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WHO'S THE BOSS?

Under this caption, the House of E. Hofer & Sons, who issue the Industrial News Review, dedicated to big business, has the following article:

WHO'S THE BOSS

At the time of the settlement of the nationwide strike tie-up of coal production in which the government took over the coal mines and complied with miners' demands under pressure of work stoppages, thoughtful observers looked with foreboding upon the proceedings. The disgraceful spectacle of the United States bowing before the threat of mob force was there for all to see. The country is paying a high price for that exhibition.

The Secretary of the Interior reports that since the United Mine Workers' no-strike pledge of last November, there have been some 1,300 walkouts involving approximately 350,000 men and costing seven million tons of vitally needed fuel. The government has again resorted to seizure of many mine properties. The Secretary's comment on the situation resembles the complaint of a cowed school boy who has just received a beating at the hands of the town bully. He said: "I cannot conceive that the mine workers can turn their backs on their government by continuing to strike at a time when the nation greatly needs every ton of coal that they can produce in order to speed the winning of the war."

This is just so much conversation. The Secretary knows and everyone else knows that the miners have struck against the war effort again and again. As for turning their backs on government, that's a joke. The bitter truth is that they don't have to turn their backs on government—the government takes what they dish out.

How long is the bully going to boss the government?

While we have no sympathy with strikes, especially when agreement is made not to strike during the war emergency, yet we do not know any other means of getting a square deal for labor when unscrupulous capital will not give the workers any kind of a square deal.

We wonder if the Industrial News Review ever visited one of the coal yards back east and saw the conditions under which the men have to work. The houses that the mine owners forced the men to live in, many of them not fit for a pig to rest under, and how the mine companies forced the workers to buy everything through the company stores. When the month ended, they are lucky to have enough left to buy a stick of gum.

Does the Industrial News Review remember when the coal miners finally organized and demanded some relief and didn't get it. They struck. The coal miners brought ship loads of men from foreign countries under the guise of big pay to take their places. When these foreigners finally realized the true situation they also organized and asked for reforms. Again ship loads of other foreigners were brought in. The same situation resulted.

Now the mine owners are face to face with the same treatment they have been giving the miners for years. For a long time the owners were intolerant against labor. Now labor is getting intolerant against capital and capital is squawking.

There are some manufacturing concerns in the United States that recognize the right of labor and give them every advantage they can. But there are not enough of them, and labor has become so strong through this administration that a reaction is taking place.

It certainly is too bad that labor cannot elect men that can see the handwriting and work with capital and give and take.

And in the same breath it certainly is too bad capital cannot see the right of the laboring men and give them—at least a semblance of a square deal. We have always been in favor of arbitration, and believe that if both capital and labor have the desire to play fair—an agreement can always be reached without loss of time and loss of production.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Womack of Kerby had as guests over the week end, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Conway and daughters, Jessie Mae and Delpha of Lakeview, Oreg. Mrs. Conway and Mrs. Womack are sisters.

Ralph Baumberger left Friday night for Ft. Lewis, where he reported for a week's training along with other captains of State Guard companies in this western division. He will return the last of this week.

C. T. Kettering, city mounted mail carrier of Burbank, Calif.,

with Mrs. Kettering and their son arrived in the valley this week looking for a homestead to locate permanently. S. Ray Kettering and Ed Miller also made the trip with them.

Arthur Harris left Wednesday morning for Redding, Calif., where he will visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Harris for the winter. He plans to return in the spring. Mr. and Mrs. Harris formerly lived in Cave Junction but left for Redding over a year ago where they now operate and own a lumber mill.

Half of the nation's commercial forest is second growth timber, re-grown on cutover land. Future harvests will come from third and fourth growth timber, as the present trend to sustained yield logging increases.

CHURCHES

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m.
Young People's service, 7:45 p. m.
Evening service, 8:15 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 8 p. m.

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

I. O. O. F. HALL, KERBY
Sunday school 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Evangelistic Service 8:00 a. m.
Rev. D. B. Wantland, pastor.

CAVE JUNCTION COMMUNITY CHURCH

George H. Gray, Pastor
Sunday School 10 a. m.
Morning Worship 11 a. m.

COMMUNITY CHURCH NOTES

Sixty-four attended Sunday school, being one more than the preceding Sunday. The telegram story was given by Mrs. Gertrude Martin. Visitors were Silvia and Dickie Wilson and Barbara Sherier.

Rev. Gray's subject was "Human Suffering" his text being found in I Pet. 5:10, 11. His scripture reading was Rom. 8:12-18, 28.

Preceding the sermon the choir sang a special number "Living for Jesus," and at the close of the service Mrs. Clara Dick sang "Take Up Thy Cross." There will be a teachers and workers meeting Friday night at 8 o'clock, followed by choir practice.

Sunday, October 15th, is the monthly gospel song service. Everybody come, October 19th which is next Thursday, the Missionary Society will meet at Kumfy Kamp dining room.

BLESSED EVENTS

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wilson of Kerby, Monday, October 2nd, a baby girl.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Don Zimmerman, on Wednesday, October 4th, a daughter.



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OCTOBER

- 14—Chickasaws cede all land east of Mississippi to U. S., 1832.
- 15—U. S. opens 1,600,000 acres in Montana for settlement, 1892.
- 16—U. S. sailors mobbed in Valparaiso, Chile, 1891.
- 17—Burgoyne surrenders to Gates, 1777.
- 18—Kosciusko commissioned a Colonel in Revolutionary army, 1776.
- 19—Held first general court in New England, in Boston, 1630.
- 20—Mayor Thompson of Chicago orders pro-British books burned, 1927.

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