

THE LUMBERJACK

"AN INJURY TO ONE IS AN INJURY TO ALL"

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SANTA FE BEGINS SLUGGING AT MERRYVILLE

Rebels, Arise!

STOP SANTA FE'S SLUGGING COMMITTEE AT MERRYVILLE— INTO ACTION!

Late Wednesday, just as The Lumberjack was about ready for the press, we received telephone messages advising that the Santa Fe's deputized thugs had begun to ARREST, BEAT-UP and SLUG the strikers at Merryville! This MUST BE STOPPED IF WE'VE GOT TO BUST THE SANTA FE TO DO IT! THE STRIKE COMMITTEE THEREFORE APPEALS TO ALL FOOT-LOOSE REBELS TO IMMEDIATELY HEAD FOR MERRYVILLE TO BE ENTERTAINED AT THE EXPENSE OF THE TAXPAYERS OF THE PARISH OF BEAUREGARD.

SOUTHMEN!

Will ye stand and see your brothers crucified by a British Plunderbund on the cross of Mammon? If not—

INTO ACTION!!

Bring the MIGHT of NONRESISTANCE to bear on the Ravagers of Dixie!

ALL TOGETHER!

All together now, with cool heads, steady hearts and clear consciences, and a victory over Peonage is ours!

In Labor's Holy Cause, we appeal to you!

I. W. W. STRIKE COMMITTEE.



HELP ROLL THE OLD ROTTEN LOG AWAY!

CONVENTION CALL!

To All Secretaries and Members. Fellow Workers:

The Second Annual Convention of The National Industrial Union of Forest and Lumber Workers is hereby called to convene in the hall of the Southern District at Alexandria, Louisiana, on

Monday, May 19

All Local Unions are requested to immediately begin making preparations for the Convention, to see that all old members are paid up and as many new members as possible initiated, in order that they may all be represented by a full quota of Delegates.

Speakers of International reputation will attend and address the Convention, which promises to be the greatest ever assembled by the Lumberjacks of North America.

By order of the General Executive Board.

Frank R. Schleis, Secretary, Western District.

Jay Smith, Secretary, Southern District.

NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL UNION OF FOREST AND LUMBER WORKERS, I. W. W.

WORKINGMEN AND WORKING FARMERS OF LOUISIANA AND TEXAS

You whose labor has brought these States from jungle wild and desert dust, you whose labor feeds and clothes and houses the World, you without whose hands and brains civilization would perish from the earth forever, to you the builders and saviors of society we appeal!

For two long years a struggle against the most cruel and infamous of slavery mankind has ever known, PEONAGE, has been waged in western Louisiana and eastern Texas by the Forest and Lumber Workers.

Every means known to civilization and savagery has been used by the Southern Lumber Operators Association and allied Plunderbunds to crush this heroic revolt, and in vain.

In a hostile court, prosecuted by the chosen lawyers of the Association, we won the Grabow trial, the jury reaching its verdict, that cleared our President, A. L. Emerson and his associates, in less than one hour.

Then came one of the most outrageous and dangerous assaults ever made on human rights even by the insane Plutocracy of America,—when the Santa Fe Railroad, a British owned corporation, issued orders to its subsidiary concern, the American Lumber Co. of Merryville, not to allow any one who had taken part with the DEFENSE in the Grabow trial, EVEN AS WITNESSES, to return to work in the plant!

This meant the blacklist for the discharged men, who were thus PENALIZED FOR OBEYING AN ORDER OF COURT,—and this by a private corporation owned mainly by British capital.

In answer to this infamous order that

practically overthrows civilization, THIRTEEN HUNDRED working men went on strike at Merryville on November the 11th, 1912.

For nearly a HUNDRED days now they and their wives and children, hungry and naked, have fought single-handed, almost alone, as grand a battle as was ever fought in defense of human rights and liberties.

If sacrifices made in the cause of human freedom entitles men and women to the respect and admiration of their fellows, then Labor has every reason to be proud of the heroic handful of her sons and daughters who have so long withstood the Plunderbund at Merryville. Day after day they out-generated the Association and the Santa Fe; FAIRLY and SQUARELY they had whipped the Plunderbund and—now, the eviction and starvation failing, the Association and Santa Fe have today, Wednesday, begun the campaign of violence veiledly threatened last week by the Sheriff of Beauregard Parish. Men have already been arrested and assaulted by the imported deputized thugs of the Santa Fe Railroad, this to TERRORIZE the workers back into working conditions that would disgrace a convict camp.

People of Louisiana and Texas, you whose labor has brought these States from jungle wild and desert dust, you whose sons are being maimed, slaughtered and enslaved in the mills of the Lumber Trust, we appeal to you to waken and see that justice is done at Merryville!

And we appeal to you to rush funds, provisions and clothing there to the men, women and children who are so heroically upholding the cause of human lib-

erty in the forests of the South. All this you will do if you have not lost the red blood of your heroic sires.

RAILROAD WORKERS!

WE APPEAL TO YOU TO HELP IN THIS BATTLE AGAINST THE UNION-HATING SANTA FE!

WE APPEAL TO YOU TO SEND AID TO THE STRIKING LUMBERJACKS!

WE APPEAL TO YOU NOT TO PUT OFF THE TRAINS A SINGLE HOBO HEADED FOR MERRYVILLE!

WE APPEAL TO YOU TO BE MEN, UNION MEN!

WE APPEAL TO YOU TO JOIN IN THE STRUGGLE TO OVERTHROW PEONAGE FOREVER!

WE APPEAL TO YOU AS MEN, OUR BROTHERS!

MENINGITIS ON THE JOB.

