Union Mass Meeting at Auditoriun Set For Monday, April 11

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Labor's Attorneys Answer Leach-Inspired Suit

On the National Picket Line

relief, "for the purpose of recruit- ment of March 3, 1937. ing them into military service." WPA officials have complied, his action from a slight affair that sending out letters to all public occurred at 35th and Dupont Ave. New York City, asking these ofin its recruiting "as a means of

It is not alone in up-state New York that this recruiting is going on. Colonel McGruder, acting re-cruiting officer of the Second Area, revealed that a meeting had been held between representatives been held between representatives of the army, navy, and aircraft services and the local WPA administrator, Lieut-Col. Brenon B. Somerville. Colonel McGruder emerged from this conference to announce publicly that it was his "conviction" that all those now on relief who refuse to enter military the union will of course take the service will be denoted from feel. service will be dropped from federal relief and work relief rolls.

Colonel McGruder's "convic tion" caused much embarrassment among federal WPA and War Department heads. These mighties denied that anyone would be drop ped from relief because of refusal to join the army. However, their denials lacked in conviction. Actual happenings speak much

Meanwhile, official figures re veal the fact that more than 3,000,000 men have lost their jobs during the last few weeks. This new influx into the army of the unemployed swells the number of \$30 for a 44-hour week, the new contract specifies a straight. 75c jobless to more than 13,000,000.

The Relief Deficiency Appropri ation, asked by Roosevelt, will specifies the closed shop, a stricter seniority, the week's vacation with 000. What is to happen to the other 500,000 of the newly unother 500,000 of the newly un-employed, which this deficiency is supposed to take care of, is a matter of conjecture. It is not hard to imagine, however, what use will Har be made of the \$1,100,000,000 liams represented the union in the also asking for.

The strike against the United Color and Pigment Company of Newark, N. Y., is now in its nintl This strike was organized and has been conducted by 325 workers recently brought into the United Mine Workers Chemical Division. It has been carried on entirely by rank-and-file direction (Continued on page 4)



Killed Him?

Patrick J. Coreoran was murdered by unknown persons on the night of November 17, 1937. The Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council offers a reward of TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the murderers.

Local 292 Asks N.S.P. Statement

Executive Board of Electrical Further evidence that the Workers Union Local 292 ad-Roosevelt administration is planning to use the relief rolls, WPA to R. F. Pack, president of the projects, and CCC camps as re- Northern States Power company, cruiting grounds for the army and calling his attention to the fact navy is shown in the revelation of that Mr. Miller, company repreevents now transpiring in up-state
New York. The U. S. army recrafting service has asked WPA
union informed Pack that it conofficials in that area for lists of unmarried men on direct and work violation of the working agree-

Miller has apparently motivated South on Monday night. The Flat New York City, asking these of-ficials to cooperate with the army in its cooperate with the army an apartment house there and reducing your relief rolls and the lights. Local 292 heard of the there had been some trouble with trouble after 9 p. m. Monday evening. Following investigation by union officials, the incident was completely disposed of, in the regresponsible unions in this city.

In its communication, Loca necessary actions to protect itself

Local 544 Signs **Printing Pact**

printing contract was signed be-tween General Drivers Local 544 and about 52 printing shops in Minneapolis. Approximately 150 drivers, inside men and clerks are involved. Inside workers received a straight 5c hourly crease, bringing them up to the level of the rest of the industry. Whereas last year drivers received contract specifies a straight 75 hourly wage.

The new working agreemen seniority, the week's vacation with pay, and double time for Sundays week is guaranteed 36 hours of

Harry De Boer and Tommy Wil-

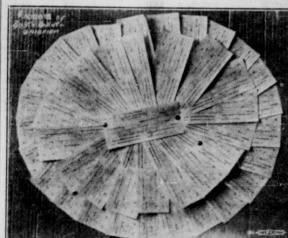
Jewel Tea Unfair To Drivers Local 275

The only tea company in Minne apolis still unfair to the Tea and Coffee Drivers Local 275 and the rest of the union movement, is the JEWEL TEA COMPANY, it announced this week by Local 275. Last month, the Crescent Tea com pany signed up with the union, be to the Drivers. The other four fair firms are: Twin City Tea; Japan Tea; Globe Tea; and Stan-

Bakery Drivers Hold Special Meeting

A special membership of Bakery Drivers Local 289 will be held Thursday night, March 10, to discuss the counter-proposal which the union has received from the in negotiating a new contract.

\$1,000 Worth of South Dakota Unionism



Above are pictured checks totaling about \$1,000, which the General Drivers Union Local 277 of Watertown, South Dakota, has collected for its members, employees of the North American Creamery.

delegates held a thorough discussion of problems involved in the ment effected around the first of February this year, one thousand industry dollars in back pay was collected for Local 277's members. Just one was reached on a set of wage de

free of cabs, as the fourth week of demand of the Joint Strike Com-

ment among themselves as yet for aged with little difficulty.

the strike closed.

The past week saw little change in the strike situation. Reports came in that the employers were the strike closed.

Above all, although it wasn't

busy conferring together, but apcity. A handful of finking at news anymore, the fact remained

parently were coming to no agree- tempts were reported and discour- the bosses weren't making any

The Bosses' Bloodhound

Over-Road Contract Drawn Up

Chicago Meeting Elects 8-State Committee — Ask Employers to Negotiate Organization Drive

Moving swiftly on the heels of the recent Soux City conference, the campaign for complete union-ization of the over-the-road motor transportation industry in the rth central trade area took a remendous forward leap at the nference held in Chicago, Ill., on March 2-5. Present were dele-gates from drivers' unions in eight states, and four representatives of the International Brotherhood of

During the four-day session, the

Daily strike meetings heard out

Cab Strikers Firm

For \$4-Day Demand The 450 striking cab drivers stood firm for their original demands and kept the city streets commission system remained the their family cases.

Section of 544 and the W. A. of mum budget as a basis of assistance to clients. This was done to clarify a very messy situation. In Anoka County all relief, all need hand information of the struggle grossly and scandalously under-

Mpls. Labor Mass Meet April 11

ers in this city are looking forward—Monday evening, April 11. The member's dues must be paid are lawful and in furtherance of

meeting attended by the executive meeting. Union, the Teamsters Joint Council, the Building Trades Counci and the Printing Trades Council a speaking program was arranged and committees set up to super-vise various sides of the meeting. Serving on the Auditorium Committee are William Brown,

Harold Seavey, and Walter Frank. Those chosen for the Committee in Charge of Publicity are John Boscoe, Walter Frank, William Sinnott, Miles Dunne, Robley Cramer, Walter Hackett, Joseph O'Hare, and Claire Johnson.

A plan for financing the mass gathering, whereby every member of a union affiliated with the Central Labor Union is to be taxed 3c, was to be placed before the Central Labor Union at its March

All Hostile Charges Crushingly Refuted

18 Relief Fight Continues In Anoka

The County Commissioners of Anoka County have again passed the buck back to the County Welfare Board. Recent developr in the situation in Anoka County have necessitated that some find out in whom the authority to

Vets to Discuss Relief March 12

All World War vets are urged to attend the veterans' meeting to be held this Saturdey morning, March 12, at 10 a.m. in the Drivers' half, 257 Plymouth avenue. The meeting is sponsored by the Veterans Committee of the Federal Workers Section of Local 544. Reports will be given on plans for raising veterans' relief and supplementary standards; for securing dental and optical care; on plans of the veterans' committee; on the present world war crisis.

