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and... ON THE Other Hand

... By the Cynic

"Justice Black's fine record in public life as a United States Senator and an outstanding fighting liberal is the best answer to those who are howling the loudest at him today."

Somehow we just can't manage to become hysterical over this Senator Black business. Maybe some "fighting liberal" can point out to us the difference it would make to the workers if every single justice carried a sack of feathers and a bucket of tar in either hand.

"Vincent Dunne, Trotskyite and one of the officials of the General Drivers Local 544 of the AFL, indulged in a red-baiting orgy at a meeting in the Army on October 1. He practically called for a civil war against the CIO unions."

Just how so able an orator as even Vincent Dunne could red bait a Stalinist is somewhat of a sticker. When one pauses to consider that the Stalinists in Russia and Spain are butchering every Red they can lay their hands on, such a charge as red-baiting a Stalinist becomes instantly ridiculous.

"A victory for progress in New York will give a powerful impetus to the building of a nation-wide Farmer-Labor party as the American form of the anti-fascist People's Front, and it will help open the road to the conquest of those positions that must be won if we are to move forward to socialism."

Instead of building new capitalist parties that only bring disillusionment to the workers, build and support an independent working class party with independent working class candidates, for only in this way can we move forward to socialism and the emancipation of humanity.

Eight on Trial for Shoemaker Murder

Tampa, Fla.—Five Policemen and three Orlando Klansmen went on trial October 6, in Bartow, Florida, for the flogging murder of Joseph Shoemaker near Tampa on November 30, 1935.

HARK! COAL DRIVERS! All coal drivers and yard men must report to their respective companies before November 1, to inform the companies as to whether they plan to work during the coal season.

Land O' Lakes Backs Ice Chiselers

PACKINGHOUSE WORKERS FORM STATE COUNCIL

Resolutions for Ellis, Voorhees Adopted; Progressive Officers Elected

Austin, Minn.—As a result of a conference held here Sunday by representatives of packing plants in Albert Lea, Faribault, Austin and St. Paul, a Minnesota State Council of Packinghouse Workers Union was set up to coordinate and make more effective the organizational drive now under way in the state's packing plants.

Reports from the four locals indicated the splendid progress being made by unionism in the industry. Faribault, according to Steve Benjamin, fighting secretary of Local 426, is determined to accept nothing but a signed agreement with the Wilson company.

As a result of the recent successful organizational drive, Albert Lea reported a big majority of the workers now in the Union. Local 122 has had a hard road to gravel but, according to progressives from that center such as Cliff Hill, Clem Ulman and Con Jensen, the goal is now in sight.

Resolutions were adopted demanding (Continued on page 2)

Drivers Open Fink Drive in Market

A whirlwind hit the Minneapolis market district Monday morning at 5 o'clock and continued for many hours thereafter. It was caused by a squad of two dozen organizers for the General Drivers Union, putting on one of the famous Fink Drives, checking up on chiseling employers and workers who have been careless about paying union dues.

With the organizers racing through basements, storerooms and shops, the district was in an uproar for hours. Employers stood out in the street, wondering what calamity had hit the town.

The Union Executive Board had warned all members to carry dues books with them while working. Many workers who did not take this advice seriously made hurried trips home for the necessary document.

The fink drive will continue for some time, reaching into all sections of the industry.

90 Woodworkers Go Out in Faribault

Faribault, Minn.—On Oct. 5, about 90 woodworkers went out on strike against the four plants of the Peterson Art Furniture company in this town. The union is demanding higher wages, comparable to the prevailing wage scale in the industry.

The Lord Loveth a Giver



"The Lord Loveth a Giver," reads this picket sign carried in front of the Rev. Marion D. Shutter's church at 8th St. and 2nd Ave. S. last Sunday.

The Rev. Shutter of the Church of the Redeemer receives a monthly salary of \$1,250. He was paying his chauffeur \$60. "That's more than WPA is paying," said the Rev. Shutter.

"His" man didn't like it, joined the private chauffeurs' unit of the Teamsters Joint Council, demanded union wages. Shutter fired him. Sunday morning, 15 pickets made wealthy church goers gasp. Shutter felt so nervous he cancelled his evening services.

NCDDC Plans Campaign For Sioux Falls Drivers

Mass Meeting for All Members of Driving Crafts Planned for October 17; Holstein to Remain

The North Central District Drivers Council swung into action in South Dakota last week when representatives of the Council went to Sioux Falls to make a preliminary survey of Truck Drivers Union there and to lay plans for an organizational campaign pointed toward a 100% Union organization of all truck drivers, helpers and warehouse men.

Miles Dunne and Emanuel Holstein were selected by the Council to aid the Sioux Falls Drivers Union. Local No. 749 had had a charter for about four months. During that time officials have succeeded in bringing about 100 members into the Union.

Following a meeting of the Executive Board of Local No. 749 it was decided that Holstein should remain in Sioux Falls for an indefinite period. At a membership meeting of the Union held Sunday morning plans were laid to hold a mass meeting for all members of the Sioux Falls driving crafts Sunday, October 17, 2 p. m.

A delegation of Watertown Union drivers, headed by Roy Phillips and Aaron Kruger, attended the meeting and told the Sioux Falls drivers of the benefits they had derived from their North Central District Drivers Council affiliation.

1,000 Drivers Strike Philly Scrap Iron

Philadelphia, Pa.—More than 1,000 union truck drivers struck against 40 of the city's largest scrap iron and metal firms when Teamsters Local 470 failed to obtain a new

Ho!—All 20316 Members Any employee quitting his or her job shall immediately lose all seniority rights with the company.

STANDARD OIL, PHILLIPS BANNED BY GAS DRIVERS

Bulk Plants Closed; Employers Try Bribing Men With Temporary Raises

A stiff organizational drive on employees of the Standard Oil company and the Phillips Petroleum company was launched this week by the Petroleum Drivers Union. On Tuesday, the union closed down all bulk plants and stopped deliveries from these plants.

All our readers are urged to refrain from patronizing either the Standard of Phillips stations until the workers have become union members.

This tricky union-smashing device has been tried in other parts of the country at various times. It is usually pulled by tremendously wealthy firms enjoying the super-profits of a monopolistic position. A public utility firm in southern Illinois tried it once on the Electrical Workers Union and Mike Boyle, union official.

When Boyle returned to town and learned of the stunt from a group of workers loyal to the union, he went to the management and told them: "You are rich enough to pay \$7.50 over the union scale for a group of your employees. Because you are trying to trick me and the union, this is what is going to happen. You will not only continue the \$7.50 raise, and not only for this group of workers but for ALL your employees, but you will slap a \$10 raise on top of that. Either that, or the Union will protect itself by trying you up." Every worker got the raise.

