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COMPLAINT MADE THAT I. W. W. ARE ACTIVE AT INLAND EMPIRE PAPER CAMP

TWO MEN MAKE AFFIDAVITS

Say That Straw Boss Is a Booster for the I. W. W.

For some time past reports have been coming to local authorities of the number of I. W. W. men and their activities at the camp of the Inland Paper Company at Addie. Last Wednesday a couple of laborers, J. L. Martin and J. M. Morgan, came here from the camp and reported that they had been run out of the camp by the I. W. W. They told their story to County Attorney O. C. Wilson and to Rev. U. S. Crowder of the Boundary county defense council and it was deemed advisable to have the matter investigated by the federal grand jury. Accordingly, Attorney Wilson obtained affidavits from Martin and Morgan and sent them to U. S. District Attorney J. L. McClellan at Coeur d'Alene for his investigation. The affidavits contained the following allegations:

That one McDonald, a straw boss at the logging camp of the Inland Empire Paper Company, in Boundary county, told Martin and Morgan that no man belonging to the lumbermen and loggers' legion would be allowed to work in that camp.

That 95 per cent of the men working in the camp are I. W. W., and that there is an I. W. W. delegate at said camp.

That they were put in a bunkhouse without a stove and were informed by the I. W. W. that no members of the lumbermen and loggers' legion stayed long in that camp.

That at night I. W. W. talk was continuous and I. W. W. songs were sung.

That McDonald, the straw boss, said that when a member of the lumbermen and loggers' legion signed the pledge card he subscribed a dollar a week for the use of blankets and that nine had come to the camp to work but none of them stayed.

That McDonald stated that the lumbermen and loggers' legion men desired to organize at the camp and that the Inland Empire Paper company would not allow them to organize.

On account of the treatment given men who are not I. W. W., it is practically impossible for a man who is not an I. W. W. to work at the logging camp and especially for those belonging to the lumbermen and loggers' legion.

On account of the disagreeable conditions at the camp J. M. Morgan and J. L. Martin quite work there on May 28th, they depose.

J. M. Morgan, in his deposition also said: That McDonald, the straw boss of the camp, told him that no member of the lumbermen and loggers' loyal legion could work in that camp.

That the men were continuously casting slurs and making insulting remarks about the lumbermen and loggers' legion.

That at night I. W. W. talk was continuous and I. W. W. songs were sung which were reflections upon the gov-

ernment, and one song which was sung contained the words, "To h—ll with the French" and one man added, "Hurrah for the Germans," in this song.

That the I. W. W. stated that the lumbermen and loggers' legion was organized by the millmen and that said organization did not support the government and its organization was not aided by the government.

W. G. McNaughton, general manager of the Inland Empire Paper Company, gave an interview to the Spokesman-Review for Saturday's paper in which he said: "I don't know these men, Martin and Morgan. There may be a few I. W. W. in the camp but they have not been perniciously active since last May, when a man, Sears, dropped in. He left when his identity became known. It is absurd to say that the company opposes the organization of the lumbermen and loggers' legion. Like every loyal employer, we want men who are patriotic."

Manager McNaughton said that in the recent Liberty Loan drive, 35 to 38 of the 55 men purchased bonds and that in the Red Cross drive, 76 out of 85 men, pledged a day's wages to the cause. McNaughton told that U. S. Crowder had advised him of reports that the camp was full of I. W. W. and wanted to have the sheriff raid it. McNaughton went on to state that: "I suggested to him that it would be wiser to substantiate the reports first instead of taking drastic action. I told him that I had expected the government representatives to visit the camp to organize the lumbermen and loggers' legion, but for some reason they never visited our camp. I suggested that the men be approached for contributions to the patriotic funds and if any refused, we would fire them."

