

IS THE TIMES AFRAID OF BILL HAYWOOD?

Letter Sent by "Undesirable Citizen" Fails to Appear.

Below will be found a copy of a letter which William D. Haywood sent to the New York Times in reply to the Times' editorial on his recent Sunday speech at the Labor Temple before the Industrial Workers of the World.

The letter was mailed to the Times on December 28, but up to the present time has not appeared—not, at least, where it was easily visible to the naked eye.

This is in perfect accord with the Times' known attitude toward labor and laboring men and women. No sooner does some demonstration on the part of the working class appear than the Times begins to cackle with the hysteria of a hen who has sat down on a hot doorknob.

Haywood's letter was as follows: "To the Editor of the New York Times: "You say in your issue of December 20, in an editorial under the caption 'Socialism or Trade Unionism,' that 'Mr. Haywood is entitled to have his advice to labor considered upon the merits of his arguments,' and so forth. If this be true I am likewise entitled to have my arguments presented on their merits, without distortion and without being charged with statements that I never made.

"You are, therefore, unable to grasp the principles and aims of an organization that has for its purpose the establishment of an industrial democracy wherein capitalism will be abolished and workers will be free from the bitter struggle of the class war."

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"The Sage Foundation report shows that 560 employes in the iron and steel industry were killed within twelve months in the single city of Pittsburg.

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STRIKERS ENLIGHTEN FOOLED WORKERS

Send Open Letter to Goodyear Shoe Men Who Went Back.

The general strike committee of the shoe workers of Brooklyn and New York has sent an open letter to the Goodyear Operators' Union, an independent organization which the strikers accuse of lining up with the bosses.

While the shoe workers make only from \$10 to \$12 a week, the Goodyear men make from \$25 to \$35 per week and are considered the aristocrats of the trade.

Being disappointed when they found no weapons on them the so-called detectives set upon them and beat them up. One of the strikers is now confined to bed as a result of the beating he got.

The workers ask all shoe workers to stay away from Brooklyn and New York, and thus help them in their fight against the bosses.

EDMONDS SOCIALIST MAYOR A CARPENTER

With One Other Cook Formed Local in Town Twelve Years Ago.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 2.—The town of Edmonds in this state has a Socialist mayor, the first community in the state of Washington to enjoy that distinction.

W. H. Cook, fifty years old, carpenter and engineer, is the man.

"I believe in the control of the means of production by society, and in the distribution of products among the workers on an equitable basis," said Mr. Cook.

"But what are you going to do right now as mayor?" "I hope to be able to make some things easier for the man who works, to make Edmonds a better town to live in.

WOMEN ACTIVE IN BREAD TRUST FIGHT

Organize Campaign Among Housewives to Help Bakers' Union.

The real fight against the bakers' trust, which is now trying to smash the union, was started in Brownsville yesterday, when the women organized themselves into street committees in an effort to persuade the housewives not to buy scab bread.

The first skirmish occurred on the corner of Hopkinson and Pitkin avenues, where a trust wagon stopped to sell bread "cheap."

Scab bread was scattered all through the Brownsville streets, as the agitation of the housewives' organization to aid the bakers' union had such an effect on the women that even those who bought the trust bread threw it away on the street.

The bakers' conference, at a meeting held yesterday, voted to assess their members for the purpose of helping to put the trust out of Brownsville.

DENSE FOG TIES PORT UP TIGHT

Vessels at Anchor Outside the Bar Unable to Get In.

A fleet of battleships could not have blockaded the port of New York more effectively than the fog did yesterday.

Not a vessel left the port Monday is always a light day in the sailing list, and there were only three ships scheduled to sail, but none of them went.

While the ferries were running to Jersey City, Hoboken and Long Island City, the tubes were by far the most popular means of crossing the rivers.

At the barge office the customs inspectors were waiting to go out on the cutter should the fog lift, but the cutter stayed at her pier all day.

FIND STRIKEBREAKER GUILTY OF SHOOTING

Krbec Admits Emptying Gun Into Crowd of Peaceful Citizens.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—One strikebreaker, George Krbec, 967 West 19th street, finally got his just dues.

Paleta entered the courtroom leaning heavily on a cane. On the witness stand he stated that while walking along 19th street he saw a crowd of people, and to satisfy his curiosity walked over to Morgan street, where the excitement was greatest.

Other witnesses supported the testimony of Donovsky, and Krbec himself acknowledged that he had told the boys and strikers that unless they left him alone he would shoot.

Applause greeted the remark of the girl picket, and after hearing the testimony of both sides Judge Stewart declared that even when a man had a permit to carry firearms he was a threat to the street when he real bodily harm was threatening him.

