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#### A BAD ACTOR

We should think that the authorities—federal, state or municipal—might find a way to deal with E. C. Estey, one of the organizers of the new labor organizations, the Chicago Yardmen's association, and a leader of the strikers. This man is openly advocating the destruction of property, or sabotage. In a statement last week he boasted of his lawlessness, and of the criminal acts in connection with a railroad strike in Minneapolis and St. Paul.

10 years ago, of which he had charge. He said that he was "proud to be a rebel." He spoke of his operations and methods in the strike referred to above, as follows:

I went down to the I. W. W. headquarters and got some help. Then one day four passenger trains were wrecked. The next day seven freight trains were wrecked. Then we sent word to the railroads that if they didn't come across we would tear down the roundhouse. They didn't answer—we did. The roundhouse was torn down. Then the railroads begged for mercy and asked to meet us. We told them to come to us. There was a meeting. The union drew up a contract and the railroads refused it. The next day we blew up a bridge. That night an ice jam formed in the river and tore down the rest of the bridge, so they don't know to this day who did the job. But we won the strike. I did 90 days in jail for blocking the mails. I got off because I told the judge I didn't know the law. But of course I knew it then as well as I do now.

This man brazenly, and with manifest pride confesses himself a criminal. "We blew up a bridge," he says. The strike, of which he was in command, was won by wrecking passenger and freight trains and tearing down roundhouses. And now he is urging the same criminal policy on the men under his command.

If Chicago had such a mayor as Ole Hansen, who smashed the I. W. W. strike at Seattle, this man Estey and his associates would be quickly and easily suppressed. But, as far as can be seen, Mayor Thompson does not seem to be interested.

The local authorities have, apparently, made no effort to prevent interference with the operation of trains within the limits of Chicago.

Admittedly this is no case for arbitra-

tion. For John Grunau, president of the new union, said a few days ago that questions of wages and hours had become of secondary importance, and that the real fight was for supremacy over the old brotherhoods. It is, therefore, not a strike against the roads, but against the brotherhoods. As the destruction of these is a feature of the socialist program, it seems fair to assume that this strike is the work of radical agitators. This inference is strengthened almost to the point of conclusiveness by the boasting of Estey. The mere fact that he is one of the strike leaders, still further strengthens the inference. And when he glories in a record of crime, and advises that the crime be repeated, there is no doubt left that the railroad employees are simply being used by radicals to further their own dangerous and wicked purposes. The brotherhoods have every interest in breaking this strike, for they are fighting for their life. But the pronouncement of Estey, one would think, should suggest to the authorities that they are not wholly without responsibility.

He has very generously given them his record, or a part of it, and is boldly advocating a resort to criminal practices.

On the men under his command.

Hanging Grove—Sara Bollinger, Lawrence Sneedker, Marie Bailey.

Jordan—Golda Fleming, Freda Burns, Harold Kellner, Emmet Cain, Francis Brown, Lester Wortley.

Marion—Robert E. Mayhew.

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Newton—Nellie Bare, William O. Hiltcher, Charles Waling, Union—Roy Gunyon, Dean Zellers, Ivan Cedarbaum.

Walker—Alice Sayers, Inabelle Williams, Robert Shultz, Vincent Stalbaum.

Joseph L. Wuehrick of Gillam and Alice Sayers of Walker made first and second highest averages in the county. The next examination will be held April 17. Those who were on the examination should see their trustee about the place of holding this examination.

Mr. McCray claims to have annexed a considerable portion of the Republican organization in Marion county. I wonder if Mr. McCray will make it clear to all the voters of Marion county just how he happened to get this support. I wonder if he would dare to say that the organization workers in Marion county are supporting him merely because of his qualification for the office on the particular principles and measures to which he is committed. I don't believe he will make any such claims.

The records show that four years ago he built up a paid organization in Marion county which was able to organize a considerable vote for him. These paid workers traveled over the county urging voters to support Mr. McCray, and concealed the fact that they were being paid for their services. There may have been some voters who supported Mr. McCray unselfishly, but there were far too many of his "boosters" who were tagged with the dollar mark.

Easter hats were surely out of date this year. Several ladies in this vicinity said they never would patronize the weather any more.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Deerberg, on

coming home from church east of Medaryville last Sunday, got stuck in the snow. Chris walked home but Mrs. Deerberg remained with friends until Tuesday.

apparently. The voters were unable to determine who is acting voluntarily and who is being paid to boost Mr. McCray. Personally, I do not expect to build up a paid organization in Marion county or anywhere else. I haven't the money, in the first place, and I would not undertake to influence the outcome of the governorship with such use of money if I had it. The men and women who are working in my behalf constitute a voluntary organization. Furthermore, I shall not accept any contributions from outside sources.

### COUNTY EDUCATIONAL NOTES

(Co. Supt. Sterrett)

A few weeks ago a circular letter was sent out from the office of the county superintendent requesting the teachers of Jasper county to impart a reciprocated lesson of friendliness that should exist between the school children of America and France. The county superintendent was made chairman of the movement in Jasper county. Schools were urged to spend a quarter of a day in giving a program to emphasize the reasons why we Americans should appreciate France. The response from our patriotic teaching body has been wonderful. They emphasized the lesson of reciprocated friendship by programs, talks, etc., etc., and then requested each pupil to contribute between one cent and a dime to the Marne memorial fund. This fund is to be used towards erecting a memorial shaft at the point where the German army came nearest Paris. Here 50,000 brave men died in behalf of French liberty. In 1879 the schools of France took up a similar contribution and erected the Statue of Liberty on Bedloe island at the entrance to New York harbor. Now American children are in a position to do for France what France did for America in 1879. A full list of every boy and girl who contributes is sent in with each collection from each school or room. On April 15 the collections will be mailed to Indianapolis by the county superintendent. Jasper county's minimum quota was \$40. But there has been contributed to date \$82.02. This means a little over 200% contribution to date with a number of schools to contribute yet. The largest single contribution came from the city schools of Rensselaer with \$25.60. The next highest came from Demotte with \$9.21 and Wheatfield town school \$8.18. Contributions from the single rooms are ranging from 15c up to \$1.25. Remington schools have not reported to date. There are a few country schools to report yet. Contributions will be received until April 15.

Charles M. Blue is finishing a term end out for Ernest Shultz who was teaching at Gifford. Mr. Shultz resigned to enter Danville school where he will get more professional training to properly teach in the schools of Winamac where he has been employed as a special music teacher. The young man taught a very successful term at Gifford last winter.

The records in the office of the county superintendent show that the following pupils passed the eighth grade diploma examination:

Barkley—Minnie Cavender, Samuel E. Smith, Ronald Adams, Ralph Macy, Laura M. Hurley, Martha Stanley, Wayne Comer, Harold Nuss, Edna Axen, Reed Pinnel, Nellie E. Rees, Viola Wolfe.

Carpenter—Daniel Hartsock.

Gillam—Rolland Johnson, Andrew Houston, Christian H. Wuehrick, Henry Ludeman, Esther Culp, Mable M. Harper, Nellie Lidgard, James Budd, Albert C. Rayburn, Clara Shea, Joseph L. Wuehrick, Ora Edward Culp.

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### EAST WALKER

(Too late for Saturday issue)

Emma Burger is in Chicago taking sewing lessons.

Mrs. Wm. Salrin called on Mrs. Paul Bible Sunday.

Mrs. Paul Hershman's school at Norway was out Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Lilly called on Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Salrin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rush called on Mr. and Mrs. James Hindsley Sunday.

Charles Pettet and family of Kersey visited at Joe Salrin's over Sunday.

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