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Arouse, ye slaves! There is world's work for you to do.

Selecting the Jury

Prejudice Shown Against Socialists—Prosecution Subpoenas Republicans and Those Opposed to Unions

Boise, May 15. At the close of this afternoon's session of court twelve jurymen had been passed for cause by both the prosecution and the defense, and the prosecution had commenced upon its right of peremptory challenge. Each side may exercise ten peremptory challenges. There is feeling that another venire will not be necessary, and that the jury will probably be selected by the close of the week.

The court room is well filled, but not crowded during the proceedings.

Mr. Hawley yesterday morning asked to have four more names endorsed upon the indictment as witnesses.

The day was very warm and the routine proceedings in selecting the jury very tiresome. If the trial is prolonged through the summer the court room with its low, heavy ceiling will no doubt be almost insufferable.

The men called as jurymen are mostly farmers owning their own farms, and a few small business men. They are all republicans with the exception of about two democrats. There are no wage workers on the venire. Such a choice cannot be an accident. All say they know nothing of organized labor.

Could anything be plainer that the workers are tried by institutions in which they are supposed to have no part as workers? The function of the workers of society must be kept in the background in deference to the superior assumption of "citizenship", or mysterious superiority founded upon bourgeois ideals of social control. All the decisive action in details lies in the hands of those in the possession of state authority. The sheriff's office has full control of those that are called. When will the working class learn that they must control the sheriff's office and every other office. They will never get justice till then.

The majority of jurors excused have been dismissed for admitting to having formed an opinion. Both sides are examining the jurors very closely as to the papers they read. The prosecution questions about the Appeal to Reason and the Idaho Unionist. The defense questions closely as to prejudices against socialism or socialists; also as to the effect of Roosevelt calling the men "undesirable citizens," and the speeches of Taft and Gooding against the men.

During the day a quibble came up among the lawyers in regard to the citizens' alliance. Hawley said they expected to deny that there was such an organization. Richardson replied that the Statesman said there was, that no one would accuse that paper of being conducted by the defense. Hawley retorted, "nor by the prosecution either."

On Wednesday a new feature developed in the questioning, and that was in regard to the credence that would be given to the testimony of Harry Orchard.

There seems to be a general antipathy to accepting his testimony; so much so that it has excused several jurors. This will no doubt have considerable effect during the progress of the trial.

The defense challenged one Wyngate but was overruled by the judge. Mr. Richardson preserved an exception.

The jury system under capitalism is a disgrace to human intelligence. Successful candidates for the position of deciding a man's right to life are supposed to know nothing and be nothing. A premium is put on the man who takes no interest. Instead of the highest judgment and knowledge being brought to the task all conditions for forming correct judgments are supposed to be eliminated. The men are not allowed to read papers, or consult or inform themselves intelligently.

The jury system of to-day, horrible, unjust and vicious, is still no doubt a distinct advance in human institutions beyond the time when the overlord simply handed down the law as it suited his interests. And still the interests of the rulers obstruct the free judgment of the ablest human intelligence that should be brought to bear upon the matter at issue.

Men will never pudge their fellows

rightly except under socialism, when questions of harm to the social body will be carefully weighed by the ablest intellectual power and information that can be brought to bear. But now conflicting interests make both sides fight for the advantage, and it is not justice that is desired but victory.

Wednesday afternoon a tilt took place between the attorneys in regard to the method of bringing the prisoners here. The prosecution has been careful to question the jurors as to whether they were prejudiced in regard to the way of getting them into the state. Borah said he was willing to leave that question to the supreme court. Richardson said that the supreme court had stated that it would not inquire into the method.

The reference, of course, was to the unprecedented kidnapping.

The man Henry, who had been passed for a season by the defense was to-day again taken in hand by Mr. Darrow, and asked if he had not stated in a conversation that socialism, anarchism, and Debsism were not all the same. He denied the reflection. He was then asked if he had not said that Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone must have been mixed up in some way in the Steunenberg case, or they would never have been arrested. He denied this also. R. Lovelace was then called to the chair as a witness by the defense, and gave his evidence that Henry had made the above remarks. He was cross-examined by Borah who brought out the fact that Lovelace was a socialist, asked if he had been employed by the defense to work upon the case, and did all he could to show that the socialists had been employed in secret work against the prosecution.

When a contest of this sort comes up the weakness and lack of confidence of the workers is painfully disclosed. All the power and the confidence engendered by social training are against them. They have been busied doing the world's work, not in arts of diplomacy. This young fellow was a fireman, a socialist with his noble convictions of a better state, and yet his testimony was so weak and hesitating as he was bullied by Borah that it was with difficulty that he made his point.

Mr. Richardson brought out though that he was simply a spectator in the court room yesterday, and had volunteered the information. The challenge of the defense on Henry was allowed.

