Women and Girl Volunteers Wanted for Labor Defense Tag Day Oct. 7th

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Government Charges 90 WPA Strikers With 'Conspiracy'

. One Woman To Another . . By Marvel Scholl

War and all its awfulness is all around us. It brings to memory borhood marching down Nicollet Avenue to the swing of a military band, waving to them and being proud that I knew them. There were three from our little commu-... the north side wasn't very well built up in those days and everybody knew everybody else. We had a flag at school because all of the boys had graduated from Penn. A white flag with a border of red and blue stars in the midand in three homes there were the same kind of flags each with one star on it, hanging in the window for the world to see . two of those blue stars were changed to gold before long. Two mothers turned over night from proud, self-satisfied women who were happy to have their sons "doing their bit," into old ladies, broken and beaten, harried by the

since millions of mothers the world over stood over the cradles of their infant sons and thanked whatever Gods they worshipped that those boys would never have to be sacrificed on the battle field because the "last war," the "war to end all wars," had just ended. Today those same mothers are living in mortal terror because those same boys who were babies in 1919 are now ready to become the cannon fodder of the new world war . . .

knowledge that what had once

been glorious manhood was now nothing but rotting flesh some

where in France . . .

Today in Washington the sena s and representatives which our otes sent in to power are meetto decide whether or not they will pass legislation to repeal the ms Embargo Act . . . today and norrow all over the country it the mothers who will follow ost avidly the actions of that gress . . . and it is the moth-and wives and sisters of the boys and men who can and must do something about the situation. There is a way out, a way to keep New Pact America out of the war. Since that last war we women have won the right to vote. We must demand the right to use that vote. War is the most important national question which ever comes before the peoples of any nation before the peoples of any nation
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allowed to vote on practically
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who lessel fruit houses. eatcher, why then, in heaven's residue that if hours are shortened there will be no reduction in weekot we shall send our sons or the sons of our neighbors to war? Can you imagine a mother, out, going into a voting booth where she is all alone, with no prying eyes to question her "patriot and voting yes on such a question—"Do you want your boy to die on a foreign battle field?"

There are approximately

Indicts 90 Men and Women for "Conspiring" to Close WPA Sewing Project — 54 Women and 90 Men Arrested to Date, AFL Defense Committee Releases All from Jail — All Strikers Arraigned Tuesday, Plead "Not Guilty" — Trials to Start Next Monday in Federal Court, Long Trial Seen — Walter Frank and Myrtle Harris Indicted — Anderson Says Strike Investigation Will Continue

around us. It brings to memory things which happened during the last war...things which should never be the heritage of one's childhood...I was just a little girl, ten years old, but I remember those things...things like seeing the big boys of the neighborhood marching down Nicollet Avenue to the swing of a military the Minneapolis WPA strike case.

the Minneapolis WPA strike case which saw the number of arrested victims reach 134. The rested victims reach 134. victims reach 134. Twenty-eight of the 162 indicted have yet to be arrested; the identity of the 28 is being kept secret by the U. S. mar-

pleaded not guity to the charge of the charg tronly woman, wins the prize to date with no less than 17 indictments. Among those indicted apolis strike: Myrtle Harris, an official of the Minneapolis Central Labor Union and a member of the Minneapolis library board: of St. Paul, Gene Larson of Mineral Workers Section; and James Rosenthal of the St. Paul Workers Benefit Association.

Frame-up Seen
Needless to say, the government has no facts to back up its
charges of conspiracy. And precisely here is where the danger
lies. In order to save their faces,
Murphy and his FRI agents may Murphy and his FBI agents may well prepare a frame-up against leading Minneapolis unionists. Workers will do well to watch the fingers of Murphy and be prepared to smash any frame-up at-

John Boscoe, president of the Central Labor Union, in a radio address given on July 28th over the state's leading radio stations, conclusively answered the charges of "conspiracy" then levelled against the WPA strikers by Gov-ernor Stassen and Murphy. Bos-

544 Signs With Market

Prospects of a strike in the city market district faded early this week when negotiations were completed for a new agreement tion, strict seniority and the pro-vision that if hours are shortened ly pay.

twenty millions of us-wovote. Let the Army of United Womanhood go to battle against war, against pestilence, against epidemic, against greed and avrice, and hatred. Let us fight a fight to end all wars. It is our task

Above is seen John Chudek, organizer of the All-Union Sports Council, presenting Jim Nevins, team coach, with two of the three by the Utility Workers Local 160 diamondball team in its successful drive for the city union title. Gerald Baldus, Local 160 president, is at the right. Chudek praised Local 160's team for its outstanding sportsman

ship during the season, which won it the sportsmanship trophy. The championship cups can be seen in the Northwest Organizer windo

Labor Temple Assn. In Alexandria Praised by Unions

Tuesday morning all 134 victims crowded into the federal courtroom for arraignment. All pleaded "not guilty" to the charges placed against them. Many oper placed against them many oper placed against them many operations of the magninous move of the Minneapolis. St. in placing its property at the diagram of the magninous move of the Minneapolis Labor Temple Association officials from Minneapolis, St. in placing its property at the diagram of the Minneapolis of the Minneapolis Labor Temple Association of the Minneapolis Labor Temple Association of the Minneapolis of the Minneap

1859 Signs Pacts with **Box Firms**

but during the peak season the force expands to 125. The six or seven small box companies are also renewing their agreement. Wednesday of the wednesday of the second and Larry Davidson. But the evening while taking three from the City Truckers, Swanson's Excavators lost a 2-1 deal to the Belt Line Dragline crew. Next with Larry Davidson. But the evening while taking three from the City Truckers, Swanson's Excavators lost a 2-1 deal to the Belt Line Dragline crew. Next with Larry Davidson. But the evening while taking three from the City Truckers, Swanson's Excavators lost a 2-1 deal to the Belt Line Dragline crew. Next with Larry Davidson. But the evening while taking three from the City Truckers. Swanson's Excavators lost a 2-1 deal to the Belt Line Dragline crew. Next with Larry Davidson. seven small box companies are Local 544 meets on the second nott and Larry Davidson. Brother also renewing their agreement with Local 1859.

Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be October 11.

Settled

were back on the job.

plant determined to clean up the Grand Forks. grievances that helped precipitate the strike, especially the speed-up system and the introduction of ble-Rob branch houses in Min

dozens of unions who contributed so generously to the strike fund. Harry Webber Local 20120 wishes to thank the The union particularly thanks the Bakery Drivers Union Local 289 for furnishing daily bread to the pickets. It had been erroneously reported that the bread was a gift

Teamsters Council To Participate in City's Centennial

Midwest Bakery Council to Meet In Ottumwa

This Saturday, September 30th at 10 a. m. the Midwest Bakery Drivers Council will hold its nonthly meeting at Ottumwa, owa in the Drivers Hall.

Seek Area

Pact with

Gamble-Rob

tween a committee representing

The required 10-day strike no

Mourned by Labor

Webber, assistant organizer of the Minneapolis Central Labor Union,

Women and Girl Volunteers

Wanted for Tag Day October 7

On Saturday, October 7th, from early morn to late at night, the American Federation of Labor's WPA Defense Committee will sponsor a citywide Tag Day to raise funds for the defense

urged to volunteer for this Tag Day. Headquarters for the Tag Day will be the Central Labor Union, 18 North 8th street. Grace

Elswick and Mrs. Walter Frank are in charge of registration.

Visit them or phone, Bridgeport 6837, and leave your naddress, and the hours during which you will be available.

he victims of the recent WPA strike.

All women and girls in the families of organized labor are

Strike at

Puffer Firm

In 3rd Week

The strike of Local 1859

against the Puffer-Hubbard com-

lice, moved a freight car through

thing leaving the plant being a

wire-cutting machine used in the manufacture of folding boxes, a

minor product made at Puffer-Hubbards.

