

Is The Time—Strike Hard and

AN INJURY TO ONE IS AN INJURY TO ALL



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BUTTE STRIKERS FIRM ARIZONA MINERS DEFIANT RELEASE OUR MEN!

Resist All Attempts to Disrupt Their Solidarity and Refuse to Be Coerced Into Scabbing. General Strike of the Northwest Call to Force Release of Class War Prisoners.

"REMEMBER FRANK LITTLE," THEIR RALLYING CRY—STANDING FIRM FOR FULL DEMANDS A SUMMARY OF THE MANY ATROCITIES LEADING TO THE ACTION

BUTTE STRIKERS FIRM
Anacoanda Smeltermen Out—Tear Up W. F. M. Charter.
MINERS SING REBEL SONGS

Butte, Mont., Aug. 15.—The strike still on here in Butte and the strikers are more determined than ever to bring it to victory. The protestant press is spreading its customary lies and misrepresentations. We are determined to win this strike in spite of the fact that the capitalists are expending all their energies to crush us and that they have a private army of hired gunmen to help them. We are being ahead and gaining strength every day.

The latest news is that members of the W. F. of M. in Anaconda took a strike vote on the night of the 13th and carried 1,073 to 1,068 to come out on strike. Postling was running high. We have heard that one member got up after the vote was taken and advised that they were going to do with the W. F. of M. charter. "Tear it up," the other members bellowed. So they took down the charter and tore it in pieces, denouncing Meyer as they did so. This gives an idea of the sentiments of the workers around Butte; the miners are sick of division and are becoming more and more interested in the industrial form of organization.

The company gunmen have been withdrawn from the streets. They were given the alternative of joining the W. F. of M. as a head, or leaving town. Some of them were fool enough to join but a lot of them bent the other way. The government has taken its places with federal troops. It seems as though even the soldiers are with us, for the other day, as the scales were passing a fellow worker, remarked to one of the soldiers, "They're a fine bunch of animals, they're!" to which the soldier replied, "You said it."

The miners here are hungry for the Big Union education. They are anxious to get as much W. W. W. literature as they can lay their hands on. All the slaves of Butte are talking about the One Big Union and demands which have been prejudiced by Copper Trust lies are liking the union better the more they find out the truth about it.

According to reports in the capitalist press the notorious "rustling gang" is about to be abolished. This means that the important point of contention has just about been won. If you don't think that we are winning out here you should be at some of our meetings and hear the miners sing our rebel songs—especially the Red Flag. The miners are all determined to avenge the death of our fellow worker, Frank Little.

Fellow Worker Grover Perry made a speech at one of our meetings and decided his bid with his audience. Fellow workers, the battle here is now at the crisis. Funds are badly needed to carry the fight to a finish. Victory is now assured. Send all funds to Grover H. Perry, secretary, 205 W. W. W. Bldg., 106-66 Broadway Park building, Salt Lake City, Utah.

SPokane SPEAKS.
 Spokane, Wash., Aug. 21.—A committee of the Central Labor Council of Spokane announced today that the council had adopted resolutions demanding the trial on the railroads of the industrial workers of the World headquarters and the arrest of twenty-seven members of the organization without warning.

The resolutions demanded that a general strike be declared in Spokane and that the union labor men unless James Hansen and the twenty-five industrial workers of the World headquarters are arrested with him are released. Union labor men who are serving on boards, are called upon to resign as a protest of the action of the industrial national gardeners who demanded the industrial workers of the World.

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ings fortunes from the labor of their employees. Let the government compel the copper barons to concede our just and reasonable demands. Members of the Western Federation of Miners are working at the unfair Iron Cap and Superior & Boston mines at Copper Hill near Globe. They are doing so upon the specious plea that they are contributing 10 per cent of their wages to help support a good kitchen being maintained by the local union of the W. F. M. at Globe. An organization which permits a portion of its membership to work under unfair conditions in order to maintain the others has no power to render efficient service to the working class.

