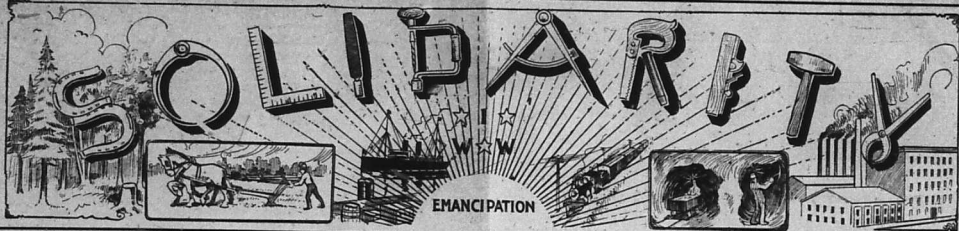


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Since the strike of last year the conduct of the company has been spiteful and resentful. Every mean expedient has been practiced on the workers to make their lives miserable.

Moreover, about 20 of the Cosack thugs have been put on the company's police force. This is hardly a good plan to secure industrial peace.

Now the inevitable has happened, and 6,500 workers are again on strike.

Just as we go to press we learn that the Americans are again being lined up against the "foreigners."

Again the dirty scabs march to work under the U. S. flag, and "patriotism" is appealed to in order to serve the purposes of the brutal corporation. Similarly, the capitalist papers are doing all they can in conjunction with the Cosacks to create "riots."

However, the I. W. W. has a strong organization at McKees Rocks, and the works can not operate without the I. W. W. men.

ONE BIG UNION would soon stop this scab-patriotism business.

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Car Situation Turns Serious.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 20.—The motormen, conductors and officials of the Pittsburg Railways Company again failed to agree at their conference yesterday, and a little headway was made. J. J. Thorpe, business agent of the street car employees, stated last night that on the conference of to-day hinged the matter as to whether the cars will be run after midnight tonight.

The men were almost unanimous in their vote yesterday morning against accepting the offer made by the company, which provided for a 7-year sliding scale, the new members receive 23¢ an hour, and the seven year and older service men to get 29 1-2¢ an hour. The company's proposition also provides to deal with the men as individuals instead of an organization. The men are holding for 27, 28 and 29 cents per hour, covering a period of four years' service.

READY FOR DELIVERY.

The *Key* of Unionism, by Edward Hammond, a four-page leaflet containing the clearest and best exposition of the differences between A. F. of L. craft unionism and I. W. W. industrial unionism. Best thing out for general propaganda. Should be circulated everywhere by the thousand. Price 20 cents; \$1.50 a thousand.

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Craft Unionism.

The craft union was called into existence by conditions that have long since greatly changed, or have passed away entirely. But, while conditions have changed to a revolutionary extent, the craft union has remained in a fixed, frozen relation; has not adapted itself to industrial changes. Hence it has fallen behind the procession of events, and has become positively reactionary in its character and operations. However, it still makes a feeble and unsystematic struggle for the "closed shop." But, even experience has not taught them that the craft union tactic precludes the possibility of the closed shop.

Craft unionism tends to encourage the idea of "craft autonomy." Craft autonomy develops craft selfishness, craft rivalry, thus bringing into the craft unions the practices and trickeries of political party pulling. This sort of thing ultimately leads the craft unionist to conclude that his particular craft can gain some small temporary advantage he and his craft need not concern themselves overmuch about the welfare of other craft unions. Gradually this policy becomes a case of every craft for itself, and the devil take the hindmost.

Finally, this spirit and practice leads to positive demerit; the organization of rival unions indiscriminately scabbing upon each other, and in the end all are at the mercy of the capitalist employer, and can maintain a semblance of an organization at all only by the bosses' consent.

The craft unions clamor for higher wages. High wages, being with the craft unionist a finality. High wages is the end and aim of his highest ambition. High wages and High Heaven are one and the same thing to the craft unionist. He does not object to being a wage slave if he is only a high priced slave; just as it used to be with the black slaves who boasted to their fellows of how much they cost.

Wages means that the workers get but a small part of the wealth they create; not, however, as a matter of compensation for their labor; but merely to feed them and keep them able to continue to do more labor for the Bosses.

This system of wage labor is known as the modern wage slavery. But "high wages" is as far as the craft unionist ambition climbs, and is all his feeble mental powers can comprehend.

