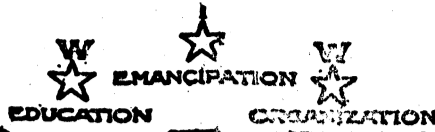


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LITTLE FALLS RIVALS RUSSIA

FORTY-THREE MEN STILL IN JAIL AT HERKIMER, N. Y.—THE FIFTEEN THOUSAND STRIKERS STANDING FIRM—MEN ARE CRUELLY BEATEN—WOMEN INSULTED.

To All Members and Sympathizers in the Cause of Labor:
Fellow Workers:
Forty-three men, strikers and organizers, are now in the county jail at Herkimer, N. Y., following a police-made riot on the morning of October 30th last, while the striking textile workers of this city were on the picket line. 1,600 workers are on strike and standing firm. All must be provided for.
It is up to you to do your part. Among the many men and women who have been arrested merely because they took part in the strike, some have been held on serious charges. The bail demanded is almost prohibitive. Our imprisoned fellow workers may be indicted by a grand jury. Provisions must be made for trial. We have no other means of support but to appeal to you in this hour of need.
A quick response is a double response. A dollar now is worth two later on.
The brutalities to which these strikers and their organizers have been subjected have made the name of Little Falls notorious over the United States. Men have been arrested and jailed merely for reading the Constitution of the United States near the struck mills. Others have been cruelly beaten after being locked in their cells. They are confined in dungeons whose vileness has been scored in the reports of the State Prison Inspector. Women strikers have been compelled to endure constant insults and indignities. Organizers and speakers have been arbitrarily arrested without warrant and their friends have been prevented from seeing them since.
Letters and resolutions of protest should be sent to District Attorney Schmidt of Herkimer County, Mayor Small of Little Falls, and Governor Dix of New York.
All communications and contributions should be sent to Little Falls Defence Committee, Matilda Rabinowitz, P. O. Box 458, Little Falls, N. Y. Yours for justice,
STRIKE COMMITTEE.

COMMON SENSE IN TACOMA
Secretary Paul Barber of Local 380, I. W. W., Tacoma, Wash., was tried on Dec. 11. His honor decided that "justice" could only be served by imposing a fine of \$25 and costs. The events that caused the Judge to have this deplorable mental condition go somewhat like this:
Court charge—Blockading the streets.
First witness, arresting officer—Swore there was no blockade.
Second witness, Paul Barber—Swore there was no blockade.
Third witness, Cheap of Police Loomis—Swore that he issued orders to allow only religious speakers north of 14th street. Failed to mention that street doctor held forth on 12th. Chief believed in gospel of J. Christ. I. W. W., a disturbing element. Common sense and not the state or national constitution is the law in Tacoma.
Last inning, His Honor to the bat—Had not read ordinance for a long time. Not certain about it. Taking no chances, he finds the defendant guilty.
The above is a fair example of the "common sense" coming from the Cheap of Police and His Honor. This is not "horse sense" but that of a near relative to the horse—the jackass.
Epilogue.
Persecuting Attorney sees Cheap of Police after the "trial." Tells him the order against street speaking hasn't a leg to stand on in a real court. Chief withdraws order allowing the soul seducers north of 14th St., thus giving the I. W. W., the S. P., the Starvation Army, Holy Rollers, City Rescue Mission, Seattle Mission, and street fakirs of all kinds, the right to congregate all on the corner of 14th and Pacific Avenue. Such is Common Sense in its fullest blossom.—James Rohn.

ALGOMA IRON WORKERS STRIKE

At Sault Saint Marie, Ontario, there is a strike of unorganized workers against the Steel Trust. The men on the firing line ask for aid in their struggle. Those desiring to assist the strikers should send funds to B. J. Peplow, secretary-treasurer Relief Committee, Box 221, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.