COMMITTEE RAISES FUNDS FOR CHICAGO STRIKERS

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SUICIDE OF RUSSIAN PRISONERS HAS NOT BEEN IN VAIN

Archbishop Glennon Also Calls Military Men Parasites on the Community.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 1.—Archbishop Glennon, in a sermon preached at the new cathedral chapel, denounced as nonsense the idea advanced by military men that in these times of nation which has armed itself so well as to prevent attack has chosen the best way to prevent war.

The document also admits that suicide is becoming a very popular method among prisoners to wish to free themselves from prison tortures.

"After that it was discovered that a book on physics had been sent to Sazonoff, who assassinated the Minister Plehanov. Found in this book the prison authorities discovered 500 rubles in paper money.

"It was found necessary to knout the political prisoners Solanski and Pietroff. After this, by way of protest, the prisoners Masloff, Ordincoff and Puchalski opened their veins, while Michaleff, Kunej and Sazonoff poisoned themselves with morphine.

SHOE LEATHER CUTTERS MAKE AGREEMENT

Haverhill, Mass., Jan. 2.—The cutters at the Martin Slipper Company's factory have concluded satisfactory negotiations with the firm, whereby they secure a uniform wage of 33 cents an hour for a fifty-four hour week.

The present agreement runs to January 27 on a basis of 33 cents per hour or \$16.50 per week for all leather outside matters who cut them, with the option that a piece price may be substituted then if it meets the approval of the workers' committee.

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TROLLEY ACCIDENT IN SOUTH BROOKLYN

It was reported late last night that a surface car of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company had left the tracks on the incline at 68th street and Third avenue, Brooklyn.

Several men and women passengers were severely injured, it was said. It was thought that the motorman was fatally hurt. The details and names could not be learned at the hour that The Call went to press.

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TO FIX BLAME FOR BOY'S IMPRISONMENT

U. M. W. Organizer to Sift Case of Matrassa to the Bottom.

(Correspondence of The Call.) TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 20.—Believing that a Presbyterian assistant working among the Italians of Clinton, Ind., is assuming credit for the release of Ciralomo Matrassa, the nineteen-year-old Italian lad who went insane at the Clinton jail while serving a sentence for bartrary, as an example to the foreigners after the labor trouble in April, to secure political influence, the Italians have appointed a committee to investigate and report the exact place the credit is due.

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The above society was founded in the year 1884 by workmen imbued with the spirit of solidarity and socialist thought. Its numerical strength at present composed of 248 local branches with 24,100 male and 7,000 female members is rapidly increasing among workmen who believe in the principles of the modern labor movement. Workmen between 18 and 45 years of age may be admitted to membership in any of the branches on payment of an initiation fee of \$1.00 for the first class and \$3.00 for the second class. Members belonging to the first class are entitled to a sick benefit of \$9.00 each week and of \$4.00 for another 40 weeks, whether continuous or with interruption. Members belonging to the second class receive under the same circumstances a benefit of \$6.00 each week and \$3.00, respectively, to the beneficiaries of every member, and the wives and unmarried children of members between 18 and 45 years of age may be admitted to the third class upon payment of an initiation fee of \$3.00. Monthly assessments are levied upon the three different classes of members of \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00, respectively. Candidates at large are not accepted, but all candidates have to join existing branches in cities and towns where no branch exists, a new branch may be formed by 15 workmen in good health, and must adhere to the above principles are invited to do so.

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his native country last spring. The glowing stories of plenty of work and good pay told by ship agents attracted him. He went to work for a coal company at Clinton. On April 1 he became one of a body of men who tried to force an advance of wages by striking and attempted to prevent other workmen from taking the places of the strikers. He was arrested with twenty-five others. The boy was charged with bartrary. A specific affidavit charging him with this impossible crime was sworn out by one of the "plain clothes" detectives who had made the arrest.

JAPANESE KNOW ALL ABOUT PHILIPPINES

Could Take Islands From Americans Any Time, Officers Say.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Japanese military authorities are as intimately familiar with our defenses in the Philippines as is the United States War Department itself. This situation was admitted today by a high regular army officer, in corroboration of statements of the Filipino officials, Ignacio Villamor and Ponciano Reyes, who have just arrived in Washington.

ENGAGED COUPLE MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERED

CUMBERLAND, Md., Jan. 2.—Murder is the theory upon which the authorities are working in the mystery surrounding the sudden death Saturday of Miss Grace Elosser, of Cumberland, and Charles E. Twigg, of Keyser, W. Va. The authorities are giving out absolutely nothing, but it is rumored that an arrest may be expected at any time.

MANY PAY TRIBUTE TO DEAD AVIATOR

New Orleans Residents Follow Airman's Body in Long Procession.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 2.—Admiration for John B. Moisant caused numerous New Orleans residents today to visit a receiving vault in Metairie cemetery, the temporary resting place of the noted aviator killed here Saturday. In a fall of his monoplane. Moisant's body will be removed to Chicago for interment, but the relatives have not decided on a date for the removal. Owing to the intense shock caused his sisters and brother by his tragic death, an effort was made to carry through the funeral ceremonies privately.

