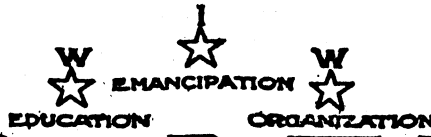


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TOO MUCH LAW FOR WOMEN

MEN WILL TAKE GIRLS' PLACES—MEN MAY WORK 24 HOURS IF THEY WISH—EIGHT-HOUR LAW NO GOOD.

A majority of the girls in the department stores of Spokane may be replaced by men within the next 10 days.

That is the report which is being circulated around town today and the managers of the biggest stores of the city refuse to either affirm or deny.

The story goes that when the eight-hour law for women becomes effective next month the department stores will be unable to get as much work out of their girls, as they think should be delivered, and that consequently, having to depend on only an eight-hour day, they will put men in all the departments in which it is possible to work them.

The department store girls are working at the present time an average of 10 hours daily for wages which range from \$6 to \$10 per week, and when the new law goes into effect it will be necessary to either cut these wages or pay a higher rate per hour.

Managers of three of the biggest department stores of the city, who were called up in connection with the story this morning, refused to either deny or affirm the report. It was learned, however, that changes were contemplated when the eight-hour law went into effect, but the nature of these changes the store management refused to divulge.

Mrs. May A. Hutton, who is responsible for the starting of the rumor of the displacing of the girls, declared this morning that she had positive information that nearly all the department store girls of the city were to be turned out and their places taken by men.—Spokane Press.

Let the working class who believe in political action, eight-hour laws, etc., read the above and ponder well. You, who are going to get better conditions by voting for it, ask yourselves if it would not be better to have ONE UNION OF THE WORKING CLASS that would take the eight-hour day for all and be strong enough to enforce our own LAW. What is the difference between our LAW made in the union hall and the one made by a few representatives in some legislature if we have POWER ENOUGH TO ENFORCE THE LAW? Why lobby and beg for the master class agents to pass some law when we have not POWER enough to raise our wages or enforce the LAW that is written in some book? This is a matter of making our own LAW and the sooner we proceed to organize into ONE BIG UNION on Industrial lines so that we can have POWER enough to make them stick, the better for us. To expect something from the capitalist political state is sheer folly and the worker who chases after such a bugaboo has very little conception of the class struggle. Those who produce everything have POWER to do anything they wish to, once they are organized to do it. It is high time that we were waking up to the fact that we are not going to get anything until we are prepared to TAKE IT. The sooner this TRUTH dawns on us the sooner we will gain our freedom. EIGHT-HOUR LAWS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS with craft divided slaves to offer resolutions, and thousands of ignorant men to take their places, is but a quick way of increasing the number of prostitutes in the country. ONE UNION FOR ALL AND EIGHT HOURS FOR ALL should be the slogan of every slave in America as well as elsewhere. Organize right. Organize your MIGHT.

