

ETTOR AND GIOVANNITI ARE IN JAIL

WILLIAM M. WOOD IS OUT ON BAIL



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San Diego, Cal., Sept. 12, 1912.—The I. W. W. continue in the spot light most of the time. They are accused by the authorities here of being guilty of all the crimes big and little committed in and out of the city.

A short time ago they got up a big dynamite scare warning the public through their lying press that the I. W. W. were planning to blow up the town.

Seven men were arrested at El Cajon, fourteen miles from San Diego, who were going into Mexico in an automobile on a prospecting and hunting trip. Chief of Police J. Keno Wilson had them brought to town, placed in jail and held on suspicion that they were I. W. W. whose purpose it was to dynamite and burn. On the strength of this the vigilantes got busy ordering members of the I. W. W. to leave town. The hall was raided and seven members arrested and held pending investigation. All were later released with orders from the chief of police to "get to hell out of the town."

Jack Whyte, who is serving six months sentence in the county jail for conspiracy to violate the street speaking ordinance, and seven others refused to work on the jail now in process of construction and was punished by being placed in the dungeon on bread and water. On demand of Whyte's physician he was placed in his old quarters and given food.

Robert Gosden, a United States prisoner, held for deportation to Canada, was also placed on bread and water because he protested against the imprisonment of Whyte. He has been released and all have been given food.

Sunday, September 8, a meeting was held by Local No. 13 in Germania hall protesting against the legal murder of Ettor and Giovanniitti at which the following resolutions were passed:

"Germania Hall, San Diego, Cal.,
September 8, 1912.

We, citizens and residents of San Diego in mass meeting assembled, to take the following action:

Whereas, we have learned that Jack Whyte and seven other prisoners in the San Diego county jail are confined in the dungeon on bread and water because they refused to obey an illegal order and scab on their fellow workmen by performing labor under force and guard, without pay, thus depriving some workman at large of his chance of a job; and

Whereas, Jack Whyte under sentence of the superior court is not legally bound to perform labor; and

Whereas, we are informed that the seven other class-conscious prisoners are equally free from a hard labor sentence; and

Whereas Jack Whyte is at present under the care of Dr. Leon DeVille as a tubercular patient and the sheriff of this county knows that to confine him without the necessities of life and on a starvation diet is equal to a sentence of death; and

Whereas, we may reasonably suppose that the brutality now being visited on Jack Whyte has its origin in the sting of his manly defiance of court justice as administered in San Diego;

Therefore be it resolved, that we protest against this inhuman excess of punishment of Jack Whyte and his seven unknown but class-conscious companions.

