

LABOR DAY IN NEW YORK

New York, Sept. 4.

(Special to Solidarity.)

Labor day in New York is once more a thing of history. Approximately 60,000 workers participated in the parade. In the immense parade there was one division reserved for those organizations wishing to put themselves on record as especially protesting against the McNamara outrage. Invitations were sent to all organizations to form part of this division, which invitations were accepted by many among which was the I. W. W. Though all these organizations naturally carried their union banners, an attempt was made by a combination of Socialist party and A. F. of L. fakers (among whom were Julius Gerber and Isadore Philips of the S. P. and A. Abrams of the A. F. of L.) to prevent the I. W. W. to carry its banner and to force them to withdraw from the parade. They threatened to pull it down but got their bluff called and as the I. W. W. regulars seconded their motion with enthusiasm, seeing that their attempt to slug the I. W. W. was a failure they contented themselves with putting us at the tail end of the McNamara division which was the last division of the parade. Here we were joined by several hundred rebels of every stamp, many who were disgusted members of the S. P., who swore all kinds of vengeance even going so far as to threaten a split in the party. The result of the battle around the I. W. W. banner was that the I. W. W. made the best showing in the McNamara division. Besides showing a few of the faithfuls the tactics of their fake leaders we also gave them a sample of the fighting spirit of the I. W. W.

Yours for solidarity,

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