

the "Raiavaaja" prominent;  
Nuorteva, Suominen, Usenius.

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775 Main St.,  
Fitchburg, Mass.

Finnish Red Colony, Fitchburg, meets in his  
tailor shop for discussion of Bolsheviki.

Nuorteva addresses draft-  
ees wearing masks.

Immediately after the draft law Sivo John was  
a ring leader among the Finns of Fitchburg, who  
were Socialists and resented the idea of register-  
ing under the draft act had a meeting on Saima Farm,  
outside of Fitchburg, the proceedings of which are  
as follows:

Nuorteva, June 18, 1917,  
harangued the Finns at  
Fitchburg, advised against  
draft registration.

"One FRANK SYRJALA introduced Santteri  
Nuorteva, the editor of 'Raiavaaja' who harangue-  
d the gathering of over one hundred men wear-  
ing masks, and advised them that they should  
hold out against registration; but as some had  
already registered, which might cut down the  
figure of objectors to a very small margin,  
he suggested that every man should use his own  
judgment; that at all events they should  
hang out to the last moment before registering.

"It must be borne in mind that the Raiavaaja  
is not only a newspaper, but a Finnish socialist-  
publishing house.

Nuorteva next directs  
placing of radical  
Finns in U. S. Army and  
Navy to be ready for  
Revolution in U. S. April,  
1918.

A meeting was held at 104 Kimball St., at the home  
of Mrs. Herr, where the members were given instruc-  
tions (Apr. 8, 1918) regarding the "Big Drive"  
for members of the I. W. W. There were about 15 pres-  
ent and everyone was given detailed information as to  
how they were to act when getting members during this  
Drive. John Hanta, president and Mrs. Gulien was  
secretary and treasurer. John Hanta suggested at  
this meeting that methods being used in Connecticut  
and other states should be adopted by the members at  
Fitchburg and other cities in Massachusetts regarding  
enlistments into the Army and Navy by members of the  
I. W. W. and other labor organizations. He sincerely  
believed, he said, that a rush of enlistments into  
the Service would enable them to accomplish more at  
the time of the revolution. (In order that they  
may be of assistance when the final word that the  
Revolution is on is received).

I. W. W. from Chicago also  
encouraging enlistments  
of foreigners in U. S.  
forces.

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Saw Lauri Suontusta as per instructions from the  
Eastern headquarters of the I. W. W. at Fitchburg,  
Mass., and delivered their message regarding the  
coming revolution. Lauri Suontusta explained that  
he was already acquainted with the terms of the  
matter which he had received from Chicago, Ill. He  
added, however, that they were taking action in  
having the members of these organizations enlist in  
the U. S. Army and Navy in order that they may be of  
assistance when the final word that the revolution is  
on is received.

He explained that not only the Finnish members of the  
I. W. W. in Connecticut, but that other organizations  
were participating in the drive for the enlistments  
of foreign born citizens in the Army and Navy.  
On investigation, agent found that the great numbers