"THERE ARE NO CLASSES IN AMERICA" SO SAYS THE SUBSIDIZED PRESS

"The Brazen Brotherhood"

The following quotations are taken from "Southwest," issue of November 1912, an alleged "Southern Industrial and Lumber Review" published at Houston, Texas. Says "Southwest":

"Late in the month of October Mr. Sam Park severed his connection with the American Lumber Company in every capacity. This news created a furor in the southwestern lumber world. The American Lumber Company was financed by the subsidiary corporations which represent the financial ends of the Santa Fe Railroad, making the property the actual possession of the Santa Fe Railroad in spite of the fact that the stock was held by Mr. Park. The Santa Fe Railroad is one of the liveliest opponents of labor socialism in the United States, but it took them some time to become convinced of the real condition at Merryville. Detectives reported from Merryville that not only were brotherhood members being openly employed, but that the mill was the headquarters of the Brotherhood and maintained openly a secretary and a secretary's office which handled all matters between the employees and the company. They reported that so brazen had the Brotherhood become at Merryville that they were publishing a weekly paper in the interest of that organization, and that the members were taking every possible liberty that they desired about the plant.
It is understood that summary orders were issued by the Santa Fe for the immediate cleaning of Merryville."
"On Monday, November 11th, the employees of the American Lumber Company at Merryville went on a strike and the mill closed down for an indefinite period. The cause of the strike was the refusal of the management to give employment to the men who had recently been discharged by a Lake Charles, La., jury on a charge of murder, for complicity in the July 7th riot at Grabow, La. The situation at Merryville now is a most serious one. The population of the town is all in sympathy with the Brotherhood, as that is the only mill in the South where members of the Brotherhood have been permitted to work openly. Now there is not a single mill that is employing a Brotherhood member, knowingly, and there probably will never be one to do so again.
"The question of what will be done at Merryville is undoubtedly the most interesting one confronting the southwestern lumber people at the present time. It is too large an investment to be allowed to lie idle for any great length of time, and it is an absolute certainty that whoever goes there to run the mill will do so with instructions to clean the town of the Brotherhood. With the same lack of brains and judgment that has characterized all of its work since its inception, the Brotherhood has now deliberately closed the only plant where one of its members could get employment, and by so doing has given powerful assistance to those who are opposed to the existence of the Brotherhood among the sawmills of this territory. It is safe to say that the Merryville mill will either stay down or will start with a non-Brotherhood crew."
Comment on the above is hardly necessary but we can't restrain ourselves, and, taking it hindpart foremost, reply that "it is safe to say that the Merryville mill will either start with a "Brotherhood crew" or "stay down" until the last boot-licker has licked the last speck of gold off the dirty feet of the Sawdust Ring.
So "the Santa Fe railroad," "one of the liveliest opponents of labor socialism in the United States," "issued summary orders for the immediate cleaning of Merryville," did it? and then the Brotherhood, "with the same lack of brains and judgment that has characterized all of its work since its inception deliberately closed down the only plant where its members could get employment" and "not only showed" another case of the "serpent turning its fangs upon the bosom that warmed it," as you say elsewhere, but "by so doing" gave "powerful assistance to those who are opposed to its existence," did it? Well, you boot-licker, if to refuse to be cleaned out quietly and peacefully is to show "a lack of brains and judgment," then we rather admire

the wisdom of the Brotherhood "serpent," also, when you hitched up these two statements in one and the same article, it appears to us that somebody's trolley had jumped its "wire of judgment" and lost its "brains," and that trolley was yours. Again, if the Brotherhood by shutting down the plant has given powerful assistance to those who are opposed to "its existence," why do you mourn? As a matter of truth, isn't it a fact that your masters, whose house-slave you are, never expected to see such splendid solidarity shown, never expected to see 1300 lumberjacks walk out of the mills and forests as one man when they issued their infamous order penalizing men for obeying an order of court and that all of you are dazed by the strength of the revolt? Why can't you house-slaves tell the whole truth just once in a while? You know as well as we do that the Merryville strike was caused not only by the refusal of the American Lumber Co. "to give employment to the men who had been discharged by a Lake Charles, La., jury on a charge of murder," but by its refusal to allow any man who was in any way, as a witness even, connected with the Defense in the Grabow trial to return to work, thus penalizing them for obeying an order of court. And oh, hotly toity, how you yelled when Jack Whyte said: "To hell with your courts!"
The Burns Detective Agency is surely to be complimented on its work when it detected a union 1300 strong and especially do its sleuths deserve praise when "they reported that so brazen had the Brotherhood become in Merryville that they were publishing a weekly paper in the interest of that organization." Considering the fact that the "Times" has been coming out regularly every Friday for nearly seven months now, this was certainly extra fine work on the part of the Detectives, and we petition the "liveliest (?) opponent of labor socialism in the United States" to award them a commissary medal therefor, a carriage to appear rampant thereon. We, however, agree with you that "The situation at Merryville is now a most

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PEONAGE IN MERRYVILLE

SLAVES IMPORTED INTO AMERICAN LUMBER CO. MILLS—FOUR ESCAPE AFTER A FIGHT—REST BEING HELD AGAIN—THEIR WILL—STATE GOVERNORS CANNOT SEE A MASTER'S CRIME.