Clerks Bargain for Leader Agreement

Retail Clerks, Local 1086, held its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 5. It was well attended. The main subject of the meeting was the Leader Department store contract, which is now being negotiated. The negotiating committee will meet with the Leader employees again on Wednesday afternoon, October 13 (this will be in the past tense by the time the paper comes out).

AFL Empowered to Expel CIO; B.M.T. Workers Win; 7,000 Coal Miners in Sympathy Strike

Important news on the Labor front this week includes the decision by the delegates assembled in Denver to give the A. F. of L. executive council the power to expel the ten insurgent unions which form the nucleus for the C. I. O., the C. I. O.'s announcement through John Brophy that their membership now exceeds 4,000,000, the victory of the Transport Workers Union in New York City over the giant B. M. T. system of subways, the stay-down strike of forty-five miners at Coaldale, Pa., and a sympathy walk out by 7,000 fellow employees; a new type decision by the NLRB, the charge of "undemocratic electioneering" brought by the United Federal Work-

ers Union against the Frankfort Munitions plant, the strike against the Greyhound Bus system by the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, the gas station attendants strike in Brooklyn, N. Y., and the status of the case against the six Tampa policemen accused of flogging to death Joseph Shoemaker, socialist organizer.

Land O' Lakes Behind Price Chiseling in Ice Industry

Minneapolis Ice and Fuel Brings Suit for \$100,000 Against 544, 221, T. J. C. and Three Ice Firms

The full facts behind the recent \$100,000 suit brought by the Minneapolis Ice & Fuel company against Local 221, Local 544, the Teamsters Joint Council and the whole John Doe family—plus the Cedar Lake, Sanitary, Kemp, and Hy-Art companies—are beginning to come to the surface this week.

FLASH NEWS!

Tuesday at midnight a strike of transfer drivers was declared on in Fargo, N. D. General Drivers Local 116 took this action against Elcholtz, Raymond, Janke, Union, Adams and Quinn transfer companies. All Fargo trucks in Minneapolis, Duluth and Fargo were immediately frozen to the pavement.

Watertown Boss Engages Clergy For Union Vote

The height of something or other was reached in Watertown, South Dakota last week when an election to determine representation in the North American creamery plant was held with benefit of clergy.

This plant which has been partially organized by Drivers Union Local No. 277 in Watertown, employs about 80 people. Last week, without warning, the plant superintendent notified all employees that a meeting would be held at 5 p. m. that day. The workers having assembled, they were addressed by a high-powered attorney who represents the company, the secretary of the local Chamber of Commerce and, believe it or not, the local minister. All spoke on the benefits of company unionism. When they had completed their orations the manager announced that an immediate vote would be taken. One worker protested, saying that he believed that Union officials should be on hand to represent whoever belonged to the Drivers Union.

The manager quelled the workers' fear by telling them that the election would be conducted in a highly proper and impartial fashion and said that the secretary of the local Chamber of Commerce would have complete charge. Despite all the propaganda of the company and in spite of the highly unfair manner in which the election was conducted, when the votes were counted the union was the winner by the score of 57 to 27.

The nigger in the woodpile is the Land o' Lakes Creamery, Inc. The Minneapolis Ice & Fuel firm purchases a great amount of natural ice, using a portion for icing at the Land o' Lakes plant. The rest it uses by flooding the ice market in Minneapolis, supplying every fink ice dealer—both cash and carry stationmen and route men—at chiseling prices. The Land o' Lakes sanction this selling to people who can only operate on the basis of chiseling and unfair practices.

Land o' Lakes has persistently refused to sign a joint agreement with Local 221, similar to those signed by other firms in the industry. Instead, the company has taken up the fight on behalf of the chiselers, and has

Warehouse Union Gets Jurisdiction Over Sears Clerks

By agreement with Mr. Brennan, International organizer for the Retail Clerks Union, the Warehouse & Inside Workers Local 20316 has been granted jurisdiction over all retail clerks at the Sears, Roebuck company in Minneapolis. The Retail Clerks official ceded this right to Local 20316, as a result of a recent conference with Warehouse Union officials.

Local 20316 is immediately getting a campaign under way at the large mail order and retail store, to bring all retail clerks as well as the remaining mail order employees into the ranks of the union.

Local 20316 reports there are already several cases where the management has fired retail clerks who have indicated their intention of joining the Warehouse Union. A particularly outstanding example is Isabel Tepin, young militant clerk. Union officials announce they will protest such actions in the most vigorous manner.

Warehouse Workers Discuss Dayton Pact

Dayton employees, organized in Warehouse and Inside Workers Local 20316, held a well-attended meeting Tuesday night. The main question under discussion was the current negotiations now being held with the Dayton management.

Several cases were brought up where union workers have been laid off, and new girls hired. In the opinion of the union, this indicates rank discrimination against union members, and is being utilized by the store management to discourage unionism.

Local 20316 is determined that such practices shall immediately cease, and that the store sign a union agreement.

NOTE—ALL 544 MEMBERS By special order of the union Executive Board, all members of General Drivers Local 544 MUST carry their dues books with them while working. No exceptions to this rule will be permitted.

Make Minneapolis a Union Town

Representatives of NCDDC, State Arrive at Wage Rates

(This week the Northwest Organizer continues publication of its series on working conditions for workers employed on jobs throughout the state financed by Federal aid funds.)

When horses or mules are used on a project, the hourly rate to be paid for the use of such horses or mules shall be the prevailing rate paid in the locality where the work is being done, but such rate shall be not less than fifteen (15) cents per hour for each horse or mule.

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Beyond 10 Mile Point	2.6 cents 3.7 cents

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Truck Size	Hourly Truck Rental Rate
Trucks hauling 3 1/2 C. Y.	1.25
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Trucks hauling 3 1/4 C. Y.	1.25
Trucks hauling 4 C. Y.	1.50
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Trucks hauling 5 C. Y.	1.95
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Trucks hauling 6 C. Y. and over	2.25

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Trucks over 2 1/2 T. Mfr.'s rated capacity	1.70

UNITED RELIEF BOARD INVITES LABOR ALDERMEN

FWS to Take Action Unless Relief Board Responds by November 1

At the last meeting of the Central Labor Union's Joint Relief Committee, held Thursday afternoon, October 7, at 18 North 8th Street, it was voted to send letters to all Farmer-Labor aldermen and liberal members of the Welfare Board, requesting of these persons that they meet together with the United Front Relief Committee on Thursday, October 14, "to receive necessary information for helping to carry into effect the demands and program of labor in respect to public relief, and related matters." These letters have gone out.

