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"OUR COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE"

FIRE FIGHTER LEFT TO DIE ON WAYSIDE—HOW SLAVES ARE TREATED WHEN GOVERNMENT IS THRO' WITH THEM.

Fire is raging in the timber near Redlands, Cal., and men are wanted to fight the fire. Those who are on the job working for the miserable pittance of \$2.50 a day are exhausted and the story of hardships as told by a Redlands paper is one that will not help to cement any harmony between labor and capital. The following is clipped from the San Bernardino Sun:

A man was dying last night on the fire line at City Creek.

He will die, probably, an unknown hero, for in the stirring days among the mountain peaks there has not been time for men to tell comrades their names.

The man dropped in his tracks, after his long, brave battle against the flames. Even he had probably lost count of the hours that he had fought against the ever-advancing devastation-blasting fire fiend. Somewhere in his exhausted, fever raked body something had snapped. Fellow fire fighters carried him from the path of the flames.

He was miles from civilization and four miles from any road leading to civilization. It was hours before a doctor could reach his side.

Ranger Wixom of City Creek, telephoned to the fire fighters' station here that the man was dying.

Who was to pay for the doctor?

Forest Supervisor Marshall of San Diego heard the tale of the tragedy over the phone. He turned to one of the officials of the San Francisco bureau, sitting at his elbow, and was told there was no provision to which the government allowed such expense bills; that similar ones had been refused.

Such is the cruelty and injustice of the great-est of governments.

SHOULD VOTE FOR THEIR LAND.

TUSCON, Ariz., Aug. 5.—Several hundred well armed Yaqui Indians have mobilized in the Yaqui river delta country and are demanding the restoration of their lands, according to a statement of passengers on a train which arrived here from Mexico.

The lands in question are the site of an American colony organized by Los Angeles capitalists, in which Eastern capital has since become largely interested.

The Indians, it is said, began to gather in Cocorit, near Corral, Sunday night, and Tuesday made a demand for the surrender of the river towns of Esperanza, Bacum, Johi, Torin, Lencho and Portam, giving the Mexicans three days to surrender them and the surrounding country in to their possession. It is feared that a failure to comply with the demand will bring on another Yaqui war, and that many companies of Yaqui in the regular army will desert the standard and join their countrymen in that event.—Ex.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH.

Now, in order to have a job, a man must not only be careful what he does, but what he thinks, or rather, he must not cultivate the dangerous art of thinking at all. That part of the works belongs to the boss. Science should be able to offer employers a means of testing the brains of applicants for a job. If the organs are heavily coated with fat, or made of petrified layers firmly impressed with the sacred doctrine of Vested Rights, O. K. Otherwise, let him starve. What this country needs is a robust peasant class made up of congenial idiots.—"Daily News," "Frisco."

WHEN LABOR STOPS.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—With 150,000 dockers, carters, freight handlers and railway teamsters on a strike here today, torable spreading hourly, Londoners will surely go hungry unless peace comes at once. Fuel for motor busses, upon which the city depends for transportation, is running low.

Thousands of tons of food are rotting on the wharves, and the river Thames is blocked with ships unable to discharge their cargoes. Many large food markets, finding it fruitless to secure supplies, have been closed, making the situation worse than ever. There is great destitution among the poor classes, and there are constant clashes between the police and strikers. The government has ordered two regiments to be held in readiness at Aldershot for service in this city should the occasion arise.—"Frisco."



CRUMMY! BY HECK!

CONSTRUCTION MEN REBEL

AGITATORS WANTED ON CANADIAN NORTHERN R. R.—MEN ORGANIZING TO FIGHT FOR BETTER CONDITIONS.

I am sending the fellow workers, who are intending to come up here on Canadian Northern construction between Hope and Kamloops, B. C., a warning to keep away. We are now about 1,200 men laying all along the line, waiting for the commencement of the work.

