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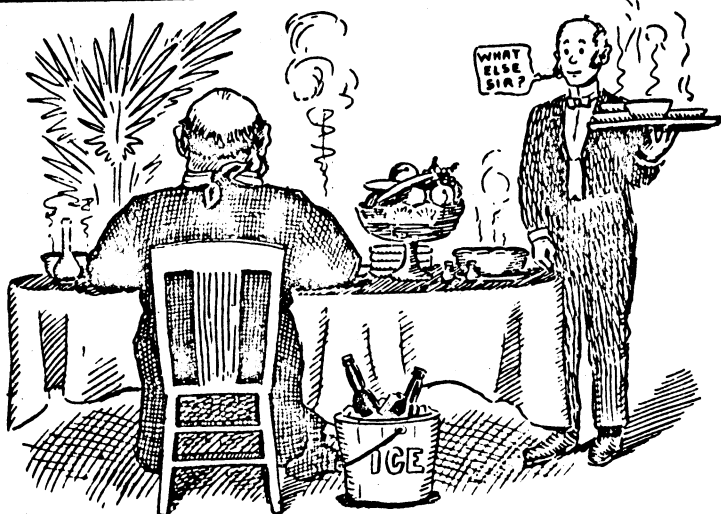
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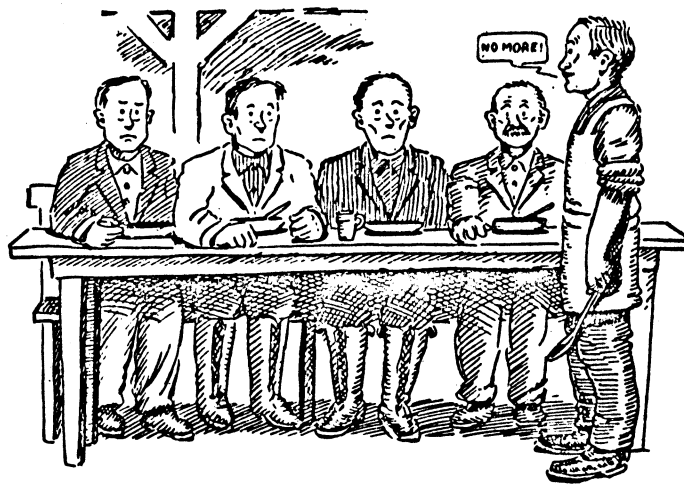
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SEATTLE CELEBRATES MAY DAY.

1500 in March—Easter Willie Gets Educated.

For the first time in the history of the I. W. W. in Seattle we celebrated May 1st, Industrial Labor Day, by holding a parade. Hitherto we had been content in merely giving a lecture on that date. A large number had their misgivings as to the possible success of the venture, which was further intensified by a drizzling rain starting in a few hours before the appointed time; but all doubts were quickly dispelled when one sized up the crowd which congregated at our headquarters a short time before the march was to begin.

Despite the fact that we had but a few days for preparation, and no advertising of any kind having been done, we had a large turnout. The papers placed the number in line at a thousand; but those who witnessed the parade state that twelve hundred would be a conservative estimate and that the number would approach closer to fifteen hundred. This is a big showing, especially as no other organization outside the Russian workingmen's Union participated. There was but one thing lacking, and that, a red flag. True, we had several red banners and the sanguinary hue was much in evidence in all directions—red ribbons in the buttonholes of the marchers and on the numerous, small banners bearing inscriptions and epitomes of what the I. W. W. is striving and struggling for. Altogether we made an excellent appearance as we marched four abreast and with steps quickened to the time of the band which had been employed for the occasion. We covered the principle thoroughfares of the city, and as we entered Second avenue and the band ahead struck up the Marseillaise a cheer thrilled out all through the ranks. Having covered the line of march and returned to the entrance to our hall we were roundly cheered by a large crowd of onlookers and sympathizers who had congregated to watch our return.

The parade finished, we assembled in our hall where an excellent program had been arranged. It was not long before the hall, though a large one, was filled and many hundreds turned away. The meeting was opened by the singing of the red flag, and as it was concluded and on the Fellow Workers raising the red banner a loud cheer rang out from those assembled. The Russian Workingmen's Union next rendered a selection in their native tongue and the remarkable unity and harmony with which they sang showed the excellent training which they had received, and though most of the audience were unable to understand the words each one instinctively felt his pulse quicken as the strains of the Marseillaise broke forth. A selection given by several Swedish Fellow Workers was also well received and they were roundly applauded. Nor was the singing brigade of the I. W. W. behind the time, though they showed their lack of preliminary training and were far outdistanced in point of technique by our Foreign fellow workers.

Fellow Worker Foss of Tacoma, visiting Seattle, acted as chairman of the evening and introduced as speaker our able comrade Floyd Hyde, who was fully equal to the occasion. His remarks upon the kidnapping of the McNamara's and what the I. W. W. would do under similar circumstances if they had the numbers which the A. F. L. has, brought forth a storm of applause. It seemed that on this night every one present seemed to be in a state of enthusiasm and the Fellow Worker's address was frequently punctuated by long and

loud applause as he traced the forces at work to divide the working class, picturing in glowing words the abject poverty and misery which is the portion of most of the world's workers, how the lives of women and children are being ground into dollars, and concluding by picturing what the future had in store for the workers if they but act together and cast off their backs the leeches of society—the capitalist class.

Enthusiasm ran high this evening as each one seemed to breath inspiration from the other. Here, assembled under one roof were to be found representatives of almost all nations, yet no room for any race or national prejudice. But one spirit animated the entire assemblage and that the spirit of CLASS SOLIDARITY. It is times like these that raise men's thoughts away from the sordid details of the everyday struggle and place them in a vantage point from which one may look off into the future and see that gladsome time when at last labor shall reap its full reward; when freedom and enlightenment shall be the heritage of all.

And so Seattle has for the first time celebrated May Day in a befitting manner. It is but right to assume that further celebrations will far outdo the past one.