ITO'ers Form Own

made up of eight different work-ing crews of Independent Truck

Owners of Local 544 started ou

the season last Friday night. The

pals on the County Mucker team. The Belt Line Diesel squad took

the ITO Committee for three

The Minneapolis union move-ment mourns the loss of Harry E. two out of three games from their

Bowling League

Council and Drivers Union Will Have Many Floats in Parade Monday Night—Teamsters Joint Council Will Have Booth in City Auditorium, Will Distribute Cen-tennial Pamphlet to Citizens—Organized Labor Will Be Well Represented in Celebration of Community's 100th Birthday—Open House at Drivers Hall During

The Minneapolis teaming crafts unions, which have played such an important role in the history of Minneapolis, will participate in the city's Centennial Celebration, the Teamsters Joint Council decided this week. The Council will be represented by a special booth at the municipal auditorium from which

will be distributed free copies of the Northwest Organizer and a new pamphlet explaining to the public the structure, achievements Council and the eleven unions and fourteen thousand members whom

The Minneapolis teamsters will also be represented in the huge parade next Monday night, October 2nd, starting at 7 p. m. in the loop. The parade will be the openng feature of the Century Celebration. Both the Teamsters Council and many unions, including the Milk Drivers, the Laundry Drivers and the Taxicab Drivers, will have

One of the features of the pa rade is expected to be the Milk Drivers Union's colorful section representing the progress of the milk industry locally. Pieces of equipment will be shown demon strating the old-fashioned way of pany is in its third week with the bringing milk from the farm to situation still deadlocked. The one the plant, in contrast to the modevent of the week occurred last ern use of insulated refrigerator trucks. An 1890 model milk wagroad switching crew, with the aid of eight detectives and twenty poon used in home delivery in Min-neapolis will be shown alongside a modern milk wagon and ice cream the picket line. The car was load-ed by the office force, the only truck.

the city, appropriately decorated with the local numbers of the eleven unions that make up the

The Minneapolis Central Labor nion and other sections of organzed labor will also participate in the civic celebration. No one has a better right to be proud of its than organized labor. It is the hands and brains of labor that have built Minneapolis, and the Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Countennial Week of the achievements

To Hold Open House Teamsters Joint Council will hold 257 Plymouth Avenue North, and dar, and to witness as spectators First Annual Christmas Party for Kids to be given Saturday,

Arrested by FBI

Early last Saturday FBI agents in three cities simultameously arrested six officials of three Drivers Unions and jailed them. In Sioux City, Ralph Johnson and Howard Fouts were arrested: in Omaha, Shorty Stultz, president of Local 554, and Lou Miller: in Des Moines, Secretary - Treasurer Johnson and Francis Quinn of the Des Moines Drivers Union Local 90.

Bail was set at \$5,000 each in the two other cities. The respective unions quickly bailed out all men. All officials involved are at a loss to explain the arrests and no explanation has thus far been forthcoming.

at 9:30. Drivers Officials In Three Cities

Drivers' Floats in Parade

spectacular floats in the parade.

The Teamsters Council will be

who died September 15th after a brief illness. Brother Webber had been very active for years in labor of Gravel ran up the best scores of the evening while taking three been very active for years in labor Gravel ran up the best scores of circles and was widely liked for the evening while taking three is inviting the public to visit our headquarters. The Council has also extended an invitation to the Friday and the rest of the season public to attend the Council's Boo the first shift will start bowling at 7:30 and the late shift will follow at Costello's Grove, 92nd and Ce-December 23rd, 2 p. m., at the Minneapolis Armory Lasher Firm

Gets 359 Strike Note The Warehouse Workers Union

Local 359 has notified the labor conciliator and the Lasher Carpet ompany, 615 North 3rd Street, that if the demands of the union are not met, the company will find a strike on its hands. The union is demanding wage increases and a 40-hour work week. Local 359 intends to force this employer to meet its just demands and to pay the scale paid in similar industries

ments. Among those indicted and arrested during the week were Walter Frank, head of the Lathers' Union and a participant in the WPA Joint Action Committee which directed the Minnemittee which directed the Minnemittee

The Labor Temple Association Roy Orgon, Karl Kuehn, and neapolis and Paul Rasmussen, ex-Louis White of Local 544's Fed-ecutive secretary of the Council, of organized labor by its support of organized labor by its support in the present WPA defense case. will meet with the people involved at Pine City this Thursday, Sep-tember 28th. September 27th meeting of the Minneapolis Central Labor Union to consider the Labor Temple project, and there is every reason to believe that the drive for a Minneapolis Labor Temple to house believe that the drive for a Minneapolis Labor Temple to house organized labor in this city will go over the top in short order.

The Food and Candy Workers of St. Paul; Lee from Mankato; Grandmason and Smith from Duluth; and Floyd Coverston from Candy Coversto go over the top in short order.

Last week the Furniture Workers Union Local 1859 signed new one-year agreements with the Glazer Box, Flour City Box, and Co-op Box companies. The agree-ment calls for the closed shop. plant seniority, paid vacations and minor upward wage adjustments.

The new agreement brings an drivers' unions in five states and hourly wage increase of 2c to all the Gamble-Robinson fruit commale employees from July 1st, pany, looking toward a standard pany, looking toward a standard 1939, to July 1st, 1940. An additional 3c hourly raise will then go area agreement.

544 Wholesale Paper

Good news for all children of all members of unions affiliated with the Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council was flashed this week with news that plans are rapidly shaping up for the First Annual Kids' Christmas Party, to be sponsored by the Teamsters Council. The Party will be held Saturday, December 23rd, 2 p. m., in the Minneapolis armory. Arrangements are being completed with local cab companies to call for thousands of kids at their homes and transport them to the party. Ray Rainbolt, who has arranged similar childrens' parties for Local 544 in the past, is Chairman of the TJC Christmas Party, which will be an annual affair henceforth. In former years Local 544 has held the largest Christmas parties for children that have been given in Minneapolis. With the entire armory at the disposal of the Council, there will be ample room for all children. The armory has seating provisions for over 6,500 people. Lathers' International to Urge AFL Convention Defend Local WPA Strikers

Kids---

Your Xmas Party

Is On the Way

Walter Frank, a member of the AFL's WPA Defense Committee, returned to Minneapolis last week from the 18th convention of the Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers' International Union with astropy that the officers and Executive Country they are in for a shock. For \$10 Billion Housing Program The Lathers' International convention of the order of the Minneapolis WPA Defense Committee, for the officers and Executive Country they are in for a shock. For \$10 Billion Housing Program The Lathers' International convention of the order of the Minneapolis WPA Defense Committee, for the officers and Executive Country they are in for a shock. For \$10 Billion Housing Program The Lathers' International convention of the officers and Executive Country they are in for a shock. surances that the question of the cil and Conventions of the A. F. of arrested strike victims."

The Lathers' International convention approved a resolution placing that organization on rec-

Frank in the name of the Twin Minneapolis WPA defense work would be taken up at the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor partment to set up machinery to wPA Defense Committee has also gotten in touch with leaders of erabion of Labor part would be taken up at the annual convention of Labor partment to set up machinery to wPA Defense Committee has also gotten in touch with leaders of eral legislation to provide for a state of the true for the following the convention of Labor part would be taken up at the annual conventions of the A. F. of a rested strike victims.

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the WPA strike victims arrested state federations in the East, in Minneapolis or elsewhere . . . " cluding New York and New Jer-

Make Minneapolis a Union Town

M-Day is Threat To Very Existence Of Labor Movement

Labor has nothing to gain and everything to lose from the active support of labor.

Labor's support can be gained in two ways. The workers can be forced to support the war—or they can be propagandized into such support. The M-Day Military Dictatorship Plan of the U.S. War Department, supported by American employers, will use both methods—force and persuasion.

The "persuasion" part of the business will be run by the Public Relations Division. According to Industrial Mobilization Plan, the Public Relations Division will have the following functions: "To under the domination of industry mobilize all existing mediums of publicity . . . To coordinate the publicity programs of the various fore the War Policies Commission gives us an idea how this will as a bureau of information to work: which the public and the world may look for proper and reliable information concerning aims and To combat disaffection at home

To combat enemy propaganda at home and abroad . . . To establish rules and regulations for censorship . . . To enlist and supervise a voluntary censorship of the Making Us Like It

The Public Relations Adminis-tration will be divided into five di-Division of Administration: Division of News; Division operation; Division of Advertising. The radio is taken care of by the Communications Act of 1934. By terms of this Act, the President can take over all radio and wire offices in any "national emer-

The censorship will work in this way. The President has the power to give or withhold licenses from all publications, etc., that is, to decide whether such publications are

In addition, there is a "priority" provision according to which the government can deprive a given newspaper of paper, ink, and other supplies, and thereby punish it if it refuses to submit to "voluntary censorship." Figure out for yourself how many genuine labor pa-pers would come out the week after war is declared.

