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"A Miss G. L. B. got to wondering about Mayor Leach checking up on relief cases. Each case runs from 12 to 40 pages. It should take George about an hour to peruse each case. On that basis, working seven hours a day, 22 days a month, it would take our little colonel exactly five years and one month to wade through the cases he says he's going to check." -Cedric Adams in the Star.

Did you ever stop to think of the changes likely to occur in the next five years when Colonel Leach finishes his study of the relief client files? Machinery will probably have taken the place of most harvest hands; the present relief client's Lizzie will be in the junk yard and his telephone obsolete. In their stead will be the relief client flying his own airplane and calling his investigator by television. Quick,

Watson, the needle!
"Fascism comes into being as result of the failure of private capitalism to provide work. It enters to stave off a people's recolution led by the workers. It comes to save by the workers. It comes to save capitalism as a system."—Building Employees Journal.

In order to save the system of capitalism, Big Business is now organizing chain vigilante com-mittees, redoubling its use of labor spies and thugs. It is even beginning to recruit private armies to preserve the greatest racket in modern history, the father of all rackets: capitalism

When enough workers see this, and organize to overthrow capitalism and introduce an intelligent and honest system of pro-duction for use, all the shirted hordes of reaction will not be able to stop this change.

We demand that we rule the world. The only instrument with which one can conduct foreign policy is alone and conclusively rd."-Nazi propaganda minister

In order to fight, Hitler will have to place the sword in the hands of the German workers. An armed working class in Ger-many would know how to avenge itself against the Fascist tyrants. Hitler will think a long time before he gives the word to arm

Decision in Tampa

Tallahassee, Fla. — After six Supreme Court has reversed the verdict of guilty in the famous Klan flogging case in Tampa. The five policemen convicted of kidnaping and Eugene Poulnot, unemployed leader, have been given a new trial by the high court.

The score in the case is now as follows: Joseph Shoemaker, a work-er, was killed, and Poulnot and Rogers kidnaped and unmercifully flogged on Nov. 30, 1935. Not one guilty person has yet been jailed. Four of the eleven indicted men never even had to stand trial. The conwill throughout the country. The ca- of Minneapolis dealers in the negoses are right back where they started, with nothing actually accomplished.

Any worker who has the slightest usion about the "impartiality" of capitalist courts can learn a profound have this excuse, Minneapolis salesesson from the records in this case. It is expected that the new trial of At a meeting Sunday afternoon and the Ku Kluxers responsible for the again Monday night, strike plans were terror and murder against working completed. It is anticipated that with leaders will be held in Hillsbor ough County under a different judge, strike, a settlement will be quickly

Market Bosses Sign New Contract

Lund Strikers Released on \$50 Bail; Charges Dropped

Lund Continues to Terrorize Union Members; President of Woodenware Workers Threatened

Last Thursday night, the five Lund strikers who remained in jail in Hastings were released on \$50 bail put up by the Woodenware Workers Union. The other four jailed pickets had been released earlier on bail put up by friends. All pled guilty to the charge of "property damage," after the union had reached an agreement with County Attorney Stassin that all charges would be dropped.

would be dropped. The long struggle against the Lund ski plants has been temperarily sus-pended awaiting the decision of the Labor Board as to which group— the Woodenware Workers Union or the company outfit—is to represent the workers. Lund has agreed to reinstate all workers without discrimnation. Woodenware Workers Local 20481 of Hastings reserves the right, however, to re-strike the plant at any time if Lund fails to live up to his agreement.

A few days ago, the last of a long line of terrorist acts against the Lund dow of Sigrud Nessith, president of the Hastings Local 20481. The rock the Hastings Local 20481. The rock missed Nessith's head by four feet as he lay resting on his bed. A young baby was also sleeping in the room. Attached to the rock was a piece of cardboard reading:

> WARNING We are going to GET YOU

On the opposite side was crudely drawn a skull and bones, with the inscription: Son of a Bitch.

The following night occupants of a car which sped by Nessith's house fired several rifle bullets in the di-rection of his house. The relief agency in Hastings has offered to take care of Nessith's family if he will get out of town. Nessith is of course refusing to do this.

After four months of struggle, during which the labor-hating Lund has invoked everything from phony company unions to court terrorism against the strikers, the struggle has and the Minnesota trade union move-ment is to continue its forward march. To this end, Fred Diedrick, president of the Northwest Advisory Council for Furniture and Woodenware Workers, has sent out letters to union leaders and to representatives of the Flogging Reversed ing them to address a huge mass meet(Continued on page 4)

Ainneapolis Auto

With the main issue involved being recognition of their union, Minneapolis auto salesmen struck Tuesday

Last Sunday St. Paul dealers made a futile attempt to break the strike by offering slight increases in commissions and uniform working schedules, but refusing to sign with the union but refusing to sign with the union drawing up contracts which are to be "because the union local is chartered presented to the laundry and milk the strikers with food. There are three havin as a Twin Cities organization, and sections; organization work among 15,000 men involved in this strike. August 10. victed men were allowed to roam at dealing with it without the inclusion tiations would place us in the position of negotiating without authority in behalf of all Twin Cities dealers."

So that dealers would no longer The union is preparing contracts to all of the managements of the major in the projection rooms, cut off the men immediately prepared to strike. salesmen in both cities now out on according to the Workers Defense effected, granting union recognition, League, which has been fighting the uniform working hours and working

Elect Committee To Arrange Lund

Strike Meeting

Hastings, Minn.—At a joint delegated trade union conference held here Tuesday night, the following committee was elected to complete all arrangements for the mass meeting to be held in support of the Lund ski strike: R. L. Gunter, pres., Flour Mill Workers 19168; R. E. Foster, sec., Flour Mill Workers 19168; H. M. Simonett, Ward Martin, State County and Municipal Employees 10; Roy Dodge, State Highway Employees Local 286; Sigrud Nesseth, John Hallinger, Ora Evans, Woodenware Workers Local 20481; B. E. Schilling, Red Wing Trades & Labor Council; F. A. Muirhead, president, County Farmer-Labor Party.

NCDDC AT WORK IN STATE; NEW **CHARTERS GIVEN**

544 Leaders Aid Drivers, Bar-tenders, Retail Clerks in Northwest Unions

The North Central District Drivers Council concentrated its work in Faribault, Brainerd, Mankato, Waseca and Fargo during the past week.

At a meeting held in Faribualt last Friday night, a numagainst the strikers, the struggle has now reached the point where the entire state labor movement must rally to the support of the Lund workers if a crushing defeat is to be averted and the Minnesota trade union movement. pipe-line strike there, during which 150 drivers and helpers have been striking against the Smith Construction company for the union scale of vages, appeared certain of settlement within a few days, as the contractor has agreed to pay the going rate of wages throughout the state. Sectional meetings of drivers are being scheduled in Faribault for the bak-ers, oil, and ice industries.

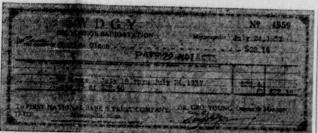
All independent truck owners in Salesmen Strike Waseca have been out on strike since Tuesday, July 27. They are demanding that the county board grant union wages and working conditions.

Miles Dunne was in Mankato Monnoon. St. Paul auto salesmen have day assisting the drivers' union in its been on strike since July 19.

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A mass meeting of strikers and strike of the Industrial Union of sympathizers, called in front of a negotiations with the Armour company. All workers in that plant, numbering about 60, are members of the for better working conditions, higher union. Mr. Dunne has also been active in Brainerd, assisting the union in drawing up contracts which are to be been reported as pledging to furnish these men were paroled, the trials of been reported as pledging to furnish these men were paroled, the trials of still proceeding at a rapid pace.

