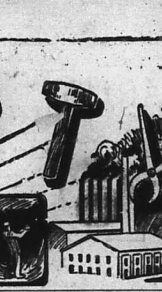
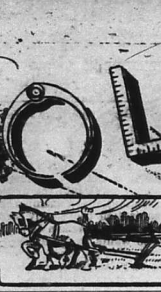


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# BOSSSES MAKE WAR ON CRAFT UNIONS

## Pacific Coast Employers' Association Now Operating in Stockton, With Eye On Frisco.

(Special to Solidarity)  
Stockton, Cal., July 15.  
At the present time in Stockton, there is being staged one of the greatest farces in the history of the labor movement in America, if not in the entire world.

For years this city has been one of the strongholds of craft unionism on the Pacific coast. At present there is going on a war of extermination between the so-called A. F. of L. unionism and the M. M. & E. (Merchants, Manufacturers and Employers' Association). The Stockton war is not due to any particular demands of the unions.

The war was started only as a continuation of the Los Angeles industrial war. Secretly the M. M. & E., for a year or more have been mobilizing their forces, and with a changed mode of attack and with Stockton, instead of Los Angeles, as their position, hope to advance on the bay cities to make San Francisco especially, an open shop town by Jan. 1, 1915, in time for the Panama Pacific Exposition.

The first move of the M. M. & E. was to issue a proclamation to the effect that they would no longer submit to the dictation of the unions, but were determined to establish an open shop. The rank and file of the A. F. of L. were at first astounded and angry protests were heard on all sides. After a little consideration, however, they discovered that organized as they were into a number of crafts whose interests are more or less antagonistic, they were helpless when confronted by the solid phalanx of organized capital.

What did they do?  
As the rank and file of the A. F. of L. never do anything for themselves, and unaccustomed as they are to do their own thinking, they were impelled in this emergency, as usual, to resort to the advice of their officials. Now these men are the last that should be consulted in a case of this kind. Why? Well, it is a fundamental principle of economics that men are governed in their actions by their material interests. This is borne out by the conduct of A. F. of L. officials in recent labor disputes. We do not say that they willfully betray the men whom they claim to represent, but even the most stalwart upholder of the craft unions must admit that men who for years have been in receipt of salaries equal in some cases to ten times the wage of the average worker, are not fit persons to correctly voice the aspirations of men who are continually struggling to make both ends meet.

The Cooks and Waiters' Union were the first to feel the heavy hand of the master. They were told that they must abandon the union principles, and work side by side with unorganized men. Upon their refusal they were promptly locked out. The same happened to the Mill men, and now the carpenters and other crafts are awaiting their turn.

As fast as the men went out, their places were filled by scabs sent here from San Francisco by boat. On these boats are firemen, oilers and water tenders who are also organized under the banner of the A. F. of L. Here we have the pitiable spectacle of the union men actually assisting the bosses to defeat their fellow unionists.

In the meantime the organized workers of Stockton continue to obey the whistle and bend all the more eagerly to their tasks in the hope that the bosses will defer, if only for a short time, the sentence already passed.

The workers here, through daily agitation of the I. W. W., are beginning to recognize that it is time to throw overboard those time-serving officials (as did the Butte miners) who are using the organization for their own base purposes. Already the I. W. W. of Stockton, Local 73, has signed up 16 new members from craft unions, in the last three days, with expectations of an avalanche in the next few weeks. The rank and file of the A. F. of L. here are beginning to see the need of industrial unionism. Instead of the confused and separated form of craft unionism. Go to it, boys! Get together in One Big Union, and we'll put the boss off our backs!

E. J. S.

# Letter Replies to Gurley Flynn

Greenville, S. C., July 18.  
Solidarity.  
While I have no desire to use up the space of Solidarity for polemics, I feel bound to reply to the unwarranted misrepresentations contained in the article by Fellow Worker Flynn in No. 236.

# ON THE TRAIL OF THE DAKOTA HARVEST

## Some Lively Experiences of I. W. W. Agitators in the Farming Towns of South Dakota.

(Special to Solidarity)  
In the Jungles.  
Grotton, S. D., July 16.  
In my last letter I told how we made some of the Kansas farmers come across. The sitting being about finished there, on July 4th we set sail for the Dakotas. Arriving throughout had not been in vain, as members were coming in every day. After resting up a day or two we started for the Dakotas, carrying on agitator all along the line. Coming from Omaha to Sioux City the train crew stopped to put everybody off, all hands stood pat, so the attempt was useless. We were sent on our way. Arriving everywhere a talk on industrial unionism, pointing out what solidarity would do.