As for the propaganda angle we can give a foretaste of what M-Day would mean by quoting Herbert Bayard Swope, testifying a few years ago before the War ssion on "public re

'The desire for victory must become universal. To win is to carry out the will of God in the popular mind; to win becomes the great national purpose. So in the philosophy of war, opposition become disobedience to the divine willsacrilege-as well as unpatriotic assuming a nation to be activated by a nearly universal impulse, sharp measures can be taken against the few opposing the na-tional will—however intellectual however honest, however courage-

"Color the News"

"Censorship and propaganda ar the agencies of domination . . . It is rare—it is never—that a nation is instantly galvanized into the vast emotionalism that is needed

tive, must be brought home to off the "trouble-makers"! "The issues, colored and excita-Every manner of appeal must be employed . . . Propaganda . . however naive at times, shall conditions will be automatically voided, as will be all the social

Will Depend on Force

ability to fool any large number won at great cost by organized that one, too. ability to fool any large number of workers. To be sure, they will lie to us, on a larger scale than even 1917-1918. But they aren't banking on their lies and their propaganda. Not this time.

When the great cost by organized labor, will go military supervision within the factory or plant. The M-Day Plan calls for the enlistment into government service of "all individuals in management or "That we have a control of the cost of the service of the cost of the They've got to be sure we'll go control of any industrial organiza-

M-Day arsenal, this is the most turers, executives, bankers, etc. If the common people of Amer-

inistration, in charge of the draft machinery, all men, yes, even the women and children, are brought

Bernard Baruch, testifying be

"The Government cannot say for Mr. A.' But it can say—as it did in 1918: 'Work or fight!' That principle was barely invoked, but t was and is capable of immense xpansion. The Government can pecify classes of employment for nen not fully capacitated for military service are sufficient. It can ment which are not considered es sential at all and, as we have seen an say, 'Every man not in milidomestic or other circumstances varranting deferment or exemp must be usefully and faith fully employed in an occupation ial to the military purposes of the Nation.

employment is not only impossible. work or fight method is a better But here goes. titutions and far more effective han any chain-gang or impressent that could be invented."

The responsibility for placing abor in chains will be in the hands of a War Labor Administrator. The M-Day Plan specifies that the President should choose for this resident should those the control of with the problems entering into the and Cedar, on October 22. All you loyee and who is capable of dis-

ments the type of person he thinks "outstanding": such persons as Edward Stettinius, Jr., of U. S. Steel; Colonel Robert Wood of

Sears, Roebuck, etc.
According to the War Depart-There will be no exemptions— only "deferments."

"Off to the Front"

wages to meet the skyrocketing save from two to three dollars per cost of living, and who is so foolsh as to organize his fellow-workers for this unpatriotic objective, will discover that he has ceased to the Taps, Saps be of industrial value to the Gov-Brother Gilmore? ernment. His boss on the local draft board will be the first to inform him, and he will be taken vacation and it seems I'm busier out of the factory and sent to the than when at work. Wish it would What an easy way to kill

Under the M-Day Plan, all leg- again. proclaim our virtues, sublimate our aims and accentuate our successes and indict the vices of the enemy and minimize his achievements. . . "For home consumption all wars are defensive and all are based upon questions of national honor."

So much for the cold-blooded cynicism of the war propagandists gency much of this expediency is in the war propagandists. cynicism of the war propagandists on the uses fo propaganda and cenon the uses fo propaganda and censorship under M-Day.

The press, the radio, the movies, the schools, the churches and every other medium of propaganda will be harnessed to the war machine.

In the operation of these regulations and restrictions should be suspended." The restrictions are listed by the M-Day Plan as those "issued by various authorized to extend no credit and conduct the business on a strictly cash and agreements with trade various with trade various with the business on a strictly cash and agreements with trade various with the business on a strictly cash and agreements with trade various with the business on a strictly cash and agreements with trade various with the business on a strictly cash and agreements with trade various with the business on a strictly cash and agreements with trade various with the business on a strictly cash and the operation of these regulations and restrictions should be suspended."

If Uncle Sam intends to set himself up as the world's biggest hardware merchant, he would be wise to extend no credit and conduct the business on a strictly cash and agreements.

But in the coming war situation, the bosses and the government haven't got much faith in their bosses are stated in their social and labor legislation, and wetting aside trade union contracts war. However, he'll probably muff tion." Quietly, the U. S. War De-This is where the Selective Ser-partment has already distributed vice Administration comes in. Of all the anti-labor weapons in the commissions to top-rank manufac-

tion from carrying us into war, the people can look forward to a rigid and brutal military dictatorship during the war. The worker must work, at whatever wages and under whatever conditions the U S. Army tells him he should work His trade union and his trade union agreement won't mean If he doesnt 'like it, it's off to the Front with him. That i what M-Day means to labor

Next week: Labor and M-Day,

Snyder Drug Gets Pact From 359

The Snyder Drug company has been presented with a working agreement by the Warehouse Workers Union Local 359. The workers are demanding a reduced without the draft age limits, and work week and higher wages for the men who do stock work at

> ANOTHER LOAD From City and Sanitary Drivers Local 664

> > By Wally Raze

Another week has rolled around and found me, as usual, totally unprepared for column writing

The Christmas party for the kids will be sponsored this year by the Teamsters Joint Council and promises to be a party the kids will rethe Auditorium or the Armory will

The T. J. C. is throwing a rea relationship of employer and em- can eat and plenty or refreshments and entertainment for a very nom nate judgment in their solu- inal admission. Plenty of parking space, too. So come one, co President Roosevelt has already and have a real good time. There shown in his other M-Day appoint- will be dancing, so bring your gir

Coincidental with the latest squawk from the Minneapolis Taxpayers' Association, the price of coal has jumped considerably a ment's plans, all men between 18 far as the city purchases are con and 45 will be subject to the draft. the great amount of coal used an nually in our public buildings would it not pay the city to instal A worker who insists on higher its own coal dock on the river and

will discover that he has ceased to the Yaps, Saps and Yazzahampas,

Am right in the middle of my warm up a little before October 3. Maybe the fish will start biting

Brother Jerry Cremers doesn't

A censorship will be imposed on agreements with trade unions, and carry basis with the understanding all papers, and anti-war propaganda will not be tolerated and significant with trade unions, and that the extent that there shall be no shooting at each other while ganda will not be tolerated and will be prosecuted by Espionage and Eedition laws.

Will December on Force

Will December on Force

The Army in the Factory

Althoug the laws have a still on the store premises. Better still—no shooting inside the city limits. He also has a chance of

See you Thursday.

Geneva 2022 Schin's Liquor Store

724 South Fourth Stree

Scissorbill Sam, The Boss's Man



My employer sure appreciates me. He told me the other day I am just the type of human cement that holds our profit system together. I think business men and politi-

Chauffeurs Union Joins Move for War Referendum

The Private Chauffeurs Union Local 912 voted at its September 20th membership meeting to add its voice to the demand of the Minnesota State Federation for a popular referendum on war. Local 912's anti-war resolution mote a "Fair Trades Act." This, is worthy of careful study by all members of organized labor. The text follows:

WHEREAS, the new war that i raging in Europe is no more "A War for Democracy" than the first World War which so cruelly deceived and destroyed millions of

WHEREAS, no American or profits to defend abroad;

WHEREAS, war preparations are being rushed in this country at a frenzied pace, as is clearly revealed by the two billion dollar. rmament bill passed by the recent Congress, the appointment of do lar-a-year men by Roosevelt, and the campaign of the national adninistration to revise the neutral

WHEREAS, the government's preparations for war are a mortal danger to organized labor, as is revealed by the plans for a military dictatorship in this country the day war is declared, which would provide for compulsory conscription, arbitrary fixing wages, prohibition strikes and punishment of unions and union leaders and government control of press

WHEREAS, the government and e employing class are working to arry this country into the war cause they cannot solve the roblems of unemployment and overty at home, and because they to the super-profits that

THEREFORE BE IT RE-SOLVED 1. That the Private Chauf-

feurs and Helpers Union Local 912 declares its unalterable oppositon to any war launched by the govern and stigmatizes the war being fought and prepared as a war of imperialist conquest;
2. That we demand that all the

unds set aside for the military and naval budget be transferred o the relief of the unemployed; 3. That we join with the

Minnesota State Federation of Labor in demanding that Congress at once submit to the several states an amendment to the Constitution which will provide that any proposal for any nation shall be submitted to a direct referendum vot of the people of the United States;

4. That we notify the Minnesota delegation in Congress to oppose change in the present Neutrality law, which woud only align the United States economically with France and England and draw us all the more surely into the

5. That we shall join with all other forces in the labor movement who share our views for the purpose of consolidating the strongest posto war and the war-makers.