This article would not be complete without recording an incident which occurred as we were about to set out on the line of march, especially as it has furnished a considerable amount of amusement for the boys here. It is not told because we glory or take pride in the act, but merely as an indication of the sentiment for the I. W. W. existing among the assembled onlookers. We had just left our headquarters and were marshalling our forces on a side street when some wise guy dressed in his nobby Easter suit walked over from the opposite side of the street and said: "They are nothing but a bunch of anarchists; they wouldn't work anyway." No more had the words passed his lips than that part of his physiognomy suddenly collided with a big bunch of knuckles and Nobby Willie found himself sprawling in the gutter. He picked himself up and amid cries from the crowd, "soak 'em again," he "heat it" down the street.

And so ends Seattle's first May Day celebration. All members are highly elated over the success, especially as it was purely an I. W. W. affair. The sentiment expressed by the onlookers for the union was surprising; the one task before the I. W. W. is to crystallize this sentiment. It is a hard task I admit. Let us but rise equal to the occasion and the future is ours. So vamoose you cynic; 23 for you knackers. Back to your hole skeptic. Industrialism is a growing vital issue.

SEATTLEITE.

MORE CRAFT SCABBERY.

VANCOUVER, B. C.; May 2.—Two hundred building laborers went on strike today demanding an increase of 50 cents a day and a closed shop. Plasterers have signed an agreement for \$4.50 a day, but the laborers in the other building trades have not met with compliance of their demands. Union carpenters, who went out two weeks ago, are still on strike.

As long as labor unions pay officers more than they can earn at their respective trades, these officers will prefer those jobs to work. See—"Peoples Press."

STRIKE

5000 CIGARMAKERS STRIKE AGAINST PRISON SENTENCES—AMERICANS DECLINED TO PARTICIPATE.

TAMPA, Fla., May 11.—Five thousand cigar-makers are on strike here today as a protest against the upholding of prison sentences on leaders of the riots that grew out of a recent walkout by the circuit court. The strike movement may be deemed contempt of court and arrest of the leaders is anticipated today.

Most of the strikers are Italians and Cubans. American union men have declined to participate in a strike of all trades—"Chronicle."

Hurrah for the d— furriners! "The Americans declined"—Sure they did. They have always declined to stick together and in doing so they are only true to the craft union movement that they have been educated in for the last 25 years. With a bunch of sacred contracts holding them back it is hardly to be expected that they would do anything else but decline. "The leaders may go to jail—Intelligent workers don't require a lot of leaders. When men understand what they want, they just AGREE to do something and there are no leaders. What's the matter with arresting the whole 5000 for contempt of court? What's the matter with organizing the working class industrially into ONE BIG UNION and tie the whole country up for awhile and then see how the CONTEMPT OF COURT will work out. The first thing the boss will have to do will be to build a few thousand jails and hire a few thousand thugs to guard them. Neither the city of Spokane or Fresno had room for a few hundred Free Speech fighters, so it is unnecessary to dwell on the outcome of a general strike. The boss would be whipped to a frazzle and that's all there would be to it. The workers can get any old thing they wish any time they stick together and will organize where it is possible to stick together. Agitate for the ONE BIG UNION and the universal eight hour day in 1912.

MADE THE "GOAT."

I will say that this whole business is a frame-up from beginning to end. I have been made the goat of a gigantic plot to wreck union labor the details of which will come out at a proper time. When I was seized in my office I was given no opportunity to consult friends or attorneys, and I had no chance to wind up my business affairs or personal affairs. I was whisked out of town and out of the State before I had an opportunity to prepare any defense, despite my protestations of innocence. If this arrest was not a frame-up, why were such methods adopted? This is the first statement I have made to anyone since I was taken from my office last Saturday night.

JOHN J. McNAMARA.

USELESS.

Recently a lawyer in New York jumped out of a tenth-story window, leaving a note saying that he did so for the best interests of society. So far it is to be regretted his example has not been followed. "PHILISTINE."

FOSTERS IGNORANCE.

Craft Unionism fosters ignorance of working-class economics. Industrial Unionism holds aloft the torch of enlightenment.—Ex.

SAVE OUR BROTHERS' LIVES—AROUSE THE TOILING MILLIONS—DON'T ACCEPT THE SALVE OF "FAIR TRIAL."

By Daniel T. Murphy.

Once again the enemy of Labor has stretched out its tentacles, grasped our brothers and ruthlessly dragged them from out midst.

Once again the beast of oppression has fastened its claws on the necks of our fellow workers.

The oppressors of Labor are weaving the rope to strangle workingmen because they dared to stand for the working class.

Workingmen and working women will you stand idly by inactive and indifferent while our enemies are rushing our brothers to the gallows? No, of course you will not.

You remember the Haywood-Moyer-Pettibone case. The working class saved those men's lives by their prompt and determined action. The working class can save the lives of our brothers now incarcerated in the bastille at Los Angeles.

You have not forgotten the Chicago Martyrs. You have not forgotten Pennsylvania, Idaho, Colorado and elsewhere in the United States.

You have not forgotten the battles of the working class in other countries.

Why should we forget Labor's battlefields where workers' blood has been shed in defence of our class. Indeed we would be base ingrates to forget those who have suffered for us. Then let us not forget our brothers in the dungeon at Los Angeles. Rally to their aid. They need your assistance.

Are you going to permit a Los Angeles tragedy to be inscribed into a history that has been written with Labor's blood or will you call—Halt?

History repeats itself. Again the McPartlands and Orchards with other names, are endeavoring to railroad workingmen to their death.

The mercenaries who are hired to do the dirty work of the persecutors of Labor have been busy.

"GREAT" (?) Detectives already have discovered "PLANTS," of course they have. A "GREAT" Detective if he cannot "PLANT" or cause to be planted, is not a "GREAT" Detective.

Working men and women, organized or unorganized, hasten to help our brothers. Save their lives. Their fight is our fight. If we permit them to railroad our brothers to the gallows you cannot tell who the next victims may be. If you are in favor of better conditions for Labor the vengeance of the despot may fall on you next.

Working men and women you must act and act quickly if you want to save your brothers' lives. This is no time for petty quarrels. Cast aside your little dissensions when any member of the working class is threatened for daring to fight for the class to which he or she belongs. Therefore go into action immediately. Hold monster meetings in every city, town or village in the United States and form a Defence League to save our brothers from the gallows.

The I. W. W. has already got into action, that same day these men were kidnapped the I. W. W. held meetings in defence of those men and although the men under arrest are not members of the I. W. W., in a class war between the working class and the exploiting

class the I. W. W. holds that an injury to one worker is an injury to all workers.

