

"PARROTIS" CANADA

(Special to Solidarity)

Ottawa, Canada, August 21.

Feeling that you might desire to know at first hand of conditions in "our empire," I take time to tell you the slaves are still quiet in these parts. But, to their credit, not nearly so much so as the capitalist press would cause you to believe.

We are not permitted any news here except what is censored by the "official press bureau of Great Britain."

At present the city of Toronto is bankrupt and Hull and Ottawa nearly so, and the Dominion government so nearly so that it is calling a special session to legalize a declaration of a moratorium in Canada, also to pass a law to raise money by direct tax (by the sale of stamps which must be attached to all documents).

While press reports are sent telling of "the great patriotic demonstrations in Canada, the workers in Canada are being laid off by the thousands through obstruction of trade and commerce as a direct result of the war."

On the night that war was declared by Great Britain, a great effort was made to enthrone the crowd by hiring some "mission bums" to parade the streets carrying two big banners bearing the inscriptions, "God Save the King," and "England Forever." The poor stiff carried their banners up and down the street and vainly called on the crowd to "join in the procession." Notwithstanding this dismal failure, the press next morning told of the "great patriotic demonstration."

One of the amusing features is the extent to which the "German spy" is worked. The other day a woman employed a man to trim her lawn. He worked all morning for which she offered him 50 cents. He insisted on a dollar and a half and his insistence was so strenuous that she had to pay him. But she decided that a man who wanted more than 50 cents for five hours must be a German. She called a police headquarter and informed them that there was a German near her house who was acting suspiciously. As a result half of the police force was armed to the teeth and sent half way across the city to catch "the wretch."

Today I was out at Lansdown Park watching them buying horses for the front; each one of which was branded G. R. (Georgius regina). Tonight three military bands paraded the streets followed by the local militia and the recruits for the front; each having the G. R. stamped all over him. As free born Britons they played "Britons NEVER, NEVER shall be slaves." And to prove it they then played "God save our noble King. Long live our noble King. Send him victorious long to reign over us, followed by such slush as, "It is the soldiers of the king, my boys, you've seen my boys, you've been my boys, in the fight for England and its glory boys; when we say we've always won, we'll proudly point to every one of England's soldiers of the king." Of course the fact that after "we've won, my boys," many of the "soldiers of the king" will be dead and more full of worms than King, is a more incident that would not be thought of except by some unreasonable radical.

The reports which the Canadian government sends out regarding "the largest number of volunteers" are also false. Although the recruiting offices have been open for weeks now, the "first contingent" of a few thousand is not yet made up.

It is "cruelty to animals" to recruit some of the poor "bums" which they now have "ready for the front."

The fact that a few Italian peanut peddlers tried to increase their sales in Montreal by an appearance of patriotic fervor was made the basis of the report sent broadcast to the press about the great war demonstration of the Italians in Montreal, but the fact that three or four thousand Russian socialists in Montreal held a monster demonstration against the war is not mentioned at all. Notwithstanding that Canadian volunteers are not numerous is a fact that there was a strong lip enthusiasm when war was first declared; but the resulting high prices and unemployment are rapidly causing a change of tune.

We radicals in this city are not numerous and just after the declaration of war we had to face howling mobs in our propaganda for international peace. But it is significant that the results of war have already caused us to get a respectful hearing. And when it comes to telling the patriots what we think of them, the suffragettes have nothing to say.

Though "towards flinch and traitors sneer" we are having the time of our lives "hearding the British lion in his den."

It may also cheer the American wage slave to learn that during the coming winter he will have the additional competition of a thousands of Canadian wage slaves whose unemployment will drive them across the line.

WM. BOON.

REVIEWING A REVIEWER

(Continued from Page One)

"Gene, how ridiculous! What are you trying to prove with the martyrdom of Moyer? That his personality is worth more than the will of Butte No. 1? You at least, who see no individuals and are not interested in any one person, it is plain that you, to whom even Rockefeller is a product of the system, should indulge in such petty trifles when a principle is at stake; that almost staggers me. Suppose Moyer is a self-sacrificing and a Socialist in the labor movement, and a Socialist in the bargain, would that prove as to what faction is right or wrong? Believe me, I can vouch from my knowledge of Sam Compers as to him being a fine, well-meaning "gentleman." Would that make the A. F. of L. any better? I do not think so, at least not in your opinion. I wonder "Industrial Unionism" by Eugene V. Debs" it gives me great pleasure that you do not see even a "thing" something wrong in the Butte local. You must have just found it out. But I knew it since 1911, coming through Butte, not entertained in the hall, but trying to get a job. I have addressed the same men who he did, why did he not strike him out before he was admitted? And how ably you deny the Moyer machine! By calling a statement a "lie" proves nothing. You say the Western Federation of Miners couldn't have a machine because it happens to be a democratic organization. Let me ask you a question, Mr. Debs, did you ever hear of a machine within an "autocracy"? I guess not. The "autocracy" is the machine itself. But how about "democracies"? Do you have to look very far to find machines there? Take the Republican party, the Democratic party, the Bull Moose party and have not at least the Socialist party, all democratic organizations. But are they not all machine ridden? For instance, just in the "democracy" where demagogues make use of machines to perpetuate their existence, their reign. But you answer it yourself in the very same paragraph, denying the existence of a machine in the Western Federation of Miners.