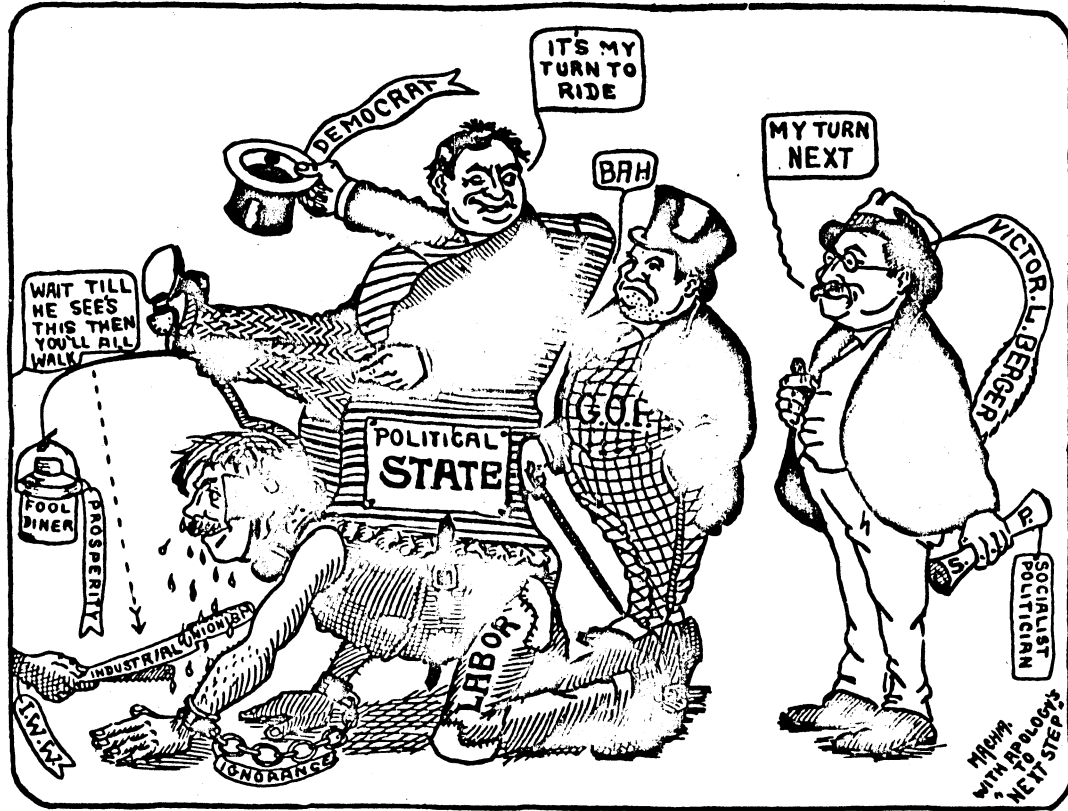
STILL ALIVE.

Suffering terrible agony and unable to rest more than a few moments at a time on account of the pain of his injuries, Perry Armstrong, who several days ago built a bonfire on the banks of Hangman creek and then jumped into the flames, was still alive at Sacred Heart hospital, but at 2 o'clock this afternoon was expected to die any hour.

It is learned today that Armstrong was suffering from the hallucination that the Lord had called upon him to preach the gospel.—"Spokane Press."

"Common persons" are those who are so numerous as to be a nuisance to themselves. Wage slaves, in short.—Western Clarion.

YOU ARE ROBBED ON THE JOB. FIGHT THERE.



AROUSE! PREPARE TO DEFEND YOUR CLASS

WORKERS OF AMERICA! RISE IN PROTEST! PREPARE FOR ACTION!

The capitalists of America have gone mad! An infamous outrage has been added to the many crimes committed in the aggressive warfare against the toiling masses by the corporate interests and their allied hirelings.

The manufacturers' associations of the west, defeated in their repeated efforts to strangle the voice and cripple the hands of labor, are insane with rage and blind with the determination to trample under foot all rights of the workers and crush the growing revolts of the rising proletariat.

They were defeated in their plans to railroad Haywood and his associates of the Western Federation of Miners to the gallows, plans on which they had prepared to murder the advocates of working class solidarity. The heroic sacrifices of the men and women of toil halted their blood-stained hands when they thought that the right of free speech, a free press and of unrestricted assemblage, all achievements of the warriors of the American revolution—had been strangled and abridged.

The acts of terror perpetrated by the agents of the manufacturers, their police-puppets, and their criminal thugs and detectives but characterizes the savage disregard of the oppressors to all except their own interests. Their millions in money and economic power vested in the government and the courts are to be used, to forever subjugate the working class under their infamous regime.

The rights of workers, citizens of this country, are annulled and abrogated.

Savage force alone dictates the methods and policies of those in power.