Finding about 20 "wobblies" in Sioux City, where we spent Friday night, we decided to hold a street meeting. Had a very large crowd. The speaker lasted an hour and a half. At the conclusion we were beset on all sides for Song Books and literature, also by four or five who wanted to line up and also asked why we did not establish a local in Sioux City. One man told the writer that he would spend \$5 to help start a local. All of which goes to show that Sioux City is ripe for the One Big Union and would like to see something done there.

Leaving Sioux City, we proceeded to Yankton. S. D. After spending the day in the jungles, we decided to hold a meeting, as there were a large number of men in town on their way to the harvest fields. We went up town 22 street, and opened our meeting. It had not got through the first verse of the opening song when a big burly bull rushed through the crowd, which was gathering rapidly. He pushed Fellow Worker Mark Fox of Detroit, who was leading the song, off the box. His place was at once taken by Fellow Worker Herberholz who was grabbed at once and placed under arrest. Fox again rushed into the box and concluded the song. The writer then motioned the box to address the crowd but had not started when five or six bulls came up. I was at once pulled from the box and placed under arrest. The fun started, and the natives and slaves got a lesson in solidarity. Looking back on the day, it is hard to believe 20 of them all trying to mount the box, while the natives stared with gaping mouths and remarked on the spirit of the boys. They pitched all the 22 down the street they went singing, "Just as Fast as They Can Pinch Us We Can Always Get Some More. The catchy air made a hit, and later in the evening all the kids in town were singing it.

Once in the monkey cage, all hands started singing. The cops shut the doors and cut off all air. Then the boys started to "battle-ship" in earnest. Presently the chief came in; he wanted to release us if we would leave town. Acting "wise" here we stay. All efforts to scare the boys meeting with failure, they changed their tactics, and called the writer and fellow Worker Phillips out of the monkey cage, saying they wanted to talk to us. Taking us into the other room, they again tried to bluff us. Failing, they took us to the jail, put us in the auto, and took us to the county jail, placing a charge of jail-break against us. This was based on the fact that the boys had broken

# W. W. MAN DEPORTED FROM PITTSBURGH

## Henri Handwirth Tells of Experiences With Stupid Police of that Russianized Town.

(Special to Solidarity)  
New York, July 20.  
The bloodhounds are busy in Russianized Pittsburgh! "Russianized Pittsburgh" is the new name for "Iron City," or "Smoky City," as it has been called hitherto. The hiring of the steel corporations and the paid bloodhounds of Frick, Carnegie and Co. stretch out their poisoned talons after every honest workman, who is but known to have any connection with the I. W. W. Organization, its ideas and principles. These hirings of the capitalist class are keeping their eyes upon anybody who happens to come to that hell of smoke, fire and lawlessness, after every honest workman, who is but known to have any connection with the I. W. W. Organization, its ideas and principles. These hirings of the capitalist class are keeping their eyes upon anybody who happens to come to that hell of smoke, fire and lawlessness, after every honest workman, who is but known to have any connection with the I. W. W. Organization, its ideas and principles.

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I append herewith a few of the questions and the answers I gave them:  
Chief of police's questions and answers:  
Question: Are you a citizen?  
Answer: Yes, I am a citizen of the world. The world is my country and every man my brother.  
Q: Have you citizen's papers?  
A: I do not need any. To be an industrial unionist it is sufficient to be a man.  
Q: Do you have any property?  
A: Yes, I have property in the form of a card, industrial unionism has no boundaries.  
Q: What is your belief?  
A: I believe in brotherhood, and I believe also that this nation state of affairs, where corporations and trusts rule and hired bloodhounds prosecute every honest man for his beliefs and thoughts, will be abolished.  
Q: Are you going to change this system of society?  
A: Yes, with the help of the organized and enlightened working class.

Q: Don't you know that the government is after the I. W. W.?  
A: Yes, I know that all governments would like to wipe out the I. W. W. of the face of the earth, if they could, because the I. W. W. is a violent organization.  
Q: Militant, you said? Oh, you may spell it with a capital M.  
A: Yes, I do. I feel the militancy of the I. W. W.  
Q: Do you not believe the Lawrence strike a conspiracy of your I. W. W. organization against the honest manufacturers and organized society?  
A: If you would say that the directors, through the courts, and the authorities of Lawrence conspired and their hirings planned to break the wonderful strike

# SHALL JOE HILL BE MURDERED?

## By Wm. D. Hayward

On Friday, September 4th, 1914, our Fellow Worker, Joe Hill, is to be judicially murdered. The scene of the gruesome act is being arranged to take place within the walls of the Utah State Penitentiary.

