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## DELAYING AMALGAMATION.

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**T**O the Socialist there is no such thing as an “inferior race” among the world’s proletariat. The Socialist knows that the proletariat is one race, the world over. For this very reason the Socialist knows that the proletariat, like vegetation, bears the climatic mark of its special surroundings. The fact manifests itself at the International Congresses, where socially climatic differences of temperament are interestingly obvious.

It is a consequence of the twin facts of proletarian racial oneness, yet socially climatic variations, that the proletarian unity, requisite in each country for the emancipation of its proletariat, is, in each country, conditioned upon the amalgamation of the various proletarian elements that flock to it. The United States, being of all countries that in which the largest number of proletarian variations meet, is the country in which the proletarian amalgamation is an issue foremost among the foremost.

This issue the Anarcho Syndicalism of the Chicago I.W.W. is endangering, thereby delaying.

The industrial elements which the Chicago I.W.W. attracts almost exclusively are elements that come from countries whose social climate renders their proletariat responsive to appeals to violence. Such mass psychology does not fit the social climate of the United States. Valuable to the country, and welcome to the proletariat which our own bourgeoisie is breeding, as are the Italian, the Slav, the Hungarian, the Belgian and other and similar proletarian contingents that come to us from Europe and elsewhere, the political life of their “home” countries is different from ours. It is not in the cards for the elements to change the social climate to which they are migrating. The duty of the hour is to acclimate them here. The Chicago

propaganda delays the consummation. Its half truths sound like whole truths to our ballotless immigrant fellow proletarians, and the minds of these, receptive tho' they be for better things from the very circumstance of migration, become less responsive to the silent and even the spoken propaganda that fits the national psychology.

The immigrant proletarian alloy that the country is receiving is inestimable. The overwhelming majority thereof leaves its own land animated with the loftiest of conceptions regarding the civic and political virtues of the land to which they take refuge. Barely arrived, this raw material of potentially inestimable qualities runs into the arms of the bourgeois politician who debauches it. Upon this set-back follow two others—the set-back received by those whom the Socialist party's Officialdom and Press reaches with its nativistic anti-immigration preachments, thereby confirming their own racial vanities; and then comes the set-back that those receive who, coming in touch with the Anarch Chicago I.W.W., have their ballotless status utilized to prolong their alienism, hence to disable them from speedy amalgamation in the stream of the American arm of proletarian emancipation.

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