Slavery is most frequently defended in America from the Bible . . If we construe a text in favor of liberty it is set down to partial ity and prejudice.-INGERSOLL.



Peterson Funeral Home 1838 CENTRAL AVE. N. E GR. 5166

Clifford Peterson, Funeral Director Russell Peterson

The 289 Blab

By A. M. Ogren

Next meeting: Retail Drivers eet Thursday evening, October 5, 8 p. m. sharp. As you all know, we are in the midst of the new contract proposal so let's get 100% and put this over right. Every retail man must be at the

Our bowling team got off to a flying start last week, beating the Ice Drivers Local 221. Monday night they beat the Soft Drinks to top the league with six wins and no defeats. We seem to have a werful team this year. Here they are: Frank Stanley, Purity Cake; Hubert Taylor, Continental; Mar-tin Mikkelson, Regans; Wally Borseth, Continental; Phil Knoblauch, Gladness; and Hank Hawkinson, Purity North. The boys have re ceived their new shirts and expect to keep up their winning ways throughout the season. If you want to see them in action, they bowl every Monday night at 8:30 720 Hennepin.

We would like to make a cor rection. A recent item in the pa per mistakenly credited Local 222 with supplying the bread for the Creamette strikers. Local 289 supplied all the bread used during the long strike by the strikers.

We note with great respect and regret the passing of J. S. Regan, Sr., who died Saturday, September 23. J. S. Regan was one of the founders of the Regan Brothers Bakery and very well known throughout the country in baking

Jimmie Hanna, Continental, is on his vacation this week so there are now two members missing from the board, with Loren John son gone also.

In regards to the controversial nestion of lifting the embargo believe that flowery speech such as the President gave last Thursday put us into the last war and we should tread very softly on these grounds. Seems to me that both Secretary Hull and President Roosevelt gave very good reasons why this embargo bill should pass in 1937 and now they turn right around and argue against themselves. Many people, know, believe that at present no implements of war are being sold because of this embargo, when the truth is that we are selling hundreds of items permitted under the embargo law with the sole exception of the finished products of guns and ammunition.

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The Executive Board of the Local fined Roger Johnson \$10 for working on an honorary withdrawal card at the Texaco station, 320 Washington avenue north.

Howard Crone, steward at Phillips Bulk plant, is off duty for a few days, while his left arm recovers from a case of blood poison

of course, is the same propag ander a different color of dress -how are they going to enforce

Ken Stennes, steward at Western Oil and Fuel, is vacationing this week north of Thief River

The congratulations of the Local go to Rudy Strom of the Russell-Thompson Tire, who was married last Sunday.

For the umteenth time, we renind those who for any reas become unemployed, to come to the office and take out an honor ary withdrawal card, so that their dues will not continue.

The best wishes of the Local go with N. B. Noreng, formerly employed at Sinclair, 3700 Chicago Ave., as he starts work for the Gas

Ice Drivers Mourn Death of L. Weese

Members of the Ice Drivers Jnion Local 221 were saddened to hear of the death September 19 of Lloyd Weese, an employee of funeral was held last Friday at the brother was buried in the U. S. emetery at Fort Snelling.

Brother Weese had been an a 12 years. His union was represented at the funeral.

and instead of shooting one another had the cunning to make CARLYLE, on War.

in its present form. Think this employers, but rather on good, over and contact the lawmakers. solid conditions and wages, Also, sign the petition in the Or- brought about by our united efganizer against war. To the Ladies: Here's a little

tem I noted the other day-When hreading a curtain rod through loping Poll" is still in the making, urtains, put a thimble on the end so keep your eyes open, as we of the rod and it won't catch in the material.

We are still working hard on the Joint Council Boo-ya to be held their tame ducks this hunting sea-Sunday, October 22, at Costello's Grove, 92nd and Cedar. All day, a real rollicking old-fashione Equipped for Efficiency

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McDivitt Funeral Home, 2835 East Lake
Knaeble company, 513 Plymouth Avenue north
Welander Quist, Hennepin at Dupont, Chicago at 19th, West Broadway at Fremont Albinson Mortuary, Chicago Avenue at 17th

To All Friends of Organized Labor-In case you have the misfortune to have a death in your family, please telephone the Private Chauffeurs Union Local 912, at Geneva 4691, for a list of the undertaking establishments on Local 912's fair list.

With the Limousines

"Home James"

First, a little advance inform on to youse guys. A "FINK" tain job for years is going to get the "old boot," (he doesn't know yet) and a good union man already is signed on for his place Prety tough on Mr. Fink. But then, that is what's called learning the hard way.

Such goings on, again brings home the fact that the best kind of Social Security for us Private Chauffeurs, is a paid up card in a

Speaking of Social Security, we oust have been behind the door when our government was passing it out, at any rate we were completely ignored.

It must be that a private chaufeur is classed as a sort of dome tic animal, of course, that would be all right, if he was as well

As it is, we happen to know quite a few that spent the best part of their life in the service of and today they are actually among the ill clad, ill fed and ill housed. (Sweet out-look for an old age.)

long ago where after over 30 years of hard work (not over-paid) for one family, it took a lawyer to chauffeur out of the estate, (he was always told he would never have to worry, he would be well taken care of). Of course we could or blockheads shoot. — go on and on, but you all know about most of them.

Nevertheless, such to lift this embargo when we are getting along so well with the law on the future generosity of our forts of bargaining through Local 912.

> The now already famous "Galpromise it will be absolutely wha it will be.

son. Wonder if they have heard of

way, we got an empty roaster, Eddie.

We heard that a Local 912 omen's auxiliary is in the makng, but then, of course, we onl we haven't asked Mel John

Looking through one of our laily propaganda sheets, we notice the announcements of policies of ciations and among other ver promising articles we find, that they are going to keep prices from hey are grapidly.

Now, we ask you, ain't that won-derful? We wonder could that nean the wages, too, or aren' they expected to raise at all?

Oh, yes, while on the subjewe have a few of those manufacturers of nationally known pro ducts right here in town and happens that a very few of the with "fink" chauffeur (Whether they know it or not We'll get a line on them and l

Watching the methods used caling with the strikers of th U. S. steamship lines, makes u shudder to think of what will hap pen to our Labor Unions in cof a WAR.

Anyway, there is no solid ar ament against a popular refer dum on WAR.

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Open Meeting To Discuss War Referendum

ialist Workers Party will hold an open meeting Friday, Septemb 29, at 8 p. m. where Dr. Grace Carlson will discuss "Let the Peo-ple Vote on War." There will be

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Montana AFL Union Pledges Help to Minneapolis WPA Strikers, Lashes Roosevelt

Plentywood, Mont.—Criticizing Roosevelt, Attorney General Frank Murphy, Colonel Harrington and Governor Stassen in turn for their role in persecuting the Minneapolis WPA strikers, the membership of the AFL's Federal Labor Union Local 21760 of Plentywood adopted a stiff resolution calling on labor to resist the introduction of Hitlerism in this nation and pledging "our fullest support to the victims of Roosevelt oppression in Minneapolis."

Defining Roosevelt as a capitalist spokesman and pal of the Eco- nation and pledge our fullest supnomic Royalists whom he previ-ously denounced, the resolution oppression in Minneapolis."

