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### Lest You Forget

SOCIETY can forgive murder, adultery and swindling, but it cannot forgive the preaching of a new gospel. Lest we forget—men of the working-class are in the jails of Everett because they dared to preach a new gospel of brotherhood, of the unity of all who toil against all who live off the toil and sweat and blood of others.

They are in jail as an evidence of the overthrow or the non-existence of all that American institutions have been supposed to represent. Freedom of thought and action have been denied as a concession to master-class hatred, revenge and money lust. The dreams of Democracy and Equality have been changed for the workers into the nightmare of toil and oppression, spectred with the flitting forms of gunmen.

Workers, remember the years of outrage and robbery and murder! Remember that the fight of the workers must be fought by the workers. Remember that the men who have been the unflinching advocates of your liberty are in peril of having even the few liberties given a wage slave taken away from them at the instigation of the plutocracy of Lumber.

Their fight is your fight.  
Their cause is your cause.  
Their defeat would be your defeat.  
They belong to your class; they are part of you and you of them in the oneness of labor.

If today the Lumber Trust can railroad these men, they can railroad you tomorrow.  
Fight for these men. Work for these men. Every effort you expend for them is an effort saved from defending yourself tomorrow.

You can lay down on these cases. But, if you do, can you think of yourself as other than a coward too base, too weak to fight for the men who fought for you, who were your champions? The greatest battle of all—the battle for human freedom in industry is on. If you are doing nothing in this fight you are worthy only of slavery. Freedom is only for those who have the manhood to fight, the perseverance to keep on fighting and the brains to organize.

If you allow these men to be railroaded in the interests of the masters the shame will be yours. If you do not help them, you and the Lumber Trust will together send them to the penitentiary. You cannot avoid the responsibility.

But you will not stand back idle and undemocratic while the best of your class is chosen for slaughter. Only the basest of cowards would be guilty of a crime so great. We want your help, not to fill the gaps in the ranks of the working-class, but to see that there will be no gaps to fill.

Heroes in the battles of the working-class demand your aid. Money is needed.

If you have a mind that revolts at outrage, a heart that beats true to your class and feels the injustice of premeditated murder, if you have a spirit that is worth a damn it is up to you to come to the defense of your working-class brothers now being railroaded by a savage and relentless master-class.

Workers of America do your duty. Free our prisoners.

### Make It a Victory Year

IN the past year the I. W. W. has beaten everything with which it came into contact. This year, judging from the letters and wires which have reached the "Industrial Worker," the I. W. W. is going to beat its own record of last year.

During the year that is past, the I. W. W. has achieved much. It sent four thousand to the harvest fields of the Middle West. The bread basket of the world suffered several aches and the I. W. W. came back with twenty thousand new members.

The Steel Trust had been lording it over their workers. Theirs was the power to buy legislators, make and unmake governors. Theirs was an army of judges, sheriffs and gunmen. Conservative writers had called them the greatest power in America. At the same time another writer was saying that the I. W. W. was only a tradition. The "tradition" went into combat with "the greatest power in America." The forces for the old industrial system came into death grapple with the apostles of the coming civilization. The miners of Northern Minnesota know who won.

Yes! 1916 is dead. It is history. Perhaps when the true history of this period is told by the historian of the future age, the most important part of it will not be the war of Emperor and King and Czar in Europe, but that of workers fighting the battles for the liberty of Labor.

The new year is here. The I. W. W. has evidently gone the bosses one better on good resolutions with which to begin the New Year. Judging from the information reaching the "Industrial Worker" this year the I. W. W. is going to break all records in carrying out its New Year's Resolution: "To destroy Capitalism."

From the Branch Locals of the Lumberworkers in the Northwest we have received a number of letters casually saying: "We lined up fifty last night." A year ago a fact of this nature would be worth a wire, now it is becoming so common that it is just used as a postscript in a letter to the editor.

As we are going thru these letters crammed with optimism, Fellow Worker Bradley, one of the members of the committee in charge of the smoker given by the Seattle Locals for the benefit of the Everett Prisoners, called up and said: "Say Mac don't forget to say that the smoker means nearly four hundred dollars for the defense of our boys in jail."