We are glad to announce that the craft unions of the Miami-Globe district are awake to their opportunities. The mining companies involved in the strike had placed before these unions a proposition for them to return to

work upon the basis of the elimination of the I. W. W. as workers when work was to be resumed, and also that the old "grievance committee" plan should be maintained. No concessions whatever were promised by the companies. Wednesday, August 13th, had been designated as the day for an election to be held to vote upon this proposition. Governor George W. P. Hunt of Arizona and John Mc-

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THE HORSE OF ELLensburg.
 Stories of almost incredible cruelty, in regard to the conditions of the 100 or more strikers held in the Spokane at Ellensburg. (Continued on page 2.)

THE WEST ARROUSED.
 The people in the West are thoroughly aroused over the actions of the authorities, and deeply indignant and ashamed at the cruel treatment meted out to the strikers, especially by the military authorities. Frank John in a letter recently written tells of his tour through the West, wherein he devotes in his lectures 10 minutes each day describing to his audiences the terrible conditions of the members of the I. W. W. held in the stockades at Ellensburg and elsewhere. He says that everywhere his racial of the heartless practices by the Military authorities upon the workers, is greeted everywhere with shouts of indignation, and his denunciation of those responsible for these horrible conditions, is met with tremendous applause.

THE LINE-LEFT ON YAKIMA.
 Colonel Robertson, editor of the North Yakima Republic, who was far-minded enough to investigate at first hand the terrible I. W. W. was very much surprised to find their ordinary human beings, who do not have horns or caudal appendages, and who had ideas that he thought were advanced, say—after a long-winded speech in which he attempts to analyze the I. W. W. movement and its principles, and lamentably fails—"But the fact remains that there are but hundred men in the Yakima jail in this land of the free and home of the brave, many of them American citizens and some subjects of friendly neutral countries, WHO ARE BEING DEPRIVED OF THEIR LIBERTY INDEFINITELY, ARBITRARILY AND WITHOUT A SHADOW OF LEGAL AUTHORITY OR EVEN PRETEXT THAT SUCH AUTHORITY EXISTS IN ANY OFFICER OR ANY COURT." Thus the Colonel speaks, and he further goes on to point out that there is absolutely no justification for holding these strikers in prison, and that the employers are to blame for the whole thing, and he winds up his article with this barbed shaft at the bosses: "I would be an I. W. W. myself if I had to work for some of these employers on the terms they propose."

WOLF HOWL.
 These sentiments as expressed above are only straws in the wind as showing the way the tide of public opinion is turning, the fasteners have cried "Wolf!" too many times, and the "Wolf" did not materialize, and now the masters' endeavors to paint in lurid colors I. W. W. across the Western horizon has failed and failed in fact, the strike is beginning to leak out, as truth has a nasty habit of doing, and it is singularly embarrassing to those newly-constituted, praise "law and order" pretensions, to have their own culpable lawlessness exposed.

NEWS FROM MARINE TRANSPORT WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION, NO. 100, OF THE I. W. W.

In order to show how the M. T. W. is spreading all along the lines, I have extracted the interesting parts of the letters that I have received from foreign countries...

The following is from Tampico Branch (translated): Tampico, Tam., Mexico, July 24. I will tell you that the strike was declared in this port as I have told you in the last mail. It was declared on the 12th inst. as three (3) of the P. M. All the navigation on the rivers and lakes was paralyzed.

The next day, Sunday, the ships were to leave for the Gulf of Mexico and on shore. But, as in every movement of this kind, we also had a few strikebreakers. One of them was a man named... Monday morning the shipowners went to the shipping companies... We are always in accord with the side of the workers...

Every general. I am very glad in Brook... I am very glad in Brook... I am very glad in Brook... I am very glad in Brook...

YOUNG PRO-TEST MEETING

Meeting will be held... I am very glad in Brook... I am very glad in Brook... I am very glad in Brook...

OST CARDS

Send lost cards are held in office of the Construction Industrial Union 470... I am very glad in Brook... I am very glad in Brook...

