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Russian delegates were admitted to two peace conferences and kicked themselves out. Better put a sign on the door of the next one. "No admittance except on business."

First Mexico and later Ireland has been regarded as stench in the nostrils of the nations. But Williamson county, Illinois, outstinks them all.

KEEP THE ISSUE CLEAR

This bit of wisdom floats in from the Portland Journal:

"People are being told by some newspapers and by railroad executives that the strike of the shopmen is in defiance of the authority of the United States."

"It is not true. The authority of the United States is not involved. The thirteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States says 'involuntary servitude shall not exist within the United States.'"

"Under this amendment the labor board could not order em-

ployees to remain at work. Construing the thirteenth amendment, the federal supreme court has said: 'So the right of an employe to quit the services of an employer for whatever reason is the same as the right of the employer for whatever reason to dispense with the service of such employe.'"

This does not touch the issue involved in the strike. It only brings us up to the point where we are prepared to take a look at the issue involved. As the railroad labor board construes the law, the shopmen, having quit their jobs because they would not accept a wage awarded by the board, have no further concern in what anybody, employer or employee, does with those jobs. We have not seen any account of the labor board or anybody else trying to force the employees to remain at work. For a man to quit a job of his own accord, and still try to hold it or control it, seems like an absurdity to a man brought up in the backwoods. The industrious people of

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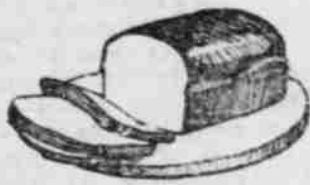
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