

GOV. SPRY'S "PATRIOTIC" DETECTIVES FOUND TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THREATS IN LETTER TO BLOW UP GOVERNOR'S HOME

(Special to Solidarity)
Salt Lake, Utah, Dec. 11

Local 99 wishes to announce that up to date it is still doing business within the shadow of the Temple. After that the reason Solidarity has failed to hear from us, is because of an overdose of detective agencies.

Anxious to reap a golden harvest, implicating the I W W in dynamite plots, the sleuths made life interesting for the authorities. As well, they secured nice comfortable inside jobs, guarding sacred property.

One particular outfit, styling itself "The Inter-Mountain Protective Association" cut an awful dash here for about three months. Its particular mission in society was to secure evidence and protect the dear citizens from the I W W. Captain Gerry, the promoter and chief operative, opened up business here three months ago, with a grand flourish, announcing that he arrested Ettor and Giovannitti in Lawrence, Mass., and performed many other remarkable exploits. He also announced that he was the self-appointed "Nemesis of the I W W." All of the organization's secrets were in his possession, he claimed, promising the prospect of any business men immunity from violence at stated sums per month.

The next feature noticeable was the sudden arrival of many threatening letters signed by K. O. D., "Jack of Spades," etc., in order to increase business. This had a great effect, for by the time the authorities decided to tackle Gov. Spry, and hand him a few fairy tales for a change. This was done by two so-called operatives, calling on him, giving information that they had attended secret meetings of the Hill Defense Committee, and that Gov. Spry's home was doomed to be blown up on the evening of Nov. 18th, between 8 and 9 o'clock.

More excitement, and the local press were soon out in big headlines: "Gov. Spry will drive the I W W out of Utah!" All members and friends were shadowed day and night, until one would imagine the allies from Europe were in town. Everything would have been lovely all around but for one alarming fact. While the Governor's home was supposed to go up in a smoke, Fellow Worker Bert Lorton was holding a big street meeting on 2nd South Street, and the Defense Committee was supposed to say goodbye to Joe Hill at his execution.

This spoiled Captain Gerry's plans entirely, and now he is in jail convicted of opening U. S. mails. And his two star operatives are also behind the bars for conspiracy and trying to blackmail Gov. Spry. The two last named, Paul Riley and H. McDonald, were to come up for trial today, but it has been postponed.

Much disappointment prevails at the failure all around to job the active members in Salt Lake City. All of our leading business men are busy kicking themselves and figuring on securing our secrets themselves by reading Solidarity every week. Seeing that the state of Utah has not been fenced in yet, Local 69 deems it advisable to mention that the "welcome sign" is still hanging out at the headquarters; that we have got to go right ahead with the program of the One Big Union. Don't pass up Salt Lake City just because the good word of solidarity is being worked by co-operating to push education, agitation and organization to our utmost in dear old Utah.

ED ROWAN, Secy. 69

"Put your trust in God." But organize to abolish capitalism.

The social disease is in industry. The cure is industrial. Give the diseased industries a dose of sabotage and direct action.

In Northern Minnesota the lumberjack is getting half as much wages as three years ago. The owner of the camps is getting more for the logs. Don't blame the boss, boys; organize and demand decent wages and conditions.

The capitalist press says the I. W. W. means I won't work. When the I. W. W. by the thousands went to work in Kansas and the Dakotas there was a big holler. Now the bosses of Northern Minnesota are raising Cain because we won't stay off the job.

The A. W. O. "pitchforked" thousands of dollars into working class pockets here in the Middle West. Watch them "peave" more thousands into the lumberjack's pockets this winter in the northern woods.

Sanny Gomper believes in preparedness to fight and he wants to have labor representation on the preparedness board. We would support W. D. Haywood, Gurley Flynn, Ettor, and all members of labor representatives. They are experts on preparedness. How would it be to put a bomb on the preparedness board, also, as the stiff should be given a say as to whether he wants to fight the other fellow's country.

BADGER LUMBER BUILDERS TRY OUT MODEL CITY'

Strict Sabbath Observance, No Liquor and "Wholesome Entertainment," is Plan.

Chipewaga Falls, Wis. Dec. 13.—(Special)—The economic value of decent living and of Sunday observance is getting a thorough test on a great public work in Wisconsin, near here, where the Wisconsin-Minnesota Light and Power company is constructing a \$2,000,000 dam on the Chipewaga river for hydro-electric purposes. The company has built a model city, giving homes to 1,000 persons during a night. The company will provide amusements, such as a library and a skating rink, and establish a hospital with paid nurses, under the supervision of a resident physician and will make the city sanitary in every respect. Plans are now under way to erect a factory of light and water plants and a complete sewerage system.

The dam and the city are laid down in that there shall be no desecration of the Sabbath, gambling, liquor, and entertainment, it will be tolerated in the city. Other rules are that every man will be required to take a bath once a week and must send his clothing to laundry once a week. The dam and the city are laid down in that there shall be no desecration of the Sabbath, gambling, liquor, and entertainment, it will be tolerated in the city. Other rules are that every man will be required to take a bath once a week and must send his clothing to laundry once a week.

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After looking over the above clipping we find that it is worth commenting on, as many of us have heard of the fact that these so-called "MODEL CITIES," before.

When these men were born with the heritage of American citizenship had two exceptions, one being a Canadian and the other a Hungarian, but that were all excepted.

Having picture shows, entertainments, pool sleeping quarters, etc., all well and good, but this the workers could have had many years ago, in construction camps. The value of ORGANIZATION, these improvements are due to the fact that the I. W. W. has been on the job in the various camps.

Through the public press the contractor believe that they are kind-hearted and gentle after the fashion of the workers. This is not so. It is not the kind-hearted contractor who has DEMANDED and FORCED these better conditions and are going to demand more in the future.

The worker will find out after he has been on the job while that HE HIMSELF will have to pay for (Continued On Page Four)

HOW THE U. M. W. OF A. STRIKES

(Special to Solidarity)
Olcott, W. Va., Dec. 17.

The miners who have been on a strike for seven weeks without any outside aid.

After many meetings with the Board and many conferences being refused to separate the "gray splint." It is needless to say that this mine is working in true U. M. W. spirit.

No financial assistance has been given the strikers by the district. Several delegates are traveling through the district asking aid from the locals, which is slow coming.

When, oh when will the slaves get wise? EL VAGABUNDA.

