

Re "The Industrial Worker"

Action of Los Angeles Locals on "Worker" Controversy.

July 15th, 1913.

Moved and Seconded:

That Secretary be instructed to write G. E. B. that Los Angeles Locals are not satisfied with the ruling suspending Smith and leaving Heslewood on the paper. That he be further instructed to say that unless Heslewood he suspended within two weeks from date that Los Angeles Locals would cut off bundle order and support Portland resolution.

CARRIED.

July 22nd:

Moved and Seconded:

That all communications concerning "Worker" controversy be laid over awaiting report of G. E. B.

CARRIED.

July 29th:

Moved and Seconded:

That in view of the fact that G. E. B. session ended thirty days ago and the board has failed to give a report to the membership of their action and furthermore have failed to take action toward removing or suspending Heslewood from the "Worker." Be it Resolved by

Los Angeles Locals to instruct the secretary to wire the "Worker" office to discontinue our bundle order until such time as the wishes of the rank and file of the I. W. W. have been complied with.

CARRIED.

Moved and Seconded:

Should the G. E. B. pay the expenses of Fred Heslewood to the next convention that the membership of the I. W. W. demand that the expenses of Walker C. Smith be paid to the convention so that the delegates and the membership shall have full knowledge of the entire controversy.

NOTE:—The former action of the locals to concur in the Portland locals was not embodied in the motion to discontinue bundle order.

(Seal).

(Signed) W. B. COOK,
Sec'y L. A. Locals.

RESOLUTION OF PROTEST OF LOCAL 245, I. W. W.

San Pedro, Calif., July 25, 1913.

WHEREAS, The G. E. B. has exceeded the power vested in them by arbitrarily removing Walker C. Smith from being Editor of the Industrial Worker, of Spokane, Wash., and refusing to accept the resignation of Fred Heslewood as Business Manager of said paper. Thus making the referendum the only power vested in the membership null and void. And thereby removing all control from the rank and file. Thus setting a precedent to establish a dictatorship. Therefore, be it Resolved,

That Local 245, San Pedro, Calif., is in hearty accord with all protesting Locals. And do hereby condemn the action of the G. E. B.

And be it further Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to Industrial Worker, Solidarity, The Voice of the People and National Headquarters.

(Signed):
RODERICK J. MACDONALD,
MARTIN BERKLEY,
W. J. BELL,
Com. on Resolutions.
S. L. DODGE, Sec., 245.

STENOGRAPHIC REPORT OF CONVENTION DEMANDED.

Resolution issued by Local 245 (I. W. W.) of San Pedro, Calif., demanding a complete stenographic report of the proceedings of the next Convention.

Whereas, The work of the organization (I. W. W.) has been alarmingly hampered owing to the lack of a complete stenographic report, causing secretaries to waste time and money asking questions pertaining to the Convention for the information of the membership receiving from Headquarters but scant and incomplete replies to the dissatisfaction of the membership;

Therefore, be it Resolved,

That Local 245, San Pedro, Calif., place itself on record as demanding a complete stenographic report of the proceedings of the next Convention. And respectfully ask all Locals to cooperate to enforce this demand.

And be it further Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Industrial Worker, Solidarity, The Voice of the People, and National Headquarters.

(Signed):
RODERICK J. MACDONALD,
MARTIN BERKLEY,
W. J. BELL,
Com. on Resolution.
S. L. DODGE, Sec'y, 245.
San Pedro, Calif., July 26, 1913.

TACOMA RESOLUTIONS.

To All Members of the I. W. W.: Fellow-Workers:—

Owing to the many strikes, and the activity of the powers which be, to suppress all I. W. W. agitators and agitations; we feel that the time is too critical for us to encourage any internal dissension, and after investigating the matter of Smith and Heslewood's trouble; it is a result of the personal differences of opinion existing between two parties regarding the management of the paper.

While we agree that the case is of serious magnitude, still we believe to boycott the WORKER at this time, would result in something of more serious moment. Then considering the fact that the annual convention is so near at hand when these things will be thrashed out in full, therefore: we ask all who are in accord with the principles of the I. W. W. and wish to push forward the movement for EMANCIPATION! Will agree with us, and postpone for the present any action that would tend toward destruction of this great weapon of LABOR, THE INDUSTRIAL WORKER.

And, furthermore: Fellow-Workers, do you realize what it has cost in the sacrifice of human life to build up our press to its present size? Remember, the I. W. W. press is a great menace to the capitalist system, which is proven by their actions against it.

Fellow-Workers do you realize what the cost has been to the REBELS of the North West, not only the money it has cost, but the sacrifice of time and the misery, not to mention those of our Fellow-Workers who have been crushed and maimed for life under the iron heel, and some have lost their lives in this great struggle to build up this great galling gun, which is firing SHOT AFTER SHOT into the strong hold of the enemy.

Would you muzzle this gun? WOULD YOU? After due consideration we venture to say that we don't believe it. Remember that the INDUSTRIAL WORKER IS THE WESTERN ORGAN OF THE I. W. W. and no member should attempt to tear down what it has taken years to BUILD UP.

If the Editor or Editors of the INDUSTRIAL WORKER have not fulfilled their duties, the paper is not responsible, but rather the individuals. THEN WHY BOYCOTT THE PAPER? We say! DON'T BOYCOTT THE INDUSTRIAL WORKER, BUT CAN THE DISRUPTORS IF ANY.

