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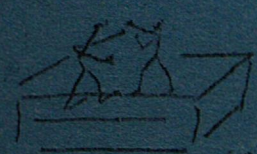
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Because any good artist can make his colour scheme to give a good effect to his picture whether he be futurist or no, and there is a wider range <sup>for</sup> expression in colour than in the painting of triangles & cubes.

THE END

SPORTS - BOXING



In conjunction with studies scrubbing, cleaning windows,



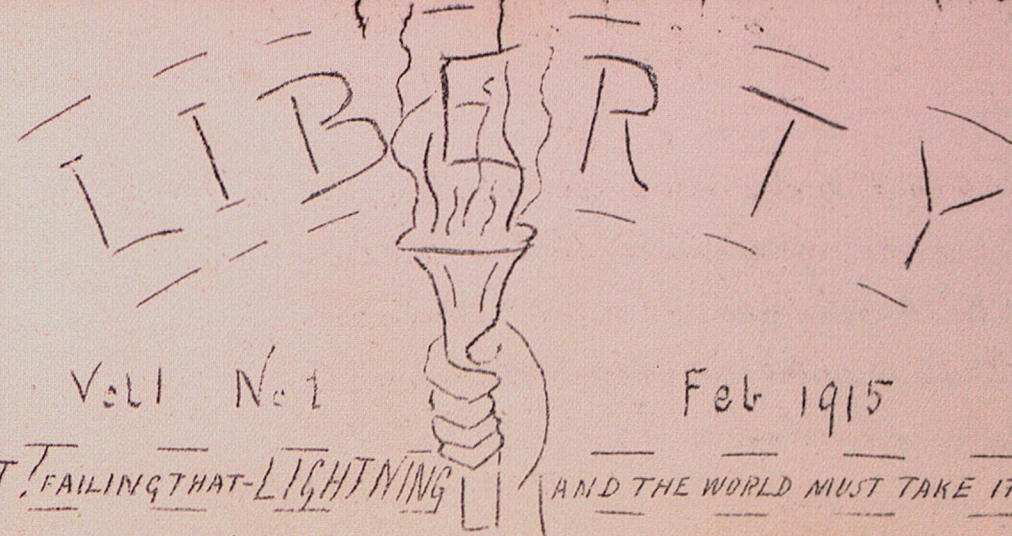
gardening & dancing BOXING is another form of relaxation at the school. We are anticipating a visit of "POLLY" of the HERALD to have a chat with us about our development in this sphere. Jack Tanner will also appear.

A handy pair of hands are useful in WAR - WORKERS WAR.

NOTES OF THE GAME - BY AMATEUR

matter cleans up mind at the N.S.C. The most striking event of this winter's boxing is without a doubt the fall of the MIGHTY ATOM - the defeat of the hitherto undefeated Jimmy Wilde at the hands of the SCOT, TANCY LEE on the 25<sup>th</sup> ult at Headquarters. Yet few will think the less of him for it when they reflect that to arise from a sick bed, to give away sixteen lbs to a first class man who was more over out to win by any means fair or foul. LEE'S TACTICS. For it was obvious that Tancy had made up his mind to take that Longsdale belt home to LEYTH at all costs. From the start he weakened the Welsh boy by applying the heel of his glove to the back of Jimmy's neck & right thro' the belt he ignored the fact that the padded part of the glove is the part meant for punching purposes. His plan of campaign was to get in close, do all the damage he could, & keep on doing it. When he could put in some rough work against the ropes he did so and he did not miss a chance to lean with all his weight on his long opponent. Jimmy tried hard to shake him off & when he could do so was plainly the Scot's master at long shots. But Tancy gave him few chances. On the 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> ult. the Welsh lads cut loose

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"LIGHT FAILING THAT LIGHTNING AND THE WORLD MUST TAKE ITS CHOICE!!" CARLYLE.

NOTES AND IMPRESSIONS ON FUTURIST ART BY BARNEY

The futurist craze is over & the subject may be a little late, but at anyrate it is a change from the never-ending war articles.

In some respects I welcome the futurist idea with open arms for in it I see a spirit of independence. Sick of old rules and regulations a number of artists, possessing initiative, have thrown over old traditions & commenced as it were a new era in the history of art. But I am afraid in their enthusiasm they have over-stepped the boundaries of reason.