A little later a Western Union messenger arrived with a message saying that the slaves of the International Lumber Company are in revolt.

Next comes a letter which brings back memories of some of our best hated enemies, a story of the strike of the employees of the Virginia and Rainey Lake Lumber Company. Some of the men on strike there are undoubtedly the same who used to come to see us last winter in Bemidji, and say that the I. W. W. would never be able to organize the lumberjacks of Northern Minnesota. This is one of the curious things about the I. W. W. The man who says: "It can't be done" gets a card in the I. W. W. and inside a few weeks he sticks out his chest, lifts his head higher and says: "Why, sure we can do that easy, come on boys!" They go, and the thing that "Can't be done" is accomplished.

These and other events are symptomatic of the development of revolt among the abused and robbed workers who make possible homes for others, but never thought they were entitled to homes of their own, till the I. W. W. instilled in their mind that rankest of anarchy. That the workers are organizing for more and better condition is itself a thing of horror to the bosses. But far more terrible is the fact that these workers want not alone more of the product of their toil, but that they are getting ready to demand ALL they produce. In the I. W. W. there confronts the boss, not a strike, but a developing revolution.

In the Industry which is at the base of every home in the world there are gigantic forces in operation. Beneath the surface the hot lava of working-class hatred for slavery and injustice is at work. We consider it not too optimistic from the beginning of the new year to look forward to the time when there will be in the Lumber Industry of America a chain of closely unified locals uniting the workers in this industry. The lumberjack is discovering that his backbone is not a natural accident, but was designed to be used in conjunction with a card in a fighting union.

Everywhere in every industry the gloom is being shot thru with the lightning of working-class revolt.

With the great strides we have made in the past year and the wonderful promises of the immediate future, only a boss or a fool could be pessimistic in facing the New Year.

### Paraphrasy Philosophy.

By RAY MARKHAM.

Visions become realities when philosophers strip for battle.

The One Big Union is the Jess Willard of the class struggle.

Liberty is an elusive conception of great beauty, which practical rebels of our day are about to materialize.

I have been almost forced to the unwelcome conclusion that proletarians do not work for a living, but rather, live for a "working."

Can anyone imagine little Herbie—the chair-warming philosopher, who is forever panning clock watchers—dotted up in overalls and dangling on the stormy end of a number two? It is to laugh!

The co-operative commonwealth has been conceived in the minds of men. From conception until birth the time is short. Hasten toilers and prepare for the birth of a new, and better system of society.

Normal men are possessed of an instinctive desire to appear well in the eyes of their fellows. Imagine to what an extent an uneducated workman in ragged jeans and rough cotton shirt is able to indulge this desire.

For many moons we have had a sneaking desire to witness the coming of the day when parasite hacks such as Herbert Kaufman, (a prostitute who scribbles shoddy essays in defense of capitalism) will be forced to don a suit of overalls and engage in the production of useful commodities—or starve.

The slave who is always so horrified at the radical proposal that we workers confiscate the machinery of production, and distribution, is as a general thing the sort of fellow whom the master-class works to death in summer, and starves to death in winter.

### Educating the Brotherhoods.

THOSE who want to learn the functions of government under the Capitalism have but to notice the developments of the Brotherhood situation. The masters have refused to obey the Law—as masters can—until it has been passed upon by their courts. Meantime all the machinery of government is being speeded up to pass legislation denying the railroad workers the right to strike. This law when passed will, unlike the Adamson law, be brought into effect immediately.

Thus are members of conservative unions being made revolutionary. The I. W. W. could not teach the members of the Brotherhoods the fallacy of parliamentary action, but congress and the bosses it represents, surely will.

## US, THE UNDER DOGS

By CASH M. STEVENS

(Written for the "Industrial Worker.")

We have borne your sneers and insults all the bitter ages thru. While we fed you, housed and clothed you—you, the murderous coyote crew. YOU, the fiends that lit the spook lights that lured us to the bog, And kept our clan in bondage, Us, Us the Under Dogs.