Guest speaker will be Felix Morrow, who will analyze the current political situation in the world.

Issued by 20316

The broad union committee in hearge of arrangements for the laid off through no fault of their coming monster mass meeting at the Minneapolis Auditorium, has announced the date of the event work card by the financial secrework card by the financial secrestances, "closed shop contracts stances, "closed shop contracts the secrestances, "closed shop contracts the secrest towards which all organized work- tary upon application at the union have been entered into with em-

Every single union worker in Min- for the month in which the out-oflegitimate union objects and purneapolis is hereby given notice to meapolis is hereby given notice to work card is issued. Upon returning to the job, the member shall to let nothing interfere with his attendance at this mass meeting, work card with the steward, who the most important gathering of its kind to be held in this area such lay-off, and deposit same with elected is refuted by reference to the financial secretary not later the known facts and to the laws Last Thursday afternoon, at a than the following regular steward laid down by the Teamsters International governing elections. The assertion that no redress is avail-

An important general membership meeting of the Federal Workers Section of Locai 544 will be held Friday evening, March 11, at 8 p. m. Two man problems up for discussion will be the fight to retain supplementary relief, and the fight against Mayor Leach's attempt to outlaw relief organizations.

Al Bastis, of the Ways and Means Committee of the City Council, will be a guest speaker. Bastis will talk on "The City's Relief Financing."

Every member of the F.W.S. is urged to attend this meeting and to participate in the drafting of plans to defend relief standards.

Organized labor of Minneapolis, through attorneys Gilbert Carlson and John Goldie, this week filed in District Court a detailed answer to the Leach-inspired suit against General Drivers Local 544.

With the unanimous backing of the Teamsters Joint Council and the Central Labor Union, Local 544 is fighting this case to the finish

The union's answer pointed out that one of Leach's stooges, John D. Ryan, was not even a member of 544 at the time of the suit, while the four others, John M. Asplund, Edward Corbett, Adolf Svenddal, and Robert Fischer, just prior to the suit "for

ulterior and political motives" "and to interfere with the affairs of Local 544," "conceived the Park Board Deals Blow to Workers scheme and plan to prepay plain-

ing conditions."

benefited thereby."

Slanders Refuted

The slanderous charge that the

union officers were not regularly

able to aggrieved members is coun-

tered by direct quotation of the constitution of the Teamsters In-

ternational, showing the many procedures provided whereby

members can appeal on grievances.

that the Teamsters Joint Council

and the Teamsters International

"are necessary and indispensable parties of this proceeding."

Labor's attorneys also point out

In the ensuing years, "contracts

with employers have been obtained

for living wages, hours and work-

ing conditions with the result that the condition of the average em-

and all members have

Briefly the picture is this. On February 11 the Federal Workers

Since February 18, 1938, the Minneapolis Park Board has experienced the most drastic reduction of personnel in its history. Boss Suit
The Leach-instigated suit had equal or greater than in 1937. Over 150 men, members for the attacked the work of the union's Federal Workers Section in se-curing unemployment relief for most part of City and Sanitary Drivers Local 664, have received lay-offs in the past few weeks. its members and other workers, The only conclusion to be drawn and also attacked "illegal picketis that this widespread action is ing," and closed-shop co tude of the Park Board. Employees in this section began orployees in this section began or-ganizing last May and today are gades who signed the complaint. Much of the 13-page answer o

the union is devoted to a detailed Such actions, according to Har-old Seavey, business agent of Lodescription of the union's financial accounting system and to crushing cal 664, serve to call sharply to the attention of the labor moveproof that it follows the dir laid down by the Teamsters Interment in Minneapolis something that has long been overlooked. There are too few representa-tives of labor on the Park Board," Allegations about the "lack of Seavey stated early this week. In freedom" resulting from closed-view of the laying off of such shop contracts are met by sharply Anoka presented a proposed mini- large numbers of union men, no contrasting conditions before and after the rise of Local 544. "Prior one can dispute this.

is determined by a Miss DeVois, between employees and the Park (Continued on page 4) Board by watching this column. paid and were forced to work under unfair and burdensome work-

Out-of-Work Cards

house Workers Local 20316 calls attention of all members and stewployee in the truck driving indusand to the new procedure relative try has been materially bettered and improved and the shameful

FWS Meets Friday to Defend Relief Standards

St. Cloud Drivers Strike Kraft Co.

St. Cloud, Minn .- For the past two weeks, the Drivers Union in this city has been striking the Kraft Cheese company. This firm is unfair to the union. Four men are involved in the strike.

Make Minneapolis a Union Town

F-L Third District Convention Cleans House

Trade Unionists Unite With Farmers to Jutions was that opposing the state Trounce Boerbach-Seestrom Clique—Hil- Farmer-Labor constitution amend liard Smith Ousted from State Committee ment recommended by the Henry -Stirring Anti-War Resolution Adopted all primary contests would be out -Attempt to Divide Rural Sections from lawed and individual members and City Workers Fails — Clique Obstructs units supporting such contests would be disciplined and charters Transaction of Business

A united front of workers and farmers gave the Boerbach-Seestrom clique a thorough trouncing in the Third Congressional District Convention of the Farmer-Labor Association, held Sunday at the High at Columbia Heights.

Outraged and disgusted at the conduct of the machine which ran the Hennepin County convention at will a week before, the representatives of Minne-apolis trade unions, rural Hennepin and other rural sections, joined with the delegates from the Tenth and Third Ward Clubs to wrest

control of the district convention from the machine's grip.

Important Victory

The victory of the progressives was particularly significant since the Third District comprises half of Minneapolis-the first, second, trict, the progressives polling 59 1/2 third, part of the fourth and all of the ninth and tenth wards, and the trade unions which send delegates convention committees brought Teigan for re-election. to both this and the Fifth District similar divisions convention-all of rural Hennepin, and Anoka, Isanti, Chisago and Washington Counties.

Hilliard Smith Ousted

mer-Labor state executive comgressive vs. machine vote gave the

to elect Ahlstrom. To curry favor the Hennepin County convention, with the rural sections, Boerbach is due to their knowledge of the offered no second candidate to oppose the progressive's choice of C. the Farmer-Labor masses. Elmer Johnson of Chisago County, but concentrated all efforts on electing Ahlstrom over W. F. Bennett of Minneapolis.

Principle vs. Sectionalism

Boerbach played his trump card a demagogic appeal to the rural delegations to vote for separating the election of a rural committeeman from that of an urban committeeman, by which device a separate caucus of urban delegates would have elected Ahlstrom, since the trade unions were hopelessly under-represented in apportioning delegates. But this appeal to sec tionalism fell flat. The rural delegations spurned the attempt to gates gave up and adjourned. divide city and country progress-ives. City workers and rural ele-

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ments joined together to oust Hilhiard Smith and prevent a new stooge from taking his place.