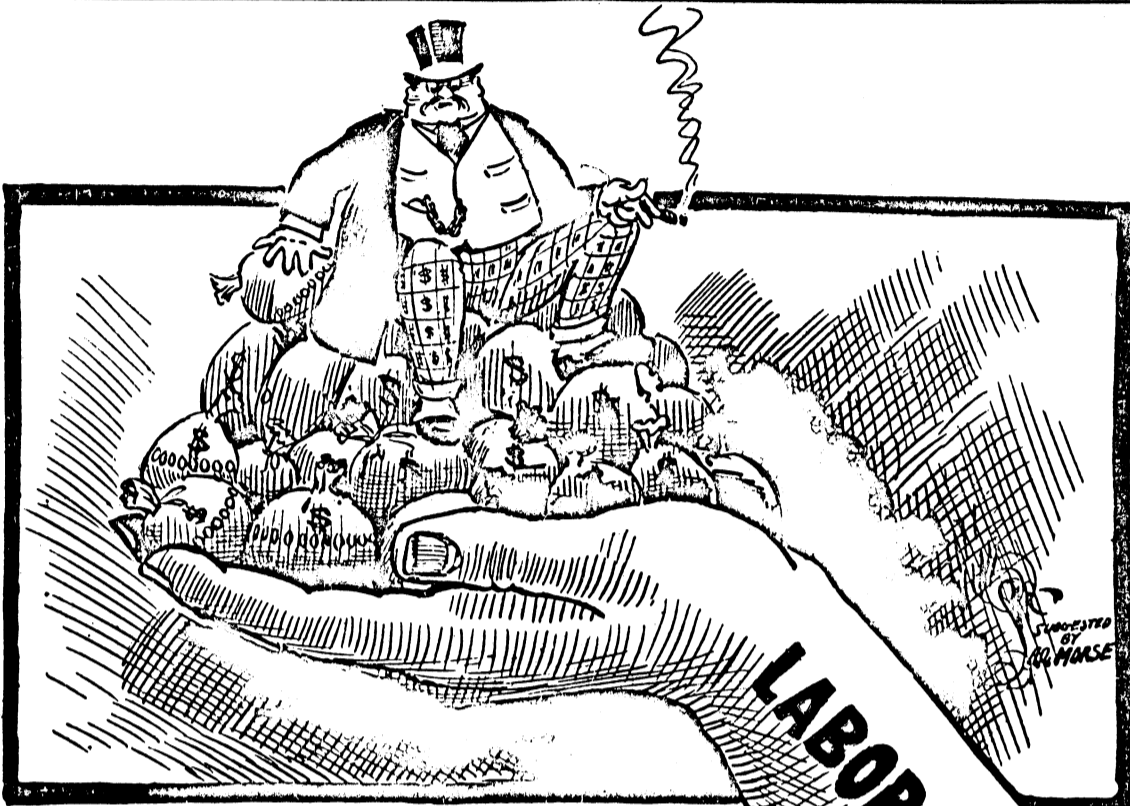
Resolved further, that we extend our hearty sympathy to Whyte and his fellow sufferers.

Resolved further, that we carefully read over and ponder the meaning of Jack Whyte's last public utterance: "To hell with your courts; we know what justice is."

The same were later passed by the Commonwealth Fellowship of this city and signed by most of its members.

The Socialist Local passed resolutions, but much more conservative. Laura Payne Emerson and Mortimer Downing were the principal speakers at the protest meeting. It being the first public meeting held by the I. W. W. since the Free Speech fight began, it was looked forward to with much misgiving by many who thought it would be broken up by vigilantes or police. Those brave enough to venture soon found their fears ungrounded as those unworthies were conspicuous by their absence. The meeting was a success and another will be held in the same place next Sunday.

The Free Speech League has officially disbanded, leaving a debt of \$800 for the I. W. W. to pay.
PUBLICITY COMMITTEE.



On the horny hand of labor
Rest the robbers with their spoil;
All the capital created
Sends the slaves to greater toil.
But the workers are awak'ning
Heed they now the clarion call:
"TURN YOUR HAND—UNSEAT THE USELESS—
FREEDOM GAIN FOR ONE AND ALL!"

MURDER OF GIRL IS PART OF PLOT

(Special Correspondence.)

Lawrence, Mass., Sept. 6.—The more one studies the recent developments connected with the dynamiting conspiracy here, culminating in the arrest of William M. Wood, president of the American Woolen Company, which was the hardest hit by the great strike of last winter, the more certain it becomes that the killing of Anna La Pizzo, the girl striker, and the subsequent arrest of Joseph J. Ettor and Arturo Giovanniitti, was but the result of a widespread and infamous plot, or rather, a chain of plots, whose purpose was to "get" Ettor and Giovanniitti at any cost and thus put a sudden end to the uprising of the workers which took place here last January.

Up to the present time there has seemed to be a disposition to regard the killing of the girl and the planting of the dynamite, for which John J. Breen, the Lawrence undertaker and politician, was convicted, as separate incidents of the great Battle for Bread, but it seems pretty plain now that the two were directly connected; that is, the same set of persons who caused the planting of the dynamite also caused the murder of Anna La Pizzo. Both plots were concocted, of course, for the purpose of getting something to fasten on Ettor and Giovanniitti. The dynamite plot failed. It was badly and bunglesomely handled and it was most too raw. Therefore it became necessary to cook up a "riot" and hurt somebody.

