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R. R. MEN HOLD MEETING

BIG MEETING IN LYTTON, B. C.—CONSTRUCTION MEN ARE WELL ORGANIZED—WORKERS NOW TREATED WITH RESPECT BY BUSINESS MEN—JUDGE TOLD WHEKE TO "HEAD IN."

The small storekeepers and other members of the middle class around Lytton, B. C., now treat a construction worker almost as if he were a man, often addressing him in cordial terms as he passes.

Nor did Fellow Worker Biscay, in his lecture on Sunday evening, seek to alienate this at present helpful sympathy. These storekeepers are good unionists in their own way, keeping up such prices as 10c for a 5c loaf of bread and 15c for a small glass of beer.

The representative of the LAW, who is a known petty larceny boodler, and not very popular in this community, has attempted on previous occasions to interfere with freedom of speech. On this evening he was as quiet as a mouse, having been told beforehand that his monkey business was not desired.

The meeting was a great success, almost the whole burg attending. The 300 I. W. W. men, reinforced by residents, made up a crowd of about 700. The remarks of the speaker on straight Industrial Unionism were frequently applauded. He unmercifully lashed the contractors and their stool-pigeons and vividly showed up the conditions in construction gangs. The evenings in these northern latitudes are growing short. The meeting terminating in darkness, was frequently, especially the closing pieroration, illuminated by intense flashes of lightning. The impression left was that the message of Industrial Solidarity must be heard in spite of the powers of evil and of darkness.

F. FLOYD,
Member I. W. W.

MUST NOT TALK SAYS JUDGE

SUSPECTED OF BELONGING TO THE I. W. W.—MUST NOT DISTURB THE PROPERTY OF THE SLAVES, SAYS JUDGE—BIG PROTEST MEETING MEETING HELD.

Among the 25 men who were arrested Sunday night and lodged in jail for vagrancy, having been found in barns, sheds, box cars and sleeping in the open, there were a number of the men who had I. W. W. literature in their pockets. From this it was suspected that they were affiliated with that order and Judge Palmer, in releasing them yesterday morning, gave warning that this community has no use for the members of an organization who make a business of going about among workmen who are employed in this city, stirring up discord and disturbing the peace and prosperity of the community. He said that he had nothing against the I. W. W. so long as its members behaved themselves, but he gave them fair warning that they would suffer the limit from his court if they attempted any violations of law here.

It is now reported that about 15 of the men gathered on a street corner shortly after the hearing ended and expressed much indignation regarding the treatment they had received from Wenatchee officials. Word came to the police that some of the men uttered threats, declaring that they would either get the stars of these officers or get their hides.

These men found sympathy among some of the socialists and Mike O'Connor welcomed them to the Socialist hall. The whole bunch went down to the river at noon, where they prepared Mulligan stew, then came up to the Socialist hall and held an indignation meeting, in which the police department, the sheriff and his deputy and the police court were scored as instruments of injustice.—Wenatchee Daily World.

NOTICE TO SECRETARIES.

All secretaries of the I. W. W. are urged to secure subs for the "Industrial Worker." There are many people who would subscribe to the Worker if given a cordial invitation. Try it.

SENTENCED—TO LIFE!

From "Social Democrat", New Zealand



There is little hope for the child of today, born of working parents, but a life of unceasing toil in the master's profit-grinding hell pens. The child has supplanted the mother and father, because it works cheaper. Child slavery in America is openly carried on and many thousands of little tots are wearing their little lives away in order to make wealth for a fat profit-monger. If nothing else would rouse the great army of men toilers to action, the very thought of the thousands of little children working in the mills, should stir them to action. Child slavery is a greater blot on civilization than prostitution, as it is a forerunner of prostitution, disease and misery. Let us unite industrially and free every child from the greedy grasp of the gold-crazed glutton that fattens from their toil. Ninety per cent of the child slaves of the cotton factories of the south are absolutely illiterate. Be a man and fight. Organize and save the children and then yourselves.

TERRIBLE CONDITIONS ON CANADIAN NORTHERN

I. W. W. GROWING RAPIDLY—1500 MEMBERS NOW—I. W. W. BUILDS HALL AT LYTTON—CONTRACTORS ILL-TREAT MEN—NO HOSPITAL.

We are making great headway in organizing the railroaders on the C. & N. R. R. A site has been leased and we are preparing to build a headquarters of our own upon the ground. This is the only way in which we can get a meeting place. A committee was sent around with a list to the business men in order to raise as much money for the building as possible. In this way nearly \$200 was raised, almost enough to cover the expense of a headquarters large enough for office and meeting place. A sign painter has promised to paint a sign on the building as soon as complete. This will enable every one riding on the train to see the sign and will do some good.

The young organization is growing steadily. We number about 1500 members already and have used that many due stamps in about a month. Our only trouble in the start was getting supplies in fast enough to equip the workers ready to join. Now that we have received an extra supply we are ready to outfit the rest.