The slimy San Francisco Chronicle in a feeble effort to besmirch the character of revolutionary workingmen and women, editorially refers to class conscious wage-earners as loafers, hoboos, Anarchists and SOCIALISTIC MURDERERS (read editorial "Socialism and Murder," San Francisco Chronicle, May 2nd, 1911).

Now it would be almost impossible for a hobo who has been forced by damnable conditions to the Hobo Strata of society by such parasites as the owner of the San Francisco Chronicle to fall to the level of a Mike De Young, and if perchance he did sing to the depths of moral turpitude of a San Francisco Chronicle chronic assassin of working men and women characters, hoboos would despise him for the lowest hobo has somewhere in his make-up at least a spark of manhood and who can say the same for a Mike De Young.

Organized capitalists see the handwriting on the wall. The masters of our daily bread hear the tramp, tramp, tramp of the awakening wage-slaves joining the ranks of the Revolutionary Proletariat and in desperation they are using every effort to keep the wage-workers from uniting in a revolutionary class-conscious Industrial Union. Therefore do not allow the false leaders to betray the hosts of Labor any longer. Too long have we permitted the traitors to keep us in bondage to the robbing master class. Beware of the Labor Judases amongst you. The working class must emancipate itself. You must fight your own fight and to do so successfully you must organize in a Revolutionary Industrial Union.

When despicable capitalistic sheets like the San Francisco Chronicle malign the Industrial Workers of the World because they are striving to educate their class to emancipate themselves from economic servitude and because they dared to help their brothers in Los Angeles jail when their lives are threatened, that should encourage you to greater efforts to solidify the wage-slaves into a Revolutionary Industrial Union.

Do not believe the lies of intellectual prostitutes that are paid to vilify the character of those wage-workers amongst you who are giving their best efforts for Industrial Freedom.

What is the reason that prompts the San Francisco Chronicle so viciously to assail the I. W. W.? Because the exploiting class to which Mike De Young, the owner of the Chronicle belongs, knows full well that the I. W. W. stands fearlessly for the working class, and consequently the parasitical class dreads the I. W. W.

Do not be misled by the falsehoods printed in the Capitalistic papers, magazines, etc., it is not even advisable to use such papers, magazines, etc., for toilet purposes because of the contagion that lurks in their pages, especially the San Francisco Chronicle, Los Angeles Times, etc.

The capitalist class hates the I. W. W. because the I. W. W. is always in the front fighting Labor's battle.

Our brothers are in prison in Los Angeles and the I. W. W. rushes to their assistance. Ring the Tocsin! Sound the Alarm! Call the toiling millions to our brothers' aid.

Don't be lulled into inactivity by the salve of "FAIR TRIAL."

They will only get a "fair trial" if the working class are aroused.

To action working men and women. Do your duty.

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SEATTLE CELEBRATION.

That Seattle I. W. W. had a rousing time on May Day and that it will redound to the best interest of the Industrial Union movement is what any sensible person would think after reading the article describing their first May Day parade. It shows that the workers are coming together, that petty bickering has no place in their ranks, and that they understand that the word SOLIDARITY means to UNITE, to join together for a common purpose and that purpose is to overthrow the existing system of capitalism with all its attendant miseries, and establish in its stead a system whereby labor will receive the full social value of its toil. That labor has this job to do itself is a settled fact in the minds of thousands of workers today, and the sooner every worker severs his connection with the utopian dreamers and philosophers that can do nothing for the workers, the better it will be for all who have to slave for wages. The Industrial Union can settle all our trouble when it is strong enough, and the way to make it strong enough is to join it and help to carry the battle on and on. We are robbed on the job and it is on the job we will have to organize. There is no reason or excuse for more than one union of the working class and any one that would divide the workers on the economic field with craft division and contracts expiring at different times, only denies the class struggle and by their very actions even deny that there is need for any kind of a union. If there is no class struggle there is no need for any union. If there is a class struggle there is need for but one union of the working class. Every lost strike proves the necessity of the ONE UNION, and every day proves to the thinking man or woman that there is a class struggle in society which must be fought out. May every town and city progress like Seattle is doing and we will soon realize something as a result of our efforts. Speed the day. On to Victory!

Will work and how much pay they want. When they get stronger they will hand the boss a trowel if he can use one the boss dictating to them. They tell the boss how long they want to work. These workers now dictate to the boss instead of having the boss dictate to them. The I. W. W. papers explained the method of thinking the boss to his knowledge that never heard of in this country until the I. W. W. papers explained it. The French workers have discovered that they must rely on themselves and not on politicians or representatives to do any thing for them. The French workers have discovered that they must rely on themselves and not on politicians or representatives to do any thing for them. The French workers have discovered that they must rely on themselves and not on politicians or representatives to do any thing for them. The French workers have discovered that they must rely on themselves and not on politicians or representatives to do any thing for them.

MASTERS ARE FRIGHTENED.

and if he can't he will be given a pick and shovel and if he WON'T use that he can go to hell and starve. We are starving now looking for work. The boss will starve if he refuses to work. The American SCAB has found his way to Paris and it certainly is a nice commentary on the workers of this country when a city has to be placarded with such notices as "Down with the American Scab!" The free born American scab that don't believe in a union and yaps off the set scab phrases of "The Constitution guarantees me the right to work when, where and for how much" is a breed of an animal that may become extinct some day. Whether such a beast has become a degenerate by inbreeding or has been hatched in the sun, has not yet been determined. If we can't educate him we will have to tell him what to do. Too bad to rob him of his freedom to scab, but his Freedom is our misery and we will therefore have to FORCE better conditions on him whether he wants them or not.

MORE PERSECUTION.

The arrest of Antonio De P. Araujo in Calexico, Cal., on April 20th is but another attempt by the United States to assist the old tyrant Diaz to subdue the revolutionists who are fighting for liberty in Mexico. When the soldiers of the United States can arrest an unarmed man on American soil and place him incommunicado without any reason whatever, it is high time that we were using our voices and power to obtain his release.

