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MURDEROUS THUGS

Of Lumber Trust Kill Members of Brotherhood of Timber Workers, and Charge Crime to Union.

Three members of the Brotherhood of Timber Workers were murdered by thugs in the employ of the Southern Lumbermen's Association at Grabow, Louisiana, on July 7. Three others were reportedly dying and several more were seriously wounded. The union men, who came from another camp to hold a demonstration at Grabow, were attacked, it is said, while Ernest Emerson, of the Brotherhood, was making a speech in front of the mill. Some one fired a shot, hitting a union man standing near Emerson, and immediately the gunmen of the company, led, so we are informed, by the superintendent and foremen, grabbed their guns and fired a fusillade of shots at the strikers, with the results as above stated.

The union men retreated, and later President Emerson and six others were arrested charged with murder. Three others were arrested charged with inciting to riot. The superintendent and his gunmen were not arrested. Although not allowed to talk for publication after being arrested, Emerson stated that the Brotherhood men were well within their rights and knew what they were doing. It is seen just how far the lumber trust controls the courts of Louisiana.

The trouble at Grabow grew out of the long and bitter war of the last year or more between the Brotherhood of Timber Workers and the Southern Lumbermen's Association. About a year ago the lumber trust locked out several thousand members of the Brotherhood and established a blacklist against all active members of the union. Unable, in spite of most strenuous efforts, to break up the Brotherhood and reduce the southern lum-

ber workers to penance of the most degrading type, the bosses resorted to the usual methods of importing professional pugilists and gunmen from the slums of the big cities, to terrorize the workers. But the union men served notice on the thugs that they, too, could handle firearms and would not hesitate to defend themselves, which has hitherto had a deterring effect upon the thugs. Now, however, they seem to have broken over the traces, and started their murderous work. Great excitement prevails among the Brotherhood men over the murderous outrage at Grabow, and further trouble is feared.

William D. Haywood was in Louisiana at the time, and spoke in several of the lumber camps just prior to the riot of July 6. In a speech reported in the New Orleans Picayune of July 7, Haywood sized up the situation in the southern lumber industry as follows:

Haywood Tells of the Lumber Trust.

"There are developing in the south conditions which, if allowed to go unchecked, uncorrected, will develop into the bitterest labor war ever fought in the United States. The lumber industry is the third in importance in the whole country. Probably it employs more men than any other, there being, in round numbers, more than 34,000 active sawmills, practically all of which are controlled by the trust and represent greater financial capital than even the Standard Oil Co. From the standpoint of the laboring man, that lumber trust is more autocratic and vicious in its mandatory rule than any other employer of labor."

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SAN DIEGO FIGHT

(Special to Solidarity.)

San Diego, Calif., July 9.

It is now months since the Free Speech fight here began, and the Local is still in a fighting mood. There is no disposition on the part of anyone connected with the fight to lay down, but we are going about to win. The severe fighting of the past five months has made it pretty hard to keep the Local in working order, and the past two weeks have been devoted to rebuilding and strengthening our ranks, but we feel that we now have things in good shape again, and will soon have something doing all the time.

The case of E. E. Kirk on a perjury charge is now on trial, and the judge is making the usual rulings regarding introduction of evidence in labor trials. The case would never have been brought into court had not Kirk been connected with the Free Speech fight as one of our attorneys. He is accused of making false statements regarding his nativity when registering as a voter.

District Attorney Utley has apparently been smoked out of the game, as he has gone on a two months' vacation, some say to England.

The U. S. grand jury and the attorneys for the "government," which means the M. & M., are still after us in Los Angeles, and reports are to the effect that there will be nearly 200 indictments returned against the "higher ups" of the I. W. W. They swear they have our record, and that they will now put us out of business on a dozen counts. They realize that they will have to carry up or we will soon be too big to be licked. They all take it very seriously, but to us their efforts are a farce.

The local papers and the politicians are

trying to make the people believe that politics hold the center of the stage, but to every one in San Diego the only real live issue is the I. W. W. Just what they are to do with us is the only problem that they feel and know they can not solve.

In making an address on July 4 at Fallbrook, W. E. Smythe, the Congressman from this district, made the following statement, which was the keynote of his address: "The volcanic upheaval we have witnessed the past month in both great parties, the strikes, the riots, the I. W. W., the vigilantes—these are symptoms of the coming storm, the spray before the wave." Smythe is the man who stated a few weeks ago, when asked about his views of John L. Schon being a candidate for Congress, that "Schon's becoming a candidate would be a calamity. It would mean that the class war that has raged in San Diego during the past four months would be extended to the entire district, and with a tendency to become national."