Young's Idea of a Week's Wages



Over Station WDGY, Dr. Young often gives a "plug" to his "tolevision school for radio operators and engineers," located in the Sexton Building. "Men make as high as \$5,000 a year in radio and television," advertises

Above is reproduced a weekly check paid by Young to one of his operators, Charles Olson. For 56 hours of skilled work each week, Olson received \$22.40. Olson, a skillful operator, has been active in the radio industry for over ten years.

Workers Boycott WDGY as **Young Breaks Negotiations**

demanding reinstatement, recognition of Local 292 as their bargaining Needless to say, they did not arrest agent, salary increases of \$15 each him.

their operators from unionizing by this man. Oh, boy, what a man!" threatening to invoke Section 5 of This calculated move was so utter the Communications Act of 1934, re-lating to suspending the license of were openly criticizing Young. Sevany operator for infringement of certain rules. Young, like other radio bosses, had attempted to intimidate (Continued on page 2) his operators with this section. Upon checking with Carl Loeber, representative of Federal Communications Commission, the union has discovered that this section has absolutely no bearing on radio operators, except

miserable working conditions.

After union representatives had met with Dr. Young of Station WDGY every day last week, Young (Young's scab herder) tried to break studenly broke off negotiations on Saturday noon. The strike of three Station WDGY, when Lennon left the radio operators organized into the house Shurrick first sought to force radio operators, organized into the house. Shurrick first sought to force Radio Section of Electrical Workers his way in the front door; failing, he Radio Section of Electrical Workers his way in the front door, family, the Local 292, is thus at a stale-mate. The strikers—George Jacobsen, Alfred Lennon and Charles Olson—are demanding reinstatement, recognition the station waved Shurrick away.

them if they would refrain from joining the union).

This strike, involving as it does only a few men, has nevertheless thrown a searchlight on conditions in the radio broadcasting business. For years, owners of radio stations throughout the nation have intimated their operators from unionizing by

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Rockwell Re-elected By Education Board

St. Paul, Minn .- Dr. John G. Rockthose employed on sailing vessels and aircraft. This information will hearten radio operators of this country by the state board of education at its who for years have suffered from meeting Tuesday. All attempts by reactionary forces to block the re-ap-The strike has progressed without pointment melted away under the im incident during the past few days. pressive support mobilized behind Dr.

544 Renews Agreement With Seventh Section; Five Remain

Negotiations Are Under Way With Department Stores; Market Contract Brings Ten Cent Increase

With the signing of a new working agreement last Wednesday, the General Drivers Local 544 has come over the market "hump" for another year. The new contract brings to a total of seven the sections that have now been signed uptransfer, regulated motor freight, furniture, spring water, building material and sand and gravel, heavy hardware, and now the market. Only the coal, package delivery, excavating, lumber and department store sections remain to be signed up. Negotiations with the last group are already under way, as the

Radio Manager

Condemns Scab

Aug. 3, 1937
Mr. Guy Alexander
Electrical Workers Union
Minneapolis, Minn.
Dear Mr. Alexander:
Upon extensive investigation I
find that Mr. Henry Poole, our
former operator at WDGY, disobeyed instructions from the New
York office and handled WDGY
equipment while the engineers
were on strike.

I met Mr. Jacobson today and
he told me the whole story. I have
been in Albert Lea and Rochester
on a short sales trip and knew
nothing of the affair until Poole
called me and said that the Minneapolis Labor Review had said that
Transradio was a "scah" organization. This made me quite hot
under the collar because Poole denied that he had done anything
for the station and said that it was
all a lie.

I demanded a retraction of this
but found that it had been pub-

for the station and said that it was all a lie.

I demanded a retraction of this but found that it had been published in the union's own publication instead of the labor paper. Of comese since it was perfectly true and all facts were correct I can not expect it to be denied. However, I would like it understood that Poole went against both my instructions and instructions from New York. In fact, because I have not been able to be at WDGY all the time, he has continually violated Transradio orders. Our contract with WDGY has another year to run. In it is the stipulation that we reside at the station. However, I am now working on an arrangement so that we can teletype the news into the studio and free ourselves of any entanglement in the station's trouble with the union. My new man here has strict instructions to only copy news and answer the phone for Transradio. I wish you would let me know immediately if he violates this order.

Sincerely,
PAUL W. PRESBREY

Sincerely, PAUL W. PRESBREY Bureau Manager

At WDGY Plant

August 31.

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The new market working agreement gives a straight ten-cent hourly increase to all classifications. Drivers, checkers, leaders, and assemblers now receive 70c hourly; helpers and warehousemen, 60c; shipping clerks, banana men and tomato men, 75c. For the month of June, 1937, the minimums were ten cents less per ums were ten cents less per hour for all classifications.

Employees on out of town overnight hauls will have all expenses paid, with a maximum of \$2.50 daily A 40-hour minimum weekly wage at the regular rates is guaranteed all workers required to report daily for six consecutive days each week. All employees starting work before five in the morning will be allowed thirty

minutes for breakfast with pay.

The contract is retroactive to June 1, and will run for one year to May 31, 1938. Karl Skoglund and Bill Brown were in at the kill, represent-

The full contract follows:

Article I.

The Union shall be the sole representative of those classifications of employees covered by this agreement in collective bargaining with the Employer. There shall be no discrimination against any employee because of Union affiliation.

Union affiliation.

Article II.

The Employer recognizes the right of the Union to designate a Job Steward or Job Committee to handle such Union business without pay as may from time to time be delegated to the Job Steward or Job Committee by the Union Executive Board.

Article III.

The Employer agrees to grant the necessary time off, without pay, but without discrimination, to any employee designated by the Union to attend a labor convention or serve in any capacity or other official Union business, provided, however, that any key men needed for the efficient uninterrupted running of the business must obtain the written consent of the Employer.

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Article IV.

The Employer agrees not to enter into any agreement or contract with his employees, individually or collectively, which in any way conflicts with the terms and provisions of this agreement.

Article V.

Article VI.

In the event that the Employer violates the provisions of the foregoing paragraph, or violates any of the provisions elsewhere in this agreement relating to seniority (Continued on page 2)

Duluth Milk Drivers Win Demands Monday

Duluth, Minn .- The strike of the Milk Wagon Drivers Local against

the Land o' Lakes creamery, which began Monday, July 26, was settled same conditions which the Minneapolis Land o' Lakes workers enjoy; that is, \$27.50 weekly for the men, \$17.00 for the women. Hourly and other provisions are the same as the Minneapo were back to work Tuesday morning.

Aid Pledged to Shipbuilders from 21 Unions; N. Y. Movie Men Win; Drivers Strike Philly Inference of twenty C. I. O. di international unions, meetNew York City on Saturday, Inference of twenty C. I. O. di international unions, meetNew York City on Saturday, Inference of twenty C. I. O. di international unions, meetNew York City on Saturday, Inference of twenty C. I. O. di international unions, meetNew York City on Saturday, Inference of twenty C. I. O. di international unions, meetNew York City on Saturday, Inference of twenty C. I. O. di international unions, meetNew York City on Saturday, Inference, and the striking operators emerged from their cells at 6 a. m. In the morning, with a complete victory. A mass meeting of strikers and sympathizers, called in front of a police station, to protest police bruther the organized shipbuilders are made elsewhere in this agreement. Article V. The Employer agrees that all conditions of employment relating to wages, hours of work, over-time difference, and the striking operators emerged from their cells at 6 a. m. in the morning, with a complete victory. They achieved a forty hour week, and an almost 50 per cent inserting to wages, hours of work, over-time difference, and the striking operators emerged from their cells at 6 a. m. in the morning, with a complete victory. They achieved a forty hour wages, hours of works, over-time difference, and the striking operators emerged from their cells at 6 a. m. in the morning, with a complete victory. They achieved a forty hour wages, hours of works, over-time difference, and the striking operators emerged from their cells at 6 a. m. in the morning, with a complete victory. They achieved a forty hour wages, hours of works, over-time difference, and the striking operators emerged from their cells at 6 a. m. in the morning, with a complete victory. They achieved a forty hour wages, hours of works, over-time difference, and the striking operators emerged from their cells at 6 a. m. in the morning wages, hours of works, over-time difference, and the striking

A conference of twenty C. I. O. the chairman cites the shipbuilders the theaters hurriedly called a conaffiliated international unions, meet- for their refusal to bargain collec- ference, and the striking operators ing in New York City on Saturday, Shipbuilding Workers in their fight against the organized shipbuilders wages, and union recognition. the retail clerks and bartenders is Two mass meetings are planned by still proceeding at a rapid pace.
On Tuesday night Farrell Dobbs spoke at an organizational meeting of the General Drivers Union in Fargo.
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The union is preparing contracts to the strike to a novel and effective use. present to the transfer, bakery and shipyards, asking in the name of pictures being shown, and used the property industries.