. . . WHEREAS, Roosevelt has further shown his contempt for the sufferings of the great masses of unemployed in so many ways, viz., reduction of relief budget, appropriation of billions of dollars for the building of a huge war machine, depriving WPA workers of making a very poor living by ordering hundreds of thousands dropped from the WPA pay roll, the attempted slashing of prevailing wages by the institution of a slave standard of wages, and lastly his dragging from some hitherto undiscovered hole known only to himself the scab-herding pronouncement: 'You can't strike

"WHEREAS, he has directed the legal machinery of the nation against workers who have challenged his right to dictatorial power by insisting on THEIR right to maintain a decent wage whether paid out by the govern-ment or through the offices of his

Rap FBI Stool Pigeons

"WHEREAS, FBI agents under Frank Murphy, who takes his or-ders from President Roosevelt, are provacateur to draw the brutality of the police on the heads of work-

"WHEREAS, Deputy United States Marshals . . . have dramatically raided the homes of workers under indictment during the hours of the night in company with photographers of the capitalist

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"WHEREAS, the full strength tinet honor. of Governor Stassen was thrown into the scale of oppression against the laboring class of Mincapolis in consonance with Roose-

"BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with our constitution rights we condemn these acts of President Roosevelt and his under lings, including Attorney General Murphy and Colonel F. C. Harrington, etc., and call on labor to unite in opposition to the 'easy introduction of Hitlerism in this

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With the **Dairy Workers** Local 471

By George Bergquist

Here is one way we can help our Brother Member; if he has his pamphlet for free distribution day off or his accumulated days, when the Business Agent comes to collect dues pay the dues for your absent brother. It will keep him in good standing and possibly he can at Costello's Grove. You'll regret it if you miss it. date. Most of us expect to see the Business Agent and if we are not working, our dues go unpaid. If sends greetings to all. He says to you are up in the woods hiking tell you fellows that visiting hours around it is a very pleasant feel- at the sanitarium are every day ed with the trophies they won. ing to know your route foreman or vacation man will take care of this matter. Most of the dealers co-operate to keep their employes in good standing and permit the amount to be slapped on the book until their return. In addition we will make the plant steward's job more pleasant. Ordinarily he has a long list of members whose dues ders from President Roosevelt, are known to have acted as agents- for him to contact them all. Let's remember the 15th of each month pay your own dues and keep an of the police on the heads of work-ers defending their right to exis-eye on the welfare of our brother the Soft Drinks and go into unmembers.

Last week Tommy Ammerman added new laurels for Local 471 when he was elected president of 646, and P. Knoblauch, 606. Lothe Minneapolis Business Agents cal 221 took the odd game from Association. Business agents are the Oasis, and Kenzie's Bar took a the cream of the labor movement pair from the Warehouse Union those workers in handcuffs . . . and and to be their president is a dis- Jean Husted led with a 521 to help

> Ever Fresh Creameries (paper Team bottler) has sold out and reorgan- Local 289 ized as Dairy Fresh. They also Meat Drivers have a new home near Hennepin Kenzie's Bar and Thirty-first, the former J. Mather plant.

Ralph White at Ewald's was Local 359 presented with a fine baby so it Soft Drinks eems cigars are forthcoming gain. Nowadays in some neighborhoods when they give a "baby shower" a couple boxes of cigars

It was a good thing H. Erickson was at the membership meeting last Tuesday; otherwise Brother Sinnott would have been shaking the can all night. The following brothers could have had free dues,

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We had the first session with contract Tuesday evening. It was not very stormy. We have the first meeting with the Minneapolis bosses set for Thursday this week

Eric Brown of Waldrons wen back to work this week and is feeling fine.

Richard Soleglad of Liberty and Monty Nakken of G & K are stil laid up.

Watch for the Teamsters Join Council float in the parade next Monday at 7 p. m. in connection with Centennial week. Also be sure to see the line-up of indi-vidual floats from the drivers

Visit the Teamsters Joint Coun tell your friends to visit it. The

Norman Carle wrote today and

Phil Pickett has a position with Flour City and, contrary to rumors, it is legitimate. He is not operating independent.

Bakery Drivers Lead Bowlers

The Bakery Drivers burned up disputed possession of first place The 289'ers set a new high for three games of 2,787 and a single high of 973. M. Michelson had the Meat Drivers take a double Brother Nolan passed out the cifrom Local 544. The standings:

Oasis Local 544 Local 221

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had they attended the meeting 597, 681, 1142, 223, 1035, 1629, 1023, 1443, 1498, 1605, 730, 1228, and 387. Said drawing was 1228, and oo... the longest to date.

The Executive Board came through for once and presented Brother Donaghue with a wedding present, a Mixmaster plus an elec-cric clock. It seems that married ife agrees with Jiggs, he has been o pleasant lately, even his min s have a softer tone.

Williard Carlson has a way with he ladies; when he bowls his ball across the alley and knocks down a few pins for them. Maybe he is Sir Walter Raleigh of the Alleys.

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The summer meeting schedule has been discontinued. Henceforth, the Electrical Workers Union Local B160 will meet twice monthly, on the first and third Thursdays. The stewards will also meet twice monthly, on the Wednesdays immediately preceding the membership meetings.

Local 160!

meetings.

The Executive Board requests all members to note the change in the meeting schedule. The next membership meeting under the new schedule will be Thursday, October 5th, at which time a discussion on next year's agreement will be held. All members are instructed to be present and express themselves on this important matter.

Watt Notes

By Amps and Volts

Wanted: A combination blow torch and fire extinguisher; will swap a quantity of slightly scorchswap a quantity of signify score.

* * *

Be sure to keep October 22nd pen for the Joint Council Boo-ya board.

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Rairy, care of Riverside Switchlist and so forth. board.

> The speaker from the Union Sports Council spoke quite highly of Local 160's diamondball team

The membership at the last neeting voted in favor of putting on a party for the diamondball team. A committee was set up for this purpose, and we hope to hear more about this in the near future.

By all reports, Local 160 is gong to have a bowling team in th Union League this year.

Brother Sable of the Meter Department had parking trouble one noon hour last week according to reports coming into the office.

Brother Pearson of the Meter Department is eating regularly again. Friend wife returned from vacationing in Chicago The boys in the Meter Depart

nent were not disappoi gars. George has been all smiles Won Lost this week, and his chest "sticks way out in front." Brother Heigel's son met with

an accident last week while play-ing with a chum. For a time it was thought infection had set in in his face. This column is glad to report he is well again.

Sorry to report Brother Henry Schultz's father passed away last week. The membership extends its heartfelt sympathy.

Bramwell sez, "Boys, it's a fack, ya can't play ball on cold

Jimmy (The Baron) Robertson can tell you how to spend a vaca-

For a couple of nifties we don't August Readers Digest.

The Maberry soliloquy, by Bill and Richard—"Let it be known we grow everything but hair."

day, October 1st, 3 p. m., at 919 Marquette avenue. Admission is We don't know whether 'Baldy' going to enlist or not, but he said he is going to have a gun on the operators have on their sen-iority. Now is the time to squawk; his shoulder next week.

You have to hand it to Han om; he sure can take it.

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TAXI TOPICS

By Curly and Lunde

cal 958 present at the next regu-

up negotiations for a new co

tract. With living costs again or

the elevator and winter just around the bend a signed con-

Sunday, October 22, come to Costello's Grove and partake of

Russ Wennell, who has a repu-tation for doing it 'up right," is on

leave from the Y. C. while do-

ng some "missionary work" for

The fall quots on cabs is mak-

E. Bolander, who spent many

a cold bitter day in the logging

camps of another era, is now en

electric wood-working outfit at home. If he gets too ambitious

we'll have Local 1859 check on

No rest for the hungry: the Nic-

The cold weather made Bill orenson increase his half-a-cup

average to three-quarters . . . it made Syd McNeal, "the North Ire-

and social climber," wear shoes

These much touted convention

. . .

the biggest smoke nuisance.

Worrier" is only a day-dreamer

who imagines himself the "goat" instead of the "hero."

WPA Strike Trial

"What Do the WPA Strike Tri-

als Involve?" will be the subject

Is Forum Subject

next year will be too late.

the 1940 agreement.

Local 544:

the hospital.

Don't forget the next member

ship meeting on Thursday, Octob-ber 5; discussion will be held on

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ng more jobs in the taxi busi

ness, the usual trades from night

tract would look mighty good.

The Socialist Labor Party will conduct regular study classes in Marxian economics each Tuesday 8 p. m., at 1500 East Franklin lar meeting. Certain employers have requested the union to open

LOCAL 1859 Knots to You

By R. F. Gilmore

boo-ya, a culinary masterpiece that puts to shame ambrosia, the cho-Hans Johnson has put his old us out to pasture and will no sen food of the immortals. This boo-ya party will go on rain or (almost new, anyway) bus. shine so watch this paper for fur-ther information.

Joe Kulky was bruised about the head when a load he was pushing in the basement tipped over last Tuesday.

Buy now campaign hits John A. Erickson. The good people who sell Plymouths wrapped a new 1940 up for John last week.

dull boy. So Ed Jordan went out to fish Saturday. The angle is that Ed would have laid some bricks on the foundation for his new home in Robbinsdale, but Ed couldn's get any bricks. Anybody got 35 bricks they don't need?