The craft unionist also clamors for shorter hours of labor. But, my friend, what do you mean by shorter hours of labor? Do you mean the man who works 12 hours shall work 11, or 10? Or he who works 8 hours shall work 7 or 8? Or he who works 8 hours shall work 7 or 6? What do you mean by shorter hours? By what method do you persuade yourself that any man should work more than any other man? Shorter hours, as the craft unionist means it, is too, but a petty makeshift. Did he did it never strike you that all those who work at all work equally, too much? And while they are working too much, what great host can get no work whatever. Did you ever study the development of machinery and its effect upon the hours of labor; and also the effect it should have? Do you not know that the working hours is a matter capable of mathematical demonstration? And when you clamor for an 8-hour day you are simply making an ass of yourself. See other column.

Again, the craft unions claim the right to organize. To a large extent this right is being denied by the bosses. Hence the campaign for the "open shop." And this campaign has made heavy inroads into the ranks of craft unionism. However, the craft union form of organization makes it a capitalist institution; upholding the wage system and wage slavery. Such being the case, the craft unions have no kick when the Bosses turn them down. Some years ago the late Hanna gave the key to the situation when he spoke of the "labor leaders" as "My Labor Lieutenants." Then straightway proceeded to establish the Civic Federation for purposes now well understood. Some craft unions are "good" from the capitalist viewpoint, which means they are very bad for the workers.

Hence we see the "good" unions are allowed to live upon the sufferance of the Bosses. And, in the eyes of the U. M. W. of Pa., they are even assimilated into life by the infamous "check no money" rule. The coal operators gave as a reason for this that they "could control the mine" better through the craft union than any other way." But, in the main, the craft unions are being hounded out of existence, and the remainder will soon have to follow. But the workers need some tears over the grave of the craft union.

(To be continued.)

Some of the Differences

Industrial Unionism.

Manifestly the workers union of the present and future has come to the parting of the ways. Industrial developments have decreed it; and the capitalist class have recoiled that decree. Since the government at Washington declared for the open shop in the Government-Primery as the outcome of the "Miller case," from that time on the capitalist class have taken their cue from that decision, and have carried on a systematic campaign for the "open shop." Like the craft unions, the I. W. W. also contends for the "closed shop." Not, however, on a craft basis, but upon an industrial basis. The I. W. W. does not organize on a "craft basis," but upon a class basis. No shop is a closed shop until every man, woman or child is in the organization.

The Industrial union is based upon the idea that the labor movement is a class movement. Anything less than that is only a spasmodic effort of a small division, or sub-division of the workers. As a Fundamental truth, the workers can only rise as the working class rises. In a word, the labor movement is a mass movement, or a force. That idea that divides the workers into "occupational" groups paves the way for certain defeat. Craft divisions smelt of "aristocracy of labor," creates needless antagonism, draws the spirit of revolt away from the class struggle and sets the workers to fighting among themselves over petty questions of "jurisdiction," etc. Finally, for the bosses to defeat a class united strike, the crafts may succeed in stopping a wheel here and there. But the strike of the mass spells paralysis.

So also does the I. W. W. clamor for higher wages, but not by any means as a finality. Higher wages is, at best, but a temporary makeshift relief. Believes strongly, but cures nothing. The very word "wages" is repugnant to the I. W. W. concept. First, because the word wages implies wage slavery. Second, every economist, including those of the capitalist school, have proven that labor, and labor only, is the sole creator of the means of life. Such being the case, we refuse to regard a paltry rise in the money wage as a finality. But, while we accept such a rise merely as a makeshift, yet we never lose sight of the fact that the system of wage slavery must be attacked and finally abolished. And if labor creates all the means of life, then labor must claim all it creates, and no cunningly devised sophistry shall be allowed to obscure this issue. It is the issue in the class struggle of our times. The I. W. W. forces the issue as a class movement, imbued with the class conscience spirit of solidarity, the mass movement.

Similarly the I. W. W. clamors for a shorter work-day. As we accept a shorter work-day as a makeshift, yet a palliative, but by no means a cure. The modern industrial revolution is by no means comprehended by the workers. If we leave the question of working hours to the bosses, they will decide for 24 hours per day. And wherever possible, they have made this the rule of practice. And the craft unions have done little or nothing to prevent it. Long hours means long profits for the bosses. A matter of historical fact, the more the workers work the less they get for working. They are poor because they do all the work. The bosses are rich because the workers work, while they do no work whatever. Now, as we have already shown through the columns of Solidarity, only about one hour's work per day is really necessary to the working class. All over and above one hour is surplus values that goes into the pockets of the bosses.