rence mills while being congressman on the S. P. ticket." If there was any "selling out" it must have been by the "seller" or the "buyer," of the above mentioned strike. Oh, what a sorry trade! All for a "pot of gold" that you may get from the American Federation of Labor. Come now, tell us, Mr. Debs, where did you get the information that came to light about the I. W. W. selling out? Did you get it from William Trautman? He is on his way to the lunatic asylum! He is the "seller" or the "buyer," who, in a drunken fit, disappointed at being separated from his usual ticket for not staying sober, in my presence, here in Pittsburgh, charged the I. W. W. with "selling out" during the strike, "selling out" when pressed for proof by the "district organization," he produced the same statement in his own handwriting on paper. So such is your authority! Boose got the best of him. Did it get the best of you, too? Or are you overwise with double here in Pittsburgh strike occurred in the W. E. M. Co. with which the I. W. W. has no connection. William Trautman acted in the capacity of an "adviser." The strike turned out a miserable failure, thousands of men lost their jobs, and thereby, whipsawing around what William Trautman had some thing to do with ending the strike. He is charged with "double crossing." We, in the district here, have evidence to hand which shall be published in the near future for your benefit. So much for your authority. But what is the use of I. W. W. has learned to walk without Trautman, DeLeon, and so on.

There are, as you say, "Judas" in the labor movement, but there are many of the last available with double as to it. You belong to the same category as Trautman, with slight difference as Trautman, with the S. P. and Trautman marks for the S. P. When you ask the question of justification, Trautman has it all over you. For, at least, last his neck and you have yours astred, all due respect to your old age, you are a "has been." The labor movement to which you are at present a stranger has no need of you, and when you shall be laid withdraw to your friends, for your well deserved rest, the Butte miners who will have a union in spite of you and Moyer, will look back upon you as one of the "mammets" who danced at the pulling of a string by their "friend, the enemy, the S. P."

In conclusion, let me say, "had you come to Butte in quest of work as I did, and been refused entrance to the mines because of having expressed yourself radically the night before, you might have understood, even as I do, that you have no need of you, and when you shall be laid, you might live long enough to swallow your own words! For you never can tell. The I. W. W. may grow in strength and numbers and the S. P. may change its policy, like all prostitute political parties. And you may also, by their dictum, change your voice! Who knows?"

Workers in the Oil Industry are urgently requested to send to Solidarity all the information in their possession regarding that industry, to be used in connection with the articles now appearing in the paper. Clippings from papers, details of personal experience, attitude of bosses towards labor organization, disposition of the slaves to organize, and other items of information are especially solicited. Send them to Solidarity as soon as possible.

Fellow Worker Joe Gotal will please communicate with T. J. Thorne, at his earliest convenience, Address Sweet Grass, Mont.

DURST ABOUT TO "START SOMETHING"

(Special to Solidarity)
Sacramento, Calif., Aug. 20.
Following is a special bulletin of information on the hop pickers' strike coming from Wheatland, Aug. 20:

"All is well as far as the hops are concerned. Lots of them will go to waste unpicked, for in spite of all statements to the contrary, the supply of hop pickers is decreasing."

"Durst has shown himself up in this way: He declared that if something didn't start soon, he'd see to it that it did. Further, last night or early this morning, Durst drove above the 1:30 a. m. train came in, and stopped in the dark of the street for about three minutes, just long enough to unload a bunch of men) and then drove away with his chief gunman. Why was he there with his chief gunman at 1:30 a. m.?"

"M. J. McInnis, one of the representatives of Dr. Carlston Parker's Immigration and Housing Commission, in Wheatland, it is reported that he went to one of the Durst ranches and was run out of the same by the gunmen. A hell of a lot they care about the law."

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