"Mr. Treado, woods foreman, tells me there are some I. W. W. in the camp in all probability, but there is no propaganda. It is possible a few of them have taken it upon themselves to terrorize strange laborers, but the company knows nothing of it. McDonald is a sort of straw boss but he is an intelligent chap and we regard him as safe and sane. I do not believe he ever made a statement that we were opposed to the loyal legion. If he did, he was wrong."

"It is not possible that any men were forced to sleep in bunkhouses without stoves. All our bunkhouses are equipped alike and all of them have stoves."

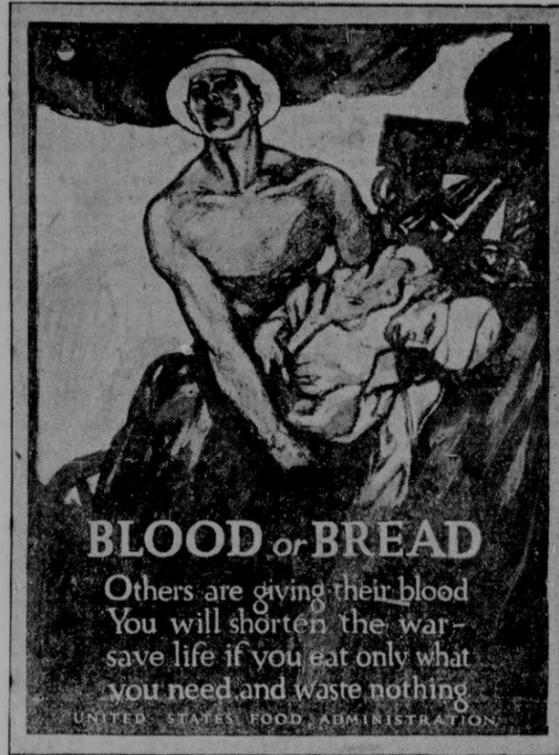
Disastrous Fire at Eastport

A fire of unknown origin destroyed the International hotel at Eastport early Sunday morning. The loss is estimated at between \$5,000 and \$6,000 and is partially covered by insurance. The property is owned by H. L. Sawyer who has conducted the International hotel for a number of years.

The fire was discovered at fifteen minutes till one o'clock Sunday morning and every effort was made to save the hotel and contents but the fire had gained too much headway. It is believed that the fire started in the basement of the hotel and there is a report that there was a sort of explosion heard awhile before the fire was discovered.

The International hotel at Eastport was a model, modern small town hotel and Mr. Sawyer is said to have been doing a good business, especially in the summer months when there is a great deal of tourist travel.

The Misses Grace and Della Salsheider, of Coeur d'Alene, arrived here last week to visit at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gleed.



TRY TO DISCREDIT SCHOOL TRUSTEES IN NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

The Times' insincerity and lack of an honorable purpose in his recent attacks upon the school board of Independent School District No. 4, are again evidenced this week in the Times but it will require more than front page scareheads and back page editorials of evasion to make his position tenable in the eyes of a public which is well able to judge the right or wrong of the acts of the school trustees.

The Times seeks sympathy on account of the so-called "villifying" of the Herald. The Times, of course refuses to admit that it has in any manner "villified" the members of the school board and the editor goes on to announce that he will not be deterred from referring to injudicious acts of public bodies on account of the "calumniating" abuse of the Herald.

It might be advisable for Editor McIntyre to first assure himself that "injudicious acts have been committed before he starts to refer." Thus far he has failed to show wherein the school trustees have been injudicious although he has tried to do so by printing misrepresentations and falsifications. A summing up of all the evidence produced by the Times in its school articles of the past few weeks shows that all this hubbalooboo has been raised, unproven charges of dishonesty and embezzlement have been made and the integrity and ability of the school board has been questioned because the Times came into the possession of letters and telegrams which purport to show that Supt. A. R. Kent is not a graduate of Ann Arbor university and that he is irresponsible in money matters.