NEWS NOTES FROM THE BATTLE FRONT OF INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM

LEECH LAKE, MINN., Dec. 17th. The Leech Lake Lumber Co. here is employing 98 men. Warehouse, cook house and bunk house all under one roof. If fire started anywhere in camp there is only one door in the bunk house. It would be a death trap but timber beasts are according to the timber barons too cheap to protect. The workers will have to protect themselves. Work four to five miles from camp. The men walk out long before daylight and walk in long after dark. They are saying \$18 to \$20, depending on the work, if you stay a life time. If you do not they pay generally at \$18. Don't blame the boss, boys. You who are unorganized are making these conditions.

KELLHER, MINN., Dec. 17. About 100 men are working in camps around here. The Crookston Lumber Company is the biggest timber company here. No men are hired without an employment ticket. No men looking for work will be fed. Men work three or four days in many cases and get canned to make tickets. The workers know the system worked as he has been worked that way before. More outfits in this territory charge hospital fees than have hospitals. Hospital fees come first. The man keeps working a steady as they will permit him he get by with as low as three dollars a month on an average. Wages are poor but a big bunch of reds coming here would change all this. Organization is the road power. Wobblies, come up here, the timber boss is anxious to help you show the boss what the European War is like.

BENA, MINN., Dec. 17th. There are five camps out of here employing about seven hundred for W. Cochran camps there will not stand for men with employment tickets. The crew will not let them. There are real men employed there and more of the same breed will be wanted here. The camps all over this territory are owned by the Windy Bad and Lousy, and the Keckum and Robum syndicates. There is an enormous amount of discontent in the territory and more delegates are needed there. Some of the bosses understand direct action. They are not afraid of picket handles and keep their clothes. Come there with the wooden shoes and the men will be glad to see you. Easy to reach and easy to win there.

At Cass Lake, Cochran has another camp, also a good place to go.

BIMDJI, MINN., Dec. 17th. Men are scarce here at the present time. The wages are good for two or three days here and work will start up in all the timber country in a few days on a larger scale.

nd building has as yet been the principal work outside of cutting ties, poles and cord wood. The rates of wages are a terrible jumble, as the bosses are trying to find out how little the workers will accept. Some men are being hired as teamsters at \$4 and a few minutes after another bunch of teamsters go out as low as \$20. The same is true of all other timber work in this district. The general agitation could be the wage scale of three years ago. We can get this within two months if we concentrate here. Hours would be shorter. We could organize almost every man in the timber industry.

The sentiment for the one big union here is great. The workers have faith in us. They know our Dakota record. I have seen the same sentiment against the organization here among the workers. Many of the businessmen who are usually going to the wall as the result of starvation for the workers and their inability to buy even the bare necessities of life, are in favor of organization and the better wage scale which would result.

The men are especially sore on the employment agencies here. A little organization of the right kind on the job will, however, care this. The employment agencies are a result of lack of organization of the workers and will disappear as the workers organize.

BAIN, MINN., Dec. 17th. Conditions around Bain and vicinity are poor. The logging companies are paying from \$20 to \$25 with the exception of some work which is done by the piece. But up to the present time they have had very little piece work, owing to the poor prices paid for same.

Many of the lumberjacks seem to be a most contented lot, hardly ever kicking. Looking for a "good job" all the time, but never trying to make it better, where they are working. Just the other night I distributed some circulars issued by the A. W. O., appealing to the logging camps to organize, etc. The contractor happened to be in the sleeping quarters and he was very glad to read one of the circulars; it could be noticed that the next morning the workers not employed should come to work in these camps and help get the lumberjacks to line up.—John Wall.

AMES, IOWA, Dec. 15th. A college town on the Northwestern coast, about 100 miles north of Des Moines, with a population of 9,000, is some bustling burg, that is in the building. Many buildings are in course of construction and nowhere near finished, some of which are a hotel, church, municipal building, electric lighting plant and others too numerous to mention.

On the college campus they are erecting a concrete structure for Domestic Science, which will be ready in the spring. Contractors are now equipping themselves with some kind of building. Contractors are let on a new bank and a new hospital, with work to start right away.

There is also plenty of ditch digging in the woods are not getting an hour on all jobs for common labor, except the electric lighting work. The Board here can be obtained for \$5.00 per week.

In the woods they are going to do about six miles of paving. With all this work and a check previously obtained here.—E. F. Dick.

DULUTH, MINN., Dec. 15. The members of the A. W. O. up here in the woods are not getting as much support from outside members as they should. The camps here are not very good; in fact they are rotten, and the only way to better them is for the wobblies to concentrate their efforts upon the lumber industry the same as they did in the harvest fields. The wobbles could do the same and force the lumber companies to come through with better living conditions. Wake up, fellow workers. Join the A. W. O. and do it now.—Delegate 16K.

The Shears family is a vast aggregation of laboring men. A bunch of dollars of wealth for a bunch of dollars. Are you one of the Shears boys?

Governor Spry has begun his campaign against "law-breakers" in Utah. The first batch, however, were not I. W. W.'s, but a trio of "patriotic" detectives who were wanted to be compelled to jail for blackmailing him with an "I. W. W. bomb plot." How humiliating! That is distribution No. 1.

Don't it seem strange to you that an organizing committee advocating that bums at the top and bottom of society be put to work, that holes are bums at the top and bottom be unnecessary and impossible, should be blamed for not wanting to fight the bums? The capitalists who hate us because we want them to be useful instead of parasites who do not want to work.

I believe in preparedness—so do you, Jack—prepare to take over the industries and run them for the many and not for the few, as we are doing today.

The I. W. W. will make life worth living for the Northern lumberjacks—just twist her tail and watch her grow.

Industry is international in scope and tendency. The activity of the laborer is international, more far-reaching than any flag. The organization of workers to fight these men must also be international, wider than any nationality or flag. This is the I. W. W.

EL VAGABUNDA.

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Communism And The Railroads

"Studies In Modern Industrial Tendencies," by Justus Ebert, will be resumed in future issues. The next will be on "Communism and Capitalism in New York State." This is an interesting sketch of one of the most successful American experiments in communism that evolved into a modern industrial corporation, with millions of assets, and a chain of factories in the United States and Canada. The article will be followed by "New York's Agricultural Industrial Corporations." You will want to read both these articles and to get your shopmates to subscribe for Solidarity in order that they may read them also.

Solidarity will also continue to print articles and editorials of interest on the railroad eight-hour question and the anthracite coal situation. We want railroad men and miners everywhere to read Solidarity and to write for it. Hustle subscribers for Solidarity among them. Push Solidarity everywhere.

Railroad Men, Why Are You Unemployed?

Railroad men of all kinds wonder why there is not work for them at their former trade as brakemen, conductors, engineers and firemen. Why, when the railroads are handling more tonnage than ever, is there an ever increasing number of trainmen out of employment? Men whose records are clear with the companies, cannot find employment. They are on the bum. The answer to these questions is simple. It will be the purpose of this article to show in a brief way, the cause and cure for such a condition.