Last week there was a sudden exodus of scabs from the stockades of the American Lumber Co. and they were still fleeing at last reports, only about 80 being then left in the bullpen. Several escaped convicts reported that the rout was caused by MENINGITIS breaking out in the pen, which, added to gambling hells, gunmen, bawdy houses, no pay and blind-tiger booze, was more than even their hardened carcasses could stand. Thus even outraged Na-

ture fights for the UNION that is fighting for humanity and liberty.

Nature, God, or whatsoever you may choose to call the great Oversoul of Life, is on the side of the I. W. W., else it would have been crushed long ago.

All the capitalists and gunmen on earth are powerless against this MIGHTY UNIVERSAL FORCE.

On to Merryville! On to victory!

GLOATING OVER MISERY!

Fellow Workers of the World and Rebels of the New South: The papers of that heidious, bloodstained Oligarchy, the Southern Lumber Operators Association, are gloating over the fact that the union-hating Santa Fe Railroad has the working class women and children of Merryville in rags and on the verge of starving.

The polluted kept press of the South, with crocodile tears in its eyes, pictures to you the horrors of the siege of Adrianople, Turkey, and of the City of Mexico, but not a line do they give you telling the infamies of the siege of Merryville, where the allied Plunderbunds of the world with ferocious savagery are striving to crush the handful of heroic workers who have there revolted against their Industrial Infernalism.

Fellow Workers! you are not men if you do not rush help at once to the besieged members of your class in Merryville.

THE LUMBERJACK hereby calls on every unmarried MAN who reads this appeal to donate at least one day's wages to the women and children of Merryville. Send it in yourself—don't wait to get the Secretary or any one else to do it, and be sure to register all

letters containing funds. Send funds, send clothing, send provisions, any help you can to:

C. CLINE, Secretary, Box 165, Merryville, La.

Let every reader of The Lumberjack get busy, now, TODAY.

Be a Man, a UNION MAN!

STRIKE FOR JUSTICE.

I.
Justice calls you,—heed the signal!—
Strike for wives and children dear!
Lo, the hosts of toil are with you,—
Stand your ground and never fear!
Look into the pale, sad faces
Of the ones you love so well—
Will ye, cringing, see them driven
Deeper, deeper into hell!

II.
You have heard the babes of Lawrence
In their hunger cry for bread,
While the Masters' soulless gunmen
Filled their fathers' breasts with
lead;
Still those workers never faltered
In their struggle, well begun,
Until victory crowned their efforts
And the gallant fight was won.

III.
Stand for justice, O you Southmen!
All too long you've slumbered now,
While the haughty, cruel Masters
Pressed the thorns upon your brow;
Rise! awake! Cast off your fetters!—
Strike the chains from off the race!
Stand united, O my brothers!—
Throw defiance in their face!

—C. Cline.

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EDITORIALS

AT THE JAIL DOOR.

In one year the New Orleans, La., police force arrested as follows: Six bankers, 4 thieves, 2 capitalists, AND 2364 cooks, clerks, engineers, firemen and carpenters; 1 priest, 4 preachers, 2 journalists, 2 pimps, AND 1823 prostitutes; 2 gamblers, 2 lottery dealers, 22 lawyers, AND 961 washer women, waiters and railroad men; 51 soldiers AND 1064 salesmen, servants and teamsters; 16 policemen, AND 1452 mechanics, painters and sailors; 4 detectives, 9 deputy sheriffs, 2 puglies, AND 12,013 laborers and unemployed.

Query: Who built the jails and for who? Don't all answer at once.

N. B. The report indicates, however, what has long been suspicioned—that the working class is terribly lawless, and that the most peaceable and orderly portion of "our classless country" is made up of bankers, gamblers, capitalists, lawyers, soldiers, lottery dealers, journalists, detectives, pimps, priests, preachers, pluguglies, policemen, deputy sheriffs and thieves.

CAPITALIST CLASS NO EXCEPTION.

No ruling class in the history of the world ever learned anything from its predecessors, and the capitalist class will be no exception to that rule. As it nears the end of its reign it will, in its desperation, tend more and more to commit acts that will outrage all human sense of justice, which will but hasten its fall into the grave economic necessity forces it to widen and deepen for itself every time it makes an effort to avoid its predestined fate. That is the substance of one of Edward Bellamy's prophecies.

It, like all he foretold is true, as witness the heinously hellish acts of the Coal Trust in West Virginia, of the Lumber Trust in the West and South, of the Steel Trust in Pennsylvania, Alabama and Indiana, of the Textile Trust in New England, and in Dixie; of the bestial Fish, Oyster and Shrimp Packing Trust in Louisiana, right at the doors of New Orleans, and all along the Gulf and Ocean coasts, of the murderous Tobacco Trust in Kentucky, Tennessee, Florida and Cuba, of the frightful Railroad "Systems", whose dividends flow to them on rivers of human blood—witness it all! Look up from your rented job for a moment, away from your little self, into the great, wide, patient world of labor; behold the children dying by the tens of thousands at labor that crucifies them both soul and body; behold the great and terrible army of 340,000 fresh girls that is every year marched into the Red Light districts of a thousand cities, there to be immolated on the altar of profit by the Land Lords and Booze Kings; behold the 500,000 workers maimed, killed and crippled every year in the industries of the United States, which are boasted by the capitalists themselves to be the "richest nation of ancient or modern times"; behold crime, suicide and insanity multiplying from five to a hundred fold faster than population; consider the fact that the tramp was hardly known in this country until the panic of 1873, and that this army of human wrecks today numbers nearly a million outcasts; consider that within the last fifteen years the army of casual or hobo laborers, men and women practically without a resting place, much less and home, has been multiplied and multiplied until today their numbers are "as the sands of the sea," the United States census of 1910 placing it at the enormous figure of 10,000,000 workers; look at it all, look at it like a MAN, and then look at the capitalists' mode of dealing

with this frightful immolation of humanity and their answer to every protest of the workers, which is—gunmen and more gunmen, detectives and more detectives, and more and more jails, halters, electric chairs, insane asylums, orphanages, poor houses, chain gangs and convict camps, and, remembering that it remained for capitalism to create special courts for "child criminals", something canibalism failed to accomplish, ask yourself whether or not Edward Bellamy spoke the truth of the gold-crazed money-mad capitalist class, and where YOUR boy and YOUR girl are going? It needs no prophet to answer the last: *They are going to become the victims of the most bestial and cruel slavery the world has ever seen unless you stand up and be a MAN, a UNION MAN, an I. W. W.*

LOUISIANA FACTORY SYSTEM.