Araujo is one of the stalwarts in the struggle for freedom in Mexico. Although not bearing arms, his work was of great importance. He was just about to tour the United States for the purpose of making clear to the people anything that they did not know about the troubles in Mexico and the objects of the Mexican Liberal Party. We were just getting busy to assist in this speaking trip when word comes of his arrest. That he has been arrested by United States officials for the express purpose of blocking this trip, is easy of understanding. Every liberty loving person should rally to the defense of Araujo, as it means his death at the hands of that blood stained, heartless old despot, Diaz, if he is given over to the tender mercies of these slave owning bloodsuckers who own Mexico. Hold protest meetings and let Mr. Capitalist know that we are dead next to their murderous schemes. Better by far to get the workers organized so that we can FORCE by the power of the General Strike, the release of any of the victims of class hatred. Raise money and forward it to Ricardo Flores Magon of the Mexican Liberal Party at 519 1/2 East Fourth street, Los Angeles, Cal. Remember NOW is the time to act, not tomorrow. Remember that the rebels are on the firing line now and that they need your assistance. Remember that this is your fight as well as the men who are bearing arms. If you cannot assist any other way, don't forget to send a little of the coin of the realm to Magon. Do it today.

TRAPPED.

A front page cartoon in the Los Angeles Times of April 17, shows Uncle Sam holding up a cage containing three rats, the rats representing the McNamara brothers and McManigle. In the same paper we find columns dealing with a "FAIR TRIAL" for the men. If all the evidence is in the favor of the prosecution and they are to have such a FAIR TRIAL, why all the UNFAIRNESS that was used in spiriting the men away from their homes without giving them that FAIR start, which was to see if there was evidence enough to take them to the State of California on. If we did not know the capitalist class and such papers as the "Los Angeles Times" we might be gulled into accepting this "salve" about getting a FAIR TRIAL. We have seen a few of the FAIR TRIALS in this capitalist cursed country. The trial of the Chicago martyrs in 1886 was one of the FAIR TRIALS. It was so fair that the guilty consciences of the jurors drove many of them to the mad house where some have died and some are there yet. We have some knowledge of the FAIR TRIAL of Haywood and his associates in Boise and how the President dubbed them "undesirable citizens" and sent Taft out West to speak against the men long before they ever had a trial. Would such people give a man a FAIR TRIAL when they would use such unspeakable methods to hang men before they ever came to the FAIR TRIAL. Heed not the "salve." Its a fight in the class struggle even though Mr. Gompers denies it and asks for only a FAIR TRIAL. The following is the "bunc" which has spewed from the mouth of the GREAT LABOR LEADER and if this rot would not hang these men then nothing else would. The capitalist class need not yap about a FAIR TRIAL when Gompers will do the stunt for them. Get the following:

This is no class fight, nor the fight of labor against any association. It is simply an effort to see that McNamara is fairly tried... The presumption of law is that McNamara is innocent until proven guilty. Labor is not going farther than the law in presuming the arrested men are innocent.

AMERICAN SCABS.

Why is it that American workmen are being looked upon as the biggest scabs on earth? There must be a reason. The American produces more than any other worker in the world for the same amount of wages. That is it costs less to produce an article in America than it does in France, Germany, Italy, England or any of the European countries. How is it that in France the workers will enter into one union and will take the most drastic action to save one of their fellow workers from serving a prison sentence or to save his neck from the guillotine? The workers will strike together in any country in the world to a greater extent than here in America where we are ground down under the iron heel of capitalism the most. "American Scabs" are not wanted in France and the American workmen declined to enter into a strike in Tampa, Florida, this last week when the Italians and Cubans to the number of 5000 laid down their tools as a protest against the sentencing of some of their fellow workers to prison. If the Americans would have united it could have been made more than a protest, it could have been used to FORCE the authorities to release the imprisoned men as has been done in France. The next time you hear one of these craft unionized Americans telling about how the country had been ruined with the d— foreigner, just remind him of Tampa, Fla., where he DECLINED TO PARTICIPATE and then just gently inform the scissorbill that the American worker produces more for the money than any slave in Europe and that the reason the foreigner is here is because the cheap made American article had chased the foreigner out of his own country and into the scab hole where the work is.

NOW A DAILY.

From far away Nome, word comes that the "Nome Industrial Worker" as been launched as a "daily" on March 1st. Heretofore the "Worker" has been semi-weekly.

The "Nome Industrial Worker" is owned and controlled by Local No. 240, W. F. M., and the paper is fortunate in having one of the best editorial writers in America to throw the ink and teach the workers the need of one revolutionary Industrial Union to embrace all workers and the absolute necessity for DIRECT ACTION on the job. The "Nome Industrial Worker," as well as Local 240, W. F. M., are opposed to any affiliation with the craft unions on the part of the W. F. M.

For such a paper, with such an editor and such a union, we wish a bounteous supply of prosperity and long life. Let the good work go on.

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THE MOVEMENT ABROAD

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International Bulletin of the Syndicalist Movement.

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Clamart, April 23, 1911.

The Syndicalist Movement in Italy: The three-yearly congress of the Confederazione Generale del Lavoro will be held at Padua during the last week of May. The programme is very long and contains amongst other points the following: (5) Reorganization of the Confederazione and changes in the statutes. (6) Co-operatives; a direction to be given to co-operative societies and their relation with the labor struggle. (b) The relations of the various categories of workers in co-operative societies. (7) Social legislation. (a) Insurance against sickness and old age pension. (b) Various laws. (8) Civil service. The definition of the rights of workers in public service to belong to the Workers' or the Officials Confederazione. As it is seen, the subject of discussion are not of a nature to frighten the bourgeoisie. This is quite in conformity with the outspoken reformist tendencies of the Confederazione. But it must be borne in mind that the Padua congress is far from representing all the organized Italian workers. There are in Italy more than a million of organized workers (in 1908 the official Labor Bureau estimated the number at 934,360), and at the congress at Padua not quite 300,000 will be represented.

The Ferroviari (railway servants) hold a meeting on the 24th of April. This congress will be of great importance as the delegates will examine the situation created by the Sacchi bill which in the opinion of many railway servants has introduced only imaginary and petty ameliorations. Besides the railway men will define their attitude towards the Confederazione Generale del Lavoro and this decision will have a great influence on the future of revolutionary unionism in Italy.

The Labor Exchange (Camora del Lavoro) of Mirandola (15,000 members) held a congress of agricultural laborers, of whom 10,000 are belonging to the Camora del Lavoro.