A new charter, Local 828, has arranged for the settlement of the audience. The astonished audience are a present to the lights come. rived and will be presented to the General Drivers Local in Mason City, Iowa. Also, Winona has received its nounced a mass meeting of "citizens" that the show was over the strike saving the strike savi to protest the strike, saying that it nouncing that the show was over.

strike on the trolley tracks. Eleven The of the crowd were arrested, charged has with disorderly conduct. Eight of three having been postponed until

Motion picture operators in two strike to a novel and effective use. Other council representatives spoke in Winona and Albert Lea during the past few days.

to protest the strike, saying that it houncing that the show was overhanced by the small business men in the city over \$1,250,000. In the announcement of the meeting, for a long hot stay. Proprietors of

crease in wages. The terms of the contract are temporary—thirty days -during which time a permanent contract is to be negotiated. Judge Libby of the Court of Com-

mon Pleas has asked the Safety Commission of Dearborn, Michigan, to discipline police officers and a police matron for willful neglect of duty. Judge Libby conducted a one-ma grand jury investigation into the beating up of union organizers in front of the Ford plant on May 26. He charges that the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the charges that the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the charges that the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the charges that the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by and did not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an addid not attempt the police he has cited stood by an additional cited stood by a cited stood by a cited stood stoo to stop the members of the Ford Service Department who perpetrated the outrage. Eight of the participants in the affair have been bound over Eight of the participants by Judge Libby, charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm.

Make Minneapolis a Union Town

544 Renews Agreement With Seventh Section; Five Remain SHIPBUILDERS: NY

(Continued from page 1)
wages, hours of work, over-time differentials, any back pay owed to the
employee because of such violation
shall be paid by the Employer at the
rate of two times the standard
straight time and over-time rates.

Any employee making any claim relating to wages shall notify the Company in writing through his Union
comply with this provision shall recomply with this provision shall re-

The term "Individual Truck Owner" shall be construed to mean the owner-driver of a truck, motorcycle, passenger vehicle, two or four wheel trailer, taxicab, horse-drawn-vehicle, or any other vehicle used for transportation purposes.

differentials and general working conditions for Individual Truck Own-ers shall conform to the schedules which shall from time to time be agreed to between Union and the Em-

oyer.

Article XII.

The individual Truck Owner shall the seniority standing only as a driver. The vehicle shall have no senior-

Article XIII.

The Employer agrees that if any employee is required to wear any kind of uniforms, same shall be furnished and maintained by the employer, free of charge, and shall bear the union label.

Article XIV.

The Employer shall not arbitrarily charge employees for any loss or dam-

Should the Employer require any employee to give bonds, the premium on same shall be paid by the Employ-

Article XVI. The Employer agrees to assume responsibility for prompt payment of injury compensation by their compensation insurance carriers, as required by the Minnesota Workmen's Compensation Act

Compensation Act.

Article XVII.

Seniority rights shall prevail in all matters relating to employment except where special qualifications or training is required. This also provides that the oldest man from the point of service shall be entitled to work forty-eight (48) hours each week before other men are employed, except in cases of emergency or where it is unavoidable.

Article XVIII.

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Any controversy over the seniority standing of an employee shall be settled by negotiation between the Union and the Employer.

Article XIX.

If any employee is notified to report for work and does not report promptly or give a satisfactory explanation for not reporting, he shall be considered as having voluntarily quit.

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Article XXV.

Article XXVI. Employees shall receive full pay for all time spent in the service of the Employer. When regular employees are called to work they shall receive a guaranteed minimum of four mored, according to radio flashes, that the mayor has sworn in 200 deputies for special duty in connection with this strike.

Fourteen rail unions have voted to

Article XXVII.

Except during peak periods and in case of emergencies or where it is unavoidable, no employee shall work weekly overtime until all qualified employees on the seniority list have worked the full quota of regular hours.

Strike. Eight hundred thousand men will be affected if the strike vote is put into effect. Demands include a general 20c raise.

Warehouse Picnic to

Article XXVIII.

each week.

Effective July 1, 1937, the following shall be the rates of pay in the various classifications of work:

Drivers, Checkers, Loaders and Assemblers —70c per hour;

Helpers and —60c per hour;

Shipping Clerk, Banana Man and Tomato Man —75c per hour;

The above are minimum rates of pay, and employees receiving more than these minimums shall not have their pay reduced.



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AID PLEDGED TO **OPERATORS WIN**

(Continued from page 1)
The ninth defendant has not yet been

Any employee making any claim relating to wages shall notify the Company in writing through his Union fepresentative within fifteen (15) days from his last regular pay-day, provided, however, that this time limit is shall not apply in any case where the employer has attempted to make a private deal with any employee the employer has attempted to make a private deal with any employee to pay less than the standard minimum set herein.

Any controverry arising over the interpretation of or adherence to the terms and provisions of this agreement shall be settled by negotiations between the Union and the Employer If the controversy still cannot be settled, same shall be referred to a Board of Arbitration composed of two representatives of the Employer, and fifth neutral member selected by a majority vote for the first four. The majority decision of this Board shall be final and binding on both from the trunks shall have first preference on work done for its former employee involved in used a majority of the time on such work of instruct any Employer shall not request or instruct any Employer to another. The Employer shall not request or instruct any Employee to go through a picket line of a strikking Union; however, the Union will do all in its power to help effect a fair settle ment.

Article X.

The term 'Individual Truck Owner' shall be construed to mean the example of a truck, motorcycle passaried to mean the example of a truck, motorcycle passaried to mean the example of a truck, motorcycle passaried to mean the example of a truck, motorcycle passaried to mean the example of a truck and the provision shall be construed to mean the example of the truck of the company receiving the contract, and if the provision shall be construed to mean the example of the tru

tion conferences are scheduled.
In Philadelphia a general truck

er" shall be construed to mean the owner-driver of a truck, motorcycle passanger vehicle, two or four wheel trailer, taxicab, horse-drawn-vehicle, or any other vehicle used for transportation purposes.

Article XI.