So, then, your "eight hour" scheme is a makeshift. That seven hours is blithering idiosyncy. Anyone wishing to challenge this much. Anyone wishing to challenge this statement, address "Editor of Solidarity,"

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STRIKES! STRIKES!

At Los Angeles, Cal., the car barn men and car repair men of the Pacific Electric Company asked for a raise of 2-1/2c per hour. The request was refused. The manager said that he could not understand how men with any sense could expect such a thing. Now the men are being fired by degrees.

Strike of textile workers at Gosnold mill, New Bedford, Mass. It is just getting interesting. There are a number of nationalities involved, but only one kind of workers. The I. W. W. is in charge of the strike.

Strike at Roebing Sons Company wire works, Trenton, N. J. Fifteen hundred men out for higher wages and union recognition.

Strike at Acme rubber plant, Trenton, N. Y. Three men fired. Balance go back to work.

General strike was averted in potteries of East Liverpool, Wellsville, Chester and Newell by giving a 10c per cent advance.

Bedford, Ind., March 25.—Jos. F. McHugh, 520 Sixth St., N. W., Washington, D. C.—Nine strikers jailed today, charged with violation of injunction. Men innocent, but no money to furnish cash bonds, as required. Prisoners taken to Bloomington. All quarries shut down, and we are determined to win. Immediate help required. Brothers do your duty. Publish in April Journal.

J. CHAMBERS,
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JOE EVANS, Pres. General Union.

Strike at Yatesboro, a mining camp near Kittanning, Pa.

The Union Labor party, launched by the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor, has a sort of a familiar look to us. But I have a suspicion that this child is illegitimate; and will most likely die a born. But even if it lives, it will be just as scabby as its Father.

Cement workers strike at Volcanette, N. J. The men were offered an increase of 6 per cent, but refused it. The men want a raise of from \$1.50 to \$2.04 per day. Superintendent Dunn said that the foreigners who went out are good mechanics, but in view of the fact that they had steady work, seven days a week, for a long period of time, with no prospect of being idle, the company considered the demand unreasonable.

Ellwood, Ind.—Charles Beech, a strike breaker, was shot during a riot between striking employes of the tin plate mills and strikebreakers here on April 17.

Teamsters strike in Toledo. Wages raised from \$12 to \$14 per week. The men would have gotten \$15 had it not been for the trickery of the "Rev. J. Boetker, secretary of both the Citizens' Alliance and the Carriage Association. We have heard of this act just before. The workers ought to give this fellow an interesting session.

The men in the Beers pipe mills of Pittsburg, S. S., are on strike. Out for a raise of wages. The "foreigner" started the strike, and that compelled the shut down of the entire plant. The I. W. W. has the situation well in hand.

A strike is brewing in on the Standard Steel Car Works at New Castle, Pa. The men are asking for a raise of wages. They have, very wisely, refused an offer of "peace work." That old bait did not work.

The strike of the tin plate workers of New Castle, Pa., still continues. The "gentlemen" who are trying to fill the strikers' places are still spoiling good material. That is about all. Meanwhile, the poor devils of "foremen" are threatened with brain fog and homicidal insanity.

Lowell, Mass., Attention!
The English speaking branch of the U. N. 466, Branch 1, has headquarters at 92 Tilden street, 6 rear. Business meeting every Thursday night. Every share interested in Industrial Unionism invited. Solidarity and a full line of Industrial Union literature for sale. Address of Secretary, C. Vandevelder, 95 Worthen St., Lowell, Mass.

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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 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.

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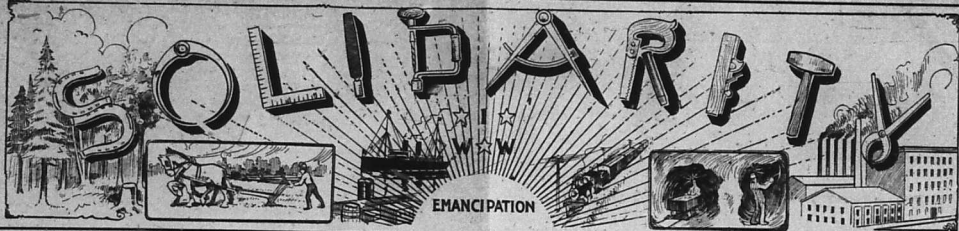
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The old trouble has broken out again at the McKees Rocks works. Dissatisfaction and trouble has been brewing there ever since the great strike last year. When the strike was declared off and the men returned to work it was upon the strength of certain promises made by the Bosses. Some of these promises have never been carried out. Others again have been partially carried out, but in such an odious and burdensome way that the actual benefits to the workers has been reduced to zero.