As usual spring has awakened the spirit of fight in the ranks of the workers. In the Bologna province the 15,000 locked-out masons have been holding out these 40 days. In the Parma province the bootmakers (1200) are already 20 days on strike, the tilemakers of San Michelina and San Leonardo 10 days. Besides in the country a great struggle is in preparation for the application of the scale of wages adopted by the Labor Exchange, a struggle in which about 20,000 peasants will be involved. In the Ferrare province a great agrarian fight is expected—if the landowners do not give in before—in which 40,000 to 50,000 agricultural laborers will participate. Generally it is anticipated that the summer will be very active, especially in the Emilian region. On the 1st of May the weekly L'Internazionale di Parma will be again the organ of Italian industrial unionism. ALOESTE DE AMBRIS.

FRANCE.

The reinstatement of the French railway servants has become a pressing question. The Minister of Public Works has addressed a letter to the companies reminding them of the decision of the French Parliament which asked the Government to use its influence with the companies to induce them to take back the workers who had been dismissed after the strike. It remains to be seen if the companies will be obdurate or if they will follow the example of the Western State line which has taken back all the dismissed workers.

GERMANY.

The eighth congress of the German Trade Unions will be held at Dresden from the 26th of June till the 1st of July. The preliminary programme contains amongst other questions the following: The propaganda among non-German speaking workers; the women's secretariat; the Central Secretariat of Labor; an entente with the Central Union of Distributive Co-operative Societies; home employment, etc.

AUSTRIA.

The Nationalist division in the Austrian trade unions. The negotiations which had been opened in order to reconcile the German and Czech workers in Austria, the differences between whom we have repeatedly mentioned, have failed. The Czechs insist on maintaining in every respect their national autonomy in the labor movement. The only point they have agreed to is an understanding with the German trade unions for strikes and other labor struggles, but also this on the basis of autonomy, that is to say, they stipulate that the direction of all such movements in which German and Czech workers take part, shall be entrusted to that organization to which the majority of the strikers belong. The negotiations between the two national organizations have now been broken off.

SPAIN.

A Solidarity Strike at Lisbon. In view of the scant news from the Portuguese republic, it is interesting to see in "La

Vie Ouvriere" of Paris, the details of a solidarity strike at Lisbon. On March 13, at Setubal, a small town on the mouth of the Sado, the soldiers fired on the workers on strike. Immediately the committee of the trade union congress organized a large meeting where it was decided that the trade union delegates should hold a conference the next day in order to issue an answer to the firing at Setubal. The 36 trade unions who sent delegates were in favor of a general strike of 24 hours on Monday, March 20. It is difficult to imagine the effect of the strike. The bourgeois press has tried hard to diminish the importance of the strike, but our comrade-workers estimate the number of strikers at 70,000 men. The government promptly raised the cry, "The republic is in danger," and sent the volunteer regiment against the strikers; hence numerous encounters. Towards 4 o'clock a delegation of the strikers went to the government to explain the workers' demands. Received by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, they were asked to return at 10 o'clock, when the government would have arrived at a conclusion. Returned at 10 the delegates were informed that the government had conceded all the demands of the strike manifesto; the dismissed workers all taken back, the dismissal of the Mayor of Setubal who had taken a very hostile attitude towards the strikers. These facts show that the new regime inspires yet little confidence in the working classes, and on the other side the growth of capitalism. The number of strikes in the last month—77 from October 3 till December 3—indicate that the republic has been a deception for the working classes.

Another 24 Hours Strike.

As a protest against the terrible accident in a blouse factory in New York where a fire caused the death of 143 victims, owing to the negligence of the employers, a general strike of 24 hours was proclaimed in the town. Over 150,000 workers held a silent and imposing procession in protest against capitalist exploitation which is responsible for such a disaster. The funeral of the victims on April 5, also took the character of a gigantic protest by the working class population.

TOO MANY SLAVES

WOULD AVOID LARGE FAMILIES. LARGE FAMILIES A CRIME, SAYS DR. ROBINSON.

New York, May 2.—Race suicide is a bugaboo and large families a crime, says Dr. William J. Robinson of Mount Morris, N. Y., a practicing physician and president of the American Society of Medical Sociology, who strongly advocates the giving of the proper information to the people as to how to keep down the birth rate. He expects to draft a bill making such information legal.

The birth of a child, he says, often brings gloom and misery into the household. The first child is a treasure, the second and third less so, and the fourth is openly unwelcome. Families, he says, which have started out with bright prospects and all the comforts of life, are often plunged into the lowest depths of abject poverty because of too many children. It not only causes poverty, but ignorance, idleness, sickness, crime and death. Dr. Robinson laughs at the claims of the disciples of Roosevelt, that people will stop having children, and in half a century the race will die out. This, he says, is a groundless fear and a silly calumny on the human race.

"The parental instinct," Dr. Robinson says, "is a pretty strong instinct. The parents are rare indeed who do not wish to have at least one or two children. Those who have seen the anguish of some wives who have remained childless will not share the fear that when the knowledge of the means of prevention of large families has become common property, the race will die out. No. There will be fewer children, but they will be brought into the world with pleasure and hopeful expectations." —Spokane Press.

CHANCE TO ORGANIZE.

I am working for the Standard Oil Company building earth tanks for oil five miles north of Bakersfield Cal. There are 350 men in the camp. Wages are \$2.50 and a few receive \$2.75. I. W. W. men can get on here any old time. Agitators are wanted as there is a good chance to organize a local.

D. F. RUBY, Member of 66.

Are you talking to the other fellow about the fight the I. W. W. will make on May 1st, 1912, for the Eight-Hour Day? Agitate all the time and thus prepare the ground for the big fight. Read the "Worker."

I. W. W. LUMBER JACK ABROAD THIS IS NOT STEALING BIG MAY DAY IN SAN FRANCISCO

AN I. W. W. LUMBERJACK IN NEW ZEALAND SHOWS BOSS WHAT DIRECT ACTION MEANS.

Te Aroha, April 1, 1911.