Unless otherwise indicated within the articles of this agreement, the rates of pay, hours of work, overtime differentials and general working to provide the provided to recognize the Drivers Union as collective bargaining agency for their bay, July Fourth, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas dufferentials and general working the forty-eight (48) hours. Double time shall be paid for all work done on Sundays and the following legal holidays: New Years Day, Memorate of Work, overtime differentials and general truck strike called in sympathy for striking workers of the Atlantic and Pacific Company, which company has refused to recognize the Drivers Union as collective bargaining agency for their makes of pay, hours of work, overtime differentials and general truck strike called in sympathy for striking to company, which company has refused to recognize the Drivers Union as collective bargaining agency for their bay. Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, There shall be paid for all work done on Sundays and the following legal holidays: New Years Day, Memorate of the Atlantic and Pacific Company, which company has refused to recognize the Drivers Union as collective bargaining agency for their bays. There shall be paid for all work done on Sundays and the following legal holidays: New Years Day, Memorate of the Atlantic and Pacific Company, which company has refused to recognize the Drivers Union as collective bargaining agency for their bays. The part of the Atlantic and Pacific Company which company has refused to recognize the Drivers Union as collective bargaining agency for their bays. The part of the Atlantic and Pacific Company which company has refused to recognize the Drivers Union as collective bargaining agency for their bays. The part of the Atlantic and Pacific Company which company has r hours in which to decide whether or not the strike was "justified." If at Employees whose regular shift employment requires them to work on Sunday shall receive straight time pay for their regular Sunday hours, and another day shall be assigned as their regular day off, and they shall receive double time for all time worked on that day.

Article XXV.

hours in which to decide whether or not the strike was "justified." If at the end of that time the union red fuses to sit in on a four-man board, two appointed by the mayor, two by the union, to decide the "justifiability" of the general strike, the mayor promises "drastic action." It is ru-

Fourteen rail unions have voted to Cloud.

Warehouse Picnic to Hold Kittenball Game long haired statisticians divulge

cording to Bartlett and Tibbetts, cause the expedition will be consid-Holstein will NOT pitch for the Warehousers. Prizes, games and pony rides for the kids will also be offered. outing takes place at Hamm's Lake.

Don't forget—an ad in the OR-GANIZER means that the advertiser is for us.

authorized by the Employer.

Article XXXII.

The term "Salesman" shall be construed to be those employees who spend seventy per cent (70%) of their time at selling only.

Article XXXIII.

Employees covered by this agreement seek of the services and the services are services and the services are services and the services and the services are services as a service as a service and the services are services as a service and t

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Bill Brown Says-

Unless the Japanese soldiers lay off the ninese, I'm going to send twenty truck driv-s over there and settle the thing once and



Independent Truck Chatter

Partial Solution

There it one way to overcome the There it one way to overcome the roblem of rotation on WPA with a inimum of difficulty. There are inimum of difficulty. There are are spilly sourced buyded forms WPA ninimum of difficulty. There are ssibly several hundred former WPA truckers that have gone into a diferent line of work, and others that have quit WPA in disgust with no intentions of ever returning. These people should fill out a statement declaring that they expect no more WPA work. Independents on WPA should make it their business to get WPA s many signatures as possible. In that way they are saving a job for themselves. Get the prepared forms from a job steward or from Zander

Under the new WPA regulations there is no difference between socalled relief and contract trucks They are now all on a contract basis This is not a local ruling but has gone into effect all over the nation.

Store Closed Temporarily Western Auto's idea of a closed day afternoon and Sundays. shop. And we wanted to buy a far

Don't Misrepresent

Some truckers have been going out the name of the union and demanding rates up to \$1.73 per hour for hauling. This must be stoped. The union scale at the present time i an hour for a 11/2 ton truck It's all right to request higher rates on special jobs but don't represent it as being asked by the union

Once Over Lightly Half a dozen of our boys are casing" the union situation in St.

The only time people become alarmed about the high cost of the nation's war machine is upon the occasion of some emergency such as the recent hunt for Amelia Earhart. Spurred on by anxious tax payers Article XXVIII.

The term "Driver" shall be construed to mean the operator of a truck, motorcycle, passenger or horse-drawn vehicle, or any other vehicle used for transportation purposes.

All employees shall be paid in full each week.

Article XXIX.

All employees shall be paid in full each week. ered nothing more than a regular maneuver. Forgetting the controvers over the actual worth of the flight, this famous aviatrix shouldn't be begrudged the efforts extended by the nation in searching for the lost plane but instead ponder upon the terrific

The above are minimum rates of pay, and employees receiving more than these minimums shall not have their pay reduced.

For the month of June, 1937, minimum rates of pay shall be as follows: Drivers, Checkers, Loaders and Assemblers — 60c per hour; Helpers and Warehousemen — 50c per hour; Shipping Clerk, Banana Man and Tomato Man — 65c per hour. Article XXXI, No driver shall be permitted to allow anyone on his truck unless so authorized by the Employer.

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Employees required to be available of the few instances that the war department has figured in a purely human action.

Employees starting before 5 a. m. shall be allowed thirty minutes for breakfast time with pay.

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The political method of solving the problem of unemployment for all time is to pour money into relief time is to pour money into relief sing put out by Young for a "radio of the problem able relief existance.

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Pinkerton Denied

In a letter written July 26 to Mr. Camden, division manager of the Pinkerton National Detective Agency, Governor Elmer Benson refused a proffered bond for the renewal of the agency's license to operate in the state of Minnesota. The old Pinkeron license expired July 11.

"My reason for so doing is that I do not believe it sound public policy of the Pinkerton outfit, which has lette Senate investigation: that Pin- and Gypsum workers. kerton service consists largely of es pionage against organized labor; that supplies employers with names and activities of union members: that it furnishes strike-breaking personnel to its clients at times of labor disturbances; that its agents have stolen union records from union offices; that government agencies themselves by official record and admission, have law to the contrary, they have used the services of Pinkerton spies ever since 1898.

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obvious that it fell flat from the beto drive a wedge between the white and colored workers in Minneapolis, a complete dud, and only casts re-flections on the quality of Young's

Harold Olson, one of the finks working at WDGY, had to be fired because he didn't have the It's hard to judge rate of travel proper license. The union has re-ten the speedometer is broken, and ceived word that H. V. Headen, 2512 when the speedometer is broken, and the instruments always seem to get out of order when the truckers have out of order when the truckers have come relief operator for the other two finks still keeping WDGY on the

projects for a few months then and television school" which he runs through a high-power publicity or-located in the Sexton building in Minthrough a high-power publicity or-ganization convince the country that prosperity is back. All the while cut-ting down the Federal work and throwing the people out on a miserradio world. "Men make as high as \$5,000 yearly in the radio field," Young says over Station WDGY. He Give the station operators a break fails to mention that he pays his own by arranging not to have your car or operators as low as \$22.40 a week for 56 hours of work.

The Radio Section of Electrical Workers Local 292 asks that all workers remember Station WDGY's labor licies when tuning in their radios License in State Workers just aren't turning their dials to 1180 kilocycles these days-not until Station WDGY sees fit to reinstate its operators and give them the

First Annual Picnic of Local 264 August 22

The first annual picnic of the St. Paul Pulp and Sulphite Workers Local 264 will be held Sunday, August for any detective agency to operate in the state of Minnesota which car- 22, at McCarron's lake. A special in ries on espionage activity against or- vitation has been issued to members of the Minneapolis Local, No. son. The letter pointed out the sen-sational exposure of the real nature to attend the St. Paul outing.

A feature of the picnic will be been brought to light by the LaFol- kittenball game between the Waldorf

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NOTES from MINOT

We have it from reliable authority that a manager of a large wholesale in his notorious airplane. Young's that a manager of a large wholesale idea behind the whole move was so called his employees in one at a time ginning. Everyone saw that he was exploiting the inability of the Negress to understand the issues involved in to understand the issues involved in the strike, and was further seeking to drive a wedge between the white To you men who have been so treated both of whom are impartially ex-ploited by the bosses. The thing was like apologizing for being an Ameri-like apologizing for being an American citizen, and as a word of advice: Don't give up the ship when an almost certain victory looms on the horizon.

A little action was all that was needed to spur up the process of

Negotiations are proceeding in a fairly satisfactory manner in the Taxi, Lumber, and Wholesale Grocery industries.