I am giving this information, founded on my own, as well as many others painful experience. Mr. Welsh, the contractor, stated about two weeks ago that he was going to start work with 6,000 men immediately. Well, as a matter of fact there are not 600 men working at the present and no demand either for more men. In reality, it is indeed a hard proposition or rather an impossibility to get a job at all. If it should happen that you were lucky enough to get one, well you'll get for ten hours hard graft the big sum of \$2.25 and pay board with 90 cents a day, hospital \$1.50 a month, road tax \$2.00 and revenue tax \$3.00. Therefore the chances of making a fortune up here are hardly worth mentioning. The station work with prices of 45 cents a cubic yard for solid rock, \$20 and \$22 a hundred pounds for dynamite, \$3 a keg for black powder and other prices after the same scale, are just as good as prospecting for gold in a pile of sawdust.

We are now trying to organize a union and are hoping and waiting for an I. W. W. organizer from Vancouver. We are already about 800 men together in a propaganda club, all willing to do our best to better the conditions here in ways of raised wages, better camp accommodations, shorter hours, etc. So if any of you other slaves want to come up here and help us fight you are heartily welcome. I will warn you beforehand that the country around here is very scarce of backdoors and the "shacks" on Canadian Pacific not very good humored. With many regards to other fellow workers.

CARL BERGLUND,
Secretary Spence's Bridge, B. C.

EVOLUTION OF THE CHRISTIAN SLAVE.

(J. Edward Morgan).

Oh, God, who'er, where'er thou art,
What I to thee, what e'er my part.
List, list, I call, I grope, I fall,
Thou knowest why; thou knowest all.

I know not why, but, falling, cry
And vainly seek thy watchful eye.
Wake! Wake! oh, God who lovest free,
The wolves of hell encompass me.

Thou sleepest well. In sleep serene
Thou see'st in dreams all things unseen,
From Heaven's thick wall to Hell's wide gate
My shrieks, my prayers reverberate.

Thou wilt not wake? Then smile and sleep
While angel hosts their vigils keep.
Let woman's wail nor children's cry
Disturb thy rest, bedim thine eye.

Wake! Wake! oh, man, thy God is dead!
List, list, thy children cry for bread!
Can faith command or prayers avail
Or gods awake at hunger's wail?

Wake! Wake! thou slave of God and man
Break faith! Break chains! Defy the ban!
Take bread! 'twill make your sinews strong.
Take bread! the gods are sleeping long.

Take bread, oh, slave, the Gods may wake.
Should Justice then her bandage shake.
Take bread! Take all oh, slave, go free!
Here lies the way to liberay.

AFRAID OF REBELS.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 28.—The activity of the Madero family in moving their cattle out of Mexico is regarded as significant. Thirty cars were moved yesterday. The railroads report that other cattle barons of Mexico also are sending their cattle to the United States. Their desire seems to be to clean up before the election in October.—Ex.

MOSBY DEFENCE.

The Los Angeles I. W. W. defence committee are handling the Mosby Defence. Send all donations or communications to H. Weinstein, Secretary, P. O. Box 832, Los Angeles, Cal.

TACOMA WILL GROW WITH FREE-SPEECH FIGHT

FREE SPEECH FIGHT LOOMING UP IN TACOMA—CITY WOULD PASS ORDINANCE FORBIDDING STREET SPEAKING—I. W. W. WILL FIGHT BY FILLING JAILS.

Tacoma is in for a beautiful fight to maintain Freedom of Speech. It looks as if a general attempt would be made all along the line to stop street speaking. The master class is aware of the fact that there are thousands of workers who cannot be induced into a hall and they also know that in thousands of instances the workers have not the money to shell out for a hall. They reason that if street speaking can be prohibited, that a great amount of the agitation now going on by the I. W. W. can be throttled and the workers kept in ignorance of economic conditions throughout the country. If there is one thing the master hates more than another it is to have an unruly slave and one who is kicking on conditions and who keeps on agitating among his fellow workers to rise and fight for better conditions. Spokane has been an object lesson to the scissor-bill who would attempt to throttle freedom of speech. The following is clipped from the Tacoma Times of August 7:

If the Tacoma commission try to pass an ordinance forbidding speaking on the streets, there will be one delightful fight in this town.

The campaign to bring more people here will be realized but the new settlers won't bring any money with them.

The I. W. W. is ready to send a small army of men here to go to jail for the right of free speech. It will cost the city a bunch of money to carry on such a fight—and it will lose in the end.