Fellow Worker:—
You will probably have got my letter of about a month ago which was written at Tamboourine, which was the first place I struck, out of Auckland. I had been informed that it was the center of the lumber country and just the place for a man of my abilities. After a few days I went to work for what the natives called a big up-to-date timber company. It turned out to be the damnest logging experience I have encountered. My job was cross-cutting: we, the parner yap and I, or as the N. Z. people would say "mite"—would go for a tree, fall it, cut it up. They only had one log usually and rush off like fends to the next tree: it was worse than Ottawa river.
There was but one donkey, an affair on low wheels which looked like an old country taty engine. The boss had a whole load of responsibility on his shoulders and must have been considered a good man by the employer. He certainly would be by a B. C. jobber. The donkey had a haul of close on half a mile and this loyal employer, after getting the log out on to the mud road, would chase it clear into the landing. It was a sight to see the jigger hauling on the line all on his lonesome. He was quite ignorant of bull blocks and even chokers, he was broad on the back, which, however, showed symptoms of breaking down in the near future. The galoot was chummy; maybe he was expecting a pointer or two, being ambitious, no doubt, to serve the master still better, and then I piled the "bull con" into the manager when he hired me. I could see that the lad thought that he had gained a valuable acquisition. One and a half days was the limit of my endurance. My stake come to 16 shillings, less an axe, 6 shillings, and board without room, at the rate of 16 shillings per week. The wages were 11 shillings per day, 8 hours, but it took half an hour good hike to get on the job.
My next venture was naving at Te Kiuti. On getting this job, the pick and shovel boss, a contractor, said that he paid 9 shillings, and if he found a man worth more, he paid 10 shillings. I asked 10 shillings or nothing he demurred, saying that he could only do so, on condition I kept it "dark," to which I, of course, agreed. Having told the "plugs" of the deal, he had to raise the wages, but "Little Willie" got fired at the end of the day. Having taken to camping and there being no hotel charges to urge me on the perpetual hunt, I hung around for about a week, then I started back north, camping at various points. I worked for a navy contractor, a few miles from here for twelve days—the gang got a raise of one shilling per day. The cockroach felt, no

doubt, that it was up to him to do a little eliminating; 10 shillings a day was not to be given away. This parasite has been content to leave the running of his gang to a foreman, but on granting the raise, he came out to supervise the job and set the pace personally. The faithful workers responded, all with the exception of "your humble" who was bounced again. The board in this case was 16 shillings—also bum board, too—and the use of a shovel reduced the stake by 4 shillings 6 pence. He will make no more 4s. 6d. out of that shovel. I broke it in front of his eyes at the end of an argument. I must say that I am disappointed in the workers that I have come in contact with in N. Z. They are about as subservient a mob as it is possible to find. The progressive labor legislation was the work of Seddon (former premier) who appears to have been a true philanthropist. But now the present gang of political robbers are making up for lost time and the plug is boasting about the eight hour day and doing more work in it than they do in ten hours elsewhere. The contract system is no doubt to blame for the hard conditions generally. Practically all public work is done by contract, that with the exception of the little hush work (I would not call it logging), and mining, is about all the work that is going.
The country is all right, though; so far the climate has been fine. As usual the grub stake is the problem. For farmers the country is all right. The fiscal affairs are fixed, so that the "backbone," (as the political bull-peddlers call the hay-seeds) pays little or no taxes; and of course, to the detriment of the industrial class. It is a great "wowsler" (sky-pilot) country. The "wowsler" is the local species of creature of the Dr. Spencer kind. (A Vancouver talent).
This place is a famous hot spring resort, which accounts for my presence here. I am camping out by the river—its a great camping country. I am taking a daily "hawth," in the celebrated No. 2 spring, and will keep it up for a month, when I'll have to store my gear and set forth with my "swag" (bundle), in search of a South Sea stake. Have not seen the kauri hush yet, it is north of Auckland. It may be better there.
I wrote for a copy of the Maoriland Worker and will send it. It has only been running a few months and is supported by the Shearers' Union. It is not devoted exclusively to Industrial Unionism, but it is by far the most advanced thing of its kind in N. Z. If you are bound to leave B. C. don't come to N. Z. Australia, according to accounts, beats this, and even "swagging" (walking tourists, with bundles) is said to be a good game there. It must, sure beat navingy (handing a No. 2).
 Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain, yours, etc. A. D. McKINNON.
P. O. Te Aroha, N. Z.

THIS IS NOT STEALING

EX-JUDGE MANN SUED FOR MONEY. TOOK ONE-THIRD OF LIFE'S SAVINGS FOR DOING NOTHING.

After an investigation by a special committee of the Central Labor Council, who retained Attorneys Crandall & Crandall for that purpose, suit has been brought in the superior court against former Police Justice Mann in the Andrew Johnson case, first brought to light in The Press about two months ago.
Johnson as plaintiff demands judgment against Justice Mann for alleged fraud on the ground that Mann took from Johnson \$250 as attorney's fees for which he rendered no service.
When Johnson was arrested he had the savings of his lifetime, \$700, on his person, and soon thereafter Justice Mann appeared, it is charged, to solicit as his attorney. He told Johnson, it is alleged, that there was danger of him going to the pen, and that he could get him out for a fee of \$250, and Johnson gave the police an order to turn over \$250 of the \$700 to Mann. Johnson says Mann rendered no service.—"Spokane Press."
This is the judge that sentenced the hundreds of I. W. W. men to "thirty days and one hundred dollars" during the free speech fight. This is the gent that during the days when excitement was running high on account of the assassination of Chief Sullivan, declared that he was in favor of driving the I. W. W. from Spokane. This is the fellow that gloated over the fact that men were tortured in the prisons of Spokane for the awful crime (?) of speaking on the street. This is the fellow that would take the third of the savings of a life time from an old man that had always had to earn his few cents in the sweat of his brow, without rendering any service whatever except to lie to the man by telling him WHAT A SERIOUS CHARGE HE WAS UP AGAINST. The biggest crime old man Johnson had committed was to let some stool-pigeon know that he had so much money on his person. Judge Mann may, through hook or crook, keep the money, but another rebel has been made and that rebel will make some more rebels, and so the battle progresses until the Manns and all the rest of the grafters who live from the misery of others will be FORCED to do their share of useful work in society or starve. The death rattle is still fresh in our ears from the last minutes of suffering of Fellow Workers Chinn, Ferry and Bordett, who were as cruelly murdered as were any of the martyrs of 1886. They were sentenced by a Mann, but not a man. This Mann claims to be a union man and was a member of two crafts of the A. F. of L. A member of a LABOR UNION! Spare our anguish and don't insult the name of labor which means misery.