Retail Clerks Continue Organization Work

The Retail Clerks Local No. 1086, ontinuing its organizational cam paign, has signed up the majority of the workers at the Shanedling department store at 300 West Broadway and has already won wage increases and shorter hours for these embers. Negotiations with the Home Trade shoe store are almost cometed; the new contract will bring vage increases of 20 per cent, and orter hours, to these clerks

The union wishes to thank all unions for their support to the Ben-efit Dance for the Western Auto strikers. Local 1086 meets the first and third Tuesdays at 18 N. 8th St.

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Employers' Associations in America By Carlos Hudson

In this last article, a word should be said about the employers association movement throughout the world. Most of the great employers' associations have been formed in the twentieth century, particularly during and since the first World War. The France of the said about the employers associations have been formed in the twentieth century, particularly during and since the first World War. The European employers are even better organized than the American. Except among the fruit growers in California, agricultural employers associations are few and poorly developed in the United States, in contrast to those in France and Germany. In Europe, where the

trade union movement (in non-fascist representative association leaders countries) is relatively much stronger than any other association, not exthan here, the employers associations cepting the National Association of are usually negotiatory, that is, they Manufacturers. deal with the unions. In the Fascist countries, the employers associations unique among employers groups in function as part of the government that its membership is open to the three innings and these three innings

One more word, before we end our description of American associations. have been leading labor officials. It has sometimes been claimed that Ralph Easley, the founder, is chairemployers associations come into being only because the unions make rederation. Instead of a "let's fight it conditions unbearable in industry. out" attitude, the Federation spon History shows little evidence to support such a claim. Employers are often organized when their employees are not. For instance, opposition to

Associations

as the Associated Industries of In-dianapolis, shows that these smaller work. The Federation "endeavors in groups only reproduce in miniature what the National Association of Manufacturers does on a national and international scale. Where the latter works with Congress, the state legis-latures, the militia and army, etc., Liberties Union, etc. The Federation maintains a Department on Study of councils and the police.

Mention should be made at this time of three other employers associations which specialize in certain Relaboration. aspects of labor relations.

The National Industrial Conference Board was established in 1916 and is supported by some twenty employers associations. It is a fact-finding and propaganda agency, and serves as a clearing house of information. It uses statistical material to influence legislation. Its reports are biased toward the employers' side, partly because most of the data comes from manufacturers and mainly because of the way in which the facts are interpreted. The Board has furnished data prove that the figures presented by the United Mine Workers of America as to costs of living were exaggerated. The Board studies and reports accurately on the current conditions in other important industrial countries. It issues from time to time patriotic leaflets assisting in the work of "Americanization." The Board has opposed legislation by the states to establish compulsory health insurance, etc

The chief function of the League for Industrial Rights can be discerned from the name under which it was organized in 1902, the "American ed by those leaders of organized la-Anti-Boycott Association." It is thus the "court" or legal wing of the antiunion offensive. Supported by the bosses, singly or in associations ,the League strongly opposes by lobbying all legislative efforts by labor to remove the restrictions of injunctions and the doctrines of conspiracy and restraint of trade. It furnishes much legal information to its members on all phases of labor relations. It looks nent as the League for Industrial idual liberty, the open shop" and "to by the employers.

maintain law and order." The League is an ardent supporter of the Constitution and the Supreme Court. It has made an extensive study of all kinds of contractual relations of workers with employers, and has drawn up model contracts. Besides its own publications, the League has put out a series of pamphlets attacking trade union activities. It has in its individual membership more

with compulsory membership and public and to employees; in fact, lasted fo some of its chief officers (Samuel minutes. are not. For instance, opposition to certain labor laws led the southern textile employers to organize, though their workers were still unorganized. In Japan, where the workers are almost completely unorganized, the employers have very strong associations. ployers have very strong associations.

Other Examples of Belligerent ideas of one another, and felt the warmth of the hands and hearts of one another." The Federation is act-A study of local associations, such | ively interested in "anti-Bolshevik" Revolutionary Movements. During the Bolshevil

> Labor Must Meet the Challenge In studying the employers associa-tions, we see that organizationally they achieve a strong centralization of power; that they find it quite easy to use and work through the existing major parties; that their member are acutely conscious of their own class interests and function in a dis ciplined manner. We see that the employers find much satisfaction in those institutions which appear oppressive to labor. Finally, we disregard of the lines of demarcatio between one industry and another (as exemplified in the National Associa n of Manufacturers, the National Industrial Council, the League for In-dustrial Rights, etc.) and function as a unit to maintain and advance their wn class interests.

Has the labor movement in the United States done what was in its power combat the employers associations Have the right tactics, and the most potent organizational forms, the correct political orientation, been adopt bor? There is no question but that to better advantage than it has. The fact that organized labor in this country has shown it can grow and advance by struggle (1919, 1934, 1937) indicates that a pleading qui is not the ideal approach to the organ ized employers.

back with pride upon its share in Rights, we immediately notice a gap winning the Danbury Hatters Case, in the ranks of labor where should be the Buck Stove and Range company case, the Duplex Printing Company tisan labor defense organization. In the face of overwhelming evidence the face of overwhelming evidence the face of overwhelming evidence the face of overwhelming evidence. lries case (famous law suits which re- that the employers find it a simple sulted in limiting the activities of matter to use the older major politunions). It is without doubt the most ical parties, labor has yet to respond secretive of associations today, according to Prof. Bonnett. The League has always had as its main purpose "to promote good citizenship, indiv-

Among employers associations it i mmon practise to discipline the press by witholding advertising and

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Yellow Notes

The Yellow Cab baseball team wor championship in the Federal division of the Park Board league last Sunday by trimming their opponents, the East Side Aces, with a score of 22 to 18. Russ Wenell, our star pitcher, pitched the whole game really did a good job of it. The Yelow team made a very good record for themselves this year. They lost only one game and won nine. Sunday's game was quite an exciting one from all reports. The Yellow teams scored 18 runs in the first lasted for one hour and thirty-two The game finally terminated at 6 o'clock.

Russ Wenell was offered a con ract to pitch ball for Decatur, Ill., but turned it down because the salary was insufficient to support himthat he may receive a better offer as we believe his ability merits a chance to prove himself capable.

The installation of the Aero-Lite ops on all Yellow cabs has now been mpleted and judging from the number of inquiries the office has re-ceived as to where private auto owners could secure this equipment, this improvement is considered quite pop-

Duluth cab drivers are forming a unit of the Truck Drivers Union of Duluth. A request was made for a copy of our contract and other information concerning our working

It seems, judging from the numer of complaints received when this column is very interesting to the of 5c. wives of the Yellow drivers. wives might assist the editor by prodding the old man to give a little astance in supplying information for this column

"Midget" Wiggins is now the car 'hiker" for the boys on the washrack. The work proved quite strengetting toughened up to it now.

Several reports have been received on cab drivers strikes in various secthough cab drivers are getting fed up with working for starvation wages.

Trial of John Novack

The trial of John Novack, Federal Workers Section member charged with assault committed during the two-day strike, has been postponed until August 12. Novack appeared before Judge Guilford on Tuesday morning, when the order to postpone hearing was handed down

patronage from those newspapers and eriodicals friendly or neutral to mionism. Has labor built up its press by similar tactics? Has labor responded to the employers' sponsorship of public education, by promoting a workers education system of its own?