Since the strike of last year the conduct of the company has been spiteful and resentful. Every mean expedient has been practiced on the workers to make their lives miserable.

Moreover, about 20 of the Cosack thugs have been put on the company's police force. This is hardly a good plan to secure industrial peace.

Now the inevitable has happened, and 6,500 workers are again on strike.

Just as we go to press we learn that the Americans are again being lined up against the "foreigners."

Again the dirty scabs march to work under the U. S. flag, and "patriotism" is appealed to in order to serve the purposes of the brutal corporation. Similarly, the capitalist papers are doing all they can in conjunction with the Cosacks to create "riots."

However, the I. W. W. has a strong organization at McKees Rocks, and the works can not operate without the I. W. W. men.

ONE BIG UNION would soon stop this scab-patriotism business.

NOTICE.

"Eleven Blind Leaders" and "Union Subs" may also be ordered from General Headquarters of the I. W. W. by addressing the General Secretary, VINCENT ST. JOHN, 518 Cambridge Building, Chicago, Ill. Prices same as if ordered directly from publishers.

Car Situation Turns Serious.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 20.—The motormen, conductors and officials of the Pittsburg Railways Company again failed to agree at their conference yesterday, and little headway was made. J. J. Thorpe, business agent of the street car employees, stated last night that on the conference of to-day hinged the matter as to whether the cars will be run after midnight tonight.

The men were almost unanimous in their vote yesterday morning against accepting the offer made by the company, which provided for a 7-year sliding scale, the new members receive 23¢ an hour, and the seven year and older service men to get 29 1-2¢ an hour. The company's proposition also provides to deal with the men as individuals instead of an organization. The men are holding for 27, 28 and 29 cents per hour, covering a period of four years' service.

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THE STRIKE BREAKER. As a factor in industrialism the strike breaker never amounted to much...

Now, with this era of transfiguration in full swing the small 'independent' shop is gone...

As a rule skill is little needed, and therefore does not count for much. The cheap-labor is automatic obedience...

This process the strike breaker does not understand further does he care to. He comes from an element in capitalist society...

Manifestly it is clear that great industrial plants cannot be successfully operated with such discipline. Hence it is singular...

Make your presence known and felt in a truly sympathetic, though uncompromising manner. Deliver the message of industrial unionism...

ten rid of. As to his cost he is at once the most useless, and most expensive nuisance...

The really dangerous strike breakers are the men who carry the cards of craft unions, whose proper title is organized scabbery.

The National Convention of the I. W. W. The National Convention to be held in Chicago, on May first, will be held at a time of vast importance...

In the face of present existing conditions the I. W. W. is the only organization that gives any hope of rising to the situation.

How do these two things the most efficient for the convention to determine. However, there are some things that will not do it.

Enthusiasm will help, but a good persistent plan of campaign is what is wanted. Hard, practical work, coupled in an alert intelligence that sees all that is going on...

Arouse, workers! May Day is drawing near! Get ready to elaborate the international solidarity of labor. Capital is now international; not only in the form of corporations...

Let those of you who are members of the Industrial Workers of the World, be especially active on May Day. Join in all the great celebrations of the working class...

Point out its significance, request protests against the same and have them sent to the authorities of New Castle, Pa.

The Blacksmith's Chain.

The story goes that in a certain prison the keeper summoned a blacksmith who was one of the inmates...

Spurred by the hope that he would be rewarded for his pains and perhaps receive his liberty the blacksmith again took up the task until the chain, muscles and all, was brought before the keeper and pronounced complete.

And, as in the case of the blacksmith with the chain, so also is the labor that creates the mills and factories and all the instruments of production indispensable.

The laborer to his work and in the first two hours creates the value of his day's wages. The rest of his working hours must give to the boss. So surplus value is created.

For all this labor power is like the blacksmith in proving his chain, unpaid. Labor produces all wealth. The instruments of production, now in the hands of the master class, simply represent unpaid wages which have been withheld from the workers by the masters.

But here the assemblance of the worker to the blacksmith in our story ends. For him there was no alternative. His making of the chain meant for him simply a more firm and lasting bondage...