If a person visited an Art Col-lection he would have no diffic-ulty in seeing what uncer-tainly intended to convey. But if he went to a collection of fut-

wist pictures he would not under-stand what the triangles, cubes, circles & hexagons interpret & therefore it would be necessary for him to have the artist himself to tell him what each picture depicts.

I am sure if we got together a company of futurist paintings & placed some of their pictures each would have a different idea of what they repre-sent.

Then they have another style of paint-ing, they give us the impression left on their minds of a particular scene or ob-jects, for example, an apple tree would have for its trunk one mass of even brown, for its leaves a mass of green blotches all of the same shade & this they maintain is better than the artistic painting in which the apple tree is an apple tree.

As a supreme argument the futurists say- it is their colour scheme which beautifies This is perfectly ridiculous [continued on opposite cover page]

NOTES BY WILL ENGLISH FREEDOM

The whole of Europe, soldiers & the boys of the bull-dog breed responded very much like dogs they have been thrown into a devastating war the like of which has never been seen.

Britain with Russia & her old enemy France have joined hands to fight the "GERMAN DESPOT" This has resulted in upwards of twenty millions men of different countries being called up to fight people they have never seen & so could not have quarrelled with them.

That there were possibilities of great friendships between them was shown during the Christmas holidays when the men who were fighting against each other came out of their trenches & had as good a Christmas as could be expected under the circumstances. It was then shown that the soldiers had no quarrel between themselves.

soldiers & the boys of the bull-dog breed responded very much like dogs they have been thrown into a devastating war the like of which has never been seen. THEIR KING AND BOSSES needed them. The KING is of GERMAN descent & the BOSSES - well!!!

A few months ago a man was summoned for not paying rent. Evidence showed he was in training for the killing business. The bungling authorities had not sent his wife the seperation allowance & consequently he was unable to pay the rent.

The land-lord - who was on the committee of recruiting agency - gave him notice to quit. The soldier who thought he was fighting for his country could not find a place for his wife & children unless he paid for it. Where is our boasted ENGLISH FREEDOM when bosses compel their employers to fight or starve? THE DESPOT IS NOT IN GERMANY - THE DESPOT IS HERE IN ENGLAND - HIS NAME IS BOSS.

WHEN WAR WAS DECLARED an appeal was made for

STATE AND SCHOOLS THE WORKERS BY RUBEN

APPRENTICED TO A DIRTY TRADE BY JOE

The duty of the working classes is to take more interest in the education of the children in the State Schools.

They should protest against the teaching of religion and patriotism because as the child grows older he normally believes what he is taught at school and when he becomes a worker it leads to his downfall. Because religion & patriotism are in the interest of the master class.

If education would be given to understand their true position, they would understand that they are not to be lead away by the upper classes & fight for their masters interest as they are now doing in the present war.

Hundreds of thousands of the workers are losing their lives in the battle NOT for their own interest but for the interest of the upper class.

It has been said by division and other city fish that boys brigades & boys scouts would not be used for active service.

But we find now the war is on they are quite active delivering letters, posting bills & doing service to carry on the war successfully.

It has now been proved that these institutions are real schools for the development of the military spirit.

Boys do not join these institutions, when you grow up & strike for better wages or conditions these very individuals will be employed to shoot you if you dare to demonstrate.

What do the workers gain by this war? Dearest food higher rents & more unemployment. The masters want markets to sell their goods. They employ you in a dirty business to do the dirty work.

BOYS! - DO NOT RECRUIT!

THE WAR AGAINST HUMANITY

BY GINNER

SIX MONTHS have elapsed since the commencement of this war - this outrageous crime against HUMANITY, - this ferocious insanity which has stirred the whole world with terrible anxieties. How many thousands of men have been so unconscionably massacred, so ruthlessly murdered, how many families have been annihilated, how many thousands of men women & children have been left homeless, degraded to irre-sistible starvation?

A whole nation which during the past century have been steadily progressing, has been barbarously destroyed, its country smashed to smithereens its inhabitants scattered throughout the world! Is this twentieth century civilization, is this the Progress of Humanity - the predomin-ation of murder?