I. W. W. ACTIVE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

A Big Demonstration on May Day by the Reds
For the first time in the history of the United States, in San Francisco on May Day, the red flag of the international revolutionary movement of the working class was carried alone in the International Labor Day parade through the streets. No national flag—no "Stars and Stripes"—was borne, to give the lie to the international character of the demonstration, as has been done in the past under threats of unlawful police interference with the parade if the order to perpetuate the absurdity were not obeyed by the marchers.
So far from trying to break up the procession, clubbing the marchers and confiscating the red banners, as has been done in other cities, the police of San Francisco gave every aid to preserving the right of way for the parade. The right to carry the international flag of the working class was established, not only without the carnage and slaughter of workmen by police and soldiery which has marked the endeavor many times in other lands, but in perfect peace.
The red flag was carried from Grant avenue up Market street to Golden Gate avenue, thence by way of Fillmore street to Steiner, between Sutter and Post, where a May Day celebration was held in Dreamland, and no American flag appeared to cause confusion in regard to the meaning of that red flag.
AND THE DAILY PRESS OF SAN FRANCISCO HAD NOTHING TO SAY ABOUT IT!
Thousands marched in the parade, thousands gathered in Dreamland rink, packing the galleries and more than half of the main floor from which all seats had been removed to make room for the great crowd.
In Dreamland Austin Lewis addressed the

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great gathering, calling upon the workers to work for the cause of the revolution, wasting no time in an effort to obtain cheaper gas for a few householders without benefit to the workmen.
Referring to the kidnaping of McNamara and the plot of the Steel Trust and its representatives to cripple or crush the organization of the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, the speaker declared that if the working class had been properly organized in this country, along industrial lines, and the masters still had dared attempt the outrage, the train bearing the labor men from Indianapolis "would have stopped before it ever started." In that case there would have been no need for the workmen of this country to stint themselves to provide a fund to place the McNamaras in the position of millionaires before the court, to secure them justice where justice for moneyless workmen is unknown!
The call for revolutionary activity was met with tremendous applause from the crowd and also with a bellowing demand from one person in the audience that Lewis "get out of the Socialist party." With the quieting down of this one individual, perfect harmony prevailed, and it was in joyous mood that the men and women and the boys and girls who look forward to the winning of the world by the working class began the dancing and merrymaking which lasted until midnight.
Never was there a more splendid spectacle than this in San Francisco—a city where many disgustingly sordid spectacles have been presented in the name of local patriotism—by this gathering of earnest, ardent revolutionists that knew enough to seek the enlightening joy of life even while they struggle to end the horror of capitalism throughout the world.
"REVOLT."

IGNORANCE IN FRESNO

FRESNO LOCAL ACTIVE—DOING GOOD WORK AMONG THE SLAVES.

Fresno, the home of the dictator, has had a few patriotic spasms in the last month, which have left their evil effects in the minds of the young. First, there was the G. A. R. encampment. When the old blood-loving veterans marched in grand parade, exhibiting to the poor school children the chains of servitude with which they were honored, after having murdered hundreds of wage slaves with whom they had no quarrel, the parade being led by Dictator Shaw and two companies of the state militia. Ye Gods! What an example for the young! A few days later we had the Raising Day Carnival. This is the day when all good citizens are supposed to eat and talk nothing but raisins. But alas! The poor slaves who sweat and toil 14 hours daily packing this delicious fruit, did not have the price to purchase a feed of raisins, but had to be satisfied with the regular coffee and—. The slaves had a good time just the same, as the masters allowed them to try their speed. "Box making" and "raisin packing" contests were the principal events. Oh! how willingly the slaves bared their brawny arms and went to work. I wonder if it is an honor to be champion box maker of the San Joaquin Empire. This great day came to a close, the slaves singing in beautiful discord, "My Country, 'tis of Thee." All were dressed in the garb of their class—fools' cap and bells. This is the atmosphere in which local No. 66 has been trying to preach the doctrine of discontent. We are holding street meetings every night in all languages. We are making good headway among the Mexicans, Italians and the floating element of the so-called white race; but the Fresno scissorbill! Let him sleep! Disturb him not! It will take a century to get the alfalfa out of his hair. Is it worth while when all we need is fighters? Last week we held two protest meetings and sent the proceeds to the strikers in Prince Rupert, B. C., and the Buccaforti defense fund. The work is now opening up in the valley. The wages will be small. The grub on the average rotten.
How many of you rebels will get here and try to make things better? Let us all get on the job and make conditions better or put the boss out of business. Don't holler about the yellow peril, as the Japanese worker receives \$2.00 per day; the free born American citizen \$1.25. Why the differenc? Let me tell you:

The Japanese are organized; they are past masters in the art of bringing John Farmer to his knees. My advice is, learn the tactics used by the Japanese. Go thou and do likewise.
Not being about to demonstrate our fighting abilities on May 1st, we held a mass meeting on Sunday, which was well attended. F. W. Wood Hubbard and T. H. Little were the principal speakers. Both of them were in fine shape. If the doors of the Los Angeles county jail did not fly open, it was not their fault, but yours. What was you doing Sunday night? Local 66 is going to keep on protesting. If other locals will do the same the M. and M. will be forced to turn all the labor agitators from out of their dirty bastilles. If our voices fail to liberate them, let us try more drastic methods. "An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth." While we are all busy agitating for the overthrow of capitalism, let us remember that we have only one year to agitate and educate for the universal eight-hour day. If this should come to the notice of any member of local 66 or any member who is coming this way, remember that Local 66 has headquarters and office room at 917 J. St., Fresno. Get into communication with the secretary, as it is necessary for the welfare of the organization. Let us know where to reach you.
Let us organize the valley this summer.
JACK WHYTE, Sec'y.,
Box 209, Fresno, Cal.
WHO'S A SCAB.
It has often been stated that the European laborers come over to this country and scab on our patriotic American slaves. It is said that they do this by working for such a low wage, etc., etc.
BUT has it ever occurred to these American scissorbills that THEY ARE THE SCABS? But such is actually the case.
It is said that the foreign worker works CHEAP. But it is an actual fact that the American Workingman is the cheapest slave on earth, and that he produces more profits for the boss than any of these despised "furriners." It is also a fact that this cheap American slave actually works SO CHEAP that he scabs this European out of a job, and after the European is scabbed out of a job by the American he must come to America to make a living.
Here are the facts in the case. It costs the European capitalist 51 cents in wages to produce a dollar's worth of goods, while in America it only costs the capitalist 17 cents to produce a dollar's worth of goods. Get wise you patriotic yankee jackass and get shorter hours and more pay and quit scabbing the Europeans out of a job. "S. G."