O, you've tortured, skinned and burned us, if we ever dared rebel, You have kept our eyes on Heaven while you scared us with your Hell. But your kingdom's almost finished, and your thrones of Gold must fall. And your cup that brimmed with nectar shall be filled with bitterest gall.

Thru the bloody, bitter ages you have kept us from our own, While you fattened on the harvest that we, alone, had sown. You, the sleek and well-fed wolf pack, you, the murderous coyote crew, You, who feasted on our misery ate the quarry others slew.

Dark the night and long and bitter, that we've fought and shivered thru, Cursed and robbed and starved and beaten by your lying, soulless crew. But the rising sun of reason soon will drive the wolves away, For the birds of hope are singing and the East is red with day.

You have crucified our leaders on your golden cross of greed; Your gold may buy a traitor of the slimy viper breed. But there's a some with souls so splendid that your gold's of no avail: Men, who stood for right and justice, like our boys in Poteau jail.

They, the ones who dared defy you—they, the ones who would not sell, Wheat and Beasley, Kirk and Marshall, you would hound them into hell. In the bitter fight at Milton, they stood bravely by my side, Suffering heartaches, cold and hunger till the last hope chilled and died.

Oh, you sweating slaving toilers; You, whose eyes have seen the light, Will you see them stricken, hounded by the mere wolves of the night, They, who held at bay the wolf pack—they who dared the wrath of might. Will you hasten to their rescue, will you aid them in the fight.

We, the Underdogs unnumbered; We, who toil in heat and cold; We must stand and fight together as the clammen fog of old. We must rally to the rescue of our fighters tried and true, And sink or swim together—UNDERDOGS IT'S UP TO YOU!

### TO THE UNDER DOGS OF TOIL

To every man and woman in whose breast burns the fires of liberty! To every rebel of the Clan of Toil. To every miner, to every member of the working-class I make an appeal for Justice.

We are fighting the forces of greed, tyranny, an oppression in one of the bitterest fights ever waged against members of our class in an attempt to railroad them on trumped-up charges inspired by revenge and hatred for them by the Masters of Breard.

They could not bribe, scare or threaten Rome Wheat, Magnus Beasley, Milton W. Marshall, Henry Finks and Hays Beasley. They are held in the County Jail at Poteau, ElFlore County, Oklahoma, on the charge of blowing up a mill owned by a capitalist politician, who, against the protests of the entire line of the workers and farmers, gave his vote and assisted in passing the law known as "The Disfranchising Law."

There is no evidence against these fellow workers except that given at the preliminary trial by Dr. D. Winegarten who turned them in for the reward. This man is accused of being a traitor, a spy, and tool of the master-class. It is suspected by many that he may have been the one who planted the dynamite. The fellow workers are all members of the United Mine Workers, in good standing. They are union men and fighters, first last and always. Rome Wheat, Marvin Beasley and M. W. Marshall are well-known fighters and have stood on the firing line for years. The others are just as true, while not as well known.

Listen, oh ye rebels! You see you know these men. Many of you know me. I am not the kind who whines for money, but we must have defense funds. We must free those boys who have stood by our class so nobly. It is our fight—yours and mine. We must fight dollars with pennies. It is up to you.

Rush defense funds to Fellow Worker M. M. Davis, Milton, ElFlore County, Oklahoma. Don't wait. Time is precious. —Chas. M. Stevens.

### TO LABOR.

Shall you complain who feed the world? Who clothe the world? Who house the world? Shall you complain who are the world. Of what use are you may do? As from this hour, You use your power, The world must follow you.

The world's life hangs on your right hand, Your strong right hand, Your skilled right hand; You hold the whole world in your hand—See it with that eye dot! Or dark or light, Or wrong or right, The world is made by you

Then rise as you never rose before, Nor hoped before, Nor dared before, Nor showed as never was shown before, The power that lies in you! Stand all as one! Till right is done! Believe and dare and do! —Charlotte Perkins Gilman.

### THE REBEL GIRLS OF SALT LAKE

By PHIL ENGLE. Most of the members know Joe Hill's song, "The Rebel Girl," but few of the members outside of Salt Lake City are familiar with the circumstances which inspired that song.