About 20 or 30 gun-men, disguised as "Italians," were imported into Lawrence to do the 'ob. A Boston detective agency claims it has the names of these plug-uglies, also the names of the persons who hired them, and has offered to sell the information to a Boston newspaper, but the price they asked was too high. These thugs were at first directed to shatter the windows of street cars, which they did with loud noises, while the police looked on and watched hopefully for a chance to arrest a few genuine wage-slaves. But the latter did not fall for the scheme. They were striking against the textile mills, not against the street cars, and they had absolutely no motive for pulling down trolley poles or tearing up tracks.

The dynamite plot having failed to make an impression on a jeering public, it was decided to pull off a "riot" in conjunction with the local and state police. It was planned to make Oscar Benoit, a local policeman, the "goat." That is, if nobody else got hurt, one of the gun-men was to keep close to Benoit and in the melee shoot him either through the clothing or the fleshy part of the shoulder—this for the purpose of having a "victim of strike lawlessness."

This may seem incredible but anyone familiar with what goes on during labor troubles knows that such fleshly ingenuity and brutality on the part of hired gun-men and police is not out of the ordinary.

But things did not work out according to schedule. The accounts of witnesses vary as to what followed. Some say Benoit, who is a typical thick-witted, pot-bellied cop of past middle age, got excited and fired the shot that killed Anna La Pizzo, who was in the crowd that had gathered. At least one other man is sure that the fatal shot came from behind Benoit and over his shoulder. It is possible, therefore, that the mill agent who intended to hit Benoit missed his aim in the flurry and the bullet struck the 17-year-old girl on the other side. Nothing, of course, has ever been done to Benoit. He is at present special officer in the police court here.

There were dozens of cops around at the time but not a move was made to arrest a single person out of the crowd. Here was a disturbance on the street in which a woman was fatally shot and yet the police could find no one to arrest except Ettor and Giovanniitti who were speaking in another part of the town at the time!

And yet the bill of complaint, in all the "majesty of the law," has the nerve to declare "that before said murder was committed, as aforesaid, Joseph J. Ettor and Arturo Giovanniitti did INCITE, PROCURE AND COUNSEL OR COMMAND the said person whose name is not known, as aforesaid, to commit the said murder in manner and form aforesaid, against the peace of the Commonwealth and contrary to the form of the statutes in such cases made and provided."

Smiling Joe and kindly Arthur inciting, procuring, counselling and commanding some one to shoot down a young woman of their own class in a public street! Do you get the picture? And yet these plutocrats and their priests, prosecutors and pimps want us to keep quiet and say nothing until these two men are given "a fair trial by a jury of their peers."
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STRIKE! Quash Indictment Against Ettor and Giovanniitti

DO NOT LET THE CAPITALIST EDITORS BEFOG THE PRESENT SITUATION FOR YOU. IN THE PRESENT DISCLOSURES REVEALING THE DYNAMITE PLANTING BY THE CONTEMPTIBLE WOOD AND HIS GANG OF HIRELINGS, DO NOT FORGET THE REAL MOTIVE OF THE PLANT. CAPITALIST EDITORS SAY IT WAS TO DISCREDIT THE STRIKERS—THAT WAS ONLY A PART OF IT—THE BIGGER MOTIVE WAS TO GET EXCUSE TO ARREST ETTOR AND GIOVANNITTI. THE DYNAMITE PLANTER WAS SENT TO PLANT THE DYNAMITE IN ETTOR'S HEADQUARTERS—ONLY HIS UNFAMILIARITY WITH THE BUILDING CAUSED IT TO BE LEFT ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE PARTITION IN THE COBBLER'S SHOP.