Already the case has developed the fact that socialism is practically at the bar in the Idaho trial. Everything in connection with socialism is searchingly questioned by the prosecution. This latest and terrible class conflict, no matter what its result, has brought socialism to the front in America as a national issue where the workers are concerned. Haywood is being tried as a socialist, and no matter how veiled the circumstances may be the socialists of the country should never forget that he has stood bravely up to it, and faced it in the court room, and his attorneys have been compelled to make their fight on that basis.

This the socialist press of the country has undeniably accomplished by forcing the light of publicity upon the situation.

Court adjourned Wednesday evening till Thursday afternoon because of the funeral of Judge Nugent, father of Attorney Nugent, employed on the defense.

A new socialist magazine will shortly be started from Lake Charles, La., entitled "The Red Flag," and edited by May Beals. The subscription price will be a dollar a year, and those wishing to subscribe can address Miss Beals at Lake Charles, 24 Bilbo street.

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Dixon's Flunky

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The drunken Collins of the "Missoulian," in his zeal for Congressman Joey, has broken out in a new place, Boise, and is making several different kinds of a fool of himself over the reports of the Western Federation trials.

Here is the way he is lading out the dope at present for the credulous readers of his great Joe Dixon graft enlightener:

"Important labor organs have correspondents here. Among the noted socialists are Herman F. Titus of Seattle and Ida Crouch-Hazlett of Helena. They and four other tear starters comprise those journalists who, convinced in their own minds that the defendants are innocent, are bitter against those who would rather hear the evidence before passing upon the guilt or innocence of the accused.

Titus and Mrs. Hazlett came to Boise prepared to make the street corner speeches and were much incensed when the mayor prohibited them from so doing. They claim that this is another blow at labor by capital. These people have been eating at a Chinese restaurant since here, though the claim is made they are abundantly supplied with means."

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Great game to aid the dangling halters! Rivers of working class blood have been shed in the past under the same cowardly cover. That hunter of working men, and perpetrator of almost every known crime, goes religiously to the Catholic church every morning.

Orchard gave out a pat statement that the press reported as his own language. Here it is:

"I have nothing in particular to say but I might say that anything I may have said, I said of my own free will and accord after taking plenty of time to deliberate. There never was any force or coercion used at any time or any threats by word or deed. There have never been any promises made at any time."

And the reception was over.

Breeze in Court Room.

This high-toned reception for the murderer of Ex-Governor Steunenberg had its aftermath, however. When court convened Friday morning the

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Dixon's Flunky

The Missoulian an Organ Favorable to Rooseveltism Tries to Boost up the Mine Owners' Conspiracy

The drunken Collins of the "Missoulian," in his zeal for Congressman Joey, has broken out in a new place, Boise, and is making several different kinds of a fool of himself over the reports of the Western Federation trials.

Here is the way he is lading out the dope at present for the credulous readers of his great Joe Dixon graft enlightener:

"Important labor organs have correspondents here. Among the noted socialists are Herman F. Titus of Seattle and Ida Crouch-Hazlett of Helena. They and four other tear starters comprise those journalists who, convinced in their own minds that the defendants are innocent, are bitter against those who would rather hear the evidence before passing upon the guilt or innocence of the accused.

Titus and Mrs. Hazlett came to Boise prepared to make the street corner speeches and were much incensed when the mayor prohibited them from so doing. They claim that this is another blow at labor by capital. These people have been eating at a Chinese restaurant since here, though the claim is made they are abundantly supplied with means."

What purports to be a statement of facts in this communication from the editorial pervert representing the "Missoulian" on the scene is a tissue of utterly foundationless fabrications.

In the first place Mrs. Hazlett held street meetings for eight nights in Boise preceding the election day. The lectures were attended by large and respectful crowds of seven or eight hundred people, and Mrs. Hazlett was not molested in any shape or form. The addresses were educational in character, advised peace, justice and investigation and contained nothing whatever of an inflammatory or violent character. They were remarkably well commented on throughout the city.

It was on the advice of Mrs. Hazlett, in which the rest of the socialists now present in Boise, concurred, that street meetings were deemed inadvisable during the trial. This was in order that no excuse might be given that the socialists were in any way contributing to any disturbance that might occur in Boise from any cause.

Debs wrote from Girard, Kansas, expressing the same opinion. Dr. Titus had no idea whatever of speaking in Boise, and the mayor never attempted to prohibit anybody from doing so, as no one had any such intention. He simply had a quiet talk with Dr. Titus, asking him if the rumor were true that he was to speak. Upon being informed that it was absolutely without foundation and the socialists did not favor street meetings at this time, the interview terminated very amicably and with mutual courtesy.