The Times attempts to condone its unworthy attacks upon the school board by printing alleged letters from the register of Ann Arbor university in which the register states that the name of Supt. Kent does not appear on the records and a letter from Mr. Rhoads, of Raton, N. Mexico, in which he claims that Mr. Kent was dishonest in handling school funds, passed worthless checks and borrowed money with no intention of repaying the same. For some unknown reason, the Times has failed to inform the public that nearly all these letters it has in regard to Supt. Kent were secured through the efforts of former Supt. Collins and that most of them were addressed to P. M. Collins.

Supt. Kent may be unworthy of the position to which he has been elected but if such is the fact it does not condone the offense of Editor McIntyre and the former superintendent of our schools. If either of them had thought first of the interests and welfare of the public schools of this community, they would have given their information to the school trustees and said: "Gentlemen, we believe you have been misled and we think the past record of your new superintendent should be investigated in order that you may ascertain if he is all that he pretends to be." No fair-minded man will question but that this would have been the proper course to pursue. If the charges against Kent were found to be ungrounded then his reputation and usefulness here would have been unimpaired. If they were found to be true then the school board could have secured another superintendent and there would have been no occasion for the harmful publicity the local schools have been getting and the unwarranted attacks against the school trustees. Certainly the public is right in its desire to know the motive that prompted the Times to follow the course it has pursued in this matter. The Times certainly was not actuated by any desire to help the school trustees or by any interest in the welfare of our schools. The Times is operating on a policy of tearing down, not building up.

The school trustees did not elect

Supt. Kent at a hastily called or secret meeting as the Times would have the public believe. Mr. Kent's application was sent in a regular manner from Ritzville. He heard that there was to be a vacancy in Bonners Ferry in the superintendent's office through a teachers' agency where Supt. Collins had been trying to secure another location for some months previously. With his application he sent a dozen or more recommendations from the members of the boards of schools where he had taught the past 16 years. Other recommendations were from state superintendents of schools, county superintendents of schools, public instructors and men of standing as educators. After Supt. Kent was elected the school board here received word from one of the leading educators of the northwest, at Seattle, congratulating him upon securing the services of Supt. Kent.

What is there then in the matter of the election of Supt. Kent by the school trustees that the editor of the Times may call "injudicious"? What act of the school board calls forth from the Times the necessity of questioning the integrity or ability of the school board? Why did the Times insinuate that there was something wrong about the recent purchase of some sewing machines? Why did the Times maliciously fabricate the story about the school printing? If the motive of the Times has been an honest one, why did it resort to falsifications and insinuations? What did the Times try to insinuate when it said that the school board cannot "deny that in its ambition to improve the schools that it raised the salary of the superintendent from \$1800 to \$2100 per year; neither can it deny that in casting about for a new superintendent it hit upon a man who at the time was receiving \$125 per month, or \$108 less per month than the salary which the board has agreed to pay?"

The Herald has entered into this discussion of the school matters with no axe to grind. Its articles have been unsolicited from any source and it can conscientiously say that it has and is prepared to present any phase of the matter with entire impartiality. Can the Times say as much?

Benefit Dance at Eastport

Otto Richter, proprietor of the new community hall at Eastport, has arranged to give a Red Cross benefit dance at the hall on Saturday evening, June 9th. At this dance a lamb is to be raffled for the benefit of the Red Cross. The entire proceeds will be given the Red Cross and the Eastport people are preparing to take care of a large crowd.

NOW OCCUPY NEW STORE ROOMS

Hardware, Clothing and Cigar Businesses in Kinnear Block

This week the carpenters and painters are giving the W. L. Kinnear brick block the finishing touches. The three store rooms are now all occupied. H. B. Kinnear is in the south store with a stock of hardware and farm implements; W. F. Kinnear occupies the middle store with a line of furnishings for men and Gust Anderson moved into the north room Saturday with his cigar store and pool tables.