It will be necessary to open your eyes and look around. Observe the rapid changes that have taken place on the railroads. Compare the engines of five years ago with the engines of today. Note the difference in the tonnage hauled today and five years ago. Note the difference in the size of the engine, the size and weight of the steel. The double track system. The block signal and so on. All of these simply represent a great saving in time and labor to the railroad companies. They are so many reasons why you railroad men are on the bum.

In this short letter to railroad men I shall not review the many changes that have taken place in the railroad industry from the days of the link-and-pin and hand-brake to the modern pocket coupler and air brake, but simply deal with what has happened in the last five years. I do this because these changes are within the experience of the average man who follows railroading as an occupation.

Five years ago, especially on the "Big G" and more especially on the Minot division, a train crew handled from twelve to fifteen hundred tons between Minot and Devil's Lake. I mention the Minot division because I believe this division to be a fair example. But what is true on the Minot division is also true on other divisions. Take for instance, the Superior division. There is little or no difference in the tonnage handled by a train crew on this division and that of the Minot division.

Since the new engines have appeared on the scene, the "Big Malle-Compounds," there has been a great increase in the tonnage handled by the railroads. Not only this, but there has been an increase in the tonnage handled by train crews. Instead of a crew handling twelve to fifteen hundred tons as they did five years ago, they now handle four to seven thousand tons over the same division. This means that about one crew in three has been laid off. The improvements in rolling stock have put the trainmen on the bum.

But this is not all. There is the double track system used in many places. The double track system means a saving in time. It means that a train crew does not have to lie on a siding and wait for another train to pass. This saving in time is by no means a small item. It means that the railroad companies can operate their trains with less men than before. Add to this the effect of the block system in time saving and you again see a saving in time and consequently a saving in labor.

Inexperienced men are hired nowadays in preference to the old heads for the reason that they are not so apt to be dissatisfied with the conditions under which they work as is an old railroad man. They are not so apt to kick or find fault, and are therefore given preference. An old head on the railroad sees the necessity of more men to look over the train while on the siding as well as other things. The fireman of five years ago did not have to shovel near the amount of coal as does the fireman of today. This speeding up and piling up work on the railroad man is causing discontent all along the line.

The old unions, the five Brotherhoods, seem to be blind to the needs and desires of the railroad men. They are fast proving themselves incapable of handling the situation in anything like a satisfactory manner for their members. Last year in the state of Missouri, there was a demand on the part of the trainmen for an extra man to ride the middle of the train. Instead of the Union's using its power to meet this demand, it run the issue into politics with the usual result. The trainmen lost out. There is no end to the evidence in support of the claim that the five Brotherhoods are out of date and as such, are incapable of defending their members against the encroachments of the railroad companies upon their rights.

There is a wide and growing demand all along the line for a new union. A union more up to date than the old ones. This new union must be one that meets the conditions on the railroads. For a union to do as was done in Missouri, shift an issue of so much importance to the workers as was that one, into the game of politics, is to admit of its own inability to meet fairly, and successfully, the issue.

Should the railroad workers see fit to unite under the banner of the Industrial Workers of the World, there will be a real union among the workers. Instead of having five Brotherhoods

as is the case today, we will have One Big Union in the railroad industry. Instead of dividing even the organized workers in such a way that they have little power, let us unite all men now organized on the railroad with those who are now unorganized and working in the shops and on the section.

With such a union in the railroad industry, we would not need to solicit the aid of the politicians, or depend upon the good will of the railroad magnates for what we want. Everybody put his shoulder to the wheel and do his part by getting new members as well as by agitating and we will soon have a real union among the railroad men. By this method and by no other can the condition of unemployment now existing among railroad men be overcome.

Is The Working Class On Trial?

Nowadays, when every subsidized newspaper, every pulpiteer, every mouthpiece of capitalist society, is shouting "preparedness," it behooves the working class to study their motives very carefully.

Who and what do they wish to protect by preparing—by turning this country into a field of bristling cannon and bayonets? Not the workers, surely.

They merely wish to enulf this country in a wave of idiotic patriotism such as swept over it in 1898 during the Spanish-American war.

And what will be the inevitable outcome of such "preparedness"? Why, millions of you men, mostly members of the working class, will be sworn into the ranks, given a young cannon and drilled preparatory to the day when their services will be needed either to put down a rebellion in this country or to go abroad and slaughter the workers of other countries.

In various cities over this country we hear mutterings of the "citizen army." But just you stop and examine the roster of that said "citizen army"—95 per cent. wage slaves, if you please. You won't find many bankers, lawyers, preachers or doctors lined up there. Nay, nay; they will stay at home and provide ways and means of keeping the wool pulled over your eyes when you return—if you are damned fool enough to go.

The banker is needed to handle the shop (pension) that you may get; the lawyer is needed to orate once each year on the beauties of a big "free" country; the preacher is necessary to keep you from going to hell while you keep your hands from work; and the doctor is needed to patch you up again so that you can still shoulder a murder-stick and go out and take that which you cannot return—Life.

It is the duty of every workingman and woman to refuse to take any part in this preparation for a world war. If you are class conscious you realize full well the necessity of placing the matter squarely before your fellow workers. Sometimes the spoken word will be sufficient, at other times it may require a written page or a few lines to convince, but don't hesitate—do your duty.

A Call For Fighters

FELLOW WORKERS:—These fights are important. They are a means to an end—Job Organization. The end is more important than the means. The fight here at Bidmigi, Duluth, International Falls and wherever an I W W is stationed in the timber belt is more important than any free speech fight. You are needed, this is the call of International Industrial Workers of the World. There was never a field more promising for organization than right here this year. Wages have been cut in two the last two years and the lumber jacks are ripe for organization. We can beat our record in the harvest fields this winter in the timber belt. It is up to you rebels. Now for the greatest fight and the greatest victory in the history of the organization. Working together, fighting together we are sure to win.

Have a big bunch of camps here where men are needed and can produce results. Unorganized men who did not have the money to join right at the beginning of the winter have been agitating and in the camps. The delegates are doing grand work in agitating but there are not enough. Come up here and do the Timber Barons—good. That is the way they have done us. For details of where and how to go apply to W. T. Neff, or any of the stationary delegates. Confidential information will be given.

J. A. McDONALD,
Bidmigi, Minn.

A Word in Behalf of the Rivermen

If there ever was a bunch of men without protection it is rivermen who navigate on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. The rivermen need no more than dogs. Subject to duty at all times. When a watch is on duty they are called out at any hour. They receive no extra pay for overtime, twenty-four hours being considered a day's work.