In the final analysis, it will have be the working class itself that must devise those weapons, offensive and defensive, that are necessary to ombat the formidable array rganized bosses. If the American working class is to progress, sooner or later these weapons must be

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St. Paul Pulp, Sulphite Union Awarded First Charter in Twin Cities by International Chicago, Ill.—On May 24, 61 delegates of independent railroad unions throughout the United States met in a conferance which had for its purpose

Today in its series of articles on local unions, the Northwest Organizer pays tribute to St. Paul Local No. 264 of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers. General Drivers Local 120 of St. Paul will have to share honors with the paper workers in that city, for being responsible for the recent treme

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of labor activity in that city Until January, 1937, the Interna tional had never issued a charter for paper makers in the Twin Cities. A small group of determined workers obtained a charter in St. Paul at the first of the year. The first company organized was the large Waldorf Paper Products company. In the middle of April a contract was entered into with the management providing for union recognition, seniority, wage increases amounting to 20 per cent, and improved working onditions. This was the opening wedge in the struggle to bring union onditions to the St. Paul paper inlustry, one of the largest industries

Local 264 has achieved an outstanding success in carrying on its honey. They say traffic was tied up for two minutes—but that was while past few months it has signed up the Groff Paper company, Quality Park turnout and wondering if it would Paper Box, Kaplan Paper Box, and Globe Paper Box. The union has just ecently signed a working agreement covering all eligible employes of the Rapinwax Paper company, and at the present time negotiations are underway at the U. S. Gypsum Roofing

The Rapinwax contract affects column has been missing, that this and a minimum hourly wage increase

The management of the U. S. Gyp-sum company, when it observed that the workers were joining the union, followed the usual line by giving a raise of 21/2 c an hour to all workers. Union buttons then began to blossom all over the plant, whereupon the ious for the first few days but he's off organization. However, the Gypsum workers are determined achieve a signed union contract covon cab drivers strikes in various sections of the country. It looks as though cab drivers are cetting fed wages.

Union officials aim to complete the organization of the entire indusrial of John Novack
Postponed to Aug. 12
The trial of John Novack Federal
worker can doubt but that they will chieve their goal.

Present officers of Local 264 are Elmer P. Meinz, president and business agent; Jim Osborne, vice-president; David J. Cameron, financial secretary; Richard E. Fuller, treasurer; Otto Dahm and Henry Holland, 930 have returned to the mills in trustees. Offices of the union are maintained at Room 4, 1955 Univerment. Each one sang and waved his sity Ave., St. Paul.

Pulp and Sulphite workers in Minneapolis have followed the example set by their brothers in St. Paul and pen-shop trade schools, private and have secured an International charublic, and of employers' control of ter, Local 259. Organizational campaigns are now underway in several of the Minneapolis box companies.

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Railroad Workers

the creation of a single and progressive in

ers of America has already begun up a constitution for the new organization, tentatively called the "Amalgamated Railroad Workers," which is aended by organized labor for the like a gust of fresh air compared to cosition of executive secretary to the cratic union rules now prevailing among the 21 railroad unions in Am-It took the FWS of Local 544 just erica. The constitution will be sub three (3) hours to close down all mitted to the first convention of the WPA projects in Hennepin county new organization which is to be held new organization which is to be held beginning the first Monday in Octoduring the recent two-day protest ber.

The Preamble and Declaration of That demonstration by the Work- Principles of the constitutional draft ers' Alliance last Saturday was a follows:

bor, and the employing class, who not be better to merely demand support of Spanish democracy and the People's Front and forget about the People's Front and Front about the People's Front a sole bargaining business for the pres- In this unavoidable struggle between these two social forces the workers, All Hennepin county locals of FWS were well represented on the picket line during the strike. about 200 workers. It provides for the closed shop, full seniority rights, the closed shop, full seniority rights, the closed shop, full seniority rights, the job of dispatcher during the "protest" was a dirty trick. onomic interest. The employing capitjust the opposite reason: to get more wages, shorter hours, and better working conditions. Hand in hand Fort Snelling is a poor place to get with these developments go also other changes within our industrial system. to talk to Mork ended up at the gar-den gate with a military escort. the gar-bor saving machinery, its ownership all over the plant, whereupon the company raised the ante to 5c an hour, in a desperate effort to stave hour, in a desperate effort to stave and left under escort for the resulting limits. concentrated into fewer and fewer needed changes in our trade union tructure, program, and leadership The present craft union structure or American Railroads, the most a tiquated in the world and designed to "It is the duty of every Christian meet the conditions of the 19th cen tury, is entirely unsuited and unfit to meet the industrial conditions of to

"Therefore, instead of resisting the law of change, the American railroad workers must adjust themselves in

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harmony with it. To meet the growing consolidation of the organized em-Plan New Union ployers the workers must likewise

industrial union movement in the rail-road industry in this country

The promise that this initial con-ference held out to the railroad workbear fruit. On July 12 and 13 in Chicago, the constitutional commis-sion elected by the conference drew

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The third annual picnic of the loomington Farmer-Labor Club will Bloomington Farmer-Labor Cos-be held Sunday, August 8, at Costello's picnic grounds, 92nd and Cedar Avenue. The club, one of the largest in the state, promised free parking and free dancing to all who attend. Refreshments will be served.

ted Railroad Workers has entered the

The constitution lists the general

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and for intiative, referendum and re-

call of officers. The rights of the

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When I ply my needle, trowel or pick I'm a decent Sheeney, Wop or Mick, But when I strike I'm a Bolshevik I'm Labor.



Calling All Stations—But WDGY

When Dr. George Young, owner of Station WDGY, got crosswise with the labor movement in the Twin Cities and vicinity by firing his chief operator for the crime of being a union man, and thereby provoking a strike of the other two operators, he headed straight into a tailspin that is going to be extremely hard to pull out of.

For Dr. Young must know—fully as well as we—that he derives his revenue for the station from the sale of time to advertisers. He must also know that the labor audience is, by sheer weight of numbers and purchasing power, the most important group of radio listeners. Every advertiser wishes above all to reach this market.

Until Dr. Young sees fit to deal fairly with the union movement, his station might as well be operating on Mars. It would get fully as many labor listeners in the Northwest as it now has.

Organization-Not Legislation

Following a lengthy debate, the United States Senate has finally passed the Black-Connery wage-and-hour bill. This bill would give to an administrative board power to fix minimum wages and maximum hours for industries engaged in interstate commerce. Eig business representatives in the Senate saw to it that the bill sets the lowest possible standards: no minimum wages higher than 40 cents an hour, no maximum work week shorter than 40 hours. The bill has now gone back to the House. The Senate amended the bill by throwing out the whole section banning child labor, and substituting a section which, in actual operation, would permit the exploiters of children to

Lest any employer should become alarmed at the passage of the bill, the Associated Press has already hastened to assure the American bosses that the whole thing is a joke. In the first place (it is pointed out), 120 days must elapse before any wage or hour order can become effective. Even then, some time would be required for the labor standards board to study each industry and "establish appropriate minimum wages and maximum hours." Until the board has made such a study and issued an order for each industry, there will be no compulsory increase in wages or reductions in hours.

rease in wages or reductions in hours.

Because of various exemptions, many workers will feel no direct effect even when the bill is in full operation, says the Associated Press. Finally, the bill will not affect any farm worker or anyone employed in a purely local business.

Any worker can see for himself that the Black-Connery bill is another sad version of the NPA Labov's experience with

Any worker can see for himself that the Black-Connery bill is another sad version of the NRA. Labor's experience with the NRA showed conclusively that the legislation of wages and hours changes nothing at all. When workers are strongly organized, they can force higher wages and lower hours. When workers are poorly organized or unorganized, their working conditions are miserable and no NRA, no Black-Connery bill can change this in the least.

can change this in the least.

Those politicians and labor leaders who have been whooping it up for the latest wage-hour bill are consciously mislead-

ing workers, and seeking to turn them from the main task of building the union movement. It is ONLY the union movement that can lift the conditions of American workers. To put one's faith in legislation is to depend upon rotten ropes.

And could it be otherwise? The employers as a class know how to utilize their pressure on Congress so that no bills are passed that threaten their interests. This has always been so and will always be so, no matter what party claims a majority in Congress.

and will always be so, no matter what party claims a majority in Congress.