So far as eating at Chinese hop joints is concerned, the socialists are gathered principally at a very modest boarding house where a number of commercial college girls also make their home during the school sessions. As for Dr. Titus, his wife is with him, and they are engaged in light house-keeping.

This one lurid account of things that are not so is a most excellent sample of the means and methods that the capitalist press is taking to throw utterly unfounded odium upon the socialists, and prejudice the public against Haywood as a socialist. Even a cursory investigation will show upon which side are the lies, the misrepresentations, the inflammatory and the defamatory assertions.

But not content with such baseless slanders in the issue of May 12 or May 14, this conscienceless tool for what ever the capitalist class demands of him, comes out with another irresponsible tirade against Mrs. Hazlett. This time the accusation is made that "she has circulated a pamphlet condemning the prosecution, especially Senator Borah and Governor Gooding, the language of which is violent, profane and obscene."

As Mrs. Hazlett never wrote a pam-

phlet in her life, and as those who know her can have some idea of how nearly her writing conforms to the above description, the methods of warfare employed by such champions of Joe Dixon's politics as this, are too contemptible to merit the consideration of self-respecting people.

It is only the diseased habitue of the brothel whose vile associations has engendered such ideas as are here expressed.

Criticism indeed, has been launched by the Montana News and other socialist papers against the debased and immoral character of those who are the active agents of the Mine Owners' association in its attempt to hound the officials of organized labor to their doom. But in uttering that criticism, the organs of the working class have only given expression to what is common talk around the haunts where these people are known. Anyone can ascertain for himself the reputation of these people in their home town in spite of the fulsome lies and adulation of the press that serves the same interests as these government agents of Standard Oil.

Even a look into the faces and at the forms of these men absolutely confirms to a skilled observer whatever remarks the socialist press has made.

Why all this hypocrisy? The working class can have no interest in keeping up this fiction of respectability regarding those who are employing every power of existing institutions to crush and render helpless the producers and creators of all that makes civilization possible.

Here is what H. Collins thinks of Mrs. Hazlett when he is sober enough to think at all:

"I am able to believe anything against this dangerous woman, this stirrer of strife, this malicious defamer of character who is a curse to Montana, and will in time, perhaps too late, be so considered. She has cursed the president, the flag and the constitution."

Indeed, it appears that the charges against Mrs. Hazlett are about like those against Jesus Christ—a stirrer up of strife.

Yes; and it is due to these 'stirrers' in history that the human race has ever lifted itself out, in any degree, from its degradation of oppression, and the sins and vileness of ruling class license. "Work, you beast, you slave!" has been the slogan of the masters lapped in luxury through the ages.

But the work slave has voiced his protest. And socialism to-day is that solemn and determined protest. And its demands will never be settled until they are settled right.

Mrs. Hazlett mildly denies the soft impeachment that "she has cursed the president, the flag and the constitution." As an advocate of the socialist philosophy she realizes that it will take something besides curses to change the president and the constitution. At least votes must be tried first, and without that curses are useless. The flag she considers very pretty. She would appreciate it better if it floated over better institutions. And it shows up most gracefully when carried with the beautiful crimson banner of international socialism.

Another Collins yarn is that "Ida Crouch-Hazlett's Helena paper has been distributed gratis to very household in Ada county." There are not to exceed 50 copies of the Montana News going into Boise, and none others have been distributed since the meetings.

This is merely another sample of Collins' yellow veracity.

His reports in regard to the Federation and the personnel of the trial are equally ridiculous—a coarse malevolent slander on everything connected with the working class. It is pitiful to think that the working class will patronize in any manner such sheets so inimical to them and their interests.

Arouse, ye slaves! There is world's work for you to do.

Selecting the Jury

Prejudice Shown Against Socialists—Prosecution Subpoenas Republicans and Those Opposed to Unions

Boise, May 15. At the close of this afternoon's session of court twelve jurymen had been passed for cause by both the prosecution and the defense, and the prosecution had commenced upon its right of peremptory challenge. Each side may exercise ten peremptory challenges. There is feeling that another venire will not be necessary, and that the jury will probably be selected by the close of the week.

The court room is well filled, but not crowded during the proceedings.

Mr. Hawley yesterday morning asked to have four more names endorsed upon the indictment as witnesses.

The day was very warm and the routine proceedings in selecting the jury very tiresome. If the trial is prolonged through the summer the court room with its low, heavy ceiling will no doubt be almost insufferable.

The men called as jurymen are mostly farmers owning their own farms, and a few small business men. They are all republicans with the exception of about two democrats. There are no wage workers on the venire. Such a choice cannot be an accident. All say they know nothing of organized labor.

