

# DEVILISH AIMS OF I. W. W. ARE LAID BARE

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 17.—Documents and alleged revelations of a former secretary of the Industrial Workers of the World branch were made public here today by Sheriff John Montgomery of Maricopa county, in a campaign of publicity "to let the people of this city and county know I. W. W. conditions here and to impress on Washington the necessity for protection."

An alleged verbatim copy of statement by a former I. W. W. secretary, receipt for money and letters were among the papers published.

Sheriff Montgomery said his information had been presented to a committee of citizens and this committee had decided upon publicity as a remedy. His secret investigation of I. W. W. affairs, he added, had been prompted by a determination to prevent a recurrence of alleged incendiarism in the Salt River valley.

Much of the matter given out, he asserted came from the Phoenix I. W. W. office which he described as headquarters second in importance only to the main office at Chicago. He said he had obtained records and papers relating to I. W. W. operations in Arizona, New Mexico, California, Texas, Colorado and Nevada.

A former secretary of the I. W. W. according to a stenographic report of answers said to have been made by him to Sheriff Montgomery's questions, is credited with the following admissions:

That incendiarism in the Salt River Valley near Phoenix last summer was carried out by members of the I. W. W.

That members of the organization still are carrying on the campaign of the "torch."

That a member of the I. W. W. from California told him privately some of the "Sacramento bunch" of forty convicted there several months ago, were guilty of the sabotage charged against them.

That the secretary, together with other members of the I. W. W. had held conferences on "labor matters in common" in the Phoenix labor temple.

The records of the Phoenix headquarters of the organization in the sheriff's possession show a total of \$17,000 received in dues during half a year, mostly miners' dues, those for other branches having been sent directly to Chicago. A grand total of nearly \$109,000 is shown as the Phoenix office's receipts from all sources for less than a year. Of this more than \$80,000 is represented as coming from the sale of literature, due stamps, six hour stamps and defense stamps for the prisoner's fund in this state, New Mexico, Nevada, California, Colorado and Texas.

United States government documents, declared Sheriff Montgomery, were not safe from I. W. W. hands and in proof of his assertion, he produced two orders to the United States marshal for Arizona for raids on certain premises in the city of Bisbee to seize seditious literature, proscribed badges, etc. According to the inscriptions on the back of these, the seizures were made, one being endorsed by C. J. McFarlane, who signed himself "Special employe Dept. of Justice U. S." One was dated March 18 and the other March 19, 1918. Sheriff Montgomery declared these documents belong properly under

lock and key in the United States commissioner's office at Bisbee.

An efficient system of bookkeeping with printed forms for every purpose, stamping the I. W. W. organization as one run on strictly business like lines and not the intangible body it sometimes is supposed to be, is shown in its records now held by the Maricopa county sheriff. Liberal use of the mails for ordinary transmission, special delivery packages and registered letters also are in evidence, while there is abundance of testimony, said Sheriff Montgomery, that money was rushed to I. W. W. delegates by wire when the occasion demanded.

In the verbatim statement which Sheriff Montgomery asserted, he obtained from the former secretary, before a witness, the following questions and answers appear:

Q—There are still radicals in the state, men who believe in force and torch?

A—I could not point them out. They don't stand very well in the organization. I knew at the time of fires here in the valley that some of the boys were doing it, but I didn't know who.

Q—You were confident that some of the members of the I. W. W. were responsible for the fires?

A—We were confident some of the members were doing it, but we didn't know who. Most of us are opposed to that, but I will tell you the truth, the old 400 are in the biggest part of that. (He is reported to have said previously that "400" was the designation of the agricultural division of the I. W. W., the mining division being "800")

Q—You have men in the organization doing the same thing yet?

A—Yes, but it is awfully hard to find out a man like that until he has gone an awfully long ways. Some of the men are in Sacramento. There was a fellow down here from there, who told me privately that some of the Sacramento bunch was guilty.

Sheriff Montgomery stated he had been pursuing his investigation into I. W. W. affairs since the first of the year. He declared that if it were possible, he would prevent the outbreaks of incendiarism in the Salt River valley which characterized former summers, and to this end he had concentrated on an I. W. W. inquiry.

"I have laid my information before a committee of business men", said the sheriff, "and they have decided that some of the details of my investigation should be published in an endeavor to let the people of this city and county know I. W. W. conditions here and to impress on Washington the necessity for protection."

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