There are two watches, the forward and after watch. The former goes out at six o'clock in the morning and at noon, then on again at six P. M. The latter starts at six in the evening, and from six to six A. M. Six hours to a watch.

The bunks, of course, are vermin infested. Changing bed clothing is unknown on the river. The men sleep in the same and dry their garments in the sleep room, called the after-cabin. Some claim they have sat at table and swapped crabs. The table at which they eat is filthy, covered with a greasy, dirty oil cloth. The water is enough to turn any man's stomach.

The captains, pilots, mates, engineers, and second mates all eat in the forward cabin. The grub they eat is better than that of the fireman. Their bunks are sanitary and comfortable. If there are any sweetmeats left over they are served in the after-cabin at the next meal. And they say there are no classes in America.

A crew of deck hands consists of coal passers and firemen. Negroes nearly always do the firing. The "coal passer" has to wheel coal from the fuel tank to the fireman, while the mate stands by and supervises his art of profanity. If a man happens to be a little rebellious in the bunk, he should be taken care of. The passers are never allowed any light; it blinds the pilot, so it's darkest on the river.

On the darkest night they have to feel for the coal. Often a passer when going up the run, his hand goes out and he feels the wheelbarrow, which at times falls into the water. The mate is always taking the pilot along. If he isn't broken it's up to him to fish the fish out and relate the story. The mate during this time is keeping abeam on him. I have seen many mates who are taking the working break their infernal necks at any

A. W. O. ESTABLISHED IN CALIFORNIA

Conference of Fifty-Five I. W. W. Delegates in Sacramento, Decides to Form Agricultural Workers' Local on Same Lines as in Middle West.

A conference of delegates from I W W locals was held at 114 Eye St., Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 12, according to previous arrangement, to establish a A W O in California. From a copy of the minutes, sent to Solidarity, we gather the following details:

The conference was regularly constituted, with Fellow Worker Doran as chairman, and Fellow Worker Friedkin, recording secretary. The credentials committee reported 47 delegates eligible to sit at the opening of the conference. Later the number increased to 55.

A Ways and Means and Organization Committee combined was elected to draw up a program of action for the conference. It consisted of Fellow Workers Martignoni, Soderquist, Walsh, Buckley, Hudd, Kline and Dodge.

G. E. B. Member F. H. Little addressed the conference and suggested that it get to work immediately and do business pertinent to the needs for the formation of an Agricultural Workers' Organization in California.

At the afternoon session on Dec. 12th, the report of the Organization and Ways and Means Committee was read, and taken up in the order of the agenda. The recommendation of the committee was adopted, that the conference start a local of the A W O in California, on the same basis as it was done at the Kansas City conference on April 15, 1915. Other recommendations, adopted as given, or modified by the conference, are as follows:

That all monies be placed in the hands of secretary of the file of the organization, present mixed local secretaries to be given preference.

That all branch monies above current expenses be sent in to A. W. O. of California.

That all credentials delegates from locals be added to the Ways and Means and Organization Committee.

That a universal initiation fee of \$2 be established for the A. W. O. of California.

That 50 cents of each initiation fee go for a six months' subscription to an I. W. W. paper, to be selected by the member joining.

That this conference make arrangements to draw on General Headquarters for \$100 when necessary, and secretary and organization committee deem it advisable to do so.

That if no monies over \$50, in hands of secretary, are available, a cent until he gets on the job.

That secretary of A. W. O. receive \$10 per week wages, as soon as there is work for him to do.

That the organization committee audit the secretary's books regularly every two weeks, often when necessary; the rank and file to be empowered to elect an auditing committee.

That all members of the organization committee be chosen from I W W members of a year or more in good standing.

That all monies over \$50, in hands of secretary of the A W O in Chicago, be sent to the general headquarters of the I W W in Chicago, to be held in trust.

That present local secretaries be authorized to issue camp delegate credentials to members in good standing.

That camp delegates be furnished with expense money when needed.

That \$100 worth of due books and due stamps be secured on account from general headquarters.

That the incoming secretary-treasurer devote his entire time to the A. W. O. of California.

That the office of the A W O be located at the most expedient point; that is, where most workers are employed in the harvest.

That the incoming secretary send communication to Solidarity, asking that paper to print a notice requesting men available for camp delegates to send in their names to secretary of the California A W O.

That we secure one thousand voluntary assessment stamps, same to sell at 25 cents each, to be used only for defense purposes.

Communications from Berkeley, Los Angeles, Fresno and from several individuals, were ordered filed.

That secretary-treasurer of California A W O be nominated from the floor of the conference. Three nominees accepted: Doran, Lambert, Schulz. Doran was elected with 35 votes, a majority of 18.

The organization committee, to consist of eleven was chosen in the same manner, as follows: Martignoni, Elkas, Rubic, Soderquist, Contaxes, Ronemus, Walsh, Grieves, Machugo, Schuit, Bloom.

Communication from Seattle regarding the restarting of the Industrial Worker was taken up for action, and it was decided that communication be filed, and that secretary reply, but we are at the present time in no position to help the fellow workers in Seattle in restarting the Industrial Worker.

A collection was taken up to cover cost of charter for A W O. It amounted to \$5 and was turned over to Secretary Doran.

That minutes of the conference go to all I W W papers, General Headquarters, A W O, at Minneapolis, as well as to all California A W O's.

That we instruct press committee to draw up resolutions on Caplan and Schmidt, Ford and Suhr, James Schmidt, Rangel and Cline and other prisoners of the class war.

That the secretary of the A W O get out a monthly bulletin to be sent to all locals in California, General Headquarters, I W W Press, and A W O headquarters in Minneapolis.

That soap-boxing shall not be tolerated around and in harvest fields, excepting that authorized by organization committee.

That we request General Headquarters to direct other locals applying for an A W O charter in this district, to co-operate with Sacramento conference of A W O of I W W.

Under good and welfare, Little, Grieves, Lechner, Elkas, Doran, Friedkin, Dodge and others spoke, outlining the possibilities for the newly organized A W O of California. Their remarks were responded to with great enthusiasm by the members present at the conference.

The conference adjourned after singing "The Red Flag," at 9 P. M., Dec. 13, 1915.

