

JUSTICE IS DEAD

"Judge Thayer boasted of what he would do to the 'anarchistic bastards'"—From an affidavit alleging prejudice of trial judge in the Sacco-Vanzetti case.

Toll the bells for Justice. . . .
Justice is dead!
Cowards hold the scepter
Over her head;
Hatred holds the balance,
Vengeance is the cry:
"Kill them without mercy;
Let the bastards die!"

Toll the bells: the judgment's
Cruelty stands;
Pilate, blind and groping,
Washes his hands.
Prejudice has triumphed,
Triumphed in its lust;
Hope is bruised and bleeding,
Trampled in the dust.

Ring the bells for Freedom!
Truth is not dead:
Love still weaves its garland
Over her head.
Legal crucifixion
Done by little men
Cannot vanquish Justice—
It shall rise again!

—Harold D. Carew