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F. H. Shepherd on the Vancouver Island Strike

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Out of thousands of votes cast he will get a few hundred, save in a very few constituencies.

If the workers will not vote for Socialism, can you introduce Socialism by shooting a few military commanders in the back? Can you bring it in by talking to a lot of boys hired to commit murder? Can you bring it in by talking to a lot of boys hired to commit murder? Can you bring it in secret and are in dangers of being court-martialled and shot? No.

It is said that a Christain will fight for his religion, die for his religion, anything but live for it.

A Socialist must live and preach his dottines from day to day, must spread the propaganda and take advantage of every opportunity to give the dynamic power of the idea a chance to operate.

When we grow stronger, when we push the capitalists to the wall and they in desperation appeal to armed power against the will of the majority, then it will be time to talk about Socialist soldiers.

John Brown made his raid into Virginia in 1859 and was shot. In 1863 Lincoln issued his proclamation of emancipation of the slaves would have nevertheless been freed.

Let economic evolution and Socialist propaganda do the work of enlightenment. An intelligent working class conscious of their class position in society and united—over throw of capitalism.

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This contractor was notified by the manager of dismiss Mottishaw.

Profits are more valuable to the masters of bread than the lives of the workers. If one dare report gas and cause expense to the mineowners, they put him on the black list.

The miners realizing their difficulty became an organized party of the United Mineworksers of America. They took a holiday in protest against the discrimination practised upon Mattishaw, for one day, and found themselves locked out. The miners had to sign individual contracts before they would be allowed to return to work. The miners struck and later in sympathy the miners of Vanfe couver Island went on strike.

The one thousand five hundred miners were backed up by the four hundred thousand members of the United Mineworkers.

Since then, the record of the strike has been one long record of special police bulls, provocative scabs, biassed courts, brutal militia.

Extension on August 13th.

At Extension the strikebreakers had been particularly offensive to the strikers residing in the camp. The women and children of the strikers were especially visited with mady indignities. The company had erected a search-light which believed by the strikers.

strikers were especially visited with many indignities. The company had erected a search-light which played on the houses occupied by the strikers. Suppose the strikers had erected a searchlight which played on the house of the mine manager? Would not all the papers have howled.

The miners received the impression that an attempt was to be made to drive them out of camp. They therefore approached the "bull pen" where the strikebreakers were housed, in order to discover their intentions. They proceeded carefully as the strikebreakers were armed. As they drew near the "pen" they met many of who As they drew near the "pen": they of the strikebreakers' wives and who were fleeing from the campris ESCORTED ALL THEY COULD

Pacific.

It was conceived in graft and born in incompetency and extravagance.

When the Conservatives got to power, they appointed a commission to investigate. This commission has reported that \$40,000,000 have been wasted in the construction of this line.

The Tory papers are howling throughout Canada against the former Liberal regime of extravagance. The Conservatives are belaboring the stinking corruption and holding it up before the public eyes.

But they are keeping very quiet about the administration of the public works department by the Hon. Bob 'Rodgers.

They are saying little about the near \$200.000,000 the Borden government will spend this year.

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struggle at all.

It is only when the worker realizes he is robbed, realizes his class position in society and bands with his fellow workers to capture the political power to overthrow capitalism, that we have a revolutionary move-

A BUREAU OF UNEMPLOYMENT

A new departure is being made in the United States.

President Wilson has appointed an industrial commission to immediately undertake the investigation of unemployment in New York city. This is preliminary to recommending federal legislation establishing a bureau of unemployment to act as a clearing house for public and private employment agencies so that unemployed workers in one region may be directed to that region where employment is good.

Such legislation will do nothing to relieve the property and misery. In these days of international capital, stagnation is world wide.

Hard times in England mean hard times