The contractors have been giving the men a dirty deal in nearly every palce along the line where any men are employed. In one of Palmer & Hensing's camps on this same road a man was hurt by a tree which kicked back. He lay in a muzzle-loading bunk for

three days without any medical attention and without his clothes being changed. Finally he was taken care of by a friend who had him taken to a Vancouver hospital. These same bosses charge \$1.00 a month for hospital fees and have no hospital along the line. This is bare-faced extortion of money under false pretense. There is no exception to this on any job.

At Spences Bridge a man was buried under a slide. When dug out it was found that the worker had been killed instantly, his head was crushed. Under such circumstances the coroner should have been present before the man was buried. There was no coroner's investigation and the man was put in a box and buried in an Indian cemetery. There was no doctor in town at the time.

I know of several workers who have been charged hospital fees twice in the same month. Often even a receipt is not given after the dollar has been extracted from the unfortunate worker.

The next move of the contractors was to ship in some gun men. Three of these reptiles with guns strapped to their carcasses made a boast that they were going to "drive the Swedes out of town." They also affirmed that there was going to be a riot in town the next day. Looks as if they had orders to start something, but it did not work. There was none of the boasted trouble started, as we were on the lookout.

At one of the camps where a great number of the boys went to reason with a few scabs who locked themselves in the camp, the two

contractors urged the boys to break in and pull them out. All manner of insinuations were made by these two exploiters in order to inflame the men to start trouble, yet it all failed.

An order for pinks has been placed with a Vancouver shark in order to place spies in every camp. Two men whose names I have were approached with offers of \$2.50 a day and expenses for this slimy work. The boys declined with sulphurous exclamations, which made the shark disappear quickly.

The Lytton cop was prevailed upon to scare me out of town upon my first arrival. When I did not scare readily, he next forbade us holding meetings in town. I told him that as soon as we had other business arranged we would hold meetings as often as we saw fit. Since then we have held meetings without any interference from this guardian of capitalistic "laws." So, from now on I expect little trouble unless the bosses try to make some.

The railroaders are ripe for organization and this is being done as rapidly as possible. From the start we have made already conditions point to a big addition to the ranks of One Big Union.

The workers are still holding out for better station prices and work is not opening up for this reason. If every local keeps busy advertising that there is nothing, doing up here, we will handle our affairs up here.

J. S. BISCAY.

BAKERS JOIN THE I. W. W.

SAN FRANCISCO WILL HOLD BIG FERRER COMMEMORATION MEETING—MANY SPEAKERS IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES—ITALIAN BAKERS JOIN I. W. W.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 15.—The Latin branch of the I. W. W. will have a big meeting in commemoration of the death of Francisco Ferrer at the Washington Square theater. A social sketch, "The Class War" will be given in Italian by the Maiori Company.

The speakers will be Franklin Jordan, Austin Lewis, William McDevitt and other speakers in Italian, Spanish and French.

The Italian Bakers today voted to join the I. W. W. and sent to the I. W. W. general headquarters in Chicago for a charter. There are about 200 Italian bakers in San Francisco and half of them have joined already. We are working hard to organize the Italians in Oakland and have already 23 members. We have lots of hope that we will have a strong organization before next year.

Yours for the I. W. W.,
B. SAFFORES.

ORGANIZE AND FIGHT

WHERE IS YOUR POWER—ON THE STREET CORNER, IN THE JUNGLE OR ON THE JOB?

This is a question which should be very carefully considered by all rebels—for where your power lies, there should you organize.

Can you better the condition of the working class by passing up all the bum jobs?

No! It is your place to get on the job and agitate to make it a better job. And don't try to do it all in one day. Don't call a strike unless you can win! For the real scab is the one who deserts the job. You can do nothing outside the mill, but inside you can hurt the boss more by using SABOTAGE! "Get on the job." STNLEY M. GUE.

I. W. W. IN HOME.

A propoganda group of the I. W. W., composed of 53 charter members, was formed in Home.

The people of this town are wide awake to the needs of the working class. With The Agitator as its weapon, this group will spread the propoganda of Revolutionary Industrialism.

Pamphlets and leaflets will be published in addition. The cause of one big union will be vigorously pursued.

The capitalist lick-spittles may continue the persecution of our people, persecution only kindles their ardor for the new order, where the workers will have their own and there shall be no masters, high or low.—Agitator.

FREE SPEECH

"Without free speech no search for truth is possible; without free speech no discovery of truth is useful; without free speech progress is checked and the nations no longer march forward toward the nobler life which the future holds for man. Better a thousand-fold abuse of free speech than denial of free speech. The abuse dies in a day, but the denial slays the life of the people and entombs the hope of the race."—Charles Bradlaugh.

By God, I will accept nothing which all can not have their counterpart of on the same terms.—Walt Whitman.

WAGE VERSUS CHATEL SLAVERY.

From the experience of our planters, slavery is as little advantageous to the masters as to the slave, whenever hired servants can be procured. A man is obliged to clothe and feed his slave, and he does no more for his servant. The price of the first purchase, therefore, is so much loss to him; not to mention that the fear of punishment will never draw so much labor from a slave as the dread of being turned off and not getting another service will from a freeman. DAVID HUME.

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