According to the census of 1910, there were employed in the factories of Louisiana 86,563 persons, who received in wages \$42,394,000, but who produced from raw materials, costing \$134,865,000, finished products valued at \$223,946,000. Now, if you will get out your pencils and do a little figuring you will see why the "Captains of Industry" object to the ONE BIG UNION so strenuously, and why their papers are praising Sam Gompers and his Union Wreckers to the skies so much today. Therefore let us figure and let us see. Louisiana's factory products in 1910 were

valued at	\$223,946,000
Raw materials cost	\$134,865,000
Value added by manufacture	\$ 89,081,000
Less wages paid	\$ 42,394,000

Profit to factory owners ----- \$ 46,687,000

Or, in other words, the profit of the handful of capitalists who owned the factories was \$4,293,000 more than the total wages paid to the 86,563 workers who did all the work. But let us figure some more.

Divide the total wages paid, \$42,394,000, by the number of persons employed, 86,563, and you get the average wages per year paid to each worker in the factories of Louisiana, or \$489.74 each.

Then divide the total profits shown by the number of persons employed and you will get what each worker paid per year to the capitalist class for the privilege of being allowed to use the machinery of production, or \$539.34 each, which is \$69.60 more than the average wage received. Then add the average wage paid each worker, \$489.74, to the profit made on each worker, \$539.34, and you find what each worker ought to have gotten, or \$1,029.08.

But, as a matter of fact, the profit made on each worker in the REAL factories was far greater than \$539.34, for, in making up the census reports, the Government counts as a factory, any shop employing five "hands" and over, which is manifestly unfair to the REAL factories, as it doesn't show them up in their true light. Then, too, the VALUES here given are at FACTORY PRICES, while it is well known that the capitalists make a common practice of hiding their REAL PROFITS behind a network of fakerish sales to wholesale and retail concerns that practically belong to the owners of the factories; that is, they sell to and buy from themselves as often as they think it necessary to josh the patriotic "Mr. Blocks" into the hallucination that the capitalists "are entitled a fair return for the risks they take"—in owning this Nation, "the richest of ancient or modern times."

To sum up, in the year of our Lords 1910, 86,563 workers paid, at the factory door, \$539.34 each, or a total of \$46,687,000 to a handful of Pirates for the privilege of being allowed to use the factories other workmen had built out of materials produced by still other workers, all of which was paid for with money made by other workers, which was based on gold that had been dug out of the mines by still other workers. When the year ended, they who had produced everything, had nothing; they who had produced nothing, had everything.

Looking at this array of figures taken from the census, it is no wonder the native born American working man believes he's the smartest gink in the world. It's a way all natural born dampools have of BELIEVING about themselves. They never THINK about anything.

"FREE TRADE" OR "PHILANTHROPY"?

G. S. Prestridge, President
Shreveport, La.

F. W. Scott, Gen'l Supt.
Huttig, Ark.

C. T. Thompson
Sec.-Treas.
Huttig, Ark.

HUTTIG LOGGING COMPANY

Capital Stock, \$100,000

Huttig, Ark., April 22, 1912.

NOTICE

It seems that there are some of the employes who still persist in not giving the Company's Store their patronage. Now, it should be borne in mind that the Company is maintaining the Store at a great expense not only for what can be made therefrom but for the convenience of the employes as well, and we think it is only fair that we expect and request your undivided patronage, and hope it will not be necessary to call attention to this again.

Respectfully,
(Signed) Huttig Logging Co.,
By W. C. Dunigan,
Mgr. Camp No. 1.

The above letter was sent in by "A Friend", which, if it shows nothing else, proves that the National Industrial Union of Forest and Lumber Workers, Southern District, has spread way beyond the "infected territory"; that it is creeping, like the sunlight, into all the darkened places of the South, and causing the forest men to rise and think and act again.

But, "Free Trade" or "Philanthropy"—which was it that

compelled the Huttig Logging Company to issue the above notice? We acknowledge we are puzzled to say which, but it MUST be "Free Trade", for both Arkansas and Louisiana are under "Democratic" governments, and the "Democratic" party believes in "Free Trade" and in "Equal rights to all and special privileges to none," and "in the preservation of the constitutional guarantees." Yes! Like hell!

ATTENTION, LUMBERJACKS!

Please swipe a copy of all notices like the above and forward same to THE LUMBERJACK. We also expect you to send this request down the grapevine telegraph, "and hope it will not be necessary to call attention to this again."

A SAWMILL PAYROLL.

Or,

The Grafts and Profits.

Mill, number of workers	30	Payroll	\$16,000.00
Woods, number of worker	32	Payroll	\$18,000.00
Railroad, number of workers	12	Payroll	\$ 5,000.00
Total number of workers	74	Payroll	\$39,000.00

The above payroll is for one year, 1911, and includes the WORKERS only. It shows that the average yearly wage of each worker in the mill was \$533.33; in the woods, \$562.20; on the railroad, \$416.67; and the average annual wage for all the workers as \$527.02.