Test Vote on Chairman The first test vote of the day came on the chairman for the disvotes for John Simcoe against

Anti-War Resolution

placing the convention clearly and The most important posts with- the National Administration's war in the jurisdiction of the conven- preparations, was recommended ere two seats on the Far- unanimously by the resolutions committee of eleven, and adopted mittee, and a clearly defined pro- by the convention by a viva-voce vote. Only one Boerbach-Seestrom progressives a resounding major- supporter shouted no, although it ity. The notorious union splitter, is a notorious fact that the clique Hilliard Smith, incumbent committeeman, did not dare run for re- ment and is in favor of the Roose election, his faction running Ralph velt armament program. The studied silence of the Boerbach-Sees Led by Boerbach as floor leader, trom crowd on this question, the clique made a desperate effort which they did not even raise at widespread anti-war sentiment of

Filibustering

chairman revealed that the progressives had a decisive majority the Boerbach clique turned to obstructive tactics designed to prevent the transaction of busi Appeals against the chair, roll call otes, and every other device were employed to prevent the majority sult of these tactics, a number of ed unanimously by the resolutions mmittee, never got to the floor. As the evening wore on, the dele-

With the Limousines

held Tuesday, March 15. Let's see faces. Everybody get down to this meeting. We will Local 912. ave some new members present

The steward at Harry Smith's

Johnnie Fitzsimmons. He is also on the Committee of Three that we have there to settle any

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if the person who lost a scars at our dance will call me, I will re-

Teamsters Joint Council meetdon't forget our meeting on Tues-



Bill Brown Says-

Pete Warhol says he is all for organizing the unorganized. So does his friend Hilliard Smith. But they wait for us to do it and then try to raid our men.

Labor Leaders Urge Russia Adjourn New Moscow Trials

Calling upon the Russian Gov- Federal Workers Section Local cow trial until a committee of labor and liberal leaders can arrive to attend the trial, a group of prominent Minneapolis labor leaders last week warned Ambassador decision handed down by the International Commission of Inquiry headed by John Dewey, character izing as deliberate frameups the previous Moscow trials, is almost universally accepted by the American labor movement, and another trial under like conditions and without legal guarantees to the de fendants will still further blacken the repute of Soviet justice."

Among those signing the com Secretary-Treasurer of the North Central District Drivers Council; Schultz, Assistant Business Man-Woodenware Workers Local 1 20418; Fred Diedrick, President 289; Ed Palmquist, Chairman of and purges."

BAKERY

Privers, Thursday, March 17. Both

By this time most of you h

n St. Paul. As reported in the

paper, he was only slightly in-ured. The truth is, however, that

was quite seriously injured, and

Dolglas Cox of Red Star Yeast

ss. He was married Sat-

as cast his vote against single

I guess Gene Langseth, Glad-

ness, really got scared of his dog. Anyway, he's given the purp to

Roy Vigoren. Roy says he can

s having a tough time of it.

orday, March 12.

handle him.

neetings at 7:30 sharp.

ernment to adjourn the latest Mos- 544; Ray Rainboit, Business Rep- ization will officially represent the Local 221; O. R. Votaw, Secretary-Treasurer of District 77 of Warhol, by writing that "at the the International Association of present time, we are informed that Machinists; Joseph Pease, Business the Furniture Workers Union Lotional Association of Machinists; ees," showed that he was fully con-William J. Heigel, Business Agent scious of the fact that the Furniof Electrical Workers Local 292; ture Workers Union had a cor Oscar Coover, Organizer, Electri- tract protecting these men, and Workers Committee; and Herman Husman, Business Representative of District CIO friends in Minneapolis. International Association of Addressed to Ambassador Troy-

novsky at the Soviet Embassy in Washington, the communication asks him to "kindly inform your government that the undersigned Miles B. Dunne, editor of the trade unionists subscribe to the pro-Northwest Organizer; Henry posal already transmitted to you by Oswald Garrison Villard, John ager of Electrical Workers Union Haynes Holmes and other friends No. 292; James Bartlett, Presi- of the Soviet Union, calling upon dent of the Warehouse Workers Union Local 20316; John Jonasco, journ the latest Moscow trial until Business Representative of the a committee of labor and liberal Local leaders arrive to attend the trial. "In this international war

of Furniture Workers Local 1859; crisis," the communication con-Bill Brown, President of General Drivers Union Local 544; Joe Lear, President of Private Chauffeurs Local 912; Harry De Boer, President of Bakery Drivers Local continue the system of show trials 289; Ed Palmoujet, Chairman

Continually working overtime; not all of us. punching timecards every day, in and out; pulling out before six Next meetings: Yeast Drivers, livering on Sundays. So guide at once. ourself accordingly.

Reese Shoop, Loren Johnson, leard about Ray Bofferding of day, Feb. 26. They got nailed for lations. dance out on Lake St., and to the Bowlers dance on Plymouth.

> Another casualty at Purity Another casualty at Purity including the second meeting of the month. You also will be eli down a stairway and was badly gible for your sick benefit if this

'We Shall Have Music" Says Local 20316

From the response already shown, there is every indication Here is a list of things you that within the next few weeks the light be fined for, things conwill have a Union Band definitely under way. Several members of The following patents were issued Feb. 22, 1938, to Minnesotis inventors, as reported by WILLIAMSON & WILLIAMSON, Patent Attorneys, 225 Metapopultan Life Bidg., Minnespolis, Minn., Fisher, George H., Minnespolis, Minn., Fisher, George H., Minnespolis, Minn., Players of the following band

Players of the following band instruments are asked to get in touch with Penwell at Local 20316's office, 257 Plymouth Avenue: trumpet, clarinet, saxophone, trombone, alto horn, baritone. touba, bass drum, snare drum. The union hopes to have its

band in shape to play for the May Day demonstration this year

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Local 1859 Hits Warhol For Attempted Union Raid

Officials of Furniture Workers Local 1859 this week New York. \$2. accused Pete Warhol, business agent of the Upholsterers Local 61, of irresponsible actions in his attempts to start order for anyone active in the a jurisdictional dispute at the Air-Loc Seat company, 33 Holden St., where Local 1859 has held jurisdiction over relax a couple of hours with a relax a couple of hours with a these employees since early last summer.

In the contract signed by the company with Local with a middle-aged oboe player 1859 in 1937, 5c hourly wage increases and a 50c hourly minimum were established, starting July 1, 1937.

The company assembles and in- reached by the Mid-West Advisory talls theater chairs and modern Council of Furniture and Kindred tubing furniture. At present, Products Workers, at its meeting about 20 workers are employed at in Oshkosh, Wis., early last year. the Air-Los plant.

Warhol Goes to Boss

resentative of Ice Wagon Drivers employees of your firm as we have Agent, District 77 of the Interna- cal 1859 represents said employcal Workers Local 292; C. R. Si- that his own reactionary actions nonson, of the Joint Board of the could only be interpreted as raids Organization on established union along the lines followed out by his

Violates Agreement

Laundry Lingo

working. We haven't a single If anyone sees a solicitor of any kind, call the office at once and let us know his exact location immediately. Our contract says: No

soliciting. Be sure and attend the huge abor mass meeting at the auditorium on Monday evening, April of Locals affiliated with the Min It is of vital importance to

Beginning March 1, the a. m. if you are a city bread or for dry cleaning drivers is \$27.05 cake man; not paying your dues guaranteed. If you do not receive before the 10th of the month; dethat amount, report to the office

Off the street at 6 p. m. week Reese Shoop, Loren Johnson, days and 4 p. m. Saturdays. Pen-Joe O'Hare and wives attended alty for violation, \$10. Reports are coming in that there are vio-

> According to the amendment to our by-laws, you may pay you dues without penalty up to and carried out.