And this brazen defiance of the most common rights of man by a band of capitalist conspirators no longer confines itself to the limited industrial arena of the West. Three workers, one an official of a labor union, are now charged with crime, spirited away from their homes by the hired Hessians of the Western Manufacturers' Association, kidnaped, held in solitary confinement, and by tortures similar to those applied in the middle ages, the perpetrators of these outrages seek to get confessions admitting the crimes, for the discovery of which these detectives are to get the ransom of blood money from these dynamiters of the rights of the working class.

Even in Russia an offended worker could have shot and killed in self-protection a member of the Czar's secret agency, such as De-

fective W. Burns, and he would be acquitted by a jury of his peers.

But in brazen alliance with this criminal that other corporation stool-pigeon, Governor Marshall of Indiana, adds the infamy of allowing these men to be extradited without permitting them to defend themselves against the charges made against them.

The capitalists have thrown off the mask. The workers must take up the gauntlet or perish under the weight of the onslaughts that the oppressors are preparing.

If such criminal procedures are allowed to go unchallenged these minions and hirelings of the capitalist oppressors, the McPharlands, the Pinkertons, the Burns' and others may take the right onto themselves to spread terror and havoc in the houses and homes of all who would object against further encroachments of their rights by tyrants and their paid understrappers.

They may attack you at day or night, ravage and ransack, and carry away all man holds dear; you will be powerless to protect yourselves against the revenge executed behind the brass badge of the immune detective of a cruel master class.

They may attack you at day or night, ravage all that falls into their way, carry off all that is flesh of your flesh, to become the prey of lust to a criminal gang of capitalist marauders; and it will be legalized by the servile upholders of capitalist law and order. It is time, high time, to wake up!

When once a people allows their rights to be trampled upon in such an outrageous manner there will be no halt, no limit, until a violent rupture alone raises a barrier against the further abuses of power by the exploiters and oppressors.

This tragic affair must meet with but one resolve on the part of the workers of America.

Brutal as are the measures of repression, so must the method of resistance be stern and determined.

If brutal force by capitalist interests dictates the course, the direct action of the aggrieved offers the only way for resistance and relief.

Differences between workers must be buried in the storm of protest and the array of the masses for aggressive action to force a redress of the outrage that has been perpetrated.

Today it is McNamara and associates—tomorrow it may be you. Guilt or innocence in alleged crimes will be determined solely by the

corrupted, pliant and well remunerated tools of the capitalists.

The whole country is interested in this case, and all of the workers must be aroused.

If legal kidnaping of workers is to be the method adopted to appease the vengeance of the masters all other rights of the workers will be abridged and tyranny in its worst form become the standing rule of the land.

The infamy of the employer, the suspension of all rights to workers must be answered with the SUSPENSION OF ALL WORK BY THE TOILERS as the only measure to force for the accused an impartial trial before their peers, and the prosecution and extradition from this country of all responsible for this last act of infamy.

We appeal to all workers, organized as well as unorganized, to PREPARE FOR A GENERAL STRIKE OF ALL on the day when the trial of the accused will begin, and thus enforce the mandate of the working class that the band of criminal detectives and capitalists in whose pay they are, be surrendered and held accountable for their high-handed conspiracy against the freedom and the rights of working men.

THE TIME TO PROTEST IS NOW! DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE CONSPIRACY IS SUCCESSFUL. NOW IS THE TIME!

Conferences must be called in all cities and towns of all organizations and associations composed of working men. Mass meetings must be arranged in all industrial centers. The latest outrageous acts of the capitalists must be made known to the millions of toilers unacquainted with the facts.

AGAIN! THE TIME TO PROTEST IS BEFORE THE TRIAL, NOT AFTER.

A GENERAL STRIKE IN ALL INDUSTRIES MUST BE THE ANSWER OF THE WORKERS TO THE CHALLENGE OF THE MASTERS! TIE UP ALL INDUSTRIES! TIE UP ALL PRODUCTION. ETERNAL VIGILANCE IS THE PRICE OF LIBERTY.

Issued April 25th, 1911, by the INDUSTRIAL WORKERS OF THE WORLD.