The capitalists, those hypo-critical thieves who would set a whole world on fire to sat-

is by their avarice & who are really the cause of this crime, are telling the credulous masses, the work-ing classes, that they are fight-ing to defend their country's freedom, that they are fighting for the good cause of humanity!! FREEDOM! - ALAS!! is it freedom that you should be forced to join that promiscuous army of murderers, those fer-ocious people even devouring the progress of Humanity, is it FREEDOM, is it HUMAN-ITY that you should be forced to leave your wives, your chil-dren, & forced to fight for those corruptible capitalists? FREEDOM! - ALAS!! people being thrown out of work because they refuse to be murdered, people dying of starvation be-cause they are robbed of the ne-cessities of life!!!

Ah! those cynical cap-itablists ever ready to fight on the side of MAMMON, not satisfied

with taking their husbands, their sons, are sucking the blood of the young comrades of our former women! How many thousands of school-comes that wearying women are being forced to sacrifice their bodies, their very lives for the sake of keeping their children hiding the shadow of starvation

The working classes that ever credulous multitude ever poisoned by the Capitalist Press when will they realize that their real enemies are their masters, their oppressors, and that if they want FREEDOM, if they want a full national life they must fight THEM and not the workers of other nations.

ABOUT THE "IRRESPONSIBLE KIDS" AND THE WHY AND WHEREFORE We have been designated "ir-responsible kids" - a name that has been applied time without number to rebels - old & young who seek for 'NO-GOVERNMENT' - 'good' or bad. From Detective Inspector Sweeney of Scotland Yard down to - I am sorry to say - the Anarchist Education groups that at present work

after the good behaviour of our phrase - "Irresponsible kids" - tedious as a twice told tale using the ears of a drowsy man!" It has been said in the V. of L. that the editor lacked knowledge of local affairs there fore had no reasonable grounds for his vindication of us. We contend that it is ignorance of our affairs that any group outside the school has no rea-sonable grounds to interfere in matters concerning our business - in short they are ignorant of our "local affairs". We have split from them because we felt strong enough to run the school ourselves. We have done it, in every practical way for over two years. Every extension we have made has been the initiative of the "Irresponsible Kids". This group was a burden to carry & entirely ignorant of our wants. We have left the throne for the WASH-HOUSE

THE 'IRRESPONSIBLE KIDS' SHIFT!



BY ANGEL

"Go down in the cellar and get 'em!" - that was the order for the rebels to take the chairs! We had hired a barrow - see illustration - & got the chairs. String was wanted - we got that when from 'please don't ask!' After working hard with our mental (plenty of that in our school) & physical powers we managed to pack the chairs. On the way to our palatial premises the string became loose. He who tied it had not reached the mental stage of his companions in distress (One in the eye for you BARNEY) Two shifters held the chairs at the back of the barrow while the other two pulled it - donkey work - VERB SAP. (NUFF SAID)

Then the fun began! The donkeys went off at a break-neck speed. The two at the back were contented with their little lot for a while but they soon felt awkward with their ticklish job & they called to the "donkeys" to stop, but true to their characteristics - donkeys - they would not stop until they - the villains - were too tired to continue.

After a rest off they went again & did not stop till they reached 'home'. Meanwhile we had been re-inspired by the others & the two at the back (more donkeys E.D.) were sweating & swearing but smiling withal.

Jimmy, who is very kind (BOW WOW E.D.) gave the whole army of donkeys their little bit o' corn & Toddy hot. We then got the chairs safely in our 'home' & then started off to return the barrow. Some clambered into the barrow while the females walked (conventionality is unknown at our school). One of the lads - Will - must have thought it

was November 5<sup>th</sup> for he squatted himself in the middle of the cart like a guy (a good guy he made too). Harry - our donkey - (Whoa 'Harry!') went mad (he had one drink - raspberry). He jibbed & bolted in turn round the barrow went in circles & from side to side in rocked. It took us some time to get him quieted, but this state of affairs did not last long for in a jiffy the donkey kicked over the traces & the cart upturned throwing its occupant - the 'guy' - sprawling in the mire. Nothing daunted us however & away we went again merrily singing Hurrah! hurrah! in Freedom's van are we!!