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Warhol was present at the Oshcutive committee of the AFL

Local 1859, like other progresve and responsible unions in this city, has leaned over backwards dictional disputes which only react against the interests of the workers involved.

This isn't the first time Warhol has tried to snipe at and split other union locals. The entire progressive labor movement in Min neapolis is up in arms against thi latest outrageous act of Warhol' and serves notice on Warhol and Warhol never contacted Local all his kind that such reprehensi-1859 to inform it of his actions, ble and anti-union acts will not be

Ask Auto Salesman For Union Card

sed car, be sure the salesman has his paid up union card in Autocase of sickness on record in the mobile Salesmen's Union Local 1420-that is the request that went out to the union move from Local 1420 this week. This organization pledges itself to do everything in its power to assist other union organizations, as asks for the cooperation of all We hope to be an effective addition to the rapidly growing arm; said officers of Local 1420 in

which went to Minneapoli

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Book Review

MEET ME ON THE BARRI-CADES. By Charles Yale Harrison. Charles Scribner's Sons,

darned good novel. The tale deals named P. Herbert Simpson. A vague supporter of the People's Front, he is more and more haunt ed by the ghost of Lenin and the Communist Party slogans of yesteryear. The book is a great study of the artist-liberal psychology, kosh conference and knows that a rious times during the two days resolution was passed outlawing covered by the story, Simpson pany, Warhol recently informed all jurisdictional disputes between identifies himself in his imaginaupholsterers and carpenters in this tion with a symphony conductor, rea, and providing that the exsculive committee of the AFL in Spain, a great lover, a leader should settle any differences that in the 1917 Russian Revolution, and in general a confidential adviser of statesmen, actors, novelists, journalists and politicians

The high spot is a scene in a saloon, where Simpson, a Spanish violinist and a New York newspaperman sit around discussing the Moscow trials and the Spanish

Shade Workers Meet Thursday Eve

A meeting of all employees of the Warren Shade company, members of Furniture Workers Local 1859, will be held Thursday night 8 o'clock, at 257 Plymouth Avenue. The meeting will discuss the new contract to be drawn up for presentation to the manage

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many of the voters revealed clearly that they thought they were voting to save the Farmer-Labor Party from disruption, and had no idea that the vaguely-worded reso lution might be interpreted as has 1917 or hostility to other workingclass parties than the Communist Party. Responsibility for this mis taken action must be laid at the door of those who provoked it.

For Shoe Clerks Clerks Local 1086 presented a con-tract to the Packard Shoe store, the clerks at this establishment being 100 per cent organized. The union is demanding a 25 per cent increase in wages, and a shorter

Local 1086 Dealing

work week. If every union worker make aportant resolutions, recommend- the little extra effort to demand that he or she be waited on only short time before all the stores in Minneapolis are completely or-

> disputes that might arise. We sure are going to try and keep you busy, John

Was at 510 Groveland and signed up Jerry La Sere. Now you boys can take his money away poker game. He is a member of

I received my fourth degree last Monday. If you don't believe me ask me to roll up my sleeves when

When sending in your due lease send your due book also o I can put the stamp in. I will nail it back to you.

I am still waiting for so you boys to help me with this column. If you have any news at all, please drop me a line or call me.

I haven't heard if Harry Caligan got his hat back as yet, but

is on Friday, March 11, and





Labor Hails Anniversary Of N.S.P. Workers Victory

One Year Ago Electrical Workers Union Local 292 Won Closed Shop Contract - Story of Long Struggle for Unionism Retold - Many Gains Won by Organized Workers

As March third rolls around again, the Minneapolis and the various departments. labor movement joins the Utility Section of Electrical Workers Local 292 in celebrating the first anniversary of Workers Local 292 in celebrating the first anniversary of its strike victory over the Northern States Power company. Following the refusal of the management to sign an agreement with the union, the organized workers found it necessary to give a demonstration of their strength. On Wednesday morning, Feb. 24, 1937, over 700 employees of the Northern States Power company walked off the job. After an eight-day struggle, the After

After an eight-day struggle, the management, on Wednesday afternoon, March 3 of last year, gave its signature to a two-year contract, the agreement under which the management and the management with the man contract expires on Dec. 31, 1938. of Local 292 over the N.S.P. com Achievement Hailed

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tory since the drivers' triumphs in

Workers laid the basis for the present strength of the union, and won many important gains: the closed shop, seniority rights, wage increases of from 5 to 10 per cent, vacations with pay for all em-pioyees who had worked more

than two years, etc.
Scope of Pact

the strike victory. One with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, providing for union recognition for all local unions of the Brotherhood on any of the properties of the company. Second, the local union agreement between Local 292 and the Minneapolis General Electric company, providing that the union shall be the sole bargaining agent for all employees in the operating end of the electrical utility industry. This latter agreement covered all Minneapolis divisions of the company.

Leading Bowlers Take It on the Chin

With C. Petrick bowling a 565, the Consolidated blanked the lead-ing Cab Drivers. Thon had a 635 and helped Local 20316 win two from the Phillips Liquor, showing that the league leaders still have to take it on the chin. The Meat full 1932 wage cut, to observe privers, with M. Zimmerman's seniority, and to sanction meet-542, blanked the Soft Drinks, Des pite high scores by Hedin and Brennan, the Teamsters Council took two games from the Ice Drivers. Sammy Schullo was disgusted.

The standings:		
Team	Won	Lost
Local 125	45	24
Phillips	41	28
Meat Drivers	41	28
Local 20316	39	30
Ice Drivers	38	31
Soft Drinks	28	41
Consolidated	25	44
T. J. C.	20	49

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Through the strike, the Utility
For the instruction of those workers laid the basis for the workers new to the labor movement, it is worth while briefly re-counting the long uphill fight for tive bargaining agent for its em-

unionism waged by the utility ployees. To win this demand, the workers. The idea of organization union called a strike on February first took hold among N.S.P. em-ployees as far back as the fall of already noted at the beginning of 1933, when a combination of this article grievances against the company Two agreements were entered into with the company, following gave rise to the formation of the Overhead Department Club. Got Charter

organization approached with jurisdiction over all utility workers in the Twin Cities and vicinity. With the assistance of the International, a series of mass meetings were held that autumn During the next winter, the com pany made a number of conces sions to the workers, in an at tempt to stave off unionization.

Firm Union Core Nevertheless a group of work-rs, wholly loyal to the principles of unionism, understanding that only an established union could protect their jobs and conditions, and confident that the victory would ultimately be theirs, stuck to the job of organization.

On January 15, the company made further concession to its employees, agreeing to restore the ings between the union committee

Hopkins FWS To Give St. Pat Dance On 17

The Hopkins Local of the Fedday, March 17, at Olson's Hall, Excelsior Blvd., Hopkins, Minn. Admission is 25c, and a stantly coming in reporting where the lunch will be served. The dance will start at 8 p. m. All the good work, Overhead and Me unionists and friends of labor are ter Departments. nvited to attend

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Austin Labor Fights Scab Ward Store

cting solidly together, is giving real demonstration of how labor hould fight the chiseling Montomery-Ward company.