All labor papers are requested to copy, and co-operate in the plans of calling mass meetings for the purpose of preparing the general strike on the day when the trial is set.

SEEKING WORK IS JAILED

ARRESTED FOR ADVERTISING HIS LABOR POWER—SLAVES NOT ALLOWED TO PUT SIGNS ON THEIR FLESH AND BLOOD.

To startle San Francisco is no easy task, but man has done it. A police court report in a paper published in the city of the Golden Gate bears that a citizen paraded the street recently, exhibiting a placard on his back which bore the following legend: "I have a family to support. I want work. Who will give me a job?" The man was a butcher, who had just arrived in San Francisco from San Diego. He was arrested because the "ad." which he carried attracted too much attention and caused congestion of street traffic. He told the police authorities that he was destitute; that his wife was sick, had been sick for months; that all he wanted was something to do that he might provide for his wife and himself without being obliged to beg or steal. He did not care what kind of a job he got, so long as it would provide him with the means of earning an honest living. There is no sequel to the police court story.

To be in a big city like San Francisco, without friends, without money and without work, is to be in a position more bitterly cruel than tragic poet ever painted. It denotes a condition in present-day sociology that probably cannot be avoided altogether; but it does seem as if we could do something more toward its alleviation than we are doing.

It is not every man who has the moral courage, amounting to what some people would say was hardihood, that this unemployed butcher from San Diego possessed. If that were the case the unemployed man and the manless job would come together more often.

As to the right of the job seeker to advertise his wants in this effective manner, it seems to us to be soundly established. If a house or a store is vacant the owners put "To Let" placards in the windows. When breweries and distilleries want to stimulate their trade they sing the praises of their respective beverages on the double-decked billboards throughout the city. Surely, when a man is in need of a job that will bring him bread and meat and medicine for his sick wife, he should be permitted to proclaim his needs that he who runs may read.—Vancouver World.

Yes, Mr. Capitalist Editor, this state of affairs can be avoided altogether. The man that says this cannot be avoided in a country that is young and is overlapped with wealth, but which is in the hands of a few people, proves him to be a truckling coward and a fence-man of a cruel system that can and is only defended by capitalists and their paid tools. If the workers in Vancouver were arrested for speaking on the street, and showing the workers how to organize and do away with this unemployed problem, the "World" that now says "we should do something?" would be among the first to rush to the aid of the master class. The case of the San Diego butcher in San Francisco with the sign on his back is but one case in millions. The shorter work day is the cure and one union of the workers is the only way to get it and the way to get it is to organize and TAKE IT. The oily editorials appearing in the capitalist press will accomplish nothing for the workers. The workers must learn to do it themselves. Fight for the shorter day. All together.

AGITATE

When you talk to the other worker, tell him of all the advantages there is to be gained for labor by working only EIGHT HOURS A DAY. Tell him about how the bread line can be shortened up, how that a demand for labor is much better than a surplus of labor on the market, how that the girls may find employment that are now living in dens of prostitution, how that labor is a commodity and why we must create a demand for it, how that we will live longer, have less misery and enjoy more of the good things of life. Be sure and don't overlook telling him that the Eight-Hour day is only the first step to our freedom. Keep taking all the time. Agitate. Agitate. Agitate.

Nurse—"Now, don't be afraid, dear; I am taking away the candle, but God will stay with you in the dark."

Little Girl—"Oh, nurse! Please take God and leave the candle."—Life.

The twentieth century belongs to the working class. So many false and ancient scents have the workers followed that there are indications that their olfactory keenness has been blunted and they will now have to do a little figuring.—Ex.

Order four of them yearly prepaid cards for \$3.00 Sell them and make \$1, which helps you, the subs helps the "Worker" and the movement is helped. Try a few anyway to see how its works. Order today.

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Bright faces drive out dark illusions; mighty truths triumph over pious frauds; the light of truth dispels the mist of ignorance.—Charles Bradlaugh.