A. W. O. Branches

- The following branches of the A. W. O. carry supplies and literature, and delegates may be supplied by the same:
 - J. S. Gordon, 414 E. 5th St., Des Moines, Iowa.
 - J. B. Jones, 456 1/2 Main St., Kansas City, Mo.
 - Arthur R. Siedlar, 818 4th St., Sioux City, Iowa.
 - J. J. Rogers or James Riley, 1301 Douglas St., Omaha, Neb.
 - A. E. Fiske, 105 W. May Walker, Minneapolis, Minn.
 - Lumber District Branch—Arthur Roosa, 90 W. Mich. St., Duluth, Minn.
- Stationary Delegates:
 - W. T. Neff, 208 Minnesota Ave., care W. N. Weber, Bidmigi, Minn.
 - M. J. Griffin, General Delivery, International Falls, Minn.
 - W. T. Neff, Sec'y A. W. O., 232 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.
- Los Angeles Propaganda League asks Solidarity to announce that it has changed into a mixed local No. 602, and extends an invitation to all carry fellow workers to give a call. Initiation fee has been fixed at \$2.
- Tom Murphy communicates at once with Walter Pasewalk, 225 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis.
- Mail at Minneapolis headquarters (Tingblad, L. Bergquist, William E. R. Fiske, Mrs. May Walker, Paul Rauling, G. A. Hyslop, Dan Davis, Homer Mitchell, Carl Ackerson, R. E. Oleson).
- Preparedness? Sure! Prepare to get the good things of life for ever and to give the world over to capitalism.
- Newspaper headline—"Huntmen plans swamped with orders." Solidarity is your question bank, ask—we are not afraid of being swamped.

The Public & R. & N. Workers—Other News And Views

"The Public" is the latest device, behind which the railroad magnates...

"The Public be damned," used to be the motto of the railroad magnates...

"The public" should recall the thief, who, in order to evade his pursuers...

The National Foreign Trade Council, with headquarters at 64 Stone street, New York...

The Socialists have got hopefully away from the economic basis of society...

Did you notice the way Solidarity's sub list is steadily growing?

Amos Pinchot, the well-known lawyer, recently delivered the "Speech and Democracy" before the N. Y. Church of the Messiah.

Mr. Pinchot, who is a state legislator, said Patrick Quinlan had been condemned unjustly because he kept prying ideas which were not wanted...

This Pinchot affair is only an example of what is going on through the whole country," said Mr. Pinchot...

Father Joseph H. McMahon upholds war as moral, in New York address. Why, if Catholicism is moral, why are its consequences to be condemned as immoral?

Professor Harry F. Ward, Secretary of the Methodist Federation for Social Service and of the Board of Faculty of the School of Theology in Boston University...

At last capitalist efficiency is correctly accused of being capitalist murder by one of the friends of capitalism.

At the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers a paper on "The Standardization of Safety Principles" was read by the late Hanssen secretary of the Workers' Compensation Service Bureau...

Charged up against trust efficiency as a result is an army of nearly 50,000 workers, he said, while millions of dollars are added to the stock market...

conditions are not made safe. Standardized equipment shall be provided, means that equipment shall afford all possible safety to life and limb...

"Sufficient unto the day are the evils thereof." J. E.

Plays City Court in I. W. W. Case

Continued From Page One attending the conviction of them, the men, as pointed out by Judge Doyle, were the wholesale market in which they were sworn, convicted and sentenced.

"When a man sworn into court and giving them the extreme limit of the law as was done in this case is unshaken by the law, it is heard the testimony of this court...

The above clipping from the "Lithuanian," which was published here, shows that these fellow workers were kangarooed by this "illegal" judge...

This big bull, Nichols, is another Binson, as one can see by his comments on Judge Doyle's decision. Overholser, the mayor, licked his chops...

Fellow workers, we can put a stop to this tuff by following the advice of our murdered fellow worker, Joe Hill...

The "scissors" who were mixed up in this office on the way out of the hall and told him about it; he said that we put the case strong...

BRANCH AGENCIES

Electric Locomotive Has Speed of 70 Miles

Butte, Mont., Dec. 16.—Carrying the electric trolley cars of the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Company...

The Milwaukee road has during the last three years spent \$20,000,000 in the electrication of part of its western system. Present plans include the extension of the work to the Pacific coast...

During the coming test speed up to seventy miles an hour will be made. The locomotive will be taken into consideration in judgment...

The huge electric locomotives developed by the Milwaukee road have during the last three years spent \$20,000,000 in the electrication of part of its western system.

If the working class were as big thieves as the bosses there would not be enough commodities in the world to keep all busy.

UNION SCABS IN TOLEDO

(Special to Solidarity) Toledo, Ohio, Dec. 18. The A. F. of L. scabbing against the Toledo news surprise some new readers of Solidarity...

An East Chicago firm has a contract with the Paragon Oil Co. of this city for the construction of a number tanks of oil storage tanks. They sent an A. F. of L. union boiler-maker to supervise the job...

When this union-scab boiler-maker arrived on the job, he hired unorganized men or so he thought and promised to pay the scale; when asked by the men whether they needed cards to work there he said they did not need any...

The job was heard men completely, and the boss, in a hurry for the work, asked the boys to go to work the next day at their own expense, except one fellow worker who he said was an agitator...

The strike committee held a conference with Business Agent J. J. Quinnivan of the Central Labor Union, Richardson, scabbing against the Boilermakers.

Friday, the 17th, Grand Officer Smith arrived from Columbus and was met by the members of the C. L. U. We were there, but he sent two of his men to tell us to get out of the hall...

We were there for action; later they came, Friends Smith and Richardson, and went into a saloon across the street. In a short time they walked across the street to the saloon where they were standing and entered another saloon.

Next morning the scabs were on the job, and we talked them out of staying, so they went to the boss and told him they were waiting for their grand officer to decide the case.

We peeped in at the door and there behind the curtain, sitting on the sofa, was the grand union officer, and the union scabs, who had their union cards at their feet.

Following is a partial list of Local Organizations and Newsletters which have Solidarity and all our literature as advertised in these columns on sale at all times.

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frused, some of them being the cream of the local socialist movement. So you find one more case of A. F. of L. unionism which the political scabbers hope to use to vote in the revolution. JACK LEVER.

Another "Inalienable Right" Ruled Out of Court

(Special to Solidarity) Omaha, Neb., Dec. 18. The raid on the I. W. W. hall by this time ancient history but the original conspiracy to obtain money from Gov. William Spry by "faking a bomb plot designed to be laid at the door of the I. W. W. hall" is still a live issue in possession of information which may lead to complaints during the Hillstrom campaign.

Now Fellow Worker Rogers, secretary of Local 595, who often has funds belonging to the organization to protect, had done this very thing. He had kept a revolver in his possession in his room by night, but at no time on his person.

Nevertheless, the police who found it seized him, and charged him with "carrying concealed weapons," and he was imprisoned until released on suspended sentence.

In court the judge told him that he could not have a gun in his possession in spite of his attorney's plea that he himself kept a loaded revolver in his home at all times.