All through the trying days of the trial and imprisonment of Joe Hill these girls show true. Women like Virginia Stephens, Mrs. McBride, Hilda Erickson, and a score of other women, faced the ordeal like the Trojan women of old. Not a Sunday passed that these brave women did not visit our paper, bringing him words of cheer and such material things as fruits and flowers. When the vast crowd marched behind the hearse to pay their last tribute of love and admiration for the grand life and magnificent death of our murdered fellow worker, it was but fitting that these women should lead, heads erect, singing the "Red Flag."

When Governor Spry, of Utah, threatened to drive the I. W. W. out of that state, the answer of the girls was to get together and organize a new local of the I. W. W.—the Domestic Workers' Union, Local Number 114, of Salt Lake City.

For some reason these girls seem to have been forgotten by the members of the I. W. W., probably because they have no present to boast for them.

I am taking the liberty of calling to the attention of the membership these girls who inspired one of the last songs of our martyred fellow worker. These girls are today fighting only as women can fight for what they consider to be the best interests of their class.

In their unflinching fight in the center of Mormondom they could use funds to advantage. Their secretary is Mrs. Bianca 112 Social Hall Avenue, Salt Lake City.

The rebel girls of Salt Lake inspired Joe Hill to write "The Rebel Girl" in which he foretold the kind of girls who would comprise the womanhood of a freer and nobler age.

### FOR THEIR LIBERTY.

Oh, who can idle stand While human hearts demand Their liberty? Humanity our plea, Justice our only cry, We'll fight until we die For their liberty!

Their liberty to stand With all men hand to hand, As man to man, 'Tis but their right we claim. Down with these laws of shame, Let this be our only aim, Their liberty.

Our prisoners must be free From jail and tyranny Free peace abound, Help us their cause defend, Oh, who a hand will lend And unto these extend, Their liberty.

Direct Action is what the employers fear! Were the bosses ever afraid of politics? Politics is merely a game with which they fool the workers. Get wise to the game!

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By ROBER! In the past the king has managed to co-er employes with disarrangements, and thru the use of a measure such as the growth of unionism, the suppression of even to the suppression of assembly guarantee, constitution, as has been shown in the actions of the country.

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By ROBERT RUSSEL. In the city the king exploiters of labor have managed to coerce and threaten their employees with discharge and other punishments, and thru the use of these they have been in a measure successful in preventing the growth of unionism in their plants.

However, one of the most recent and most important events to come to our notice is the result of the miner's strike on the Iron Range in Minnesota. For several years the miners have submitted to unmitigated hardship and exploitation and the most extreme action that they dared to adopt against themselves it was a very tame type of political socialism.

They are mostly all Finns on the Range and with the co-operation of their brothers on other parts of the country they were able to build up a daily paper in their language which was highly creditable to them.

Having reached the limit of their endurance of the low wages and high taxes and other things they struck. This strike was in itself evidence that to their minds legislative methods of bettering their conditions were ineffective.

The bosses and kept press immediately started talking about putting the I. W. W. out of the country, and especially about driving them off the job.

In their efforts to do this they brought about the very opposite. They drove six times as many political actionists into the I. W. W. They have done more. They have caused the stockholders in the Finnish Daily (Socialist) to take a vote overwhelmingly changing the policies of the paper from an advocacy of political action to that of social or industrial action.

This is not all. The constant suppression combined with the strike and the brutality of the Steel Trust have awakened a spirit of solidarity so great that these workers have dared the steel and other industries. There have been few occasions in the past where the workers dared to have their names printed or to connect themselves with radical elements after a strike has been broken down by the industrial arm of the Finnish Daily, men and women living from coast to coast have not only sanctioned the printing of their names, but they have contributed dollars to have their names published in the Finnish paper.

They are actually daring the bosses to fire them. The days when the bosses could tell the miners where to head in are over. This is now the T. Other Way About.