Spokane lost a lot of money trying to stop free speech. So did Fresno, Cal. Following a story that the commission might pass such an ordinance 150 men met Saturday night and declared that they were ready to go to jail under the ordinance, as soon as it was put in effect.

Apart from what it will cost the taxpayers in money, however, the whole thing is wrong in principle.

It makes no difference whether the officials of the city agree with the ideas of these street speakers or not.

They have a right to speak—a right given them by the constitution of the United States.

The Tacoma Daily Tribune has the following to say, in discussing the impending free speech fight:

At a smoker held by the Industrial Workers of the World last evening over 100 members of the order in this city signed a letter pledging themselves to talk to crowds from the street corners in case the city council passes the new nuisance ordinance containing a clause which prohibits gatherings of this kind on the downtown streets.

The I. W. W. will be backed by the 13 Socialist unions in the city, the latter having held a joint meeting Saturday evening, at which time the proposed ordinance was discussed and denounced as being an effort "to muzzle free speech."

According to A. C. Cole, secretary of the local I. W. W. lodge in this city, 10,000 men can be brought to Tacoma to speak on the street corners if the police attempt to enforce any law which will prohibit them from holding their nightly lectures on lower Pacific avenue side streets. "The city will have to lay in a big supply of gasoline," he said this morning, "if there is any attempt made to stop us from speaking on the street, because we will keep that patrol wagon going every minute."

The Tacoma News prints the following:

Written protests against the interference with street speaking are to be sent to the city commissioners by the socialists and Industrial Workers of the World. Assistant City Attorney Carnahan is planning to include in the new Pettit nuisance ordinance a clause prohibiting street blockading by public gatherings, and if Commissioner Pettit endeavors to enforce this clause or to enforce the old ordinance relating to street blockades, a fight similar to the expensive fight in Spokane, which terminated in the incarceration of hundreds, will be repeated, according to I. W. W. leaders.

"Tacoma will certainly get her fill if Pettit undertakes to fight us," said A. C. Cole, secretary of the local I. W. W. this morning. "We have won our fights for free speech wherever we have undertaken them and we will win in Tacoma, too. There are more than 1,000 men and women in the city right now who are willing to go to jail and when the fight begins word will go out and call in men from surrounding cities. Thousands can be brought from Seattle and Portland and all the surrounding towns contain I. W. W. locals, every member of which will come to Tacoma to

fight Pettit and the police. We do no harm. Of course, people congregate on the streets to hear our speakers, but the only traffic that comes our way in this town is the patrol wagon; and of course we don't block it."

150 Are Ready, He Says.

At a meeting Saturday night in I. W. W. headquarters, 110 South 14th street, the secretary this morning reported, 150 men and some women volunteered to go to jail if the fight should start.

As we go to press we are informed by Secretary Cole of the I. W. W. in Tacoma, that City Attorney Carnahan has visited the I. W. W. headquarters and informed the union that THERE WILL BE NO FREE SPEECH FIGHT.

THE GENERAL STRIKE.

Is your local hammering away for the general strike the day McNamara goes to trial. Nothing would put the fear of labor into the callous hides of the parasites like a general cessation of work. The power of labor is the power to produce wealth. A capitalist produces nothing but misery. Give him a dose of our power when McNamara goes to trial.

HAYWOOD SHUT OUT.

Wm. D. Haywood was requested by the defense lawyers in Los Angeles (City of Angels) not to speak in that angelic hell. His date for the Angel city is therefore cancelled. Just what there is to be afraid of is a mystery to us in this neck of the woods, unless it might interfere with the chances of a lawyer called Harriman is capturing the angels for Socialism. Looks like the big white feather had loomed up strong in a place where the boldest front should be made.

WANTED.

Adam Shimansky is requested to write to his sister, Mrs. Pranskewicz, at 511 West Maple street, Mahoney City, Pa. This is important. Don't delay.

BE MEN!

Be men, not doormats. Light the red hell of revolution if need be! For what is life if it is but the accursed privilege of wearing yourselves out in the service of cannibals, of man-eating millionaires, of monsters that eat you up alive, you and your wives and children. —Professor J. Howard Moore.