Doesn't this look a little like an I. W. W. citizen? Or was the ruling made by the police in violation of the rights of the I. W. W. member as so very member is necessarily a citizen of the United States?

Local 595 shows a steady gain in membership. The boys are beginning to come in from their summer and fall work and we always have more than 100 members in our hall for in a few days.

We are looking for Fellow Worker Jack Riley to come to make final arrangements for a branch of the A. W. O. here. We have arranged to have an educational meeting every Sunday evening for the purpose of studying the principles of the I. W. W. whenever necessary.

Our next meeting was held December 12th and made a good start. It was held to begin with the "I. W. W. Its Information and Methods" for a text book. Members are expected to study it and give reports on it.

Knowledge makes Power" and then "Direct Action delivers the goods."

A branch of the Agricultural Workers' Organization, Local 400, has been established in Slough, California. Officers of this branch, also of Local 592, are at 814 Fourth St.

Roy Sample and Jacob Paces communicate with Carl Jacobs, 232 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. Local 496, Toledo, Ohio, is reading the I. W. W. Hall and Business meetings each Thursday evening at 11 P. M., Room 402, 219 1/2 Broadway and Jefferson St.

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By ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN Just the pamphlet you have been looking for! A mother familiar to all for her excellent ability as a writer and speaker on these subjects.

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Defectors in Threats Against Utah Governor

(Salt Lake Herald-Republican) Although complaints issued by the county attorney charged Paul R. Riley and Harry McDonald, operatives for the International Protective Service, with having entered into a criminal conspiracy to obtain money from Gov. William Spry by "faking a bomb plot designed to be laid at the door of the I. W. W. hall" is still a live issue in possession of information which may lead to complaints during the Hillstrom campaign.

While the evidence in regard to the letters is not as yet complete, a copy of a letter written by the defectors is working on this angle of the case. Sheriff John S. Corlies has informed us that he has a letter which he refuses to give out at this time, and officials in the sheriff's office said last night that it would not be surprising if McDonald and Riley are the men who wrote the threats.

Miss Elsie Williams an operative for Spry, was taken to the sheriff's office and questioned as to what she knew of the threatening letters. She was freed and no complaint was filed against her. She is now in the Mountaintop Protective Service is also under suspicion of knowing more than she is willing to tell to Governor Spry, and especially about the "Jack Spry" matter. O. T. letters, that has been made public.

Gerry was found guilty on opening a letter addressed to another person. If it was intended for the International agency have been closed. McDonald was charged with having committed the crime of criminal conspiracy on November 16 last. His sentence was executed: November 19.

TOLD ABOUT A PLOT

It is alleged that the two men made representations to Sheriff John S. Corlies and to Governor Spry that they had information and full details of a plot on the part of the I. W. W. to blow up the home of the governor. They were closely questioned as to their motives, but declared their patriotism and loyalty alone prompted them to furnish the information.

While a thorough investigation was being made by Sheriff Corlies and other officers the two men, it is alleged, went to Governor Spry and solicited money from him for giving the information and for affording an opportunity to have the plot thwarted. The governor, after questioning the men closely, became suspicious and refused to pay the money.

The investigation of the sheriff and others, it is stated, showed conclusively that the story was a fabrication and that the two men, it is charged in the complaint, which is sworn to by Sheriff Corlies, are there as no such plot in existence, and that the two simply conspired criminally to get money from the governor.

McDonald is a chauffeur, but has been employed at various odd jobs in the city for about three years. Riley is said to have been here only a short time and little is known about him.

"SONGS OF LOVE and REBELLION"

Don't forget to enroll as a member of the Five Dollar League. For per cent of this money goes to an organization fund. There is much work to be done by the I. W. W. in the East just now, that, with a little cash, can be attended to. Otherwise, many excellent opportunities will have to be passed up. Help provide the sinews of war with which to capture for the good of the machine some of the war-profits that is now being garnered exclusively by their masters.

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THE PREAMBLE

Of the Industrial Workers of the World The working class and the employing class have nothing in common. There can be no peace so long as the workers are kept in their present state of slavery...

Between these two classes a struggle must be maintained until the workers have won the right to organize and to act through their own representatives in the management of the industries...

These conditions can be changed and the interest of the working class improved only by the institution of such a way that all the members of any one industry or of all industries, man, woman, or child, shall have the right to organize, to elect their own representatives to act through their own representatives in the management of the industries...

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FELLOW MILL WORKERS, A FEW UNITS!

A Word to You Grinders, Packers, Nailers, Truckers, Sweepers, Oilers, Elevator Men, Watchmen, Women and All Other Flour Mill Workers.

FELLOW WORKERS:

We wish to impress upon you who read these few lines the necessity of all Flour Mill Workers getting together in One Big Union, and wish to state a few reasons why.

1. For the purpose of getting more wages.
2. For the shorter workday.
3. For better working conditions on the job.

In other words, a Universal Eight-Hour Day for All Flour Mill Workers, instead of 10 or 12, at the same pay or better. A very few of you have the eight-hour shift, but that does not lessen the burden of the vast majority of you that work 10 to 12 hours. You must take into consideration that if you all worked eight hours, more men could be put to work who would make it easier for all concerned and your job would last longer.

Some will say, "It can't be done." It is possible, fellow worker. Don't you realize that if you were all united in One Big Union, the boss would be powerless and would have to give in to you? He would have at your mercy.

What do the wages you receive now amount to? A mere pittance on which you barely survive. Wouldn't you like to have more? Most certainly you would. Organization will get it for you, if you just use a little thought and your power and get after it. Do you expect that the boss will hand you a raise for nothing? You'll keep on waiting for a long while yet. You must go after it yourselves.

A word to you, girls, who are working in the flour mills. Don't you realize that you are the lowest paid of all workers in the flour mills? Do you know that the men who are keeping all Flour Mill Workers' wages down and they will continue to gradually go down until you realize that the women must unite with the men in order to get more wages and better conditions. There is only one by which you can get it and that is by organization. You must get together and go after it.

The Flour Industry in which you work is one of the richest (for the boss) in this country, but you are by no means the richest or best paid workers. How is this? Who gets all the benefits? Do you? If you don't the boss must. Yes, the boss gets it in the form of what he calls profits, and these profits are what he gets out of the sweat of your labor. How about taking some of these profits away from the boss? How about a little more for yourself? You need more and deserve them more than the boss. Let him have it all. You do not do so right now. You get a little more and more profits out of you. At the present time there is a big demand for flour from the warring nations of Europe, and it means enormous profit for the bosses. Why not demand War Wages (as the miners did in England) while the war lasts? Now is the time, fellow workers.