The miners are not only telling, but they show the bosses where to get their backs and their names printed or to connect themselves with radical elements after a strike has been broken down by the industrial arm of the Finnish Daily, men and women living from coast to coast have not only sanctioned the printing of their names, but they have contributed dollars to have their names published in the Finnish paper.

RESOLUTION FROM DENVER.

WHEREAS it has come to our knowledge, a group of citizens of Denver, Colorado, in a meeting assembled, that a blood-thirsty group of thugs masquerading as a "Law and Order Committee," at Everett, Wash., have been responsible for the murder of five peaceable workmen, and have assumed a greater power than the constitution grants to the President of the United States,—that is the power to suppress free speech and the right of public assemblage, and

WHEREAS, an attempt is being made to place the blame for these outrages upon the men and women, whose only crime is their loyalty to their class,—THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that we send our emphatic protest to President Wilson, at Washington, D. C. to Governor Lister, of the State of Washington, and to the Prosecuting Attorney and Sheriff of Snohomish county, Wash., and be it further

RESOLVED, that we pledge ourselves to all within our power to arouse and organize a working-class to save our fellow workers employed at Everett, Washington, even as they saved Treves, Scarlett, and Schmidt from the clutches of the Steel Trust.

WORKING MEN INTO THE Y. M. C. A.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 28th.—The Doty member and Shingle Co. is making an attempt to freeze out all rebellious slaves by sending out a prominent member of the Y. M. C. A. These camps are on the South Bend Branch of the Northern Pacific. They are about the same as in other camps in the territory. Swamps are paid \$2.50 and bunkers \$125. The board in the camp is \$125 and in the mill \$600.

Workers with a sense of humor and some trained kittens might get a lot of fun from their money, if they would go to Doty and conform to the wishes of the boss.

Resolved, that when it is necessary for a member of the I. W. W. to join the Y. M. C. A. in order to hold a membership card, that it be a whole lot harder on the Y. M. C. A. than the I. W. W. Judging by its past performance the Y. M. C. A. should be in a place to bring the cat, especially if it is those cats and "Tom." The Y. M. C. A. gives certain legal privileges, but such privileges as the I. W. W. members have.

The National Association of Manufacturers combined with the forces of the capitalist organizations. Another victory for One Big Union.

MAKING REBELS.

While in a Minneapolis cigar store, discussing the topic of the I. W. W. a militiaman came into the store and told the conversation. He was attempting to sell a box entitled "Life on the Border." His methods indicated a lack of experience and an unwillingness to sell for a book.

"Well, I tell you," he said, "had a good job when the Mexican trouble started last Spring and being over-enthusiastic about doing something for my country, I enlisted. When I did so, my employer promised that my job would be good when I returned home."

"After spending all summer on the sands of Texas, when I came back to the job that was going to be 'good at any time,' the employer gave me a sarcastic smile and said: 'Business is dull and I can't put you on. I have enough men right now.' So I concluded to try my hand at selling books, which job I already know I am unfit for. I'm just barely existing at present."

He then said that he had discovered that the Mexicans were only bad people in the papers and for the purpose of startling workers into enlisting. "If I had known the truth, when I did so, I would not have spent the summer in the desert. It is true, they tell you of the grand times you will have in the National Guard, but all I got out of it was misery. The service is breeding discontent faster than any other single influence."

"What do you think of the I. W. W., someone asked. "That's it! That's it," he said. "When my time is up I am going to put my next hitch in the I. W. W. fighting for myself. There are hundreds more like me now in the service."

This man is but one of hundreds I have met recently who admit that the service is breeding discontent about as fast as the present industrial system. We do not need to any more place the blame on I. W. W. agitators. The system is itself the greatest agitator.

The masters well know the causes of the great unrest and discontent among the workers and they are, in trying to hide it, bringing about the awakening of the workers faster than ever before. The exploiters have caused a feeling that the cause is not one which threatens to devour them. The masses are organizing their power for the purpose of controlling industry. The doom of capitalism is near! Workers, awaken, unite in the One Big Union.

TACOMA ON FIRING LINE.