Let the instruments of production once be collectively owned and operated and they will lift the burden of drudgery from the shoulders of the world and make it possible for every soul not only to make a living but also to make a life.

Organize industrially, and take possession. A general movement of the working class in Milwaukee to secure higher wages and shorter hours...

An Opportunity in Milwaukee.

As all the world knows, the Socialist party carried Milwaukee by a clean sweep at the last municipal elections just held. They elected their candidate for mayor, Emil Seidel, by a majority of 8,000, besides seven new aldermen-at-large and 14 of the ward aldermen.

Now is the opportunity of labor to put the matter to a practical test whether or not there is anything for the working class in ballot box action, and if so, whether or not the Socialist, or Socialist-Democratic party, as it is there known, affords an efficient means for its expression.

In Milwaukee, as is well known, in spite of all the trade union and S. P. agitation that has long contributed its share toward making Milwaukee famous, "labor conditions have long been about the worst of any city on the continent, both in respect of hours and wages."

It is true that the S. D. P. platform on which Milwaukee was carried consisted almost entirely of middle class reform propositions, such as better street car service, cheaper gas and reforms in taxation.

Further, it has always insisted that political action, functioning through itself as the medium, was not only necessary to the working class, but necessary.

The working class in Milwaukee should at once begin a general move all along the line for higher wages and shorter hours. Such a movement, in itself, can not help but be productive of good, as working class solidarity always accomplishes results.

We are vitally interested in higher wages and shorter hours. More dinner and less work. Can these Socialist Aldermen and Mayor, by virtue of their official position, do anything to help us get it?

A new leaflet by A. M. Sturton, 'GETTING RECOGNITION.' Just one thing to distribute now all over the country with strikes for recognition of unions breaking out all over the country.

Your town may be 'dry'. Or your town may be 'wet'. But a substitute wage is all that you get.

Solidarism.

"Solidarism," the organ of the Industrial Workers of the World in the Polish language, will make its appearance May 1, International Workingmen's Day.

Come boys, your locals can certainly afford to scrape up a dollar or two for the paper and pick up a few subscribers. Do not delay. It's dangerous. Let us show those who scorn us that we can do things in spite of all their opposition.

Original motion from the U. No. 174, San Francisco, that the per capita tax be cut down to 5 cents. Amended that any general members of U. No. District Councils, National Industrial Unions or Departments pay a per capita tax of 3 cents.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

Submitted by Joint Meeting of Unions Nos. 1, 12, 18 and 63 of Los Angeles, Cal., March 5, 1910.

Moved and carried that the General Office be more centrally located. That the date of the convention be set aside for the second Monday in May.

The above resolutions are hereby respectfully submitted for the consideration of the organization, by U. No. 1, 12, 18 and 63, Los Angeles, Cal., March 6, 1910.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS. Copy must be in hand by Tuesday night to insure its publication that week.

A new leaflet by A. M. Sturton, 'GETTING RECOGNITION.' Just one thing to distribute now all over the country with strikes for recognition of unions breaking out all over the country.

The President's reply to the plea of the strikers that human life as well as business interests should be protected in Schwaab works, gave no promise of assistance...

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Some of the Differences.

Craft Unionism.

The craft union was called into existence by conditions that have long since greatly changed, or have passed away entirely. But, while conditions have changed to a revolutionary extent, the craft union has remained in a fixed, frozen relation; has not adapted itself to industrial changes. Hence it has fallen behind the procession of events, and has become positively reactionary in its character and operations. However, it still makes a feeble and unsystematic struggle for the "closed shop."

But, even experience has not taught them that the craft union tactic precludes the possibility of the closed shop.

Craft unionism tends to encourage the idea of "craft autonomy." Craft autonomy develops craft selfishness, craft rivalry, thus bringing into the craft unions the practices and trickeries of political party pulling. This sort of thing ultimately leads the craft unionist to conclude that his particular craft can gain some small temporary advantage but his craft need not concern themselves overmuch about the welfare of other craft unions. Gradually this policy becomes a case of every craft for itself, and the devil takes the hindmost.

Finally, this spirit and practice leads to positive demerit; the organization of rival unions indiscriminately scabbing upon each other, and in the end all are at the mercy of the capitalist employer, and can maintain a semblance of an organization at all only by the bosses' consent.