On that fateful morning as dawn breaks behind the Wasatch Mountains, Joe will be led from the condemned cell into the yard. Surrounded by guards he will be seated upon a rough pine box—his coffin—a bandage will be placed over his eyes, a heart shaped target will be pinned on his left breast over his pulsing, joyful, strong, young heart. A firing squad of six men with five loaded rifles will take their places, with guns to their shoulders. At a signal from the warden, the six hired executioners will pull the trigger, five bullets will tear through the heart of Joe Hill, his tuneful tongue will be silenced forever. No more will his voice be heard in the jungle, in the hall, or on the job.

They are going to kill Joe Hill; he was convicted of murder on the flimsiest kind of circumstantial evidence. If the State takes his life there will be no extenuating circumstances in its favor, except to have killed a man who has done much to solidify the working class. The songs of Joe Hill are sung in the tongues of all nations, wherever workers congregate.

Joe writes: "I have always donated my humble services for the cause I love, and in hope of getting another chance to do so, I remain yours for the One Big Union." Altogether now, we can give Joe Hill another, yes, many more chances to work for the cause.

Fellow Worker Hill is appealing for a new trial. It will take money to secure it. He has written three new songs, one dedicated to the Industrial Workers of the World—"Workers of the World, Awaken!"; two to be placed on the market to raise funds for the appeal. To do this will take time; there is no time. This is a case of life or death. Everyone, everywhere, must act.

Write to Governor William Spry, of Utah; write to the Prosecuting Attorney, Salt Lake City, Utah, demanding a new trial for Joe Hill.

Send all funds to George Child, Treasurer, Hill Defense Fund, 118 W. S. Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

# "Treason to the State of Ohio"

A special from Bellaire, Ohio, to the Cleveland "Plain Dealer," July 20, states in part:

"An affidavit charging treason was filed in Steubenville today against Joseph Coblitz, an alleged leader of the Industrial Workers of the World. Prosecuting Attorney W. C. Brown said that if Coblitz had organized men for the purpose of destroying property, as was alleged, he would try him on the charge of treason."

The Cleveland "Leader" of the same date states that Coblitz (or Kobylak, as is very probably his name) was arrested at Rush Run on the evening of the 20th, on a charge of treason, preferred by Constable E. D. Lucas. Says the Leader: "His arrest was made under two sections, in one of which he is charged with maliciously and unlawfully levying war against this state and knowingly adhering to the enemies of this state by giving them aid and comfort. In the other he is charged with knowledge that certain persons were about to commit treason and that he unlawfully and wilfully omitted to give information thereof to the governor, judge, or president of the United States."

The paragraph in the Leader's despatch goes on to say: "Miners are operating fans and pumps under guard and all is quiet in the mining regions."

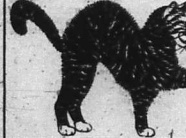
The last quotation explains clearly enough the charge of "treason" against the striker in question. For some weeks, according to newspaper reports, efforts have been made by some of the active strikers, to close down the coal mines of that section completely, by withdrawing all pumpmen and others who are assisting in protecting the bosses' mines from the dangers of water and gas. It must be remembered in this connection, that 45,000 miners in the Ohio district have been locked out since April. The lockout was due primarily to a state law designed to prevent the mine owners from robbing the miners by compelling the latter to mine large quantities of coal for nothing. The mine owners struck against the "run of mine" state law. THAT and the starving of 45,000 miners and their families, DID NOT CONSTITUTE "TREASON!" These bosses were not "enemies of the state."

Oh, no. They felt perfectly safe in doing what they did. All the more so, because they were certain that the old-time union (the United Mine Workers) through its officials, would see that men were supplied FROM THE UNION, to keep the water and gas out of the mines and leave them in perfect condition when the slaves were summoned back to work. The mine owners knew they would be assisted to win the struggle against their slaves, by the so-called "organization" of the slaves itself.

But the unexpected intervened! The word went around from mining camp to mining camp, that if these starving slaves hoped to win their struggle, they must try to make it too costly for the brutal mine bosses to longer keep them locked out. How could that be done? Only by withdrawing the pumpmen and others, and either forcing the owners to give it up or put THEIR mines on the bum. According to reports, several thousand miners caught the idea and proceeded to put it into action. They marched from

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# GENERAL STRIKE OF ALL HOP PICKERS Begins at Wheatland on August the 10th. All footloose Wobblies should be there TO ASSIST IN FREEING FORD and SUHR!