TIMBER WORKERS ORGANIZE.

In the face of all kinds of persecution by the master class, the Timber Workers' Union in Louisiana is progressing steadily, and instead of having to instill the fighting spirit into a great number of the workers who work in the woods in the Southern states, it is necessary to advise them to proceed with a little caution. The hot southern blood when once aroused will resent the persecution by those who live in idleness from the toil of slaves. Truth and justice have always had to suffer persecution from the hand of the robber class. Let every move on the part of the membership be a move that will be to the best interest of the Industrial Organization, so that strength and power may be had before battle be declared. When a young organization cannot be disrupted with threats and bulldozing, the more despicable and insidious way is then attempted and often with success, which is to corrupt the officials of the union. We do not believe that bulldozing and persecution will have any more effect on the Southern lumberjack than water would have on a duck's back, neither do we believe that the officials of the Timbermen's Union can be corrupted. Play every card to win, make every move count and build on a solid foundation so that in time your structure will not have to be torn down and a new foundation put under the organization. Far better to have the hot fighting spirit, even though the workers make mistakes, than have a lot of dead-heads that will not even show as much red blood as a jackass, which will at least kick at persecution. Try and withhold the battle until we have POWER to win.

PLOT CAREFULLY LAID.

The capitalist plot to kidnap McNamara and his brother and railroad them to the gallows was laid with the utmost care and if an aroused working class would only keep quiet, it would be "easy sailing" for the boss. The articles appearing in McClure's Magazine and the large daily papers, in which Burns, the sleuth hound, has been eulogized and lauded for his "honesty and courage," together with the utmost secrecy in which the prosecution is handling their supposed "case," shows to what extent the master class has worked out its plans. Burns says he is in favor of unions, and this puts us in mind of the "sympathy" displayed for unions by the Mine Owners' Association in the Haywood persecution, as well as the "sympathy" that is evident by reading the columns of the "Los Angeles Times." The "sympathy" to be expected from a bunch of sneaking pimps is the same brand that the fat preacher could expect from a tribe of cannibals that had been in a state of semi-starvation for a few weeks. That there is \$100,000.00 behind the "sympathy" which has overtaken Burns, will no doubt be a factor in inducing him to do all he can to assist LABOR. Rats!

EIGHT-HOUR LAW A FAKE.

There is no doubt but what all the time and money that has been spent by the craft unions in the State of Washington in the last few years to lobby through an EIGHT-HOUR LAW FOR WOMEN is going to prove that it has been wasted and that the much vaunted EIGHT-HOUR LAW is a fake and a curse to the woman instead of a blessing. The I. W. W. has always taken the position that the workers have the POWER when industrially organized to FORCE through the EIGHT-HOUR DAY without resorting to any begging methods or lobbying the state legislators for a crumb from the master's table, which later will only prove to be a bitter pill instead of a crumb.

The workers are not organized to back up this LAW and if they were organized they would not need the LAW or the necessity of any labor lobbyists sucking around the house of parliament where the stool-pigeons of the master class go to represent the economic interests of the master class.

It has leaked out that as soon as the LAW goes in FORCE, which is but a few weeks now, the Spokane department stores will substitute men for their girls, and the girls can go to hell, and we mean this literally, as many of them will be found on the streets at night or in dens of infamy some-

where, trying to follow the line of least resistance and keeping the wolf from the door. When these girls are FORCED out by young men who are legally allowed to work as long as they like, the craft unions will protest and will no doubt pass a number of resolutions. The boss has about as much regard for resolutions as he has for the EIGHT-HOUR LAW FOR WOMEN when he can get men to SCAB on the girls. The good "features" of this great "boon for women" was that it would take the girl away from long hours of laborous toil and thus make her stronger and healthier to function as a mother. We can see where she will get away from the long hours of toil all right, but that it will be the means of making desirable mothers we deny. How long are we to be divided on the economic field with craft scabbery and a few beggars hanging around the legislative halls pleading for something that we can TAKE any time we will unite to do so.