GRAND OLD BUNCH

By Joe Foley. "It's a Grand Old Bunch" is a song... I am very glad in Brook... I am very glad in Brook...

DEMANDS OF LUMBER WORKERS

FIRST: We demand an eight-hour day with no work on Sundays or holidays.

SECOND: A minimum wage of \$60 per month, with free coal and fuel.

THIRD: Good wholesome food, to be served in porcelain dishes, with no overcrowding at dining tables.

FOURTH: Sanitary sleeping quarters with not more than 12 men in each house.

FIFTH: Free, hospitalization.

SIXTH: Five dollars per day, minimum wage for river drivers.

SEVENTH: That we be paid twice per month, by bank check, with no discount.

EIGHTH: That all men be hired on the job organization hall, and that the employers furnish free transportation to men, from where they live.

NINTH: That there be no discrimination against members of the I. W. W.

The following companies of the Above-Mentioned Districts: The Lumber Workers of the Districts named will use their organized power to enforce the demands of the I. W. W. Our actions will be determined by you.

Lumber Workers Industrial Union No. 500, I. W. W.

FUNDS NEEDED FOR THE STRIKING MINERS.

Funds are urgently needed for the support of the families of unemployed miners and to help carry on the strike. Send all funds to the General Office of the I. W. W., 1001 West Madison, Wash., if not, care W. J. Moran.

Credentials for I. W. U. 678 have been lost. Number is 208. All members take copies. Forward to 2324 Maine Ave., Spokane, Wash., if not, care W. J. Moran.

THE ADVANCING PROLETARIAT.

Copies of this well known pamphlet by Abner Woodruff can be secured from the Publishing Bureau for ten cents. Address I. W. W., Publishing Bureau, 1001 W. Madison Street, Chicago.

CONVENTION REPORTS.

The Proceedings of the Tenth Annual Convention are on sale at the Publishing Bureau. Price fifty cents per copy. A copy of the report of the Tenth Convention will be sent free with each order.

GREAT FALLS BRANCH MOVES.

The Great Falls Branch of the A. W. L. U. 460 has been transferred to the new building at 129 South Third St. W. Crowley, Secy.

Why don't some of you home-wards get a weekly bundle of Solis to distribute. In times like these people simply get a copy of the I. W. W. paper. See what you can do for them. See what happens.

Will Fellow Worker Kate Leonard write to Pat Ryan, 1001 W. Madison St., Chicago.

At this very moment the cable spread the news of the barbarous action that took place in Butte, Mont. by the Vigilantes Committee with the murder of our Fellow Worker Little. I am very glad in Brook...

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THE CLASS STRUGGLE

Wherever and whenever society is divided into classes, one of the slaves of the other, there we find an endless and bitter struggle between the two, the slaves fighting for freedom and the masters fighting to keep the slaves in subjection.

The pages of history are red with the blood of unknown thousands of slaves who have striven unsuccessfully to throw off the shackles. Many have suffered torture, imprisonment and death in the struggle.

But in spite of past defeats, the class-war still goes on. It can neither be stopped, postponed, nor delayed through the machinations of capitalists and their henchmen may prate of the identity of interests between capital and labor, and then give the lie to their words by jailing members of the working-class for preaching enlightenment to slaves.

The oldest form of slavery is that known as chattel-slavery. The slave was the absolute property of the master, bought and sold on the market, to work wherever and under any conditions the master desired.

With the development of the methods of production, the slave system grew and expanded until it reached its culminating point in the great Roman Empire, which lasted as the highest form of civilization possible for the human race to date.

The chattel-slave system reached its zenith and then began to crumble before the onward march of evolution. It was followed by the serf system, which was based on the land and could not be sold apart from it.

The natural result of such a system was those bloody rebellions that have proven time and again that it is not possible for the slave class to exist long as class distinctions remain.

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WHY I HATE MY FELLOW BOURGEOISES

Do it known that I was born of petty bourgeois parents, my mother having been a dressmaker, my father a machanic.