All work and no play makes a

Remember the big fish that go away from Klas Kalgren? Lynn Bloker and Arne Isaacs heard about it and went out and caught it. If you don't believe it, ollet hotel home-guards must cir-Lynn has the pictures.

> Ho, watchman, what of the night? Go away, don't bother me. I should'a been home long ago said Jack Hamren as he w by the dawn's early light trying to get his balky hus to run.

ably the best informed on world-wide doings of any people on the Bill Baird is on a cross-country utomobile vacation in the Far West. He avers it will be lots face of the globe and the more they find out, the less they want more interesting than his operawar. Some of the more practical brothers wonder why English aviators fly over Germany dropping To all members of Local 958 who are not getting the N. W. Or- pamphlets when they could just as well drop bombs. It is pretty generally known that the great present addresses to your various op stewards or slip them in the nodel housing developments and Yellow Cab "grievance box" or give them to this column.

The second of the column are financed with loans floated in England, the U. S. and France. are financed with loans floated in England, the U. S. and France.

have left us cab-men just about nothing in the way of financial Besides that, nearly all of the German industries are part of internationally-owned trusts, and gain but we have a good football season coming on which really and France don't feel like going to Germany and blowing up their own property. The result so far Next time Tom O'Brien goes shing with Erick and Joe of the Baggage he wants to have a strong wind blowing his way to clear the foreign investments in Germany smoke away, as the klunk the boys old story of the robber running out of a clothing store. The offidrive makes a number one bid for cer on the beat had raised his gur to shoot when the proprietor yelled Thought for the week . . . A excitedly: "Shoot him in the

Brother William (Bill) Boo ook the vows of holy matrimony last Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at the church on Twenty-third avenue and Penn North. It was a beautiful wedding and Bill has a wonderful bride. Good luck to

Mr. and Mrs. William Boe from of a talk by W. W. Norris at the boys of Local 1859. Puffer-Hubbard News

> A statement now and then Is relished by the best of m Now, boys, we are both on the doubtedly has become apparent to you since we have sent those leters to keep you thoroughly informed as to the condition of our business. We are virtually on the rocks. Of course we did, through wages, not over ten cents per Prudential and John Hancockmanage to squeeze out a paltry \$15,000 the first six months of

the year. With these gruesome figures or I sincerely wish to express my thanks and appreciation for the hand it readily becomes apparent splendid help I received while in that the firm is unable to stagger along any longer under this ter-rific burden the union so ruthless-

ly saddled upon this factory.

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Independent Truck Chatter

R. F. Hornig

There is certainly no cause for complaint from some of our boys for not having jobs. They do not pay any attention to our Thursday registration list and consequently are passed up when calls the two senators and nine confor jobs go out. Yesterday two gressmen from Minnesota that the for jobs go out. Yesterday two coal companies called for two trucks apiece and Monday the Relt Line broke loose for two The letter to Roosevelt and the

A couple of platform hopefuls lost a park board call by not switching over to dumps soon enough. And just because the bids at Togo were too low and no go. \$1.24-.25-.25 took the cake for the three trucks called for.

One of Judge Larson's mes enger boys handed Hornig a special invite to a court conference next Tuesday morning. Leadfoot trouble. Also absent-mindedness for leaving his driver's license home. And all this after Friday night's bowling. Topping off this dish of trouble Ben Eide calls Saturday and says it's no dice for the job Monday.

Riding over lawns and sidewalks under water is not so good for iron fences besides possible damage to the truck, and over-works the pocketbook when you get stalled and someone takes down the license number to call you on the deal.

Louis Junjak left the hospital last Friday and is now convales

A very good omen for the su ing league was the presence of many of our ITO wives at the opening night. You boys might interest your womenfolk more in our Organizer from now on by getting them started on our new women's column.

The ward captains and their crews have been doing splendid baking company, the drivers won work in contacting the city fathers a \$2 per week increase in their on the latest breakout in buying icals. A sensible, accurate pres-entation of the facts of the pres-ume of sales some of the drivers deals. A sensible, accurate present situation will go a long way in

is sporting on his truck you can bet that it cost more than a good dump and hoist and the best guess around \$400. King Koal will soon be calling,

nd can we have some of those good jobs you boys will have to rive up for the winter? . . . Eight registered for work this week . . socked \$1 for your entry fee this veek. But cheer up you will get it all back in prizes at the end of the season . . . Mickey Dunne will champion the ITO city fight if in own. He has already done sor preliminary work on our protest Our best guess is that the who thing will be ironed out in th TJC board meeting and a unifie program presented to the counc good roads meeting.

Adversity is a medicine which people are rather fond of recommending indiscriminately, as a pa-nacea for their neighbors.—JUS-TIN McCARTHY.

each of the 11 departments. No more committee meetings

during working hours. Disciplinary action will be taken against those proselytizing for the reestablishment of a legitimate

By Heck.

little things in life. Here's what happened when an old Roman Innkeeper presented his bill to a way-

"this ass will be the ruin of me."

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Local 160 Asks War Referendum

By unanimous assent the mem-bers of the Electrical Workers Lo-21st to demand of Roosevelt and

state's representatives in Washington calls attention to the resolution in favor of a popular referen-dum passed by the Minnesota Federation of Labor convention.

Pointing out that war brings only death and suffering and misery to the workers, while it brings Union B-160 continues (in its let-

... BE IT RESOLVED, that we, Local Union B-160 . . . assembled in regular meeting on this 21st day of September, 1939, reaffirm the stand taken by the la-

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED. that copies of this resolution be sent to President Roosevelt, the two senators from Minnesota, and

you, as Chief Executive of the United States, to carefully consider the above resolution, as in it. we, citizens of a democratic country, embody our desire for a voice in this most serious problem,

Dubuque Drivers Win Pay Boosts, Paid Vacations

Dubuque, Iowa—Truck Drivers Union Local 421 won wage increases of \$2.50 per week as the result of negotiations just completed with the bakery bosses of this city. This raises the scale to \$32.50 for the drivers of the Continenal Baking company. In an agreement with the Traush

minimum, raising the minimum to earn as high as \$39 weekly. The commission scale at both making our protests effective.

The commission scale at both the companies is a weekly base of When you see that honey of a \$11 plus 5 per cent for the first

ew winch line that R. A. Larson \$300 in sales, plus 6 per cent for sales over that amount. The Federal Bakery, with no commission paid, pays the drivers

\$25 per week for 52 hours, plus 75 cents per hour for overtime. Drivers for the Sanitary Dairy won wage increases of 15 cents pay. Inside workers of the dairy abolished the 7-day week through the agreement, and now work six days a week for the same pay as when they worked seven. The minset at \$20 per week.

Insurance Firms Make Millions in Lapsed Policies

A brief insight into the insur ince racket was afforded last week when Dr. Donald Davenport of the Security and Exchange before the O'Mahoney Monopoly Committee in Washington.

Davenport presented evidence to show that during the ten-year period from 1928 to 1937 more than 70 per cent of all industrial life insurance policies lapsed and the policy holders got nothing whatever from their investment. No less than 132,000,000 policies

reported "gains" of \$36,280,0 because wage earners who owned industrial life policies could not Don't worry too much about the pay their premiums. The terrific for the insurance companies.

no less than \$140,000,000 in stock dividends, cash dividends and sur-

An index of how monopoly has taken over the insurance field was furnished by Dr. Davenport when

losses suffered by the workers are converted into enormous profits Forty-four insurance companies farer. Dinner, \$1.25-Wine, \$3.75 had original investments of only -Waitress, \$6-Hay for ass, 10c. \$6,000,000, it was testified. From "Egad!" quoted the wayfarer, this comparatively small invest-

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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.



Have You Any Interests to Protect?

HAVE YOU ANY INTERESTS TO SAFEGUARD IN EUROPE?" is the title of an advertisement in last Sunday's New York Times financial section. The advertiser, a banking firm in Amsterdam, Netherlands, advises business men and bankers in the United States that "We are fully equipped to handle your affairs in belligerent and neutral countries.'

Needless to say, this ad will has not and will not appear in a single labor paper in the United States. Because there is not a single American worker who has any investments to "safeguard in Europe."

