

Get a Better Boat, Boy

By T-BONE SLIM

I cannot understand why politicians persists in hatching their eggs in labor's nest; nor can I understand why labor permits it. Why do they not hatch their eggs in their own nest? Is their nest so foul they have to use labor's?

Rank and file tells me the Communist party is trying to hatch out some doorknobs in the N. M. U. No harm in that except that it keeps the nest occupied so that the seamen cannot hatch any real eggs. Since when has a politician turned into a highsea mariner?

Seamen maintain halls, pay the rent so that politicians can strut their stuff and take up seamen's time from important matters. Politics has absolutely no remedy for seamen's ills. Once politics gets into a labor union it cannot be bailed out, deeper and deeper sinks the yawl.

Seamen, you have a Jonah in your boat. Better change boats.

All th gains seamen have made have been without political action, and will be lost with it. Politicians follow labor action like a tern follows ships—but they do not go far to sea.

They have no action of their own so they appear suddenly in the midst of labor action. WHY? I wonder—why do the "leaders" appear after the action is started? Think it over.

Don't Know Their Own Stuff

My contention is: politicians understand neither political action or labor action. The best they can do is set one body of workers against the other. Workers themselves have no quarrel.

Political action is by its nature—slow. Were we

to get our eggs through be over-ripe before they get rid of 'em. So it is v relief comes to you third jail for stealing bread.

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relief comes to you thirty days after you are in
jail for stealing bread.

You aren't supposed to be in jail, you are sup-
posed to be dead—starved to death. Why couldn't
you wait and let nature take its course? But
why wait for jail or death just to please political
muddlers? Why not join the I. W. W.?

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Compromise is a loss to the workers.

When there is no mush in the cupboard, and
none likely to be, it's a poor time to talk com-
promise; it, the mush, is or isn't present; and
compromise spells isn't.

We do not need generals to get us "isn't," the
boss hands us that without help from the labor
generals of this work-a-day world.

We do not need labor generals to get us relief
rations; the economic power of begging gets us
the scrawny relief tickets automatically—begging
adventures are followed by souplines, for uneasy
lies the head that wears a crown.

Economic power will feed, clothe, shelter, and
free the workers—generals never did, never will.

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Economic power is the only power the workers
have—only the workers have it. Parasites are
using borrowed power—our power, our lawn-
mower, and our hired man tu push it. Let's make
them return it. The world needs a haircut.