Marching on to Libertee!!! (Our paper's name) At last we ran up agin the STRONG ARM OF THE LAW - THE BOBBY - & the railings. HE prevented FREEDOM'S VAN from progress (plucky fellow). He said a few kindly words to us (as all bobbies do) & then we scooted. Arriving at the bakers we pulled up for 'corn' - went in the shop for half a pound of broken biscuits for our donkey & then left - & quickly to - before the boss had time to weigh them. You may wonder why? Well we were STONY BROKE. And so ended our MOVING DAY.

Before this paper is in cold print we are MOVING AGAIN to "FERRER HOUSE", HERTFORD PLACE, GLOBE ROAD E. This is good news! (More fun BOYS) Any body wishing to remove apply to our new address for terms. Breakage - if any - covered by donations. The latter always acceptable, also first or second hand books for our library.

THE PRESS

AND THE WAR

BY HARRY

last resource of a scoundrel - a quality that has been engineered & fostered by the press.

The war has been the cause of a wave of patriotism passing over the people - Patriotism - the From people whom it was thought was emancipated from this superstition, comes the cry "We must."

fight against German militarism is that this is a war that will  
 Kropotkin, Heron, etc have joined in cry. The press, those  
 dirty, downelling gutter rags, we could expect anything but from  
 so called revolutionary Socialists papers we expected them to  
 pose the war - make a stand against this human barbarism  
 For years the Socialist & Anarchist press have been  
 preaching Internationalism - WORKERS OF THE WORLD  
 UNITE - & now instead of making a protest, they invite in  
 telling to fight for your country when there is not a blade of grass  
 to call your own. These once revolutionary papers have now turned  
 quite respectable & shouting out "We do not want German Mil-  
 itarism". Supposing German Militarism is crushed? What then?  
 It is only to rear up another mili-  
 tarism here at home. If Germany is crushed England will have more  
 land. To keep this land it must have more soldiers. To get more sol-  
 diers means conscription, & where then will be your boasted free-  
 dom.

is that this is a war that will end war. It is false. Whilst  
 capitalism & the state exist, while we have an army we can never hope  
 for peace. When war breaks out at home - the class war - the soldiers  
 are brought out to shoot them down. When the capitalists of this country  
 quarrel with those of another the soldiers of this country are made to  
 go & fight those of another country. The army, without which  
 capitalism & the state would fall is a menace to the workers & yet it  
 is the workers who join the army. When will <sup>we</sup> the wage slaves  
 awaken & see things as they really are.

STOP PRESS  
 NEWS

WE BEG TO INFORM OUR NUMEROUS  
 READERS ~~THAT~~ THAT OUR ENTHU-  
 SIASTIC CONTRIBUTOR ANGEL  
 HAS MADE AN ERROR IN OUR NEW  
 ADDRESS. IT IS NOT FERRER HOUSE  
 MUCH AS WE DESIRED IT BUT  
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Another argument put forth

BOXING NOTES (contd)

showed us something of his usual form, his persistent left removing  
 the skin from Tancy's nose; this proved his last spurt. In the 15<sup>th</sup>  
 Lee woke up & took charge again. Jimmy's arms were so weakened  
 by guarding that the Non-Themer could smash his blows hence  
 at will. The small boy was game right thro', but the end  
 was plain to all; and in the 17<sup>th</sup> his seconds threw in the towel  
 to save a plucky man from unnecessary punishment.  
 The hero of 250 victories was defeated; & for the first time  
 in the history of the game a Scotsman holds the British  
 Championship.

THE END

"It would be interesting to hear Jack Tanner on  
 "Sport & Propaganda" - or does SPORT interfere with  
 PROGRESS?" - INKY

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Jan 21<sup>st</sup> T. H. Keell — The Woods

Feb 7<sup>th</sup> R. C. Matthews — Co-operation

14<sup>th</sup> Arthur Jones — Anarchists & Trade Unions

21<sup>st</sup> Jack E. Malcom — Labour in Irish History

28<sup>th</sup> Arthur Gillian — Workers Wars.

Mar 7<sup>th</sup> Bonar Thompson — "Oscar Wilde"

14<sup>th</sup> Fred Punn —

21<sup>st</sup> Dutch Parliament

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Tuesdays 9 p.m. — French — Rob. Rossiter

Thursdays — Boring — Jimmy Wilde

Fridays 8 p.m. — Reading & Discussion

Visitors Welcome.

Club open every evening