But the wealthy, the huge banking and industrial interests of this country, have PLENTY OF INTERESTS to safeguard in Europe. General Motors and Ford have factories in every important European country. American Telephone & Telegraph have huge investments in the telephone industry throughout Europe. General Electric have invested heavily in the electrical industry in Europe

And it is precisely such huge and profitable investments that impel America's Sixty Families, and the gov-ernment which it controls, to prepare to send the workers and farmers of the United States to fight and die on for-eign soil. Investments and profits—plus the utter inability of our rulers to solve the pressing social and economic problems at home—are the factors that are pushing Amer-

interests of his friends in Europe—a plan which will involve the lives of ten or so million young men of these United States.

What They Really Think

Now that the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, both Junior and Senior, the chemical industry, Henry Ford, Jay Hormel, President Roosevelt and the National Manufacturers Association have all come out publicly against the participation of this country in war, the peace ought to be safe enough, yes? Everyone knows better. Everyone knows that all the generals and bankers and premiers and premiers and the peace of t presidents all speak for peace. Even Hitler works in the sweat of his brow for peace. How do we know? Why,

they all TELL us so.

Yes, the world's rulers always tell us they are for peace and opposed to war—and it could not be otherwise. If they told us directly that it was THEY who were for war, the game would be too easy to see through. We

war, the game would be too easy to see through. We would all see what we were going to war for.

No, the rulers maintain their peace stand right up to the hour was is declared. They leave the propaganda to prepare the people for war in the hands of the liberals, and above all, in the hands of the liberals with the penetrating minds—the sort of liberals who can see very clearly that what is involved in this war is a War for Democracy, a War Against Fascism, a War to Save Civilization, a War to End Wars, etc., etc. It is people like the editors of the Nation and New Republic and the preachers who have been given the assignment to make this war popular. The liberals have already thought up all the glorious issues and ideals for which this Second World War of imperialism and bloody profits is to be fought.

If you want to REALLY KNOW what the wealthy think about the war, don't read the daily papers. Read the confidential channels of information which the wealthy reserve for themselves—the exclusive business magazines and secret news letter services which keep Big Business informed of the REAL behind-the-scenes low-down on the

Through a happy circumstance the Organizer is able to pass on to its readers the contents of a few of these

news letters.

The Kiplinger Washington Letter is subscribed to by Listen to what Kiplinger has to say in his most recent

"In very high official circles (not the slightest doubt of it) there is solemn talk of the 'possibility' of U. S. in war 'by January.' Reasons are not fully disclosed, but have to do with diplomatic advices concerning German plans for drawing Russia, Japan—and Italy later.

"An IMPRESSIVE FACT to which you must get accustomed is this: Our government, particularly at the top, is acting on the theory that the U. S. 'may' be at war 'sooner than the general public suspects.' That's not precise, but that's the way it is put-it shows the spirit.

"It is our opinion that the executive branch of our government is putting up a front of intention-talk about staying out of war, but is actually preparing to go into it.
"Sorry if this shocks you, but it seems to us to be the

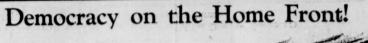
fact. There's no use in being timid about stating it. Implication is subject to pro forma denial, but it will become apparent in the next few weeks.

"There's close tie-in between government of Britain. France and United States on war purchases here. Agents of these countries consult each other, through state, war, navy departments and newly created war resources board, to prevent interference with our own industrial mobilization

"PRACTICALLY, MATERIALLY, THE UNITED STATES IS ALREADY AN ALLY IN WAR, DESPITE

THE LEGAL AND TECHNICAL 'NEUTRALITY.'
"IF WE GET INTO WAR, IT MEANS A COMPLETE DICTATORSHIP, OF COURSE. CURRENT DETAILED PLANS ARE BASED ON 1939 WAR POLICIES COMMIS-SION REPORT. They cover everything-military, economic, industrial, labor, etc. Plan would require legislation. Congress would squirm but would vote it, for there wouldn't be

time to pause, to deliberate, to debate. "Stettinius in due course will become 'director of war





industry.' He has already been designated. He will graduate from the chairmanship of the present war resources board, which is merely advisory.

"DRAFT PLANS are nearing completion . . . and farmers of the United States to fight and die on foreign soil. Investments and profits—plus the utter inability of our rulers to solve the pressing social and economic problems at home—are the factors that are pushing America closer and closer to war.

The Amsterdam banking firm mentioned above had better get its business quickly—because General Hypocrite in the White House has a much better plan to protect the interests of his friends in Europe—a plan which will interests of his friends in Europe—a plan which will interest of these more described by the second of production:

'Unless a miracle brings about unexpected peace, the world will remain at war-a twentieth century type of war frequently bloodless, always undeclared, but resulting in the same periodic face-lifting of the world's map as did the old-

"(1) This 'war of nerves' results in the same political and economic alliance as does the battlefield. Real neutrality, in face of this conflict, becomes less possible the longer it continues. Which means if war breaks out abroad, a shorter interval of time will elapse until the U. S. drops its mantle of benevolent neutrality and replaces it by actual

"(2) So long as the bloodless war rages, only the slightest unexpected spark may be required to set off the fuse. And once the fuse starts abroad, even with domestic neutrality, a host of business problems arise

"(3) Most important of all among the problems imposed by today's headlines is the program for preparing American business and economic life for the possibility that America THE BUSINESS MAN MUST NOT KEEP HIS EYES CLOSED UNTIL THE U. S. DECLARES WAR. Among the most unfortunate business misconceptions is that the executive can remain oblivious of the need to adjust his business to war until the United States is IN."

The bulletin then goes on to point out concretely what

(1) The plan for the MOBILIZATION OF AMERI-CAN INDUSTRY has not only been completed by the War and Navy Department for years, but several phases of this Plan are already in operation.

"(2) The recent appointment of the War Resources Board is the most dramatic hint to business that the co-ordination of the nation's economic resources is NOT merely

"(3) COMMAND PERFORMANCE: Most important of all is the presence of Section 120 of the National Defense Act, under which the President in time of war or when war is imminent, and he is the one to decide when war is imminent, is empowered, through the head of ANY government department, to place an order with any firm for any product or material that may be necessary.'

School Paper Sales Upheld By School Board

Tuesday night the board of ed the Junk Peddlers Association that the public schools discontinue paper sales. Last week the city council had turned down the Junk Peddlers organization. Or-ganized labor has backed the Junk Peddlers in their charge the school paper sales are unfair and subject the children to disease.

Roy Weir, Arthur LeSueur an Owen Cunningham opposed the In Minneapolis school paper sales, but reaction-ary members of the board of education outnumbered them. Oppos-ing the petition of the Junk Peddlers Association were Henry Bessesen, Walter Johnson, Charles an hour, the National Youth Ad-Drake and Helen Bauman.

Butte Miners Vote to Strike

The Butte Miners Union No. 1, ganization in the country, voted ally.
September 20th to strike the AnaThe Youth Section will hold a mands for a 20 per cent wage in-crease and a minimum wage of \$5 ments affecting NYA youth. Al

The reader will surely note how different is this analysis presented by the leaders of Big Business to their friends from the propaganda their liberal friends palm off on the public. No talk here of a "War for Democracy," no talk here of God and Country and the Flag. Just the hot inside tip: Roosevelt will soon plunge the country into war, therefore PREPARE FOR PROFITS.

These are the sort of messages sort out confidentially.

A PETITION TO CONGRESS

We the undersigned hereby support the Minnesota State Federation of Labor in its demand that Congress prepare an amendment to the Constitution which will provide that any proposal for the declaration of war against any nation shall be submitted to a direct referendum vote of the people of the United States.

STATE CITY NAME ADDRESS

Have this petition filled and mail it to Miles Dunne, Secretary-Treasurer, Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council, 257 Plymouth Avenue North, Minneapolis, Minn.

Hundreds Sign Petition for Vote on War

Each mail since Monday morning has brought in numbers of petitions filled with names and addresses of workers who demand a direct referendum vote of the people on any war.

Again this week we print the Teamsters Joint Council petition and urge all readers to get it filled out and mail it in as soon as possible. If you don't want to tear the petition out of the Organizer, come to the Organizer office, 253 Plymouth Avenue North and we will give you separate petition blanks.

Now is the time to fight

blanks.

Now is the time to fight against boss war! If you don't fight now, tomorrow will be too late. Let the people vote on war!