The 20 men now in jail who are charged with conspiracy to murder, owing to one policeman having become excited and shot into another on May 7th, will have their trial started on July 15. One of the conspirators has been released on his own recognizance, so that it does not seem that all of the cases are very serious. The best information we can get is to the effect that if convictions can be secured in one or two of the cases the authorities will be willing to turn all the others loose. They know they have no case at all against the men, but would like to find a goat for their own villanies of the past.

It is imperative that we give the men in the jail the best possible defense in the courts. We are, of course, up against a brace game, but since we have been forced into it through no fault of our own we must play it to a finish. And if the jury will act on evidence instead of prejudice, they will never convict.

STUMPY.

CALL FOR SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

General Administration Industrial Workers of the World, Room 518, 160 North Fifth Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Chicago, Ill., July 10, 1912.

Pursuant to the provisions of the constitution, the seventh annual convention of the Industrial Workers of the World will convene in the city of Chicago, Ill., Monday, September 16, 1912, at 9 o'clock a. m.

The convention hall will be announced later.

The General Secretary will within two weeks of the date of this call send to each Local Union, National Industrial Union and Department affiliated with the Industrial Workers of the World credentials in duplicate for the number of delegates they are entitled to in the convention, based on the tax paid by such Locals and National Industrial Unions and Departments as provided for in the General Constitution.

Immediately upon receipt of the credentials local unions will proceed to choose and designate their delegates to the convention by regular election. The secretary of each local union shall forward the duplicate credentials for their delegate or delegates to the General Headquarters as soon as the delegate or delegates have been elected. The original credential shall be given to the delegate and by the delegate turned over to the credential committee of the convention.

All credentials and duplicates must have the seal of the union on the same.

National Industrial Unions of the Industrial Workers of the World should have two delegates for the first 10,000 members and one delegate for each additional 5,000 members or major fraction thereof. Local Unions directly chartered by the Industrial Workers of the World shall have one delegate to 200 members or less, and one additional delegate for each additional 100 or major fraction thereof.

Local Industrial Unions not paying tax upon an average membership of at least 20 members for six months prior to the call for convention shall not be entitled to a delegate.

Two or more locals in the same locality may jointly send a delegate in accord with the provisions of the General Constitution.

For additional provisions of the constitution relating to the convention and delegates see Art. IV of the General Constitution.

General Executive Board: Industrial Workers of the World, Vincent St. John, General Secretary-Treasurer; James P. Thompson, General Organizer.

DEFENSE LEAGUE IN PATERSON

Paterson, N. J., July 12.

The Etor-Giovanitti Defense League is composed of some 30 delegates, representing 15 organizations. We held a large protest meeting last month (June 13), at which Wm. E. Trautmann spoke in English, Bruno Wagner in German, and Edmond Rosoni in Italian. Ten thousand circulars, printed in four languages, are being distributed in Paterson, Passaic and vicinity, exposing the dastardly attempt of New England mill owners to railroad our innocent fellow workers, Etor and Giovanitti, to the electric chair, while the legal murderer of Anna L. Pizzo, Policeman Besott and his co-workers, Dynamiter Brennan, continue to hold public office and walk the streets of Lawrence like innocent men, though they have been proven guilty.

We are using our strongest weapon, publicity, in order to thwart the scheme of the bosses and save the lives of our fellow workers. A large open-air protest meeting is being arranged, with E. G. Flynn as possible speaker, to be followed later on by a great parade and demonstration.

P. COLDTIZ, Secretary.

MOUNTING HIGHER

Protest Against Injustice to Etor and Giovanitti Getting Bigger in Volume and Scope. More Needed.

(Special to Solidarity.)

Lawrence, Mass., July 15

Interest in the Etor and Giovanitti case continues to mount higher and higher. From all sides come indications of an awakened sense of injustice done to the working class through the imprisonment of two of its representatives. Especially is this fact reflected in the mail received by the defense committee, and in the increasing number of articles and editorials appearing in the current issues of magazines and weekly and daily papers. From the Pacific Coast, from Dresden, Germany, from the industrial centers of the middle West, from peon-stricken Florida, and from the hamlets of New England whose pastoral beauty is marred by a textile mill, come the strains which show the wind to be blowing in the direction of liberation for Etor and Giovanitti.