TACOMA, Wash.—On Sunday, December 24th, a successful meeting of the Tacoma Locals was held with the purpose of protesting against the high-handed actions of the master-class in attempting to railroad to the penitentiary workers who dared challenge the right to suppress the voice of labor. An invitation was sent to the A. F. of L. unions in this city asking them to co-operate with us. They refused although crafts unions in other cities are showing themselves far more broad in their attitude on this matter.

While the Unions refused to take part, we had the satisfaction of having a large number of craft unionists in the audience. Members of the Moulders', Maintenance of Way Employees' of Tacoma and members of the Machinists' Union of Bremerton were present and raised their voice in vigorous protest and backed up these verbal expressions with clucking dollars, when the collection was taken up.

Fellow Worker Astleigh, who was the principal speaker of the evening, impressed upon the audience the fact that the Everett massacre was a mere smokescreen for frequently occurring skirmishes on the far-flung battle line of the class struggle. He appealed for working-class solidarity and for funds to carry on the fight for the freedom of the workers. A collection of \$20.00 taken at the meeting was given to the "Rebel Girl" and "A Dream," the audience joining in the chorus. Considering the inclemency of the weather the meeting was a very successful one. —Darnley.

At the Yeaser Public Library on 23rd St. and Yeaser an interesting talk will be delivered on Thursday, January 4th, by H. Brilliant. The subject will be: "The American Federation of Labor and Syndicalism. All Seattle workers interested in this topic are asked to attend. The lecture will begin at 8 p. m.

SCOTT BENNETT GIVES A FREE TALK.

Scott Bennett will speak on "Christianity and the Social Revolution" for the Seattle Industrial Society, Sunday, 3 p. m., Strand Hall, 1325 4th Ave. It is an interesting local and foreign speaker and even though not all may agree with him, yet a genuine treat will be missed by those who do not hear him. The Truth Seeker and other Freshwater Bites are free. Everybody welcome, especially the ladies.

Local 85, Branch 2 has moved to a new hall at 1001 West Madison Street, Chicago, Ill. In the new hall there is beside the meeting room two fine reading rooms.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

After reading the various reports advocating the lowering of the standard of living of the working-class to as low as 25 cents a day, it is interesting to find the masters advocating an extremely high standard of living for the paragon of the class. The following is worthy of notice as it indicates how the other half—the worthless half—lives.

HOPE, THE SLEEPER'S DREAM.

He was a bright boy, and he hoped some day to make his way in the world. Born in an Eastern city and being of an optimistic nature, he looked forward to the time when he could strike out for himself and land on the top of the life ladder.

The burg where he lived being too small, he left home and went to the large city. He was employed in one of the largest warehouses and intended to work his way up in life like the boys in the story books.

He worked, and worked and worked and he saved his money.

After working for over a year buying his clothing, food and a few incidentals, economizing thru washing his socks and handkerchiefs in his hall bedroom, he had a few dollars in his pocket. He was still poor, but he had a fortune in hope.

He thought that the place he was working in was as fat as it offered few chances of advancement. There were too many there living and working with the same hope as himself.

Happy thought! He would go West. He heard big wages were to be made so he struck out, with little cash—but lots of hopes.

He got as far West as he could go. He found it was not so easy to get a job there. Tramping, hoping he would find a few things would take a change for him after a time. They did, but not for the better. It was not golden as he thought in "The Gold West." Winter came on and his stock of money ran low. One after the other the stiff in his suit case were sold to buy the necessities of life—but hope was still with him.

Later, after many days of futile search for work he found he had nothing more he could sell. But he still had hopes. Yes hope was in the empty suit case.

He lost even his room as the landlord ordered him out. He is a vagrant—but yet he hopes.

The only way to get anything out of life is not to hope—but act. Get into a union and will make life give you the things for which you hope. Instead of filling your stomach with hope fill it with good food.

Carry a Union card and fight for good wages and conditions. An ounce of direct action is worth a world full of hope. —Lorton.

JOINING IN BUNCHES.

SAND POINT, Ida.—The big smoker by the Sand Point Branch of the Lumberworkers' Organization on Sunday, December 24th, was a fine success. There was rendered a fine program of singing, recitation, and good music. This part of the entertainment was followed by two boxing matches, after which Fellow Worker Doran closed with a strong talk.