Assuming the working week to be only five days, that would give a working year of 260 days, a payroll of \$150.00 a day to 74 men, and an average wage per worker of a shade under \$2.03 per day, which is 7 cents less than the Long-Bell Lumber Co. claimed, in The Times-Democrat, to be the average wage at Longville. All lumberjacks know, though, that the average wage in Louisiana is much less than here shown. Also that, no mater what the average wage may be, the graft system gets it all, coming and going. For instance: You work five days for most any company and leave (and here is where they like to keep you moving all the time) and you cash up about as follows:

Five days work at \$2.10	\$10.50
Less imaginary insurance	\$ 1.00
Less imaginary doctor	1.00
Less imaginary hospitals	1.00
Less 10 per cent discount	1.05
Less board (?)	5.00

Total ----- \$ 9.05

which leaves you just \$1.45 to pay for your tobacco and overalls at the robbery, and you are then free to get married, take a Pullman to New Orleans and get on a champagne drunk. That's what's the matter with all you lumberjacks, anyhow; if you didn't spend all your surplus commissary money in riotous living you could pay the Y. M. C. A. for policing your souls and not worry poor, dear Bishops Long and Gardiner about your hellinsurance.

But no, Florence, that ain't all yet. The week after this transaction in high finance has taken place, another lumberjack just back from a trip over the road, grabs the cross-cut on this rotten job and, at the end of the week he is fired because a sucker saw him give 10 cents to the Merryville strike fund, and he pays \$1 insurance, \$1.00 doctor's and \$1.00 hospital fees, and \$1.05 discount, or \$4.05 graft; then, the third week, another fellow comes, goes and pays likewise; then, the fourth week, another fellow comes, goes and pays also and likewise; all of which added together, makes the total of \$16.20, of which the insurance company gets about 50 cents, the doctor about 30 cents and "the Christian men, to whom God in His infinite wisdom (?) has confided the business interests of this country", \$15.40 in pure and unadulterated graft. But there's more yet.

Besides the \$15.40 in graft, each of the four workers paid the Boss \$20.00 a week profit, or \$80.00 for the four weeks, which with grafts, makes \$95.40 per lumberjack per month to the Lumber Kings. Had ONE worker held the job down for the entire four weeks, however, the profit would have been only \$83.25, which shows there's money in keeping you moving, and that the blacklist, like the Militia of Christ, is not only a paying, but a self-sustaining business proposition. Perhaps it is well that it is thusly, though, because, had you been allowed to hang on to the job, you might have fooled some good woman into marrying you and starting a family and, THEN, sure enough, you last state would be worse than your first, for you would be immediately soaked for three more grafts, rent, light and water, had your wages reduced to the minimum and become chattel-mortgaged to the robbery forever and forever. It's us unfortunately fortunate bachelors whose wages raise that Longville average to \$2.10 a day.

After looking at our census figures some and then some, I have come to the conclusion that you fortunate familiated lumberjacks must be out-Rockefellering Rockefeller in the art of getting something out of nothing, for, when it comes to making a copper cent do the work of a double eagle, you certainly have the old piebald Oil King beat two miles and a half.

Lastly, looking at these figures, it is easy to see why all the Lumber Kings are so horrified at you for joining the National Industrial Union of Forest and Lumber Workers, and being fool enough to VOLUNTARILY tax yourselves 50 cents a month in dues, for it indicates, not only that many unmarried lumberjacks have a spare four bit piece they have failed thru criminal negligence to annex, but that you are beginning to think for yourselves, and becoming dangerous to the Grafts and Profits.

It is also no wonder they are hiring Y. M. C. A. soul-"insurance" agents to "police" your think-tanks and are howling for Sammy Gompers and his Union-wreckers to get busy on the job.

THE CONSCIENCE OF THE WORKERS.

The conscience of the workers, it is waking day by day,
It is rising in a flood-tide that will sweep the Beast away;
It is shaking down the fortress and the prison dark and strong,
And the courtrooms of injustice, and the thrones of vested wrong!

The conscience of the workers, it has waken sword in hand;
And the Marseillaise is ringing in a chorus deep and grand,
Over hill and dale and valley, in a fearless, glad refrain,
Onward sweeps the hymn of freedom 'round a rebel world again.

The conscience of the workers—O my masters! nevermore
Will we cringe and plead for mercy at your gold-stained temple door!
We have come in all the glory of the human soul awake,
We shall reach our strong hands forward and our birthright we shall TAKE!

The conscience of the workers—O my masters, heed you this:
We, the workers, were awakened from the dead by freedom's kiss;
We were 'wakened from our slumber and shall never sleep again,
'Till your kingdom lies in ashes and the stars of freedom reign.

—COVINGTON HALL.

OIL FIELD WORKERS JOIN REVOLUT.

In the last few weeks many inquiries from workers in the Southern oil fields have reached the District Office, and today several Industrial Unions are in process of organization, with one already organized. That sure looks good and it ought to teach you lumberjacks who are hanging back till you "see what the N. I. U. of F. and L. W. is going to do" before you wake up and join. Everywhere, in all industries, the Southern working class is waking up to its interests, as is proven by the inability of the Association to get scabs at Merryville or anywhere else when workers stand together and make a real fight for their rights. The Oil Field Workers will be organized into a National Industrial Union in the Department of Mining of the I. W. W., as will the workers in the sulphur and salt mines.

It is reported that the Industrial Union of Oil Field Workers will make their Southern District Office in Alexandria in conjunction with the Southern District of the N. I. U. of F. and L. W., and The Lumberjack their official organ, thereby cutting down expenses for both Industrial Unions. The hope is to make the Alexandria office the General District Office of the I. W. W. in the South.

