Chilean Unions in Crisis
Discourse and Identity
(1904-2017)

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Museum of Memory and Human Rights (MMDH)
Santiago, Chile

Nodalities, blog
The History

Salvador Allende

Diario La Tercera
Headline “Congress Unanimously passed the Nationalization of Copper” 1971
El Mercurio
Agosto Pinochet
PROTESTA
5 y 6
NOVIEMBRE

Boletín de circulación interna
de la Coordinadora Nacional Sindical
Abdón Cifuentes Nº 67 - Teléfono 6985586

“Protest 5th and 6th of November”
Back Cover: El Coordinador No.5 December, 1984
The Crisis

Conversation: Unionism Today: Problems and Challenges, MMDH
Why is there a crisis?
The Discourse

Right: “1st of May, solidarity, unity and organization”

Left: “Unity is Strength: For Dignity, International Women’s Day”
May 1st, 1908
Worker’s Day

National Library of Chile
Headline: “Chilean Union Movement: an inheritance of struggle and conquests”

Blurb: “The rich tradition and experience of the chilean workers movement is fundamental base for confronting today’s situation”

Image: Luis Emilo Recabarren, Founder of the the Socialist Workers Party (1910) in Solidaridad, No. 92, 1980
United Workers Central presents a list of unions that still do not have the right to strike.
Next Steps

- Identity
- Strategies
- Political changes
- Cultural changes