At a large gathering of WPA and relief workers at 257 Plymouth Avenue last Friday evening, the Federal Workers Section of Local 544 passed a motion which calls for all its Minneapolis stewards to go before the Welfare Board on October 18, to place the demands of the workers before the Board. The stewards were ordered to give the Welfare Board until November 1 to act. If the workers' demands are not met by the deadline, the Executive Committee is authorized to take further action. Similar actions are to be carried out by the FWS locals before their town boards and county welfare boards.

A motion was also passed that there be a special assessment of 50 cents on each member for the month of November, to compensate stewards for wages they will lose by appearing before Welfare Boards as directed. The assessment is to be turned in to the central office and all disbursements are to be separately accounted for.

The FWS is sponsoring a Halloween Dance on October 30, details of which will appear in next week's issue.

With the Limousines

(From the front seat)

The chauffeurs got religious Sunday. They all went to church to hear Rev. Shutter preach how a man can live on \$60 a month. He preached to a big crowd—about thirty people.

All chauffeurs who think the Union is not doing anything, be sure and attend the next regular meeting October 19 at 257 Plymouth Ave. North and get the low-down on the Shutter case.

Who are those two brave chauffeurs who think they are detectives trying to catch a burglar at home on Pillsbury avenue—Bill and Carl, you will have to get the lead out of your feet if you want to catch that burglar.

More new jobs paying the scale and more new members signing up. We see more new faces at every meeting. Good work, Joe.

James, is it true they are organizing the maids and cooks? No, madam, they get organized every Thursday.

Bill Sinnott went to church last Sunday through the picket line to hear Rev. Shutter preach on "The Great Discovery" how to live on \$60 a month. Harry DeBoer, Rainbolt and Joe Lear didn't have any Union Club chips in their pockets, otherwise they would have gone in with Bill.

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Bill Brown Says—

The Rev. Shutter says: "Blessed are the poor . . . just so long as they are willing to work at non-union wages."



BILL BROWN
President of 644

Betrayal of Molly Maguires Real Working Class Lesson

(Now that the LaFollette Civil Liberties Committee has through its investigation of labor espionage again aroused interest in this phase of industrial warfare, the Northwest Organizer reprints the story of one of the most famous labor spies in American history, as told by Bill Haywood in his colorful autobiography, Haywood, together with Gene Debe, was one of the great militant labor leaders of the pre-war period.)

By Bill Haywood

... After a few days at the Blaine mine I was put to work in the short cut stope. In my stope, on the opposite shift, worked a man by the name of Matt McLain. When he became shift boss I had a platform rigged up. Leaning his arms on the staging he began talking about old times in Pennsylvania. He said:

"You've heard of the Molly Maguires?"

"I said I had; everyone had heard of the Molly Maguires. "But," he went on, "you never heard how they were trapped. There was a certain Franklin B. Gowen who was manager of one or more of the mines in Shamokin Valley. He decided to wipe out the Molly Maguires, which was a kind of a labor organization that would not stand for a reduction of wages. Gowen employed the Pinkerton Detective Agency, and they sent one of their stool-pigeons whose real name was McParland.

"He came into Pottsville as James McKenna. He had a little bundle tied on the end of a stick over his shoulder when he walked into town and inquired for a place to stop. He found a boarding house that suited him. One evening he went as though by chance into Barney Hogle's saloon and invited everybody in the place to have a drink. When he paid for the drinks, he displayed a roll of bills and incidentally remarked that he had just quit his ship at Philadelphia; that he had got tired of the sea and was going to get a job on land for a while if he could. He asked Hogle, if he could get work in that neighborhood.

"Hogle was one of the bond-masters of the Molly Maguires, that is, he was one of the leaders of this organization that had been transplanted from Ireland and now in Pennsylvania was made up principally of coal miners. Hogle was also a saloon-keeper, and he had seen young McKenna's wad of money. The young Irishman was a good spender and Hogle wanted to cultivate him as a customer. But not wanting to seem anxious in this regard, he answered McKenna by saying that it took a pretty good man to hold a job there.

"McKenna flared up. 'I'm a pretty good man,' he said, buying another drink. 'I'll sing a song, dance a jig, or fight with any man in the house for the whiskey for everybody.' He sang an Irish song, he danced an Irish jig. Looking about, he saw a likely lad sizing him up. Siding up to the young miner, he said, 'Is it yez that'll be wanting to try me out?' 'I will that,' was the reply.

"Everyone adjourned to the handball court in the rear. McKenna played handball a few minutes, then they stripped for the fight, which was to be a 'fair go.' The audience was all Irish, and nothing tickled their fancy more than a good fight. They selected a referee and squared off. The miner cut McKenna on the cheek, but Mac countered to the jaw with his left, and jabbed his right to the ribs. 'That's the b'y,' shouted a

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ing the unconditional release of Frank Ellis, imprisoned militant packinghouse worker from Austin; endorsing the case of Joseph Voorhees and announcing a willingness to take it to the U. S. Supreme Court if necessary. A militantly progressive constitution was adopted, and a State Council of 14 (with the two officers) was elected, to meet monthly. Special meetings will be held on call. The Council work is to be financed by contributions from the locals. Officers were selected for 6 months; each new local coming in will have the right to nominate 3 representatives to the Council.

The convention was almost completely progressive from beginning to end. Joe Voorhees was elected state president, and Paul Rasmussen, state secretary-treasurer.

Outside speakers were Joe Oilman of Mason City, Jim Porter and George Cole. A reactionary bloc of four delegates made a feeble attempt to prevent the setting up of the State Council, but was completely smothered by the overwhelmingly progressive majority. The new State Packinghouse Council, voting a determination to organize the unorganized in the packing industry, can and unquestionably will play a powerful role in building the state labor movement. It has jurisdiction over 10,000 packinghouse workers in Minnesota.

BAKERY BLAB

By A. M. Ogren

In case some of you don't know—Pat Corcoran was on the President's welcoming committee last Monday, although I can't say whether he got within five miles of the President.

You still have time to get into the free night school classes at 249 Transportation Building Annex. I think every one should take advantage of these Workers Education courses.

The ducks had the laugh on most of the hunters Saturday, according to most reports.

Rudie Hagenson, Regans, is moving up in the country, to be stationed at Renville.