Things are sure moving in Old Dixie. Get in the band wagon and boost, and be a MAN, a UNION MAN, an I. W. W.

MASTER AND SLAVE.

By Jay Smith.

I THINK is the master, I BELIEVE is the slave.
The fact that all wage earners are industrial slaves goes without saying—they have never thought for themselves. One who thinks knows. One who believes is the slave of those who think. The fact that a man believes a thing to be so does not make it so. A fact remains a fact regardless of any man's BELIEF. The trouble with the wage earner is that he never studies long enough to determine a fact, but leaves it to his master, who does his thinking for him. A man who believes can not be free. A class who believe will never be free. They must know; and to know a thing one must think for himself. The proof is the only thing that will convince a thinking man. The fact that the Lumber Kings have been telling the workers that they could not pay more wages or improve living conditions has become the belief of the slaves who produce all the Lumber, and when a thing becomes the belief of a man, the source of the belief is his master. The working class want Industrial Freedom, but to a man who never thinks, freedom can not be realized. Think of freedom being known to slaves who did not free themselves. It only requires a little study for a wage earner to determine this fact; wages are not sufficient to support a family in a decent manner. The house rent is never reduced after the panic, the doctor's fee remains the same or more, the Insurance remains the same, the high cost of living requires two more letters to spell the word higher. The increased speed of the machine compels the workers to do almost double the work of the old machine, yet the worker gets no increase in wages. This under pay causes under consumption, which soon brings on the panic called "Over-Production," and the worker "believes" something is wrong, but has never thought about the cause. Lumber has advanced from \$12.00 to \$35.00 per thousand feet. A wage worker can tell you this; wages have not increased accordingly; a wage worker will tell you this also, not because he has thought, but because his master who thought his slaves would stand for it put it across, and made good by organizing the Southern Lumber Association, and compelling the slaves to accept such wages and conditions or the Blacklist. Now, Mr. Lumberjack, if you are ever going to wake up and think, it is high time you were busy, or else get off the job and let a man who knows that organization will get the goods have your place long enough to organize the Lumberjacks on it into the ONE BIG UNION OF FOREST AND LUMBER WORKERS. Then you will see wages go up and the Blacklist go down, or you will see the mills shut down and the Lumber Kings crazy.

An eight-hour day is the slogan of the Lumber Workers on Pacific Coast; let it be same here in South at the SAME TIME. How will this be done? By organization. I mean organization on the job where you work. Don't ask about the organization in other parts of the country, but look around among the workers on your own job and agitate among them, and get them to organize THEMSELVES into the Union,

The National Industrial Union of Forest and Lumber Workers will have the lumber kings up a tree and the Kings know they will have to grant the I. W. W.'s an eight hour day and a minimum wage of three dollars per day, payable every Saturday night in U. S. money. That is why the Lumber Trust has Sam Gompers and his machine out trying to organize another Lumber Union in the Northwest against the N. I. U. of F. and L. W.

Wake up, you slaves of the Forest! Begin to think and educate and organize, and compel the boss to grant the demands of the Union.

A MAN'S life for ALL the workers in ALL the mills and ALL the camps in ALL the forests of ALL the world!
Be a MAN, a UNION MAN, an I. W. W.

ITA EST.

To see Union-card rail road trainmen pouring scabs, strikebreakers and gunmen down on the striking Railway Shopmen, and on the lumberjacks at Merryville, and on the laborers union at Port Arthur, and then to hear them boasting about being "Union men," is enuf to stagger the intelligence of a Kilbyvillain. But that's just what craft unionism is.

"Men are valuable just in proportion as they are able and willing to work in peace and harmony with other men."—The Ferd Brenner Lumber Co.

"There can be no peace so long as hunger and want are found among millions of working people, and the few, who make up the employing class, have all the good things of life."—The I. W. W. Preamble.

The man who is plucky enough to stand the gaff generally doesn't have to."—Printing Trade News.

"The only successful work is co-operative work. There is not and cannot be anything like a self-made man."—Modern Methods.

Price and value are not the same thing. Some things have a price and yet have no value; for instance, a man's honor and a woman's virtue—the moment a price is set upon them they become valueless."—Karl Marx.
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DEBS ON THE I. W. W.

"In capitalist society a working man is not, in fact, a man at all; as a wage-worker, he is simply merchandise; he is bought in the open market the same as hair, hides, salt, or any other form of merchandise."

"The capitalist has his politician tell you that you ought to be very proud of your hands because they are horny; and if that be true, he ought to be ashamed of his."

"Economic solidarity (unity on the job) is today the supreme need of the working class."

"The old unionism has at its head a harmonizing board called the Civic Federation. This Federation consists of three parts: a part representing the capitalist class; a part supposed to represent the working class, and still another part that is said to represent the "public." The capitalists are represented by that great union labor champion, August Belmont; the working class is represented by Samuel Gompers, the president of the American Federation of Labor, and the "public" by Grover Cleveland. Can you imagine a fox and goose congress? Just fancy such a meeting, the goose lifting its wings in benediction, and the fox whispering "Let us prey."

"THE INDUSTRIAL WORKERS has been organized for an opposite purpose, * * * not to conciliate, but to fight the capitalist class. We have no object in concealing any part of our mission; we would have it perfectly understood. The revolutionary movement of the working class will date from the year 1905, from the organization of the INDUSTRIAL WORKERS OF THE WORLD."

"For thirty years I have been connected with the organized labor movement. I have long since been made to realize that the pure and simple union can do nothing for the working class. I have had some experience and know where of I speak. Craft division is fatal to class unity. To organize along craft lines means to divide the working class and make it the prey of the capitalist class."