GIRLS ON STRIKE.

Girls in the Washington Laundry in Spokane are on strike for 1c an hour. They have been getting the elegant, munificent amount of 13 cents an hour and they wish 14 cents. The boss refuses to pay it. This would give the girls \$1.40 a day of ten hours (which is the time they work) providing they win the strike, and when the EIGHT-HOUR LAW comes into effect they will receive \$1.12. With their car fare taken from this wage, it will readily be seen that the girls cannot live decently. With the present wage they are receiving for 10 hours, many of them have their best clothes patched to hold them together. As they have worked so long in the stench and steam of the laundry until they show the result of grinding toil, and with a craft divided movement to pass resolutions to assist them, to say the least they are in a deplorable condition. Maybe they can feast on the EIGHT-HOUR LAW. One union for all based on the class struggle is the only weapon whereby labor can hope to win their battles. It seems necessary to go through this political "bunc" to find out what a useless weapon it is. We thought that we might profit from the mistakes (experience) made by the French workers and thus grasp the weapon of DIRECT ACTION which has been found to be so effective in France, but it seems that we have to go through the same route of trusting to some one else to represent us instead of doing it ourselves.

VOLUNTARY FASTING.

'A New Jersey woman puzzled the doctors by fasting for 26 days, but no one is puzzling over the thousands who are half-fasting all the time. That is just a matter-of-course.'—Duluth Tribune.

Yes, my dear capitalist friend, some one is puzzling over the thousands that are half fasting. Thousands are working out the puzzle today and when enough of the wage slaves have solved the puzzle, their will then be no puzzle for the editors of the capitalist press to be puzzled about. Those who would solve the problem have been incarcerated in bullpens, beaten and threatened by the tools of the master class. The capitalist class well knows the cause of all the half fasting. Well they know the cause of the misery that is rife in the country. Well they know the cause of the bread-line. Well they know the cause of child slavery. Well they know why thousands of I. W. W. men and women have been tortured in the hell-holes called jails in a country that stinks to the clouds of the stench of their system that makes a few rich while thousands are poor and half or whole starving. The cause of the misery is the private ownership of the land and the machinery of production and distribution. The system is a curse; it's a blight on the human race. It's a menace to decency, morals, childhood, womanhood and manhood. It is a more deadly disease than the plague in China. It should and will be stamped out, even if a few robbers are deprived of their liberty to rob and fatten off the toil of others. Only an intelligent and organized army of slaves, determined to settle the matter by taking and holding the machinery of production and distribution can solve the problem. It must be done. The shorter workday for all will be a victory that will hasten the day when we may have our emancipation from the rule of the master.

THE TRUTH.

Why should the capitalist class be afraid of the TRUTH? Why should workingmen be jailed and tortured for telling on the streets what they believe to be the truth? If the truth is a two-edged sword, and we believe it is, and the TRUTH is being opposed by the master class of America, then we take it that capitalism is standing on a lying foundation and it cannot stand the sun of truth to shine on its bulwarks. If we do not tell the TRUTH then the capitalist class or any other class has nothing to fear. A lie cannot stand. The old adage that "A LIE WILL OUT" is as true today as it was a thousand years ago. The capitalist system is sticking to the lie and will stick to it until the workers who are now the robbed class will stop the lie and found a system on the TRUTH where there will be PEACE and HAPPINESS for all. The lie that the capitalist class clings to is the one whereby they believe that they have a right to own privately the land and tools of production and distribution to the detriment of the great masses of the workers. The capitalists are not afraid of street fakirs, Salvation Armies, Holy Rollers, pill doctors or corn doctors, but they are mortally afraid of the man that says he wants the full product of his toil, wants to be free and do his share of the work of the world, and see that the other fellow does his. Such an expression as this from a wage slave puts chills of horror up and down the back of the first parasite that happens to hear it. The secret of the whole thing is, that the boss knows the worker is telling the TRUTH and it's the TRUTH that he cannot stand. It's important to win FREE SPEECH FIGHTS, as it gives us an opportunity to tell the other fellow slave the TRUTH.