Following the firing of a union nan, and the subsequent refusal of the management to discuss matters with the union-Miscellaneous The union experienced great Workers Local 478-a picket line off the strike, the company pulled swers to any matters presented by a phony "secret" ballot the previous Saturday, under the eyes of

The Ward workers, new for the most part to the union movemen have signed up with the union and

of Local 292 over the N.S.P. company represented three and a half with the help of Vice-President The winning of the strike was considered in local labor circles to be the most important labor viculation to the contract of the most important labor viculation. The winning of the strike was considered in local labor circles to be the most important labor viculation. The best guarantee of victory bowever, is the speed and cooperation with which the entire Austin After all details were worked out labor movement has mobilized to in negotiations with the company, back the struggle against the Ward company, known the nation over for its repulsive anti-labor

The Joint Action Committee, epresenting all local AFL and CIO unions (in Austin, the CIO really responsible and progressive, unlike the phony CIO state set-up) met immediately and thoroughly discussed the situation at Ward's. By unanimous decision it was decided to back the strikers in a finish fight.

Says the Committee: "Either Wards can signify its willingness to play ball with organized labor in Austin by signing an agreement granting wage increases, seniority rights and all other benefits of or ganized labor-OR, Wards can nove to some other city where cab concerns are welcome and where workers like having their throats slit by chiseling, labor-hat ing establishments. The Joint Ac tion Committee calls on all labor to support the Ward strike and This is what helps to build a real anti-union machine in Austin.

Little change in the Ward strike was noted during the past week. The latest rumor is that Ward's will close down their Aus the last Utility Section Meeting. tin store and transfer their help it was a very interesting meeting. to other establishments. It is reported that the editor of the Auscompany and fight organized la- is expected to attend. bor. Every union in Austin has voted to support the Ward strikers "until hell freezes over."

> The meter readers are becoming more active. We knew they would see the light.

> This goes for the 5th Street Trouble Board and any other department that has a just squawk

How about it, St. Cloud? Let's rapidly. ee you down at the Stewards meetings, and please let the rest of us know of any doings you may

All stewards who have not settled up with the dance committee, please get in touch with the of-fice or attend the next Stewards meeting prepared to do so.

We are glad to hear that Brother Ray Adams is home from

fortune of slipping and breaking sure that he

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taken place since December 934, the day that Kirov, or

As the charges progress and the of victims steadily mounts, olic scepticism has grown every

rch 16, at 8 p. m. in the So list hall, 669 Second avenue Admission is 15c. The talk be given under the auspices the Minneapolis branch of the alist Workers Party.

M. Dunne Speaks Sunday on AFL-CIO

Miles Dunne will be the speaker he week at the Socialist Sunay Forum on the afternoon of arch 13, at 669 Second Avenue North. Dunne will speak on the question, "Will the A. F. of L. and the CIO Unite?" Admission 10c. Forums begin at 3 p. m

On the Route With the Milk Man

re President Ordeman was at a last meeting. Why, he was the sitting next to the president of the girl employees section, Eli

Many girls were heard to asi name of the good looking fel ow with curly hair who was parad ng at the last meeting. Could i e been Mike Lavery!

at the last board meeting. Good vork, Gust, keep it up

Pulp Workers Local To Meet Monday

The Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers Local 259 will hold tin Herald, boss paper, spoke at a a membership meeting on Monday meeting of employers in Austin, in which he urged the business men to organize behind the Ward

Milk Drivers Local Hodls Special Meeting

A special membership meeting of Milk Wagon and Dairy Employ ees Union Local 471 was held Wednesday night, March 9, to discuss the proposed new plan for a 20 per cent discount for cus

a wrist. Here's hoping it mends

We would advise Brother "Tarzan" Van Tassel to lay off the skating and wait until spring and

The members of Local 292 offer their sincere sympathy to the family of Brother Albert Wallin who passed away Saturday, February 26. Burial at Cambridge, Minn., on Wednesday, March 2.

Brother C. R. Moore is a patient at Brother Mike Tich had the mis- the Veterans' Hospital. We are would appreciate seeing some of the brother members



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M. I. Smith

Above is "Marvy," financial sec etary and business agent of Cab Drivers Local 125. old, he's been in the cab industry for ten years. A former bus driver. Head of the financial commit tee in the current cab strike. In his spare time, he organizes elevaor operators; at least that's what his friends claim. Smith was born in Elmore, Minnesota. For the past fifteen years, he's lived in Minneapolis.

Independent Truck Chatter

By R. F. Hornig Registration of nembers constantly among the missing.

Little Caesar claims he puts o much time that if he punched a time card his overtime pay would mount to more than his regular salary. Wonder what he'll do this spring and summer when he will will spring a double on us.

Guess everyone is back in the fold again. There hasn't been so many dump trucks seen working at one time for well over a year.

rade recently. Mahoney reports the best trade

The big dance will be held Saturday evening, April 23. The Comnittee has everything lined up and s only marking time until Lent is

over. Then we'll really go to town.

Everyone will be socko'ed for our tickets (25c per). months' dues will be paid for the nember who sells the most tick ets. A second prize of two month' payment and third prize of one his been offered to console the run

er-uppers. Pee-wee shovels are being nauled around the city these days thicker than fleas. Soon everyone will have a shovel to keep con pany with his dump truck.

Tom McCue got his job. Now here is the barrel, the boys want

This was dashed off Wednesday rning, March 9, in 14 minut fla,t and I'm late for work, an

With Shovel and Tongs

The cab strikers wish to thank drivers for the donations of ice and for their services.

When you buy butter, be sure and see that it has a Minneapoli stamp on it. You'll know it wa made under the union label.

Bob Shoberg and Al Henderson both of whom have been on the sick list, are back on the job.

After a short stay in the hospital, Dick Wilson is back home again. Lots of good luck from everybody, Dick.

A pretty good ice man was in the process of performing his serices to a certain stop, when he had a slight mishap. After hook ice tongs, he did what was the very least he could do. He took her to doctor for medical treatment After arriving at the doc's office

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Iowa Labor Defends Sioux City Unions

Sioux City, Iowa-The Iowa State Federation of Labor last week placed itself solidly behind the several members of the Siour City Trades and Labor Assembly and the six members of the Gen-eral Drivers Union of that city, against whom an injunction was recently issued. The injunction was asked for by a local restaur-ant, the Voss Lunch, against whom the Cooks and Waiters Union has been conducting an eleven-weeks' strike. Three workers were involved.

Besides the injunction, the scal Voss Lunch is demanding \$107 00 in damages from the defen dants. Among those named in the uit are the president of the local labor assembly, and Jack Maloney, eamsters' organizer.

The State Federation of Labor has thrown its weight behind the Sioux City unionists and has delegated its attorney, Mr. Connelly defend the labor officials.

Texas Police Unloose Terror on 8,000 Strikers

San Antonio, Texas-In protest

rainst a 20 per cent w which would reduce weekly earn ings to less than \$2, over 5,00 pecan shellers went out on strike a short time back. During the strike, a regime of police terror ism has been instigated against th workers, mostly Mexicans. Polic have denied strikers the right t picket, have used tear gas, have beaten, clubbed and kicked me and women. Over 700 arrests have been made, believed an all-tim this part of the country.

