



## T-Bone Slim

M. T. W. of the I. W. W. is making progress (and it could not be otherwise). It is the steam that will not condense so long as the heat of slavery warms the boilers. But the progress does not run smoothly and there is some certain dissaray which is but natural in the catching up with the more important matters.

Seamen are of nature men of action and time hangs heavily on their hands—let's get things moving. Parasite's remedy for this over-expansion of sea-going rolling stock is to invite nations to a war and shoot them full of holes—sink their blunders—and as long as seamen donate their labor power so long will the big boys be in position to build and scrap the things not needed.

The ultra social registerites do not use these ships,—they have yachts—only statesmen and Hollywood stars. From the top down marine industry is over-expanded beyond all reason and this is apparent only because seamen failed to organize industrially sufficient to hold what they had and take what they could reach.

The boss isn't going to buy a new ship if the money is in your pocket. Join the Marine Transport Workers Union No. 510.

Lots of landlubbers, worshippers of buttercups and pansies will criticize me for saying it—see if I care: The cost of S. S. Washington, Conte Di Savoia, Ile De France and Bremen should have went into the Clam Broth till, Hoboken, N. J., U. S. A., God help us all.

Discription: (Get this right)—

It looks like over-expansion not because there is depression, it looks like depression because there is over-expansion, i. e. people's buying power is in over-expansion, i. e.: inflation is supposed to replace it as new money into people's hands. Over-expansion is because Labor point blank refused to take the money; the refusal takes form in labor's failure to organize. As long as you remain unorganized so long will your refusal hold good.

Unemployed unions in the city are doing fair to middling—as well as can be expected these days when everything goes by the board.

The educational work they are forced to carry on cannot be measured with any accuracy—besides it's nobody's business—but, to hear them tell it, folks are dumb, just plain dumb.

I would like to stress the point, compulsory as was the German move it was carried out in full control—a strategical maneuver.

Compare it to a farmer leading a bull-calf to water. The calf shoved its head into an oats bin. John of course had visualized how the calf will bury its schnoozle in the trough and swish its tail in appreciation, and when the calf took matters in its own hands and attacked the oats—oats costing what they do—John let out a war whoop, called on all the civilized saints of the league of nations to bear witness the calf's head is in the oats bin.

Let us not wait until we too are compelled to move.

Reason resides not in retreat—when you retreat you leave reason on "the spot."

Germany's was not a backward step in all its essentials, mark this: German republic was based on industrial autocracy. (Now the political state is made to match it.) No backward step has been made, because political steps don't count. They are neither forward or backward but are a mirage in the deserts of human servitude.