In the middle of the entertainment fellow Worker Briggs was singing, a lumberjack entered with a handful of bills. He made straight for the stage. He had just arrived from a camp, been paid and without waiting for it he had rushed to the I. W. W. headquarters to line up in the Union which means better lives for lumberjacks.

Fellow Worker Doran left for Spokane shortly after he had concluded the second of his chart talks here on Christmas. With him he brought over \$50 for the Everett Prisoners' Defense Committee.

In addition to the fifty members who joined here Saturday, large numbers have been joining every day since. The workers are all talking, not about getting half of the men here to join, but about a hundred percent organization. The probabilities for the solid organization of the lumber workers of Idaho is good. The bosses will soon hear from us in a way that will be effective. —C. R. Griffin.

A SUCCESSFUL ENTERTAINMENT.

SPOKANE, Wash.—On the evening of December 23rd, the members of the Spokane Locals gave a vaudeville entertainment and dance which was extremely successful. With the exception of one member the entire program was by members of the Spokane Locals, and we now know that we have here greater talent in that line than anyone suspected.

Fellow Worker Stetson's musical melange was especially praiseworthy. His jingle burzard made of a broom, a five-gallon oil can and hay-wire gave forth the sweet strains of the swan song of capitalism.

A bounteous lunch was provided. Everybody had as much as was wanted, and at any time it was wanted. The music was good and the dances were thoroughly enjoyed by the younger set.

Those present voted the I. W. W.'s splendid entertainers and incidentally over \$60 was cleared for the defense of the Everett prisoners. —Entertainment Committee.

NINE NEW ONES A DAY.

With an order to raise their bundle order of the "Industrial Worker" to 250 copies, J. L. Turner, Secretary of the Lumberworkers' Organization, Sunday, 3 p. m., Strand hall, 225 new members had been taken in by this one branch in the first twenty-six days of December.

Unorganized worker, if you want job protection join the I. W. W. today. Can you expect protection if you are unwilling to fight for it?

The class struggle is international. Recent advices from Chile says that all the longshoremen in all the ports of Chile are out on strike.

A GOOD IDEA.

(Press Clipping.) With a view to starting a widespread movement to combat the I. W. W. W. E. Holmes, Secretary of the Commercial Club, will ask the Woodbury County representatives in the legislature to obtain the appointment of a joint committee to confer with similar legislative committees from adjoining states.

The movement, which already is being agitated in South Dakota, leads Mr. Holmes to believe that it must not be confined to one state. He will suggest that the legislatures of Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota name a joint committee from the house and senate of each body to meet in Sioux City and discuss legislation to combat the evil. As a result of such a conference he believes that a uniform measure can be prepared, and which, if it is enacted into a law in each state, will put the industrial workers practically out of business in this part of the country.

Mr. Holmes believes that if such action is taken it would eventually lead to a nationwide movement. Following the introduction of the bills in question, the legislatures could petition congress for a federal law restricting the movement of this body of men, which has become a menace to all communities.

Those interested in this class of legislation point out that the principal danger lies in the constitutionality of such a law. In order to evade this it would be the plan to have the opinion of the best constitutional lawyers on the bill before it is enacted into a law.

The I. W. W. thoroely approves of this idea. It will not put the I. W. W. out of business. It will put them in business—the business of riding passenger trains on the cushions. We have always felt that if any persons should have to ride in box cars it should be the bosses.

As to putting the I. W. W. out of any part of the country thru legal enactments the plan is foolish. Evertime the masters find a new remedy for the I. W. W., our membership for the I. W. W. is boosted. The conditions of industry force the migratory workers to travel. If they cannot ride in box cars they will ride passenger trains, without paying if possible, otherwise they will make the employers pay the transportation in increased wages. If this law is enacted it will mean that the weak-kneed among unorganized workers will stay out of the harvest fields. This will hurt the farmers. It is one of the things the I. W. W. most desires.

ANOTHER LUMBER STRIKE.