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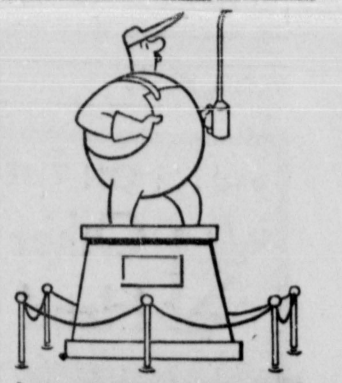
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Land O' Lakes Behind Price Chiseling in Ice Industry

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aligned itself with the Minneapolis Ice & Fuel in an attempt to secure court action against the Drivers Unions and the Teamsters Joint Council.

Up to and including today, the Land o' Lakes Creamery has persisted in its refusal to enter into an agreement with the union.

Will it be necessary to take union action against this concern, which is encouraging chiseling in the industry, seeking to break down all standards, and to smash unionism in the ice industry? The stockholders of the Land o' Lakes corporation should know the attitude taken by the management in this controversy.

If the Land o' Lakes management continues to insist in breaking down working standards in the ice industry, Local 221 will immediately carry this fight to the entire labor movement. If necessary, it will ask for a union boycott on all Land o' Lakes products.

This won't be the first time that the union movement has had to carry the brunt of establishing decent and fair standards in an industry, after certain employers, behaving in an archaic and fashionably "rugged" manner, had persisted in anti-social practices. Local 221 is not going to see unionism smashed in the ice industry, and calls upon the Minneapolis labor movement to support whatever action it may deem necessary to get at the very roots of the present chiseling game.

Laundry Lingo

Negotiations are now in progress on our new contract. We have held one meeting and have another one scheduled which will be over when this is printed. From the progress so far made, we anticipate an early and satisfactory agreement.

At this time, St. Paul has agreements signed with the following plants: Sheldon, Peerless, Snowflake, Century, Drew, Jahn, Mothers' Friend, Howard, and St. Paul Overall Laundry. On Monday of this week, Schwartz Bros. added itself to the list of firms that have locked out their employees. The St. Paul Laundry Drivers Local is in the midst of a lawsuit with the Elk Laundry.

We may find it necessary to hold a special meeting of our Union before the next regular meeting. If so, all members will be notified by card.

Carry your union card with you at all times on the job.

A fine of \$1 will be assessed against each member delinquent in dues on November 1. There will be no exceptions. In order to avoid this penalty, pay up your delinquent

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COMMISSIONERS RETREAT UNDER DRIVERS' FIRE

Locals 544, 664 Unite in Fight for Union Demands — So Negotiations Reopen

Pat Corcoran, Farrell Dobbs and Harold Seavey—representing the Teamsters Joint Council and the City & Sanitary Drivers Local 664—appeared before the last meeting of the finance committee of the Minneapolis Board of Park Commissioners and presented a blunt letter outlining the union position on the current wage controversy between the Board and Local 664.

The letter stated that "the membership of the Local Union involved has voted to reject the answer of the Board as a final or satisfactory conclusion to this matter. . . . This presents a very serious situation and it becomes our duty under the laws of the International to advise you that you differ in no way from any other employer and, therefore, if you should continue to refuse to arbitrate differences between yourselves and the Union representing your employees, you will be subjected to such steps as are necessary to bring this matter to a fair and just conclusion. We realize the gravity of this situation and ask your Committee to recommend to the Board that they consider the action they have taken and seek further to arrive at a mutual agreement. . . ."

The letter closed with the hope that "after serious consideration you will accede to our request and avoid the long series of troubles that always attend a prolonged labor difficulty."

Faced with this stiff communication, the Board immediately began to retreat from its former position that the matter was closed. It assured the union representatives that the matter was not closed, and that it was willing to meet with the unions at any time. The Board asked to see any new proposal of the union, and promised to give it careful consideration.

At the present time, negotiations are once again under way, and will be reported on in the next issue.

What must be saved is not capitalism, but the nations—from their capitalist.

dues, including those for October, before November 1.

All drivers are being checked for violation of hours. Be off the street by 6 o'clock every day except Monday, unless you have a permit card. The fine is \$10, and will be enforced.

If you wish to attend the Labor school, get in touch with your secretary. The Union will pay for your tuition.

Famous Last Lines: "The reason I am not paying dues and am not going to pay dues is because I didn't want to join your Union in the first place."

The Labor Spy

By Marvel Dobbs

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Richard Truman Frankensteen, now a vice president of the United Automobile Workers of America, was educated to be a lawyer but was never able to finance himself through these first starvation years which usually follow when a young lawyer is launching his career. He got a job in the Detroit plant of the Chrysler Corporation, where his father had been employed since early manhood.

In 1933, after an election by the NLRB when the company union was successful, Frankensteen was elected to the Employees Representation Plan as a delegate from his section. It did not take young Frankensteen long to realize the futility of the plan for actually doing the workers any good. With several other representatives he founded an independent organization, known as the Automotive Industrial Workers Association. This group later was incorporated into the United Auto Workers Union of America, but had its beginning as an independent movement founded by several earnest but groping workers who wanted organization.

One of the representatives, Johnny Andrews from the paint department, fought the formation of the new association bitterly, but once it was formed he joined and became president of his local. He and Frankensteen became fast friends. Their wives were equally close.

Andrews was very accommodating to the other locals. When the council was formed he offered his services as chauffeur to bring members to and from the meetings. He sat in on many meetings where he had no business but he was welcomed because of his militant manner and his apparent heart and soul devotion to the cause.

During the summer of 1936 the Andrews and the Frankensteens rented a cottage together at the lake, during the annual retooling lay-off at the plant. Each family had two small children and the Frankensteens were expecting another baby, so a maid was hired to help the women. All expenses were shared.

Frankenstein's 'Buddy'
One day when Johnny and Richard had to go into town to a council meeting, Johnny introduced Richard to his "uncle," Mr. E. J. Bath. Mr. Bath was supposed to be a millionaire producer of Broadway plays, and Richard's hobby was amateur theatricals, so the two were instantly on a friendly basis. Mr. Bath accompanied the two to the lake, staying at a nearby hotel. He entertained them lavishly. Sometimes, because the uncle seemed so sympathetic to the union movement, despite his wealth, they would discuss with him problems of organization. He never asked questions about particular affairs but seemed to have a way of drawing one out and making one talk.

In the fall of 1936 the subpoenas for the LaFollette Committee were issued. Mr. Bath and Johnny both disappeared. Johnny sent his rent back to Detroit from Cleveland, using a fictitious address on the money order. When last heard from he was somewhere in Canada.

Mr. Bath testified before the committee. Frankensteen was in the room when Mr. Bath told the story of why the young man was under such constant surveillance by the detective agency.