One baby has died from the ef fects of the tear gas. The Peca Shellers Union, Local 172, ha asked local unions to send fund a support of the strike, to Box Henry Kelly just made the 1861, San Antonio, Texas.

> the good-looking nurse came or and proceeded to give first aid, bu as she uncovered the woman's arm the iceman fainted. Now what caused all this, I don't know. You'll have to ask the driver.

Sammy wasn't going so good Monday, and the bowling team dropped two to the T.J.C .- which s certainly the depth of something er other.

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Union Honored During the strike, Local 160 and Local 292 were merged, a ommon executive board was e tablished, and the N.S.P. worker Local 292 of the Electrical Workers Union, and in June, 1934, received a charter for Local 160, the Utility Section welded into a cal 292. The past year has seen the Utility Section welded into a compact and progressive labo body, which today enjoys the re spect of all of organized labor.

Further Difficulties

union continued

Watt Notes The last Stewards' Meeting wa ell attended and some very lively iscussion resulted.

union. How about making these meetings bigger and better? There was quite a turn out a It was a very interesting meeting

the floor; more of them should get up and make their views known. It was stated the big majority of operators are still with and in tend to stay with the A. F. of L.

Who was the meter installe

The operators had their say or

who did not report our union labe missing from a job at a certain eral Workers Section will give a large building in the loop recent-St. Patrick's day dance on Thurs-The Office reports lists are con

and put their program across.

All new meter loops, new ser ice heads and installations on nges and water heaters now beng put in should have our union

abel sticker on them. If they do not appear, report e address and wireman's nar

the Union Office promptly By doing this the union wirema be sure to get their labels, and the few who do not belong to the hospital. he Union will be easier to contac

All members should make it point to attend the next joint meeting Thursday, March 17th, to cast their ballots for the commit tee of seven to study the financial affairs of our local.

The members who volunteered heir services for decorating the ance hall spent a social evening ogether at the East Side Eagle nall Thursday, February 24. All eported having a good time. Even the Irish and Dutch were eating

The card games ended even???? Who took the six decks of cards

pickled herring and beering.

me with them?

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The current trial in Russia, in olving the lives of 21 men, the ast surviving colleagues of Lenin, as aroused greater interest roughout the world than any of seven preceeding trials which

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Quite a few brothers have asked

Gust Anderson was very active

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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.



Complete Text of Anti-War Resolution Adopted by 3rd F-L District Convention

WHEREAS there is growing danger of the outbreak of another World War, as is so clearly revealed by the actions of the National Administration in launching a gigantic program of naval and military expansion, including over a billion dollars for arms in the regular budget, an additional billion or more for new warships, and other military bills now being drafted at the direction of the Administration, and

WHEREAS the government's preparations for war are a mortal danger to the organized workers and farmers, as is revealed by the plans for a military dictatorship in war-time em-bodied in the Sheppard-May Bill with its provisions for compulsory conscription, prohibition of strikes, control of the press and regimentation of labor, etc., and

WHEREAS what is in store for opponents of war was even more clearly revealed by the boldness with which the Administration organized a lynch spirit against the Farmer-Labor congressmen and others who supported the Ludlow Amendment requiring a popular referendum before Con gress can declare war,

BE IT RESOLVED

That the Third Congressional District Convention of the Farmer-Labor Party goes on record against the war prepara-tions, and against the specific bills in which these preparations are embodied, and all other bills of the same kind, and instructs the Convention Arrangements committee to give this resolution the widest possible publicity.

Duluth Drivers Expose K-H-T Company Union Plan

"We Charge Less," Boasts "Independent Union"—Phones Set-up Does Not Fool Workers, Join Local 346— False Claims of Fink Organization Blown Up

Attempts of the Kelley-Howe-Thompson Company of Duluth, Minnesota, to put over a company union set-up in that plant and smash the section of the General Drivers Union Local 346, have been thoroughly exposed by officials of Local 346, in an article sent to the Northwest Organizer. The new company union set-up, known as the 'Wholesale Hardware Employees Independent Union,' is being fostered by high officials of the K-H-T plant and their stooges, in a desperate attempt to stave off the attempts of the workers to build a genuine union and win higher wages and better working.

superintendents; Carl Jarosch, or- ine unionists der starter; and three checkers, Roy Arksey, Clifford Nylander, and Lynder Lyholm

"Bargain Day"

Advertising that "We give more and charge less," the so-called Independent Union gives as reasons for joining it, that "wages will be ity would be "unfair to superior employees"-the stock argument of every boss against genuine

Boss Support Getting real chummy, the boss

association further claims that its establishment will bring a "return to that feeling of comradeship"because "the office is in sympathy

No Strikes

As clincher arguments, the sort " the independent outfit boasts that "we will not be required to go out on sympathy agreement without strike."

the independent union are quite structive purpose of reestablishcleverly drawn up, so as to give ing the landless farmers upon the

union composed wholly or partly of employees eligible for member-

Article XIV clearly shows the plans of the company in fostering its independent union. This sec-

bone-including all the real gen uine trade unionists working in Those particularly active in agi- this wholesale hardware establish tating for the phoney organization ment-will be fired immediately are Art Johnson, assistant super- after the company completes its intendent; Larry Harrington, auto plans. The company has only to department foreman; Matt Simon-sign a closed shop contract with sen and Lars Thoreson, assistant the finks, and then fire all genu-

Answer-Real Union

There is a growing reaction against the fraudulent set-up of the company, and many Kelley-Howe-Thompson workers have recently applied for membership in General Drivers Local 346 and are prepared to go to bat for a bona plant at

Farmers' Union Against All War. Roosevelt's Naval Budget

Little Rock, Ark .- Declaring itself in favor of the enactment of a constitutional amendment giving the people the right to vote hat will give any real union man a big laugh." the independent out-Farmers' Union closed its fourth annual convention last week.

The union convention strongly condemned Roosevelt's appropria doesn't say what KIND of an tion of \$400,000,000 for battleships, and urged congress to ap-The Articles of Association of propriate this money for the "con-

pation as a member of any other jected to the fact that Negroes lous toward human suffering. and whites were seated together There was absolutely no method as delegates. Another hall four blocks away was quickly secured, and the convention proceeded.

State monopoly in a capitalist The Welfare Board agreed to society is never anything else than establish the State Budget as a ing in Anoka on Saturday, March to the Welfare Board that they carry on the fight in this county



The Galley Slave Crew in the Cab Kitchen

CAB STRIKE ITEMS

Brother "Shorty" Rollins had a

Brothers "Roxy" Roxin and the

A concrete example of an irre-

sistable force striking an immov

able body was recently demon-

tween Darby Hicks and Frank

Our idea of showing the appre-

ciation of the striking cab drivers

to the various individuals and or-

ranizations who have helped us

financially, morally, and otherwise

is, to go right ahead and win this

History again repeats itself:

what famous general was it that

Some of these people who have

swell car belonging

found it necessary to call for an

emergency taxi-cab and get a rid

panies have to offer in the line of

"Alice the Goon" is stranded in

he wilds of Medicine Lake.

"Bob" Seitzer sure ran into

lot of tough luck on his trip to

Kansas City. He suffered a broken

sides completely wrecking his car.

keeps kibitzers out of his hair.

Every time "Baldy DeGarmo"

Would like to acknowledge the

said we'll fight it out on this line

strike, how's about it boys?

if it takes all summer?

transportation.