Anderson has purchased almost entirely new fixtures for his cigar store and plans to put his card and pool tables in first-class shape. He will have a fine equipment and be better able than ever to serve his patrons. W. F. Kinnear plans to carry full lines of the best furnishings on the market for men. He has already received and placed on the shelves a part of his stock and has placed his orders for the fall business. "Bill" is well liked and in the new store he is certain to get his share of the patronage of the county.

Harry Kinnear has the shelves of his store well stocked already and still has many shipments on the road. He has commodious quarters, a fine location and will undoubtedly receive the same amount of business he enjoyed before he had the misfortune to be burned out.

Red Cross Meeting

A meeting of the Bonners Ferry auxiliary of the Red Cross will be held at the Red Cross headquarters on Friday evening at which time there will be a report of all money taken in and spent and also a report of work done. All members and those interested in Red Cross work are asked to attend.

E. M. Brower, chairman of the Sandpoint chapter, will be present and address the meeting.

It is now planned to keep a record of all women who work at the Red Cross rooms each week and to publish this list once a month.

Spokane Newlyweds Visit Here

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Cleave who were married in Spokane Wednesday, motored here Thursday to spend a part of their honeymoon as guests at the home of their old friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Rosebush. The newlyweds made the return trip to Spokane on Saturday. Mr. Cleave is an officer of a U. S. cavalry troop stationed at Camp Lewis. The bride is a well-known and accomplished young lady who has made her home in Spokane for many years. She has a number of warm friends here.

SOLDIER BOY SENDS \$5 TO HELP RED CROSS

Last week the daily newspapers published a number of dispatches telling of what the men in the army and navy were doing to assist the Red Cross drive. The men in the training camps appreciate what the Red Cross is doing for their comrades overseas and what it will do for them when they are in the fighting lines and they are all anxious to do their bit.

reieved a letter from a Boundary county boy, W. W. Olts, who enlisted several months ago in the army and who is now working in the woods near Blind Slough, Ore., for the government, in which he enclosed \$5.00 for the Red Cross drive in this county. Olts writes as follows: "As the Red Cross drive will soon be over all the boys in my squadron decided that each would send five dollars to their home Red Cross organization so it is up to me to send my five dollars to Boundary county. Here's hoping you folks go above the limit. Whenever you are having a money drive let me know for I will always give a "five" to help out. I have two Liberty Loan bonds, so you see I am doing all I can."

Here is an example that should put to shame many of our home folks. Olts has enlisted in the army, is ready to go to France when the government sends him and is also ready to give his money to help win the war. Olts is a real patriot. He is offering both his life and his money. We, who stay at home, are doing but little for the cause in loaning our money for Liberty Bonds and giving our donations to the Red Cross.

ROB MEN ON FREIGHT CAR

JOHN MACK AND PAUL BRADSHAW ROBBED THURSDAY BY TWO HOLD-UP ARTISTS

WERE BOUND AND GAGGED

One of the Robbers Captured By J. B. Brody

Two lumber workers, John Mack and Paul Bradshaw, were victims of a couple of daring holdup artists last Thursday, the robbers taking their money while they were on an east bound Great Northern freight train and then compelling them, at the point of guns, to get off the freight and go into nearby woods where they were divested of their clothes. One of the robbers, giving his name as Dan McIntosh, was captured by J. B. Brody. Mack's home is at Sandpoint, while Bradshaw lives here and is one of the men subject to call in future drafts.

The two robbers found Mack and Bradshaw in a gondola car. Guns were drawn and the men told to dig up. The robbers secured some \$17 in currency and silver. The freight train slowed up near the Kitchen and Kelly camp siding and Mack and Bradshaw were ordered to get out of the car and go into the woods. Here the robbers made Bradshaw take off his good clothes. They left him with his overalls and jumper. Then Mack and Bradshaw were gagged, bound and tied to trees considerably apart from each other. After some time Mack was able to break his bonds and he hurried to the nearest house which happened to be J. B. Brody's. Mr. Brody telephoned the sheriff's office and then with a son of Henry Wendel, started out to look for the robbers. In the meantime Deputy Sheriff Bangs had arrived and he went with Mack to look for Bradshaw whom they found soon and released. Brody had not gone far when he saw the two men answering the description of the robbers. He called to them to throw up their hands. One pulled his gun and then Brody shot. The fellow with the gun turned and dived into the brush. Mr. Brody believes that he shot the fellow in the arm. The other fellow, McIntosh, was taken in charge by Brody and later turned over to the sheriff.