THIS WAS A WEEK BEFORE ETTOR AND GIOVANNITTI WERE ARRESTED FOR MURDER. WHEN ONE PLANT FAILED THE DASTARDLY CREW PUT UP ANOTHER. THEY STARTED THE DISTURBANCES THAT LED TO THE KILLING OF ANNA LA PIZZO. THE WHOLE THING IS NOW EXPOSED.

INNOCENT MEN HAVE SPENT EIGHT MONTHS IN JAIL. DEMAND AN IMMEDIATE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COURT AND THE QUASHING OF THE INDICTMENT AGAINST ETTOR AND GIOVANNITTI.

AND FURTHERMORE DEMAND OF GOVERNOR FOSS AND YOUR STATE GOVERNMENT A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION OF THE CONDUCT OF JUDGE MAHONEY, JUDGE BROWN AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY ATTWILL WHO ARE ACCUSED OF "WHITE-WASHING" AND SHIELDING THESE CRIMINALS OF WEALTH. DEMAND THESE THINGS—AND DEMAND THEM NOW.

IF ETTOR AND GIOVANNITTI ARE NOT RELEASED FROM JAIL BY SEPTEMBER 30, ALL THE WORKERS, WHETHER ORGANIZED OR UNORGANIZED, ARE URGED TO STRIKE UNTIL THESE INNOCENT UNION MEN ARE RELEASED.
ETTOR-GIOVANNITTI DEFENSE COMMITTEE,
CENTRAL BLDG., LAWRENCE, MASS.

First Blood In G. T. P. Strike

In their efforts to get scabs to work on the Grand Trunk Pacific the contractors have gotten a number of men drunk so as to have them on the job before the strike pickets can lay the facts before them. Even this had not succeeded so the whiskey was drugged for one lot of men. These drugged men were on the train to Hasleton when the effects of the drug began to wear off and when they realized the trick that had been played upon them there was a rough and tumble fight between them and the train crew. An eye witness states that the car windows were broken, seats were smashed, and blood from the participants covered the cars. The train crew looked like butchers on their arrival at Hasleton.

Ten of the men jumped from the train and walked back to Prince Rupert, a distance of 90 miles, arriving in time to take the Friday morning boat to Vancouver. The strike committee could not learn the facts from these men as they arrived in town just in time to catch the boat. Information has come from passengers upon the train. These are now making depositions and asking for protection

while en route on these trains. This marks the first bloodshed in the strike. The strikers say that news is scarce for the same condition prevails all along the line—everything is tied up tight. That's pretty good news.

One of the scouts of the strikers returned to Prince Rupert on last Sunday night after having covered the 150 miles between Hasleton and Burns Lake. He reports that some men are being worked at the point of guns and these are prepared to join the I. W. W. and aid the strike as soon as they can make their getaway. The spirit of the I. W. W. is shown by this scout who walked the 300 miles in ten days in the interests of the organization. Twelve scouts are on the line at present in the interests of the organization.

Men who have been induced to scab are constantly coming down off the line because of the unbearable conditions. Some of these confess to their mistakes and apply for membership in the I. W. W. The Prince Rupert Empire states in a recent issue: " * * * the reason why the completion of the Grand Trunk

Pacific through the west is delayed is because the conditions of labor are such that rather than stay in the camps the men will tramp five hundred miles through the wilderness to get away."

"Sixty-eight men came back on the train on Sept. 2. These were strong in their declaration that the conditions of the camps were such that no one could exist in them.

Contractor Pagent's scab herders succeeded in rounding up nine Russians but when an I. W. W. picket spotted the crowd he phoned to strike headquarters and the ONE BIG UNION soon had nine new members.

The spirit of the strikers keeps up well, even though the support for the strike is not all it should be financially. It is urged that locals hold meetings for the strikers and forward what funds can be secured. The men on strike have always given freely to other strikes and they ask the same measure of support from those who are not now engaged in a direct struggle with the masters of the bread.
Send funds to A. O. Morse, Box 917, Prince Rupert, B. C.