VIRGINIA, Minn., Dec. 30th.—News came to Virginia today from Cloquet, Minn., a town to the West that the saw-mill and planing mill men were on strike there to get \$3.00 a day and 8 hours.

Ahlgren, one of the organizers arrested in the miner's strike was arrested here last night, charged with disturbing the peace, whatever that means. He is out on bail as he was needed at present.

Jack Beaton ("Timber Beast") has been ordered out of town by the authorities. The capitalist papers are vomiting all over themselves in a drunken frenzy of rage at the way the I. W. W. has refused to die.

There are two sawmills, three planing mills and a big paper mill at Cloquet. Beaton and other organizers are already heading that way. Most of these mills are connected with the company that owns the mill here.

Lumber-jacks and millmen are lining up to beat the band here. The Lumber Trust is wild. Keep your eyes on Minnesota where there is going to be something very peculiar happen. A regular cyclone in the middle of winter.

A WORTH-WHILE DONATION.

Fellow Worker Harry Kimpton of International Falls, Minn. writes the "Industrial Worker," asking if 100 sheets of carbon paper could be sent to the "Industrial Worker." He wishes to know what color we want prior to donating this to the paper.

Some two weeks ago the fellow worker sent us nine typewriter ribbons of the very best quality made. The only condition Fellow Worker Kimpton makes is that the carbons be used on strong revolutionary stuff.

SHOCKED INTO SOLIDARITY.

The workers in all parts of the country have been shocked into a closer realization of the class struggle by the infamous outrages of the Everett Commercial Club thugs. From all parts, messages of encouragement are pouring in. We reproduce here a letter received by Fellow Worker Ashleigh, in response to a letter from him asking for publicity in the journal of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America.

"Dear Sir—I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your defense news letter and assure you that we run the same, and note your request that we should place it give it space in this issue of our publication. I have also placed you on our exchange list.

Wishing you success in your efforts for human freedom and individual liberty, and with kindest regards, I am, Fraternally yours, HOMER D. CALL, Secretary-Treasurer.

Occult theft—thrift which hides itself even from itself, and is legal, respectable and cowardly—corrupts the body and soul of man, and to the last fibre of them. And the guilty thieves of Europe, the real sources that is to say, those who live by percentages on the labor of others. —John W. Mackin.

PREAMBLE I. W. W.

The working class and the employing class have nothing in common. There can be no peace so long as hunger and want are found among millions of the working people of the earth and the machinery of production, and abolishes the wage system.

Between these two classes a struggle must go on until the workers of the world organize as a class, take possession of the earth and the machinery of production, and abolish the wage system.

We find that the centering of the management of industries into fewer and fewer hands makes the trade unions unable to cope with the ever growing power of the employing class. The trade unions foster a state of affairs which allows one set of workers to be pitted against another set of workers in the same industry, thereby helping defeat one another in wage wars. Moreover, the trade unions aid the employing class to mislead the workers into the belief that the working class have interests in common with their employers.

These conditions can be changed and the interests of the working class upheld only by an organization formed in such a way that all its members in any one industry, or in all industries, if necessary, cease work whenever a strike or lockout is on in any department thereof, thus making an injury to one an injury to all.

Instead of the conservative motto, "A fair day's wage for a fair day's work" we must all subscribe our names to a revolutionary watchword, "Abolition of the wage system."

It is the historic mission of the working class to do away with capitalism. The army of production must be organized, not only for the every day struggle with capitalism, but also to carry on production when capitalism shall have been overthrown. By organizing industrially we are forming the structure of the new society within the shell of the old.

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Every subscriber will find a number opposite the name on the mailing wrapper or tag. Watch that number. It designates the last issue of the "Industrial Worker" you get if you do not renew. This is issue No. 38.

Murders and unchecked debauchery, with the false justifications of their necessity and justice, the glorification and praise of military exploits, of patriotism and devotion to the flag, with the pretence of care for the wounded, will, in our day, demoralize men incommensurably more than thousands of thefts, arson, and murders committed in the course of centuries by individual men under the influence of passion.—Tolstoy.

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