Who'll donate skis?

"Pat" Hurley.

nice job in the kitchen on the nite

more or less at a standstill.

strike now that negotiations are Hennepin avenue.

Norm Poirer stood alone once vent headlines for the cab drivers' ganize last Tuesday nite on lower nore, whence all but he had fled.

An old time Street Railway nickel-snatcher, Brother Bolander, waits in line for his daily tokens, slight mishap, breaking his lower about a settlement, he came down bet he wishes he had held out a plate. He is awfully glad the comfew hundred when he had first missary don't serve steaks oftener.

The daily attendance and reports are so complete that some nice ; members who thought they would- shift. n't be missed are conspicuous by their absence, maybe a written exruse from their parents should be forthcoming.

Our sincere thanks to Allen Solie of the City and County employees' local and Myrtle Larson of the Beauticians union for their timely talks at a recent meeting.

The Nicollet Hotel should appreciate this affair, being the closest to both depots, they get first choice of the walking delegates.

See Bill Sorenson with a ther os bottle, you don't suppose he's ooching the cook for coffee refills while on picket duty? Roy Wischow still smokes sto-

ies, I think he'd accept coronaoronas if they had a union bug on them, anyway they don't smell so bad alongside the more plebian brother Freddie Hartshorn, will be dissatisfied with what the cab com-

"Brother Rat" Egan, the Fourth treet play-boy, was seen smoking pipe. We bet some cigar com my withdrew their advertising

The lure of the open spaces keeps a lot of our boys in the winter and Transportation is difficult but the leg and other painful injuries bemajority will be here if they have to walk.

description of a picket: A guard always in readiness in case of section and local 544 for the alarm. Enough said alarm. Enough said.

Brothers Iverson, Olson, Sandbakken, Holmberg and Lunde took a little jaunt over to the twine plant at Stillwater, was very paid according to merit," and that the real union's system of senior- the real union's system of senior- to mpany's plan on the scrap heap.

Brother "Mich" Abood, we learn is about to become a father. Well, he would take a day shift last sum-

This here now, taxi-driving, nice work if you can get it.

The regular meetings are really resulting in the handful of cards pepped up when chairman Ray being thrown to the four winds, Sawyer is presiding. maybe the hand wasn't any good.

Our esteemed friend, Felix Morrow, is hard pressed trying to in- Felix Morrow were trying to or- ers.

Indian Giving

Relief Fight

Continues

was cast out, the board's previous "Who has authority to grant reaction rescinded.

After having been shoved

ins independent union. This sector is never anything else than establish the State Budget as a large in minimum. It was voted into effect on February 11. On F

Wonder what that H. S. means stuttering Swede are doing a very after Ben Erickson's name.

> Who is this Donald "Ducky Wucky" they're paging all over the place.

Slim Freisen must have thought

that he had advance information

to headquarters one morning all

dressed up in his uniform and

If a tall distinguished looking white haired gentleman rings you door bell be not alarmed. He not the neighborhood undertaker just George Swanson of the sich and absent department of the strike committee.

Thanks to the barber college some of our members look more human and now won't need to buy dog licenses or take up music.

Want gas? See Ray Rainbolt hen go buy some. Tokens are op

No taxi-cab collisions in Minne polis for twenty-eight days, easy for the cleam adjusters, eh!

Ted Ellingboe, the nite bull or ne dispatching desk, says, "Al you guys register the minute you come in, if you fail to do this im portant thing George Christofer will have to untangle your excuse and you all know the watchmaker can do that as easy as he can cus at a ninety-eight cent Ingersoll.

Bill Warner can't see why hi favorite black-jack game is "taboo" when they only make mind bets. We'll tell you, Bill. Some of very high to lose their alleged minds, that includes us.

We have a military routine about most things up here, can it be the influence of our army vet-erans? P. S. We don't need a bugle for mess call.

This week "Curly" Goodnough's office is esconsed on Emerson avenue, just over Lowry Hill. This More people should hear our numerous musicians and their "jam' sessions, in fact, we want a direct Maybe we're dumb, but we can't wire to a broadcasting studio so seem to understand the necessity our current "maestro" can play of the heckling of the committee to the world.

Clean up your plates, boys, there's rumors of hash from the hitchen are hitchen.

Of the heckling of the committee by a certain small element of drivers at every meeting, after all, the rank and file has the final vote of the tales, true, and we suppose of the tales, true, and the tales, true are the tales, tr otherwise, which are being retold here. gets up to speak someone barks like a dog and throws him com-

Wanted: A phonograph recording device, so some of these fath ers can leave at their respective Someone "goosed" Jimmie Cos- homes a record for the kiddies se tello in the midst of a card game they won't forget Papa's voice.

The kitchen crew has trained so well in their cramped quarters that they would feel at home with our Wonder who T. Williams and veteran year around trailer dwell-

lief in this county

Supplementary Aid

the appearance of representing a genuine union to the raw uninitiated worker.

However, a brief examination serves to expose the pretensions of this fink outfit. Article VI lists as a cause for expulsion, participation as a member of any other jected to the fact that Negroes are made as a cause for expulsion, participation as a member of any other jected to the fact that Negroes land."

After having been shoved around from piliar to post the committees from the FWS and the W. A. of Anoka decided that the time had come for a showdown on the buck-passing tactics of both the Welfare Board and the Board of County Commissioners.

After much argument, much heated discussion on the question, (and several side issues introduced by the commissioners) the commissioners got up, adjourning their meeting over the protect of more than a hundred workers and relief clients. For more than an ellief clients. For more than an ellief clients. relief clients. For more than an ciation for the union's sympathy Pertinent Questions

hour these persons sat in the meeting hall awaiting the return of of Mrs. Melaney. Mr. Melaney is tactics being pursued, a large the commissioners. After one delegation of Federal Workers and o'clock they came back and as the Drivers Local 471. Workers Alliance members from first piece of business of the af-Anoka County appeared before ternoon session, a motion was relief clients and WPA workers of

Over-Road Contract Drawn Up

(Continued from page 1) mands to be submitted to the em

The demands, which embody 46 hours; seniority rights; provisions to correct the unsatisfactory work- the strikers' family. ing conditions now widespread throughout the industry. Broad Committee

An inclusive negotiating com-mittee composed of one representative from each of the states in-volved was elected by the unions present. Committee members are Joe Scislowski, Local 200, Milwaukee, chairman; Farrell Dobbs, Local 544, Minneapolis, secretary; Michael Healy, Local 710, Chicago; Jack Wirth, Local 116, Fargo; E. G. Holstein, Local 749, Sioux Omaha; Carl Keul, Local 90, Des Moines; T. T. Neal, Local 41,

Drive Begins The union negotiating commitat an early date to open negotiademands are being forwarded to all local unions in the area, and an intensive organization drive has been launched along all the main trunk lines

John Geary, St. Paul, and John and Henry Berger, Chicago, and John Picago, Milwaukee, Interna-tional organizers, were in attendance at the conference.

Broad Group Defends Beal, Strike Leader

Another great labor case, in the adition of the Mooney and Saco-Vanzetti cases, is in the making. Facing 20 years in prison on a med-up murder charge, Fred E. Beal, famed leader of the 1929 extile strike in Gastonia, in n prison in Raleigh, North Caro na, having last week waived his fight against extradition from Masachusetts in order to wage a struggle on the spot for reversal of his nine-year-old jail sentence.

