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LABOR DOES NOT FAVOR CRIME.

In a communication signed by 'Workingmen' the Observer is mildly criticised on a news report regarding the present trouble over the Los Angeles Times disaster.

The attitude of labor in this matter is not to shield criminals, no, not by any means. The clean honest labor of America is an anxious to see the guilty punished as is anyone and labor will do what it can to assist in punishing the man who touched off the dynamite which sent a score or more to death and wrecked a fine piece of property.

The article which was requested to be printed in the Observer by the communication follows and is from the San Francisco Star:

If there is any depth to which the prosecution in the McNamara case will not stoop nothing as yet has indicated the fact. Certainly it does not halt for crime, for the kidnaping of the Mc-

Namara brothers was recognizedly criminal; nor does it pause for a moment in the presence of infancy, for the bounding of Mrs. McNamara by private detectives with whom the district attorney apparently is 'standing in' is as shameful a deed as has been recorded in black and white in many a day.

The 'sweating' of a man is had enough, and 'leg' enough, but what shall be said of those who put a frail woman to this torture when she is weary and worn after a long journey? Rushing here, without announcement, into the presence of her husband, they put upon her the mental and spiritual rack of this modern inquisition and kept her there until, overcome by the torment, she fainted, and a physician was compelled to work over her more than half an hour before she recovered sufficiently to go to a bed of sickness. And this mark you, was done by private detectives hired by private individuals with the full countenance of the prosecution!

Yet another thing the prosecution did. It subpoenaed the two children of Mrs. McNamara and the child of a friend, Mrs. McGuire, to appear before the grand jury. The oldest of these children is seven years old, and the other two are six and four years old respectively. Important evidence such babes would give, would they not? Why, there is not a lawyer who could not influence them to swear to anything under the sun that he desired, and the opposing counsel could secure its retraction in another five minutes, and the little ones would not be to blame in either instance. There is none who does not know that such testimony is worthless.

Yet the prosecution had these witnesses subpoenaed, and as late as midnight they were winking and blinking and trying to keep their eyes open on hard benches outside the grand jury room—ignorant of why they were there. The episode would be grotesque were it not pathetic and outrageous in its demand of the impossible from child nature. In its attempt to secure conviction rather than justice the prosecution has not hesitated to rob the cradle.

You, Mr. Workingman, are responsible for the torturing of this woman and these little children, for it was your vote that elected the capitalist lickspittles to the civil offices of Los Angeles. You made it possible for this inhuman thing called a prosecuting attorney and these brutal detectives to sweat and insult this poor woman, who is a representative of your own class. You have made it possible in Los Angeles, and you have made it possible in every city of the nation, except Milwaukee, Butte and Berkeley.

Do you think these things could happen in Milwaukee? Could they happen anywhere that socialists control the civil machinery of government.

And now you union men, what are you doing about it? You are busy collecting a fund of \$750,000 by an assessment on your membership to hire some capitalist lawyers, with retainer fees of \$50,000 each to defend your brothers from prosecution. These lawyers are going into a capitalist packed court, to try to get justice at an expense of three quarters of a million dollars. The court will consider just one question: How far will public opinion permit us to go. Can we convict these men, and not arouse the working people to such a pitch of anger that we

will be swept out of office? If they are to judge the future by the past, they are safe in murdering McNamara. They gave you Homestead, and you continued to elect them to office. They have beaten you with police-bullets, and at the next election you elected them to office again. They murder your kind and defy your demands, but you go on rewarding them with your votes.

You can stop it all with your ballots, and you can stop it no other way.

Notice to Contractors. Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, for the construction of 8,700 lineal feet, approximately, of cement walk five (5) feet in width; also for the construction of 8,700 lineal feet, approximately, of cement curb, to be built along certain streets in what is known as Commodore addition to the city of La Grande, Oregon, same to be constructed according to the plans and specifications on file in this office. All proposals to be filed in this office by five o'clock p. m. July 26th, 1911, and each proposal to be accompanied by a certified check of five per cent of the amount of the bid. The council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

La Grande, Oregon, July 20th, 1911. C. M. HUMPHREYS, Recorder.

NEW BUTTERMAKER ARRIVES.

Salem Man Has Position With the Valley Creamery Co. Octave Vogel, of Salem, Oregon, an expert butter maker and a first class creamery man, has accepted a position with the Valley creamery. He likes La Grande very much and will move his family to this city as soon as he can get a house.

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