the man take a hold of himself, educate and organize and capital will topple before him like a giant with feet of clay.  
Yours for the good cause,  
HENRY BARRY O'BRIEN.

## A Sucker Will Always Bite

HOW THE CAPITALIST REPORTERS TOOK THE BAIT—THE FIGHT LOOKS LIKE A VICTORY.

Fellow Workers: There are at this writing 100 men in jail and two in the county hospital, in Fresno. Our uncompromising attitude is driving the authorities to desperation in their frantic attempts to serve the corporations on the one hand and square themselves before the people on the other. About two weeks ago, February 2, an innocent bit of "news" was given out to the bucolic reporters of this large hamlet, to the effect that the I. W. W. were going to throw up the fight. The reason given was that quite a number of our "leaders" were receiving \$3.00 per day, Sundays included, their pay going on whether in jail or not. Curses were uttered on all sides, loud and deep. The men were not going to sacrifice themselves for principle, while the leaders were doing it for \$3.00 per day. The reporters, rubbing down into the bullpen from above, swallowed it whole. Even the authorities fell for it, and got busy to help the good work along. The papers came out with reports that the I. W. W. were rapidly breaking ranks and that within a week the bullpen would be empty. The judge got busy signing releases; our feelings must not be ruffled; our exit must be made as palatable to us as possible.

Accordingly we were released in bunches of from two to 17 per day. Everybody felt relieved and happy; everybody but the I. W. W. Within a week more than 35 of us had been released without trial; no formality; no questions asked; politely ushered out. Shoo! The boys repaired to our headquarters, got a couple of days' rest and a few good meals and—horrors!—went back to the little old soap box again and were re-arrested. We have just received reports from two locals that 19 men are on their way here; 15 from one local and four from the other. Two sentenced men, whose time was up, were released yesterday and day before. Seven or eight more sentenced men will be out soon. The rockpile is not in operation yet. The boys are fighters to a man and are confident of victory. THE FREE SPEECH FIGHT is beginning to loom up large in the eyes of the wage slaves. The larger it continues and the harder it is fought, the greater will our prestige become. Even now we have won more than even Free Speech. We have generated enough power through our fight here to bring us back so many times stronger the next time,—if it will be found necessary to "come back." The secret of these fights is that they GENERATE POWER. But that is just what we want. If we have the POWER we do not need to fight. Show the masters our POWER and they will graciously come through with the right amount of goods.

But when we haven't the power, we must fight to generate power. Get that? But if that is true, then we ought never to cease fighting. We ought rather to welcome every opportunity to fight for our rights, and enter with the warriors' zeal into the midst of it. Yes, James, that's the dope. Fighting is just as much our "business" as investment is the capitalist's business. Therefore, if the authorities of this little village of Fresno persist in their policy of refusing us Free Speech, they will in the long run be forced to give it any way, and a great deal more beside, and don't you forget it. Come on, fellow workers, get into the fight to develop our power and incidentally make a little solid I. W. W. history. Throw away your chains and leave all fear behind. Fellow Worker Roe is out, and if he doesn't get "sloughed" again will get busy selling the "Industrial Workers," "Solidarity," song books and other literature. We will turn receipts from same into the "Worker" and "Solidarity." The fight is hot. Jar loose and take a hand. Yours for that mighty union.  
J. W. W. COMMITTEE.