San Francisco reports a conference at which were made preparations for a monster mass meeting at North Beach on July 20. One daily French and four daily Italian newspapers were represented and pledged themselves to aid in making the meeting the biggest ever in Frisco.

The Dresden trustees recently have followed the example of their Berlin comrades and sent a protest to President Taft. They send copies of the Dresden labor press showing that considerable space is given to the matter. The labor press of Belgium is also taking up the case.

The National Italian Committee for the defense of Etor and Giovanitti, Dr. V. Sellarso, treasurer, sends \$500 from New York City, together with a letter requesting buttons, postal cards, etc. The letter reflects enthusiasm and a desire to work in harmony with all organizations devoted to the same ends.

New York also sends in a request for 2,000 protest stickers, through a well-known woman lawyer. She declares them fine, and says they are going to be used on the back of letters which a well-known suffrage club is sending out.

New York further reports a Jewish conference held under way and doing good work. At Auburn, N. Y., a rousing protest meeting was held with Polish, Italian and English speakers. A local official of the A. F. of L. presided. The principal speech was made by Gustave Stribel, of Syracuse, N. Y. Stribel is a well-known member of the Garment Workers' Union, and a candidate for lieutenant-governor on the Socialist Party ticket.

The Mine Workers' Unions of the middle west show no signs of decrease in interest and enthusiasm. Local Union No. 2,601 of Conifer, Pa., sends \$36, part donation, part contributions. The secretary writes: "I believe when the time comes there should be a general strike throughout the world in protest against the tyranny of the capitalist class and their mad-to-order judiciary." The same union requests speakers, as do many points in Pennsylvania and Ohio. Miss Flynn can talk a half dozen times a day throughout the middle west such is the demand for her presence at meetings now being arranged for the future. Her tour now extends to Minnesota and will not end before September.

Massachusetts is not behind the procession by any means. Quincy, Mass., reports two picnics and two meetings under way; and they express a willingness to sandwich in more meetings that may be arranged: They have had some good meetings in Quincy, and so feel encouraged to take a bold and make a success of many more of them.

The Massachusetts Socialist Party went on record yesterday in favor of the defense. The platform contains several paragraphs regarding conditions in Lawrence; and in one particular is devoted to the Etor-Giovanitti case, and charges the capitalists with being the real accessory before the fact. These paragraphs were the subject of rousing approval.

An Etor-Giovanitti meeting will be held at the Paine Memorial Hall, Boston, on Friday evening, July 19. Miss Flynn will be the principal speaker.

A big protest meeting was held on the Common in Lowell yesterday afternoon. Fred Healewood, of Spokesman, Wash., spoke to a large audience. Meetings are held on the Common in Lowell every Sunday afternoon. They serve to show the solidarity of the charge made in Haverhill, Boston, Lawrence, etc., that such meetings "tend to disorder," "incite to riot," etc. Over in Haverhill, the socialists and I. W. W. had to put up a stiff fight to secure the use of the city hall for a protest meeting. When they got the hall a double protest was in order, one against the local authorities; the other against the imprisonment of Etor and Giovanitti.

The New England press is devoting considerable space to the speech of Rev. Paul Harris Drake at Soan, Maine, last Saturday night. He took up a collection and told the textile workers in the York and Pepperell mills that as they had received a 10 per cent increase of wages on account of the strike at Lawrence, they could well afford to contribute to the defense fund. He also declared that Etor and Giovanitti were being hounded like wild beings by the paid servants of the mill owners.

Information regarding the treatment of both Etor and Giovanitti is often requested. In reply it must be said that they are held in close confinement in separate cells and in different wings of the prison. Both are treated as liberally as the rules and regulations will allow.

In the case of Joseph Caruso there has been some cause of complaint. Caruso was arrested as an alleged principal in the murder of Annie L. Pizzo, long after the preliminary hearing which resulted in the indictment of Etor and Giovanitti. The prosecution realized the absurdity of holding accessories where the principal is unknown, though such absurdity is permissible in law, as are many other things. So they nabbed Caruso, who can prove a complete alibi.

Caruso is a simple-minded and illiterate Italian. He is nervous, does not understand why he is being held and continually protests his innocence, while begging for his release. His persecutors have tried to take advantage of Caruso's condition. On one occasion, counsel for the defense found him in his cell surrounded by detectives, who were putting him through the third degree, in the hopes of forcing a "confession" from him. Protest resulted in the discontinuance of the damnable inquisition.