They were pleasure they acquired a home, a professional standing and took on palliative aims. They raised five children, five of a kind, most of them more confirmed bourgeois than their parents.

One can not throw off all his heredity in a day, and so I do not. I am more bourgeois than I am inclined to admit even to this day; but I can claim to be partly emancipated on account of my reading. It is not on account of my actions. Yet my actions were some guarantee of good faith, for I joined the Knights of Labor in my freshman year, wrote papers on the Single Tax throughout my college course, and did some radical agitation after graduation.

Joining and resigning from the Socialist party, I had considered various other evidences of radicalism, as long as I did it when that party stood for revolution. I have never applied to the I. W. W. for a card for the simple reason that I am not satisfied to be a lawyer by profession and a socialist in my private life.

Though not a very active member of either, owing to that same kick coming back to bother me in my middle age, I've slunk down so far that I walk now when I used to run, and crawl where I walked.

Nevertheless, I still bring and a part of the time, however small it may be; and when I see how the dirty dog of capitalism used a hero like Frank Little it makes my blood boil.

I went into a book store to see if I could get a copy of a book I had ordered, then's Master Builder, was in it, and when told no, although it should have been there, I went to a book store. I fell into conversation with the book seller about the Little outrage.

It was a man who was criticizing the government and society when he should have kept his mouth shut, he got what was coming to him. I asked the clerk if he didn't think a man had a right to criticize wrong whenever he saw it, or thought he saw it.

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To take a man, ruptured, crippled, out of his bed; to refuse him his rights, to send him to the workhouse, to send him away naked and hang him by his neck till dead without giving him opportunity to defend himself, to do it by word—that calls for some more powerful expression than mere execration. It is not enough to say that the man is unethically risking his all for the benefit of his fellow men and to say that he is a hero.

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NEWS FROM AGRICULTURAL WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION 400

Fellow Workers: Has any peasant in North Dakota and farmers are being all but driven through the Des Moines State of Minnesota, Grand Forks and Fargo.

Get on the job through the Conservative Clubs and save a lot of time, money and hardship on the road. A bunch of mental parasites are touring the country in a Ford car, making speeches, and collecting money from the North Dakota and accusing the I. W. W. of being very unchristian because our members refuse to work for low wages.

This outfit is financed by the North Dakota Standard and is responsible for the formation of the Home Defense League, which acts in the same capacity as plagues of that type do in all strike areas. They call this outfit the patriotic squad, and they run across the "cat" there is no knowing what may happen. The I. W. W. had better know what you are doing, they may have as a result of their attempt to cause a riot.

A group of members at Devils Lake, North Dakota, have passed the following resolutions: Resolved, that all members of the A. W. I. U. No. 400 will denounce and condemn the activities of the striking unions and "hucksters." We would like to hear from every member on this. Write in the next issue of the paper.

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PREPARE

The working class and the employing class have been talking common sense. There can be no peace so long as hunger and want are found among the millions of working people and the few who make up the employing class have all the good things of life.

Small Bore Despotism

Rockford Tries Its Hand at a Little Deportation Also.

There is a sign in one of the railway depots in Rockford, Ill., extending to all strikers' cordial welcome. But experience has shown me that this welcome is not meant to be taken literally.

Strike Bulletin

SPOKANE DISTRICT L. W. U. 500.

The Pacific Northwest lumber bosses are carrying on a great publicity campaign through the press. They are patriotic, but it is to the three sections of the anthracite fields.

LABOR "BLEEDERS" AND BOSSES.

Coal Miners Caught Between Two Fires.

Scranton, Pa., August 14.—"District President John T. Dempsey, James Matthews and Thomas Kennedy of the mine workers' organization in the three sections of the anthracite fields.

Iron Workers Fired Out of A. F. of L.

AND OTHER NEWS AND VIEWS OF CURRENT INTEREST

"Gompers Denies Betrayal of Labor"—Headline. Wall Street market letters and publications—they all favor business of the government, not because government business, but because business dominates government and more than ever before.