DEATH OF AIRMAN PUTS DAMPER ON FLYING

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 2.—The local aviation meet which was to have continued through tomorrow ended this afternoon. The death of Arch Hoxsey, following so closely the death at New Orleans of Johnny Moisant, has taken the spirit out of the aviators and none of them will venture far above ground.

MOISANT'S MONOPLANE NOT TO BE USED AGAIN

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 2.—The monoplane from which John B. Moisant fell to his death Saturday will be reassembled, but will never carry another driver. The machine will be presented to some institution, probably the Smithsonian Institution at Washington.

7 HURT BY GASOLINE LAMP EXPLOSION

TOLEDO, Ohio, Jan. 2.—As the result of an explosion of a gasoline lamp and tank attached to the ceiling in the general store of Corwin Waggoner, at Stoney Ridge, six persons today are confined to their beds with serious burns and one is badly cut by glass. All the victims, however, are expected to recover.

EX-JUDGE CUTS THROAT; VICTIM OF ALCOHOL

GREENSBORO, N. C., Jan. 1.—A victim of alcoholic melancholia, ex-Judge Spencer B. Adams cut his throat in a Keeley sanitarium here yesterday and is today in a critical condition.

THE COAL MINING INDUSTRY IN 1910

Strikes Reduced Output in Some States—Many Disasters.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—According to reports received by the United States geological survey from coal mine operators and others familiar with the industry, the production of coal in the United States during 1910 was between 475,000,000 and 485,000,000 short tons, a considerable increase from the output of 459,115,704 short tons in 1909 and approximately within 1 per cent of the maximum previous record of 486,363,424 tons, produced in 1907.

Notable increases in production were made in the western counties of Kentucky in western Pennsylvania and in Ohio, West Virginia, Alabama, Colorado, New Mexico and Montana. The states whose production was reduced by the strike were Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas and Oklahoma. It was claimed by the miners organization that on June 1, 1910, 70,000 miners were idle in Illinois and 35,000 in the Southwest—that is, in Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

INCREASE DUE TO STRIKERS

Alabama Reports from Alabama indicate that the production in that state in 1910 reached the unprecedented total of 15,000,000 tons, as compared with 11,703,910 tons in 1909. The increase was due chiefly to the prolonged strike in Illinois and other western states and second to the river conditions which existed during the year, and which materially reduced the shipments from Pennsylvania and other northern states to New Orleans and other lower Mississippi river points, and added to the demand from that section for Alabama coal. The demand created by the shortage in the West made up for the dullness in the iron market, which was pronounced during the year, and was still decidedly noticeable at the close of the year, with promise of continuation during 1911.

and about the middle of May the operators in two of the important districts secured from the operators' association and assumed work. It is estimated that about 15 per cent of the usual tonnage was produced at these mines during the strike period, and this production, together with the tonnage made by West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio and western Kentucky coals into the markets of the affected states, finally compelled the surrender to the miners.

Michigan—The output of coal in Michigan in 1910 was about the same as in 1909, with possibly a slight increase. The mines working under an agreement with the United Mine Workers of America were shut down from April 1 to June 1 but the increased activity both prior to and following the suspension brought the total production up to the normal. The influence of the strike in the coal mining states of the Mississippi valley region was felt as far West as the Rocky mountain states, especially in Colorado and New Mexico, whose coal was sent considerable distances east and southeast in order to make up the deficiency caused by the strike.

SAFETY DEVICES IN NEW MEXICO

New Mexico—During 1910 great improvements were made in the methods of operating the mines in New Mexico. Each of the three large operating companies has employed mine inspectors whose duty it is to look after the safety of the men employed. In addition to these mine inspectors the fire houses and shot firms must also report any unsafe conditions in their respective districts, and when an accident occurs whereby any person is injured in the mine, the circumstances and conditions are immediately investigated to discover if the workmen were allowed to go into an unsafe working place, and if so, the fire boss or shot firer who neglected to report such unsafe condition is held responsible. Right here is where the laxity of the laws is very apparent. If a miner's working place is made safe for him before he is allowed to enter it, he should be responsible for keeping it so, or should come out and report it dangerous. The laws should prescribe a penalty for working in an unsafe place in a coal mine, except in case of emergency or when making the place secure.

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FISHING SCHOONER ASHORE; CREW SAVED. KENNEBUNKPORT, Me., Jan. 3.—The fishing schooner Richard J. Nunan, one of the Nunan fleet, is ashore on the outer bar of Folly Island at the entrance to Cape Porpoise harbor with her holds full of water. She struck in the night, tearing a hole in her hull, and Captain Robert Wildes and his crew were barely able to escape. Although the vessel is in a dangerous position, it is hoped that she may be saved.

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