

In Lawrence, when the starving masses  
 John Golden and the Lawrence Strike  
 Melody: "A Little Talk With Jesus"  
 Joe Hill

In Lawrence, when the starving masses  
 Struck for more to eat  
 And wooden-headed Wood  
 He tried the strikers to defeat,  
 To Sammy Gompers wrote  
 And asked him what he thought,  
 And this is just the answer  
 That the mailman brought:

Chorus:

A little talk with Golden  
 Makes it right, all right;  
 He'll settle any strike,  
 If there's coin in sight;  
 Just take him up to dine  
 And everything is fine--  
 A little talk with Golden  
 Makes it right, all right.

2. The preachers, cops and money-kings  
 Were working hand in hand,  
 The boy in blue, with stars and stripes  
 Were sent by Uncle Sam;  
 Still things were looking blue,  
 'Cause every striker knew  
 That weaving cloth with bayonets  
 Is hard to do.

Chorus:

3. John Golden had with Mr. Wood  
 A private interview,  
 He told him how to bust up  
 The "I double double U."  
 He came out in a while  
 And wore the Golden smile.  
 He said: "I've got all labor leaders  
 Skinned a mile."

Chorus:

4. John Golden pulled a bogus strike  
 With all his "pinks and stools."  
 He thought the rest would follow  
 Like a bunch of crazy fools.  
 But to his great surprise  
 The "foreigners" were wise,  
 In one big solid union  
 They were organized.

Chorus:

That's one time Golden did not  
 Make it right, all right;  
 In spite of all his schemes  
 The strikers won the fight.  
 When all the workers stand  
 United hand in hand,  
 The world with all its wealth  
 Will be at their command.