It seemed that when Richard began to evince tendencies toward unionism the Chrysler Corporation was alarmed. Prior to this time they had looked

upon him as a very promising young man, likely to follow in the footsteps of his father and always be a faithful employee. So Johnny Andrews, the likeable, the specialist at "saving wavering young men," was set to work at "saving Richard."

During the course of his campaign to help Frankensteen get back on what the company calls a straight and narrow path, Johnny was able to worm himself into the confidences of many other men. He sat in many important secret meetings. He was a good agitator. Twice he precipitated poorly-timed, badly organized strikes which were defeated. He kept the Chrysler Corporation informed as to the activities of the union. He was the reason many union men found pink slips of dismissal in their pay envelopes. He committed acts of sabotage which were charged to the most loyal union members, and for which they were victimized. He was a rat.

For more than a century the organized labor movement has been growing, slowly at first, gaining every victory over tremendous odds. Side by side with this splendid, strong young movement has grown an octopus, Labor Espionage. Strangling, squeezing, this ally beast seemed at first to be almost succeeding.

They Could Go West

In the early days of the movement, when every new member of a union was hailed with joy by the entire movement, when the unions were fighting for their lives, the presence of just one stool pigeon in the midst of a group of workers was enough to strangle a growing trend in its infancy. Men had to guard their membership in a labor union as a deep secret, right up to the moment of a strike. To be revealed meant instant dismissal, and inclusion on a vicious blacklist. Many workers, dismissed because of union affiliation, became disheartened and accepted Horace Greeley's advice to "Go West, young man." There were still free lands to be had in the west and middle west. Industry itself was spreading to the new sections of the country. The great influx of foreigners into the large industrial centers also helped to keep unionization down. False booms and horrible depressions also played their part in keeping the workers in slavery. Comparatively good wages during booms, and stark fear of losing the little they were getting during depressions made the work of the union organizer hard, and that of the stool pigeon both easy and lucrative.

The Tide Turns

The last great depression had an entirely different effect on the American worker. Even before the NRA was enacted in 1933 there had been a tremendous surge toward organization. Stool pigeons there were many, but they had begun to lose their potency. After the NRA became effective the surge into unions was great. This was especially true in the basic industries, despite the fact that the large corporations spent millions of dollars for the services of spies during the period from 1929 to 1936.

An illustration contrasting abilities of spies to wreak havoc in strike situations is a comparison of the great steel strike in 1919 and the Truck Drivers strike in Minneapolis in 1934. The change has been great, especially during the past decade. Spies, infiltrated in among the foreign-born steel workers, were able to start a mass back-to-work movement among the strikers by spreading slander, stirring up race hatred, and national feelings. During the Truck strike in Minneapolis there were many spies, employees of both the Burns and Pinkerton agencies. They too worked in their own peculiar manner to break the strike but were entirely unsuccessful.

Unions Ever on Guard
The NRA, the Wagner Act, the Byrnes Act, and the investigation carried on by Senator LaFollette have all helped the labor movement, but in themselves are no solution to the problem presented. In reality, the idea that legislation can take the place of labor unions is a grave danger which must be guarded against energetically.

Thus it behooves us to guard what we have, and to work zealously for bigger and better things. Eternal vigilance, so that no sniping agent of the bosses can tear down what we have built, serious devoted work to create in our unions a real economic power, constant alertness against the encroachment of governmental stragulation in the form of adverse legislation, these must be the tasks of the organized labor movement, building ever stronger for the ultimate goal, the Workers' Republic.
The End

The Union Gallery



P. CORCORAN

"He looks sort of like Hairbreadth Harry with a union button," they say about Patrick Joseph Corcoran, secretary of the Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council.

At first the employers thought P. Corcoran a respectable "front" for the notorious scamps around the Council. But the bosses in Mankato finally caught up with him during a recent strike, and labeled him nothing but a lowdown Bolshevick cur.

I think Pat hails from the Old Sod. For a milk man, he drinks lots of orange juice. Likes to hunt, but who doesn't? The question is, how to find the time.

Taxi, TJC Bowlers Blank Opponents

In the Union Drivers Bowling League this week, Local 125 and the Teamsters Joint Council tied for first place as they blanked their opponents. Local 125 took three from the Consolidated Teamsters, and the T. J. C. won three from the Ice Drivers. The Meat Drivers took from the Soft Drinks; and Phillips Liquor grabbed a pair from Local 20316.

Phillips Liquor rolled a new high single with a score of 918, and a new high three with 2,513. Klein had the high single, with 208.

The week's bowling news would not be complete if it were not recorded that Pauline, the maid in the Milk Wagon Drivers office, took on one of the league's leading bowlers, and whipped him by a considerable margin.

Team	Won	Lost	Ave.
Local 125	5	1	.833
T. J. C.	5	1	.833
Meat Drivers	4	2	.667
Phillips	3	3	.500
Local 20316	3	3	.500
Ice Drivers	1	5	.167
Consolidated	1	5	.167

New Liquor Pact Nearly Completed

Negotiating committees for the General Drivers Union have been busy during the past week meeting with various employer groupings. A union committee met with the department store bosses Saturday, and again Tuesday evening. According to Jack Smith, work on the liquor contract is nearing completion.

On Tuesday the first meeting with the wholesale grocer group was held. The regular membership meeting of the wholesale grocer workers unit will be held in the Union hall next Sunday morning at 10 a. m.

Work has begun on contracts for the following sections: tent and awning, wrecking, fish, cold storage, and wholesale drug.

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Local 20316 Notifies Delinquent Members

Several letters have been sent to members of the Warehouse and Inside Workers Union, Local No. 20316, explaining to them their delinquency on dues. This is a reminder that after three months of delinquency, a member becomes automatically suspended from the Union, and that it will require a reinstatement fee of \$5, plus dues for the current month, plus dues for all delinquent months in order to become a member in good standing.

The Executive Board wishes to inform all members that the idea prevalent in some sections that if a member remains out of the Union for a year or more, they can rejoin at some far off date by merely paying the regular initiation fee. This is erroneous.

In the event a member who has received a letter on delinquency feels this is a mistake on the part of the Union, we request that he immediately contact the offices of the Warehouse Union, bringing with him receipts and dues book, or contact his steward on the job giving him all the necessary information in this respect.

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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.

A Small Thing

In its last issue, the Minnesota Leader carried a muddled editorial directed against V. R. Dunne, his speech at the army meeting, the Northwest Organizer, and—by inference—the progressive trade union movement in this city.