Remember that the boss also has "Efficiency Experts" watching your every move at the machines and in all parts of the mills. Through these "experts" the boss can gradually come into a "system of speeding up" which is now becoming a detriment to all workers, and he can speed you up more and more every day. This means more for him, and less for you. Is this beneficial to you? Take note of the following clipped from the Minneapolis Tribune, October 14, 1915:

"Minneapolis flour mills again break record for output of flour... so short"...

It will be again to let the boss speed you up this way, it will serve the same thing and that is: you'll make seasonal work. Congress has the job. Do you realize that within the last year you have not saved a cent more? Don't you see that by speeding you up the way you're working, your job will last longer and more unemployment will be put to work. There are thousands on the outside looking for your job. This is a serious problem. Think it over. Do not let the boss rush you. Take your time. Remember the long lay-off you had last summer with practically no pay.

Are you satisfied with the conditions under which you are working? You are well aware that the heat and dust in the mills are ruinous to your health. How about more windows and better ventilating systems to protect your health? Do you think that the boss cares about your health? No, so therefore it's up to you to do it.

The wages, hours and conditions you now have are due to the fact that once you had the flour mills organized. But the boss is now taking advantage of you because you are not organized now. He will continually make it worse for you. If you ever expect to better yourself you must again unite in an organization. By getting together you will be able to protect yourselves.

This is an ancient combination of capital and industry and the worker as an individual is unable to protect himself against the tremendous odds. The only way you can protect yourself is by ALL WORKERS IN THE FLOUR MILLS UNITING INTO ONE BIG CLASS UNION. No matter what your nationality, creed, color or sex, you may have it. All flour mill workers have interests in common and therefore you must unite. Not because you love one another, but because you need one another.

We are appealing to all flour mill workers who are intelligent enough to know that more wages, shorter hours and better conditions can only be secured through an organization. You must organize right. All the flour mill workers in One Big Union. Remember that organization is for the purpose of creating and expressing power, might, strength.

By organizing into One Gigantic Union, the bosses would be powerless and you could dictate terms to them. The bosses are organized and you are not, that is why they have you working long hours for small pay. Organization also creates a system whereby we are able to better direct our strength into new channels to be best able to accomplish the desired end. Organization is the key to success. Therefore, we say to you, join us who are a union man and woman.

IN ORGANIZATION THERE IS STRENGTH. UNITE INTO ONE BIG UNION OF ALL FLOUR MILL WORKERS.

THE BOSSES ARE ORGANIZED—WHY NOT YOU? For information on this subject communicate with FLOUR MILL WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION.

232 Cedar Ave. N., Minneapolis, Minn.

Following delegates please communicate with W. T. Nef, 232 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis, W. F. Taylor, Wm. Ford, E. D. Banner, late of Denver local; J. F. Coyle, Alexander Stewart, so Nef can close up accounts, etc.

Charles Edward Russell, founder of the new school of economics, which is a very poor substitute with poor socialists for "Value. Price and Profit" is now in favor of preparedness. Friend Charles Edward needs six months in a lumber camp to find out how little there is for a G. K. Ferguson man to fight for. The trouble with most of these "so-called" socialists is to get into the class struggle except intellectually.

Mail at A. W. O. headquarters, 232 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis: Arthur Anderson, Lynn Barton, Oscar Berry, Henry Clark, Thomas E. Drew, John Dunbar, Clarence Edwards, Andrew Fisher, W. E. Gates, Sam Gilbert, W. J. Hunter, Walter Hicks, Pete Iverson, Byron C. Kitto, Frank Kaplan, Edward Moe, Grant Powers, J. A. Parker, Chas. Southerden, John Van Vasegar, Frank Walker, A. A. Yers, Wm. Backer, Frank Casina, James Doyle, Claude Davis, W. L. Decker, David Douglas, Albert Grant, Walter Geraghty, Martin Hanson, Frank Hart, Russel Jenkins, Frank Lester, James McNamara, G. K. Ketchum, James Mohr, Walter Nichols, John H. Pennington, Martin Rice, John J. A. Sullivan, John Ernst, John E. Zimmerman.—W. T. Nef, Sec'y.

DID THE "BROKENNESS" HOLD THEM UP?

No. They Were I. W. W.'s.

Most everyone who has been in the Dakota harvest, is in the fall compelled to beat his way out of the frozen region by the box-car route. No matter how good the crops are or how big the wages, the majority of workers at the end of the season are broke. Sure, some of the writer and five other fellow workers (Donnelly, Brown, Anton, Forbes and Hamner, all of Local 400) found themselves in where the snow began to fall. Each of us having at some previous time been compelled to unload for lack of the dollar with which to appease the train crew, we decided to travel to warmer climes for using direct action on two of Jim Hill's brakemen. That night we caught a westbound freight on the Big G and commenced our journey to the Pacific coast. Most of the crew had come to have us aboard when they found we were I. W. W.'s.

Arriving at Malta, Montana, one morning and feeling hungry, all of us had to stop there and cook a meal. In the evening we boarded another train and the first stop made, the brakeman came along for his dollar. We had decided to ignore all shenanigans, so when "his honor" appeared, all hands were dumb. Jail and other threats were of no avail, we just could not speak. At last one fellow worker from Montana spoke up and the shakedown was over. "We were all red," he told us. No I. W. W. could ride his train. Of course we endeavored to enlighten the fool by telling him the train was for the property and that we would ride anyway.

Enraged, he went after his partner, both returning with guns. The shakedown shakedown came into the car with a smoke-wagon in his hand while the other stood outside and leveled his gun through the door. Brakeman tough, you know. Seeing the guns, one fellow worker ordered the brakeman not to start anything they could not finish. They then ordered us to unload. We refused to comply with a laugh, to which they answered that they would arrest us. We scornfully ordered them and the "law" to hell. Brown, immediately called out to the men who shook his fist in one brakeman's face, telling him he was a coward and offered to meet him at a certain place, but the offer was not accepted.

Thinking we were armed, the two left us and closed the car door. When the train got to Chinook the car we were in was spotted at the front of the depot. The crew opened the door and the sheriff, exposing his pistol, ordered us to get out. He asked, asking him at the same time that this was a holiday. He looked surprised and asked us what we meant. The crew in the meantime, hissing and hissing, and their attitude suddenly when we told the law that the brakeman had come into the car and ordered us to face the wall, which we had refused to do. We demanded their arrest. By the number of armed men on the platform, I think the sheriff expected to crush his hand and feet by rounding up a desperate gang of criminals. He was disappointed when they found no guns on us and eagerly listened to our recital of the shakedown in the mill. In his discomfort of the train crew, who were by this time being made out as a laughing stock of by the engine crew. While some of us entertained the crowd on the platform, others had secured the caboose number and returning told the law in voices loud enough for all to hear, that if the brakemen were not arrested the case would be reported to the superintendent at Havre. The sheriff then begged us to get back on the train, as he said the people of Chinook did not want any trouble with the I. W. W. We refused at first, but after the crowd had given their approval and some of the matches, and the sheriff had warned the brakemen to be more careful with their high-balled men. It was the end of the starry show.