If an individual on the paper staff is using disrupting tactics, tie a can to him, and if they are all disruptors can them, all, and put on a new staff, but above all, stand with the principles of INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM. Always hold on to what we have gained, for we must move forward and not stand still.

With due consideration, we, the Tacoma Locals I. W. W. in their last regular Business meeting, have voted to keep the INDUSTRIAL WORKER IN THE FIELD, and we hope that all locals will see the necessity of such action. So hoping for the co-operation of all true REBELS in building up a greater I. W. W. press we remain, YOURS FOR EMANCIPATION.

By the Committee:

MARCUS A. OTIS,
GUS. SCHUTZLER,
A. J. MARTIN,
GUS. SCHUTZLER,
Joint Secretary.

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WALKER SMITH ANSWERS ANOTHER "CHARGE."

To All Members of the I. W. W.:—

In the issue of the "Industrial Worker" dated July 24 a charge is made that I stole a mailing list of that paper. IT IS A LIE!

At quite frequent intervals during my term as editor of the "Industrial Worker," I secured mailing lists from the mailer, Jos. O'Neil, for various kinds of uses in connection with the work on the paper and the organization. For the sending out of expiration notices, for the clipping of a portion of the said list to send to boosters so that they might secure renewals, for the purpose of circularizing when special issues were about to be printed, for the purpose of getting news accounts of labor troubles in places where we had no regular correspondents and in many other ways were these lists used. Not one was ever used or intended for use outside of the organization.

(Signed):

WALKER C. SMITH.

PHILADELPHIA D. C. MOTION.

Fellow-Workers:—

At last meeting of District Council, the following motion was carried without a dissenting vote: "That we condemn George Speed for his actions while here in Philadelphia, and that we demand that he be recalled from here for doing nothing, and that we refuse to recognize him as National Organizer, and, furthermore, we have same motion published in Solidarity, Industrial Worker, The Voice of the People and Social War.

Let the rank and file know what we think of the G. E. B.

Yours for Industrial Freedom,
J. J. MILLER, Sec.
Philadelphia, Pa., July 31st, 1913.

"A DAMNED LIE."

"Mother Jones, looks as fresh as a young girl, but when you ask her about her 'boys,' her face takes on a sad look, and her voice sounds tired, as she shakes her head and tells you about them. She told me that the report in Justice, about conditions in W. Va., were correct.

She said that the report of the National Committee was a damned lie. That the charges made in Justice were true."

The above is from a letter of Nina Lane McBride, who is now in Washington, D. C., with Mother. It's now up to the "investigating" (?) triumvirate, Debs, Berger and Germer, to yowl "bummeryite," "anarchist" and all their borrowed "Weekly People" yells at Mother Jones, too, it would seem.

O you "great leaders!" God save us from our "leaders!"

Fleming to Lecture

A lecture, which is likely to prove interesting as well as instructive, on the subject of "The Economic Interpretation of History," showing the progress of social evolution and the inevitability of Socialism, will be delivered at Sewerage and Water Board Employees' Hall, 314 St. Charles Street, on Friday, Aug. 8, at 8 p. m., by R. P. Fleming, under the auspices of the Workers' Educational League. Everybody welcome. Admission free.

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MARINE NEWS.

On Thursday July 31st., the last of the 43 men that were arrested on June 11th., in connection with the Fruit Trust's riots on the river front were discharged; their names are F. Prego and R. Knudson, who were charged with extra charges of shooting at with intent to kill, and assault and battery, but the state had no evidence to convict, so that the charge fell through, but still the state attorney wanted the trial put back again for the third time, and Judge Fisher, whom, I think must have been sick of such trumped up charges, discharged these men without a hearing.

The Local Union of the Marine Transport Workers, having finished fighting the Fruit Trust, have now to fight the Shipping Master, Beck Johnston, as all the ships that belong to the Fruit Trust and also those chartered by them are being

mostly by the men that live in this sniping master and saion keeper's house, and it is said that he gets two Dollars for every ship without turning a hand for it. But still there are some of the masters of the vessels who have proven themselves gentlemen such as the Masters of the S. S. Bluefields, a chartered ship, and the S. S. Bustard of the Atlantic Transport Co., for these gentlemen have stood by the Union men, and have given their word to do so in the future. This shipping master on Saturday August 2nd. tried to get the master of the S. S. Bustard, to break the wages of the firemen Five Dollars (\$5.00) per month, by saying that the Fruit Trust had Broken up the Union, and the men that are still here are all working for Forty Dollars (\$40.00) per month, and if the Union men that were aboard the ship at that time would not work for that wage, he would supply men that would, as he had men ready to take the jobs, but when the Union's Representative met the master of the ship, and explained the situation, he kept the Union men aboard and the wages the same.

There is now here an organizer of the A. F. of L. who is trying to organize the Sailors and the "Anglo-Saxon" firemen of this port into one Union of the A. F. of L. This organizer comes here from Mobile, but why did this "Federation" not send this man when the fight was on between the United Seamen Union and the Fruit Trust? Or why is it that this same A. F. of L. refused to send money to pay the expenses of the funeral of one of its members when he was murdered? Or again why is it that this same lot of fakerationists always keep its members at work while other workers are fighting their Masters, and then when all has been peaceful-

ly settled, they come in and try to cause disruption among the members of other organizations, just as they are trying to do at present in New Orleans?

W. J. P.

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