Vincent Dunne spoke at the army meeting as a representative of the Teamsters Joint Council in Minneapolis. The policy he expressed was and is the policy of the Council. He did not call for mob violence. He did what neither the Minnesota Leader nor the Labor Review has done—he PLACED the BLAME for the union splitting and raiding in Minneapolis where it belongs.

The Minnesota Leader knows, just as every worker knows, that the Northwest Organizer and the movement it represents is taking a position on the Minneapolis situation on its own specific merits. Where the CIO is actually organizing the unorganized—as it most certainly IS doing in many cities and states—we of course do not oppose it, and have shown this. But where a Stalinist clique, hiding behind the CIO, attempts to split up AFL industrial unions, we will fight such a move with all our power. Now, and hereafter.

The Minnesota Leader seems to forget that this paper cut its teeth, as it were, in a battle with a Farmer-Labor governor, demanding that the governor recall the militia, free the imprisoned leaders of the Drivers strike, and return strike headquarters to the striking workers. Yes, the Organizer had many an occasion to polemize with the late Floyd Olson. We had many differences with him, some of a fundamental character. But there was one thing you could say about Floyd Olson.

No matter how sharp our differences of opinion, he was never one to run to his paper and petulantly scribble an editorial against the vanguard of the trade union movement. Floyd Olson was a big man. He had our profound respect, and we his. No man ever saw Floyd Olson irascible, or sore, or anything but in complete command of himself—and therefore in command of others.

When the Minnesota Leader cautions the trade union movement to tread carefully lest it disrupt the reform political movement, it is certainly placing the cart before the horse. It is the reform political movement that is—or should be—responsible to the trade union movement. With us, this is ABC. The trade union is the basic unit of organization with the workers. Without the trade union movement, there could not possibly be a labor party.

Always a Good Harvest Among the Poor

The advance man for Death in this country is Low Wages. The death rate each year from the ten major diseases for Americans with incomes of less than \$1,000 yearly is twice that of the rest of the population, according to a report recently published by the Assistant Secretary of the Treasurer.

The ten most deadly diseases, responsible for three out of every four deaths, are heart disease, cancer, pneumonia, tuberculosis, diarrhea and enteritis, syphilis, cerebral hemorrhage, diabetes and appendicitis. "Where do these diseases strike most often and hardest?" asks and answers the report. "In the homes of the poor."

The death rate from respiratory tuberculosis is seven times as great among unskilled workers as among professional and business people. Pneumonia kills three and one-half times more unskilled workers; diarrhea and syphilis kill twice as many of the poor. "The death rate from all causes is more than twice as high for the unskilled worker as for the professional."

It's good to know these things, but ten times more important to do something about them. And that is just what the government and private medicine will not and cannot do. As long as capitalism exists, Death can always make hay among the poor, even though the rich with the protection they can afford, can hold him off.

A decent society, where intelligence and justice ran the show, could easily provide adequate medical care for all, and thus prolong the natural life of Man for many years.

We haven't such a society, but we have our trade unions. And through union action, we can force wages up to the point where the minimum medical attention can be the lot of the union man and his family.

Taxicab Strikers Still Meet With Minot Employers

The Minot taxi strikers have informed the North Central Drivers Council that their committee is still meeting with the bosses, with no results as yet. The strikers would appreciate any material help from other unions, as the main problem now is food. The morale is still very high.

The Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council sent \$100 Saturday. The Bakery Drivers have sent \$50, Local 221 has sent \$25, and donations have been received from Brainerd, Grand Forks, Fargo and Bismarck. All funds should be sent to Cal Rainford, 718 10th St. N. E., Minot, North Dakota.

At the October 6 meeting, George Wallan handed in his resignation as business agent. In the ensuing election, Cal Rainford was chosen for the post. Rainford is a former Yellow Taxi driver.

Councilman I. Diamond, president of the Minot city council, died last Wednesday night, and he will be missed by many a worker. This man was always friendly towards the labor movement, and did what he could to aid it.

According to a letter to this paper from Rainford, "there are those of us who will never forget what Mr.

Diamond has done for our movement in Minot. It is for us to prove worthy of the faith that he placed in us, with his time, money and energy. In Mr. Diamond we lost a good man. But he left behind ideals that we should strive to live up to."

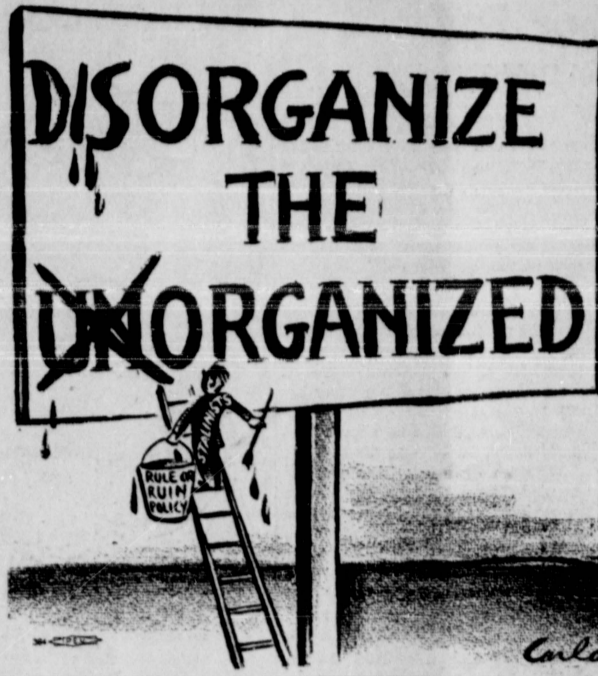
NOTES from MINOT

We understand that our largest transfer company has applied a ten per cent cut in pay. Members! This is a sample of what we will have to put up with until we complete our organization work.

The cut comes at this time of year because now is the season when men flock into town who have spent the summer on construction work, farm work, and so forth. The bosses realize this, and they know that the men, being unorganized, will work for almost nothing.

All this can be prevented if we are organized. This is YOUR job we are talking about. You have seen this happen before. It will happen every year until we join together and STOP it. Build the union! For higher wages and job security!

The New Line



Keeping Step With 544

By MICKEY DUNNE

"Slim" Ambrose is now the Head Man at Central Furniture.

The Watertown Chamber of Commerce held an election in the North American Creamery to find out if the Union should represent the employees—you can just imagine how fair it all was.

There was an Old Time Fink Drive on the Market Monday morning.

The North Central District Council is putting on a drive in Sioux Falls.

The furniture agreement is now in charge of two furniture stewards.

Let Us Pray

The Church of the Redeemer was battered by pickets of the Chauffeurs Union.