Sheriff Dunning and his deputies organized a large posse to hunt for McIntosh's partner. Deputy Fry saw a man who answered the description of the one wanted and ordered him halt. The man kept on going and Fry fired two shots at him with no effect.

McIntosh was given a preliminary hearing before Probate Judge Henderson Friday and was bound over to the district court on the charge of robbery. McIntosh tells that he came from Spokane and that he does not know his partner's name.

NOW DEVELOP GOLD PROPERTY

Bethlehem Gold Mines, Ltd., Have a Fine Group of Claims

The Bethlehem Gold Mines, Limited, with properties six miles east of Copeland, consisting of seven claims, gives promise of soon becoming one of the rich producing properties of Boundary county. A crew of five men are now employed doing development work and more men will be put on in the near future. Work is being done on an open cut on the property where vein four and a half feet wide is now uncovered. The surface shows free gold but the management expects that with depth a sulphide ore will be encountered. The company has shipped one car of ore from which the returns were most satisfactory. A number of new buildings are now being constructed on the property and many permanent improvements are being planned.

Frank H. Watson is manager of the property and C. W. Bickley is the superintendent. Most of the officers and stockholders are Spokane men, Harry Dudman being president and George Van Deusen being the secretary and treasurer.

The claims owned by the Bethlehem Gold Mines, Limited, were purchased from Z. T. Parker and Frank Chapin, of Copeland.

Mrs. Mary Dore left yesterday for Lewiston, Ida., where she plans to spend the next six weeks at the Lewiston state normal school taking special teacher's training.

MEMORIAL DAY IS FITTINGLY OBSERVED IN BONNERS FERRY

Memorial Day was fittingly observed in Bonners Ferry Thursday. Several hundred people gathered at the G. N. depot at 9:40 a. m. to say goodbye to the members of the Boundary county contingent leaving for Camp Lewis. In the afternoon, U. S. Crowder acting as the marshal of the day, many citizens visited the cemetery and decorated the graves of departed friends or relatives. It was not possible to give the band concert in the evening on account of so many of the members of the organization being out of town. The meeting at the K. P. hall was attended by a crowd of several hundred people who heard Sergeant Jos. Cross, a returned Canadian soldier and now an attaché of the British-Canadian recruiting station of Spokane, tell of his experiences in the great war now being carried on in Europe and in which he was a participant for nearly three years.

Serg. Cross enlisted with the 1st Canadian Battalion on August 5th, 1914, the day war was declared, and went to France as soon as the men of the contingent were sufficiently trained. He participated in the battles of Ypres and Festubert and was wounded at Ghinchy in June, 1915. Upon recovery he took part in trench fighting at Ploegstreet and in 1916 again fought in another battle at Ypres. He was with his regiment on the Somme where several months of hard fighting was experienced. He saw service at Lens, helped to capture Vimy Ridge, fought at Fresnoy and at Hill 70. He was wounded by a bomb in the battle of Paschendaele and spent some time in the hospitals of France and England, after which he was returned to Canada, as unfit for further active war service.

Sergeant Cross' talk was most interesting. He told of the privations and hardships endured by the soldiers in 1914 and 1915; of days spent in the cold and wet; of how France and Belgium have been devastated; of the first gas attacks and how the Allies invented protection for the men and

also retaliated with a gas which is worse in effect and harder to combat than that used by the Germans.

The speaker made no effort at oratory. He talked in conversational tones and the story he had to tell of atrocities committed by the Germans needed no flourishes to make it effective.