The first stop west of Chinook and pleaded with us not to say anything about our night's trip. We said we had to. After giving them a talk on the One Big Union and making them promise not to mention any of our names, we granted their request. Of course we don't forget that brakemen's promises are made on the terms, so we advise all fellow workers to travel in gangs whenever possible. Stick together and show the spirit of solidarity to these ignorant slaves who arrive here and here do not more, more and lack the brethren to unite with the rest of the workers and seize their wages. M. MACLENNAN.

"What is the religion of the I. W. W.?" "It is the religion of the A. F. of L., the Democratic Party, the Murderers, the Factories Association? The I. W. W. does not care whether individually you have no religion or not. There are different brands we have in the United States. Do you want different brands, better than you do organize.

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Previously reported gain	930
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Gain for the week	95
Total gain to date	1018

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I. W. W. FARM WORKERS SECRETARIES

Factor in Agricultural Life, Boston Preacher Tells Commission.

(From Press Report)

Columbus, O., Dec. 11.—Violent conflict between capitalist and labor classes in farming communities may develop over the country unless something is done soon to prevent the growing tendency toward the system of absentee landlords, Rev. Harry F. Ward, of Boston, told the Commission of Church and Country Life in an address here today.

Ward, who is secretary of the home missions board of the Methodist Episcopal Church for Massachusetts, said rural churches must band together to preach contentment with country life and thereby keep owners on their farms, instead of leasing them to tenants.

"Unless this tenant 'system' is remedied," he said, "the end is either an inferior, unenlightened, peasant class, as in England, objects of charity like the city poor, or a rebellious group of agricultural workers with a tendency toward socialism."

"With the Industrial Workers of the World organizing the seasoned agricultural workers and farm owners becoming absentee capitalists, it is being thought by some that in developing in this country between those who receive income merely from the ownership of land and those who receive it from services rendered would gather strength in the future."

He said child labor is increasing in rural communities, and that there is a steady increase in the need of proper education among children. He declared this is now recognized and acted upon by sociologists but by practical agriculturists. He said the Industrial Workers of the World, in possession of communities often in less favored localities, however, he suggested.

AND STILL THE I. W. W. GROWS

(Special to Solidarity) New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 13.

Another paper, in Portuguese, "A Luz," lights up the present condition of the I. W. W. publications. Returning here from my campaign in the localities, I have seen the list of I. W. W. publications. Returning here from my campaign in the localities, I have seen the list of I. W. W. publications. Returning here from my campaign in the localities, I have seen the list of I. W. W. publications. Returning here from my campaign in the localities, I have seen the list of I. W. W. publications.



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On arranging for the printing of a new edition of the enlarged I. W. W. Song Book, to be known as The Joe Hill Memorial Edition it was found that the stock was obtainable in this country at any price, and the cost of stopping of dyes imported from Germany since the European war. As the I. W. W. Song Book has always been familiarly known as "The Little Red Book" the color could not be changed from red, and it will be necessary to do a little improvising to meet this difficulty. A solid red ink printed on the cover stock with the wording engraved on the plate, giving the effect of white lettering printed red will have to be used in this connection. The effect will be much the same as previous editions with the pleasing variation from their more colorful ones. Only a few new songs and suggestions have been received to date for use on the new edition, and the difficulty of the cover as mentioned will allow a little time yet for considering others if you see promptly.

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Since announcing the intention of furnishing a few crayon portraits of Joe Hill to readers who desired this privilege, the demand has been so great that the numbered figure on printing will have to be greatly increased and the time promised for delivery also extended to allow some of the late arriving orders that are coming in to be figured upon. From previous indications it would seem that delivery could not be made much before the middle of next month. A number of requests have also been received for prices on these portraits in quantities of 50 to 100. As explained before they are expensive to produce and the price was held down to merely cover the cost, however, in such quantities the cost, single postage can be saved, which is considerable, and will allow making the quantity price at 15 cents each. Readers wanting one or more copies of these portraits should order in their order without delay before the printing is started. The portraits are printed on some of our heavy hanging and pasted fly sheet 11 x 14 inches, suitable for hanging, as they are on framing strips, and are in single portraits unframed in 25 cents, framed 75 cents. In quantities of 25 or more, 15 cents unframed, and 60 cents framed. Cash with order, carriage prepaid.

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BADGER DAM BUILDERS TRY OUT "MODEL CITY"

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These improvements. The workers will have to pay for everything they want to see or use, and in fact, the wages of the workers are not enough to take in all the "SIGTS" of the "MODEL CITY." Instead of a few dollars in his pockets, he will come off with a few dollars in his pockets. Most interestingly trying, containing an authoritative account of the strike and the history of this great conflict.

Just note this from the above clipped from my preceding job past Jones' poor food and entertainments, it will ENJOY THE MEN EMPLOYED, THEM TO DO THE BEST WORK." Do you get it? In other words, speed them up and work 'em like hell. It's only one thing and that is: To get the job finished as soon as possible, the company will make more profits, and make them more quickly. "And there shall be no desecration of the Sabbath." Common sense will tell anybody that if the contractor sees fit, he will work over the week ends and nights if necessary in order to get that job done, regardless of all rules and regulations that they may have in the "Model City." It's a mere bluff, and the worker can see it.

Now, fellow workers, we can make a "REAL MODEL CITY" out of this. By getting on that JOB and lining up the money and putting them into the BIG UNION we can force the company to come through with BETTER PAY AND A SHORTER WORKDAY. By cutting down the hours more men can be put to work and the "REAL MODEL CITY" can come out. With increased pay we can see more of the "MODEL CITY" and can come out of the "MODEL CITY" with a few dollars to the good. Let's all get out of that "MODEL CITY" and get into the real one.

The best and heaviest part of this job must be done this winter while the job work winter is frozen over. And by having these so-called improvements the company expects to finish the job over winter if they can. We can make this a "REAL MODEL CITY" and that will be worth while stopping at that winter when all put out shoulders to the wheel and the ARMY OF THE MODEL CITY IS THIS JOB. LET THE MODEL CITY GO ON TO THE ONE BIG UNION. Build up the ONE BIG UNION.

C. W. ANDERSON