Workers seeking to better their living conditions will turn with disgust from that blind alley marked "Progress through Legislation," and will redouble their efforts to build the union movement. "Labor" legislation comes and goes. But a strong militant union can always make that smirk come off a boss's face by saying: "I want this and this."

Letters from Worker-Readers

The NORTHWEST ORGANIZER invites correspondence from its readers for this column. It asks that all writers sign their names. If a writer wishes his name deleted, he should call attention to this

Perkins Preaches, Doesn't Practice

Friday evening over Station WCCO, Madame Perkins, secretary of labor, made a statement that anybody receiving one thousand dollars or less per year as a wage-earner would have to live below the "American standard of living."

The government today is paying millions of workers as little as \$60.50 per month, and in some sections of the country only half that amount The government by that very action is playing into the hands of unfair employers and at the same time doublecrossing millions of American citizens.

Fraternally. THURE M. AHLQUIST 2804 31st Ave. South

Hi, Rube

To the Editor: The Minneapolis labor movement ought to know that the business agent of a certain local union is mailing letters to the membership threaten-ing to use the capitalist courts to collect delinquent dues. I am informed that the membership of this union was told that this dastardly and unheard of action has the endorsement of the Central Labor Union.

It is true that union workers should pay their dues. But to utilize the eapitalist courts, which are agencies of the bosses and invariably against the workers, to collect union dues smacks strongly of loan-shark tactics. Any labor representative who is at all honest and who claims any knowledge of the principles of the class struggle would shrink with abhor-

rence from such reprehensible actions. It is only because the membership of this union is inexperienced in the class struggle and look for guidance to the judgment of their leader-ship that they are taken in and betrayed into endorsing such acts.

Only recently this same "leader" attempted to collaborate with a group of bosses for the passage of a particularly vicious piece of "labor" legis-lation which called forth severe criticism from leading trade unionists and

To err is human and we all make mistakes, but in instances where leader is guilty of a long series of questionable actions against the best interests of the working class, it is time something is done by the member-

ship to correct the situation. Sincerely,

NATHAN OSBORNE

To a Scab



Of all the loathsome things that crawl You are the slimiest fo them all. You cheat your brothers of their pelf You rotten toad, you sheat yourself.

Judas-Arnold rolled in one, Most treacherous rat beneath the sun. You nail your brothers to the cross By crawling 'round before the boss.

Monstrous, stupid, yellow creature, Yet even you have one good feature, One noble trait 'neath all your mud, You're generous-with your brothers' blood!

He Knows the Answers

Since the General Drivers went to work here in Mankato, and began to organize things, the bosses in this town are trying all sorts of tricks to stop the Union. Here is a questionnaire put out to all his workers by Ralph Worthley, boss of the Concrete Crib and Silo Company. The boss thought this questionnaire would discourage his men from wanting to join the union.

I favor the 30 hour week.

Would you favor hiring a man through a central union? 4. Or do you think it would be better for each employer to choose

who he thinks best fitted for the job?

Hell, no.

What rate per hour do you think should be paid for the following:
Block making? \$1; stave making? \$1; silo building? \$1; making
door frames? \$1; miscellaneous yard and shop labor? \$1; trucking? \$1. Do you prefer to work by the hour?

7. Do you prefer to work by piece work?

How much do you think a good workman should receive in a month?

As much as his union is strong enough to get him.

How much do you think a poor workman should receive in a month?

There aren't any poor workmen. Write the definition of a dollar

What the worker earns and the boss steals.

In what three ways do you think unionized labor will help your individual circumstances The union gives a worker higher wages, shorter hours, job security

12. Do you think labor has a moral or legal right to take possession of

privately owned legitimate business

Workers have a moral right to do anything to a privately owned business, up to and including taking it over and running it themselves. The boss has the law on his side, of course. Do you think your neighbors or the public has a moral or legal right to come into your home (whether owned or rented) that is not a public nuisance, and take possession of it and dictate what you should do? you should do?

There is no parallel between my home and a factory. I don't ex-ploit anyone in my home, but a boss exploits others in his factory. Any business that is privately owned is a public nuisance, anyway. What right would you figure you had in case the public took posession of your home

The same rights as I have now. I only rent. I never had enough

money ahead to buy a home.

What do you really think is the reason for the present unrest in labor? Give two good reasons, as you see it. (That is, taking the Low wages. Long hours.

Yours truly, A MANKATO WORKER

LUND STRIKERS FREE WITH ALL **COUNTS DROPPED**

ing which is to be held in Hastings in the near future. The tentative date set for this rally is Sunday, August 15. The meeting is being sponsored by the Hastings labor movement. Later, a similar meeting is planned for St. Paul, where Lund's other ski plant is located.

The Lund workers have put up a truly magnificent struggle for the union and it would be shameful if support of all friends of organized

Employees of the Wabash Screen Door company, organized in Woodenware Workers Local 1859, met Tues-day night, August 3, to approve a union contract drawn up by a com-in the negotiations.

mittee elected for this purpose. The Wabash plant, which was closed down last week as a move to intimidate the union, has now reopened and is operating at part capacity. Letters have gone out from the managemen calling employees back to work, and more workers are returning each day Though the management is supposed to recall the men according to se niority ranking, several cases have already arisen which indicate the company is discriminating against union

Woodenware Union

all their efforts were to go for naught for want, at this critical time, of the ers Local 1859 signed a new working agreement with the Grain King company, giving employees of that firm a 5c hourly wage increase. The contract is retroactive to July 1, and will run for one year. Fred Diedrick and

Signs Grain King Co. Hitler."

Trotsky is a fascist, should you:

-Titter behind his back?

-Growl "so what"?
-Read Trotsky's book, "The Revolution Betrayed"?

Keeping Step With 544

A JOURNEYMAN'S REPORT Monday morn to Brainerd. Meet with union heads and to the parley with bakery employer over contract. Sign agreement and start negotiations with creamery owner. Hold meeting with workers from dairy Elaine Rosland.

Although the staff of 544 has plants and attend meeting of Retail Clerks. Ditto Bartenders, Ditto Trade and Labor Assembly. Back to Minneapolis Wednesday for C. L. U. meeting. To Brainerd Thursday to meet with Creamery bosses and take in Truck Drivers meeting. With Trade will get theirs first. and Labor Assembly committee to stop non-union building job and get agreement with contractor. Home Saturday eve. Sabbath. Monday, early to Mankato to meet with Armour Produce heads for local Drivers

Skoglund received a beautiful traveling bag from his fellow slaves at the union headquarters.

Gas Company office workers are

Union. Evening at Mankato union meeting and home late. Tuesday, in

office to make report and write for

Organizer and in the evening to Fari-

bault for union meeting.

Look for a storm in the next C. L. U. meeting.

Zander and Skogy are after the

The St. Paul union is on the verge again.

Bartlett is back.

The State Federation is in Hibbing this fall. It's election year.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS "The employes of this company are just one big happy family."

LABOR... Looks at the Press

Ralph Easley, professional patirot: There are in excess of 150,000 men and women in supervisory and ad- and . . . ministrative positions on WPA today. Among these people are a startlingly high proportion of ex-convicts, former bootleggers, drunkards, people expelled from previous connections for various delinquencies, political ward heelers, moral perverts," etc.

Well I always kinda thought that but I never said it right out like Easley.

Paris news item: Premier Chautemps warned his Socialist and Com-munist adherents that he would not curtail his sweeping economy pro-

Go right ahead, boy—these People's Fronters can Take It.

From a resolution passed by the World Conference of Christians, be-ing held in London: "War is the particular demonstration of the power of sin in this world and a defiance of the righteousness of God as revealed in Jesus Christ."

Yea, Brothers, Amen - but you've been saying just that for two thousand years now-and it never stopped a war yet.