(Special Dispatch to the "Industrial Worker.")
Alexandria, La., Dec. 12.—Eighteen strike-breakers were brought into Merryville yesterday. They were met at the train by armed gunmen who surrounded them and drove them into the stockades of the American Lumber Company.
Last night four escaped from the stockade, two being badly beaten up before making their escape. They report that they were led to about conditions in Merryville and state that the balance of the men are being held in slavery in the stockades against their will. This is peonage or worse have lost all meaning. But the governors of Louisiana and Texas never see a violation of the law except when it is committed by a working man.
Otherwise all is well in Merryville and the mills will start up and run with union labor or they will stay closed down until the Industrial Democracy takes possession of the earth and the fullness thereof, sawmills, forests, everything.

The American Lumber Company is boasting that it is going to run the mills with Mexican labor, so we ask all Mexican rebels to get busy. We warn all other workers, especially negroes, to beware of Merryville.
Extend the picket line. Close up the ranks. Keep on backing the fighting 1300 lumberjacks at Merryville, you rebels, and they will win and in winning will score a victory over peonage and make a mighty step toward the freedom of our class—Covington Hall.

FOUR UNION MINERS SHOT

On December 2 four members of the Western Federation of Miners were shot down at South Porcupine, Ont., by company gunmen. Five of the thugs were arrested.
On the same day fifty Hollinger strike-breakers refused to work any longer and joined hands with the striking miners. Others have been quitting each day since until the job is now completely tied up.
The Hollinger and McIntyre Mills have also closed down, leaving the Dome as the only property now operating. Superintendent Meek has wired the management of the Dome mine that he is unable to operate with the class of men now employed. Experienced miners laugh at the work done by the few scabs and declare the company is losing more than if the mine were closed. The situation looks favorable to the strikers.
The court sittings on the cases arising from the strike has resulted in the commitment for trial of three Thiel detectives on charges of shooting with intent to maim. Three others were heavily fined and a number severely reprimanded and removed from authority. Of the union men arrested one has been discharged and two others fined to the extent of \$25 and \$80 respectively. Owing to the probability of a settlement the public prosecutor moved the postponement of the rest of the docket.
All rebels should do what they can to keep scabs from shipping to South Porcupine.

CHARGES ARE DISMISSED

All rebels will be pleased to learn that the charges against Fellow Workers E. F. Doree, Clarence Edwards and C. L. Filigno have been dismissed. These three workers were arrested in connection with the Grabow trial on false charges of having tried to bribe witnesses. The real purpose was to prevent the organization of lumberjacks. This is another victory for industrial unionism. It also shows the "impartial justice" that allows gunmen to go free while innocent workers are held on the orders of the lumber trust.

REWARDING THEIR FRIENDS.

Organizer Chas. Miles of the United Textile Workers, of Little Falls, N. Y., held several conferences with the Phoenix and Gilbert Mills, and then herded his "union scabs" back to work on December 2. Only one-third of the members responded. The return of these A. F. of L. scabs did not affect the rest of the strikers, who are lined up solidly with the I. W. W.
This is one of the hundreds of instances where the A. F. of L. has rewarded its friends, the thieving employers and punished its enemies, the rebellious workers.

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TIE MAKERS.
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Teamsters, loader men, skidder men, tram crews and steel gangs, also wanted; wages \$3.00 to \$5.00 per nine-hour day; go to and from work on company's time. Don't work for less, except less hours.

SAWMILL.
Planer and yard men also wanted; minimum wage \$2.00 per day; nine-hour day; all "boys" get same wages as men; no slave-driving allowed. Don't work for less, except less hours.

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JOIN TODAY.
Don't be a "Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Job."

COME ALIVE.
Delegate yourself to organize the job you are working on and take the Union with you everywhere.

ORGANIZE.
Labor is scarce. The time is ripe. The fight is on. Organize.

HELL!
Don't be satisfied with a "commissary living," the worst on earth, and don't be a coward.

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For further particulars address, Jay Smith, Secretary Southern District, Box 78, Alexandria, Louisiana, or F. R. Schlies, Secretary National Union, 211 Occidental Ave., Seattle, Wash.

NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL UNION OF FOREST & LUMBER WORKERS.

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