M. Dunne was in Sioux Falls and F. Dobbs was in Duluth over the weekend.

Haglund has returned from Minot.

Unimportant Facts About Unimportant People "Gasoline" Lund is in Spain.

V. Flanz was absent Monday.

Gilbert Carlson is now doing the heavy legal work for Local 544.

"Happy" Holstein will be a native of South Dakota some time.

Art Notes

The pen drawing in last week's Organizer was of Bill Brown, and

not Al Capone, as many supposed.

Several of the 257 Unions have made contributions to the Minot strikers.

Very few unemployed now.

Drivers are conducting a little struggle in Winona.

Tired, Boys? It was a poorly attended membership meeting Monday night.

There still is one un-unionist at Chippewa Water.

Our Hats Off To—

The Milk Drivers Union which is trying to institute a retirement pension.

The City and Sanitary Union which has taken on the Board of Park Commissioners.

The continued Fink Drive that is going on.

The plan for the Steward Day.

Frosig is in a rheumatizy.

The writer spoke to a bunch of St. Paul Bib Shots Monday noon.

An important steward meeting Friday night.

Brown is going to debate with a Standard Oil Driver.

Brain Trust Skoglund and Smith ran out of gas at 2 o'clock the other morning near Farmington.

Still dirty in St. Paul.

Even Fritz complained he was getting overworked.

No Word of Mr. and Mrs. Combs yet. We hope they have recovered from the ill effects of their recent accident.

Dope? Can it be some of those ITO trucks on the weed detail out on the Belt Line are harvesting the much talked about marihuana?

Late Reports No action with Phillippi for about ten days... a gravel job is in the making... Special to Mickey: Curt may be on to a \$4,000 treasure, but he'll have to dig plenty deep to reach it...

Superior Coal is doing business at the old stand... Fat Bergeron ran into a little dynamite Friday morning... Groves handed out a few pay checks on the U. work... Worry of the week: Trying to sell a certain blue Plymouth Coach.

Local 804 Negotiates With Retail Grocers The Retail Grocer Clerks Local 804 had its regular bi-monthly meeting last Monday evening at 18 North Eighth Street, in the Central Labor Union hall. A fair crowd attended. The contract was the main topic of discussion. Negotiations with the board of directors of the Retail Grocers Association have been very satisfactory.

The sole remaining obstacle is the acceptance of the contract by the membership of the Association. A meeting has been called for this purpose and will be held Thursday evening.

In the event of favorable action, a contract will be signed with 800 grocers in the city of Minneapolis. It is our first big step and we feel we have the ball rolling in great shape in a short while.

All grocery clerks—please take notice that the union meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday of each month, at the Central Labor Union. The next meeting will be held October 25, Monday, at 8 p. m.

Star Chamber Sessions Some of the boys had to carry their arguments on downstairs after meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Zander were in the center of one group.

Miracle Gosh! Where is all this work? Curt sold his truck.

Lots of Talk is Heard about coal haulers leaving their trucks idle in order to driver company trucks.

Some Fun Five or six of the boys had to be convinced that 4:30 a. m. was time enough to lock up. Maybe that's why Beanie had a headache all Friday.

AFL EMPOWERED TO EXPEL C. I. O., 7000 MINERS OUT

(Continued from page 1)
Union Subways

For several months there has been the threat of a strike on the great B. M. T. system of subways hanging over the heads of the New York City commuters. On October 11, this threat was lifted when the announcement was made that the company had signed an agreement with the Transport Workers Union granting the 12,000 workers a flat 10% increase in wages, vacations with pay for those in service more than five years, and a closed shop.

Defying their union and the international officers of the United Mine Workers, 7,000 miners left their jobs on October 8 in sympathy with the forty-five stay-down strikers in shaft number 7 of the Lehigh Navigation Coal company's mine at Coaldale, Pa. The strikers are demanding that they be paid regular "contract" miners wages instead of "consideration" miners salary. The "contract" scale is \$12.50 per day, the "consideration" scale is \$6.75. Of the forty-five who began the stay-down on October 5 there are but thirty-nine still down, six having been removed, ill with heavy colds and exhaustion. Five collieries of the Lehigh company are affected by the new walk-out. Union officials fear that the unauthorized strike will make the present contract, which has until May 1 to run, ineffective. The company refuses to meet with negotiators until the men come out. The men refuse to come out until the company grants their demands.

Plumbing Section, Local 20316, Meets

A section meeting of all employees of Plumbing and Supply houses with which the Warehouse and Inside Workers Local 20316 has contracts, was held Monday, October 11. The meeting was well attended. The unit made a request of all union drivers having orders filed at any plumbing supply house, that they demand union buttons from all inside workers. Henceforth, the regular section meetings of the plumbing supply workers will be held the second Monday of each month.

A well-attended meeting of January, Semple, Hill workers was held Tuesday, October 12. Seniority problems were discussed, and the question of considering the industrial form of organization for companies of this type was gone into at considerable length. A committee was set up to contact the necessary officials and to work out plans for the broader organizational frame-work. Grievances which have been dragging along for several weeks at this company were discussed. Demands were drawn up that these be settled permanently, so that they will not be constantly recurring.

The Warehouse Local is planning a Jamboree to be held sometime around the end of October. The affair will celebrate the first anniversary of Local 20316. Admission for the affair will be \$1. In charge of the elaborate arrangements are Don Penwell and Al Harrel, members of the union executive board. The exact date and place, together with other details, will appear in a later issue of the Northwest Organizer.

292 Negotiates for New Shop Men Pact

The final stages of negotiations has been reached between Electrical Workers Local 292 and the employers on the new shopmen section contract. The agreement, when finally signed, will be retroactive to October 1.

The Radio Section of Local 292 held a meeting Tuesday, October 12, at 1:30 a. m. which was very well attended by Twin City radio operators. The proposed agreement was discussed and ratified by the membership, and placed in the hands of the advisory board which will take it before the General Executive Board of the Union for approval. The contract will then be presented to all radio stations for negotiation. Hereafter, the Radio Section will meet regularly at 8 p. m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

Twin Ports Drivers Meet Longshoremans

A committee of Drivers officials consisting of Art Hudson, Patrick Corcoran and Farrell Dobbs, together with officers of Locals 32, 288 and 346 of Duluth and Superior, met in Duluth Sunday with a committee representing union longshoremans of the Twin Ports. A program was worked out for joint co-operation between truck drivers and longshoremans to unionize completely the handling of all freight moving through the upper lake ports.