The meeting was presided over by M. P. DeWolf. The musical part of the program was arranged and directed by Mrs. G. H. Wilbur and consisted of several splendidly rendered selections by Walden's orchestra, a solo by Miss Johnston, and several patriotic songs sung by the members of the recently organized Liberty Chorus. Rev. G. H. Wilbur gave the invocation.

The boys who left Thursday morning for Camp Lewis were given a rousing send-off by their many friends here. They were presented with comfort kits from the W. C. T. U. and commercial club, a company of little girls presenting the gifts. The boys also received all kinds of tobacco and other gifts. Just before the special train pulled into the station the crowd joined in singing, "Keep the Home Fires Burning."

Bert and James Atkins were among the men in the contingent which left Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Atkins now have three sons in the army, the first to go, Steve, now being in France. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zimmerman also have three sons in the service of Uncle Sam and there are a number of families in this county with two boys in the service.

Following are the names of the boys who left Thursday for Camp Lewis: John H. Johnson, Frederick W. Ryno, James B. Atkins, Bert F. Atkins, all of Bonners Ferry; Charles E. Flor, Naples; Martin E. Quinn, Copeland; B. Stojanoff, Meadow Creek; Wilhelm Leibrecht, Leonia; Rudolph Kral, Addie; Sam Johnson, Addie. C. A. Pettijohn, of Ritzville, Wash., Dale Beaver, of Hallett, Okla., and Walter Zott, of Spokane, joined the Boundary county contingent enroute.

RAISED \$3,868.02 IN THE SECOND RED CROSS DRIVE

A. J. Kent, chairman of the recent Red Cross drive has about concluded, after checking up the returns, that there are but very few slackers in Boundary county. After having carefully checked the returns made by the several committees and drive chairmen, Treasurer Roy Voshmik, reports that Boundary county has given in cash and pledges a total of \$3,868.02 to the Red Cross in the drive which came to a close last Wednesday. This is over \$1,300 more than the quota given Boundary county. The record is one which should be a source of gratification to the county chairman, his executive and drive committees and every person who assisted in or contributed to the drive.

Chairman Kent said this morning: "I want to thank the people of Boundary county for the liberal contributions made in this drive and for the

hearty co-operation and assistance given me in this work. I want to especially thank the women who worked on the several committees. I take off my hat to the workmen as every one, nearly, contributed a days wages. The workmen contributed about half of the amount collected.

Mr. Archer, of the Meadow Creek Lumber Company, contributed a car of lumber which has not been received yet but which is on the way. Every business house in Bonners Ferry was delegated to solicit in this drive and were all successful in getting subscriptions. The outside districts were covered by various committees who visited each home as far as possible, most of the committees doing the work in a single day.

The following committees of women solicited in Bonners Ferry and did most excellent work; Southside—

Mesdames Geo. Causton, Wales, Boleau, and the Misses Vera Jones and Loretta Lynch; Northside—Mesdames Campbell, Covert, Lynch and Simonds.

Following is the report of the second Red Cross drive by districts as prepared to-date by Treasurer, Roy Voshmik:

Senior Class Bonners Ferry high school, \$75; Bonners Ferry, \$1,005.65; Bonners Ferry Lumber Company employees, \$700.17; Idaho-Continental mine, \$545.50; Porthill, \$150; Moravia, \$110; Naples and Highland Flat, \$81.50; Paradise Valley, \$72.75; Cow Creek, \$61.50; Wilson's Camp, \$44; Copeland, \$149; Leonia, \$17; Eastport, \$95.00; Curley Creek, \$32; McArthur, \$2.00; Meadow Creek, \$81.70; White's Camp, \$176; Round Prairie, Addie and the Inland Paper Company's camp, \$244; Red Cross ball game benefit, \$107.95; Amazon theater benefit, \$83.75; Red Cross dance, \$106.55. Total, \$3,868.02.