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, 513 Cambridge Bldg., Chicago, as well as with the management in Spokane.

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FROM SAN DIEGO.

San Diego, Cal., April 22, 1911.
 To the I. W. W. Locals of California.
 Fellow Workers: Acting under the instructions of Local No. 13, I. W. W., of San Diego, California, to communicate with all locals in California, to consider and if possible devise ways and means to engage an organizer, I submit the following letter bearing the seal of the local, to be published in the WORKER and SOLIDARITY for the consideration and, I hope, hearty co-operation of said locals.

Some time ago the members of Local No. 13 instructed their secretary to communicate with Seattle to learn what might be done towards getting James P. Thompson, the Seattle organizer, to come to California and deliver a series of lectures, to take each local in turn as he came down the line, and if possible to hold big advertised propaganda meetings in public halls and in A. F. of L. labor temples wherever possible.

We decided upon Thompson because of his ability in handling the economic question and as he is considered by many to be the clearest and best expounder of the I. W. W. platform.

If the recent series of lectures in Los Angeles by Austin Lewis and Fred Moore had been followed up by a good I. W. W. organizer, much good would have been accomplished. For no doubt these lectures brought home to many members of the A. F. of L. the necessity of industrial organization, but many bogus forms could be construed as "industrial organization," and where the I. W. W. in California falls short is in not having a good organizer.

Perhaps the locals of California have not heard so much of Thompson as they have heard of others. He is not so prone to advertising as he is to teaching, and above all, it is the teaching that is needed.

Let us by all means get an organizer, the best that we can get will do the most good. The A. F. of L. is on its last legs, and a little directing in the right way will accomplish wonders.

Surely all the locals in California can raise a fund sufficient to bring a speaker here. In big cities like San Francisco and Los Angeles several meetings could be arranged in I. W. W., A. F. of L. and other public halls. Fellow workers, let us get together and pull and make not only the capitalist but the working class sit up and take notice. Interest them and they will always fall in line with a movement that is moving. We should have speakers in all the big towns in California. If it is our mission next year to inaugurate the eight-hour work day we must bring it before the workers, not only advertise it on stickers, but realize it. By laying the foundation whereby the workers will take it, by seeing the necessity for it. We can only succeed by having the co-operation of the workers, organized and unorganized, and without an economic education we can not have that solidarity which is necessary.

In order to get Thompson here we must raise a fund large enough to pay his fare both ways and \$300 a day. What will YOU DO? If you are really in earnest and mean business, write to Thos. Whitehead, Secretary Organization Committee, I. W. W., Seattle, Wash., and also let us know if you will cooperate with us.

CHAS. GRANT.

PORTLAND, ORE., I. W. W.

The new headquarters of the I. W. W. in Portland are at 309 Davis Street. Address all communications to that number.
 B. E. NILSSON, Sec'y.

WANTED.

A good soap-boxer; one who speaks nothing but Industrial Unionism. Any one agreeing to fill this request should correspond with E. Cerny, Financial Secretary No. 69, I. W. W., Box 1432, Salt Lake City, Utah.

ARE YOU GETTING ANY SUBS?

With the fight for the universal EIGHT-HOUR DAY coming in May, 1912, it behooves every worker to get busy and spread the propaganda so that the workers will understand what we are doing and what we expect them to do. It's very necessary that you rustle for subs all the time, not only to assist in sustaining our press, but as stated, to inform the workers of the impending struggle for better conditions for all workers. Gee but it's a glorious fight and one that you need not be ashamed to be a soldier in. Send in a few subs this week now just to be doing something for the cause.

IMPORTANT.

Fellow Worker Thomas Smye, who was one of the "bunch" that made the march to Fresno during the Free Speech fight there, is urgently requested to communicate with Thomas Whitehead, 211 Occidental Ave. (rear), Seattle, Wash. Business of importance.