A cheering indication is the growing publicity to the case. The Christian Register, Collier's, the Outlook, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer and other capitalist papers are giving space to the case; and so, also, of course, are the socialist and labor papers, like "Call" the International Socialist Review, the Coming Nation, the Seattle Union-Record, the San Diego Labor Leader and others too numerous to mention.

Keep up the good work; ever more publicity is needed; the greater part of the working class is still asleep and needs to be awakened to the gravity of the situation.

REACTION VS. PROGRESS

A Historical Sketch Brought Down to the Date-Giovanitti Case.

By George L. Steinhart.

No ruling class has ever learned a lesson from the history of its predecessors.

When Humanity, flowing in the irresistible stream of Progress, has demanded greater and greater measures of advancement from the powers that were...

Thus down the Ages, history records a continuity of class struggles...

History has taught the ruling class that not any of the "lower" classes, that of a reputation of a principle and the persecution of its adherents have never been able to stifle either.

Thus, when in 1555, Philip II succeeded his father to the throne of the Netherlands...

Divine V. Populor Rights.

When James I answered the demands of Parliament, representing the people, with a sermon on the "Divine Right of Kings..."

When George III, who was deaf, and, therefore, could not hear the supplications of the Colonists...

When Louis XIV and Louis XV impoverished France in order to maintain the ultra-extravagance of their courts...

John Brown and the Abolitionists.

In 1836, the wage-slaves in certain parts of this country also demanded an eight-hour workday...

1836, an event occurred at Chicago which will be remembered for a long time to come...

The people, goaded to desperation, retaliated—feebly, it is true—and the city was on a verge bordering on anarchy.

What was a crime of the police was made a crime of the workers and their men, who addressed them that day, were imprisoned—four to be legally murdered the next year...

In 1803 Albigel, then governor of Illinois, reviewed the case of the Haymarket victims.

To return to the case, the object of the ruling class in 1887 was to throttle, in its infancy, a movement that was destined to eventually affect its overthrow.

Force has always been answered by Force—Repression by Revolution.

Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone.

A few years ago the capitalist class, finding itself hard-pressed by an industrial organization...

Now, Lawrence, two men languish in jail—Joseph and Arturo Giovanitti.

The strike is so fresh upon the memory of all that it is unnecessary to review it here.

The strike was led by courageous and intelligent men—men loyal to their class; men who refused to be bribed or bought...

The constitutional rights of the workers were infringed upon, and had not Congress, due to the untiring efforts of Victor L. Berger...

The capitalists had no possible justification for bringing the troops upon the scene of the strike.

sets for a wholesale massacre of the toilers as a means to subdue their revolt.

The Capitalists the Real Accessories.

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L. W. W. PREAMBLE The working class and the employing class have always been at enmity with each other...

THE FEDERAL REPORT

Lawrence, Mass., July 9.

The sentiment here among the workers regarding the federal report on local mill conditions is to the effect that the report will prove of no material value to the workers.

The federal report will not effect any change in society that will make a repetition of the strike impossible.

The most advanced of Lawrence's workers regard the strike as a revolt against social injustice; against a system of society which permits all of the advantages of industrial evolution and of tariff and state laws to be expropriated by a small capitalist class...

Such conditions can not be altered by reports, federal or otherwise. The only value of the federal report is to confirm the facts that the strike has already given to the world.

In connection with all of the foregoing, it should be noted that the mill corporations refuse to act on the federal report because it contains no recommendations.

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discriminating against the most active strike spirits. In other words, they are seeking to re-impose more firmly the old social injustice by means of capitalist espionage and the blacklist.

Now come the wiseacre politicians who find in the federal report tariff material for their campaign. How tariff change will prevent espionage and blacklist is not evident.

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The kitchen platoon, wherein the kettle calls the pot black, is being indulged in by the wiseacre politicians. They think the enlisting workers are not aware of the performance that is going on.

DATES FOR HAYWOOD

William D. Haywood will fill dates from Chicago east in behalf of Etor and Giovanitti defense, through the General Office of the I. W. W. from July 17th on.

PHOTO BUTTONS

of Etor and Giovanitti are now for sale by the Textile Workers' Defense Committee in Lawrence. At the top of the button are the names "Etor and Giovanitti," around the bottom the words, "Their only crime is loyalty to the working class," with the letters "I. W. W." in the center of the bottom line.