In a statement issued at the ime if his surrender, Beal declared that his action in dropping the fight against extradition from Massachusetts was merely a step 'in carrying out my steadfast deire since the days of the Gastonia trial, namely, to face squarely the sues raised by my arrest and sentence.'

Nearly one hundred prominent mericans, among them three Americans, members of Congress, leading literary men, educators and econo mists, have joined the Non-Partisan Committee for the Defense of Beal. Maintaining that Beal was innocent of the murder charge on which he was convicted, the Committee is seeking his vindication

Those in the defense group include: Ferdinand Lundberg; Hendrik Willem Van Loon; John Cham-berlain; Eugene Lyons,; John Dos Passos; James Farrell; Paul H. Douglas; Alvin Johnson; Sidney Hook; Paul Brissenden; Alfred M. Bingham; V. F. Calverton; Suzanne LaFollette; Benjamin Stolberg; Norman Thomas; Carlo Tresca, and others.

Little Change in 544's Gamble Strike

As the strike of General Drivers Local 544 against the Gamble Skogmo company went into its third week, there was little change in the situation. Striking union members continued their picketing of the Gamble warehouse and the various local Gamble stores. The union will continue the fight until its demands are met by the Gamble management, it was announced by union officials Wednesday

Thanks Drivers

The General Drivers Local 544 laney expressing his deep appre-

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(Continued from page 1) and has been marked by its militancy. The strike was called after the company had refused to sign a contract unless the workers were separate articles, provide proper a contract unless the workers were willing to accept a wage cut. The

> As the direct result of his own brutality Harry L. Barck, Poormaster of Hoboken, N. J., is dead and an imbittered, desperate relief client faces death or life imprisonment for his murder.

For forty-four years Harry L. Barck has been poormaster of Ho-boken. For more than four decades he has controlled the destinies of those whose misfortune it was to need aid and assistance in Falls; Tom Smith, Local 554, times of stress. This old man, miserly, brutal, cowardly, has administered relief in so cruel a manner that standards in that city are far below the standard of all other comparable cities in New ee has already served a formal Jersey. In 1936 when the state request on the employers to meet turned all relief administration over to the municipalities, Barck tions for the signing of an area immediately cut his relief load contract. Meantime, copies of the from 7,000 down to 30 persons.

He so angered the poor unfortunates with whom he dealt that several times he has been attacked. Recently such an occurance caused him to ask for and get constant O'Brien, Chicago, members of the International Executive Board, he interviewed before Joseph Scutellaro was thrust from his office into the waiting arms of his police guard. She is to be charged with disorderly conduct.

In December, Joseph Scutellaro, unemployed stonemason, applied to Barck for relief for himself, his vife and their two small children. ary 28, when they got a check for \$5.90. The children fell ill with the measles. Medical aid and some medicine was given them by the city health department. Joseph be-came ill and went to the same institution where he was treated for a nervous disorder.

On Friday, February 25, Joseph scutellaro went to the office of the poormaster to demand that they be given aid. He was one of nany clients who had to wait long hours to see the old poormaster. When he was admitted (according

then "next." When the cler opened the door Barck stood ove tion of all employees; uniform provisions for wages and work picketing, organized flying squad-provisions for wages and work picketing, organized flying squad-He had been stabled with a desk rons, and have obtained relief for knife. Scutellaro, stunned and probably unable to comprehend what he had done, stood docily to one side. The poormaster died before he reached the hospital.

> Everywhere in the world the evidences of the inevitable war to come are showing themselves more and more clearly. Soon the workars will be thrown into battles to kill other workers-against whom they have no cause for anger or hatred. Yet that hatred is being fostered just as it was before the last great war in 1914-17. Through the radio, the press, the pulpit and the movies, war hysteria is being built up for the masses. China and Japan—our "interests" in China. (The Standard Oil Company property must be protected). Spain, where the workers are fighting a losing battle against the capitalist classes of Italy, Germany and Spain. (The Ford Company lost much property through the closing and seizure of its plants

Today Makes 7,996 Days ...



UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

LODGE 382
Lodge 382, I. A. of M., meets
the second and fourth Fridays at 8 p. m., at 501 East
Hennepin.

LODGE 1313 Lodge 1313, I. A. of M., meets the second and fourth Thurs-days, at 501 East Hennepin.

LODGE 1037
Lodge 1037, I. A. of M., meets
the first and third Thursdays
at Olson's Hall, Hopkins.

LOCAL 664
The City and Sanitary Drivers
Local 664 will meet the first
and third Fridays of each
month.

LOCAL 1086
The Retail Clerks Local 1086
will meet on the first and
third Tuesdays of each
month.

PETROLEUM DRIVERS egular Membership Meeting— First Wednesday each month FEDERAL WORKERS
Regular Membership Meeting—
Second Friday each month.
Stewards' Meeting — Every
Wednesday, 8 p. m.

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

General Members 1859 LOCAL 1859
General Membership, Local
1859—March 2
Casket Industry—March 8
J. R. Clark Section—March 16
Executive Board, Local 1859—
Every Friday, 8 p. m.
General Membership, Local
20481—March 18
Twin City Stewards—Feb. 28,
March 14, 28
Executive Board, Local 20481
—March 7, 21
General Membership, Local
1859—April 6

LOCAL 20316 wards—First and third Tuesday
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.

days.

Executive Board meetings are subject to call. The Union office is now located at the above address.

Inside Section—First Tuesday
Radio Section—Second Tuesday
Radio Section—Second Tuesday
Shopmen's Section — Second
Wednesday
Utility Section—First Thursday
General Membership—Third
Thursday
Seniority Board—Every Monday
Utility Advisory Board—Every
Tuesday
General Executive Board—
Mondays preceding first and
third Thursdays
Inside Advisory Board—Alternate Mondays from G. E. B.
Examining Board—Second
Wednesday
Utility Stewards—Wednesdays
preceding first and third
Thursdays

LOCAL 131

LOCAL 131
The Laundry and Dry Cleaning Drivers Local 131 meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

LOCAL 125
The Taxi Drivers Local 125
meets on the first Tuesday at 4
a. m., and on the third Tuesday
at 7:30 p. m.

SIOUX CITY DRIVERS rievance Committee—Each Tuesday, Friday night tewards Meeting—Each Fri-day night

PRIVATE CHAUFFEURS
The Private Chauffeurs and
Helpers Local 912 meets the
first and third Tuesdays of
each month.

MEETING SCHEDULE

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LOCAL 544
MARCH, 1938
Sunday, March 13—Wholesale
Grocery, 10 a. m.
Monday, March 14—General
Membership
Thursday, March 17—Tent and
Awning, Printing; Newspaper, 10 a. m.
Friday, March 18—Job Stewards
Sunday, March 20—Over-the-

Friday, March 18—Job Stewards
Sunday, March 20—Over-theRoad, 11 a. m.
Monday, March 21—Building
Material; Furniture Stores
Seniority Committee meets
each Tuesday at 7 p. m. in
hall No. 1.
Grievance Committee meets
each Tuesday and Friday at
7 p. m. in Hall No. 2
Executive Board meets each
Wednesday at 9 a. m. in
Staff Room.
Note: There is a change in the
meeting time for the Seniority Board.