THOMAS WHITEHEAD.

Every little helps these days in getting out the paper. Send along your sub and we will try and keep you interested in the I. W. W. for six months or a year. After that you could not be driven out with a shot gun. Fire in the subs.

ARE AFRAID OF THE I.W.W.

ENGLISH TRADE UNION LEADERS
 FUNK INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM—
 COMING TRIAL OF EDITOR OF
 INDUSTRIALIST—SOCIAL-
 IST TACTICS.

Even in merry England, the land of trade unionism and smug respectability, and where labor misleaders have successfully chloroformed the revolutionary spirit in the wage slaves, and incidentally and louse-like made a decent living on the backs of the workers—industrialism in its most revolutionary form is making progress with great strides. Bosses and trade union leaders have suddenly discovered this fact and moved by fear for their very existence, they very characteristically joined forces with a view of crushing their common enemy with the help of the legal machinery. The first prosecution against us has now been launched—the first blood was drawn in a manner that should make the gods laugh and provide a few moments of enjoyment to the jaded palates of mundane cynics.

The unholy alliance of capitalism and reactionary trade unionism is an accomplished and as a first fruit of this bastard hybrid our fellow worker, Leslie Boyne, general secretary of the Industrialist League and editor of the "Industrialist," has been formally committed for trial to the Old Bailey, London's notorious central criminal court. There a judge and jury of capitalists will try him on a charge of "criminal libel," preferred against him by the president of a union of Postoffice Employees, and one of our labor "leaders."

The genesis of the case is interesting from the standpoint of trade union tactics. For some months past the "Industrialist" has focussed its attention upon certain abuses which are prevalent amongst the officials of various trade unions of government employe, and in the course of investigations, a certain parliamentary socialist named Neville (hand his name down to posterity!) came in for some candid criticism. This individual has, in his position of chairman of the letter sorters' union, secured promotion in the government service by systematically betraying his fellow workers and playing the lick-spittle game to the government authorities. This trafficking was exposed and punctuated with well deserved, if somewhat caustic, criticism. This campaign, which met with the fullest approval of thousands of Neville's fellow workers, tended to undermine this leader's influence over the wage slaves in his department.

The authorities took cognizance of the exposures and gave him the straight tip, that if he was not in a position to hold the confidence of his union, in order to further sell and betray them, he would have to shift. He had to rehabilitate himself in the eyes of his dupes or go.

Criminal proceedings were consequently instituted in order to give this black sheep a coat of white-wash and make him look in the eyes of the bamboozled workers, lamblike in his innocence. Neville, however, did not have the pluck to come out into the fray like a man, but sheltered himself behind legal technicalities, which prevented our editor from justifying his actions during the initial proceedings of the prosecution. Rogues are ever cowards!

As it takes a thief to catch a thief, the Industrialist League have decided to meet the prosecutor on his own ground and similarly to invoke the aid of the intricacies and incongruities of British law in a stern and stubborn fight. For this reason they have employed the sharpest attorney in London and are prepared to see the case through to its bitter end. If it serves no other purpose, it will afford a splendid opportunity to propagate our ideas by means of judge, jury and capitalist press. All's fair in love and war.

The trial will take place about the middle of May, and we confidently anticipate that it will inaugurate a new era in the revolutionary movement in England. Pending this, Boyne has been released on bail of \$200.00.

Memo.—This flutter in the dove cots of labor leaders has not been caused by Tom Mann's milk and water "Syndicalism," but by the straight-forward and uncompromising revolutionary tactics of the I. W. W. in Great Britain.

Enlightenment of humanity must commence at the cradle; superstition, God and hellism have all commenced there. Mothers should not enslave the minds of babies with God and boogy superstitions, but teach them facts and justice, not lies, then the world will be a better place to live in. Yes, it is up to the mothers to raise truthful children by teaching them truths only.—"The Peoples' Press."

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