Cook Coffee Is Unfair To Drivers

Attention of all readers is called to the policy of intimidation and Cook Coffee company forces its employees to work under miserable non-union conditions. The Cook Coffee firm sells house to house, ject (the 'conspiracy' case). Coffee firm sells house to house, and no friend of labor should patronize this firm until it changes its wretched labor policy.

man, has threatened his drivers from time to time that if any of them dared join the union, he would close down the Twin Cities branch. All drivers are forced to sign contracts calling for a mini-mum of \$26 a week for from 10 to 14 hours work a day. Further-more, they must stand all losses on their route, a considerable item.

If a Cook Coffee salesma

comes to your house in Minneapolis, demand he be a member of the Tea and Coffee Drivers Union Local 275. If you live in St. Paul demand he be a member of the St. Paul Bakery Drivers Union Local

NYA Officials Order Wage Cut

Despite an NYA bulletin stat ng that workers engaged in spe cialized work and carrying extra ministration last week indiscriminately cut the wages of many NYA workers from 54c to 46c The cuts in Minneapolis were dered by William Aldrich. Local 544's Youth Section has demand ed that the cuts be restored and that in the future no wage cuts a union with one of the most mili-tant traditions of any workers' or-boy and girl is examined individu-

conda Copper company on Octo-ber 1st unless the workers' de-m. at the Drivers Hall to report daily are met. The vote was 2,229 NYA workers and unemployed to 1,450.

These are the sort of messages sent out confidentially by the Morgans, the duPonts, the Mellons and Rocke-fellers and Girdlers and Astors.

WPA Strike Trials to Open Monday in Federal Court

strike was nationwide in characworkers and (2) that the WPA strike locally was indorsed by the Minneapolis Building Trades Council, the Minneapolis Central Labor Union, the Federal Workers Section, the CIO, the Workers Alliance, etc. The only conspiracy involved in the strike, Boscoe charged, was the conspiracy of the national administration against the nation's unemployed.

Trials Start Monday

The federal court announced Tuesday that the strike trials would begin next Monday, October 2nd. The plan of the prose-cution is to try the strikers in ten batches. At the opening trial, eight men indicted follow ing the stabbing of a picket by a fascist at the University of Min nesota WPA research project will be tried. The other trials scheduled are as follows: second, 12 defendants, Hopkins watermain project; third, nine defendants, adult education project; fourth six defendants, newspaper index to the policy of intimidation and yellow-dog contracts by which the fifth, five defendants, Deephaver

The eighth trial will involve four defendants at the federal writers project; ninth, two defer The general manager of the Cook Coffee system, Max Free-five defendants, city survey pro ject, Everett school.

Judge M. M. Joyce denied the motion of defense attorneys to sever the trials of the 90 indicted

No End in Sight U. S. Attorney Victor Anderson has announced the federal grand jury will reconvene October 23rd and continue its investigation of the strike. FBI agents are now said to be working on the St. Paul angle of the strike.

What Is Leach Up To? Workers were considerably in-terested in a news item last week meeting September 27th.

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ter, involving a half million that Mayor Leach had just conferred in Washington with President Roosevelt on, among other things, "WPA in Minneapolis." No doubt the White House asked how its campaign of repression was "going over' and if Leach thought they could get away with it. If Leach told Roosevelt the truth, he would have to relate that the brutal persecution of Minneapolis workers was a flop and was arousing a storm of pro-test throughout the country.

Tag Day Oct. 7th Of the 60 indicted last week, 25 were released on RPR; for ten, the bail was fixed at \$3,000 each; for 12, \$2,000 each; and for 13, \$1,000. The American Federation of Labor's WPA Defense Commit-tee has continued to bail out all strikers almost as fast as they are arrested. The handful of Workers Alliance members were bailed out by the AFL Committee ast week after it became evident the CIO would do nothing for

In order to raise needed funds for the defense, the AFL Defense Committee will hold a city-wide tag day on Saturday, Oct. 7th, from 7 a. m. to 11 p. m. Rose Seiler is in charge of the tag iay. All women and girls inter-ested in organized labor are urged o volunteer their services for the ag day. Names and addresses should be turned in at the Cen ral Labor Union, 18 N. 8th

Figuring that the unemployed ave been cowed and weakened by the vile persecution at the Leach's "Citizens Committee" nade public a report this week calling for further reductions in relief and agitating for a sales tax. Leach has indorsed this reactionary move and demanded a special sion of the state legislature to saddle the poor with a sales The Minneapolis Central Labor Union is expected to say a word or two about this matter at its

UNION MEETING SCHEDULE

LOCAL 471
General Membership — First
and third Tuesdays each
month, 7 p. m.
Girls' Section — Second Tuesday
each month(7:30 p. m.

LOCAL 131 Second Thursday each month 8 p. m., third-floor.

LOCAL 259 Second Monday of each month.

LOCAL 664
The City and Sanitary Drivers will meet the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Park Board Grievance Committee — Monday night preceding the last meeting of the month.

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

PETROLEUM DRIVERS egular Membership Meeting— First Wednesday each month

LOCAL 977
General Membership — Second
Monday each month, 9 p. m.
Grievance and Seniority Boards
—Each Monday, 8 p. m.
Stewards—Fourth Monday, 9
p. m.

p. m.
Executive Board—Each Thurs
day, 8 p. m.
Lessee Section—Third Wednes
day, 9 p. m.

FEDERAL WORKERS
Regular Membership Meeting—
Second Friday each month.
Stewards' Meeting — Every
Wednesday, 8 p. m.
Veterans Meeting—Every Saturday, 10:30 a. m.

LOCAL 289
Retail Drivers—First Thursday.
Wholesale Drivers — Second
Thursday.
Yeast Drivers—Third Tuesday.
Cake and Pie—Third Thursday.
General Membership — Fourth
Thursday.
Inside Workers—Last Saturday, 3 p. m.

LOCAL 346
Reguiar Membership Meeting
2nd Monday each month, 8:30
p. m. 4th Monday each month,

Regular Membership Meeting-First Monday each month. Executive Committee Meeting On call.

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

LOCAL 275
Tea and Coffee Drivers, Local
275, meets the first Friday
of every month.

ds — First and third Tuesday.
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Fourth Tuesday.
trecutive Board — Regularly
every Monday.

third Thursdays enjority Board—Every Mon-

Seniority Board

day

Executive Board—Every Tuesday

Stewards—First and third

Wednesdays

LOCAL 221
Oay Laborer Section — First
Tuesday each month.
Independent Truck Owners Section—Second Tuesday each
month.

Sept. 6—General Membership
Sept. 12—Casket Section
Sept. 19—Box Industry
Sept. 20—J. R. Clark, Keller
Manufacturing
Sept. 22 — Warren Shade,
American Excelsior, Trav-LEez and Kozekar, Air-Loc
Seating, American Wicker
Works
Very Friday night—Executive
Board
St. 3rd Thursday, S.

Board Hursdays, 8 p. m.—
Grievance Board
Sept. 11th, 25th — Twin City
Stewards
October 4—General Membership

LOCAL 20481 Oct. 4th—General Membership

Night Drivers — 1:00 p. m. third Thursday each month. Day Drivers—7:00 p. m. third Thursday each month.

Monday, Oct. 2—Package Delivery, Department Store
Wednesday, Oct. 4—Sausage,
Petroleum Thursday, Oct. 5-Greenhouse,

Thursday, Oct. 9—General Mem-ards-Monday, Oct. 9—General Mem-bership Meeting Tuesday, Oct. 10—Lumber Wednesday, Oct. 11—Market, Wholesale Liquor, Wholesale Paper

Wholesale Liquor, Wholesale Paper Friday, Oct. 13—Wholesale Grocery, Meat Drivers Sunday, Oct. 15—Over-the-Road Drivers, 10 a. m. Monday, Oct. 16—Furniture Stores, Coal and Printing Tuesday, Oct. 17—Building Material Thursday, Oct. 19—Excavating Drivers, Tent and Awning, Newspaper, 10 a. m. Friday, Oct. 20—Job Stewards Monday, Oct. 23—Spring Water

ter Tuesday, Oct. 24—Sand and Gravel

Tuesday, Oct. 24—Sand and Gravel
Thursday, Oct. 26—Transfer and Warehouse, Wholesale Drug
Friday, Oct. 27—Cold Storage
Seniority Committee meets each
Tuesday at 7 p. m. in Hall 3.
Grievance Committee meets each Tuesday and Friday at 7 p. m. in Local 544 office.
The Executive Board meets each Wednesday at 10 a. m. in the large hall on the first floor.
All regular meetings start at 8 p. m. unless otherwise indicated.