EMMA GOLDMAN IN KANSAS

Extract from speech by Emma Goldman in Kansas City, Mo.:
"Crime is naught except misdirected energy.
"People can vote and vote until the world comes to an end, but their condition won't be any better. A revolution which will overthrow all government is the only means whereby man can be freed and have complete control of himself.
"Voting will accomplish nothing" Miss Goldman said. "The people of the United States have been voting for more than one hundred years and all they have done is to tie the knot of slavery a little tighter around their necks.
"What freedom has the workingman? He works on a salary which hardly is enough to support himself and his wife and children and when he passes the great divide in his life and starts down the other side his employer—a capitalist who has millions and wants more millions before he dies—fires him and gets a younger man to fill his place. That's slavery.
Revolution the Only Remedy.
"A revolution is the only remedy. The laws—hundreds are placed on the statute books every year by the state legislature—only make conditions worse. Primitive man had more freedom than the people have today and they didn't have laws.
"The Mexicans have rebelled against the tyranny of Diaz. For years they have voted and voted, but by voting they only made their slavery more complete. There is no power in voting.
"The greatest mistake the United States could make is to step in and help President Diaz and the Mexican government put down the slaves there who are trying for freedom.—Kansas City Times.

THE ARMY AND NAVY A MORAL PEST-HOUSE.

It has been said that the Army and Navy was composed of men who are morally "rotten," and the fact that venereal diseases were so alarmingly prevalent among the enlisted men has been the subject of many a discussion. And there are grounds for grave fears, too, for it cannot be denied that a large body of men, who have acquired dangerous and communicable diseases, constitute a menace to society.
But what has resulted from all this talk? NOTHING. Absolutely nothing, because in order to cope with this alarming situation in a CORRECT manner, it would be necessary to go to the root of the evils and abolish the army and navy, and if that were done the stolen wealth of the capitalist would not be protected.
The Revolutionists are the only class who know how to stem the awful tide of DEGENERATION, which threatens to swallow up the young men of today, and one of our methods is to abolish the army and navy.
It is not the individual young man's fault if after he joins the army or navy he can not keep control of himself, because the environment of military life, and the fact that the man is separated from association with the opposite sex for long periods, can not have a home and wife on the \$17 a month which he receives, all serve to break a man down, mentally, morally and physically. Abolish the Army and Navy. "S. G."

FROM PORTLAND.

Conditions here are fierce and idle men, not by the hundreds, but by the thousand, are tramping the streets, all looking for DEAR OLD MASTER. There are hundreds of men coming here every day, some coming by boat, some by the tie route, and eastern people by the trainload are being snared by the commercial clubs and real estate sharks, who are flooding the east with literature, telling them that wages are high here and lots of work for all.
We have a new name for the hobo now. They are called "colonists" and are as thick as bees along the railroad track, all looking for a place to settle, providing there is enough wood close by to keep the fire going all night.
Wages here run from \$1.75 to \$2.00 a day. A man getting as high as \$2.00 or \$2.25 thinks he is getting big wages. There are so many men lined up at the free employment office that a policeman has to keep the men in line so as not to blockade the sidewalk. Building contractors are working night and day at present, as the wages are low and lots of idle men willing to work for any old wages.
All you workers who are satisfied with these conditions, vote, vote, vote, and get more of the same dose. If you are NOT satisfied and want to see your wives and children LIVE instead of merely existing, join an organization which has for its motto: AN INJURY TO ONE WORKER IS AN INJURY TO ALL WORKERS.
Workers, come get together and stop this one-sided prosperity and get some of it yourself. Change the hump from your back to your stomach, where it belongs.
Yours for the Big Union,
F. GUNTHER.

FROM DULUTH.

Employment sharks send men out to lumber camps at \$26 a month; last summer and fall at \$30 and \$35 a month; that's a good raise from \$35 to \$26. How do you like it JACKS? Don't need a union to cut the wages; boss will do it without. Hope you lumberjacks stay with the boss until he raises you to about \$15 a month.
A LUMBERJACK, Local 68, I. W. W.

FROM COLUMBUS, OHIO.

Columbus is dead as a doornail as far as work is concerned. Hundreds of slaves are tramping the streets. The work-house is full and also the rotten city prisons. Drunks are not arrested any more as there is no accommodation for them. Eight hour stickers are making quite a hit with all except a few pure and simplers and the plutes. We would like to hear from all who are interested in Industrial Unionism around Columbus. Object, to form a union. Will such workers address me at 211 Cleveland avenue, Columbus, Ohio.
MARTIN PHELAN.

BIG MEETING IN TACOMA.

On May 27th all the craft unions of Tacoma, the Socialist Party, Socialist Labor Party, and the Industrial Workers of the World will meet together to protest against the despotic methods of the master class of America for the crimes committed against labor in the past few weeks. Speakers representing the different organizations mentioned will take the platform in defense of the rights of the workers. Fellow Worker Thompson will likely speak for the I. W. W. This meeting will likely be the largest gathering of wage workers ever gathered together in the history of Tacoma. All workers are invited to attend. The meeting will be reported in the "Industrial Worker" by a special correspondent.
CHAS. DOWNEY,
Sec. No. 380, I. W. W., Tacoma, Wash.

NEW LOCALS ORGANIZED.

Stockton Industrial Union No. 73, Stockton, Cal., April 10, 1911. G. W. Reese, Secretary, 125 E. Main street.
Mount Vernon Industrial Union No. 74, Mount Vernon, Wash., April 15, 1911. S. C. G. Auberg, Secretary.
Garment Workers Industrial Union No. 191, Rochester, N. Y., April 24, 1911. Thomas Volpe, Secretary, 29 Portland avenue.
Public Service Workers Industrial Union No. 384, Brooklyn, N. Y., April 24, 1911. R. Rotolo, Secretary, 127 Troutman street.
Metal and Machinery Workers Industrial Union No. 10, Rock Island, Ill., April 26, 1911. H. I. Shepard, Secretary, 2408 Sixth avenue.