"Treason to the State of Ohio"

I. W. W. MAN REPORTED FROM PITTSBURG

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mine to mine, calling off the company "watch-dogs," peaceably whenever possible, forcibly when necessary. This unexpected turn of events greatly alarmed the mine owners and their officials...

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of the weavers, and tried to send some of our best men to the electric chair, then would be speaking the truth. As you know, in the case of Etta and Gatto, the two women freed them, and the hired scoundrel, Brown, confessed to the plotting of the dynamite and was sentenced by your own courts.

Surest thing in the world! Our American humorist, Artemus Ward, tells a story supposedly of his experiences as a "show man" while stopping with his show at a certain place, he remembered how he had made a "financial hit" several years previously...

Be it so! The issue is clear. Militant workers, who advocate and work for the very thing these Ohio militants accomplished by pulling out the puppets, know they are "traitors," and they know it...

Trying to "Open-Shop" San Francisco

(Special to Solidarity) San Francisco, Calif., July 15. The real work of the M. & M. is in progress at the time of this issue of the district of the city of Stockton, Calif. It is a lockout that has been ordered by the San Francisco Building Trades Council and the union men in the city...

Q: Where did you get your education? A: In the school of life. The present system was a failure. Q: How long are you in Pittsburgh? A: One week. Q: What are you doing here? A: I am working for a boss. Q: Did you know the men who were killed in the explosion in Lexington, New York, etc.?

Line," is clear on the question of violence, and I accept it without any reservation, not in part. As to whether or not Local 179 has in its midst persons not eligible, I know nothing about that.

Any critic is mistaken to say that I refused to speak at the Union square meeting when Haywood and she were sick. As a matter of fact I did not speak for two reasons: First, because it was agreed between Haywood and myself with others present that the I. W. W. had nothing to do with the affair and it should be left completely in the hands of the people getting up the meeting. Second, I was present at the meeting, and I did NOT INTEND TO SPEAK BY ANY OF THOSE IN CHARGE, all statements to the contrary notwithstanding.

I am grateful for the fellow worker's information that I did not hear St. John's statement before the "U. S. Industrial Relations Commission." I only heard what St. John said, BEING PRESENT, but Miss Flynn was not present; she came down the next day. I did not disapprove of what St. John said, but I do not believe in violence, but I do believe in his qualification. I have the Philadelphia, Local 81, and I have been talking about it. I want to insist not only that St. John qualified our protest against the press, but that I was in the record, was done after St. John and Haywood had discussed the matter.

A close comparison of Fellow Workers' "Flyer" article No. 235 will show that we both agree: I only object to her statements based on "interviews" that I have before this refused to acknowledge. She herself argued the possibility of a frame-up against Caron and his companions, and she was murdered through a dynamite plant.

Q: Do you believe in private property? A: No, I never had any. I believe that private property is private robbery. Everything that is on earth by right should belong to all the people, especially to those who produce it. Q: You are an outspoken anarchist and not desiring a chief of this community. I order you immediately deported. Officers D. F. Fitch and Henry, you got back on the next train for New York.

LEGRE AND BOCCHINI PAROLED

Benj. J. Legere and Philip Bocchini were both paroled from Auburn prison, N. Y., on July 13. Both were sentenced in June 1913, Legere trumped up charge of "inciting to riot" during the Little Falls strike of October 1912. They were given an indeterminate sentence of from 12 to 15 months. Both were met at the Grand Central Station, New York city, on the evening of July 13, by a party of I. W. W. members, including both Americans and Italians. They were given an affecting welcome.

"MERELY PSYCHOLOGICAL"

George Washington, the great engineer and slave owner, freed us from the tyranny of England; Victor Berger, celebrated social revolutionist, and self appointed Moses of the working class, won the Lawrence strike for us; now comes one greater and mightier, Ben Rietman, the terrible and the greatest of all revolutionists, and wins the Denver free speech fight for us. How did they do it? They were helped by the President Woodrow Wilson, gives us the answer; it was merely psychology.

EDITOR REPLIES TO LYNN

(Continued From Page One) I. W. W. meetings at all. In the Call of July 7th I was criticized for the alleged interview, replied in the Call of July 8th, calling attention to my article to the fact that I was taking too much for granted "truth" what was in the newspapers. I was not interested in the question of views one way or the other, nor bothering myself about the accusations against him, but merely in the question of his membership in the I. W. W. I shall do no more with the matter of robbers and their unjust institutions, which serve the mighty and rich, and establish a Beck with every man and woman will have full freedom to live, think and speak as he or she pleases. Yours for the Industrial Commonwealth. HENRI LANDWIRTH.

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