Cantonment Work in Washington

One of the large army posts to quarter the drafted men from the western states is in progress of construction at American Lake, about 15 miles from Tacoma. It has been reported by the newspapers that the army post is being built to accommodate about sixty thousand "Sammys."

ROCKFORD STILL ON THE MAP.

L. W. W. Members Working on the figures. The lumber strike in the northwest has even made itself felt here, as the contractors have from time to time experienced difficulty in receiving the supplies of lumber needed for the work.

MAIL AND CARDS AT TULSA.

Duplicate cards at Tulsa, Okla., Branch for the following: Jim D. Duggan, J. F. Willis, R. L. Dunn, Jas. E. Murphy, R. L. Newell, Joe. Corlin, L. K. Brown, Phillip H. Ford, L. C. Johnson.

OUR ANSWER TO BUTTE.

The answer of the members of the Industrial Workers of the World in Minnesota to the one in Butte, lately was a monster massing last night in the I. W. W. hall.

STICKERETTES

JOIN THE ONE BIG UNION. BLACK AND RED NEW IMPRESSION FIFTEEN DESIGNS (FOUR NEW ONES). ENVELOPE OF 150 OR BOX OF 10 ENVELOPES (1500) PRICE 25c.

Suppression of the Truth.

All truth is safe, and nothing else is safe; and he who keeps back the truth or withholds it from men from motives of expediency, is either a coward, a criminal or both—Max Muller.

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Such is the democracy that we are supposed to be going over to the bloody trenches of Europe to fight for.

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Organize for Industrial Freedom. These men in Australia, men who threw away the good things of life so that they could get the workers organized. They have sacrificed their homes, wives and children that you and the rest of your fellow-workers might get the chance to live a decent life. They are rotting in the prison cell, the fight is not won yet, but if there is anything better than the triumph of liberty over oppression, it is the fact that some one has put up a brave fight, so that liberty might be given to the peoples of the world. These men are just ordinary fellow-workers, there is no trumpet to sound their praises. They had brought down an aeroplane and made some poor kid an orphan, they might have been lauded by the press, but no, they just did that dirty work of society that no one cares to do. They went out and organized the workers that they might make the world better. It is not the nice? (kind of work but it has to be done. It is the kind of work that many have gone to the gallows for, and the kind of work that makes it possible for the workers to get what little they have got. So let those of you who are unorganized join up with the workers in the One Big Union and exhibit that sense of human fair play that is so often talked about.

If you're game to fight with no end in sight, And never a band to play, If you're fit to toll with no hope of spoil, And the tolling itself for pay, If you'll learn to meet each new defeat With the gritty grin of yore, And lift your lance in the new advance With hardly a chance to score, Then you've just the breed that the wobbles need, So you're one of our kind and kin; So get the swing of the song we sing, And join in the march—FALL IN! —AJAX.

Solidarity Gets the Credit. Seattle, Wash., August 17.—The lumber interests are making the assertion through their press that the cause and mills are starting up on Monday. Don't let them fool you. Watch out for their sly tactics, as it is now important and necessary at this particular time that we should all stick together and be no section or district make any separate settlements. None should go back to work until a settlement is made. We know that solidarity will win this strike.

The pickets not agreeing with the tactics used by the clerks at the Employers' Association agency on Occidental avenue yesterday, gathered inside of the office to look out for our interests. The head herald called for the police and had them all ejected. They then gathered outside, directly across the street. The pickets used a very effective way with any one who attempted to enter the employment office. They would all about with one voice "Scab." The man who had attempted to enter the office would stop and wobble. There is not a great deal of difference in putting a checker on a table or putting a log in some place in this country.

ABERDEEN DIST.—All camps closed in this district except Rowland's, who have sixteen scabs working. WEST PORT DIST.—Reports from here say that everything is O. K. and if the lumber bosses don't get busy pretty soon they will be out of itself. All but one scab would stop and wobble. There is not a great deal of difference in putting a checker on a table or putting a log in some place in this country.