NOT by Edgar Guest

WAR

I hear the rumbling thunder of the drum
the crystal sounds of the bugles blowing—and
the cheering noise when the soldiers come
they sing to glory, but 'tis to death—unknowing.

Who taught these youths to march against
AN ENEMY as foolish with bright shining eyes—
to howl and aim at another trench
to wave a FLAG and with waving lose their lives.

Can there be an enemy for men
who should sing and love and run in the field?
and find in nature not the shrill to maintain them
and the battle front with its deadly yield.

But the evening sun that is setting
rises anew with the red thunder of guns;
you'll ask, Oh what is the use of the fretting—
war will be welcome to them when it comes.

War is hell, and to march as a goose—
to flutter in air with the hunter below;
to see the wings stained when the bullets go loose—
and end of your world—with the shock of a blow.

Drawn out the thunder of the rumbling drum!
howl down the symbols—of the devilish breed—
you'll need your mind—if you don't own a gun—
to blow up the sower and uproot the seed.

—Harry Roskolenko

Fargo Bakery Strike Brings Closed Shop

Fargo, N. D.—The strike of inside bakery workers, called Tuesday, October 5, wound up this Monday morning, with every bakery in town now signed up in a closed shop agreement with the union. The struggle was very effectively backed by General Drivers Union Local 116. All bakery drivers are now in Local 116, and a contract is being formulated and will be presented shortly to the bakery bosses.

The bakery strike, being a real demonstration of the power residing in the Drivers Union, has stimulated the organizational work of Local 116. Almost all creamery drivers have now enlisted in the union. Negotiations between Local 116 and the transfer employers of Fargo are now nearing completion.

Eight Unionists Are Freed in California

Sacramento, Calif.—The Third District Court of Appeals in Sacramento last week reversed the decision of the trial court which in 1935 found eight young men and women union organizers guilty of conspiracy to commit criminal syndicalism. The crime of the workers was that they sought to organize agricultural and cannery workers in California.

Three of the victims—Pat Chamberlain, Edna M. Egan, and a woman named W. J. O'Connell, 6x8 feet, call S. E. Oakes, Regent 7775, 2720 1st Avenue South, or leave details at the switchboard.

Capitalism has reached a point where it ceases to justify its cost of production. Its tariffs, militarism, crises, wars, diplomatic conferences and other scourges, squander too much creative energy.

There is not a republic in the world whose foreign policy is conducted in the open.

bers, Martin Wilson and Jack Crane—who are still in San Quentin, are to be released immediately. The other five victims—Norman Mini, Caroline Decker, Nora Conklin, Albert Hougardy, and Lorine Norman—are also released from restraints and restored to citizenship. Four of them served terms in the penitentiary and were on parole. Lorine Norman was out on bail pending appeal.

Citizens' Alliance Under Surveillance

Washington, D. C.—The LaFollette senate committee investigating violations of civil liberties, will turn its spotlight on vigilante organizations as it resumes its hearings this fall. The Citizens Alliance of Minneapolis, and a similar strike-breaking agency in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, are among those being investigated, and whose officers will very likely be summoned to hearings.

Among a few of the anti-labor and fascist outfits under investigation are: The American Alliance; American Concentration, Inc.; American Defenders; Crusaders, Inc.; Hollywood Hussars; Order of '76; Paul Reveres; White Legion; White Crusaders; Washington's Bodyguard; American Christian Defenders," etc.*

The following patents were issued September 8, 1937 to Minnesota inventors, as reported by WILLIAMSON & WILLIAMSON, Patent Attorneys, 925 Metropolitan Life Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Graben, Clifford B., Minneapolis, Minn., advertising display device; Smith, Elmer M., Minneapolis, Minn., beer faucet; Stande, Edwin G., Minneapolis, Minn., automatic control for power propelled vehicles; Swanson, Waiford G., Swanville, Minn., waterer for poultry.

The following patents were issued October 6, 1937 to Minnesota inventors, as reported by WILLIAMSON & WILLIAMSON, Patent Attorneys, 925 Metropolitan Life Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota: Becker, Louis C., Eitzen, Minn., cultivator attachment; Burkhardt, Joseph, Townner, N. D., automatic blade adjuster for wind motors; Feltho, Erik G., Minneapolis, Minn., garment; Locke, James S., Minneapolis, Minn., heating system; Mahoney, Vincent P., and Kundert, W. J., Madison, S. D., automobile jack; Shepard, David C., St. Paul, Minn., container; Smith, Elmer H., Minneapolis, Minn., gun.

UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

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| <p>Local 664
The City and Sanitary Drivers Local 664 will meet the first and third Fridays of each month.</p> <p>Local 1086
The Retail Clerks Local 1086 will meet on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.</p> <p>Petroleum Drivers
The Petroleum Drivers will meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month.</p> <p>Federal Workers
Regular Membership Meetings—Second Friday in each month.
Stewards' Meeting—Every Wednesday, 8 p. m.</p> <p>Local 1859
General Membership—Oct. 6.
Casket Industry—Oct. 12.
Box Industry—Oct. 19.
J. R. Clark—Oct. 20.
Puffer-Hubbard—Oct. 22.
Twin City Stewards—Oct. 11, Oct. 25.
Local 20481—Oct. 25.
Local 20481 Executive Board—Oct. 4, 18.
Local 1859 Executive Board—Every Friday.</p> <p>Local 20316
Stewards—First and third Tuesday.
Regular Membership Meeting—fourth Tuesday.
Executive Board—Regularly every Monday.</p> <p>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.</p> | <p>Local 289
Retail Drivers—First Thursday.
Wholesale Drivers—Second Thursday.
Yeast Drivers—Third Tuesday.
Cake and Pie—Third Thursday.
General Membership—Fourth Thursday.</p> <p>Private Chauffeurs
The Private Chauffeurs will meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month.</p> <p>Local 292
Inside Section—First Tuesday.
Utility Section—First Thursday.
Full Membership—Third Thursday.
General Executive Board—Monday preceding first and third Thursdays.
Advisory Board—Every Tuesday.</p> <p>Local 131
The Laundry and Dry Cleaning Drivers Local 131 meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month.</p> <p>Local 125
The Taxi Drivers Local 125 meets on the first and third Tuesdays, at 4 a. m.</p> <p>Local 544
Friday, October 15—Job Stewards.
Wednesday, October 20—Petroleum Drivers.
Thursday, October 21—Tent and Awning Printing Drivers.
Tuesday, October 26—Taxi Drivers.
Night Drivers 1 p. m. Day Drivers 7 p. m.
Thursday, October 28—Transfer; Wholesale Drug.
Seniority Committee meets each Friday at 7 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.</p> |
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