"You are a working man and you have a brain, and if you do not use it in your own interests you are guilty of high treason to your manhood."

"I have already said the capitalist is on your back; he furnishes the mouth, you the hands; he consumes, you produce. That is why he runs largely to stomach and you to hands."

"I would not be a capitalist; I would be a man; you can not be both at the same time."

"A man, honest, just high-minded, would scorn to live out of the sweat and sorrow of his fellowman—by preying upon his weaker brother."

"If there is a crime that should bring to the callous cheek of capitalist society the crimson of shame it is the unspeakable crime of child slavery; the millions of babes that fester in the sweatshops are the slaves of the wheel, and cry out in agony, but are not heard in the din and roar of our industrial infernalism."

"THE INDUSTRIAL WORKERS is the only econo-

mic organization that makes this declaration, that states this fact and is organized upon this foundation, that the workers must own the tools and employ themselves. This involves a revolution, and this means the end of the capitalist system, and the rearing of a working class republic, the first real republic the world has ever known; and it is coming just as certainly as I stand in your presence. You can hasten it, or you can retard it, but you cannot prevent it."

"The workers have made no progress, and never will until they desert those false leaders and unite beneath the revolutionary standard of the INDUSTRIAL WORKERS OF THE WORLD."

"Never mind what others may say, or think, or do. Stand erect in the majesty of your own manhood."

"Listen for just once to the throbbing of your own heart, and you will hear it beating quick-step marches to Camp Freedom."

"Stand erect! Lift your bowed form from the earth! The dust has long enough borne the impress of your knees."

"Hold up your head and avow your convictions, and then accept, as becomes a man, the consequences of your acts!"

"Stand up and see how long a shadow you cast in the sunlight!"

TO "OUR" GOVERNOR.

Seadrift, Texas, February 7, 1913.

To His Excellency,
Governor L. E. Hall,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

As Governor, you are bound to do all you can to stop the reign of terror as now carried on by the murderous lumber brigands of your State. If you have no knowledge of the materialistic interpretation of history, or as it is sometimes expressed, "economic determinism," then you are incompetent to fill the office of an executive.

Economic Evolution is a natural law and can not be shot to death. It is only fools, (intellectual though they may be) who attempt to do so. The effort has always failed, and it can not be otherwise. There has been at least two great Economic changes in the history of the race, as I presume you are aware of, but whether you know it or not, it is none the less a fact, and each of them was the result of industrial development: Economic determinism. The whole world is now in the throes of a new birth: An Economic change, as a result of industrial development, and it can not be arrested, nor shot to death.

As to whether this Industrial Revolution or Evolution is to obtain by the peaceful acquiescence or a bloody overthrow of the Plunderbund class and their hiring assassins, depends upon the economic intelligence of the now so-called ruling class.

It is to be hoped that you will do your sworn duty in suppressing criminals, irrespective of the size of their bank account or broad acres of stolen lands. The laboring class are getting their eyes open as never before and if you wink at violence on the part of the rich there will come, sooner or later, a storm from which there will be none to deliver the class responsible for it.

Respectfully,
H. L. GURLEY.

HAYWOODISMS.

"The I. W. W. is organized upon the lines of the class struggle. Not one of its members imagine for a moment that his interest is identical with that of the capitalist. This struggle is irresistible and will continue as long as one man eats bread in the sweat of another man's face."

"The industrial power of the people is not at Baton Rouge or Washington. It is in the industries. The I. W. W. is not interested in the machinery of government, but it is interested in the government of machinery. We are not here to patch a system too rotten to hold another patch. Change it from a political junk shop to an industrial work shop with jobs enough for everybody and everybody on the job. We know we can accomplish the result we have set out to attain because we have the labor power upon which civilization rests, the brain and brawn of the working class. Capital can take all it has and yet we could build the old world over again."

"Remember you hold the power in the shop even if the employer does hold the title."

"There never was a time in the history of the world when a subject class could enforce legislation in its own interest."

In closing, the speaker referred to the strikes at Little Falls, Merryville and Lawrence: "If the rest of you will furnish us with a seven-cent meal twice a day," he said, "we can whip any capitalist in the country. The only violence we will commit is to put our hands in our pockets; the most violent thing we could do."

"It is better to be a traitor to your country than to your class."

A BARGAIN.

"The Lumberjack" and "The Industrial Worker," both, for \$1.50 per year. Or "The Lumberjack," "The Industrial Worker" and "Solidarity," all three, for \$2.25 per year—the three greatest labor papers published in America. Keep posted on labor's fight for liberty.

IN HACKENSACK'S JAIL.

Twenty of our most loyal fellow-workers have been put in Hackensack's jail. Twenty homes and families that depended on them have been broken. We can almost hear the cries of those little children and mothers begging that their fathers, their husbands, the providers of their livelihood, be given back to them.

These twenty men have been put in jail simply because they dared to go out on strike demanding more bread and butter for their wives and children. Did the company try even to listen to their demands? No. A large number of police and deputies were sent there, a bloody conflict occurred, in which one sheriff and two policemen were killed. Many arrests followed.

Some of these men are charged with murder which they never committed, and if we don't go to their help with our moral and financial support they will be railroaded to the electric chair. Others perhaps will get long jail terms. Will the workers of this country allow it? We don't believe it.

The families of these disgraced workers, already in miserable conditions from starvation wages, have been plunged in the most squalid misery and therefore have no possibility to provide for their dear ones with a legal defense.

The victims of the last strike of the unloaders of coal that took place in the first part of December must be helped.