ABERDEEN DIST.—The mills are the same as in the last week. The Wilson is trying to run but with no success. The Anderson & Middleton is out of commission except the planer. Mequim.

We held a big masquerade dance last night and it was a big success. The strike situation is still unchanged. The Hampden and Carlisle districts report everything all O. K. and that the highest scab count is in the mills. ALOHA DIST.—Joe Cross unchanged. They are working half a dozen scabs falling and looking. Aloha got a scab count of 100. Myrtlebeach scab camp which is working from twenty to twenty-five scabs.

Five more men got at the P. M. Monday. The remaining crew consists of fifteen Jacks and six white scabs. FIRE TREE LOG CO., LITTLE ROCK.—Camp closed light yesterday. This is the second day since the strike. THE EASTERN LUMBER CO., who boast of having a full crew, shut their scabs down at 11 o'clock yesterday and only worked eight hours the previous day. They are making a pretty success attempt at resisting their scabs, but as yet it has been a complete failure.

Joe Wagner, scab working in Chestnut Street, was his in the back Saturday. Tom Nolan, a stiff coward as a P. M. card, is trying to recruit a bunch of scabs for the Meath Lumber Company on the strength of his card. His card don't appear to be very strong for he is a certain man.

Dan Ferris, a scab man, is scabbing at the Eastern camp. His card number is 25451 and he is working for Turvey Bros. before the strike. All other camps previously reported still the same. Years for the eight-hour day. JOHN MARTIN, Joe O'Brien, Roy No. 500, All Union Block.

ELMA DIST.—The situation here looks good, in fact, better than at any time since the strike started. The White Star Mill is practically out of commission and the camp is doing little. McCleary is still trying to run with girls, children, and a few scabs.

Geo. West, one of the able investigators made famous by their work on the Industrial Relations Commission, is dependent. He sees nothing but gloom in the present labor situation. He believes Gompers has missed a great opportunity in failing to make organized labor a means by which to secure great reforms from plutocracy.

For ourselves, we fall to see the chaos that afflicts the vision of West. It is not the present labor situation, but the chaotic, reactionary aspect. But then it is not devoid of pronounced tendencies of a progressive and revolutionary character.

In the first place, there is no doubt that Gompers' unionism is on the defensive. It must justify its works and its right to its existence, both before the workers and the capitalists. This has driven it to revolt against conditions, and at the same time made it ultra-powerful, to its own undoing. It is being "grounded" by both workers and capitalists, and especially among the workers, who cannot but help to observe the present situation and to see the pronounced capitalism of its class, the fact that it is not honest and attack it accordingly.

These attacks are most vigorous on the part of the Socialist political elements and the labor movement. They reflect the growth of a tendency that, in theory and education, is not historic, but at least, is not unfeared by the capitalist for its possibilities than its actualities. Then there is the vast, unrepresented by the I. W. W. activities, to be also considered. In proportion as Gompers' unionism loses its position and power does the I. W. W. rise to take its place.

Of course, West, with his middle-class idealism and his notion of "improvement" in the spasmodic outbreaks of

the trouble with West is that he is more given to looking for facts than he is to underrating their significance—Is more investigator and tabulator than philosopher. Were this not so, he would never have looked to Gompers' unionism for great reforms and progress. What is there, in all the essential facts of that unionism, to justify any hope of great achievements by and through it? Bound to capitalism, it is only as revolutionary as capitalism compels it to be, and vice versa. It is also as reactionary; only a little more so.

The Wall Street Journal years ago said: "The American Federation of Labor is the greatest bulwark against socialism in this country." The Wall Street Journal therein showed a better grasp of fact than Geo. West ever did. However, what is important just now is the fact that the labor situation presents, not a chaos, but the rise of well-defined anti-capitalistic and pro-working class tendencies. Geo. West to the contrary notwithstanding. J. E.

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