Foreign Minister Hirota of Japan "Our national policy aims at secur-ing Japan's position as a stabilizing force in East Asia and thus contribute to the establishment of true peace

This is the way the war-makers today do: First, they build up their army and pick out a rich spot to invade. Then, they invade it and begin shooting up the place. Then, when they've reduced the population to ruins, they talk about the establishment of "true peace in the world."

Mayor Daniel Shields of Johns own: "A world without police would be like a world without music-a very dreary world indeed."

The highest ideal of the finest minds of mankind is the achievement of a world wherein there will be no police and no oppressive state machinery. The state ment of Shields classes him with the scum of the earth who op-press mankind and prevent it from reaching its ideal.

Wise crack from Toronto: "With a crust 2,000 feet thick, the earth in one respect, at least, resembles

Our Own Little "Quiz of the Week" When a Stalinist tells you that

-Laugh in his face?

-Mention the Trotskyites jailed in Germany?

* * * 544 members and the Joint Council office force were among the number who offered to do nate blood to the infant niece of

decided that vacations will be taken (for the first time since the forma-tion of the union) blood will probably be shed before it is decided who

The Central Labor Union voted not to expel C. I. O. unions over the hot protests of the Eighth Street Generals.

The Market thing is in the bag.

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North Central District Drivers Council is doing organizational work that is attracting the at-tention and respect of the national labor movement.

Department store drivers are clamoring for their new agreement.

The Ness-Belor Committee reports that they came out even. YOU MEET SO MANY

INTERESTING PEOPLE A small town employer told the writer last week that no worker was worth more than two dollars a day.

The 544 picnic is just in the offing. Keep the date open.

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A new drivers charter in Mason

I wonder where Dr. WDGY Young got the title of Dr.

Rumors keep popping up that Ar-nold and Helen were found in the storeroom at 257. The criminals still

I Never Read Any Further Than-"Three policemen testified today that they shot in defense of their own lives in the Memorial Day riot. .

"General Franco said that the new Spanish monarch would be a link between the traditional glories of Spain

"The incorporation of trade unions was urged here today by . . .

"AMERICAN PUBLISHERS TAKE FIRM STAND FOR FREE-DOM OF PRESS . . .

Son of 544 Driver **Drowns in Cedar**

Members of Local 544 offer con dolences to Clarence Binford, Yellow Cab driver, and his family on the death of his eight year old son William, who was drowned Tuesday afternoon in Cedar lake.

William with three companion started out on Tuesday afternoon to go to a show but decided instead to play on the northwest shore of Cedar lake. Finding a plank, William began paddling about in the water. When he was about 20 feet from shore, the plank tipped and William fell in. He ame up once and disappeared. The body was recovered more than an hour later by a Red Cross attendant from Lake Calhoun. More than one and one-half hours of effort failed to revive the boy.

Surviving William are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Binford; his brother, John, and two sisters, Joyce, 4, and Kathleen, 18 months.

PETROLEUM DRIVERS
MEETING SCHEDULE
The Petroleum Drivers will meet
the first and third Wednesdays of
each month.

FEDERAL WORKERS SECTION
MEETING SCHEDULE
Regular Membership Meetings—
Second Friday in each month.
Stewards' Meeting—Every Wednesday, 8 p. m.

MEETING SCHEDULE General Membership—August Casket Industry—August 9. Box Industry—August 17. Clark Co.—August 18. Puffer-Hubbard—August 20. Wagon Industry—August 23.

WAREHOUSE AND INSIDE WORKERS LOCAL 20316 Meeting Change Stewards—First and third Tues-

day.

Regular Membership Meeting—
fourth Tuesday
Executive Board—Regularly every
Monday.

Ice, Coal Drivers Meeting Schedule

Local 221, Ice and Coal Drivers Union, will hereafter hold all of its regular meetings at the new headquarters of the Teamsters Joint Council, 257 Plymouth Ave. N. Regular Union meetings will be held on the second and fourth Tuesdays. Executive Board meetings are subject to call. The Union office is now located at the above address.

INVESTIGATIONS SHOW CRIMES OF HARLAN SHERIFFS

Excerpts from testimony taken at the Senate Civil Liberties Committee investigation into conditions in Harlan County, Ky.

Senator LaFollette (summarizing testimony of High Sheriff Theodore Middleton): From the list of deputies previously read and entered into the records, the summary of the criminal records of the deputy sheriffs appointed by you during the period from January 1, 1934, up to the present time indicates the following: First, of a total of 379 deputies on this list, 37 have been convicted of felonies and served time in the state reformatory at Frankfort for one or more violations of state law; second, three have been convicted of felonies and served time in the Federal penitentiaries for violations against Federal laws; and third, 64 have records of one or more indictments, mostly for crimes of violence, in Harlan cir-

It appears further from this same list of deputy sheriffs that of a total of 163 deputy sheriffs whom you list as now active, 14 had been convicted of felonies and served time in the state reformatory at Frankfort for one or more violations of state law; two have been convicted and served time in the Federal penitentiaries for violations of Federal law; 34 have records of one or more indictments, mostly for crimes of violence in the

Harlan circuit court. Now have you any further comment to make about the character of the men who served under you as

Mr. Middleton. No, sir. Senator LaFollette (examining Pearl Bassham, vice president in charge of operations of the Harlan-Wallins Coal Corporation). Mr. Bassham had answered "I do not know" to about 90 per cent of the questions asked him, even those relating most intimately to his own depart ment of operations. Senator LaFol-lette: It also appears from this exhibit that you employed Wash Irwin from April to October, 1936. is also a deputy sheriff, is he

Mr. Bassham: Yes, sir.
Senator LaFollette: I offer for
the record an abstract of orders from
the Commonwealth orders of the Harlan circuit court relating to Wash Irwin. (He reads a long list of indictments the last of which is: March 15, 1937. Indictment for malicious striking and wounding; dis-missed because the prosecuting witness never will be able to attend

Do you know, Mr. Basshain, why the prosecuting witness would never be able to attend court?

Mr. Bassham: Wash Irwin? Senator LaFollette: No; the fel-

ow who was shot.

Mr. Bassham: No, sir; I don't mow anything about that. Senator LaFollette: Is it not a matter of common knowledge in Har-

lan County that he was badly wounded and is still in the hospital? Mr. Bassham: I don't know any-

LOCAL 289 MEETING SCHEDULE Retail Drivers-First Thursday. Wholesale Drivers - Second Wholesale Drivers — Second Thursday. Yeast Drivers—Third Tuesday. Cake and Pie—Third Thursday. General Membership — Fourth Thursday.

MEETING SCHEDULE Inside Section—First Tuesday Utility Section—First Thursday Full Membership — Third Thurs-day Utility Stewards — Monday, July General Executive Board — Mon-days preceding first and third Thursdays Advisory Board—Every Tuesday

LOCAL 544
MEETING SCHEDULE
Wednesday, August 4—Sausage
Drivers; Petroleum Drivers.
Thursday, August 5—Independent
Truck Owners.
Friday, August 6—Job Stewards.

Friday, August 8—Wholesale Sunday, August 8—Wholesale Groceries, 10 a. m. Monday, August 9—General Membership. Wednesday, August 11—Mar-

Wednesday, August 18-Petro-Wednesday, August 10—Tent and Peters.
Thursday, August 19—Tent and Awning; Print Drivers.
Friday, August 20—Job Stew-

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Monday, August 23—Transfer Warehouse Men (Special).

Tuesday, August 24—Taxi Drivers: Night drivers, 1 p. m.;
Day drivers, 7 p. m.

Thursday, August 26—Transfer; Wholesale Drug.
Seniority Committee meets each Friday at 8 p. m. in Hall No. 1.
Grievance Committee meets each Tuesday and Friday at 7 p. m. Hall No. 2.

Executive Board meets each Wednesday at 9 a. m. in staff room.