The Committee of Propaganda of the State of New Jersey affiliated with I. W. W., accepting the invitation of the Laborers' Union of Cliffside, appeals to you, workers, surely hoping that every one will try his or her best to help the twenty victims now in Hackensack's jail.

Fellow Workers!

Gather, and send to this Committee funds to be used for the defense of these workers unjustly kept in jail!

Give these fathers back to their families, their work and to their children that now in vain beg for bread and fatherly caress.

Workers! don't deny your solidarity where it is so badly wanted and needed.

Remember: "An injury to one is an injury to all."

For the Committee of Propaganda
FLAVIO ALBIZZATI,
309 24th St., Guttenberg, N. J.

"LUMBER WORKERS MUST JOIN HANDS."

Under the above headline the Eureka, California, "Labor News" has, on its front page, three and two-thirds columns of Jesuitical lying, in which it purports to give advice to the Forest and Lumber Workers as how to "get together" in "only one union in the timber industry."

The geezer gives an alleged history of the different attempts to organize the Lumber Industry, which "history" reminds us of an old friend of ours who used to say that: "History is mainly a mass of lies written by damn liars," only, in this instance, we think the adjective qualifying the liars is too utterly weak.

"The Worst Crime of All."

Slowly and painfully, by sacrifices greater than pen can ever tell, the I. W. W. in the Northwest and the B. T. W. in the South have built up the NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL UNION OF FOREST AND LUMBER WORKERS until today it is a mighty power in every camp on the Pacific and Gulf Coasts, and, so, when the members of the Shingle Weavers Union allow their organization to be used as a wrecking machine by Sam Gompers and "The Pretorium" they are, indeed, committing "the worst crime of all," for they are taking the position of the dog in the manger and saying: "Since we have been unable to do anything, you shan't either."

Crooked Cunning.

With crooked cunning "Labor News" appeals to the petty patriotism of "Shingle Weavers," dodging always the real question at issue, the ONE BIG UNION OF FOREST AND LUMBER WORKERS, and, like the sniveling hypocrite it is, calls on them to help the infamous "Pretorium" in another union-wrecking campaign, pleading that they, the Shingle Weav-

ers, were the ORIGINAL IT, yet at the same time destroying their union by merging it into the fake "International Union of Shingle Weavers, Saw Mill Workers and Woodsmen of North America," which fake concern is organized, according to one of its leaders, "FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING CONDITIONS IN THE LUMBER INDUSTRY AT THE PRESENT STANDARD," which means the same old long hours and short wages, the same old discounts, counterfeit money and robbersaries, the same old filthy bunkhouses, the same old gunmen, the same old grafts, the same old peonage, and the same old everything of the NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL UNION OF FOREST AND LUMBER WORKERS is already forcing the Lumber Trust to abandon and which it means to overthrow entirely.

If Honest Men.

If the members of the Shingle Weavers are honest men, sincerely desiring "only one Union in the timber industry," they will tell their faking officers to go hell, elect delegates from each of their Local Unions and send them to the Convention of The National Industrial Union of Forest and Lumber Workers, which will convene in Alexandria, Louisiana, May 19th, 1913, with instructions to "get together at all cost!" Together for the Workers and against the Bosses!

Do this!

Do this. Shingle Weavers, or else stand damned in the eyes of the World of Labor as nothing but tools of Sam Gompers and his Union-wrecking machine. Be Men, Union Men, and not mere stoolpigeons of "The Pretorium."

Warning.

We hereby warn all Southern lumberjacks to be on their guard against this fake union called the "International Union of Shingle Weavers, Saw Mill Workers and Woodsmen of North America," as we have every reason to believe it is nothing but a last desperate attempt on the part of the Lumber Kings to destroy the N. I. U. of F. and L. W. and prevent you from getting what is already nearly in hand — an eight hour day and a minimum wage of Three (\$3.00) Dollars per day.

Beware of Wolves in Sheep's Clothing!

THE STRIKE.

By E. F. Doree.

It is the prevalent idea among union members that the object of the organization is to strike.

There never was a more mistaken idea, for a strike is the least desired thing of a man who depends upon daily wages for a living.

The object of a labor union is to secure for its members better wages, fewer hours of toil, better shop conditions and eventually the control of the industries.

To strike should be the last resort. To strike means to endure, for the time, some deplorable conditions — perhaps hunger, perhaps eviction from the company owned homes (?) etc. These are things desired by no one.

We know that a strike is not desired by the workers and every other method of getting the desired effect should be used first. From experience we know —

We know that it is useless to beg for it as it is always refused.

We know that individually we can not get better conditions.

We know that to pray for it is useless, as our prayers have only seemed to increase our misery.

You will perhaps say that to try for more is useless. No; far from it. You can beat the boss on the job. For any employer to make profits he must have a competent, dependable crew. He must know that the employees can and will do his work correctly.

In order to beat the boss on the job you must first be organized. This is necessary and you, the workers on the job, must do it.

Then, for instance, after you are organized, you want a minimum wage of \$2.00 per day. The crew, as a whole, becomes incompetent, everything goes wrong, trees won't fall right, bulls won't pull, lost your axe, saws got bent accidentally, boilers won't steam, engine broke down imaginarily, dynamo

needs imaginary repairs, etc.—all this can be done with no injury to life or property, except the boss' pocket book. If the boss fires one, try to get a less competent union man in his place, and so on. Don't leave the job until you are absolutely forced to. Strike on the job. You may say this is not honorable. Well, will say, that neither is \$1.50 or \$1.75 per day, 10 and 11 hours per day, unprotected machinery, commissary prices, child slavery, enforced unemployment, prostitution, gunmen, stockade, detectives, spinal meningitis, low stumps, fevers, working in rain, living in company shacks and a lot of other things honorable. The only honorable thing is pork chops, and lots of them. Any way, to get them for the working class is honorable.