The craft unions clamor for higher wages. High wages, being with the craft unionist a finality. High wages is the end and aim of his highest ambition. High wages and High Heaven are one and the same thing to the craft unionist. He does not object to being a wage slave if he is only a high priced slave; just as it used to be with the black slaves who boasted to their fellows of how much they cost.

Wages means that the workers get but a small part of the wealth they create; not, however, as a matter of compensation for their labor; but merely to feed them and keep them able to continue to do more labor for the bosses.

This system of wage labor is known as the modern wage slavery. But "high wages" is as far as the craft unionist ambition climbs, and is all his feeble mental powers can comprehend.

The craft unionist also clamors for shorter hours of labor. But, my friend, what do you mean by shorter hours of labor? Do you mean the man who works 12 hours shall work 11, or 10? Or he who works 8 hours shall work 7 or 8? Or he who works 8 hours shall work 7 or 6? What do you mean by shorter hours? By what method do you persuade yourself that any man should work more than any other man? Shorter hours, as the craft unionist means it, is too, but a petty makeshift.

But, did it never strike you that all those who work at all work equally, too much? And while they are working too much, a great host can get no work whatever. Did you ever study the development of machinery and its effect upon the hours of labor; and also the effect it should have? Do you not know that the working hours is a matter capable of mathematical demonstration? And when you clamor for an 8-hour day you are simply making an ass of yourself. See other column.

Again, the craft unions claim the right to organize. To a large extent this right is being denied by the bosses. Hence the campaign for the "open shop." And this campaign has made heavy inroads into the ranks of craft unionism. However, the craft union form of organization makes it a capitalist institution; upholding the wage system and wage slavery. Such being the case, the craft unions have no kick when the bosses turn them down. Some years ago the late Hanna gave the key to the situation when he spoke of the "labor leaders" as "My Labor Lieutenants." Then straightway proceeded to establish the Civic Federation for purposes now well understood. Some craft unions are "good" from the capitalist viewpoint, which means they are very bad for the workers.

Hence we see the "good" unions are allowed to live upon the sufferance of the bosses. And, in the case of the U. M. W. of Pa., they are even persecuted into life by the infamous "check no money" law. The coal operators gave as a reason for this that they "could control the mine" better through the craft union than any other way." But, in the main, the craft unions are being hounded out of existence, and the remainder will soon have to follow. But the workers need not fear tears over the grave of the craft union.

Industrial Unionism.

Some of the Differences

Industrial Unionism.

Manifestly the workers union of the present and future has come to the parting of the ways. Industrial developments have decreed it; and the capitalist class have recoiled that decree. Since the government at Washington declared for the open shop in the Government-Primery as the outcome of the "Miller case," from that time on the capitalist class have taken their cue from that decision, and have carried on a systematic campaign for the "open shop."

Like the craft unions, the I. W. W. also contends for the "closed shop." Not, however, on a craft basis, but upon an industrial basis. The I. W. W. does not organize on a "craft basis, but upon a class basis. No shop is a closed shop until every man, woman or child is in the organization.

The Industrial union is based upon the idea that the labor movement is a class movement. Anything less than that is only a spasmodic effort of a small division, or sub-division of the workers. As a Fundamental truth, the workers can only rise as the working class rises. In a word, the labor movement is a mass movement, or a force. That idea that divides the workers into "occupational" groups paves the way for certain defeat. Craft divisions smelt of "aristocracy of labor," creates needless antagonism, dawns the spirit of revolt away from the class struggle and sets the workers to fighting among themselves over petty questions of "jurisdiction," etc. Finally, for the bosses to defeat a class united strike, the crafts may succeed in stopping a wheel here and there. But the strike of the mass spells paralysis.

So also does the I. W. W. clamor for higher wages, but not by any means as a finality. Higher wages is, at best, but a temporary makeshift relief. Believes strongly, but cures nothing. The very word "wages" is repugnant to the I. W. W. concept. First, because the word wages implies wage slavery. Second, every economist, including those of the capitalist school, have proven that; labor, and labor only, is the sole creator of the means of life. Such being the case, we refuse to regard a paltry rise in the money wage as a finality. But, while we accept such a rise merely as a makeshift, yet we never lose sight of the fact that the system of wage slavery must be attacked and finally abolished. And if labor creates all the means of life, then labor must claim all it creates, and no cunningly devised sophistry shall be allowed to obscure this issue. It is the issue in the class struggle of our times. The I. W. W. forces the issue as a class movement, imbued with the class conscience spirit of solidarity, the mass movement.