Could anything be plainer that the workers are tried by institutions in which they are supposed to have no part as workers? The function of the workers of society must be kept in the background in deference to the superior assumption of "citizenship", or mysterious superiority founded upon bourgeois ideals of social control. All the decisive action in details lies in the hands of those in the possession of state authority. The sheriff's office has full control of those that are called. When will the working class learn that they must control the sheriff's office and every other office. They will never get justice till then.

The majority of jurors excused have been dismissed for admitting to having formed an opinion. Both sides are examining the jurors very closely as to the papers they read. The prosecution questions about the Appeal to Reason and the Idaho Unionist. The defense questions closely as to prejudices against socialism or socialists; also as to the effect of Roosevelt calling the men "undesirable citizens," and the speeches of Taft and Gooding against the men.

During the day a quibble came up among the lawyers in regard to the citizens' alliance. Hawley said they expected to deny that there was such an organization. Richardson replied that the Statesman said there was, that no one would accuse that paper of being conducted by the defense. Hawley retorted, "nor by the prosecution either."

On Wednesday a new feature developed in the questioning, and that was in regard to the credence that would be given to the testimony of Harry Orchard.

There seems to be a general antipathy to accepting his testimony; so much so that it has excused several jurors. This will no doubt have considerable effect during the progress of the trial.

The defense challenged one Wyngate but was overruled by the judge. Mr. Richardson preserved an exception.

The jury system under capitalism is a disgrace to human intelligence. Successful candidates for the position of deciding a man's right to life are supposed to know nothing and be nothing. A premium is put on the man who takes no interest. Instead of the highest judgment and knowledge being brought to the task all conditions for forming correct judgments are supposed to be eliminated. The men are not allowed to read papers, or consult or inform themselves intelligently.

The jury system of to-day, horrible, unjust and vicious, is still no doubt a distinct advance in human institutions beyond the time when the overlord simply handed down the law as it suited his interests. And still the interests of the rulers obstruct the free judgment of the ablest human intelligence that should be brought to bear upon the matter at issue.

Men will never pudge their fellows

rightly except under socialism, when questions of harm to the social body will be carefully weighed by the ablest intellectual power and information that can be brought to bear. But now conflicting interests make both sides fight for the advantage, and it is not justice that is desired but victory.

Wednesday afternoon a tilt took place between the attorneys in regard to the method of bringing the prisoners here. The prosecution has been careful to question the jurors as to whether they were prejudiced in regard to the way of getting them into the state. Borah said he was willing to leave that question to the supreme court. Richardson said that the supreme court had stated that it would not inquire into the method.

The reference, of course, was to the unprecedented kidnapping.

The man Henry, who had been passed for a season by the defense was to-day again taken in hand by Mr. Darrow, and asked if he had not stated in a conversation that socialism, anarchism, and Debsism were not all the same. He denied the reflection. He was then asked if he had not said that Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone must have been mixed up in some way in the Steunenberg case, or they would never have been arrested. He denied this also. R. Lovelace was then called to the chair as a witness by the defense, and gave his evidence that Henry had made the above remarks. He was cross-examined by Borah who brought out the fact that Lovelace was a socialist, asked if he had been employed by the defense to work upon the case, and did all he could to show that the socialists had been employed in secret work against the prosecution.

When a contest of this sort comes up the weakness and lack of confidence of the workers is painfully disclosed. All the power and the confidence engendered by social training are against them. They have been busied doing the world's work, not in arts of diplomacy. This young fellow was a fireman, a socialist with his noble convictions of a better state, and yet his testimony was so weak and hesitating as he was bullied by Borah that it was with difficulty that he made his point.

Mr. Richardson brought out though that he was simply a spectator in the court room yesterday, and had volunteered the information. The challenge of the defense on Henry was allowed.

Already the case has developed the fact that socialism is practically at the bar in the Idaho trial. Everything in connection with socialism is searchingly questioned by the prosecution. This latest and terrible class conflict, no matter what its result, has brought socialism to the front in America as a national issue where the workers are concerned. Haywood is being tried as a socialist, and no matter how veiled the circumstances may be the socialists of the country should never forget that he has stood bravely up to it, and faced it in the court room, and his attorneys have been compelled to make their fight on that basis.

This the socialist press of the country has undeniably accomplished by forcing the light of publicity upon the situation.

Court adjourned Wednesday evening till Thursday afternoon because of the funeral of Judge Nugent, father of Attorney Nugent, employed on the defense.

A new socialist magazine will shortly be started from Lake Charles, La., entitled "The Red Flag," and edited by May Beals. The subscription price will be a dollar a year, and those wishing to subscribe can address Miss Beals at Lake Charles, 24 Bilbo street.

Machinists No. 311, Los Angeles, Cal., endorsed the socialist party and then Machinists' Helpers Union No. 12,364 followed suit and stipulated the copies of resolutions be forwarded to President Gompers, as well as local unions.