If, though, the workers think that to leave the job is best, they must consider well what they do. To secure a thorough victory the entire industry, of which you're part, must be closed down or badly crippled, and perhaps it may take more than one industry to secure speedy victory.

If you want to win in the lumber industry, for instance, you must make it unprofitable, as a whole, to its owners. You must cripple the entire industry—not one mill or five mills, or fronts, as the case may be, but the majority of them. Put the industry on the bum. Quit in such large numbers that they can never get enough scabs. Don't expect that to win is easier than to work. When you strike, strike like you meant it—and don't quit till you win.

Striking isn't fun; it's no game; it's serious and deserves serious consideration of all workers.

Remember, the stronger your organization is, the less you have to strike; the only reason the bosses resist is because they think they can win and if you can show him the power necessary to take what you want and prove by weight of numbers that you can and will win, he will be more than apt to grant your request, or, rather, demands.

Don't take this union question too lightly. Think it over carefully. Don't go away with the idea that all you have to have is a card and a willingness to strike. Unionism, I. W. W. Industrialism, is a study—study it.

Learn what to do to win, for win we must. We have nothing to lose. Study tactics. You ask what tactics is? Well, this is it: find out what the boss wants you to do, and don't do it; find out what he don't want you to do, and do it without him finding it out anywhere except in his pocket book.

For in the innermost recesses of his pocket book lies his heart, soul, brains, and conscience.

Don't strike until you can win and don't stay a slave a moment after you have the power to free yourself.

"Find the end and the end justifies the means," says St. Paul, and we accept that theory as correct.

Beat the boss any way you can with the least amount of energy and suffering on your part.

To feed yourself and family better is honorable; to give all to a Master is to be both slave and fool.

The Bible says: "He who does not care for his family is worse than an infidel."

Don't be a willing slave, an humble fool. Study, read, think, and you will be a man, a Union Man, an I. W. W.!

ORGANIZATION IS POWER

"ARE ALL MEN LIARS?"

By J. J. Eages.

Were I to chronicle all the crimes committed by the capitalist system and hold them up to your astonished eyes, together with the names of the millions who are knowingly or unknowingly upholding this gang of legal criminals, you, too, would cry out: "Are all men liars?"

I shall not attempt in this short article to treat of the thousands of crimes that are committed by capitalism; but of one of the most heinous crimes of the age, "Prostitution." It is reported by those who are engaged in the fight against the white slave traffic that there are annually added to the red light districts of the cities of this country three hundred and forty thou-

sand girls, and I charge that capitalism is directly responsible for the downfall of ninety per cent of these girls, as the statistics show that ninety per cent of them are the daughters of working men and small farmers, who, owing to the small income of the family, are thrown upon their own resources, and having to work for from three to five dollars a week, struggle on for a time until cold and hunger force them to sell their bodies to him who will buy, in order to sustain life. And this industrial system that forces such a condition upon the poor working girls of our country is upheld by the so-called respectable portion of society, that capital may declare dividends upon its watered stocks and bonds, thereby enabling these spurious Christians to contribute liberally to "The Men's Forward Movement," the Y. M. C. A. and the militia and many other fake movements that are used as an anaesthetic or a gospel dope of Christ to keep the masses asleep while these fakirs rob their poor victims of their right to life, light and happiness. Those who are engaged in the fight against the white slave traffic, are fighting the effect and not the cause of this monstrous evil.

Capitalism is the foul, slimy monster that is wholly and solely responsible for this awful condition that confronts the working girls of the world today. And, as strange as it may seem, the moral force of the church is behind this damnable system, giving it respectability by

admitting into its fold as members and accepting the money of these respectable scoundrels that are debauching and destroying the lives of three hundred and forty thousand girls annually. And yet you tell us this is a civilized age! I answer you, it is the age of Mammon. This gang of respectables that have debauched all society, including the three hundred and forty thousand of the girlhood of our land, are the spawn of the same gang that Christ flogged out of the Temple; the spawn of the same gang that had Him crucified; and the spawn of the same gang are crucifying labor upon the cross of Mammon today.

Where ought the church to be in this fight?

The church puts up a furious fight against the whiskey traffic as an evil to society, and so it may be. But I assert that capitalism has caused more tears, crime, ignorance, poverty, destitution, murder and prostitution in the last 30 years, than the whiskey traffic has in the one hundred and thirty-six years of our existence as a nation.

These conditions are what gave birth to the organization known as the Industrial Workers of the World, binding all wealth producers into One Big Union, to right these damnable wrongs that have been inflicted upon us by this foul, slippery, slimey thing known as capitalism.

To do this and to free the working class forever, is the mission of the I. W. W. If you are a man you will join today!

The I. W. W. Preamble

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 working people, and the few, who make up the employing class, have all the good things of life.

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 in 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 interest 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 inscribe on our banner the 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 everyday struggle with capitalists, 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.

TO ALL MEMBERS.

Pay no money to any one for Dues or Assessments unless a stamp is placed on your membership book therefor. The stamp is your only receipt for Dues and Assessments, and your only evidence that you are a member of the Union. Unless your book is correctly stamped up to date, you will not be recognized as a Union member, either in the Southern or Western District. All Local Secretaries have, or should have, on hand a supply of stamps. Insist that your book be stamped for every time you pay or have paid your Dues and Assessments. A book is the only evidence you have paid your Initiation fee.

This notice is issued because the General Organization and its Local Unions have lost hundreds of dollars thru the members failing to insist that Secretaries place dues and assessment stamps in their book at the time payment was made. Cease this loose method. Demand a book when you pay your Initiation fee and a stamp every time you pay Dues and Assessments.

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