Similarly the I. W. W. clamors for a shorter work-day. As we accept a shorter work-day as a makeshift, yet a palliative, but by no means a cure. The modern industrial revolution is by no means comprehended by the workers. If we leave the question of working hours to the bosses, they will decide for 24 hours per day. And wherever possible, they have made this the rule of practice. And the craft unions have done little or nothing to prevent it. Long hours means long profits for the bosses. A matter of historical fact, the more the workers work the less they get for working. They are poor because they do all the work. The bosses are rich because the workers work, while they do no work whatever. Now, as we have already shown through the columns of Solidarity, only about one hour's work per day is really necessary to the working class. All over and above one hour is surplus values that goes into the pockets of the bosses.

So, then, your "eight hour" scheme is a makeshift. That seven hours is a blithering idiosyncy. Anyone wishing to challenge this much. Anyone wishing to challenge this statement, address "Editor of Solidarity,"

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STRIKES! STRIKES!

At Los Angeles, Cal., the car barn men and car repair men of the Pacific Electric Company asked for a raise of 2-1/2c per hour. The request was refused. The manager said that he could not understand how men with any sense could expect such a thing. Now the men are being fired by degrees.

Strike of textile workers at Gosnold mill, New Bedford, Mass. It is just getting interesting. There are a number of nationalities involved, but only one kind of workers. The I. W. W. is in charge of the strike.

Strike at Roebing Sons Company wire works, Trenton, N. J. Fifteen hundred men out for higher wages and union recognition.

Strike at Acme rubber plant, Trenton, N. Y. Three men fired. Balance go back to work.

General strike was averted in porteries of East Liverpool, Wellsville, Chester and Newell by giving a 10c per cent advance.

Bedford, Ind., March 25.-Jos. F. McHugh, 520 Sixth St., N. W., Washington, D. C.-Nine strikers jailed today, charged with violation of injunction. Men innocent, but no money to furnish cash bonds, as required. Prisoners taken to Bloomington. All quarries shut down, and we are determined to win. Immediate help required. Brothers do your duty. Publish in April Journal.

J. CHAMBERS, President.
JOE EVANS, Pres. General Union.

Strike at Yatesboro, a mining camp near Kittanning, Pa.

The Union Labor party, launched by the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor, has a sort of a familiar look to us. But I have a suspicion that this child is illegitimate, and will most likely die a "born-but even if it lives, it will be just as scabby as its Father.

Cement workers strike at Volcanette, N. J. The men were offered an increase of 6 per cent, but refused it. The men want a raise of from \$1.50 to \$2.04 per day. Superintendent Dunn said that the foreigners who went out are good mechanics, but in view of the fact that they had steady work, seven days a week, for a long period of time, with no prospect of being idle, the company considered the demand unreasonable.

Ellwood, Ind.-Charles Beech, a strike breaker, was shot during a riot between striking employes of the tin plate mills and strikebreakers here on April 17.

Teamsters strike in Toledo. Wages raised from \$12 to \$14 per week. The men would have gotten \$15 had it not been for the trickery of the "Rev. J. Boetker, secretary of both the Citizens' Alliance and the Carriage Association. We have heard of this act just before. The workers ought to give this fellow an interesting session.

The men in the Beers pipe mills of Pittsburg, S. S., are on strike. Out for a raise of wages. The "foreigner" started the strike, and that compelled the shut down of the entire plant. The I. W. W. has the situation well in hand.

A strike is brewing in on the Standard Steel Car Works at New Castle, Pa. The men are asking for a raise of wages. They have, very wisely, refused an offer of "piece work." That old bait did not work.

The strike of the tin plate workers of New Castle, Pa., still continues. The "gentlemen" who are trying to fill the strikers' places are still spoiling good material. That is about all. Meanwhile, the poor devils of "foremen" are threatened with brain fog and homicidal insanity.

Lowell, Mass., Attention!
The English speaking branch of the U. N. 466, Branch 1, has headquarters at 92 Tilden street, 6 rear. Business meeting every Thursday night. Every share interested in Industrial Unionism invited. Solidarity and a full line of Industrial Union literature for sale. Address of Secretary, C. Vandevelder, 95 Worthen St., Lowell, Mass.

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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 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 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 wages 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 every-day 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.

Knowing, therefore, that such an organization is absolutely necessary for our emancipation we unite under the following constitution.

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